

**Community Conversations Streetscene – Feedback**  
**Ward 10 – Annandale South**  
**21 March 2019**

Relevant Topic/Location	The Community Said	We are doing... or We can't do this because...
<b>Community Collaboration</b>	<p>Two residents from the community came forward to offer their support to the DG Clean initiative, they are keen to become litter picking champions for their community and consider taking on additional tasks such as weed killing and planting should the relevant training and equipment be provided.</p>	<p>We recognise that's groups and individuals wish to conduct weed spraying and this is a welcomed initiative however there are strict rules that govern the use of chemicals within local authorities and therefore full training must be provided and passed before this could be implemented. We have recently supported this initiative in Springfield and Gretna Green and would be happy to support others.</p>
	<p>Individuals within the community have identified a litter hot spot in Lowthertown in Eastriggs and would like to carry out a regular litter pick while out walking.</p>	<div data-bbox="1357 823 1615 986" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>Community Asset team will liaise with the members and make arrangements for a litter picking pack to be delivered to the resident's house.</p> <p>We will also provide information on the Saltire Awards that the two young people could work towards whilst undertaking this volunteer role.</p>
	<p>If a group within the community wanted to paint the railings at Dornock Cemetery would DGC be able to supply the paint and brushes?</p>	<div data-bbox="1420 1246 1514 1353" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>We would be happy to provide the community organisation with the paint and some brushes to carry out this task.</p>

	<p>A local company are keen to pilot a scheme and take over the grass cutting at the cemetery in Eaglefield, would it be possible for Dumfries and Galloway Council to supply or loan the equipment to facilitate this?</p>	<p>We would certainly welcome some collaborative approach to working with independent local companies, however we would have to investigate this further as loaning the equipment might be problematic and time consuming. Our Community Asset Manager will discuss this further with the relevant stakeholders.</p>
	<p>Dornock Old Cemetery wall appears to be falling and may be dangerous</p>	<p>Thank you for this information, we have passed this to the Area Supervisor and a full inspection of the wall will be carried out and we will report back via the Community Council.</p>
<p><b>Streetscene</b></p>	<p>Usually Dumfries and Galloway Council plant flowers and weed the three beds on the Green in Eastriggs, will this be continuing and do the Council have any additional plants that the community could use within this area?</p>	<p>The level of maintenance and planting that has been received in previous years will remain the same. Any additional assistance that the community can provide would be welcomed and enhance the existing maintenance. Our Council can supply a small number of shrubs to assist however the ongoing maintenance would have to be undertaken by community volunteers.</p>
<p><b>Playparks and Inclusive Play</b></p>	<p>Children asked to ensure that there were suitable swings for all ages and sizes within the new park</p>	<p>Children from a local primary school attended and had an interest in the potential new Inclusive Play Park that is potentially being built in Annan</p> <p>The Inclusive Play Park is being developed by the Annan Play Park Steering Groups and they have consulted with the community to get a draft design for the park. The intension is to consult with the local community which include children once the remainder of the funds are secured to allow opportunities for final feedback.</p>

		We will ensure that the APPS group consult with the local school children on the equipment that will be placed within the park.
	The school would like to assist with litter picking in the park as part of their community involvement would this be possible?	 <p>Annan Play Park Steering Group are planning on forming a Friends of the Park Group. As part of the group they will be looking for the local community to assist with various aspects including a regular litter pick.</p> <p>The group will be promoting and advertising the need to recruit local volunteers once the park has been built, Ward Work for Annandale South will ensure the school is contacted.</p>
	The basket swing in Eastriggs play park has been vandalised and as yet it has not been replaced	Unfortunately, this is the second time this piece of equipment has been vandalised however a new basket swing has been ordered for its replacement. The cost of replacing this piece of equipment is approx. £1500 and therefore should this happen again we will need to consider the future sustainability of this piece of equipment.
<b>Clean DG</b>	Litter is a big problem within our communities and this issue was mentioned by the majority people who attended the Community Conversation. Within many communities there are already established groups and individuals who are participating in regular litter picks and have joined the Keep Scotland Clean campaign.	

	<p>Can there be an audit of the litter bins and where there are situated within the towns and villages?</p>	<p>A mapping exercise will be carried out and a map will be produced of where the bins are situated.</p>
	<p>Can there be a litter pick of the C43 road between Chapelcross and Creca?</p>	<p>This area has been litter picked recently however our Community Asset Supervisor will arrange for this to be carried out again.</p>
	<p>Two primary schools within the ward have enquired about accessing the litter picking equipment so they can carry out a litter pick around their school.</p>	<p>We will arrange this with the schools direct and ensure the equipment is provided.</p>
	<p>A member of the community has applied to become a litter champion in the Brydekirk area and is keen to do more within the community.</p>	<div data-bbox="1361 863 1507 963" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>We have already delivered the litter picking equipment and a litter picking pack will follow. Information will also be shared with the individual on other groups within the area such as Annan Churches Together Group who carry out similar initiatives.</p>
	<p>The mechanical road sweeper comes up Morningside Road but never does the area within the dead end, could you please ask that this be cleaned as a lot of debris congregates there.</p>	<p>We will investigate this further and if there is no reason that the mechanical road sweeper cannot attend this area there will be a recommendation that this is completed in the future.</p>

<b>Parking Lot</b>	Dog Fouling in Howbart Terrace	This information has been passed to Community Safety Team.
	Hedges between Dornock and Eastriggs need to be cut back	This has been passed to Road Department, one side of the hedge is on private land and is the responsibility of the land owner.
	Car Parking at Newington Primary school is dangerous and an accident waiting to happen. We are aware that's there has been various meeting but we have not heard any feedback.	We have passed this onto our colleagues that deal with Road Safety issue.

**About the event**

Attendees - 15

Feedback

100% said they felt the Community Conversation gave them the opportunity to discuss the local issues that were important to them.

100% said they felt the Community Conversation was a good way of involving people in deciding how Streetscene services will be delivered in the future.