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Sorrell Road Park - Consultation Survey Results

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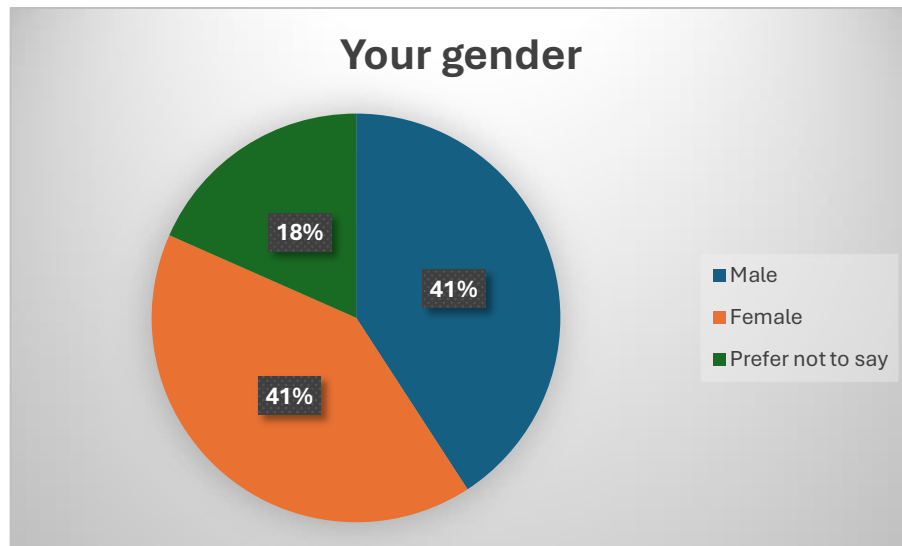
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Introduction

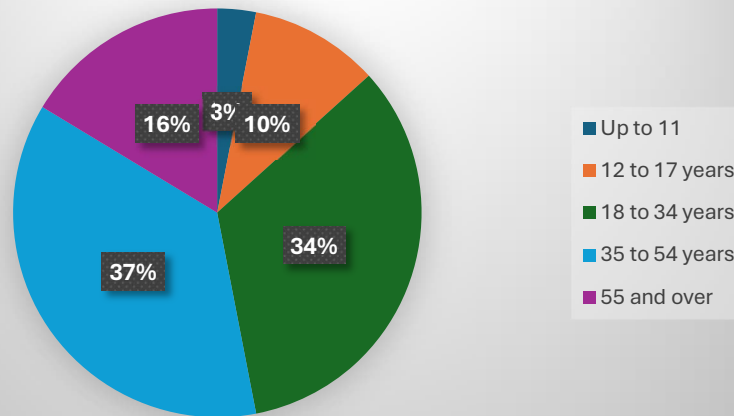
A consultation was undertaken with users of the Sorrell Road Park, Nuneaton, via an online survey, to find out the community's views on its current condition and what changes or new equipment they would like to see within the park. This report sets out the findings and results of the public consultation. Leaflets and posters with a QR code to the survey link were distributed within the area and in total 37 surveys were completed with an equal split of males and females (41%) and variety of ages.

Results of survey

Type of user



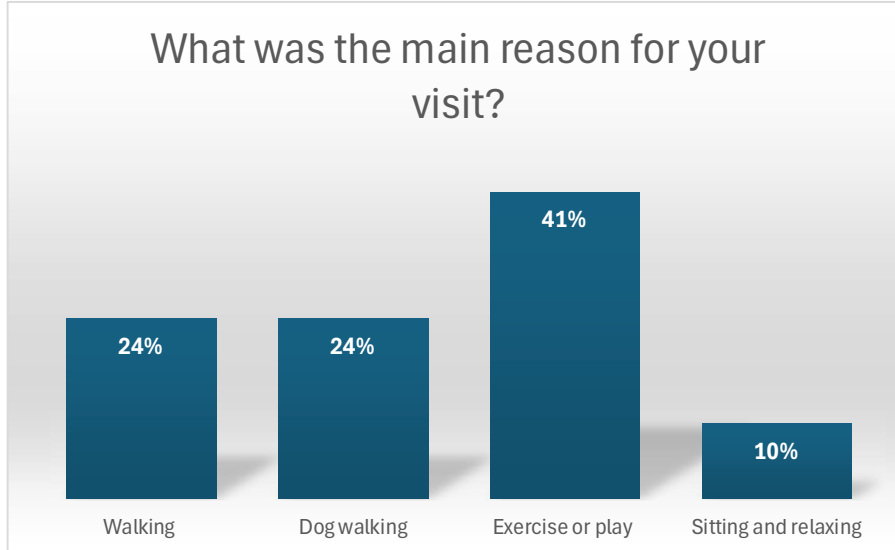
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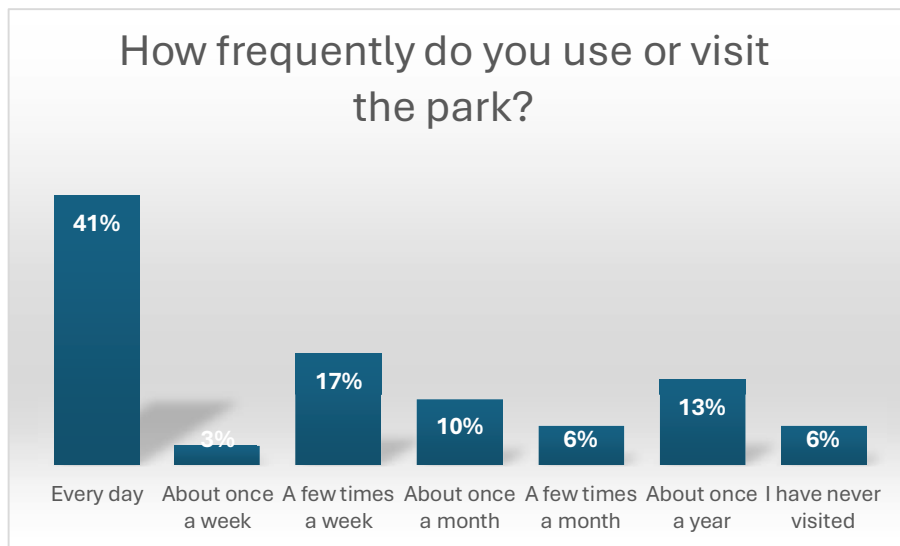
Main reason for visiting the park?

As can be seen below over half of those who completed the survey use the park daily (41%) or a few times a week (17%), with the majority of users indicating they mainly used the park for exercise or play (41%).

What was the main reason for your visit?

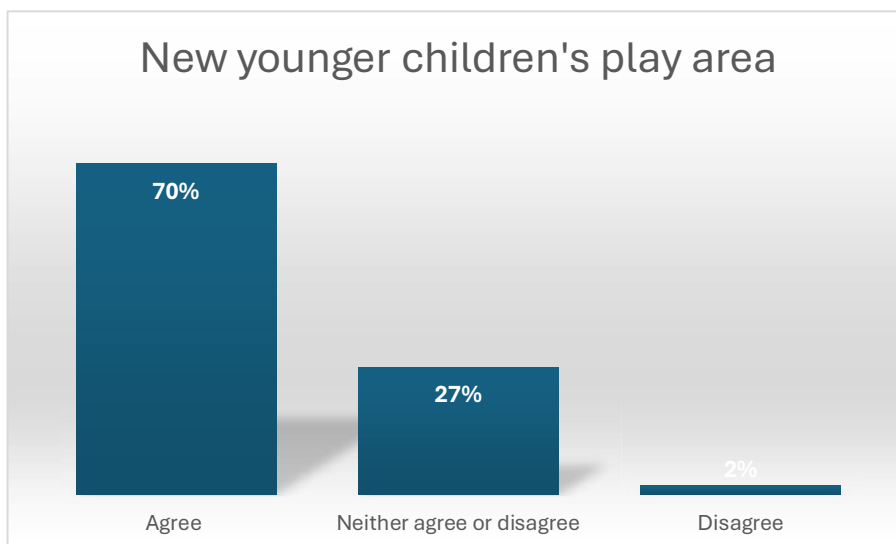


Frequency of visits to the park

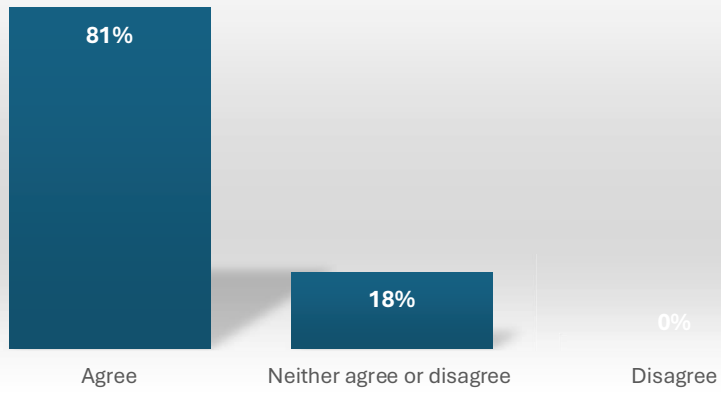


New Play/Fitness equipment

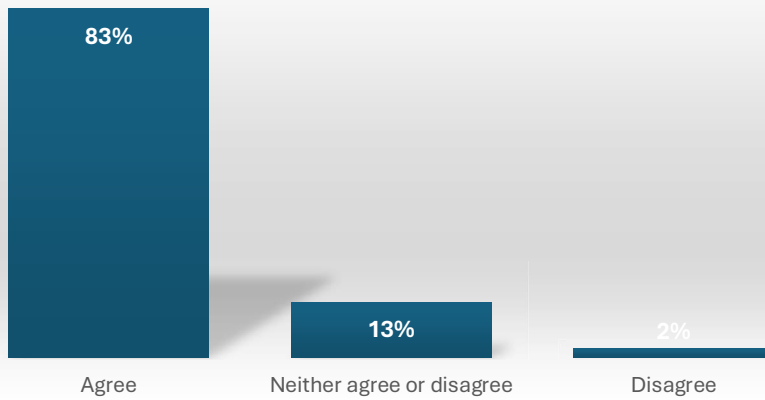
The consultation enquired as to what play equipment residents would like within the park. New younger (70%) and older children's (81%) play areas were important as well as the interest in outdoor fitness equipment (83%). Many highlighted it would be a good idea to have the multi-use games area line marked (75%).

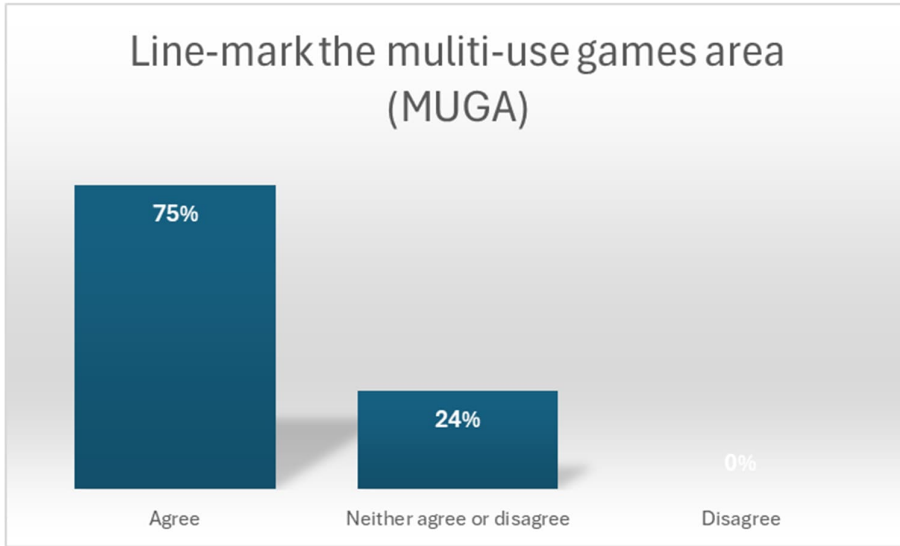


New equipment for older children



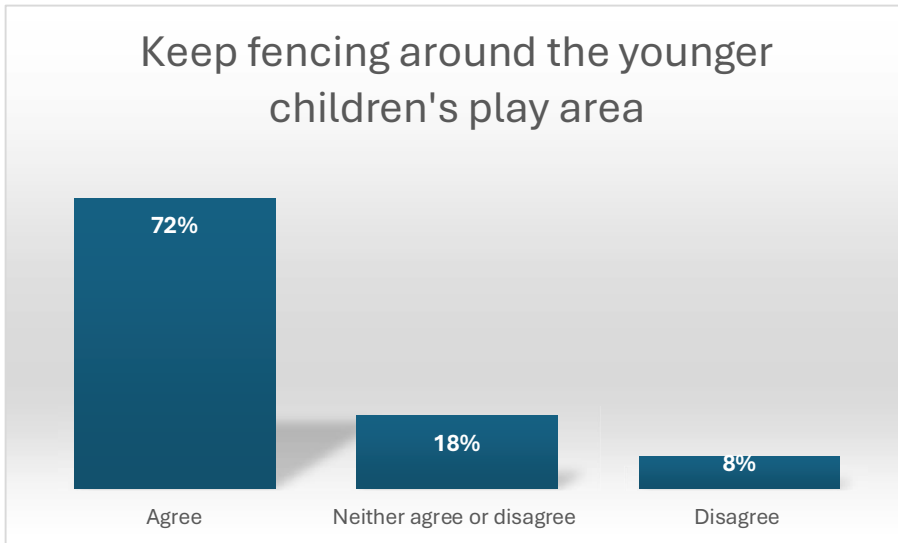
Outdoor fitness equipment





Safety

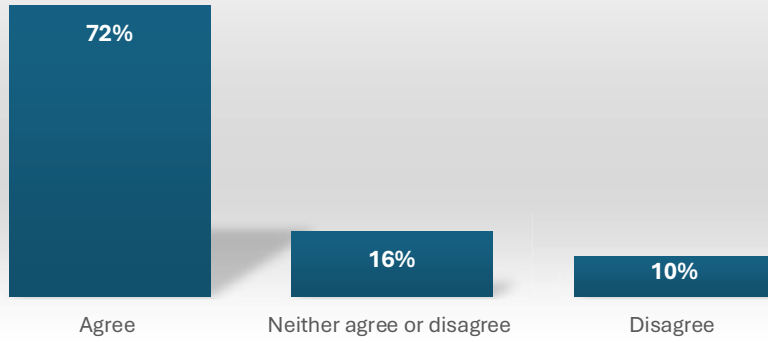
Safety was also shown to be an important factor for young children with many indicating fencing around the younger children's play area should be kept (72%).



Extra pathways

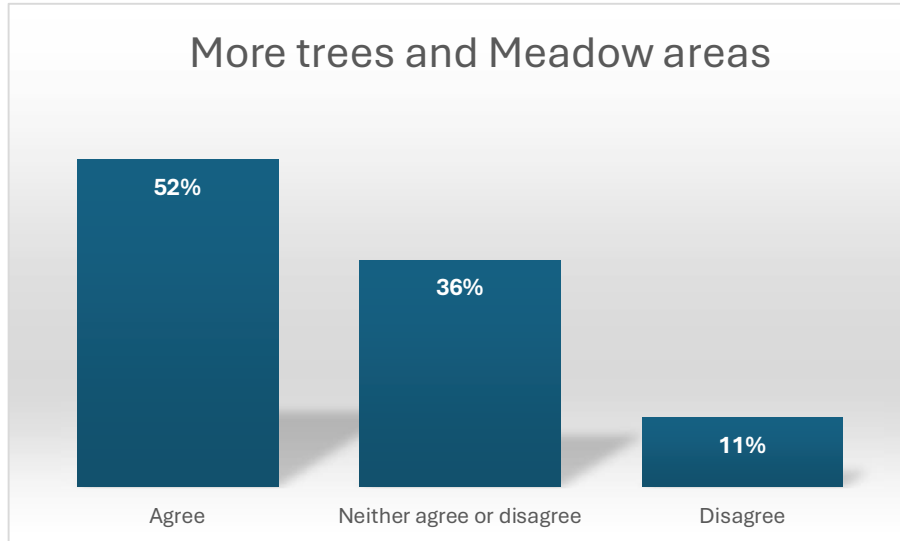
A majority of residents liked the idea of connecting the pathways with Griff Hollows (72%). This will be investigated and will be completed in the best way possible, dependant on budget.

Extra paths connect the park with Griff Hollows.



Trees & Meadows

There was a mixed reaction regarding the planting of more trees and meadow areas within the park, however, most residents (52%) who completed the survey indicated they would like the new additions.



Further comments

Other comments received by residents included:

- Measures to be put in place to stop motor bikes and cars driving on the recreation ground
- More bins for litter & dog waste
- Benches/seating to watch the children
- Paths wide enough for mobility scooters
- Making the park accessible for everyone, including disabled children –

Conclusion

After analysing the information completed via the consultation process, a good understanding was gained as to who uses Sorrell Road Park, the frequency of use and what residents would like within the park, with the following items of greatest importance to users:

- Investing resources to replace both the younger & older Children's play areas
- Fencing to be kept around the younger children's play area
- Install outdoor fitness equipment
- Plant trees and meadow areas – without stopping sightlines both into and out of the park
- Additional pathways to connect the park facilities and to the wider area including Griff Hollows

A new concept plan has been created using the survey results and can be found below:

The Council will now work with the Hill Top and Caldwell Big Local group (who are match-funding the project) on the new design with a view to completing redevelopment work by mid-2025.

Both Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council and the Hill Top and Caldwell Big Local group would like to thank residents for taking the time to visit the consultation event in July and for filling out the survey online. The results will help shape the park and transform it over the coming year.