

APPENDIX 2

INTRODUCTION

This form is designed to assist in providing feedback on the draft Derwentside Play Strategy. Please provide your comments back to Angela Harrington at the Policy Unit, by 25th June 2007.

Definition of play

The Derwentside Play Partnership has, for the purposes of this strategy, defined play as:
'What children and young people in Derwentside do when they follow their own ideas and interests in their own way for their own reasons.'

To what extent do you agree with this definition (circle appropriate response)				
Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree or disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Please use the space below to add any additional comments				

Strategic framework

Please use the space below to add any additional strategies/policies that should be included

Play Audit and Geographical Mapping Exercise

Equipped play and current provision

Please use the space below to add any other provision that you are aware of

Consultation

Please use the space below to add any additional consultation that you are aware of

Vision for play

The strategic vision for play in Derwentside is to:

Develop a network of high quality, accessible, safe and creative play opportunities and facilities that contribute to making Derwentside a district people want to live in and be proud of
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To what extent do you agree with this vision (circle appropriate response)				
Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree or disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
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Principles

The underlying principles for this vision are:

- The management of risk.
- Providing greater access to supervised play.
- Good standards of design and maintenance.
- Greater use of natural space for play.
- Inclusion - play environments will be attractive, enjoyable, accessible and stimulating for all of Derwentside's children and young people regardless of their age, abilities, gender or background.
- Greater involvement of children and young people.

To what extent do you agree with these principles (circle appropriate response)				
Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree or disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
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Core theme 1: Supporting people and communities

Aim: To increase the capacity within Derwentside to provide safe play opportunities that are accessible and inclusive for all residents

Objectives are to:

- Promote equality of opportunity for all through play.
- Build the capacity and sustainability of voluntary play organisations.
- Increase recruitment, support and training of volunteers
- Develop opportunities for local community groups to support the development of supervised play sessions in parks.
- Identify and disseminate best practice in play across Derwentside.
- Ensure consistency across all agencies in the delivery of play within Derwentside.

To what extent do you agree with this aim (circle appropriate response)				
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To what extent do you agree with the identified objectives (circle appropriate response)				
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Core theme 2: Economy

Aim: To develop a highly skilled and trained play workforce in Derwentside

Objectives are to:

- ❑ Ensure a skilled and motivated workforce through a co-ordinated workforce development programme for all those delivering play in the district (regardless of sector).
- ❑ Provide play training and information for workers in other sectors working with children and young people, e.g., park workers, community wardens.

To what extent do you agree with this aim (circle appropriate response)				
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To what extent do you agree with the identified objectives (circle appropriate response)				
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Core theme 3: Lifelong learning

Aim: To utilise play to raise the self-esteem, aspirations and achievements of young people

Objectives are to:

- Increase awareness of all play opportunities in the district.
- Promote learning and development through play for all children.
- Work with all schools in Derwentside to ensure they have quality school playgrounds.
- Promote to all schools the importance and benefits of having skilled play staff and resources for break time to ensure inclusive and quality play experiences.
- Increase out of school hour use of all school buildings, grounds and other community property for play opportunities.
- Promote the importance of quality play environments/experiences in all settings where children and young people receive services, with priority to vulnerable children and young people.

To what extent do you agree with this aim (circle appropriate response)				
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To what extent do you agree with the identified objectives (circle appropriate response)				
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Core theme 4: The built and natural environment

Aim: To ensure that play provision contributes to making Derwentside an attractive place to live

Objectives are to:

- Maintain and enhance the quality of play opportunities in Derwentside to meet agreed standards.
- Seek innovation in play through good design, natural play and work with partners
- Increase opportunities for natural play.
- Encourage transport policy to incorporate reduced speed measures around parks and play areas

To what extent do you agree with this aim (circle appropriate response)				
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To what extent do you agree with the identified objectives (circle appropriate response)				
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Core theme 5: Health

Aim: To promote the use of play in work to improve the health of children and young people in

Objectives are to:

- Increase the number of play opportunities to ensure that all children and young people in Derwentside have access to appropriate provision.
- Promote the benefits of leading a physically active life from a young age through play.
- Encourage parents to ensure children take part in regular active play, e.g., by developing schemes to equip parents with the appropriate skills to help their children play.
- Promote play as a way of reducing and preventing childhood obesity.

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To what extent do you agree with the identified objectives (circle appropriate response)				
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Core theme 6: Community safety

Aim: To support the development of safe communities by developing a network of safe, high quality accessible play opportunities and facilities

Objectives are to:

- Engage with and strengthen local communities through play.
- Develop a play ranger project that increases opportunity to access play in the district and provides appropriate supervision.
- Enhance and expand the provision of mobile play to increase its accessibility across Derwentside.
- Ensure that children and young people are actively involved in the identification of locations for play opportunities in Derwentside and their design and development.

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To what extent do you agree with the identified objectives (circle appropriate response)				
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MONITORING

- A series of performance indicators for play have been identified to monitor the overall success of the Play Strategy:

KPI 1: The percentage of children and young people aged 0-19 who 'play out' for at least four hours each week.
KPI 2: The percentage of children and young people aged 0-19 that live within agreed catchment of play provision (as determined by PPG17 standards).
KPI 3: The proportion of facilities and spaces meeting the agreed quality criteria.
KPI 4: The percentage of children and young people who think that the range and quality of play opportunities and facilities they are able to access in their local neighbourhood is good/very good.

To what extent do you agree with the identified performance indicators (circle appropriate response)				
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Please use the space below to add any further comments you may have on the draft play strategy for Derwentside

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