






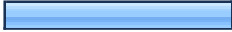
1. Do you think this is the correct amount of time for each venue?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		63.4%	380
No		36.6%	219
	If not, why not?		224
	answered question		599
	skipped question		10



2. Do you think this is the right approach?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		76.7%	429
No		23.3%	130
	Are there any alterations or improvements you would like to recommend?		185
	answered question		559
	skipped question		50

3. Do you think these are set at the correct levels?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		63.7%	332
No		36.3%	189
	If not, why not?		204
answered question			521
skipped question			88



4. Are these considerations still relevant?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		91.2%	445
No		8.8%	43
	Do you have any comments?		132
answered question			488
skipped question			121

5. Do you think there is anything that should be added to these requirements?

	Response Count
	182
answered question	182
skipped question	427



6. Do you think the number of private events should be limited?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		81.1%	391
No		18.9%	91
answered question			482
skipped question			127

7. Could you recommend improvements to this principle?

	Response Count
	201
answered question	201
skipped question	408



8. Do you think this is the correct approach?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		95.8%	451
No		4.2%	20
answered question			471
skipped question			138

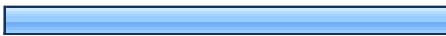
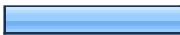
9. Are there any further measures that should be considered to limit damage to the ground?

	Response Count
	179
answered question	179
skipped question	430

10. Do you think this is the correct approach?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		92.3%	420
No		7.7%	35
	If not, why not?		72
	answered question		455
	skipped question		154

11. Do you think that this process is the right approach?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		72.0%	322
No		28.0%	125
	answered question		447
	skipped question		162



12. How do you think this could be improved?

	Response Count
	223
answered question	223
skipped question	386

13. We would like to add additional sites to the portfolio whilst bearing in mind event organisers need for central, accessible locations. Are there any additional sites that you feel would be appropriate?

	Response Count
	220
answered question	220
skipped question	389

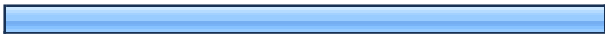
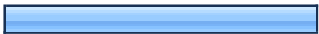


14. If the City of Edinburgh Council could provide a greenspace robust enough to withstand events being sited on it but that would also be accessible for all other recreational uses would you be in favour of this?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		84.1%	371
No		15.9%	70
	answered question		441
	skipped question		168










15. Where would you suggest that it be created?

	Response Count
	237
answered question	237
skipped question	372







16. If you are willing for us to contact you about your responses please provide your details here.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Name:		97.0%	197
Community Group/Company:		50.2%	102
City/Town:		90.1%	183
Email Address:		97.5%	198
answered question			203
skipped question			406

17. Which groups are you a member of. (please tick all that apply)

		Response Percent	Response Count
Community Council		9.6%	38
A "Friends of Parks Group"		14.6%	58
General park user		64.2%	255
Event organiser		18.4%	73
Event attendee		34.8%	138
Local resident		69.0%	274
Local business		6.3%	25
Local Community group		13.4%	53
Sports club		6.3%	25
answered question			397
skipped question			212

18. How did you first find out about the survey?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Poster		0.3%	1
Email		50.8%	198
Council website		29.5%	115
Plasma screen in Council office/library		0.0%	0
Newspaper/Radio		1.5%	6
Social media		10.8%	42
Word of mouth		7.2%	28
	Other (please specify)		51
answered question			390
skipped question			219

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1	the meadows is a fragile environment and 4 weeks is already too many - serious damage is done to tree roots by heavy vehicles and hasty digging of paths. Furthermore, large areas of the park are not available to the locals.	Mar 23, 2014 12:47 PM
2	I see no reason why Meadows & Bruntsfield links should have a maximum of 4 weeks (28 days) whilst other parks have 15 days maximum. The Meadows, being a drained Loch with a high water table easily becomes waterlogged & flooded. As has happened several times in the last 5 years. This makes it unusable for the normal sports after the Event(s) have finished. It has also proved difficult for some Events which have had to be cancelled e.g. Scottish food fair. I think the maximum time should be 2 weeks, with 1 week for heavy events e.g. large marquees. Princes St Gardens is in a league of its own with complete re-instatement of the grass after the Winter festival	Mar 21, 2014 4:59 PM
3	Inverleith Park Friends think 10 days is more than enough for Inverleith Park. Parks are meant for local people to use and enjoy - events often deny access to a large area. This is mostly at times of year when the park is most used. 15 days is certainly too much. The grass takes time to recover so the area may not be useable for far longer than 15 days.	Mar 21, 2014 4:23 PM
4	I do not believe that the Meadows should be treated differently from other parks in Edinburgh, where events longer than 15 days are not permitted on grass.	Mar 21, 2014 12:17 PM
5	In these economic hard times the council can generate much needed income from events held in parks and self-imposed restrictions on the amount of days events can be held in any given open space could mean loss of earning by the council. Events and their impact on grassed areas can be viewed on an individual basis and given the go ahead or not, however by imposing certain numbers of event days restricts event opportunities	Mar 21, 2014 11:54 AM
6	Formal Planning Consent is not required for temporary events. Permission should be sought if the event includes market trading or extends over a period of 28 days. Edinburgh Parks and Gardens feature in the Corporate Open Space Strategy 2010, highlighting the parks hierarchy: Premier Parks, City Parks, Natural Heritage Parks, Community Parks and Gardens. Planning would support an events strategy that would reinforce this hierarchy. International events (like the festival) should only be considered in Premier Parks, while community events should have priority in City/Community Parks and Natural Heritage Parks. Commercial events should be avoided in local areas.	Mar 20, 2014 12:12 PM
7	There is no reason for the Meadows to be any different from the other premier parks, where events longer than 15 days are not allowed on grass. The east Meadows site is particularly difficult to drain. (Princes St Gardens is a special case, where the whole site is completely reinstated after the Winter Festival, lasting 8 weeks.) Hard standing sites are the only ones suitable for events lasting longer than 15 days.	Mar 20, 2014 11:16 AM
8	Table is not laid out well: is the insinuation for the Meadows events on hardstanding can be there a max of 4 weeks? Because at the moment events on grassed areas are there this amount of time some times during the year.	Mar 19, 2014 7:47 PM
9	The length of time for meadows and bruntsfield links is too long. It should be in line with the 15 day maximum.	Mar 19, 2014 1:46 PM

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10	Four weeks is too long for Meadows.	Mar 18, 2014 11:22 PM
11	The Meadows suffers lot of damage and it seems odd it has four week allowance as oppose to fifteen days for other soft surfaces.	Mar 18, 2014 10:51 PM
12	Grass cannot stand 4 weeks of heavy footfall plus vehicles. The evidence of severe damage is clearly evident on the Meadows and Princes St Gardens after events.All events of more than one day should be on hard surfaces.	Mar 18, 2014 7:37 PM
13	We do not think the Meadows should be treated differently from other parks, where events longer than 15 days are not allowed on grass.	Mar 18, 2014 6:51 PM
14	The Meadows is there so that people can enjoy the grass and trees. Events involving fencing off parts of the Meadows, charging for admission, and large tents, lorries, caravans and cars, have no place there.	Mar 18, 2014 6:23 PM
15	Four weeks may be too long for the Meadows. The actual time-out-of-use of individual patches currently used for events is often well in excess of this, as the ground is frequently churned up by vehicles and repeated footfall, taking a significant amount of time in excess of that permitted for the event itself to recover enough to enable normal use by local people to resume.	Mar 18, 2014 5:44 PM
16	Four weeks is much too long for any event on The Meadows. CEC's decision in 2009 took no account of public opinion, which favoured a maximum of 2 weeks, and is accordingly to be deplored. Including "as agreed by CEC...etc" in the above box is presumably designed to make respondents think this is set in tablets of stone - which it must not be. Why should be maximum period on The Meadows be longer than for other parks, especially when The Meadows is in effect a filled-in loch ?	Mar 18, 2014 5:29 PM
17	Both Leith Links and Pilrig Park have problems if there are long periods of rain and take a long period to recover - I think that each event should be approved taking account of weather conditions	Mar 17, 2014 8:22 PM
18	As regards the Meadows, there should be a maximum amount of time given to commercial events within a year, not a maximum per event. The number of commercial events has increased leading to damage to the site.	Mar 17, 2014 3:01 PM
19	I have insufficient information here to work out whether the current entries in the table are reasonable or not.	Mar 17, 2014 1:41 PM
20	could be longer	Mar 17, 2014 11:25 AM
21	The condition of the ground can be affected by the weather. Saturated ground will suffer more damage from heavy pedestrian and vehicular traffic in a shorter space of time than ground that is dry thus the setting of fifteen days or four weeks may not be appropriate.	Mar 16, 2014 3:26 PM
22	The Meadows should be brought in line with the other parks and restricted to 15 days max, or preferably less than that. Long events damage the site, restoration takes a long time, and part of the perk is unavailable to ordinary users such as informal football games, keep fit, etc. for a long time.	Mar 13, 2014 7:44 PM
23	Jkn	Mar 13, 2014 4:38 PM
24	Time is not the only parameter to be taken into account. The specific site I am concerned with is the Meadows where the annual carnival sets up in the same location every year. This is a considerable burden on the nearby	Mar 13, 2014 11:36 AM

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	<p>residents, however long the events last. The venue should be rotated away from the same site to give residents, and the grass, time to recover, spread the burden thinner over more people and minimise the disruption. At the Meadows we also have the apparently annual Ladyboys show. This is incredibly noisy to the extent that for the period of the festival local residents are bombarded with noise from this site. There is no escape in your home from the noise. While this could be accepted once every 4-5 years 'for the greater good', forcing people to endure it every year is almost against their human rights! Time'on site' alone is not the issue. The defect on the local population has to be taken into account with the location and the duration.</p>	
25	<p>Why is length of time in Meadows twice as long as anywhere else? Usage by circuses etc during August restrict area which is available for other users and has done considerable damage to grass, often taking months to repair.</p>	Mar 11, 2014 5:54 PM
26	<p>Means a total restriction on events which would have an economic impact on the area</p>	Mar 11, 2014 5:20 PM
27	<p>eg - meadows where festival events are sited on grass for 3weeks plus - causing substantial damage</p>	Mar 11, 2014 3:18 PM
28	<p>It is too restrictive for international events coming to Edinburgh and will impact on the surrounding areas' economic health</p>	Mar 11, 2014 2:26 PM
29	<p>some areas such as Princess Street Gardens, Leith Link & the Meadow could have the duration extended depending on the type of event and if the event will have a positive effect on the surrounding areas and businesses.</p>	Mar 11, 2014 2:24 PM
30	<p>Public spaces should be used for events and not restricted</p>	Mar 11, 2014 1:38 PM
31	<p>4 weeks is rather too long</p>	Mar 10, 2014 6:56 PM
32	<p>Princes street gardens west has a unique restriction which is the 11 tonne weight limit on the usual access bridge. This can add to the time it takes to deliver and/or removal of infrastructure to the gardens. I would suggest that the 5 day limit for events that use infrastructure be extended to 10 days, assuming that the 5 day limit relates to the total time allowed for arrival on an empty site to return to an empty site.</p>	Mar 8, 2014 10:51 AM
33	<p>parks shall be mostly free for pepole to use, its not inviting to have an event for weeks, plus the damage they do to the venue</p>	Mar 7, 2014 2:45 PM
34	<p>Princes Street Gardens - ensure there is adequate allowance for Hogmanay Event and Festival Fireworks as well as spare capacity for some one off events which require infrastructure and the lawns.</p>	Mar 7, 2014 10:09 AM
35	<p>Hard to assess this for each park as I am not familiar with them all. I think 4 weeks is probably the right maximum for The Meadows but events do cause a lot of damage to the grass. I disagree with the Winter Festival being staged in the city, I would like to see better use of Princes St Gardens.</p>	Mar 7, 2014 7:58 AM
36	<p>There does not seem to be any good reason why The Meadows should not have a fifteen day maximum in line with the other parks. For example, the Ladyboy stay with residential caravans causes a huge amount of damage and it is difficult for the ground to recover. If there is a strong argument for them having a lengthy sojourn. they should be asked to pay for returfing.</p>	Mar 5, 2014 3:05 PM
37	<p>On Grass needs to recover especially Meadows.</p>	Mar 5, 2014 12:41 PM

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38	City should maximise potential lets	Mar 5, 2014 11:41 AM
39	I think the Meadows and Bruntsfield Links should be the same as Leith Links. These parks are very very popular and much of the space is out of action for the Festival which is disappointing.	Mar 5, 2014 9:46 AM
40	It seems odd indeed to see the Meadows having twice the time allocated given that it has such a high water table and is prone to flooding which means that there is a huge amount of mud and mess as the norm.. This clearly has a deleterious effect on the grass [so much of the surface is in poor condition due to overuse] and there is precious little attempt in the way of remediation. As someone who lives beside the Meadows and who thinks it is a precious resource it should be better maintained and not be subject to long lets which damage the grass and which damage is rarely put right.	Mar 4, 2014 8:25 PM
41	I think that the limit needs to be more event type specific as for some events maybe more would be viable but for other types (that use up large grassy areas of the park for example) it should be shortened.	Mar 4, 2014 1:46 PM
42	You can't just allocate days in a blanket format. Each event has to be assessed on its demands	Mar 4, 2014 1:17 PM
43	The duration given to events could be longer than the 15 days maximum. For economically important events that wish to increase duration perhaps there could be a small grass restoration levy imposed?	Mar 4, 2014 11:21 AM
44	The damage to the Meadows due to the Ladyboys every year is excessive. The Meadows should be used for more smaller events and not one big commercial event.	Mar 4, 2014 10:54 AM
45	Damage caused to these public areas by hoardes of great unwashed tourists, at no benefit to the council tax payer takes months to be repaired. Princes Street Gardens in particular is still a mess.	Mar 3, 2014 4:14 PM
46	15-day maximum should apply on Meadows and Bruntsfield Links	Mar 3, 2014 4:10 PM
47	Surely Inverleith Park, Leith Links, Pilrig Park and Lauriston Castle and Roseburn Park could be used more than 15 days a year. The Meadows too but considering they have long running events e.g the ladyboys of Bangkok it should maybe be spaced out over the year e.g four weeks 3 times a year and on different parts of the park. Princes st gardens seems to be used well.	Mar 3, 2014 3:52 PM
48	The time should be increased if it increases the happiness of local residents.	Mar 3, 2014 1:04 PM
49	People should be encouraged to be outdoors, seeing the City and utilising the space for social and fitness activities	Feb 28, 2014 2:14 PM
50	The Meadows suffers severe damage after events such as the festival, and various funfairs. This suggests there are too many evetns for too long	Feb 28, 2014 1:03 PM
51	I live by the Meadows and every year i do not understand why there is so little forward planning for the ground management especially from the Lady Boys. i do not understand why you do not use innovative ideas to manage and maintain the grass in its glory. Imagine the meadows not being a bog or seeded mess or dead or okn just before the ara is used again. for once perhaps the council could think ahead and investa little moneu for long term use. the eadows is a very special area in edinburgh and the grass MUST be looked after. forget banning bbqs and work on the maintaining the area	Feb 28, 2014 10:27 AM

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	beyond thinking of how much revenue you can gather from the events. This park is a year round gem.	
52	The Meadows and Bruntsfield Links are not less vulnerable than other parks to damage from longer events. There is no good reason to believe that Edinburgh Council were right to choose a four weeks limit. They do not claim that this decision was evidence based. Longer events require more vehicle movement over the grass. It is common to see heavy vehicles so close to vulnerable trees that root damage will have occurred. Inevitably longer events are more damaging to the tree stock. Long events erode the amenity value of the Meadows and Bruntsfield Links by more than the physical damage they do. The noise they create is often unacceptable and the large crowds they attract can continue to be a nuisance late into the night both in the park and in local streets. As a resident in Lochrin Place I sometimes feel trapped in my small top-floor tenement flat if the Meadows is attracting a noisy excited and perhaps even inebriated crowd. I believe it is the duty of local residents, park users and the City Council to be stewards of the Meadows and Bruntsfield Links so that it can be handed to later generations with preserved, or even better, enhanced amenity value. Long events erode amenity. They do not enhance it.	Feb 27, 2014 7:26 PM
53	Need to be substantially longer - to create as much access as possible	Feb 27, 2014 5:03 PM
54	These events bar the public from some areas / parks whilst events are set up & whilst the events take place. Parks should be quiet places that respect plants / grass / trees, not money making venues that destroy greenery & add noise / pollution	Feb 27, 2014 4:27 PM
55	Why is it 15 days for all grassed areas other than the Meadows where it is 4 weeks? It does not have nor should have a dedicated event space. I live close to the meadows and love how it is used by residents and visitors to Edinburgh, it is a great space for sports and games other than during the festival when circuses take over our green space.	Feb 27, 2014 2:40 PM
56	Four weeks is too long for the Meadows - it has grass which suffers from prolonged usage and also the area has poor drainage.	Feb 27, 2014 2:20 PM
57	The more events that can happen in the city, the better for families and children, usually the events are free, so everyone can get involved in their community events.	Feb 27, 2014 10:34 AM
58	Should be same 15 day maximum for Meadows and Bruntsfield Links. Require venue operators to move tents whatever to an adjacent location on Meadows if it is deemed essential to them to keep the venue as The Meadows	Feb 27, 2014 12:11 AM
59	Carnivals and fairs ruin the parks for regular use - 15 days is far too long, 5 days is a more suitable period. Princes street garden is an exception as it is not really a neighbourhood park but a city centre attraction.	Feb 26, 2014 10:05 PM
60	The Meadows is a semi drained loch and floods frequently as everyone knows. It cannot cope with long large events. The grounds is becoming compacted which makes drainage even worse. Although some reinstatement is done the ground is lumpy and avoided by those playing sports as uncomfortable, unsuitable or even dangerous. This causes more pressure on the rest of the Meadows.	Feb 26, 2014 8:54 PM
61	The Meadows & Bruntsfield Links should be brought into line with the other	Feb 26, 2014 9:00 AM

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	Parks (grassed areas)...namely 15 days.	
62	Not a very important question - Princes Street Gardens is the only one of the above area really affected by events, and the key problem here is the impact of the winter festival which has a damaging effect for many weeks afterwards..	Feb 21, 2014 5:18 PM
63	I think I the main this is a reasonable time taking into account the balance between using a park area for an event and having it available to local residents. However some events including the build time, de rig and event may need longer and they should not be discounted as can be beneficial financially for the council as well as for the profile of Edinburgh. Perhaps in these cases they could apply for a special licence and a decision made case by case should not may need longer maklo	Feb 18, 2014 9:37 PM
64	Too much time for the meadows	Feb 18, 2014 9:33 PM
65	15 days of occupation in bad weather could have a serious derimental impact on the parks causing inconvenience to eg other park users such as sports teams	Feb 18, 2014 1:34 PM
66	Is there a mechanism to allow for flexibility where beneficial to all parties? Locale; park; residents etc.	Feb 18, 2014 7:48 AM
67	The inevitability of significant rain on the meadows in a four week period increases risk of damage. this damage then affects other users of this recreational space	Feb 15, 2014 3:10 PM
68	Increase permitted duration of events in parks as this benefits the local community as well as tourism.	Feb 15, 2014 2:50 PM
69	Please note - Calton Hill should be reserved for Edinburgh's Hogmanay 27 December - 3 January (events 30 & 31 December)	Feb 14, 2014 4:03 PM
70	Could have more events days in leith links, as bring visitors and commercial benefits to this area from people who might otherwise remain in city only or southside	Feb 14, 2014 3:28 PM
71	parks should be used more for organised events	Feb 14, 2014 3:08 PM
72	I can understand The Meadows needing 4 weeks being due to the Festival, but Bruntsfield Links? No-way that should be allowed 4 weeks. Maybe it's just cause you manage them as one I guess.	Feb 14, 2014 8:51 AM
73	Too long for the Meadows which are in a very poor state in many places.	Feb 13, 2014 6:09 PM
74	Use of public parks for events should be as flexible as possible with applications being considered on an individual basis.	Feb 12, 2014 10:10 AM
75	Verging on generous	Feb 12, 2014 9:08 AM
76	the Meadows become a crazy/scary place during the period of the Lady Boys performances. The noise, drunkenness and litter are unbearable for local people who chose to live here in order to have a nice quiet space in which to relax. Please Edinburgh council have some consideration for your residents who after all pay taxes.	Feb 11, 2014 8:06 PM
77	Pilrig Park and Leith Links could be used much more often and Inverleith	Feb 11, 2014 1:38 PM

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	Park. I feel Lauriston Castle is very underused.	
78	The Winter Festival is now far too crowded, so it isn't just a matter of restricting the time, but also restricting the amount of physical material and human footfall. What about St Andrew's Square, too? In Winter, it is too much to have things (very very crowded at that) around and in the square as well as Princes St Gardens East.	Feb 11, 2014 1:26 PM
79	I would like to see the Meadows limit reduced to 15 days. I prefer to see that space used for casual, local enjoyment.	Feb 10, 2014 8:50 PM
80	It shouldn't be as long as four weeks for the Meadows. I live near there and it feels like Morpeth an four weeks, by the time we have the Lady Boys for three consecutive weeks every summer, a funfair lasting at least a week, the Meadows festival, charity sponsored walks and more .	Feb 10, 2014 8:35 PM
81	I think this is probably right for true 'Events' - but would be interesting to know how you would classify art works (e.g. sculpture/installation). These projects tend to take up much smaller footprint, and would benefit from an extension in the current limits proposed, esp in case of Princes Street Gardens (e.g. 4 weeks). I would want reassurance that you were not proposing a week for audiences to enjoy a temporary sculpture in the gardens during the festival for example.	Feb 10, 2014 4:07 PM
82	I know we want to minimise impact on the park environment but events bring people into parks. I would like to see the 15 day limit raised to 21 days	Feb 10, 2014 10:45 AM
83	The periods for which you are handing over exclusive use to entrepreneurs, fun fair operators etc. are far too long.	Feb 9, 2014 1:43 PM
84	Use of parks should be maximised for events.	Feb 9, 2014 1:32 PM
85	Fifteen days is too long for the grassed areas of the parks unless special measures such as walkways are put in place to limit damage to the grass.	Feb 7, 2014 8:38 AM
86	The length of time that some events are allowed in the Meadows a) makes large parts of the Meadows inaccessible for several weeks in the summer and b) damages the grass and the access areas.	Feb 6, 2014 9:27 PM
87	Why does Edinburgh's biggest outdoor space - Leith Links - not allowed more than 15 days max?	Feb 6, 2014 1:28 PM
88	The Meadows has been left a total bog too many times. A fortnight should be the limit.	Feb 6, 2014 1:12 PM
89	The hard stand area limits are fine, as are those for Princes Street Gardens. I'd bring the others down to four days maximum, i.e. setup and takedown for a weekend. These are our spaces, and massive things like that Taste in the Meadows cut us out.	Feb 6, 2014 1:09 PM
90	I think you need to judge it year by year, depends on weather.	Feb 6, 2014 1:04 PM
91	four weeks is too long for the Meadows. 15 days maximum	Feb 6, 2014 12:12 PM
92	i can only speak about an area that i know of which is Inverleith Park as it has sustained serious damage of its drainage due to the events and the pitches are not currently able to be used.	Feb 5, 2014 4:21 PM

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93	Yes, but. I think it would be good to make sure that events on the Meadows are rotated around the Meadows rather than always using the same spot. The bit of ground used by the Ladyboys never really recovers fully. Also could you consider using Inverleith or Leith Links more - Meadows always seems to take a big hit	Feb 5, 2014 4:05 PM
94	Many groups and people such as mothers with young children and young people use the Meadows and a maximum of 4 weeks occupancy is too much just to bring in revenue to the council .	Feb 5, 2014 2:32 PM
95	The mess that is left in East Princes St Gardens after the really grotty Christmas "village" is awful. For weeks, a large part has to wait to be returned and replanted - what income does the Council make from this annual event?. Does it pay for all the clearing up? From the point of view of tourism, the unsightly aftermath must make it uneconomic. And the time taken by the Parks Department must cost a lot too - apart from being so soul destroying when the Parks Department has to cope with so much work in the normal course of events.	Feb 5, 2014 12:19 AM
96	Given the size of some of these parks there is scope for more events throughout the year.	Feb 4, 2014 2:25 PM
97	The Meadows should have a maximum of 7 days on the grassed areas as is set for Calton Hill. Hard standing areas could be used for longer - closing off one of the paths. Events that last for 4 weeks make the grassed area unusable for the next 6-8 months. This takes away a football pitch and a cricket pitch from use by local residents and teams. With so little space in central Edinburgh available for formal and informal outdoor sports Health Scotland's targets of reducing obesity will be so much harder to achieve.	Feb 4, 2014 10:34 AM
98	this is too much for the meadows; time another park took the strain of the big fringe marquees for a few years	Feb 4, 2014 8:15 AM
99	It may or may not be. This is the wrong question though. A better question would be: should the event company be charged an extra rate per day to replace turf etc?	Feb 3, 2014 11:03 PM
100	It would be great if the Meadows only had 4 weeks of events. Does this count having the Lady boys around AND the fun fair?	Feb 3, 2014 8:48 PM
101	not sure if this is the right question - it is the impact on the park and noise et that need to be taken into accoubt. Feel for such a sensitive setting as the Meadows 3 weeks wd be better. Do these figurs take into account the setting up and dismantling time?	Feb 3, 2014 8:13 PM
102	It is not clear what is intended. For example in Inverleith Park is there no limit to how long grassed areas can be occupied. If not why not. Surely there should be a maximum occupation on grassed areas for all parks.	Feb 3, 2014 7:45 PM
103	In general I would agree with the above, but I would suggest that each event should be judged separately and it should depend on if there are any heavy structures being used which could destroy the grass, and if so, the number of days should be reduced and/or the event organisers should be liable for replacing the grass if it is badly damaged.	Feb 3, 2014 7:24 PM
104	Some theatrical events can only have a limited run of 15 days if they are restricted to these limits.	Feb 3, 2014 1:30 PM

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105	Princes Street Gardens East takes far too long to recover from 'winter festival' activities and ruins it for the rest of the year. The time should be much shorter. (Also, why no mention of St Andrew's Square?)	Feb 3, 2014 1:28 PM
106	I think 4 weeks of events on the Meadows is probably too much. The whole area is grassed and the mess it leaves is significant	Feb 3, 2014 12:47 PM
107	You should not allow the huge camp related to the ladyboys and circus to set up in the meadows. It ruins the grass especially in wet summers and no other artists are allowed to live in the city parks or park their vehicles there for 3 weeks.	Feb 3, 2014 10:00 AM
108	Seems rather too much for The Meadows, compared to other parks.	Feb 3, 2014 9:17 AM
109	Princess Street Gardens and St Andrew's Square have been left disfigured – a muddy mess – until well into the Spring after the 'Winter festival'. When my friends and family visit Edinburgh they come for the beautiful parks and environment. What has met them in recent years has more closely resembled first day of the battle of the Somme. Enough is Enough –Edinburgh is not Blackpool. This has now spread to St Andrews Square which also resembles a churned up mess.	Feb 3, 2014 9:06 AM
110	Damage to parks and restrictions on their use are severely compromising their role in the city.	Feb 3, 2014 8:14 AM
111	Too much use and not enough put back after these events finish, the parks are now tired and worn despite the sterling efforts of the Parks staff. Just look at East Princes used for winter festival but out of action for three months!	Feb 3, 2014 8:09 AM
112	Far too long a period in the meadows. Which does not take into account the 2 weeks either side of the event plus land recovery time. So the public space can be out of action for good chunk of the summer. Mid July to sept start	Feb 2, 2014 11:05 PM
113	It seems to be an unfair and disproportionate burden upon the Meadows & Bruntsfield Links compared to other parks.	Feb 2, 2014 10:18 PM
114	The EPSG winter festival is too long and ruins the gardens as well as instigating a lot of crime and disorder. It should be shorter and more resources aimed at reducing the effects it has on the younger community (particularly alcohol).	Feb 2, 2014 8:33 PM
115	Can only speak for the Meadows. It is unclear to me why events like the fun fair or the Lady Boys of Bangkok need to be done in a grassed area. They only do damage to the setting and seem to have to do a lot of precautions to deal with the vulnerable grounds. Such events could take place on any parking lot or something like the East Fortune Sunday Market. My impression is, that there are events for much longer than 4 weeks. It is the festival plus plenty of others.	Feb 2, 2014 7:51 PM
116	The Public Parks listed, particularly The Meadows which is a stand alone Park totally separate from Bruntsfield Links, are all grassed areas therefore "Maximum of 7 days only"!!	Feb 2, 2014 4:53 PM
117	Grassy areas in the Meadows and B'field links are constantly in disrepair. Shorter events - or less disruptive ones - would be preferable. I commute via MMW most days and the state of the grassy areas is really unattractive. It is	Feb 2, 2014 2:29 PM

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also disruptive to have vehicles using these heavily used pedestrian paths as sites are set up, maintained, taken down, and then attempts are made to regrow the grass. BBQs - which a fuss is made about - are a minor issue in comparison.

118	Events being held on hard standing obviously cause less damage than on grassed areas and the time periods for hard standing could be increased.	Feb 1, 2014 11:59 PM
119	The Meadows has a very heavy subsoil, difficult to drain, and takes longer to recover from an event than other parks with sandy soils. Its maximum time should not be greater than those of other parks.	Feb 1, 2014 9:15 PM
120	Four weeks for Meadows & Links are in the summer, the optimum time for local users, and the area is well used. Does the 4 weeks count assembling and dismantling structures? My impression would be that it doesn't.	Feb 1, 2014 4:45 PM
121	Too much time is given at each location. Events should be restricted to short one off (or annual) local or charitable events. Under no circumstances should wholly commercial events such as athletics (road runs) or Lady Boys events be entertained - they do nothing at all for local communities. They might bring in revenue for the city, but I suggest they simply steal an amenity from the use who treasure them the most - Edinburgh residents.	Jan 31, 2014 11:39 PM
122	four weeks is too long for the Meadows. This usable area is affected for much longer. Operators are forced to remediate FULLY within 1 week and that remediation included relaying real grass where necessary and decompacting compressed ground. The target should be restoration within six weeks of end of event. Penalty for non-attainment is no renewal on following years for at least 3 years.	Jan 31, 2014 6:42 PM
123	After 7 days on grass areas damage sets in. Princes St East suffered severe damage this year as did St Andrew Sq and Charlotte Sq.	Jan 31, 2014 6:10 PM
124	While use of the grassed areas in e.g.Charlotte Sq (Book Festival) and St Andrew Sq, Princes St Gdns (Winter Festival) is good economics for those running these venues, the grass is wrecked and either needs to be turfied at some expense or left to recover, which takes a long time in winter and reduces the enjoyment of local people using these spaces after those exploiting those commercial opportunities have departed.	Jan 31, 2014 5:55 PM
125	In the Meadows, there are many local residents subjected to nuisance (noise, lack of access) particularly for things placed at the Marchmont/Sciennes end. It feels like the events own the park more than we do. This is made worse by the fact that the events aren't even of cultural value - the same Fringe shows year after year, high ticket price highly commercial events outside the Fringe. To make it worse, my teenager, up to no trouble and in a small group of 4, gets turned away from supposedly public events (the Christmas Fair in Princes Street Gardens). My space is being sold with no apparent benefit to me as a resident. You would need much, much better PR about what benefits I get to convince me that there should be anything like this amount of commercial usage.	Jan 31, 2014 5:12 PM
126	Depending on the weather, the drainage in the Meadows is not good enough to allow for a 4 week event.	Jan 31, 2014 4:42 PM
127	Allows almost permanent occupation of grassed areas so long as it's not by a single continuous event.	Jan 31, 2014 2:06 PM

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128	Ovbiously if an event is significant / unique / 'must have' and lasts longer than the times allocated it should be considered - even if the rational is not economic viability. A degree of flexibility should apply.	Jan 31, 2014 10:47 AM
129	Events City, needs event spaces	Jan 31, 2014 9:07 AM
130	Princes Street Street Gds East in poor state each year early December - April	Jan 31, 2014 8:58 AM
131	My answer is no because 4 weeks permission at the Meadows and Bruntsfield is unreasonably generous. It is full of grass and 4 weeks is sure to cause a great deal of damage and who will pay for this? You allow 4 weeks there but only 15 days at Inverleith - why? Explanations for your permissions are required to help us give more informed answers.	Jan 31, 2014 8:06 AM
132	I think 15 days is measly and Leith Links, which is my local, could happily have more. Why is it not 4 weeks across the board?	Jan 29, 2014 5:04 PM
133	This does not allow for any permanent features, such as a skate park or sports facility. Unless of course I have misunderstood the question. Which isn't very clear really. These maxmium figures appear to have been set to meet the council's need to generate cash (meadows 4 weeks for the festival perhaps?, princes street even longer, for the money spinning private shows). A sports facility or skate park would be permanent free and used by thousands of young healthy kids, saving millions of £ in health bills for future generations.	Jan 29, 2014 2:48 PM
134	i THINK THAT EVENTS ON THE MEADOWS AND BRUNTSFIELD LINKS SHOULD BE RESTRICTED TO A MAXIMUM DURATION OF 15 DAYS - LONGER EVENTS GREATLY DAMAGE THE GRASS AND WITH SCOTLAND'S BAD WEATHER IT CAN TAKE SOMETIMES YEARS TO GET IT BACK TO A GOOD GRASS AGAIN. WHY SHOULD IT BE DIFFERENT TO LEITH LINKS AND THE OTHER PARKS JUST BECAUSE THE COUNCIL MAKE MORE MONEY FROM IT. IT IS A "PEOPLE'S PARK" - FOR US TO USE AND ENJOY AND NOT TO BE MADE INTO A CHURNED UP MUDDY WASTELAND BECAUSE OF LONG RUNNING EVENTS DAMAGING IT.	Jan 29, 2014 11:53 AM
135	Sorry but this table is for staff not users so the question becomes irrelevant because they're, ie users, are not going to look at it unless they are determined to criticize etc	Jan 29, 2014 12:58 AM
136	Why does this list not include Inch Park, where a private dog trainer seems to have taken over the playing fields area during the week. Every time we have been there since the summer, we are unable to give our dogs a chance to run around off the lead because he is using the area for his own training business, with clients and their dogs performing obedience exercises.	Jan 28, 2014 4:38 PM
137	I'd be happy to extend this if it improved economic viability	Jan 28, 2014 4:12 PM
138	the maximum on the meadows appear to always run concurrently meaning the bit that is always used beside middle meadows walk is actually out of use 4 months a year while the area is returfed and tries to reinstate itself. I wouldn't even mind more days use in parks however it is the long continous events which cause problems. look at Prince's street gardens and st andrews square and see how long they take to recover this year.	Jan 28, 2014 3:48 PM
139	Meadows - the Meadows are too intensively used for events. The number of	Jan 28, 2014 1:34 PM

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	events and their duration should be significantly reduced, particularly during the Festival/Fringe. The damage caused during a wet autumn is long-lasting.	
140	Meadows is being damaged by events lasting for weeks during the Festival/Fringe	Jan 28, 2014 1:07 PM
141	Meadows and Bruntsfield Links - events should be restricted to 2 weeks to reduce damage to area.	Jan 28, 2014 12:48 PM
142	the use of hardstanding restricts the free use of open spaces in favour of often tacky, paying events that cause smell, disruption, damage to grass. The grass in Princes Street Gardens after the Winter Festival is often out of action for months. This has now been extended to St Andrew Square - extremely disappointing. We have such high quality open spaces that provide a beautiful and peaceful pause amongst the bustle of the city centre and this is being disrupted for the sake of making money. We could have a much more tasteful and discreet Winter Festival that respects the historic character of the city instead of the same trash that's rolled out the length of the country.	Jan 28, 2014 11:41 AM
143	I am totally opposed to the use of Princes Street Gardens East for the Winter Festival. An alternative location with hard standing must be found (the Castle Esplanade?). Construction of this venue appear to start in early November and the grass is not restored until April/May. This means that no proper soil profile is built up and leaves a large expanse of the park looking like a building site for months at a time - all this in the middle of a World Heritage Site! Under what authority is public access to the park restricted whilst the event is being constructed/removed? 15 days is too many for a popular and well used park like Inverleith Park - this should be restricted to 7 days.	Jan 28, 2014 11:13 AM
144	Surely whether this is the 'correct' time for each venue depends on footfall at each place and at each event. I'm sure these guidelines are generally ok	Jan 27, 2014 5:14 PM
145	Should be less as it is nice for residents to enjoy their local park without disruptions.	Jan 27, 2014 4:56 PM
146	Definition as to what is meant by 'event' required.	Jan 27, 2014 2:58 PM
147	Although it helps attract a great many visitors during the festival the Meadows suffers from over use .	Jan 27, 2014 2:25 PM
148	Why not maximise space, revenue and visitors to each location.	Jan 27, 2014 1:44 PM
149	Does this mean 15 days for large scale 'events' or 15 days total where its any size? Think this needs to be clearer as the manifesto talks only about large events and therefore you might assume its 15 days when large events are on and the small are on top of this. If this is the case then its reasonable if its 15 days for large events including setup etc.	Jan 27, 2014 12:35 PM
150	Think there should be more events in Leith	Jan 27, 2014 11:48 AM
151	Events are a great way of attracting visitors to parks. Limiting the events to this extent reduces the benefit of increasing use of our parks. Also, there are many other parks within the city that could be used for events but they are not listed.	Jan 27, 2014 11:44 AM
152	many park spaces appear underused, especially princes st gardens. it is possible that the timing restrictions put potential users off	Jan 26, 2014 11:05 AM

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153	Whole premis is wrong - these are not commercial venues -rather public spaces and in paticular Inverleith park, Princes Street gardens (east and west), plus Calton hill have too many days of disruption during the setting up and removal stages. The 'moonwalk' in Inverleith park is a flawed choice for this scale of event - why not use Murrayfield stadium or one of the major football stadia such as the Hibs or Hearts grounds. If events such as these are so beneficial to e.g. charity, then it should not always fall to the local council tax payers and residents to foot the bills for clear up and deal with the noise and inconvenience during events. The mess of St Andrew's square and surrounding areas this winter are two other examples of excessive exploitation of public spaces to fill the bank accounts of the people who make the profits. Appreciate St Andrew's square is not listed in your current 'manifesto', but it should be.	Jan 25, 2014 9:48 PM
154	Inn winter it takes so long for the grass to regenerate, or if it is to be re-turfed it is a costly exercise.	Jan 25, 2014 8:52 PM
155	The destruction of the grass at Princes Street gardens isn't worth the added value of the shabby events it hosts. The winter festival should move to George Street, leaving the grass intact.	Jan 25, 2014 2:01 PM
156	However look at use of other parks. Gylemuir is a huge park and so is Harrison Park	Jan 25, 2014 12:56 PM
157	I'm not sure because I don't know what demand is - it probably is about right but doesn't differentiate between weekend use vs weekday, duration of event (day time only or into the evening) or the actual activity (noise, numbers etc). If there was demand to use Leith Links for a few day time, weekday events perhaps for charitable purposes then I wouldn't mind there being more than 15 days. The "big" events (Mela, Gala day, funfair) feel about right but the Links could perhaps cope with a Festival event?	Jan 25, 2014 7:00 AM
158	Far too long for Calton Hill. The noise affects areas throughout and wildlife will disappear from a very unique area of Edinburgh. Should be a maximum of 20 days per year. All other parks should be limited as well due to damage to eco system and noise pollution.	Jan 24, 2014 10:43 PM
159	I think some of the areas should be converted to astro turf so that there is not the damage to grass and the soil or the waste in resources in replacing it. This restriction in use then becomes unnecessary. This particularly applies to Princes street gardens and the meadows.	Jan 24, 2014 9:35 PM
160	if you can have an event up to 4 weeks on meadows/bruntsfield links why can't you have the same limit on all the parks and leith links. this would spread the longer events across the city and stop them all being concentrated on meadows. Could potentially bring in more income and more events/festivals.	Jan 24, 2014 7:40 PM
161	I think as a general rule these length of times seem fine but I wouldnt want a proposal which could bring benenefit to the city (financial or otherwise) to be stopped from running for the time it needs too. There needs to be room within the manifesto for an option for events being extended pass the stated times if it where thought of benefit to the City of Edinburgh, run times not always about the only about an event being economically viable,c ould be about education for example.	Jan 24, 2014 3:07 PM
162	Too limited. I suggest a clause explaining restrictions (if ground too wet to accomodate, max three Loud event pa, limited transport access etc) I had	Jan 24, 2014 1:25 PM

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163	Don't know	Jan 24, 2014 12:46 PM
164	Should less time in The Meadows/Brunstfield Links as when the event goes away they leave the grass in a terrible state.	Jan 24, 2014 12:24 PM
165	I don't know.	Jan 24, 2014 12:22 PM
166	East/West Princes Street Gardens are impacted for too long by events. The event closure, from the set up to the final repair of the grass and other areas means that the amenity of the facility is reduced for most of the Winter and Spring. Calton Hill could be used more, with better toilets facilities. When events are on there are frequently too many barriers and it would seem better to have better temporary lighting than so much "kettling" of visitors.	Jan 24, 2014 12:05 PM
167	I cannot comment on the parks above but am always concerned at the damage at Princess Street Gardens during the Winter Festival and German Market	Jan 24, 2014 10:38 AM
168	The Meadows are seriously damaged every year.	Jan 23, 2014 5:16 PM
169	The Meadows are left frequently in a sorry state by large and prolonged public attendances on grassed areas: I suggest that the same grassed areas restrictions should apply as on Calton Hill ie "A maximum of seven days on grassed areas"	Jan 23, 2014 4:52 PM
170	Economic advantages outweigh damage done. Seems a bit random as well?	Jan 23, 2014 1:39 PM
171	not sure why these arbitrary limits are necessary, should everything not be judged on its own merits?	Jan 23, 2014 11:32 AM
172	Four weeks at Meadows/Links causes so much damage which takes a long time to restore. No problem with others	Jan 23, 2014 11:16 AM
173	Think that the Meadows should be brought into line with the rest of the grassed non "hard standing" parks and restricted to 15 days max usage - the damage to the meadows of repeated long term (4 weeks) usage is visible year after year and the grass does not have the opportunity to recover properly.	Jan 23, 2014 10:38 AM
174	It doesn't specify the time or extent of the winter festivals in either of Princes Street gardens.	Jan 23, 2014 8:12 AM
175	Every event should be considered on it's own merit with consideration of local community participation, potential ground damage, Parks income, duration of event, local community impact etc. Clearly events in the meadows that dont move for ore than 2 weeks should be discouraged due to environmental impacts.	Jan 23, 2014 7:16 AM
176	Too much on Calton Hill	Jan 22, 2014 9:04 PM
177	The Meadows should be the same as other parks - 15 days	Jan 22, 2014 8:26 PM
178	Access to West Princes St Gardens is key for people living in the Grassmarket as the main pedestrian route into the New Town especially for older people as all other exits from the Grassmarket involve steep hills.	Jan 22, 2014 8:21 PM

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179	Four weeks is far too long in the meadows and always has been. Private profit from public land makes me wonder why the fuck I'm paying council tax. Fuck you.	Jan 22, 2014 8:19 PM
180	If (a) the weather is bad and / or (b) events are held too close together in time, the grass does not have time to recover adequately. And the Council does not properly (c) enforce / monitor adequate clearing up operations by events organisers, and/or (d) make the necessary reparations to the park to make good damages done - which leads to an increasingly downward spiral in the state of the park.	Jan 22, 2014 7:25 PM
181	Large events on leith links can take up 50% of the park. Leith links is a small park and large events impact on community use	Jan 22, 2014 7:20 PM
182	Grass is badly damaged over a number of weeks and access is limited for city residents	Jan 22, 2014 7:08 PM
183	More events should be allocated to different parts of the city benefits economy and the local social communities ie flower shows, dog shows ?local community projects etc	Jan 22, 2014 6:33 PM
184	The gardens are for the public to use all year round and I resent the space being used for commercial gain... there are plenty of private sites that could be utilised	Jan 22, 2014 6:25 PM
185	Calton Hill is in very close proximity to large housing - those in Hillside particularly hear large amounts of noise when events are on. Similar limits should apply as they do in other residential areas.	Jan 22, 2014 6:08 PM
186	Fifteen days maximum should apply to the Meadows and Bruntsfield Links as well as to the other parks. Four weeks is far too long for events on grass.	Jan 22, 2014 5:59 PM
187	Winter festival has destroyed the gardens	Jan 22, 2014 5:51 PM
188	Exclude Bruntsfeld Links from four week agreement, ie: four weeks for The Meadows only. Fifteen days maximum for Bruntsfield Links.	Jan 22, 2014 5:32 PM
189	It all depends on the noise generated by the event. We have had significant problems with noise on Calton Hill caused by events. If the event is quiet, 4 weeks is no problem. If the event is too noisy, it should not take place	Jan 22, 2014 4:52 PM
190	Too long, especially for Princes Street Gardens and the Meadows, which are rendered hideous by fairs and markets with their litter, noise, and smells, and lose their appeal for residents and tourists.	Jan 22, 2014 4:24 PM
191	Festival occupation of the Meadows scars the park for the several months that follow. I don't feel that huge tents should be allows to remain on site for up to 4 weeks, that seems too much.	Jan 22, 2014 3:57 PM
192	Why cant you change to a surface that can accomodate more events? Or hold smaller events that will cause less damage.	Jan 22, 2014 3:30 PM
193	It's not possible to use parks for festival events / shows	Jan 22, 2014 12:47 PM
194	Too long allowed for West Princes Street Gardens. Too many events compromise and cheapen the setting of the Castle.	Jan 22, 2014 12:06 PM
195	This limit must be dependent on the frequency of such usage and as there is	Jan 22, 2014 11:13 AM

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	no mention of frequency it's difficult to determine whether this is appropriate	
196	The Meadows allowance should be the same as the other grassed areas: three weeks	Jan 22, 2014 10:33 AM
197	Doesn't take into account several events one after the other. Should look at maximum number over a year, (or within each "season")?	Jan 22, 2014 10:21 AM
198	It does not take in noise pollution affecting families with primary school age children in nearby houses during term time when the event includes evening performances sometimes with unfortunate content that the children 'learn' (are brainwashed with) while being kept awake by them. All parks should have the Calton Hill 'bottom line' of a maximum of 7 days on grassed areas. Princes Street Gardens near the is a mess after the Winter Festival which is depressing and not a good sight for visitors. There must be a lower impact way of having this event if it is to continue.	Jan 22, 2014 10:05 AM
199	4 weeks is far too long for the Meadows, and some groups (the Ladyboys) get the space every year - why should they be so favoured? I think 8 weeks is too long for West Princes Street Gardens.	Jan 22, 2014 9:50 AM
200	Princes street gardens are my local park so can only comment on their use. The winter festival use of the gardens extends well beyond the council's guidelines. The West Gardens were out of use for the public for 3 weeks. The set up and strike times for events needs to be factored in for the time frame.	Jan 22, 2014 9:12 AM
201	The event space in Princes Street Gardens (West) could be used for more than just two months a year, especially during months when the park is not overcrowded.	Jan 22, 2014 9:04 AM
202	Princes St Gardens is treated too much like a commercial fiefdom. The Winter Festival was oversized, overpriced and alienating to residents. Other larger parks like Inverleith and Meadows ought to be treated in smaller parcels. Overall the limits seem fine. Parks aren't for commercial activity.	Jan 22, 2014 5:17 AM
203	I can see no tie-in to the income accruing to the Council - if there is none the times are correct; if there is some, account should be taken of this in determining the length of events.	Jan 21, 2014 10:48 PM
204	There should be flexibility on the number of days based on park usage throughout the year - the general state of the surface based on expert knowledge of the soil, drainage etc.	Jan 21, 2014 8:58 PM
205	there is no reference to the impact that the stipulated times on site would have on the environment, the recovery period after the event or local inconvenience. also the weather would have a great impact on the ability of the venues to support the events finally the type and impact of the events in terms of heavy equipment, popularity and colateral damage need to be factored in	Jan 21, 2014 8:51 PM
206	East Princes Street Gardens looked like a bomb site after Winter Festival things were cleared away. Restoration of the lawn areas is surely going to take weeks and that is weeks of tourists looking at the most awful mess of mud and dead grass. St Andrews Square was the same. I think too many structures and unnecessary retail units are being allowed on too sensitive an area. I was ashamed at the mess I witnessed.	Jan 21, 2014 8:47 PM

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207	I think the parks should be more accessible to events than this, particularly the meadows. Having events breathes life in the venues and puts the parks on the map for both locals and others. This of course needs to be managed to ensure the parks and be maintained and the locals get some peace but 15 days (or 4 weeks for the meadows) isn't much at all. Maybe you could take into account the types of events as they affect impact on the locals and the park?	Jan 21, 2014 8:10 PM
208	Meadows only available for Festival if 4 weeks enforced	Jan 21, 2014 7:38 PM
209	For the Meadows, four continuous weeks destroys the grass so it needs to be made clear that '4 weeks' is not 4 continuous weeks of one event This should be made clear for all the venues - that it does not relate to one single event in each venue	Jan 21, 2014 7:30 PM
210	only problem is with the 4 weeks in the meadows. This is too long	Jan 21, 2014 5:33 PM
211	espesually in princes street gardens the grass area is a real disgrace after events this destroying the natural environment all events should be on hard stand area or areas created for this purpose as the cost of replaceing espesually the gardens will be drastic each year let along the impact to the natural wildlife that we are so privaliged to have in the city centre	Jan 21, 2014 5:21 PM
212	the meadows should be restricted to fifteen or seven days maximum to bring the park in line with other green spaces. Unless you can get something better than the lady boys of bangkok or the funfair, both of which have low value and cause significant noise and waste pollution.	Jan 21, 2014 5:08 PM
213	The Meadows at four weeks is far too long. Plus, I have to challenge your view that it is somehow in the city's economic interests to hold events in parks. Commercial operators holding events do not pay any rent. Given the costs of policing and repair to the grass, plus the inconvenience to residents caused by noise, traffic, rubbish, this does not pan out. Where are the figures? There are none, because the whole idea is conjecture.	Jan 21, 2014 4:11 PM
214	It doesn't explain why only 5 days for Princes Street and 7 days for Carlton Hill - why not 15 days as the others are?	Jan 21, 2014 3:50 PM
215	Four weeks continuously is too long for the Meadows, given the poor drainage and the fact that it's used by locals throughout the year as a main access route and for recreation. There are other sites in the city that could accommodate the Ladyboys and other festival attractions.	Jan 21, 2014 3:27 PM
216	The maximum number of dates should be subject to a variation if CEC decides it is in the interests of either the event or of the City, including financial viability for the event or commercial benefit for the City.	Jan 21, 2014 3:21 PM
217	Each venue should be looked at individually - not just a yes no covering all. I am particularly annoyed at the restriction of the Meadows and Princes St Gardens imposed on community groups. Large COMMERCIAL organisations take over all the allotted periods, charge local people ridiculous fees for their events, and they end up making massive profit. They also destroy the grass areas and pay little recompense.	Jan 21, 2014 3:20 PM
218	The Winter Festival in the East Garden at Princes Street is not only on hard standing and is therefore not covered in this manefesto!	Jan 21, 2014 3:18 PM
219	It would be good it the maximums have a degree of flexibility should a	Jan 21, 2014 3:09 PM

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	specific event require more. Perhaps provision could be made to have a longer maximum no more than once every 3 or 4 years.	
220	it curtails the time of events and makes it very rushed for the organisers	Jan 21, 2014 2:26 PM
221	I believe that Calton Hill can sustain more use than 4 weeks total. It seems under utilised, and as it does not have residential areas overlooking is a good space to host events. Is there a resident complaint history for it? Now that there is changed use of the house and observatory has this changed the event viability? The Meadows is a major asset for events due to the large flat area. 4 weeks does not seem enough duration. There are surely modern grass protection measures. I was lead to believe that local resident assoc pressure has also restricted the 'number' of events, though this is not evident in your chart above. True?	Jan 21, 2014 2:25 PM
222	I do not feel there is enough scope for events on some of the park areas, particularly The Meadows.	Jan 21, 2014 2:13 PM
223	Nowhere near enough. Parks are underused so more events should be encouraged to make greater numbers of people enjoy their outdoors. People like Friends of the Meadows want to stop anyone enjoying there in any way they do not approve of e.g. bar b ques. The Meadows should have a permanent hard standing area for many more events and making them mud free. Responsible use of parks, e.g. bottles, waste and bbqs burning grass should be a priority	Jan 21, 2014 11:50 AM
224	After events large parts of the green space are unusable for the public to enjoy. The grass in Princes Street gardens East was unusable for more than half of 2013	Jan 21, 2014 11:48 AM

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1	A maximum of two week!	Mar 23, 2014 12:47 PM
2	2 weeks maybe Ok for well drained ground but is still too long for the Meadows which being a re=claimed loch readily floods. it may be alright for other parks.	Mar 21, 2014 5:02 PM
3	But if the event lasts 10 days and the rest is 2 weeks minimum then the area is unuseable by the local public for at least 3-4 weeks. This suggests that even 10 days maximum for events is too much	Mar 21, 2014 4:23 PM
4	I appreciate that the current Manifesto states that each event will be viewed on an individual basis and will be subject to mitigating factors. However, I am in full agreement with both the Meadows and Bruntsfield Links Advisory Group (MABLAG) and Friends of the Meadows and Bruntsfield Links (FOMBL) that the Meadows needs regular 'rest' periods in order to ensure that the grass does not suffer serious damage. Due to the damage that large-scale events cause on the Meadows, the minimum rest period should be extended to at least three weeks so that damage and the need for repair work on the Meadows is minimised. A minimum of three weeks rest should also be the minimum rest period for the Meadows should the 15 day occupancy be adopted, particularly if the ground has been covered for several weeks, there has been a lot of rainfall, or if heavy vehicles have been on site. I agree that reinstatement works should be approached in the same manner as is stated in the current manifesto.	Mar 21, 2014 12:17 PM
5	Enforcement of repair of infrastructure is essential. Consideration must be given to consider a restriction on use for any events in order to mitigate the impacts of events in parks. Planning would consider htis particularly important where the park is covered by or influenced by statutory planning designations, WHS, Designed Landscape etc.	Mar 20, 2014 12:15 PM
6	It is stated that "most sites require around two weeks" recovery period between events. We consider that more than two weeks is needed, even if the site is only used for 15 days, especially if heavy plant is used. We suggest that four weeks shold be the minimum rest period on the east Meadows.	Mar 20, 2014 11:27 AM
7	- Meadows recovery is significantly longer than two weeks, especially due to inadequate drainage. It was, after all, a loch. - Path from George Square has already been widened to enable larger vehicles to drive on to Meadows to set up, which cuts down on grassed areas further as well as causes tyre churn. This newly tarmaced area also does not run-off, which is unsightly and another example of work done for commercial gain without pragmatic considerations.	Mar 19, 2014 7:49 PM
8	I think organisers should consider insurance cover be included in the price they pay to use the space to cover any damage so that the taxpayer is not having to cover the cost of damage through their rates.	Mar 18, 2014 8:39 PM
9	Recovery takes longer than stated. It is also bad for the city to have grass in parks in a state of recovery, rather than being in good condition, as it could be if events were not held in these places. Other more suitable places exist, and should be used instead.	Mar 18, 2014 7:38 PM
10	We agree that a recovery period is essential between events'. However we consider that more than two weeks is needed for the Meadows, especially if the ground has been covered for several weeks, the weather has been wet (much of the Meadows drains poorly) or if heavy vehicles have been on site.	Mar 18, 2014 6:51 PM

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We suggest that three weeks should be the minimum rest period for the Meadows even if a 15 day occupancy is adopted. We agree that reinstatement works should be done as suggested

11	An end to large events in the Meadows. Guidelines always seem to be ignored and the grass always ends up being turned into a mudbath.	Mar 18, 2014 6:24 PM
12	Yes - but may be unduly optimistic about recovery time following relatively long-term and large-scale events (e.g Meadows following 3 weeks' use for multiple Fringe shows - particularly if the weather is not dry).	Mar 18, 2014 5:46 PM
13	You could perhaps state that a substantially longer recovery period has in recent years been required eg on The Meadows two summers ago.	Mar 18, 2014 5:29 PM
14	Keep local community informed if reinstatement work doesn't take place immediately. Use noticeboards and e.g. friends groups, local community councils.	Mar 18, 2014 11:04 AM
15	The current manifesto implies that the weather is predictable at the time bookings are made and will conform to a planned schedule. If too many commercial bookings are made then the events will happen regardless of the weather and damage to the site may occur. The recovery period should be longer to mitigate damage caused by bad weather.	Mar 17, 2014 3:05 PM
16	Princes Street Gardens - two weeks is never long enough for the grass to recover. "Reinstatement.....minimal timescale"	Mar 17, 2014 1:44 PM
17	but can you not get the people/businesses doing the damage to pay for the rectification?	Mar 14, 2014 3:21 PM
18	Vehicles should not be allowed to drive on the grass. Parks in other locations manage to restrict vehicles in this way. Bath in particular does this.	Mar 13, 2014 7:46 PM
19	If the grass is not improved within this period it should be in the contract that the organiser would have to pay for roll out grass to replace the damaged parts.	Mar 13, 2014 11:06 AM
20	As a company which uses the Meadows on an annual basis we work closely with the parks dept to minimise damage to the turf. We also pay to returf the area straight after our event (Lady Boys of Bangkok) We are required to lay metal track way regardless of prevailing weather conditions,if the weather is fine the track way actually does more damage to the turf than the movement trucks etc. This should be assessed at the time.	Mar 12, 2014 11:12 AM
21	Certain event organisers cause more damage than others and think they can get away with this. Those damaging the ground previously should pay a large deposit in case they cause major damage costing us council tax payers to put it right. This would discourage event organisers from being lazy and disrespectful to the land they are working on and encourage organisers to put systems in place as they would not want to lose their deposit. However, if the deposit is only £5,000 and the event organisers raise 1 million pounds, they won't mind losing only £5,000. Perhaps, introduce an insurance policy to cover the cost of the damage incurred?	Mar 12, 2014 10:57 AM
22	Experience in Meadows area suggests that much more time than two weeks is required for repair to grass, especially when event has coincided with wet weather.I suggest a minimum of 6 weeks, with provisos re weather conditions, time of year etc, as suggested above	Mar 11, 2014 5:57 PM

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23	I wonder if a longer period might be necessary for turf etc to recover	Mar 11, 2014 3:51 PM
24	this is fine if it actually happens within stated times	Mar 11, 2014 3:19 PM
25	No need for a strict minimum break period, if no damage no need to have space out of potential use. Policy could lead to underutilisation.	Mar 11, 2014 1:59 PM
26	These are public usage sites and should be used. Not restricted because of grass maintenance	Mar 11, 2014 1:41 PM
27	I think the recovery period should be longer.	Mar 7, 2014 7:59 AM
28	The Meadows site does not recover in 2 weeks - a minimum can extend to 3 months. It is misrepresenting the facts to couch the "policy" in these terms.	Mar 5, 2014 3:10 PM
29	Maximum two weeks	Mar 5, 2014 12:42 PM
30	I don't like the idea that there should be a minimum of two weeks for recovery. There MAY need to be this period but considering that an event like moonwalk requires several days set-up and removal after the event (29 May - 12 June in 2014), you seem to be implying that we have to add a further two weeks in which cricket should not be scheduled ie 4 Saturdays). Add to that the Foodies event which could add a further 4 weeks. As the Saturday cricket season is only 18 weeks, this would remove 8 of those 18 weeks which I think is unnecessary (unless the weather dictates).	Mar 5, 2014 9:08 AM
31	Again this sounds reasonable but as someone who uses the Meadows every day the damage to the grass surface is always obvious with large muddy areas always in evidence after rain let alone major events in the area. If there is a programme of repair [and it is not always I must say]then it is too often ineffective.	Mar 4, 2014 8:29 PM
32	Not sure about other parks, but in the Meadows it seems to take longer than two weeks for grass to recover. Possibly because there is a high amount of wear on the grass anyway, e.g. informal football matches etc	Mar 4, 2014 4:03 PM
33	In theory the approach is good but I am not sure it is carried out in practice. Following certain events at Leith Links there has been significant grass damage at entrance points that has not been addressed for months following events. I would be happy with the approach if reinstatement was carried out as promised.	Mar 4, 2014 1:48 PM
34	So long as reinstatement in some areas can be carried out in this time structure	Mar 4, 2014 1:19 PM
35	Two weeks for grass to recover seems too short especially at certain times of year. Three weeks?	Mar 4, 2014 11:44 AM
36	Can only comment on the Meadows but damage takes longer to recover than that.	Mar 4, 2014 10:55 AM
37	Events limit park use	Mar 3, 2014 6:28 PM
38	Move everything out to Ingleton. Tourists can get a tram there - ha ha! This will leave the city centre parks unspoilt.	Mar 3, 2014 4:15 PM
39	Boards or appropriate plants to be put down on grass, especially in Inverleith park where high traffic can cause drainage issues.	Mar 3, 2014 4:11 PM

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40	But no park should be in continual use for events - it is after all a park and a certain amount of time should be left for it to be just that. Perhaps, at least half the time?	Mar 3, 2014 3:54 PM
41	The meadows have shown prolonged damage after numerous events in recent years. The time between events is too short	Feb 28, 2014 1:04 PM
42	see previous comment	Feb 28, 2014 10:30 AM
43	Clearly the current manifesto is not working. The Meadows is a damp area, as would be expected of a former loch. It is possible to visit the Meadows at any time of year and easily see unrepaired signs of damage from events held there. Often, the damage caused by an event isn't repaired at all. I would like to recommend that the Council limit all events to one week, and that a non-park hard-standing area is found or created for longer events. I would also recommend that more sporting and recreational events are encouraged on the Meadows and Bruntsfield Links such as sports days, healthy activity events for the young and the elderly, and even a park exercise area for everyone be created. The Magnet playground is a wonderful example of what can be done to improve amenity in the park.	Feb 27, 2014 7:38 PM
44	Might be possible in less than 2 weeks	Feb 27, 2014 5:03 PM
45	No damage to plants / grass should occur, leave parkland as parkland, not funfairs / ice rinks etc.	Feb 27, 2014 4:28 PM
46	The minimum of two weeks should be stricter. Currently there are many variables that can be introduced by persons or organisations applying pressure. It is not controlled in a transparent way. They are Parks first.	Feb 27, 2014 11:06 AM
47	Depending on weather and footfall areas should be checked after every event in case longer reqd for ground to recover.	Feb 27, 2014 10:36 AM
48	Any significant rain extends the recovery from events on the Meadows to many weeks. Can the drainage be improved?	Feb 27, 2014 8:56 AM
49	But it requires much stronger policing and firmer compensation calls where damage has been inflicted.	Feb 27, 2014 12:12 AM
50	At least two weeks - at least for things like commercial fairs and profit making enterprises that operate at the expense of regular users enjoyment of the space.	Feb 26, 2014 10:07 PM
51	The Meadows has been out of use for many months for many years following the big events on East Meadows. 2013 was the only year that work started as soon as the Ladyboys left. Other sites may recover in the time scales set out, I don't know, but the Meadows doesn't.	Feb 26, 2014 8:57 PM
52	Better grass management	Feb 26, 2014 9:03 AM
53	Reinstatement work to damaged areas on Leith Links from previous events took much longer than suggested. The Community Council had to ask repeatedly for work to be done on areas that council officials said had been repaired. Two areas in particular took over 6 months to have any reinstatement work done.	Feb 23, 2014 9:25 PM
54	Should be far longer. Princes St Gdns are affected for too much of the year.	Feb 21, 2014 5:20 PM

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55	Rest period should be a month	Feb 20, 2014 4:06 PM
56	Damage, if any, is usually very localised and there is no need to ban activity across an entire park to let one small area recover. Different events have very different impact.	Feb 19, 2014 2:05 PM
57	Minimum recovery period should be four weeks	Feb 18, 2014 12:03 PM
58	Don't understand why damage to grass is so concerning and requires 'recovery periods'.	Feb 15, 2014 2:52 PM
59	although we have a wallround pre and post event we would welcome more transparency in the detail of reinstatement/repair works required	Feb 14, 2014 4:06 PM
60	I question who pays for this reinstatement and it should be the event organiser/user	Feb 14, 2014 3:10 PM
61	This is common sense but not observed in practice on the Meadows.	Feb 13, 2014 6:11 PM
62	The sites that attract consistent and ongoing requests annually for use would benefit from the introduction of hard standing or even 3 or 4 G pitches to mitigate the impact on grass areas. While this would require a capital outlay savings would be made on revenue spend due to reduced reinstatement costs.	Feb 12, 2014 10:15 AM
63	BUT, what are the guidelines for 'recovery'? Charlotte Square has the whole year to recover from and in preparation for the Book Festival. I reckon other green spaces would need that time too.	Feb 11, 2014 1:28 PM
64	I like that there was less of a footprint in the lower east garden this year from the Santa's Grotto. It has been too substantial in previous years.	Feb 10, 2014 11:17 AM
65	A minimum of 21 days	Feb 10, 2014 10:45 AM
66	You should demand complete reinstatement of grass etc to the condition it was in before, especially in the Meadows which have been slowly ruined over the last decade.	Feb 9, 2014 1:46 PM
67	Events should be judged on merit and impact, and not suffer (i.e. not be approved) simply because another event has taken place just beforehand.	Feb 9, 2014 1:33 PM
68	I think more time is needed for recovery and the organisers should pay for reinstatement unless a charity	Feb 9, 2014 10:58 AM
69	Events should be judged on a case by case basis. It seems unnecessary, for instance, for Inverleith Park to be out of action for a fortnight following a small event. Larger events, such as Food Festivals might need a longer recovery period.	Feb 7, 2014 8:40 AM
70	In the case of the Meadows, and bearing in mind the flooding it has experienced in recent years, there is a good argument for resting the part east of Middle Meadow Walk for at least a year to allow recovery. A minimum of two weeks is not going to counteract the soil compaction which, in turn will exacerbate the damage to grass and contribute to flooding.	Feb 6, 2014 9:31 PM
71	Again, I'd make this at least three weeks: for grass areas anyway.	Feb 6, 2014 1:10 PM
72	There should be more stringent safeguards to prevent major damage in the	Feb 6, 2014 12:13 PM

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first place, especially from heavy lorries delivering fuel to generators etc

73	Two weeks is too short a time. Suggest 3 weeks. East Princes Street Gardens is always a mess for months after the winter festival.	Feb 6, 2014 11:28 AM
74	But not sure you always do this. See my answer re The Meadows. That patch to the East of Middle Meadow Walk takes a huge hit every year from The Ladyboys and I think you should site the Ladyboys else where to allow that patch to recover fully. It's a really scrubby bit of ground. East Princes Street gardens seems to be out of action for much of the year because of the strain put on it by Christmas events - surely there must be another approach?	Feb 5, 2014 4:08 PM
75	2 weeks to recover after the hammering the grass gets (Meadows) is ridiculous . It seems to take most of the winter to recover .	Feb 5, 2014 2:37 PM
76	Once there is a clearer picture of past events (i.e review & evaluation) would consideration be given to moving the minimum from two to three weeks? This would shorten a possible turn about time within that arena, but could be more beneficial for the grass/site.	Feb 5, 2014 1:45 PM
77	Surely Princes St Gardens is such an important and visible tourist area that it should be spared any of the Christmas tackiness, and be left as a complete GARDEN area all the year.	Feb 5, 2014 12:25 AM
78	Provided the event and not the Council pays to reinstate the grass	Feb 4, 2014 3:14 PM
79	The events held on the Meadows lasting more than a week have created so much damage that reinstatement takes 5-6 months not 2 weeks. the manifesto does not take into account the actual experience of events on the Meadows lasting more than a weekend. This aspect of the manifesto is thus unworkable	Feb 4, 2014 10:36 AM
80	The Meadows has in the past been damaged to the extent that 6 months is a more appropriate recovery time.	Feb 3, 2014 8:49 PM
81	2 weeks seems pretty low amount of time. East Princes Gds has effectively been grassless for 4-5 months post ice rink in previous years after WW fest	Feb 3, 2014 8:14 PM
82	The statement of a minimum followed by a however suggests the minimum might not really be a minimum. Hopefully what you mean is it will vary according to circumstances but will never be less than 2 weeks.	Feb 3, 2014 7:48 PM
83	It does not state whether the event organisers pay for the reinstatement works, so I would suggest that is included.	Feb 3, 2014 7:27 PM
84	Try minimum of 2 months.	Feb 3, 2014 1:29 PM
85	I think there should be specific guidelines according to season and weather conditions as it can take a lot longer than 2 weeks for grass to recover	Feb 3, 2014 12:49 PM
86	The area of the meadows where the ladyboys and circus usually site never recovers properly - it is always patchy and lumpy compared to the other side of middle meadow walk.	Feb 3, 2014 10:02 AM
87	Please stop those ladyboys coming each year.	Feb 3, 2014 9:18 AM
88	The length of the recovery period (i.e. before another event takes place)	Feb 3, 2014 9:17 AM

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	should be at least as long as the event itself, to allow normal park use for the majority of the time, with events taking lower priority	
89	Recovery period is far too short - Princes Street Gardens and St Andrew's Square have looked like a bomb site well into Spring after the 'Winter Festival'	Feb 3, 2014 9:07 AM
90	two weeks is not long enough to ensure a recovery. Longer events should be limited to designated areas with permanent hard standing.	Feb 3, 2014 8:18 AM
91	I am not an expert but two weeks is clearly not enough! Go and look at the state of the parks!	Feb 3, 2014 8:10 AM
92	The two weeks assumes good weather for recovery	Feb 2, 2014 11:06 PM
93	Would be helpful to have stricter guidelines regarding use of grass space to limit or prevent potential damage to grass and other sensitive areas. Also priority should be given to community events. It would be inappropriate to deny a community event taking place because a larger event had been allowed for several weeks..	Feb 2, 2014 10:22 PM
94	How much does the damage cost us as tax payers? if it is zero then that is acceptable but the period still needs to be longer. Wildlife in the areas need rest as well not just the flora.	Feb 2, 2014 8:35 PM
95	recovery periods should be extended. The site where the Lady Boys usually reside it never recovering. It is also not a solution to place turf reinforcement mesh everywhere. These areas cannot be used anymore for anything where for example kids fall and might badly hurt themselves from the mesh.	Feb 2, 2014 7:56 PM
96	For the major events at The Meadows, a minimum of 1 month is still understating the time required for recovery!!	Feb 2, 2014 4:56 PM
97	mandatory rest periods	Feb 2, 2014 3:47 PM
98	In recent years it has taken far longer than 2 weeks for the grass to re-appear on the meadows post-festival.	Feb 2, 2014 2:30 PM
99	In the Meadows and Inverleith park there should be sufficient hard standing areas to allow four events. Also location of events within these parks can be rotated around as one would do with crops in a field	Feb 2, 2014 12:01 AM
100	As in the last question, more time is needed for the Meadows to recover, especially after wet times.	Feb 1, 2014 9:17 PM
101	Although the approach seems right in theory, the damage done by events in Meadows/Links has been much longer lasting.	Feb 1, 2014 4:49 PM
102	Full financial recover of any 'damage' should be sought from ALL events that wish to use the parks.	Jan 31, 2014 11:41 PM
103	Companies who use the Different Venues should have to reinstate the ground as to how they found it, e.g. like Princes Street Gardens.	Jan 31, 2014 7:44 PM
104	The above is not specific enough. Remediation should be agreed prior to each event, and take account of the range of seasonal weather conditions and the likely range of ground states. i.e. best case and worst case scenarios. Remediation should begin on day after event with inspection and	Jan 31, 2014 6:45 PM

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	with works starting within 2 days.	
105	Currently the meadows are so waterlogged that the recovery period needs to be increased	Jan 31, 2014 6:18 PM
106	st Andrews square does not seem to repair well and can get muddy	Jan 31, 2014 6:18 PM
107	See previous comment.	Jan 31, 2014 5:57 PM
108	Minimum time between events should be longer	Jan 31, 2014 5:27 PM
109	The recovery period should be at least as long as the event. The Meadows never seems to properly recover.	Jan 31, 2014 5:12 PM
110	The period will vary from park to park, depending on usage and drainage. Sports activity on the Meadows has to be regulated if the grass is to recover. Two weeks in the winter (i.e. outwith the growing season) is inadequate.	Jan 31, 2014 4:46 PM
111	I would like to see the time extended to at least 3 weeks to allow for grass to recover.	Jan 31, 2014 2:02 PM
112	Grass does not recover in winter or in areas with poor sunlight	Jan 31, 2014 9:00 AM
113	I'm not sure why a minimum period would be subject to mitigating factors. Minimum period should be adhered to otherwise it is meaningless. I would like to see the minimum period extended to reduce the need for reinstatement works. Surely hard standing communal areas could be used for events with grassy areas used only as a last resort.	Jan 31, 2014 8:15 AM
114	THE MEADOWS SHOULD HAVE A LONGER MINIMUM PERIOD OF SAY, 3-4 WEEKS, AS THE FOOTFALL IS SO MUCH GREATER THERE WITH THE FESTIVAL EVENTS.	Jan 29, 2014 11:56 AM
115	See previous comments about Inch Park.	Jan 28, 2014 4:39 PM
116	I would rely on professionals for guidance re grass damage. I would imagine it is determined by the event, footfall and the existing condition of the park itself.	Jan 28, 2014 4:14 PM
117	these are generally big parks, it doesn't always have to be the same section in use, there is no use waiting 2 weeks if opposite ends of the meadows are used for example.	Jan 28, 2014 3:50 PM
118	This is not enough time to re-grass areas at any time of year.	Jan 28, 2014 12:50 PM
119	The approach works well and it is important to support events across the city. However, is it really only 2 weeks in Princes Street Gardens? It feels like a lot longer that it is not possible to go onto the grass. This is such a sensitive and important location and it is deeply frustrating to visitors that want to experience the gardens that they cannot use the grass.	Jan 28, 2014 11:44 AM
120	As before, Princes Street Gardens East is left in a horrendous state for far too long and there are significant delays in maintaining Inverleith Park.	Jan 28, 2014 11:14 AM
121	Reinstatement costs should be borne by the operator of the temporary structure that caused the damage	Jan 28, 2014 9:36 AM
122	Who pays for reinstatement works?	Jan 27, 2014 5:15 PM

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123	There should be longer periods so that residents who pay their council tax can enjoy the park.	Jan 27, 2014 4:58 PM
124	It takes a great deal longer than two weeks for the grass on the meadows to recover. This impacts on available space for schools to use for sports.	Jan 27, 2014 2:26 PM
125	Think its much more at the discretion of the conditions on site and type of event so think this is best considered approach	Jan 27, 2014 12:37 PM
126	It would make more sense to provide hard standing areas for events.	Jan 27, 2014 11:45 AM
127	I rather think that 2 weeks between events is rather short for those living in the immediate vicinity of those areas.	Jan 27, 2014 9:55 AM
128	princes street gardens put all the huts etc on hard surface save money on new grass every year	Jan 27, 2014 9:23 AM
129	better access for transport so grass is not destroyed	Jan 26, 2014 11:06 AM
130	See my previous response. In summary, no single event should last more than five consecutive days maximum and there should be at least a three week interval between any 'event' in the same location.	Jan 25, 2014 9:49 PM
131	Reinstatement works should be included within the overall costs for any event.	Jan 25, 2014 8:54 PM
132	Prince Street gardens are becoming overgrown in terms of tree canopy and shade. Tree removal should be considered.	Jan 25, 2014 2:03 PM
133	There should not be these many events that damage the grass. The surrounding eco-system is not being taken into consideration at all.	Jan 24, 2014 10:44 PM
134	Se comments above.	Jan 24, 2014 9:36 PM
135	Permanent toilets should be supplied at Inverleith as there are many uses for the park other than "Events" and no convenient public toilets	Jan 24, 2014 12:47 PM
136	Might have to be longer depending on the weather - precipitation	Jan 24, 2014 12:25 PM
137	The event period should be reduced to reduce the impact on the grass. The winter events in Princes St and St Andrew Sq go on for too long as do the Lady Boys of Bangcock on the Meadows.	Jan 24, 2014 12:07 PM
138	Have been to some parks where a raised wooden flooring was laid down to protect the grass. I know that this can cause damage but limits it. I also realise that there would be an initial cost but on the long run would it not be cheaper to do this. dependin on the Terrain of the park i.e. flat rather than like Calton Hill.	Jan 24, 2014 10:53 AM
139	Approach seems fine but I am concerned about costs	Jan 24, 2014 10:40 AM
140	I do not think the Meadows should be used at all.	Jan 23, 2014 5:17 PM
141	Two weeks is an insufficient recovery period when significant reinstatements are required. The min period should be extended to 4 weeks.	Jan 23, 2014 4:34 PM
142	Who pays for the repairs required? Damage caused should be paid by the people using the grass	Jan 23, 2014 2:11 PM

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143	Two weeks is rarely enough time for the grass to recover, except perhaps in dry springs. The rest periods should be at least a month.	Jan 23, 2014 1:49 PM
144	When the RSPB were kindly given access to Princes Street Gardens in 2012, we took plastic tiles to "floor" the marquee and surrounds to protect the grass. This worked very well and we alternated the site of the marquee also.	Jan 23, 2014 11:53 AM
145	Suggest a month as minimum subject to individual review.	Jan 23, 2014 11:17 AM
146	I feel there should be a longer recovery time for events if they can be assessed by parks staff and are seen to have caused damage that requires longer recovery time	Jan 23, 2014 10:39 AM
147	There needs to be something that says when the site will be checked to see if remedial works are necessary/ have been done to standard. It should not be up to community councils to police this	Jan 23, 2014 8:13 AM
148	Difficult to permit a two week recovery where a previous event has caused a lot of damage. Perhaps Parks could be proactive by insisting on steeldeck for all vehicles greater than 1.5 tonne.	Jan 23, 2014 7:19 AM
149	More emphasis needs to be placed on checking that current ground conditions are suitable, so that the organisers don't need to drive a truck onto the park before they find out it that it is unsuitable. For example on Leith Links in the last two years, the fairground rides and the Netherlands Circus have caused a lot of damage on muddy ground. The rides didn't even set up as the ground was too water-logged, but not before they had driven a large truck and trailer onto the pathway and grass causing huge muddy ruts, which were never repaired.	Jan 22, 2014 10:23 PM
150	I think each should be on a case by case basis. An event with a large amount of 'flooring' will probably cause less destruction than those which do not	Jan 22, 2014 9:10 PM
151	Damage to the Meadows can be extensive and take weeks if not months to recover	Jan 22, 2014 8:23 PM
152	Just don't hold events that require re-turfing. You idiots.	Jan 22, 2014 8:20 PM
153	The event organiser should have a duty return the park in its original condition (e.g. pay for the gardening fee incurred after the event). Apart from this point, the other 2 make perfect sense.	Jan 22, 2014 8:13 PM
154	In theory! but in practice it doesn't happen - we are still waiting on Leith Links for reinstatement works promised over 2 years ago!. (And where does the bond money go, that events organisers pay for reinstatement, if the work isn't done?) A council official should be on the spot at all events, noting damage and should attend immediately after event to list reinstatement needed. A transparent 'audit' sheet should be started so everyone can see what work is needed, see when it is scheduled for, and when it is done, and signed off as finished. Use photos - 'before' - 'during work' and 'after' photos to provide evidence and avoid wrangling about what has or hasn't been done.	Jan 22, 2014 7:31 PM
155	Huge coverage, like the mela needs hard standing to reduce damage.	Jan 22, 2014 7:23 PM
156	the damage should not be caused in the first place	Jan 22, 2014 6:25 PM

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157	A minimum of two weeks is not enough if the ground has been occupied by heavy structures and vehicles for four weeks. But two weeks should be the maximum length of an event in any case. Events such as the Ladyboys of Bangkok would be better accommodated on hard standing such as that available at Ocean Terminal.	Jan 22, 2014 6:01 PM
158	Don't put stuff on the grass in December	Jan 22, 2014 5:52 PM
159	A maximum of two weeks with very occasional extensions which should be assessed individually, eg: Festival events on The Meadows and, possibly, Leith Links and Princes Street Gardens.	Jan 22, 2014 5:35 PM
160	What about football matches being played and causing damage when ground is too soft? Is this considered to be an 'event'?	Jan 22, 2014 5:19 PM
161	Level of noise should be taken into account in areas such as Calton Hill where disruption to neighbouring residential areas can be significant.	Jan 22, 2014 4:51 PM
162	But it takes longer to return a park to usable state so the number of events needs to be reduced.	Jan 22, 2014 4:25 PM
163	two weeks is not enough time, it needs to be at least 4.	Jan 22, 2014 3:32 PM
164	What is the point of this question? How can you answer no to this?	Jan 22, 2014 3:32 PM
165	The impact of events in Princes Street Gardens usually takes longer than 2 weeks to mitigate.	Jan 22, 2014 12:08 PM
166	Each event has to be assessed on individual merit from teh perspective of destruction of the grass. Damage is not exclusive to grass, this is just the most visible and the custodians of these spaces have a responsibility to ensure the health of the parks and the best interests of residents are maintained regardless of whether these are visible to the press or wider electorate and therefore may potentially cause more negative publicity for the council Reinstatement work should be the responsibility of the group who organised and profited from the event. Work should however be charged at a fair rate withthe option of employing private companies to ensure the council tender remains realistic and competitive.	Jan 22, 2014 11:20 AM
167	Looking at the total number of events in a given time period and their cumulative effect, not just the individual impact one event makes.	Jan 22, 2014 10:23 AM
168	Extend the minimum recovery period to something more realistic based on the length of the event eg the minimum recovery period should be twice (2X) the length of the event. Thus a 3 day event only needs a week but a four week event willrequire a two month recovery period.	Jan 22, 2014 10:10 AM
169	I am personally opposed to the use of public spaces for private gain.	Jan 22, 2014 9:15 AM
170	Grass grows back!!!!	Jan 22, 2014 9:08 AM
171	In practise I never see evidence of enforcement or follow-up. When grassed surfaces do not recover, I don't know if we citizens ultimately paid. Maybe the website could draw attention to where events organisers have paid for reinstatement works?	Jan 22, 2014 5:19 AM
172	it should be the responsibility of the appropriate body in consultation with the local and community bodies together with necessary expert advice	Jan 21, 2014 8:52 PM

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173	See previous comments re Winter Festival impact. Such spaces will need longer than 2 weeks to be reinstated since grass/turf cannot take at this time of year.	Jan 21, 2014 8:49 PM
174	For the Meadows, two weeks is not enough for recovery The Meadows has had so much damage that the 'original conditions' (of the Events site) should be the condition the Meadows was 20 or 30 years ago, not the way the events site is now	Jan 21, 2014 7:35 PM
175	create an area that will allow the grass areas not to be damaged ie a hard stand area this is all ready in place at the gardens ie west princes st gardens ross band stand and the mound	Jan 21, 2014 5:24 PM
176	the timing should be much more reliant upon the time of year. for instance damage sustained by grass in the winter requires a a much longer recovery time. It may be that in the spring and early summer this time period can be relaxed.	Jan 21, 2014 5:10 PM
177	Far longer is required between events. At least a month.	Jan 21, 2014 4:12 PM
178	As long as Event Organisers pay for and hire in suitable and appropriate ground protection equipment, damage to grass areas can be limited. Suitable steel trackway should be used for any grass area where vehicles must drive, and pedestrian trackway for areas where public footfall will damage the ground. If Event Organisers cannot afford to, or will not pay for such ground protection their Event Site Plans must reflect this !	Jan 21, 2014 3:59 PM
179	But, if the Meadows park is booked for four weeks continuously every year by festival attractions, how can you possibly take factors like the weather into account? I imagine gale force winds would be the only issue that would persuade hirers to close - and their vehicles and equipment would still be there.	Jan 21, 2014 3:33 PM
180	Proper charge back procedures should be put in place so the event organiser pays for reinstatement.	Jan 21, 2014 3:22 PM
181	No, the recovery time will depend entirely on the type of event being hosted and perhaps there should be categories of events noted with varying recovery times. Two weeks is sufficient for a weekend festival or such like with a reasonable amount of foot traffic. However, it will be insufficient for other types of events and those with a high footfall.	Jan 21, 2014 3:20 PM
182	If there is any damage to the park then those responsible should pay for its restoration.	Jan 21, 2014 2:32 PM
183	No matter what length of time you state the parks are never very well looked after any where in Edinburgh except for Princes Street.	Jan 21, 2014 2:27 PM
184	Some events can have very light impact on grass, if they do not have standing structures and vehicles etc. So this could be a caveat to allow events of the light impact / right type to gain access to grass areas. E.g. running across grass, activity on grass.	Jan 21, 2014 2:26 PM
185	Purpose built event areas better able to withstand wet weather e.g. Grass Mesh areas, adequate field drainage and hardstanding. Use of steel tracks for vehicle access.	Jan 21, 2014 11:55 AM

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1	Two weeks long enough for the Meadows.	Mar 23, 2014 12:48 PM
2	Re The Meadows: five large events at four weeks each would be too invasive for general park users. In addition, the grass areas would certainly not have enough time to recover in between events	Mar 21, 2014 6:18 PM
3	There should be no more than 2 large events in a year on the Meadows. It is a sports ground for public enjoyment & health : and as such should be available to the public. This is true of the other parks also. Also duration should be considered in the definition of 'large Event'. 5 days with very heavy marquees etc would be Large.	Mar 21, 2014 5:09 PM
4	One major event is more than enough. This number should depend on the type of event. We would welcome more short events that do not take long times to put up and take down and dont damage the grass so much. What people like is short events that they can visit without having to pay a large entry fee. Fun events for children and adults eg. Treefest run by Fourwinds was very popular indeed. We would be happy to have more than 4 smaller events. Events like watching the fireworks are very popular and welcome. But events like Moonwalk should only be allowed 1 year in every 4. They are very damaging to the grass; take away a lot of space from local park users and take up a long time; furthermore they are exclusive. The effect is that about a quarter of Inverleith Park is used up every June - the best time of year with high prison-like walls around the site. We also wonder if such events are charged enough by CEC. Their financial statements show large amounts of money going to pay the organisers rather than to breast cancer. It is not possible to use the pitches for sports at these times.	Mar 21, 2014 4:42 PM
5	Under the Council's current definition of a 'large event', I would encourage the maximum number of large events on the Meadows, which is currently 5, to be reduced. Perhaps it would be useful to consider that the large events held on the Meadows during the Festival should be held every two years as opposed to every year as is currently the case.	Mar 21, 2014 12:17 PM
6	I think whilst having a recommended number of events for each venue is acceptable and wise, extra events should be considered for all venues on their merits	Mar 21, 2014 11:57 AM
7	Control should be considered in a different way, linking to the hierarchy and repair principles set out above. Any approval for an event should consider the interrelationship between scale and type of event.	Mar 20, 2014 12:19 PM
8	We think that there should be no more than four large events on the Meadows & Links per year as in Inverleith Park.	Mar 20, 2014 11:28 AM
9	I'd like to see more than 5 large events held on the Meadows at once.	Mar 19, 2014 7:50 PM
10	Meadows and bruntsfield links should be lower. A maximum of 2 large events per year.	Mar 19, 2014 1:48 PM
11	I think some of these could be slightly higher for Calton Hill, Inverleith Park and the Meadows & Bruntsfield Links.	Mar 19, 2014 10:36 AM
12	Five too Long for meadows. This time is mostly for fair grounds.	Mar 18, 2014 11:25 PM
13	Five weeks seems like a long time during which damage can be caused	Mar 18, 2014 10:55 PM
14	5 large events on the Meadows would be disastrous. This park is well used	Mar 18, 2014 7:41 PM

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	by people living in the area, and depriving residents of their park is a shame. The same must be true for Leith Links and the other places named. Why not use other paved areas instead?	
15	I refer you to my first answer. No large events in the Meadows, please.	Mar 18, 2014 6:25 PM
16	Impact of a single event will depend not only on "size" (as defined), but also duration. So, the impact of five x single-day events will be much less (say one-seventh) of five x one-week events - and so on.	Mar 18, 2014 6:02 PM
17	How are these levels determined, and by whom, for individual parks, and why such a range ? The Meadows is the one with most dwellings close by and should therefore have a maximum of, say, two - both to be charity/community events as opposed to commercial ones.	Mar 18, 2014 5:32 PM
18	Given the space available in the West Garden of Princes Street, 4 events is probably too many. The red ash area becomes very crowded with this many events.	Mar 18, 2014 5:00 PM
19	Don't understand justification for Inverleith Park being lower than rest. My impression is that Inverleith Park is less heavily used than e.g. Leith Links and could therefore cope with more large events, certainly not less.	Mar 18, 2014 11:06 AM
20	If maximum occupancy is 4 weeks per event, then theoretically for 5 months of the year the Meadows and Links are available for large events. This is too high, especially in the summer months where residents will want access to green space.	Mar 17, 2014 3:09 PM
21	could do more	Mar 17, 2014 11:26 AM
22	Not qualified to state - assume figures set by experience and consultation with local community	Mar 16, 2014 3:30 PM
23	Should not it be based on total number of "event days". Five events of 2 weeks each (or 4 weeks in the case of the Meadows) will do a lot more damage than five short weekend events.	Mar 13, 2014 7:48 PM
24	Too many if the same locale is used repeatedly. The 'site' should be moved around as much as possible within the area to spread the burden. In a limited area with little scope for movement then the number should be reduced. For example, the Meadows: 5 events in one locale is 4 events too much. Within the larger area of the Meadows 5 may be possible by moving the specific venue around but the events shouldn't be concentrated on one site.	Mar 13, 2014 11:41 AM
25	It is a very rigid system not enabling the city to take advantage of new opportunities for large events emerging in Edinburgh. Some parks could probably host more than the above limits (Leith Links and Inverleith Park being the more obvious). The number of 1000 seems very arbitrary - it should be more dependent on the type of event.	Mar 13, 2014 11:09 AM
26	Don't see the need for a maximum number	Mar 11, 2014 9:32 PM
27	don't understand the question	Mar 11, 2014 8:24 PM
28	Again number of events in Meadows seems high, especially given the currently allowed length of these events	Mar 11, 2014 5:58 PM

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29	I think 5 weeks is too long for the ground to deal with - in bad weather it is terrible -	Mar 11, 2014 3:20 PM
30	Events should be booked into parks on their merits. We need more things to do in Edinburgh	Mar 11, 2014 1:42 PM
31	Meadows area :Not sure if this means 5 at one time or 5 over a year	Mar 10, 2014 6:56 PM
32	Princes street gardens west is 1 of the outstanding locations within Europe and whilst this should also mean that it is kept clear for general public use, it also offers fantastic opportunities for showcasing Edinburgh. There are already 3 events that I am aware of; Edinburgh's Hogmanay, The Festival Fireworks Concert and the Church of Scotland Heart and Soul. Only allowing 1 more event per year could mean that Edinburgh misses out on a city wide event if there had been an additional event already that year. I would suggest the maximum number be increased to 5.	Mar 8, 2014 10:58 AM
33	I do not have the necessary knowledge and experience to comment helpfully on this.	Mar 7, 2014 8:00 AM
34	Seems reasonable if my previous comments were applied - otherwise the level of damage to The Meadows must be taken into account in allowing Large Events.	Mar 5, 2014 3:13 PM
35	Maximum of two weeks per event total of three weeks annually	Mar 5, 2014 12:43 PM
36	It partly depends on the time of year. I believe the impact of four large events at Inverleith Park in summertime would be too much. As I said in my previous reply, the council seem to think we should not return to cricket for two weeks after the event. If there were four events, that would mean 16 weeks of disruption out of the 18 week season. Of course you could use different parts of the park to minimise disruption.	Mar 5, 2014 9:11 AM
37	Again I refer to the Meadows which I know well and I think as I have said before there are too many events resulting in damage which is fast becoming a permanent feature of the landscape. There never seems time for the grass to recover especially given the predilection to flood anyway.	Mar 4, 2014 8:33 PM
38	Princes Street Gardens is not used enough. More events should be encouraged here.	Mar 4, 2014 1:20 PM
39	Leith Links is high. This is a relatively small space given that the same area of the Links is used for public events. There has been considerable damage to community bulb planting and pathways are deteriorating fast. A maximum of four would be easier on the environment	Mar 4, 2014 11:45 AM
40	I think these could be increased a little bit, perhaps increase the maximum by 1 or two in each case.	Mar 4, 2014 11:24 AM
41	It is less the size than the duration. More small events better.	Mar 4, 2014 10:56 AM
42	If the events only last for the maximum number of days and there minimum rest period of 2 weeks is observed, then I don't think the numbers of events should be so low. And even then that brings the rest period into question. It may be better to schedule 2 events back to back and then only have to repair the grass once instead of twice. The criteria should be more about the benefit the events will bring to the community and not be refused just because the number of events has been exceeded. Maybe a contingency of	Mar 4, 2014 10:54 AM

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	5 extra events per year (across all parks) could be in place - therefore there is scope for a couple extra good causes but limits the work the council has to do in repairs.	
43	Inverleith park & Pilrig park could be used more.	Mar 3, 2014 5:16 PM
44	Edinburgh is not Disneyland, it is a living, breathing city (despite best efforts of the council otherwise). The council should be serving the needs of the tax paying electorate not trying to create some poor man's Alton Towers in our public spaces.	Mar 3, 2014 4:17 PM
45	I think Inverleith Park and Pilrig Park can take more events.	Mar 3, 2014 3:55 PM
46	The larger parks like Inverleith and Meadows may be able to cope with more events if they were moved around the site.	Mar 3, 2014 10:22 AM
47	Inverleith should have a maximum of five too>	Mar 3, 2014 9:58 AM
48	I think they could be increased slightly as extra events would bring in tourism for the capital	Feb 28, 2014 2:17 PM
49	There are too many events in the Meadows. The grass is damaged and the area gets very waterlogged. There is also a good deal of noise for local residents	Feb 28, 2014 1:05 PM
50	Five is too many for a park.	Feb 27, 2014 7:39 PM
51	Prefer if there was much more on each site - esp one as central as The Meadows	Feb 27, 2014 5:04 PM
52	as previous comments	Feb 27, 2014 4:29 PM
53	If the meadows is available for 4 weeks it is then subject to double the events of all other areas other than dedicated space	Feb 27, 2014 2:43 PM
54	The maximum number of events should also be spread out across the year, rather than 5 events that could happen within 4 months, say.	Feb 27, 2014 2:21 PM
55	I think that the maximums should be increased by 50 to 100% with preference being given to local events.	Feb 27, 2014 1:03 PM
56	The more events the better. Events bring money to Edinburgh from other areas. If the recovery period is only two weeks on average, why not use the spaces to their maximum capacity,	Feb 27, 2014 10:37 AM
57	With a maximum length of four weeks, that means major events on the Meadows could be taking place for up to 20 weeks a year. That is too much. Use the Meadows to maximum effect during the Festival, and leave the rest to short events over a weekend - such as the Wine & Food event or the Marathon start/finish.	Feb 27, 2014 9:00 AM
58	It is not supportable for the same ground area to be always used. Needs more rotation and bigger gaps between events using grass areas.	Feb 27, 2014 12:14 AM
59	In particular Leith Links - the only green space in leith that is not totally smothered in dog waste - should not be covered with commercial fairs five times a year. It's not a mall, it's a green space. Turning our city's green spaces into commercial events spaces may seem like a good idea in the	Feb 26, 2014 10:10 PM

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	short term but it actually does nothing to engage communities with the outdoor/green space itself. These types of large commercial events are better situated on disused land - how about the wasteland sitting outside of Ocean Terminal for instance?	
60	East Meadows cannot cope with 5 large events as has been obvious. One or two of no longer than 10 days and no heavy vehicles in my opinion. No commercial/private events on common good land. Stick to communal events such as Meadows Festival which is free for all ,localsand visitors.	Feb 26, 2014 9:01 PM
61	Why Inverleith Park only four days and the Meadows and Leith Links....five?	Feb 26, 2014 9:07 AM
62	The Meadows especially has too many events - if 5 were allowed up to 4 weeks each this would overload the space.	Feb 25, 2014 5:41 PM
63	Like Inverleith Park Leith Links should be reduced to a maximum of four 'Large' events a year	Feb 23, 2014 9:27 PM
64	There should also be specification of the number of days in the year when the gardens will be accessible and reserved for ordinary use.	Feb 21, 2014 5:22 PM
65	too many events	Feb 18, 2014 1:35 PM
66	Leith Links maximum too high - should be same as Pilrig as it is a smaller space in a predominantly residential area, meaning events are closer to (and thus more audible from) private dwellings.	Feb 18, 2014 12:06 PM
67	Not sure - as definition of large event - more detial on 'factors' would be helpful. Options for flexibility - protocol which might allow exceptional activity?	Feb 18, 2014 7:56 AM
68	the key issue on the Meadows is not so much the frequency of large events but where they are located within the available space. the council should ensure full rotation within the space - eg ladyboys	Feb 15, 2014 3:17 PM
69	Should be increased. Don't understand why 'large events' are problematic.	Feb 15, 2014 2:54 PM
70	I think large events are good, epscially in leith (where I live) and would have no concerns about higher limits. As long as there is 2 weeks in between to alow recovery of grass etc I wouldn't limit the number of overall events	Feb 14, 2014 3:29 PM
71	the size of the event should not be limited to a maximum number of tents on the park	Feb 14, 2014 3:11 PM
72	Would drop to a maximum of 4. Otherwise there's seems little time for people with the actual event taking place and then the aftermath	Feb 14, 2014 8:53 AM
73	Reduce the Meadows events to four maximum to allow it to recover. Maximum of four events which involve covering the grass with equipment.	Feb 13, 2014 6:14 PM
74	See previous	Feb 12, 2014 10:16 AM
75	Given the time required for ground reinstatment in between (which is a good policy), there is plenty of time to have more events in these spaces, if this is appropriate for the neighbouring community. It would have been good to know how these maximums were calculated.	Feb 12, 2014 8:57 AM
76	I live next to the Meadows and Bruntsfield Links and feel that given the	Feb 11, 2014 8:57 PM

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	amount of flooding over the last few years the area looks exhausted and takes longer than you suggest to recover. This area is used by families, for sports, recreation and by students throughout the year and consequently fewer events would leave the area in better condition.	
77	Pilrig Park could be used much more often for social events and West Gardens. East gardens were used this winter whilst west gardens were in darkness making east princes Street over busy	Feb 11, 2014 1:43 PM
78	As said above, some of the parks (as opposed to larger areas) have too many, e.g. Calton Hill and Inverleith. Allotment holders in Inverleith Park and people playing sport need the space. I am glad the Pink Boobs have been moved, and the Food 'Festival', which took space and outlook, and caused litter and disturbance to ordinary, habitual sports including gardening.	Feb 11, 2014 1:30 PM
79	Could increase number in Inverleith park in line with other areas.	Feb 11, 2014 10:06 AM
80	Up Pilrig Park to 5 in line with other parks	Feb 10, 2014 10:46 AM
81	Five events is too many for the Meadows as this means that the public are denied access to their common good land for too large a proportion of the year	Feb 9, 2014 1:49 PM
82	There should not be a limit, but events should be judged individually.	Feb 9, 2014 1:34 PM
83	I think the Meadows/Bruntsfield Links should be reduced to maximum 3, and Princes Street West reduced to maximum 2. These are the most central (other than Calton Hill) and most widely used by a lot of visitors and residents all through the year - the Meadows being particularly widely used by student groups during the summer months. Princes St West has an outstanding recreational space for shoppers, visitors and residents and furthermore, visually enhances the most attractive part of Princes Street Gardens in general with the two churches, the churchyard and the backdrop of the Castle from its most dramatic angle. To have a series of large events through the year would diminish all these features.	Feb 9, 2014 11:41 AM
84	The meadows is large enough to increase the number of events per year by one or two	Feb 8, 2014 10:30 AM
85	The 'shows' come to the west side of the Meadows a few times a year for a few days at a time. What is a bigger concern is the taking over of the east part of the Meadows for several weeks - five such events a year is about four too many.	Feb 6, 2014 9:34 PM
86	Not enough detail	Feb 6, 2014 1:43 PM
87	Seems fair.	Feb 6, 2014 1:29 PM
88	I think 3 should be the absolute limit.	Feb 6, 2014 1:13 PM
89	This doesn't make perfect sense where events are of various sizes. I'd rather five Large Events of two days each than two Large Events of fifteen days each. Better to have an annual maximum.	Feb 6, 2014 1:12 PM
90	In an effort to ensure more possible community involvement, foot fall included, can Pilrig Park not house more than two. I recognise the difference between Pilrig and Roseburn, esp built environment, but still wonder if three might be acceptable.	Feb 5, 2014 1:47 PM

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91	As described in my previous notes, surely Princes St Gardens should be sancrosanct.	Feb 5, 2014 12:28 AM
92	This will only work if there are tight conditions and the event organisers have to pay a bond that will cover all the costs of reinstatement. Why bother to reduce their impact otherwise? It would be better to identify where on the Meadows and Bruntsfield Links large events could go - a space that would not impinge on the other uses of the site - and to manage that area solely for large events. By merging the Meadows and Bruntsfield Links into one space you run the risk of 5 large events on the Meadows part of the site. Rather than spreading the impact wider.	Feb 4, 2014 10:41 AM
93	Don't see why there has to be a limit?	Feb 4, 2014 10:40 AM
94	Probably	Feb 3, 2014 11:04 PM
95	The number of events is less significant than the general intrusion. Weekend events well spaced apart for major sporting events etc. would be preferable to the current impact over the festival period.	Feb 3, 2014 8:52 PM
96	suggest 3 - these are public parks and public space first not commercial event spaces	Feb 3, 2014 8:16 PM
97	It would obviously depend on the amount of time in between events, as it would be dreadful if all four events were one after each other, so I would suggest that this should be given some thought.	Feb 3, 2014 7:31 PM
98	Depends on how many 'large' events are required for each area - does the areas generally put on more than 5 per year????	Feb 3, 2014 1:31 PM
99	Should set maximum of 2 throughout.	Feb 3, 2014 1:31 PM
100	Too many set in the meadows - try moving some events to other parts of the city especially during the festival.	Feb 3, 2014 10:03 AM
101	No events should be held in East Princess Street Gardens. It is a mess of churned earth for much of Spring and even into Summer.	Feb 3, 2014 9:09 AM
102	Damage to parks and no mention of the type of events and their damage profile. Low damage events could be tolerated whereas the damage to the East Princes Street gardens is horrendous	Feb 3, 2014 8:13 AM
103	The meadows is truly a citizens recreation park. 5 large items a year is too much	Feb 2, 2014 11:07 PM
104	Yes, but community events should have priority.	Feb 2, 2014 10:23 PM
105	well, fine. If there are a few events only, residents and the park can cope with 5h events.	Feb 2, 2014 7:58 PM
106	Not in isolation, without strict restriction on the maximum length of time for each event.	Feb 2, 2014 4:59 PM
107	again, speaking for the Meadows, the grass is regularly in poor condition. this suggests the levels are not right. as a pedestrian and cyclist who regularly uses the meadows paths, i find the presence of vehicles problematic. they are intrusive, and often move too quickly, and with too little care around pedestrians.	Feb 2, 2014 2:31 PM

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108	Suggest that Inverleith should also host up to 5 events	Feb 2, 2014 11:27 AM
109	There should be none in East and West Princes Street Gardens. Inverleith POark and the Meadows are big enough areas to be allow a limit of at least 8 or 9 per year	Feb 2, 2014 12:11 AM
110	Meadpws/Links area is the one with which I am most familiar. I think five is too many. Counting praparation and recovery time this has a major impact on regular users.	Feb 1, 2014 4:52 PM
111	Most of the sites should only be used for smaller community events, with perhaps one or two at a maximum big events per year. Things like Leith Festival which is for locals run by locals should be encouraged - commercial events such as Lady Boys or the big Marathons should be refused. You'll do doubt say this damages Edinburghshire reputation - who with? Certainly not locals, who are also known as Council Tax payers.	Jan 31, 2014 11:45 PM
112	I think it should be the same for all grass parks as the recovery issues are the same	Jan 31, 2014 7:37 PM
113	Providing the tents are removed timeously.	Jan 31, 2014 5:58 PM
114	Too many for Meadows and Leith Links	Jan 31, 2014 5:28 PM
115	5 events for the Meadows is too many, especially as they mostly happen during one 6 month period. I cannot speak for the other parks.	Jan 31, 2014 4:47 PM
116	Given that most of these big events, Winter Festival aside, take place within the summer months, then I do think that the numbers are a bit high if ground is going to be allowed to recover properly	Jan 31, 2014 2:04 PM
117	Assuming there was sufficient time separation between events to aallow recovery of grass area there could possibly an extra one or two in each park.	Jan 31, 2014 12:02 PM
118	As with Prince St Gardens the exceptions for unique, single events should apply to all parks?	Jan 31, 2014 10:50 AM
119	Too few	Jan 31, 2014 9:08 AM
120	I believe that there should be less events permitted due to the detrimental impact on the environment and grass and the requirement and cost of reinstatement. I'm unclear as to why outside areas with hard standing cannot be used instead for events.	Jan 31, 2014 8:23 AM
121	Inverleith and pilrig park should be brought into line with other park to maximum of five.	Jan 30, 2014 3:25 PM
122	If our parks attracted a large event every day, then that would be amazing. These schedules have been drawn so that the money spinning festivals can proceed and almost nothing else.	Jan 29, 2014 2:49 PM
123	Again, a question for professionals. I would imagine we should be encouraging as many events in Princes St Gardens as possible, as it is so central.	Jan 28, 2014 4:17 PM
124	I think better management of which areas of the park are used rather than stating exact figures, edinburgh is a capital city and should be supportive of big events	Jan 28, 2014 3:52 PM

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125	Generally too many events per location, particularly as most events will take place in a concentrated period over Spring, Summer & Autumn.	Jan 28, 2014 1:38 PM
126	Again, if Meadows can have events lasting up to four weeks, that could mean 20 weeks usage in a year.	Jan 28, 2014 1:09 PM
127	The other parks in the city have enough space to accommodate large events and still function. This is not the case in East Princes Street Gardens. It's over-used to the detriment of its primary function.	Jan 28, 2014 11:46 AM
128	Too many!	Jan 28, 2014 11:15 AM
129	Curious as to why Pilrig is set at such a low level.	Jan 28, 2014 9:15 AM
130	When these events are on parks are often restricted access and security can be quite 'firm'. There should be limited major events to enable local residents to enjoy their parks without continually restriction and noise pollution from these events.	Jan 27, 2014 4:59 PM
131	Again why not maximise revenue and increase visitors to each local area by holding a number of events throughout the year	Jan 27, 2014 1:45 PM
132	Maximum of 3 in all cases to allow for inspection, reinstatement where necessary and any learning lessons on evaluation prior to the next large event	Jan 27, 2014 1:34 PM
133	Think it has to be a balance up to 15 days disruption which could mean more than this if they did not have much get in and out times so think it should be max of 15 days event use which could be more than five	Jan 27, 2014 12:48 PM
134	There seems no logic to these numbers. Why are they set so low? If it is to prevent disturbance then why is it right that people near the Meadows should be disturbed more than twice as often as the people in Pilrig Park. Are people in the Pilrig Park areas particularly sensitive souls? Our parks are there to be used: let them be used.	Jan 27, 2014 11:48 AM
135	Inverleith Park although fairly large is beloved as a wide-open space and is frequently used as such; parking a 'large event' on it curtails play.	Jan 27, 2014 11:04 AM
136	These do not state a length of time between such events, which I think should be included for the sake of residents. They should also take into account ANY other events that have happened recently. We had a period at Leith Links where there was something causing the local roads to be jammed with traffic or closed to traffic (like a marathon) every 2 weeks for a couple of months. This is constant disruption to local residents.	Jan 27, 2014 10:47 AM
137	there should not be restrictions other than allowing for rest periods inbetween, in order to maximise economic and cultural benefit	Jan 26, 2014 11:08 AM
138	I think Inverleith Park can cater for probably 6/7 events	Jan 25, 2014 10:16 PM
139	Too many. See previous suggestions of using sports stadia as alternative venue(s).	Jan 25, 2014 9:49 PM
140	I am not sure that a strict limit needs to be placed on the number of large events per year, as they are not necessarily long events (e.g. Meadows Festival is only two days). A more sensible limit might be the cumulative length of (large) events.	Jan 25, 2014 9:22 PM

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141	The damage to Princes St gardens East and the length of time it takes to repair doesn't merit use of this space for such events at that time of year.	Jan 25, 2014 2:05 PM
142	See previous comments though	Jan 25, 2014 7:01 AM
143	Outrageous levels. Edinburgh and our green space is not for the Council to make money out of, It's for us the people to use. A quiet space to all to enjoy, perhaps see some birds and wildlife. You do this and you destroy all that.	Jan 24, 2014 10:46 PM
144	There are 52 weeks in the year and we should be having as many large events as possible. Just increase the time to 3 weeks between back to back large events. Some of the larger parks/meadows/links can have more - just move them around the park space. I think a maximum of 7/8 would be better.	Jan 24, 2014 7:47 PM
145	I think indicating a maximum is a good planning strategy but should have flexibility - it would be silly having to refuse an option on an undamaged park JUST because an arbitrary figure had been reached.	Jan 24, 2014 1:30 PM
146	Don't know	Jan 24, 2014 12:48 PM
147	Meadows and Leith should be brought into line with the maximum of four.	Jan 24, 2014 12:33 PM
148	Meadows should be zero, in my opinion.	Jan 23, 2014 5:17 PM
149	The criteria need to separate hard standing areas from grassed areas (which require restrictions much more stringent than those for hard standing)	Jan 23, 2014 4:55 PM
150	Calton Hill - five large events is too many, suggest 3 Roseburn Park - as above	Jan 23, 2014 4:36 PM
151	Calton Hill should be reduced to a maximum of two or three	Jan 23, 2014 2:27 PM
152	Too many.	Jan 23, 2014 1:49 PM
153	The limit needs to take account of the length of time of each event. On this scale a large event of three weeks is equal to a large event of one week.	Jan 23, 2014 11:20 AM
154	I think the large events on Leith Links should be restricted to the Gala Day, the Mela and Festival events - other large events impact heavily on the area which is not as large as others - in terms of size it is probably comparable to Pilrig Park which is limited to two.	Jan 23, 2014 8:25 AM
155	IMO the measurement of large event is wrong. I believe time should also be a factor which would include build and break down. Perhaps any event including the above factors of more than 4 days should be considered a 'Large Event'. If organisers do not want to be considered a large event on time alone they should consider restricting the length of their event.	Jan 23, 2014 7:24 AM
156	Repair and reinstatement works on Leith Links haven't been carried out after damage from previous years fairground rides and where the Mela box office stood. This means that the number of large events per year needs to be reduced until the commitment to repair and reinstate can be met.	Jan 22, 2014 10:27 PM
157	A large festival tent is much more damaging than a large event like the Meadows Festival.	Jan 22, 2014 9:34 PM
158	Seems a bit ridiculous considering the size of space these parks have	Jan 22, 2014 9:12 PM

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159	Too many events	Jan 22, 2014 9:05 PM
160	Major damage has not recovered between events on the Meadows	Jan 22, 2014 8:29 PM
161	Fewer large events should be permitted in West Princes St Gardens - it is a historic and beautiful green space and should be enjoyed as such	Jan 22, 2014 8:24 PM
162	Private profit from public land makes me wonder why the fuck I'm paying council tax. Fuck you.	Jan 22, 2014 8:20 PM
163	5 is too many for Leith Links, given that they are all within the same very short timeframe (May/June - September). 2 or 3 is enough.	Jan 22, 2014 7:32 PM
164	Do not take into account the size of the park and the exclusion events cause to local users	Jan 22, 2014 7:24 PM
165	Any opportunities to provide field drains to damaged areas whilst grass reinstatement takes place should be used	Jan 22, 2014 7:10 PM
166	would it be an idea to construct some sort of open ampitheatre site with a stone arena / stage in one of the parks that could accommodate a large event which could also be of multi use and allow temp structures to be situated during an event	Jan 22, 2014 6:36 PM
167	More on Princes St, less in areas surrounded closely by housing. Seems irrational that Princes St Gardens are so infrequently used compared to Meadows, Roseburn etc.	Jan 22, 2014 6:10 PM
168	Four events would be enough on the Meadows, given the size and scale of the regular events on the Meadows.	Jan 22, 2014 6:03 PM
169	Exclude Bruntsfield Links - maximum of two.	Jan 22, 2014 5:37 PM
170	See previous comments about noise. It is essential that noise limits are enforced effectively. This has not always been the case on Calton Hill	Jan 22, 2014 4:53 PM
171	Why the variations and are the numbers referring to days or weeks?	Jan 22, 2014 4:53 PM
172	Too many, as stated before; the damage inflicted on parks by large events is irreparable. community events should have priority, and single-theme events should take place on hard standing.	Jan 22, 2014 4:28 PM
173	5 is too many in leith links. The links is used regularly by the local schools and football teams. It gets enough wear ans tear just through those alone, it is in a bad state of repair already.	Jan 22, 2014 3:34 PM
174	I would like to see more events.	Jan 22, 2014 3:32 PM
175	The restrictions often make sites unavailable for the festival period	Jan 22, 2014 12:49 PM
176	Would prefer to see none or one only in West Princes Street.	Jan 22, 2014 12:10 PM
177	three to four should be max (for Meadows)	Jan 22, 2014 10:35 AM
178	In parks without existing hard standing the number of large events should be reduced to the pilrig Park level of two. Once the trams are working more events can go to Ingleston and use shuttle buses from the tram stops.	Jan 22, 2014 10:13 AM

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179	The limits are too high. With too many events, they lose their special character (as the Meadows Festival has now done) and become too obviously not intended for the locals, and only taking away from regular park users.	Jan 22, 2014 5:21 AM
180	again this must be addressed at the time	Jan 21, 2014 8:53 PM
181	I think all venues can handle more than this. I also think the definition needs to be looked as some events can have a large footprint but be quite small in participant level and vice versa meaning event impact the venue and surrounding differently	Jan 21, 2014 8:16 PM
182	Pilrig Park seems to be underutilised	Jan 21, 2014 8:03 PM
183	Think perhaps over a year some parks are under used	Jan 21, 2014 7:40 PM
184	Too many for all the venues	Jan 21, 2014 7:36 PM
185	Why is Pilrig Park set so low??	Jan 21, 2014 7:12 PM
186	Too few	Jan 21, 2014 6:45 PM
187	Inverleith should also be 5 with a mixture of sport, community, cultural all taken into account. The site is a great central venue and within reason should be available the same number as all the others.	Jan 21, 2014 5:56 PM
188	it all depends on damage that will be caused	Jan 21, 2014 5:25 PM
189	its wrong to set a limit by number, instead the economic and community arguments should prevail.	Jan 21, 2014 5:13 PM
190	The Meadows is too small an area and too heavily used by the citizens it was intended for to sustain five major events.	Jan 21, 2014 4:14 PM
191	The amount of Events any one site can hold depends upon ground conditions at the time of occupancy, as well as the amount of ground protection put in place according to the use of the Site, as set out in the site plan. If it is a very wet summer, events are cancelled, as happened in 2012. If it is a very dry summer, then more events can be held, without damage occurring. I feel by setting these levels you are restricting the amount of events being held, without taking the above factors into account	Jan 21, 2014 4:05 PM
192	Again, I do not understand the differential between each park - why should Pilrig be permitted 2 and Lauriston, 7? The great majority of Large Events are no more than two or three days. I should think the events' duration ought to be taken into account when determining how many a venue ought to hold in any one year.	Jan 21, 2014 3:57 PM
193	The maximum number of large events should be subject to a variation if CEC decides it is in the interests of either the event or of the City, including financial viability for the event or commercial benefit for the City.	Jan 21, 2014 3:22 PM
194	This needs to be more specific and perhaps note how many events per season. There is potential for a further event in Princes Street gardens in the summer if carefully managed.	Jan 21, 2014 3:22 PM
195	I think Meadows, Inverleith and Leith Links could take more	Jan 21, 2014 2:55 PM

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196	Too few - Seems to restrict to potential revenue of the parks.	Jan 21, 2014 2:39 PM
197	It seems fine, but unclear as to why Pilrig Park can only have a maximum of two events when others have more.	Jan 21, 2014 2:32 PM
198	Sometimes events need time to bed in with the public and have to use poor facilities available. The charges for the parks and areas of land surrounding are far to high and poorly maintained.. there should be more LARGE events allowed if the council wants to earn money from potential bidders for areas to hold such events.	Jan 21, 2014 2:29 PM
199	I assume you mean 'days?' You might want to make this clear in the table above.	Jan 21, 2014 2:26 PM
200	don't know	Jan 21, 2014 2:25 PM
201	There is no opportunity for events that are established elsewhere to find tenancy in certain areas with such limited availability.	Jan 21, 2014 2:15 PM
202	Not enough. Edinburgh should be vibrant. Higher levels of rental should be charged given the prices operators charge their customers. This would helpo with Council finances. Fast food outlets during the festival take over £3000 per day and should be charged much more for their trading license.	Jan 21, 2014 12:00 PM
203	Too high.	Jan 21, 2014 11:50 AM
204	For Meadows and Bruntsfield Links a maximum of four events would be a better option	Jan 21, 2014 11:45 AM

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1	impact on trees must also be taken into account.	Mar 23, 2014 12:50 PM
2	In all cases the impact on regular, informal sporting activities must also be considered, not only the fixtures. See the Meadows: 'regular' sporting activities are not mentioned. They are considered for Inverleith Park, Pilrig park and Leith links	Mar 21, 2014 5:14 PM
3	Sport at Inverleith has suffered greatly of late. The ground is easily compacted and so large events needing extensive fencing and large machinery to install it and tents etc should not be allowed. it is important that the grass is available for use at all times. The recent extensive drainage work on part of the park has been very successful after several years of pooling of water - we dont want to see it adversely affected by further large events.	Mar 21, 2014 4:50 PM
4	The considerations are still relevant for the Meadows. I particularly agree with the current Manifesto's statement that, "the need for a balance between different uses will be taken into consideration whilst assessing the suitability of an event."	Mar 21, 2014 12:17 PM
5	Statutory Planning designations should always be taken into account.	Mar 20, 2014 12:21 PM
6	The need for a balance between different uses "will be taken into consideration whilst assessing the suitability of an event....in such a way that impact to sporting fixtures will be kept to a minimum" We feel that such a balance is rarely maintained when lengthy events are held on the east Meadows. In recent years large areas have been ruined by inappropriate setting up of plant, which in one case was not even used owing to adverse weather: the ground was unusable for months afterwards. Measures must be taken to ensure that events are responsible for reinstatement of the ground after use. There must be much more careful monitoring of use of the site, and it's subsequent reinstatement.	Mar 20, 2014 11:32 AM
7	- sporting fixtures such as cricket clubs etc. which pay the council for use of the Meadows should be unhindered.	Mar 19, 2014 7:53 PM
8	I am particularly interested in meadows . It is widely used by local communities both for sporting and simple leisure pursuits.	Mar 18, 2014 11:27 PM
9	Also taking local residents into consideration from a noise point of view	Mar 18, 2014 10:58 PM
10	Consideration must also be given where the City has done refurbishment work to these parks as well as other green spaces i.e. Campbell Park, Spylaw Park, Paties Road Park, etc.	Mar 18, 2014 8:45 PM
11	These are not nearly strong enough guidelines to safeguard our parks for use of citizens of Edinburgh, including those who use the sports pitches. Major events now involve heavy metal 'roadways' and heavy vehicles, and their footprints are invariably beyond what could be tolerated by grass, to say nothing of areas being fenced off and unavailable to citizens.	Mar 18, 2014 7:44 PM
12	No large scale events in the Meadows please.	Mar 18, 2014 6:27 PM
13	The council should consider not only the footprint of an event, but the appropriateness of the event for the area in which it is to be held. In particular some of the events in the city centre have historically involved fairground rides which are of very poor quality and tacky appearance. Assessment of the quality of the rides rather than just safety and size for the	Mar 18, 2014 5:11 PM

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	venue would be appropriate.	
14	Roseburn is close to the beautiful Water of Leith and its wildlife should be considered. Also should consider that the park is used as access to the Primary School at Roseburn and for outdoor education. Previously children have lost a days education due to major event at Murrayfield overlooking impact on local primary.	Mar 18, 2014 4:52 PM
15	Review of all major events if weather conditions will result in major damage to the grassed are	Mar 17, 2014 8:26 PM
16	be flexible	Mar 17, 2014 11:28 AM
17	As with previous question, I have to assume standards set following discussion with local community and park officers	Mar 16, 2014 3:40 PM
18	Particularly in the Meadows - this is an area where there are lots of sports undertaken and the impact on these uses (by normal people who live and work in Edinburgh all year round) need to be minimised.	Mar 14, 2014 3:23 PM
19	Consideration should also be given as to whether an event needs to be on grass, and if it wouldn't be better on hardstanding, such as at Ocean Terminal. The Ladyboys operate on hardstanding at most of their venues - a carpark in Manchester for example.	Mar 13, 2014 7:53 PM
20	with regard to football at Leith Links,events causing fixture problems,could football match be moved to Seafield as an alternative.	Mar 12, 2014 12:02 PM
21	Sporting events are not as important as large occasional events	Mar 11, 2014 9:33 PM
22	In most cases the impact to (on) sporting events is minimal and therefore the balance would be in favour of sporting events	Mar 11, 2014 5:23 PM
23	Open public spaces are not just for sporting fixtures - they are for recreation, for cultural activity and for the use of the general public, not just for those who regard it as an extension to their own private gardens.	Mar 11, 2014 2:30 PM
24	These should be considerations But not used as a method of excluding events - because of grass maintenance	Mar 11, 2014 1:45 PM
25	I have been working on events large and small in Princes Street gardens west for over 25 years and we have only found I occasion when we have felt that we had to barrier off the pathways for safety reasons. I believe strongly that it is possible to install an event safely without closing the pathways by managing the transport and drivers rigidly. The gardens are a city asset which are used by large numbers of public every day of the year This facility should not have a blanket path closure policy imposed on it but each event should be assessed individually. I believe our record of managing this speaks for itself.	Mar 8, 2014 11:05 AM
26	These considerations are essential. I have nothing against events but I also believe the green spaces are partly what makes Edinburgh special and too many events prevent residents and visitors enjoying the space.	Mar 7, 2014 8:03 AM
27	Princes Street Gardens West: large-scale events, like the Fireworks Concert, can be managed with minimal impact on public access.	Mar 5, 2014 10:10 AM
28	Again the comment that impact on regular sporting events should be	Mar 5, 2014 9:13 AM

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	minimised only emphasises the need to allow a return to such games as soon as possible after the event.	
29	This sounds quite reasonable but these must be more than fine words and be a policy rigidly enforced.	Mar 4, 2014 8:35 PM
30	Open spaces should be used. Yes, areas need to be protected, but not everywhere.	Mar 4, 2014 1:23 PM
31	Impact on Leith Links (and others) is not just about sporting activities. There should be mention of the impact on community/individual social activities, eg local schools,walking, parking, dog walking and impact on plants, wildlife and insects	Mar 4, 2014 11:46 AM
32	These are more relevant than actual 'numbers of events' which are more arbitrary and give the decision makers 'bad press'. When events are turned down just because of rule - 'sorry we already had 2 events there' it gives the impression that there is no room for common sense or flexibility. Considerations like the above are far more logical and give the decision makers a chance to truly evaluate the events and not feel constricted by basic rules.	Mar 4, 2014 11:01 AM
33	May need to create the infrastructure to allow access to Princes St Gardens - considering it as an investment for future events etc.	Mar 3, 2014 3:58 PM
34	Anything that encourages people to be active and healthy is a good thing.	Mar 3, 2014 1:07 PM
35	Minimise as far as possible the closure of East Prices Street Gardens.	Feb 28, 2014 2:02 PM
36	They do not take into account the impact on the local environment for residents - noise, access to local green space etc	Feb 28, 2014 1:06 PM
37	The notion of balance here is not defined enough. It is open to any interpretation, so provides no protection at all for the Meadows and Bruntsfield Links.	Feb 27, 2014 7:43 PM
38	The view of local councillors should be sought for each event	Feb 27, 2014 5:06 PM
39	Given the potential of the Meadows, there is surprisingly little sporting activity - cricket of course, running, and minor informal sport. I would suggest liaising with the Edinburgh University Sports Union and EU Centre for Sport and Exercise to see how space on their doorstep could be used more effectively - with the EUSU clubs open to community users.	Feb 27, 2014 9:10 AM
40	I think it is important to take into account the regular events and the impact that a "one off" event could have on such activities.	Feb 27, 2014 8:29 AM
41	Sporting activitie should have priority on the Meadows as it has been designated as a playing /sports site	Feb 26, 2014 9:03 PM
42	The Council permit/promote the Meadows as the place to be to barbecue and now having recently decided that only the designated areas can be used....it must now be seen that the new rules are enforced....no more saying 'we don't have the staff to control the bbq scene'	Feb 26, 2014 9:16 AM
43	Leith Links is a millenium park striving for premier park status for the use of all local residents. Unfortunately council officials have allowed the park to become a massive football pitch where the football club seem to think they	Feb 23, 2014 9:37 PM

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control what other events should or shouldn't be allowed.

44	The closure of the gardens (especially West Gardens in January 2014) was too severe and for too long. No access to the foot of the Castle Rock.	Feb 21, 2014 5:25 PM
45	I think this is difficult, I completely appreciate that football pitches and cricket pitches are important to the community. However if Edinburgh is to be seen as an Event City and is keen to host high profile events, then this poses a difficult question as organisers that are paying large sums of money to stage their events can not always work around sports fixtures. Organiser once given permission to use the ground should not be subjected to the harassment often given by local residents. Would it be possible to co-ordinate the grounds so that at any given time there are pitches available albeit not always on the local pitch?	Feb 18, 2014 9:45 PM
46	on the meadows - why only a reference to impact on "other sporting fixtures?" the major impact of damage is visual, and on recreational activities and walkers. the huge ruts left by the Moon walk damage still put people at risk of turning an ankle as the grass now obscures the ruts.	Feb 15, 2014 3:25 PM
47	But again, for Leith Links there are many football/ sports pitches, which are used by a minority, so I don't think sports activities should take priority over big events as long as some pitches are still usable	Feb 14, 2014 3:31 PM
48	it would be interesting to know how ECC balances the income generation between regular sporting fixtures and events. Surely events generate more income for the council? However, it is a strong ethos to protect activity wherever possible.	Feb 12, 2014 9:01 AM
49	see previous comment	Feb 11, 2014 8:59 PM
50	Parks were made for people and people enjoy sport. No reason to minimise. Grass grows again fast. Look at Madrid and major European countries, their parks are full of people and events	Feb 11, 2014 1:47 PM
51	I think these are the most important and must be maximised!	Feb 11, 2014 1:32 PM
52	Some events on the Meadows are too noisy and go on too late, especially the Ladyboys. Their show goes on until about ten pm every night, later at weekends for three full weeks. It is a great relief when it is over. The level of noise is too much late at night.	Feb 10, 2014 8:39 PM
53	Not everyone is in to regular "sporting activity". These needs shouldn't take priority over other possible activity	Feb 10, 2014 10:48 AM
54	Whilst the environmental and architectural elements are appropriate, in terms of sporting fixtures etc then alternative venues for these (that allow key events to still take place) should also be considered, because such sporting events are very flexible to location.	Feb 9, 2014 1:36 PM
55	Noble sentiments in relation to Lauriston in particular, shame they're never actually considered prior to any event taking place there, how for example is a vintage car rally in keeping with the historical nature of the place or for that matter where is the legitimacy for a Japanese Garden within the grounds	Feb 9, 2014 9:50 AM
56	As far as the Meadows is concerned, there is more to life than just sporting fixtures. Why shouldn't the area used and footprint be managed in such a way that impact on dog-walking, playing with children, even just sitting in the	Feb 6, 2014 9:40 PM

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	sunshine chatting to friends or reading a book will be kept to a minimum.	
57	Meadows - Impact on public use should be kept to a minimum.	Feb 6, 2014 1:44 PM
58	The parks aren't just important for money-spinning events and sport. They're for all sorts of social and outdoor activity, and that needs to be taken into account.	Feb 6, 2014 1:12 PM
59	also need to consider regular users who are not involved in sport	Feb 5, 2014 10:05 PM
60	There is a big noise factor in the Meadows area (Considered too much , especially during the Festival)). Residents need to be taken into account	Feb 5, 2014 2:41 PM
61	these conditions are relevant but the guidance is unworkable since it does not protect the uniqueness of these spaces. What does the "need for a balance" actually mean? balance in whose favour. very vague and opaque wording.	Feb 4, 2014 10:44 AM
62	And you must consider how parking affects the community.	Feb 3, 2014 11:06 PM
63	I will comment re Meadows - what does a balance between mix of uses actually mean . See my prev comment - there parks are beautiful tranquil public places - and for sports - not commercial even t spaces	Feb 3, 2014 8:18 PM
64	Council will bend rules to their own ends	Feb 3, 2014 1:48 PM
65	For the Meadows '.... impact to sporting fixtures will be kept to a minimum'. It's imperative that there is NO impact on cricket wickets. These have to be maintained to a high standard to avoid potential serious injury.	Feb 3, 2014 1:34 PM
66	I think it is not only the impact on sporting fixtures which should be considered but also the impact on the state of the green spaces for other leisure activities - particularly for people who just want to walk through, and enjoy the spaces	Feb 3, 2014 12:54 PM
67	Meadows/Bruntsfield and at the heart of the City with excellent transport links and should be the clear choice for large sporting events. Their size make any minimises any impact	Feb 3, 2014 9:11 AM
68	Not sure what SSSI means tho.	Feb 3, 2014 9:04 AM
69	The Princes St Gardens are particularly vulnerable, and need extra protection.	Feb 3, 2014 8:21 AM
70	More criteria about type of events needs to be introduced	Feb 3, 2014 8:14 AM
71	re The Meadows: If only CEC would strictly apply the above management guidelines for this Park.	Feb 2, 2014 5:02 PM
72	Inverleith Park and Thge Meadows/Links are large enough to allow events and the existing uses to co-exist. parks are noit just for sports activities but for persons for leisure porposes and to some attending an event may be their leisure.	Feb 2, 2014 12:15 AM
73	Local users should have priority.	Feb 1, 2014 4:59 PM
74	These requirements are generally ok. They should not however be bent or ignored because someone manages to bend a political ear. They should be	Jan 31, 2014 11:49 PM

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	set in stone.	
75	none	Jan 31, 2014 4:49 PM
76	It is very important that the ability of a park is considered before permitting an event and also that any impact must be minimised. Council officials must be very considerate of the impact on any given park and the regular users of it before permitting events...they go away but locals don't!	Jan 31, 2014 3:06 PM
77	Quite often parts of EPSG are closed off and complete access is denied - even though there are two walking routes! One walking route (the upper one) should always be available for access!	Jan 31, 2014 2:28 PM
78	Prices ST Gds East out of action for too long	Jan 31, 2014 9:01 AM
79	They are relevant because where areas are used for regular activities this I believe should take precedent over one off events given that it is the one off events that cause the greatest amount of damage.	Jan 31, 2014 8:32 AM
80	Maintaining beautiful spaces is essential. Using them even more so. There are national and international laws regarding development on SSSI, World Heritage sites etc. These are pretty good, we should be OK here.	Jan 29, 2014 2:52 PM
81	But it is more important that the parks are used.	Jan 28, 2014 4:19 PM
82	-	Jan 28, 2014 1:41 PM
83	They should be given greater weight -particularly public access.	Jan 28, 2014 11:17 AM
84	Noise Pollution does not seem to be a consideration! The noise pollution from the concert held on Calton Hill for the torch light procession was unbelievable - I live down at Hawkhill and it was awful. I can only imagine for other people closer what it must have been like!	Jan 28, 2014 9:17 AM
85	I do feel that in the case of princes street gardens there should always be a foot path available to the public	Jan 28, 2014 7:27 AM
86	Drainage needs specifically highlighted	Jan 27, 2014 11:30 PM
87	Would it be worth considering a dedicated area for events in the bigger parks e.g. Meadows and resurface that area accordingly to give minimum future maintenance?	Jan 27, 2014 5:18 PM
88	NO	Jan 27, 2014 3:58 PM
89	Particularly if it curtails sporting pre planned events	Jan 27, 2014 1:36 PM
90	Yes there is a conflict between hires and regular clubs using site for sporting activities. Especially as the activity can also be sport related! Think there has to be early dialogue on dates for events which I am sure there is.	Jan 27, 2014 12:53 PM
91	Why is sporting activity considered more important than other events activity? I don't see how that can be justified.	Jan 27, 2014 12:18 PM
92	The Mela takes up half the park and blocks key paths over the park, which is very disruptive.	Jan 27, 2014 10:48 AM
93	The Meadows needs more consideration with the provision of event attendee	Jan 27, 2014 10:39 AM

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toilets as there is very little public toilet provision within the area.

94	These considerations are relevant but do not go far enough. Much public amenity comes from open spaces being just that; no commercial activities and/or so-called 'charity' events or other forms of mass gatherings. There are other public fora - indoors and outdoors - within the city that would better serve such events. Green spaces, for people to enjoy informally and in small-scale local sporting activities and fixtures are equally important to the local population. For information, why does the Council owned sports field area opposite Warriston Crescent and recently blighted by the costly flood prevention works not feature in the list of parks? If open to the public and improved with simple upgrades to pavilions plus re-instatement of tennis court, it could be another green asset in the city. Presumably the nearby residents in e.g. Warriston Crescent, which overlooks the area would have no automatic right of veto on what is at present an underused and semi-derelict space?	Jan 25, 2014 9:55 PM
95	there should be no impact on long standing, pre booked/ pre paid arrangements!	Jan 25, 2014 1:24 PM
96	They are relevant for sure but not near enough. This is an after thought. The money you will make will not make up for you destroying our green space and the natural habitat that does exist.	Jan 24, 2014 10:50 PM
97	I question the the use where the impact is closure to the public for the duration of the event and its set up and clear away. With Christmas I would like to see the events across the city and not just in Princes street and its environs.	Jan 24, 2014 9:40 PM
98	with plenty of notice sport and leisure access can be changed by usual users. An event in a park etc isn't a negative thing but an enhancement to civic life. Residents of Edinburgh need to chill a bit and be more generous in spirit and move away from their insular/selfish approach to change/events.	Jan 24, 2014 7:53 PM
99	I only know for Inverleith	Jan 24, 2014 12:49 PM
100	Calton Hill, no toilet facilities should be noted.	Jan 24, 2014 12:10 PM
101	I think we should remember that the Friends of the Meadows people do not represent everyone who lives near or uses the Meadows and they do not speak for us all	Jan 24, 2014 11:37 AM
102	Very important that parks outside the city centre can be used for sports and exercise	Jan 23, 2014 10:21 PM
103	See below	Jan 23, 2014 4:59 PM
104	Why are teh Meadows/Bruntsfield Links treated differently than othe Premier Parks? They should all have the same provisos attributed and consider not just sprotingevents but regular parks use and access considerations	Jan 23, 2014 4:38 PM
105	SSSI should be explained in this survey - my assessment therefore excludes Calton Hill as I do not understand the consideration.	Jan 23, 2014 11:25 AM
106	Spoting activity is not the only element for Leith Links - it is a visitor site for those with golfing interests and with the potential for a statue to John Rattary being erected, more people with golfing interests from across the world are likely to visit the area. Yes, the impact of events on regular park usage	Jan 23, 2014 8:28 AM

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	should be taken into account but Leith Links is not a football pitch (the only current sporting activity that takes place)	
107	all regular activities should not be affected at all	Jan 23, 2014 7:52 AM
108	Not sure why the historical nature of Lauriston should be considered as this could be applicable to WPG as well being the the shadow of the castle rock.	Jan 23, 2014 7:28 AM
109	'Minimal' has little meaning and no definition.	Jan 22, 2014 8:32 PM
110	Sporting fixtures are not the only users of Leith Links. Indeed Leith Athletic overuse / abuse the Links and other users of the Links themselves, by occupying more space than they are entitled to for football training, and by excluding / marginalising other users and on occasion abusing and threatening them. Impact on ALL regular users should be considered, rather than priority always given to one particular group of users.	Jan 22, 2014 7:38 PM
111	Leith links is a small park. Football has already encroached on resident use. Large events disrupt football, cricket and children playinf	Jan 22, 2014 7:29 PM
112	Leith Athletic Football Club seem to think they own Leith Links	Jan 22, 2014 7:18 PM
113	parks should be utilised for more sporting activities, Living in a capital city the city should be actively encouraging / promoting out door pursuits. Agree to reduce vehicle access	Jan 22, 2014 6:40 PM
114	These principles look OK for the Meadows and Bruntsfield Links, but only if they are strictly adhered to.	Jan 22, 2014 6:06 PM
115	Seems about right. The terms "impact" "minimum impact" and "minimised" might be subject to debate.	Jan 22, 2014 4:46 PM
116	What kind of comments are you expecting from this question? No I dont think the Historical nature of Lauriston Castle should be considered, I want more punk bands to play there!	Jan 22, 2014 3:41 PM
117	for leith links you have to take into account the local schools. They use the links. also, there are lots and lots of children walking through the links on their way to and from school.	Jan 22, 2014 3:36 PM
118	these are green spaces which should be available for members of the public to enjoy for sporting purposes and other elements which require protection should continue to be protected	Jan 22, 2014 12:47 PM
119	It is also desirable to recognise the importance of pedestrian through routes, including and in particular, through West Princes Street Gardens from Grassmarket/Old Town to Princes Street/New Town. King's Stables Road to Castle and Frederick Streets. This route is frequently closed to facilitate events, effectively cutting the World Heritage Site in two for tourists and obstructing local residents in their walking patterns. Please give due recognition to pedestrians.	Jan 22, 2014 12:16 PM
120	I hate the term "minimised" as it means very little. If a regular club or other organised event is impacted then support should be offered in finding an alternative venue or compensation offered.	Jan 22, 2014 11:26 AM
121	I have not yet noticed any monitoring of sporting activity on grassy areas. Are statistics collected?	Jan 22, 2014 10:19 AM

Page 5, Q1. Are these considerations still relevant?

122	Access to East Princes Street Gardens should not be restricted, If anything the rather tacky events should not be permitted.	Jan 22, 2014 9:32 AM
123	I do think that, if managed correctly, an event could also be held inside the overall park area without being a threat to its historical pieces and botanic collections . Indeed, in Princes St Gardens every year the city holds a concert with over 9.500 people attending.	Jan 22, 2014 9:16 AM
124	yes - see point 2 - Every event needs to have an impact assessment to determind if additional resources will be required to manage large volumes of visitors to the area	Jan 22, 2014 9:12 AM
125	yyes and should include impact analysis of the effects on wildlife and plant especially trees	Jan 21, 2014 8:55 PM
126	Yes, please don't rape East Princes Street Gardens every winter with commercial events.	Jan 21, 2014 8:52 PM
127	For the Meadows, just focussing on 'Sporting fixtures' ignores the large amount of informal sports activities that go on. The availability of all the space in the Meadows has become even more important due to the general reduction in open space for the public in Edinburgh over the last 20 or 30 years	Jan 21, 2014 7:40 PM
128	these consideration do not achieve principle 4 in setting capacity. the primary concerns should be access and egress and controllable crowd numbers.	Jan 21, 2014 5:15 PM
129	Please enforce these considerations in relation to the Meadows.	Jan 21, 2014 4:15 PM
130	This question should have been put before the last one!	Jan 21, 2014 3:59 PM
131	The SSSI designation extent of Calton Hill has never been made known to me.	Jan 21, 2014 2:29 PM
132	SSSI irrelevant when the Beltane Fire Festival is high impact on the hill. Leave SSSIs to unused country areas. Lauriston history irrelevant to running events there Organised sporting events can exist side by side with events in some of the above parks and have almost total use of many others.	Jan 21, 2014 12:12 PM

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1	public access should be prioritised	Mar 23, 2014 12:50 PM
2	Impact on residents in the vicinity.	Mar 21, 2014 8:33 PM
3	Please add after the advice for sporting activity in the column under Inverleith Park: "Impact on ordinary park users (eg parents/children/dog owners/walkers etc) should be minimised."	Mar 21, 2014 4:50 PM
4	No	Mar 21, 2014 4:23 PM
5	Commercial events should be avoided in local areas.	Mar 20, 2014 12:21 PM
6	- events for commercial gain where it is not clear the council is paid for use of the Meadows, e.g. British Military Fitness, weekend football training for children, should be investigated and these people prohibited from using the Meadows where commerce is involved, unless a fee is levied to the council for use of public space. - events which use the Meadows should have part of their deposit/payment retained specifically for re-seeding dead grassland and works to improve e.g. drainage and recovery of the grounds. - Likewise, commercial gain from the council from this space should be directly reinvested into the Meadows infrastructure rather than, as I currently expect is the case, hiring out Meadows space to festivals etc. does not reflect funds spent on the Meadows.	Mar 19, 2014 7:53 PM
7	During spring and summer the meadows and bruntsfield links are predominantly used by local residents and students and the park should remain open for this during this time.	Mar 19, 2014 1:50 PM
8	Please see above box	Mar 18, 2014 10:58 PM
9	To find out what the anticipated numbers are going to be, what demographic age group they are looking at. Will alcohol be sold at these open spaces and what the organisers "responsibility" will be to ensure that young children are not exposed to excessive, vulgar behaviour.	Mar 18, 2014 8:45 PM
10	No	Mar 18, 2014 8:41 PM
11	Major events should be held on hard surfaces, not in parks.	Mar 18, 2014 7:44 PM
12	Consideration of traffic patterns generated by events such as congestion, parking and route closures with thought to scheduling to minimise impact. Consideration of how local participants are, i.e. are they attending on foot/bicycle, do they know the area? The premise being that local attendees will have less impact than travelling attendees.	Mar 18, 2014 7:35 PM
13	No large scale events in the Meadows please.	Mar 18, 2014 6:27 PM
14	The Meadows has a number of important through-routes for non-motorised residents needing to access different parts of the city.	Mar 18, 2014 6:03 PM
15	You talk about a balance between different uses on The Meadows but say nothing about local residents living in close proximity to the park, for whom some events bring misery (noise, litter, cooking smells, public urination, petty thieving etc) There must be a balance between these peoples' right to a peaceful, safe life and the wishes of incomers to have a good time.	Mar 18, 2014 5:35 PM
16	As above. An assessment of the quality of the attraction itself rather than just size and safety. Edinburgh has an international reputation. Any city can put	Mar 18, 2014 5:11 PM

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	on a funfair. More thought should be given to the type of attractions/events considered to be appropriate for each venue.	
17	no	Mar 17, 2014 4:00 PM
18	State of ground should be assessed before event to ensure it is either suitable or otherwise protected from possible damage by vehicles and in particular heavy vehicles.	Mar 16, 2014 3:40 PM
19	no	Mar 14, 2014 10:23 AM
20	Events that could take place on hardstanding should only be allowed on grass if they can show there is no suitable hardstanding available.	Mar 13, 2014 7:53 PM
21	The impact on the surrounding areas needs to be taken into account. In areas where - I understand - double glazing is not allowed (preservation/listed areas?) street noise has a much greater impact than in areas where no such restriction exists. Maybe the noisier events should be relocated out of these areas.	Mar 13, 2014 11:44 AM
22	No	Mar 12, 2014 9:15 AM
23	perhaps plant life importance should be assessed by experts from the Botanics and wildlife / birds etc by similar experts and take into consideration nesting season etc	Mar 11, 2014 8:27 PM
24	Impact on environment - grass and trees, and potential impact - noise etc on nearby residents.	Mar 11, 2014 5:59 PM
25	noise pollution /effect on local people living in vicinity - not just affect on sporting fixtures needs to be considered	Mar 11, 2014 3:22 PM
26	Every day park users	Mar 11, 2014 1:21 PM
27	Not with regard to impact on sporting activities	Mar 10, 2014 6:58 PM
28	Most large events are subject to an EPOG meeting or meetings. The decision on closing pathways during the event build period should remain at the decision of the EPOG.	Mar 8, 2014 11:05 AM
29	protecting hte plants and flowers and the architectural heritage	Mar 7, 2014 2:47 PM
30	BBQ management needs to be tightened. People light them on Cricket field and Pitch and Putt areas.	Mar 5, 2014 3:15 PM
31	Fines for litter and bbqs on grass	Mar 5, 2014 12:45 PM
32	No	Mar 5, 2014 10:22 AM
33	I love Lauriston Castle, especially, lately, the Japanese Garden, but feel it is awfully under-used. So while the history should be noted, it would be great to attract more people to enjoy this lovely area, with its outlook over the sea.	Mar 4, 2014 4:08 PM
34	I think that ease of access for pedestrian traffic should be a consideration, e.g. if the event is partially surrounding a play park, making the play park still easily accessible, or providing routes through grounds for residents could be advantageous.	Mar 4, 2014 1:52 PM

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35	Common sense.	Mar 4, 2014 1:23 PM
36	Yes - as above - community impact	Mar 4, 2014 11:46 AM
37	These seem to focus on the 'negative' impact to the actual structure and regular activities of the park. Hopefully there is also an evaluation of the 'positives' the event will bring. A regular activity may have to adjust its schedule - but it may also get some attention from people attending the event so may bring some good as well as a little disruption.	Mar 4, 2014 11:01 AM
38	Yes. Does the event directly benefit the council tax payer? Will the council tax payer have reduced or free entry to the event compared to a tourist?	Mar 3, 2014 4:19 PM
39	No.	Mar 3, 2014 3:58 PM
40	Consideration of the impact on local amenity should be considered, e.g. noise nuisance, parking etc.	Mar 3, 2014 10:26 AM
41	Access across the parks for local residents should be maintained as much as possible.	Mar 3, 2014 9:59 AM
42	Impact for local residents	Feb 28, 2014 1:06 PM
43	The park is for the people, all year round. not for the council's pocket.	Feb 28, 2014 10:36 AM
44	Why should a balance be struck considering an event which is unsuitable for the park in the first place. This often happens!	Feb 27, 2014 7:43 PM
45	Many parks have a much higher usage by the public during spells of good weather and such usage should be considered too.	Feb 27, 2014 2:22 PM
46	In the Meadows, the Jawbone needs to be repaired so that the Jawbone Walk access is re-opened. It is an important item of archaeological significance for the area.	Feb 27, 2014 9:10 AM
47	See above	Feb 27, 2014 8:29 AM
48	The relationship of the nearby community to the green space of their park - ie how does an ongoing commitment to events in the park effect the regular and benign use of a park for everyday people. And how can our city's parks be made attractive to regular use not merely festival/fairground/marketplace attendance...	Feb 26, 2014 10:13 PM
49	More patrolling staff on the Meadows during the bbq months.	Feb 26, 2014 9:16 AM
50	How about the impact on the peacefulness of the venues. Noise is a major issue for the Meadows in the whole of August. Peace & quiet is almost impossible to find. This should be included.	Feb 25, 2014 5:43 PM
51	Impact on leisure	Feb 25, 2014 9:55 AM
52	Football training should not be allowed on Leith Links. This is already a rule but council officials ignore or plead ignorance of the fact it still goes on preventing other park users enjoying the area	Feb 23, 2014 9:37 PM
53	Yes - access to key historical areas such as the foot of Castle Rock should be protected for a stated proportion of the year, and at key periods.	Feb 21, 2014 5:25 PM

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54	Policy needs to account for specific nature of event, and take into account facts of its previous record in determining impact, not uninformed opinions. It means each case will be different	Feb 19, 2014 2:11 PM
55	Organisers of events should include local residents and park users in their planning processes.	Feb 15, 2014 2:57 PM
56	specific weight limit for bridge would be good to identify in West Princes Street Gardens	Feb 14, 2014 4:09 PM
57	parking considerations	Feb 14, 2014 3:12 PM
58	Where's the general use? Sitting in the park. Walking thru it. General use. It's not all about sporting events.	Feb 14, 2014 8:55 AM
59	At the moment there is no reference to neighbouring residences and local disruption, which I think is essential.	Feb 12, 2014 9:01 AM
60	NO	Feb 11, 2014 9:40 PM
61	better policing after dark as a woman I think twice before walking home across the meadows on my own.	Feb 11, 2014 8:59 PM
62	More of the space needs to be 'community-owned and wildlife friendly' , e.g. orchard installation, edible hedges,. Maximising human entertainment is not conducive to either.	Feb 11, 2014 1:32 PM
63	It is important to stress that while disruption to regular sporting activity should be kept to a minimum they are not the only users of these public spaces. There has been a tendency among some sporting groups to regard some public spaces, specifically Leith Links, as their own property - for their exclusive use and other park users have been intimidated by this stance and discouraged from using the spaces. Areas of the parks for sporting use need to be defined and enforced more effectively to avoid some groups from spreading their activities to the detriment of other park users.	Feb 11, 2014 12:52 PM
64	A noise ban after 9pm on weeknights and perhaps 10 pm at weekends.	Feb 10, 2014 8:39 PM
65	The suitability of the ground - the meadows are clay while inverleith park is not. This influences the impact that events and recovery time.	Feb 10, 2014 11:22 AM
66	No	Feb 9, 2014 8:46 PM
67	I think noise impact should also be assessed in all parks - both level and duration.	Feb 9, 2014 11:43 AM
68	Reduce the pedestrian restrictions in respect of Princes Street	Feb 9, 2014 11:00 AM
69	West Princes Street Gardens - Appropriateness of the event to the WHS and proximity of the 2 churches and graveyard.	Feb 8, 2014 12:32 PM
70	See comments above. Sporting fixtures are not the only activities which should be protected. In addition, most of the parks are foot transport corridors - people walk through the park to get from A to B by a more attractive, traffic-free route than along the street. That should not be forgotten.	Feb 6, 2014 9:40 PM
71	As above.	Feb 6, 2014 1:12 PM

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72	No	Feb 6, 2014 11:29 AM
73	seeabove	Feb 5, 2014 10:05 PM
74	There should be mention of the need to protect special areas in the grounds of Lauriston Castle, such as the Japanese Gardens.	Feb 5, 2014 4:01 PM
75	Importance should be placed on residential surroundings, + impact on local, residential parking, but what of transport links?	Feb 5, 2014 1:51 PM
76	NO	Feb 5, 2014 11:55 AM
77	you should include the existing users in an assessment of the suitability of large events on these spaces.	Feb 4, 2014 10:44 AM
78	Parking.	Feb 3, 2014 11:06 PM
79	NO - but I think CEC really need to think about what our public parks are really for	Feb 3, 2014 8:18 PM
80	Impact of non Council events on Parks eg mess left by attendees at Murrayfield stadium rock concerts needs cleaned up as early as poss the next day regardless of the cost (to the event promoter).	Feb 3, 2014 7:52 PM
81	Impact on activity etc to be minimised - I feel that this should be a bit more specific as the word minimised doesn't convey too much.	Feb 3, 2014 7:52 PM
82	See above	Feb 3, 2014 12:54 PM
83	Certain parts of the Meadows lend themselves to large events and other parts of the Meadows could be reserved to allow normal park use.	Feb 3, 2014 9:19 AM
84	You might add assurances that (walking) through routes and common rights of way be maintained, tho I think they are.	Feb 3, 2014 9:04 AM
85	Serious revision of policy re Princes Street gardens, with greater use of the existing hard standing facilities. No more on-grass events.	Feb 3, 2014 8:21 AM
86	See above	Feb 3, 2014 8:14 AM
87	Noise limits	Feb 2, 2014 11:07 PM
88	Again parks such as Inverleith, Links and Pilrig etc have greater protection than the Meadows.	Feb 2, 2014 10:28 PM
89	No	Feb 2, 2014 11:28 AM
90	Objections of the numbies that reside in the areas of The Meadows/Links should not be given cognisance. It is a city wide resource not just for those adjoining it.	Feb 2, 2014 12:15 AM
91	The purpose of the event and who it is intended for should be considered. Events which are seen to "enhance the image of the city" are not always as attractive or important to local residents as they seem to be to some councillors and should be staged sparingly.	Feb 1, 2014 4:59 PM
92	A criteria should be set up that when an event is considered local community based events have a huge weighting in their favour.	Jan 31, 2014 11:49 PM

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93	alter the Meadows to include minimising "sporting activity" as well as fixtures. Why treat it differently ?	Jan 31, 2014 6:51 PM
94	no	Jan 31, 2014 6:19 PM
95	Consideration of pedestrian traffic through Princes Street Gardens East, especially because narrow pavements and people at bus stops make quick walking on the pavement outside impossible.	Jan 31, 2014 5:29 PM
96	It is better for events to be closer to commercial premises than residential concentrations, where the park borders both.	Jan 31, 2014 5:13 PM
97	no	Jan 31, 2014 4:49 PM
98	Ensure continuancy repairs are on hand especially if the event is very popular because of good weather or near ruined because of bad.	Jan 31, 2014 4:48 PM
99	Given the circumstances, perhaps restricting access to certain parts of Lauriston (for example, the Japanese Garden) might need to be considered	Jan 31, 2014 2:06 PM
100	no	Jan 31, 2014 12:07 PM
101	No	Jan 31, 2014 9:10 AM
102	Yes, as you mention areas of special ecological interest but this is omitted from the manifesto section above. I would like to see the impact on grassy areas/landscape/architecture specifically mentioned in the manifesto areas above along with estimated cost of repair and who is responsible for meeting cost to allow informed decision making.	Jan 31, 2014 8:32 AM
103	Disabled access	Jan 31, 2014 8:31 AM
104	Noise level of the planned event particular where event a close to residential	Jan 30, 2014 3:28 PM
105	If what the event that is happening will add to the community thus the the 'inconvenience' would be justified	Jan 29, 2014 5:08 PM
106	Health is improved by regular sporting activity. Skateparks make people healthy.	Jan 29, 2014 2:52 PM
107	NOISE LEVELS SHOULD BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION. SOMETIMES THE EVENTS ON THE MEADOWS ARE EXTREMELY NOISY AND IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR LOCAL RESIDENTS TO SIT IN THEIR GARDENS ON THE FEW OCCASIONS WHEN WE MIGHT HAVE A NICE WARM DAY AS THE NOISE COMING FROM THE MEADOWS IS SO LOUD WITH THE PA SYSTEM AND MUSIC PUMPING OUT ALL THE TIME. I KNOW THE EVENTS STOP AROUND 11PM BUT OFEN THE DAYTIME NOISE LEVEL IS UNBEARABLE FOR LOCALS.	Jan 29, 2014 12:01 PM
108	no	Jan 28, 2014 9:33 PM
109	If there is concern that an event could result in damage should there be an additional requirement around ensuring adequate insurance has been organised for an event.	Jan 28, 2014 4:19 PM
110	i think that these are fair considerations.i also think the long term impact should be assessed, funny how taste was moved to inverleith and the lady boys remained at the meadows. look at eth area where the ladyboys visit	Jan 28, 2014 3:55 PM

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	and see what a poor condition it is in.4 weeks on one spot is too long	
111	Parks are used for passive recreational uses and this should be a consideration when assessing the capacity of each site.	Jan 28, 2014 1:41 PM
112	General use of these areas by the population not just sporting events and fixtures should be taken into account.	Jan 28, 2014 12:52 PM
113	Visual impact within the World Heritage Site should be considered. Calton Hill and Princes Street Gardens are significant features reflecting the outstanding significance of the World Heritage Site, and, although it's only temporary, their special characteristics are often disrupted by the visual impact of the events that are taking place. This would be easier to accept if these were unique events embedded in the culture and history of the city, rather than money-making markets that can be found anywhere in the country. They do not make these spaces feel special.	Jan 28, 2014 11:58 AM
114	Wider amenity e.g. impact of large bright pink tents in Inverlieth Park on a wide surrounding area and "garish" funfairs on Market Street etc..	Jan 28, 2014 11:17 AM
115	Noise Pollution	Jan 28, 2014 9:17 AM
116	No	Jan 27, 2014 6:19 PM
117	Consideration of noise on residents, parking issues for residents and general difficulty in day to day life. often these events occur with little thought to need for people to get to work etc.	Jan 27, 2014 5:01 PM
118	NO	Jan 27, 2014 3:58 PM
119	no	Jan 27, 2014 3:13 PM
120	To maintain access to the park for regular visitors	Jan 27, 2014 3:03 PM
121	Significant Indemnity if not already in place	Jan 27, 2014 1:36 PM
122	Needs to be consideration of informal use of parks for sports and games as well as 'fixtures'	Jan 27, 2014 5:33 AM
123	Please see above noted points.	Jan 25, 2014 9:55 PM
124	The comments for the Meadows would seem to apply equally to Leith Links and indeed the other parks	Jan 25, 2014 7:04 AM
125	Each event, 5 max per year for a few days, should be limited in numbers to ensure that our green space, our animals and insects that also live in the parks, are protected. Select events will mean more money for you, better events and a better experience for all.	Jan 24, 2014 10:50 PM
126	There should be an environmental risk assessment.	Jan 24, 2014 7:53 PM
127	Toilets (see above)	Jan 24, 2014 12:49 PM
128	not sure	Jan 24, 2014 12:29 PM
129	Calton Hill is a major attraction to locals and visitors, the hill is an "Event" for many in it's self and facilities on an on-going basis should be considered more.	Jan 24, 2014 12:10 PM

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130	Event organisers should show that they have had contact with regular users to discuss how events and regular activities can held at the same time if at all possible.	Jan 24, 2014 12:01 PM
131	It's important that West Princes St gardens should be accessible when the East isn't. And can we have access to the paths up to the Castle again? That was a really good lunchtime walk for workers in the city centre, the hill made it a bit more effort/better exercise.	Jan 23, 2014 10:21 PM
132	No comment can be made on uninterpretable jargon like "SSSI" Restrictions on the use of The Meadows MUST allow for the traditional sporting and play facilities which are so widely used to the graet appreciation of so many	Jan 23, 2014 4:59 PM
133	As above	Jan 23, 2014 4:38 PM
134	Restrictions on private sport/exercise activity/classes lead by individuals within parks.	Jan 23, 2014 3:01 PM
135	no	Jan 23, 2014 11:51 AM
136	Princes Street Gardens: Impact on views of World Heritage Site	Jan 23, 2014 11:25 AM
137	Pedestrians and walking routes: Parks are used by many pedestrians as pleasant short cuts. When these are closed for long periods of time (like Princes Street Gardens West over xmas and new year), walkers find themselves having to double back etc. If the Council really wants to encourage us to walk to our destinations, they should prioritise our routes and experience -especially before and after events, where large areas of parks are just cordoned off because events organisers are only paying 2 guys to put fences up and take them down again.	Jan 23, 2014 8:17 AM
138	any special event should fully work around all othr regualr activities	Jan 23, 2014 7:52 AM
139	no	Jan 23, 2014 7:28 AM
140	Yes. The degree and area of disruption should be specified.	Jan 22, 2014 8:32 PM
141	The recognition of the city centre green spaces in terms of health and wellbeing rather than as the stages for tourist attractions.	Jan 22, 2014 8:27 PM
142	The events in Edinburgh parks are tacky and wreck the grass. USE SHRUBHILL.	Jan 22, 2014 8:22 PM
143	For relevant venues, free cross through the parks should be provided to local residents as it may impact their time to or from work.	Jan 22, 2014 8:22 PM
144	Yes - the Council should review existing agreements and patterns of use. For example, how much space is Leith Athletic entitled to use for football training on Leith Links, and do they (a) pay for it, and (b) stick within those limits? Council should be clear on the terms of ALL users and should monitor - and apply - sanctions if agreement is flouted.	Jan 22, 2014 7:38 PM
145	Overuse by football club should be classed as an"event"	Jan 22, 2014 7:29 PM
146	Potential for disruption to surrounding area (eg noise at night, parking, ease of accessibility using public transport etc)	Jan 22, 2014 6:12 PM
147	The managers of any event should always be made to pay the full cost of	Jan 22, 2014 6:06 PM

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	reinstating the ground, including if necessary reurfing and/or reseeding grass. This should be written in to all contracts.	
148	Football matches should only be played when ground is firm enough to minimize damage	Jan 22, 2014 5:22 PM
149	As noted earlier I think noise disruption from loud speakers should be a limiting factor at all events.	Jan 22, 2014 4:55 PM
150	See previous comments about setting and enforcing noise limits on Calton Hill, which is in the middle of a residential area	Jan 22, 2014 4:54 PM
151	Calton Hill is the one with more residential areas around it and this should be considered too (for example if loud music is to be played later at night.	Jan 22, 2014 4:54 PM
152	Princes Street Gardens should not be closed - there is a service road.	Jan 22, 2014 4:29 PM
153	No	Jan 22, 2014 3:44 PM
154	Impact on wildlife.	Jan 22, 2014 3:41 PM
155	Local school children. Lack of parking.	Jan 22, 2014 3:36 PM
156	Impact on local residents - e.g. noise if event is open late. Couldn't find anywhere else to put this but should take note of whether additional toilet facilities are needed - I have lived in an area where tenement stairwells and alleyways were used as toilets as none were provided at events.	Jan 22, 2014 1:49 PM
157	a more relaxed aproche during the festival would be helpful for organisers of festival events	Jan 22, 2014 12:53 PM
158	See above.	Jan 22, 2014 12:16 PM
159	Clearing up of litter etc as it happens should be considered.	Jan 22, 2014 12:01 PM
160	Residential proximity is mentioned yet doesn't factor in the guidelines - Edinburgh is not a tourist attraction it's a living breathing City which is becoming increasingly difficult to tolerate as a resident. Primary consideration should be given to residents.	Jan 22, 2014 11:26 AM
161	Level of noise and clearing of litter should be taken in to account	Jan 22, 2014 10:37 AM
162	No late night / night-time events.	Jan 22, 2014 10:26 AM
163	Footballers should not be allowed to wear segged/ spiked shoes just trainers and that should be stated at park entrances. All footfall of grass sports should be discontinued in below zero /frosty conditions.	Jan 22, 2014 10:19 AM
164	No.	Jan 22, 2014 9:16 AM
165	Impact on other local services - costs to be recharged for additional services provided i.e envrionmental wardens, street cleaning in surrounding areas as a result of increased visitors to an area Impact on local residents - parking, anti-social behaviour	Jan 22, 2014 9:12 AM
166	To think if the "set up" and "take down" time is included in the total length of time an even can be in the park.	Jan 22, 2014 8:10 AM

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167	no	Jan 21, 2014 9:38 PM
168	The use of hard standing areas should be encouraged and possibly a use of "car parks " to limit the damage	Jan 21, 2014 8:55 PM
169	I think benefit to the local community should be added as a consideration to the requirements.	Jan 21, 2014 8:06 PM
170	No	Jan 21, 2014 7:56 PM
171	Education users should be encouraged & damage to parks should be repaired promptly & to a high standard	Jan 21, 2014 7:44 PM
172	Impact on informal sporting activities is also important - these also depend on areas not being cordoned off or grass surfaces not being damaged	Jan 21, 2014 7:40 PM
173	If there is a significant economic impact to the city and the event is of a high profile then the opportunity should be considered on its own merits. With enough planning sports fixtures can be moved to 'away' so both can co-exist.	Jan 21, 2014 6:04 PM
174	environmental impact	Jan 21, 2014 5:27 PM
175	A common sense approach to making any decisions.	Jan 21, 2014 4:43 PM
176	CEC Parks and Green Spaces should be much more pro- active when Event Organisers take occupancy of an event site. Full surveys and inventories of ground conditions should be made, including photographs, to show what damage already exists, prior to occupation, so that any damage to ground caused by the Event can be easily identified, and therefore any ground repairs are adequately assessed and fixed, with the cost for this going to the Event Organiser.	Jan 21, 2014 4:10 PM
177	Re Calton Hill, "SSSI must be taken into account when considering events" is a bit weak. How would it be evidenced? Maybe a risk /impact assesment report should be required.	Jan 21, 2014 3:57 PM
178	Flexibility should be allowed for special one off events.	Jan 21, 2014 3:13 PM
179	The Meadows etc is a very large area, of which sections have very different uses. I think that if the Meadows was segmented, then these different areas would attract different restrictions, some more lenient, some more strict, than the present manifesto wording.	Jan 21, 2014 2:29 PM
180	No all covered in my opinion	Jan 21, 2014 2:21 PM
181	Vehicles can easily use Princes St Gardens after closing time	Jan 21, 2014 12:12 PM
182	Princes Street Gardens are closed too long before and after events. Faster setup and dismantle	Jan 21, 2014 11:51 AM

Page 6, Q2. Could you recommend improvements to this principle?

1	realistic fees for private events should be charged and rules of conduct rigorously controlled.	Mar 23, 2014 12:52 PM
2	I am not happy with private events being held on public ground	Mar 21, 2014 5:18 PM
3	We think realistic fees should be charged or maybe a percentage of the takings might be more appropriate as events can be badly affected by weather. The number of events should be very limited apart from small events that small groups organise - say for local nursery mums or something of that ilk. Any really private event that takes out a large section of the park should not be encouraged but events with a reasonable entry charge allowing the public in would be ok with the proviso that they dont spoil the grass or be held for too long a period.	Mar 21, 2014 4:56 PM
4	They need to be assessed on an individual basis	Mar 21, 2014 4:25 PM
5	I agree with Marchmont and Sciennes Community Council's (MSCC) view that private events should be limited in the same way as 'large' events, and that the annual review should be undertaken before decisions for the subsequent year are made. Approval for event applications should not be given until the annual review has been completed in order to ensure that mistakes are not repeated and lessons are learned from events staged in Edinburgh's parks. It should be guaranteed that local community councils and, in the case of the Meadows, MABLAG and FOMBL are consulted as part of the annual review in order to ensure the views of the local community are heard. I support MSCC's view that community councils should be able to comment on an event soon after it has taken place, therefore there should be more regular feedback sessions for events offered throughout the year.	Mar 21, 2014 12:17 PM
6	The protection of Statutory Planning designations should be taken into account - i.e. listed buildings/TPO's and trees within conservation areas.	Mar 20, 2014 12:23 PM
7	The number of private events should be limited, and events should not intrude on any of the paths, or on sports fields. Events using heavy plant should not be allowed.	Mar 20, 2014 11:33 AM
8	as noted on the other page, a sizeable fee to ensure repairs to the grounds. Removal of public space for commercial gain should see a directly proportionate investment into that space to ensure good recovery for the enjoyment of the public, not the paying private.	Mar 19, 2014 7:54 PM
9	Yes. 1. a limit on the number of people attending 2. a limit on the amount of alcohol to be consumed 3. that good amenities are open i.e. public toilets so that men in particular are not "peeing" into bushes/against a wall where children have access to a play area. If there are not toilet facilities, then consent is refused - and No means a NO. 4. that there is access to good transportation within a five minute walk from the park. 5. a levy on noise 6. that the organisers clean the site afterwards, and if they don't then permission is refused the following year.	Mar 18, 2014 8:52 PM
10	The parks are public spaces. It is not reasonable that Edinburgh residents should find themselves barred from entering their public spaces.	Mar 18, 2014 8:42 PM
11	Projections should not include events that are wholly unsuitable. Other events should be discussed by neighbourhood organisations with local knowledge, e.g. Friends of the Meadows. Notice of proposals should be given to such groups with enough time for their members to discuss them and canvass local opinions, and for the event to be refused if it is considered	Mar 18, 2014 7:46 PM

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	unsuitable.	
12	Even private events should have some degree of contribution back to the community which should not be solely money to the public purse. Or rather, some events may not be desirable no matter how much money is offered.	Mar 18, 2014 7:43 PM
13	Private events should be limited in the same way as 'large' events. The annual review should be undertaken before decisions for the subsequent year are made. In recent years approvals have already been given before the review has completed and this prevents lessons being learned. As a Community Council we are pleased to be involved in the review as a relevant stakeholder but would prefer to comment on an event just after it has been on site rather than trying to recall events many months previously when asked for feedback once a year. Could the feedback requests be sent out quickly after an event?	Mar 18, 2014 6:52 PM
14	No large scale events in the Meadows please.	Mar 18, 2014 6:30 PM
15	Scale and nature of the event should be relevant to making a decision, including whether, or how much the Council should charge the organisers (assuming this is possible). Large-scale Fringe events fall into this definition as entrance fees are charged.	Mar 18, 2014 6:13 PM
16	You need to distinguish between genuinely private events such as weddings, and charitable ones, and commercial ones. They cannot all be lumped together as "private events".	Mar 18, 2014 5:37 PM
17	Private events are by definition excluding regular park users. A balance needs to be struck between the needs of local people and potential income. Definitely the number of events should be controlled.	Mar 18, 2014 11:12 AM
18	none	Mar 17, 2014 4:01 PM
19	Agree with the principle of an annual review with the ability to limit the number of private events where such events added to the normal public usage caused undue damage to the park	Mar 16, 2014 3:46 PM
20	Private events shouldn't be able to impact on public access to the park/grounds. So, they can't block of the west entrance of a park for the private event, even if it uses an area of the park which is blocked off to the public.	Mar 14, 2014 3:25 PM
21	No private events should be allowed on The Meadows	Mar 13, 2014 7:54 PM
22	Same noise, damage restrictions must apply.	Mar 13, 2014 11:44 AM
23	Obviously each event should be reviewed and if approved by the relevant stakeholders then be given approval.	Mar 12, 2014 12:10 PM
24	Any events in open spaces should be open to the public. In particular, funfairs should not be allowed to charge the public to enter their area. After all, we as council tax payers are being denied a right of access on ground which is owned and maintained by the taxpayers money. If funfair owners wish to charge entrance, then they should operate on private land not public land. Funfair owners sometimes get round this by offering an entrance fee which incorporates vouchers to get on some of the rides. However, this must infringe access rights under the "Equality Act" as many disabled persons cannot access the rides or are not allowed to use the ride due to certain	Mar 12, 2014 11:11 AM

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	health conditions, yet they are forced to pay to watch others! Another issue would be paying for carers who may not like using funfair rides.	
25	There should be far greater tolerance of private social events in the city.	Mar 11, 2014 9:34 PM
26	each case on its own merits	Mar 11, 2014 8:29 PM
27	Charging a fee is a public event. A private wedding is not. Terminology is skewed	Mar 11, 2014 1:47 PM
28	As long as some of the park is still accessible by the general public	Mar 11, 2014 1:21 PM
29	Difficult to predict the volume of events so difficult to comment on likely impact. Wth regard to open spaces their primary purpose are as open spaces and parks not commercial areas	Mar 10, 2014 7:01 PM
30	If it is a public park people should be able to access whatever is happening in the park - I don't object to paying events, but private function such as weddings and other functions should not be allowed to monopolise or damage a public space.	Mar 10, 2014 2:48 PM
31	minimise restrictions on public access	Mar 7, 2014 7:45 PM
32	parks are for public use so between public & private events there is no much space for people to enjoy them	Mar 7, 2014 3:03 PM
33	It is felt that since the Mela left Pilrig park it is a shame that no other event has taken its place. There was an event in August 2013 however no one in the area knew about it. The event was great however it would be useful if CEC posted info on notice boards and sent info to Friends Groups and Community Coucils?	Mar 5, 2014 3:56 PM
34	No	Mar 5, 2014 10:23 AM
35	Whether permission is given to host an event, it should be taken into account whether there are positive spill-over effects for the general public outside the closed off area, e.g. visibility of fireworks to people on the streets (Hogmanay, Fireworks Concert). Events generating such benefits should not fall under the cap on the number of events permissible.	Mar 5, 2014 10:18 AM
36	Set a figure of the number of 'private events' each park could host. (or perhaps designate one portion of the park to such events, leaving lots of room for public access/sports etc). E g in the Meadows, a food tasting event really didn't stop people playing games and enjoying the rest of the Meadows	Mar 4, 2014 4:10 PM
37	Better communication between those wishing to hold events and those responsible for giving permission	Mar 4, 2014 1:25 PM
38	Again, I don't think absolute numbers should be used but the overall benefits should be reviewed to create the 'limits'. A private event that has little benefit to the community shouldn't 'bump' a public event - but if there is space and time and if the money (from renting the park or from charging entry) goes back into the upkeep of the park then it should be considered.	Mar 4, 2014 11:03 AM
39	these are public spaces and as such should be public at all times	Mar 4, 2014 10:33 AM
40	National companies should be charged a commercial rent. Independent local businesses could be offered relief on these charges	Mar 3, 2014 6:40 PM

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41	All council organised events charging entry - eg Hogmanay party, to be considered a private event and charged accordingly.	Mar 3, 2014 4:20 PM
42	Revenue from private event should include some of reinstatement charge to ground	Mar 3, 2014 4:13 PM
43	Perhaps rather than leaving decisions about what events are suitable etc, you could have a committee of representatives that review applications?	Mar 3, 2014 4:00 PM
44	Because these are parks, pedestrian-friendly and cycle-friendly initiatives should be looked at as a means of getting to the parks.	Mar 3, 2014 1:08 PM
45	CAtegorisation of events may help, for instance a site may be able to cope with more weddings than concerts.	Mar 3, 2014 10:27 AM
46	Other parks in Edinburgh should be explored as venues e.g. Saughton, Colinton, Figgate Park.	Mar 3, 2014 10:00 AM
47	see previous comment. the parks are for all the people, rich and poor.	Feb 28, 2014 10:37 AM
48	The overriding principles should be protection of the park, and encouragement of the use of the park by communities and individuals. Commercial activities and charity events can be a real problem for the day-to-day users of there park. Litter is the most obvious problem. If weddings are allowed, strict measures should be enforced to ensure that no traces are left after the event. I do though consider that private weddings are a suitable use of the park.	Feb 27, 2014 7:48 PM
49	All parks should be widely available to the public to enjoy, not money making ventures for a select few	Feb 27, 2014 4:30 PM
50	Private functions should not dominate or proliferate in PUBLIC parks.	Feb 27, 2014 2:23 PM
51	Private events make money and attract visitors to the city.	Feb 27, 2014 10:43 AM
52	They Public Parks so limits should set	Feb 27, 2014 10:38 AM
53	Each proposal should be considered on the basis of its impact: duration, extent of area used, impact on the grass, impact on other users, noise, closeness in time to other events. Guidelines should be established for these factors to make each individual decision more objective and transparent. All decisions and their reasons should be published on the Council's website (as of course should decisions about the major events).	Feb 27, 2014 9:19 AM
54	Consideration should be given to regular events or occurences in these spaces when planning private events. I think the impact on regular events should be minimal.	Feb 27, 2014 8:30 AM
55	Open public space of parks should be open to the public unless excellent reasons can be provided as to why not. A wedding doesn't cut it. Charity event is better but then do they need to charge for entrance?	Feb 26, 2014 10:14 PM
56	They have no place on common good land.	Feb 26, 2014 9:04 PM
57	No private events should be permitted.	Feb 21, 2014 5:26 PM
58	A think there is a huge difference between a private wedding and a charity event that is open to the public but has a total capacity which when full will	Feb 18, 2014 9:47 PM

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	close it's gates. I also think there is a big difference between a charitable event and a commercial event.	
59	Number of events should be limited, and priority should be given to those organisers willing to make a consideration for local residents disturbed by their activities, e.g. reduced-price or complementary tickets.	Feb 18, 2014 12:09 PM
60	Allowing for, or even encouraging, new and imaginative engagement with parks and greenspaces alongside reviewing past activities.	Feb 18, 2014 7:58 AM
61	Private events should be encouraged and made the most profit of by the CEC so that Edinburgh Parks are a real asset and not a burden in the current difficult financial circumstances. Private events should happen in parks in a way that is at absolutely no cost for the CEC, i.e. with full economic costing of the event where the reinstatement of the park does not cost to the CEC.	Feb 16, 2014 1:24 PM
62	Private events should be limited as although they generate income for the council, the local community cannot use their own facilities during these times.	Feb 15, 2014 2:59 PM
63	there should be none	Feb 14, 2014 3:12 PM
64	Struggling to see why they should be allowed at all. It's public space at the end of the day. Ok so there's a few bob for CEC coffers but really no, shouldn't be allowed - it's a public space.	Feb 14, 2014 8:56 AM
65	Once again the need to be flexible in approach is preferred rather than limiting opportunities.	Feb 12, 2014 10:19 AM
66	As long as there is minimal disruption to local residents/infrastructure in terms of how the event is contained, this is a great revenue generator.	Feb 12, 2014 9:03 AM
67	THE MELA IS A PRIVATE EVENT - IT IS WELL RUN - IN LEITH LINKS -	Feb 11, 2014 9:44 PM
68	Public areas paid for through the local authority should be for public access events. there are plenty of spaces for private functions in the capital.	Feb 11, 2014 9:07 PM
69	Open the public parks to all community groups in spring and summer, the parks are built for the public and enjoyment. Look at Europe, it is fantastic what they do with their public parks	Feb 11, 2014 1:49 PM
70	I would like to see common land restored to the commonweal, i.e. the local people. Some charities are now operating as big business and spend commercial amounts setting up their events so should also be invited to use other, commercial venues!	Feb 11, 2014 1:34 PM
71	This is a simplistic definition as there are a number of events which could not be considered 'private events' which have small entrance fees such as the Mela in order to cover some of their costs. Each case should be judged on its merits rather than applying a blanket policy.	Feb 11, 2014 12:56 PM
72	Such events should be of limited duration. I would suggest one week.	Feb 10, 2014 8:54 PM
73	Private events should not have preference over public events.	Feb 10, 2014 11:23 AM
74	Public land should not be handed over for private use.	Feb 9, 2014 1:50 PM

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75	Duration, noise and environmental impact on infrastructure should be priorities. Post-event repair should be factored in to costs or undertaken by contract with the user.	Feb 9, 2014 11:45 AM
76	These are public spaces and not subject to the vested interests whims of those within the council	Feb 9, 2014 9:52 AM
77	They should be treated in the same way as any other event but with even more emphasis on the possible disruption to regular users of the facilities	Feb 7, 2014 8:44 AM
78	Different parks have different usages, but most are also used as foot transport corridors. The difficulty of private events is how much of the park is taken over and, therefore, the public excluded.	Feb 6, 2014 9:42 PM
79	A calendar of events is what people want to see. There are staple events that I think are good for the community; the fair twice a year at the meadows for example, or the Meadows Festival. Private events such as Taste of Edinburgh which is essentially a private enterprise has little benefit for the community. I think the tent for the Fringe is a good compromise, but other than that I don't think its particularly good use of public land.	Feb 6, 2014 1:45 PM
80	These are public spaces and should remain as such, unless there are real benefits to people who live in the area from it.	Feb 6, 2014 1:31 PM
81	These are the most irritating. Meadows Fair - open, fun, accessible. Taste - closed, expensive, infuriating.	Feb 6, 2014 1:13 PM
82	I have hit the no button, since that is what I believe, e.g in relation to income generation, fund raising, etc, but balancing 'private events' (local-community interest) against the public events just might be problematic. This then leads to (the need for) stringent, effective, regular reviews.	Feb 5, 2014 1:54 PM
83	The gardens belong to the public and should not be hired out for private events.	Feb 5, 2014 11:57 AM
84	Size, duration and impact should be deciding factors in any decision	Feb 4, 2014 10:44 AM
85	Active encouragement of more open uses for the facility should be welcome. Also a time of year limit should be imposed due to the water logging of the Meadows area used under some conditions.	Feb 3, 2014 8:54 PM
86	What principle? If I found I could not go through my local park I would not be pleased.	Feb 3, 2014 7:54 PM
87	Public grounds shouldn't be used for private functions.	Feb 3, 2014 1:35 PM
88	There should be a presumption against private events which do not allow any access to the public (events incurring a charge excluded).	Feb 3, 2014 9:20 AM
89	Already have limit to the number of sizeable events that can take place. Perhaps more 'smaller' events might be able to take place in areas of gardens not usually used for larger events, thus reducing damage to the parklands. eg other areas of Inverleith gardens.	Feb 3, 2014 9:11 AM
90	restriction on size and noise impact very important.	Feb 3, 2014 8:22 AM
91	I think private events should be banned, they are the people of Edinburgh's gardens not a business	Feb 3, 2014 8:14 AM

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92	If the CEC wishes to start renting space in the City's Public Parks to Private Commercial events, then CEC has to start living in the real world and levy Commercial Rents, the income of which must be ring-fenced and reinvested into the individual Parks concerned to address the continuing neglect by CEC of basic day to day supervision/maintenance of our Parks.	Feb 2, 2014 5:07 PM
93	Private events should not be permitted in our public parks.	Feb 2, 2014 2:32 PM
94	Should be monitored not limited	Feb 2, 2014 11:28 AM
95	These events bring income into the city and at present the city is desperate for all the money it can get!	Feb 2, 2014 12:16 AM
96	Difficult to generalise as the magnitude and impact of each event will be very different and will have a different effect in different public spaces.	Feb 1, 2014 5:02 PM
97	All commercial activities, weddings and functions should be barred. If there is no appetite for this then the Council should recover ALL cost, including administration, and also an extra charge a 'hire' fee. This would ensure that a 'profit' was made - that's not a dirty word, it ensures council tax payers are not disadvantaged. Events like the Foodies, Lady Boys and all Marathons should be covered by this. Charitable events should cover ALL costs, without the Council charging anything extra. Things like the Moon Walk event would fall in to this category.	Jan 31, 2014 11:55 PM
98	I don't think that wedding photographs, or walking treasure hunts, or other events without any infrastructure should be classed as events at all.	Jan 31, 2014 9:52 PM
99	I don't know why there has to be an annual review. The issues are the same and unless there is a change to the ecology after Eg a fire or flood why waste resources on reviewing	Jan 31, 2014 7:41 PM
100	apart from charity events which are important	Jan 31, 2014 6:20 PM
101	A private event is likely to last a couple of days and grass damage should accordingly be limited. Local people should not be deprived of their open spaces too often.	Jan 31, 2014 6:01 PM
102	All public areas of all public parks should be accessible to the public for free for the greater part of the year.	Jan 31, 2014 5:30 PM
103	Limit private events to more than 10% of the overall park space.	Jan 31, 2014 5:14 PM
104	none	Jan 31, 2014 4:50 PM
105	A tiered pricing scheme	Jan 31, 2014 4:48 PM
106	There are plenty of 'private' venues available should any promoter wish for that	Jan 31, 2014 3:07 PM
107	As long as they are assessed under the criteria mentioned earlier, I have no problems with this, and the income is welcome	Jan 31, 2014 2:11 PM
108	no	Jan 31, 2014 12:07 PM
109	An annual reveiw should not be restrictive - many approaches to the Council of 'unique' event are made with short notice. The Council should have a 'can do' / flexible approach to these and not be confined by events being agreed	Jan 31, 2014 11:04 AM

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	once a year. This is not practicable. I believe that the number of 'private events' should be monitored and limited but this should not be prescriptive. Some level of flexibility should be built in for those 'unique' events which raise the profile of the City and reflect the city's events strategy. Particularly those events attracted to the city through the events strategy which may have a commercial element.	
110	It is a common sense approach. Of course for reasons previously mentioned, damage to environment, disruption to services etc. that there must be controlled number permitted. Besides, there are plenty of alternatives where damage would not be an issue and those should be explored first.	Jan 31, 2014 8:34 AM
111	The charge or fee should be affordable for ALL families / people and shouldn't put tourists off	Jan 31, 2014 8:33 AM
112	SHOULD HAVE THE SAME RESTRICTIONS AS PUBLIC EVENTS - IF IT IS A BIG EVENT FOR EXAMPLE ON THE MEADOWS THEN IT SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN ONE FO THE BIG 5 EVENTS ALLOWABLE DURING THAT YEAR AND HAVE THE SAME RESTRICTIONS APPLY AND RESTING TIME FOR THE GRASS TO REGROW ETC.	Jan 29, 2014 12:04 PM
113	public parks should be accessible by the public, therefore private events should be limited.	Jan 28, 2014 9:34 PM
114	See comments on previous comments on Inch Park. I don't think private events should ever be held on Edinburgh Parks. However, events that charge a fee are not private - they are just regulated by fee, and that seems okay.	Jan 28, 2014 4:42 PM
115	Parks should be open to all. I'd be annoyed if I was stopped from accessing areas because someone else had paid to have their wedding there. I'm all for revenue generation but if someone has paid to use a public park they need to accept that it is a public park first and foremost	Jan 28, 2014 4:22 PM
116	I think they should be limited within reason, we shouldnot be turning big events that want to come away,I am all for the parks being utilised, however i think large retainers should be held by the council to cover the costs of repair to the ground should it be required. If commercial activites are run they should not be subsidised by the council.	Jan 28, 2014 3:59 PM
117	Public access to public land should not be constrained. Private events should be directed to private land.	Jan 28, 2014 1:45 PM
118	Would only use these public parts for limited charity events - not for weddings (plenty of other venues available for these) or commercial events.	Jan 28, 2014 12:55 PM
119	This should be extremely restricted and, if not directly related to the purpose of the park, planning permission should be sought giving the public an opportunity to comment.	Jan 28, 2014 11:19 AM
120	I am not sure I would class the likes of the Mela as the same as a private wedding!	Jan 28, 2014 9:17 AM
121	Raise funds ring fenced for park improvements	Jan 27, 2014 11:31 PM
122	Sometimes it can be valuable for a neighbourhood when community activities are taking place.	Jan 27, 2014 8:21 PM

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123	No	Jan 27, 2014 6:20 PM
124	There are plenty of other venues and private estates to manage these events without closing off public land. No event should be allowed that closes access to the public on public parks.	Jan 27, 2014 5:02 PM
125	minimise the amount of time that public are prevented from accessing park to only days where health & safety are at risk.	Jan 27, 2014 3:08 PM
126	events should be limited within reason eg undesirable users/companies. However small family, small company gatherings should be encouraged particularly to gain income but all costs must be covered including the admin time to process the agreements, and collect monies.	Jan 27, 2014 2:09 PM
127	All events generate income in the local area to businesses, hotels etc. We should be maximising opportunities for this to help the local economy in these areas.	Jan 27, 2014 1:46 PM
128	For the Meadows for example, allow different usage more often in different parts of the meadows. For example split it into 3 main areas so noise for example would only disrupt one section at a time. Only 1 of the 3 sections can be used at once. Activities should be allowed every week and could be accommodated if designated parts of the meadows is used.	Jan 27, 2014 1:40 PM
129	In the light of Council managing to balance its budget there has to be opportunity to generate income and placing blanket limits on private events is not the right approach. I am sure if % of the income generated went to the upkeep & improvement of that park then local people would be more appeased. Or the Club whose fixture was affected e.g. at short notice was given a payment by the host organisation or a one off reduction in hire fees at another time to compensate for the inconvenience then this would all help improve relations in the shared use and management of the park	Jan 27, 2014 12:59 PM
130	The council should be promoting commerce and events are hugely important to the Edinburgh economy providing jobs for local people.	Jan 27, 2014 12:20 PM
131	I would recommend if it is a loud private and commercial event like the Mela, that some compensation be given to local residents next to the park, such as discounted or free passes to enter.	Jan 27, 2014 10:49 AM
132	just to bear in mind the recovery time needed for sites, also the effects of the weather on the length of recovery time for an area.	Jan 27, 2014 10:40 AM
133	A lot depends on the impact on general use of the park during the event. Commercial activities and private functions should not be allowed to significantly restrict community access; charitable events which are open to a wider public or are being staged for a specific target group to achieve a social benefit should be allowed some flexibility.	Jan 27, 2014 5:36 AM
134	commercial events could be encourage to provide free entry, in order to maximise attendance, and minimise the feeling that the event is 'private'	Jan 26, 2014 11:14 AM
135	Minimise or avoid giving permission to use public spaces for private events. There are many options already available, why should the public be excluded from their parks and diminishing green spaces? My previous points regarding e.g. Inverleith Park and elsewhere also relate to this question.	Jan 25, 2014 9:57 PM

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136	If impact to the park is the consideration, then all events (public and private) should be considered together when setting limits, although bearing in mind that private events are likely to be smaller and therefore carry less weighting.	Jan 25, 2014 9:25 PM
137	I'm not sure if you mean the proposal the they be limited or that an annual review is conducted? I assumed private events were covered by the earlier events limit? And looking at your definition I assume the Mela is private?	Jan 25, 2014 7:07 AM
138	Not allowed at all. It's a public space. You fund it though better fiscal management.	Jan 24, 2014 10:50 PM
139	Or they should be charged a very high premium which would be a limitation in itself.	Jan 24, 2014 9:44 PM
140	Communal and charity events should have priority.	Jan 24, 2014 7:55 PM
141	But obviously the number of events in any given place must be limited by the ability of the land to regenerate and the interference with the use of any given space that might be detrimental to everyday users and local communities. A fair balance can be achieved	Jan 24, 2014 4:45 PM
142	There just needs to be Guidance about how events will be considered and a central timetable kept of what is going on in each area so there is not too much going on at once which restricts public access.	Jan 24, 2014 3:11 PM
143	Public takes priority over private. Private events must pay the cost of refurbishment, including the loss of amenity if refurbishment takes more time than a day.	Jan 24, 2014 1:33 PM
144	The main problem for us is noise, especially on summer weekends. Not all operators know how to install speakers correctly so as to minimise echoes from buildings in the area (eg Saxe Coburg forms a "cliff" which bounces noise back.)	Jan 24, 2014 12:51 PM
145	Public parks/area are for the public	Jan 24, 2014 12:27 PM
146	Must work with local groups so that areas dont become only available to private groups.	Jan 24, 2014 12:02 PM
147	I think that commercial activities should be charged the maximum the market will bear - if private corporations want to use public land, they should be charged a lot for it as they are removing the public's access to public land for the duration of the event. Weddings - well, people don't make a profit from having their wedding on public land, and they have no right to exclude the public from the area, so charging eye-watering amounts seems unfair. Plus, wedding photos get shared around the world and could promote Edinburgh as a tourist destination. Charities should be charged a reduced rate too	Jan 24, 2014 11:41 AM
148	If its in a smaller park. No suggestions	Jan 24, 2014 11:18 AM
149	Insert "private" before "events" in the first line	Jan 23, 2014 5:00 PM
150	Ensure that they are charged an appropriate 'Edinburgh Levy' for hosting their event and it is not seen as doing it 'on the cheap' to the detriment of Edinburgh's Parks, which afterall are there to be used and utilised by local users and groups throughout the year, long after a commercial event has gone. Also ensure that the restatement costs are covered by any commercial venture and that CEC is not left to pick up ANY of the tab as is	Jan 23, 2014 4:41 PM

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	often the case at present.	
151	I think that a commercial fee should be charged	Jan 23, 2014 11:33 AM
152	The current events that fall into this category are the Mela and on occasion some Edinburgh Festival events and i feel that that level of impact is sufficient.	Jan 23, 2014 8:29 AM
153	Private events should only be limited by restrictions in other areas, not solely on the basis of the 6th request for a private event in any year.	Jan 23, 2014 7:30 AM
154	These are public green spaces so private or purely commercial events are inappropriate	Jan 22, 2014 8:29 PM
155	Fee charging events shall have discounted fares for local residents (we all pay council taxes and the parks belongs to us).	Jan 22, 2014 8:24 PM
156	Don't hold them on public parks if the public cannot access them for free. You work for US, we pay your wages and then some via tax. Don't tax us more.	Jan 22, 2014 8:23 PM
157	It makes no difference to the grass on the park whether an event that stresses / damages it is free or commercial, open to the public or not. A limit must be imposed to protect the ground and give it a chance to recover. The park is a public amenity and we pay for it out of our taxes. IT should be open to ALL users, publicly. The occasional commercial or charity event is OK as locals can choose to participate, even if they have to pay. But private events like weddings or parties etc. are a complete no-no and must be strenuously resisted. Absolutely not!!! Thin end of the wedge, don't privatise our green spaces!	Jan 22, 2014 7:43 PM
158	Charity private events only for small parks	Jan 22, 2014 7:30 PM
159	I don't think there should be any private events. These are public spaces	Jan 22, 2014 7:20 PM
160	If there is no public access, ie not even fee paying event to general public, then events should be very limited or subject to a premium usage charge which could be used to upgrade parks across the city	Jan 22, 2014 7:13 PM
161	these are defined a public parks and should be treated as such	Jan 22, 2014 6:41 PM
162	they should not be allowed on public space, there should always be free access to these public spaces	Jan 22, 2014 6:27 PM
163	I think it is important that the events held in parks benefit the local communities that use them. There should be private events but these should at the very least improve peoples perceptions of the park. It would also be interesting to know how much of a % of profits made by CEC from an event would be reinvested in the park over and above returning it to its previous condition. Maybe this is something that could be agreed (eg 10% of CEC profits will go into capital expenditure for the park).	Jan 22, 2014 5:48 PM
164	Commercial activities should be eliminated except for Edinburgh Festival events in August.	Jan 22, 2014 5:39 PM
165	No one should be able to have private events that do not allow access to the public in these places. Charging for events and allowing public in is ok.	Jan 22, 2014 4:48 PM

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166	the public parks are not the right place for private events, unless they can be show to provide benefit to the community.	Jan 22, 2014 4:38 PM
167	Everyone should be charged to hold an event.	Jan 22, 2014 3:42 PM
168	These are public parks and are for the people, not wealthy individuals.	Jan 22, 2014 3:37 PM
169	I think entirely depends on the park in question and the nature of the "private event". Weddings every Saturday on little used suburban parks might not be a problem, over-night raves on the other hand might not be acceptable anywhere.	Jan 22, 2014 2:51 PM
170	Dependent on size of private events. Also dependent on which park (e.g. Ross Bandstand could have no restriction as not generally open to public).	Jan 22, 2014 1:49 PM
171	anyone with money should not be allowed to buy their way past what is put in place for good reason	Jan 22, 2014 12:48 PM
172	No private event should ever lead to closure of a public space to the public. They must be contained in part of the space. Preference should be given to charitable events or to events for the benefit of the public.	Jan 22, 2014 12:20 PM
173	Alternative public access should be guaranteed when a private event results in closure or restriction. There are sufficient private venues available so I assume the only reasoning behind this is revenue generation which is hard to justify when the revenue disappears into the black hole of Edinburgh finances. If the money generated was spent specifically on the venues and their improvement - and I mean improvement (planting, landscaping, lighting, security) not silly fad like projects.	Jan 22, 2014 11:30 AM
174	No political activities should be permitted	Jan 22, 2014 11:22 AM
175	Do not permit ticketed events of more than one day duration. This would allow a local couple to put up a gazebo to get married in but not allow large areas to be fenced off from the Council Tax payers who 'own' and pay for the parks.	Jan 22, 2014 10:22 AM
176	Private events can also increase in number, but the authorities should try to coordinate the surrounding venues/companies/institutions with public events during the year. Ex. A rock concert cannot be held inside a venue while a church inside the same venue has a classic concert or a wedding at the same time.	Jan 22, 2014 9:22 AM
177	A requirement of "buffer times" between private events so that they aren't back to back and will allow public use of the park	Jan 22, 2014 8:12 AM
178	I would qualify this by saying private events should not be given automatic precedence over pulic events	Jan 21, 2014 10:51 PM
179	I would only allow the east garden for private events then you never get a clash of event planning using the west gardens	Jan 21, 2014 9:57 PM
180	no	Jan 21, 2014 9:39 PM
181	these should be assessed as other events for the impact on the parks	Jan 21, 2014 8:56 PM
182	I think that there are other private spaces that private events should use, like hotel grounds.	Jan 21, 2014 8:53 PM

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183	Public parks should generally be reserved for use by the general public and for open events. Private events should never take precedent over public events.	Jan 21, 2014 8:11 PM
184	Provided public access is not excessively limited and the income goes straight back into the parks it's fine	Jan 21, 2014 7:57 PM
185	I don't think the same parks should be used for the same activities/ events every year. They should be rotated through the City	Jan 21, 2014 7:46 PM
186	Many of the Parks are common good land and so the priority should be for public events and activities This should be a guiding principle to the use of 'Common Good' parks	Jan 21, 2014 7:42 PM
187	A limit should be set for Private Events similar to that in place for Public Events.	Jan 21, 2014 7:15 PM
188	Limit private events More flexibility with public events that have a charge. Don't lump both into same name "private"	Jan 21, 2014 6:50 PM
189	it would depend on the size, nature and type.	Jan 21, 2014 5:16 PM
190	It really depends on what they are asking.... public parks are supposed to be public, so if a sizeable area is no longer available for an extended period then that compromises the public. The same principle however applies to events which are open to the public. The Lady Boys of Bangkok on the Meadows is open to the public, by why would you want to go? This is a niche appeal, not everybody is inclined to go or can afford to go. At such times as they are there, the public cannot use the park. These large commercial events are far more disruptive than small private ones which do not stop you using or enjoying the park. The Meadows is a small park in a high density area, which is why large commercial events for extended periods should not be allowed.	Jan 21, 2014 4:21 PM
191	As long as Event Organisers pay for adequate ground protection, and site handovers are properly undertaken, when the site is handed over, and subsequently when it is returned to the Council following an event.	Jan 21, 2014 4:12 PM
192	I object strongly to the public being, effectively, barred from green public spaces due to commercial interests.	Jan 21, 2014 3:59 PM
193	I see no reason why commercial events on public land should not be strictly limited to those that don't charge for attendance- an entry fee for events like the food fair is indefensible, since once inside, visitors still have to pay for what's on offer.	Jan 21, 2014 3:39 PM
194	The planning and numbers of events should be calculated based on the parks ability to sustain the number of events, plus day to day uses (which includes consideration to drainage etc). Once this has been determined, the decision as to who pays and at what level should be calculated to ensure that there is a modest surplus at the end of the year which can be re-invested in the parks to create further amenities or improvements to the ground conditions.	Jan 21, 2014 3:26 PM
195	The number of events should be subject to a variation if CEC decides it is in the interests of either the event or of the City, including financial viability for the event or commercial benefit for the City.	Jan 21, 2014 3:23 PM

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196	Limited is fine I think. The limit would be different for each Park I imagine. The limit would set set by the 'Residents' + 'Venue Managers - ECC' I imagine. Though, it does seems odd to be mixing the 'units' here. In the previous tables the limits were on event durations, and now you speak of event 'numbers'. Is this deliberate or best? Noting here as no General Comments: I believe that there is now a consideration/selection for event approval based on their cultural merit. If so, then this also needs to be in the Manifesto.	Jan 21, 2014 2:53 PM
197	Better definition of 'private' - Private events such are races and sporting events can be good to watch, and do offer an amenity, but a wedding or a function would not. This has to be recognised.	Jan 21, 2014 2:43 PM
198	The limitation should consider benefits to community, eg events of benefit to local children should take precedence over commercial activities.	Jan 21, 2014 2:37 PM
199	not in the case of charities who need everyones help to raise monies. again poor facilities like at the Ross Band Stand right in front of the castle should be updated to even look acceptable.	Jan 21, 2014 2:32 PM
200	We should encourage as much use of our parks as possible. Relevant stakeholders and community groups are almost never representative of most local people. They are usually interfering, closed -minded, reactionary, self-centred busybodies who take no account of anyone elses opinions that do not agree with thier own narrow aims.	Jan 21, 2014 12:17 PM
201	They are public parks. All events should be free if they are using public spaces	Jan 21, 2014 11:52 AM

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1	putting up barriers to prevent haphazard driving of heavy vehicles around the area/	Mar 23, 2014 12:53 PM
2	Re The Meadows: vehicle access and movements must be strictly controlled and enforced as it endangers the general public (in particular families with children, the elderly and dog walkers).	Mar 21, 2014 6:23 PM
3	The restrictions need to be carefully monitored. This has not always been the case on the Meadows; probably due to shortage of staff. Charges for these events must include the time for CEC staff monitoring the event.	Mar 21, 2014 5:18 PM
4	Make sure the events holders do as you say and charge a large enough bond to cover damage. Foodies in Inverleith park is very popular and we like having it but the organiser has failed to see that the stall holders behaved properly with regard to the grass and parking and driving their vehicles dangerously across the park. We would like the bond to cover bad behaviour of this sort. We would like the CEC to demand in such cases that CEC marshals be paid for by the organiser and be on site to ensure that everyone behaves as they have been instructed and there is no dangerous behaviour - rather than stopping the event from coming.	Mar 21, 2014 5:03 PM
5	No	Mar 21, 2014 4:25 PM
6	Vehicles should be prohibited from being given access to the Meadows for commercial purposes as much as is practically possible. Serious damage to the turf created by heavy vehicles should be met with financial penalties.	Mar 21, 2014 12:17 PM
7	To impose appropriate conditions on event activities and placement of infrastructure to be monitored and assessed, contingency plans to be put in place and to form part of lease agreements.	Mar 20, 2014 12:24 PM
8	Robust restrictions required, strict monitoring to ensure adherence to the rules, and stiff penalties imposed for non-observance.	Mar 20, 2014 11:34 AM
9	Better drainage, and consideration of where more tarmac appears in the Meadows.	Mar 19, 2014 7:54 PM
10	I think that anyone who holds an event should be asked to make a contribution to a ringfenced fund which can be used for maintaining the grass in all of Edinburgh's parks.	Mar 18, 2014 8:43 PM
11	Not having events too close to each other (needs more than 1 month apart)	Mar 18, 2014 7:54 PM
12	Vehicles should not drive on paths in parks. This is a fairly recent development, and it ought to stop. It is not safe for parks where children play and dogs are exercised, and it is intimidating to other people, who hope to use parks for peaceful walking. It also damages the edges of paths, as they are not roads, and are not strong enough for heavy vehicles. Tracking is not a solution. Exclusion of vehicles from parks is needed.	Mar 18, 2014 7:48 PM
13	Yes, remove tracking while vehicles stationary on site and do not allow vehicle traffic to move during occupation.	Mar 18, 2014 6:53 PM
14	Daily inspection of the site with the power to eject the event immediately if any damage is found.	Mar 18, 2014 6:31 PM
15	And enforced	Mar 18, 2014 6:26 PM

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16	Limiting the total duration of potentially damaging large event use.	Mar 18, 2014 6:13 PM
17	Rather than "robust restrictions" there should be a blanket ban on vehicular access to parks at all times.	Mar 18, 2014 5:38 PM
18	Sounds fine on paper, but enforcement is key. I often see unnecessary vehicle journeys being carried out by workers who can't be bother to walk across the park. The cumulative vehicle movement causes compaction and damage, even if the result of a single journey is not obvious.	Mar 18, 2014 11:14 AM
19	weight of lorries on site considered if ground is flooded or wet	Mar 17, 2014 4:02 PM
20	Fines should be used if the lease agreements are not met; the cost of any repair work should be met by the event organiser (realistic sums need to be involved so that the cost does not fall on the taxpayer).	Mar 17, 2014 3:12 PM
21	Consideration of improvements to surface to make ground more robust to long term usage	Mar 16, 2014 3:51 PM
22	No vehicle movements should be allowed on grass. They do that in Bath.	Mar 13, 2014 7:55 PM
23	access ways across any grassed areas should be temporarily covered and any damage restored after the event.	Mar 13, 2014 11:46 AM
24	Paths for vehicular use should be widened and strengthened to take the load and marked accordingly.	Mar 12, 2014 12:15 PM
25	The restrictions and regulations on vehicle movement are correct. The requirements to use trackway are correct. However the use of track when the surface is firm actually causes more damage than vehicles driving on a firm surface. The decision to lay track should be taken in consultation with the parks dept and promoter .	Mar 12, 2014 11:57 AM
26	The regulation of vehicle movement is correct. However the insistence of the laying of track way if the weather is fine and dry is incorrect. The damage caused by trackway is more in dry conditions than that of vehicles on the grass. This should be determined by the parks department and promoter in the days leading up to the event.	Mar 12, 2014 11:38 AM
27	Please refer back to my prior comment re . the use of track way. Where specific dates for the entry/exit on to the site are detailed in the contract, these should be flexible, within reason, to allow heavy vehicle access to rig/ de rig on days with favourable weather conditions. 24 hours of dry weather can make a huge difference to the surface of a grass site. This would be done in conjunction with parks officers.	Mar 12, 2014 11:19 AM
28	enforced use of the plastice covers for the grass that can be used as walkways, to limit the damage to grass area that will get a lot of foot traffic over the period of the event. This would also limit the cost to the Council of replacing turf after an event.	Mar 12, 2014 9:22 AM
29	Reducing/preventing residential usage during events - eg circus and other performers live in residential caravans during August in Meadow. This is unsightly, reduces area for other users and increses damage to site during the period	Mar 11, 2014 6:02 PM
30	when trying to balance the use of a public area (GRASSED OR OTHERWISE) suggestions and guidance from the event organisers would	Mar 11, 2014 5:26 PM

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	be a good starting point rather than "robust restrictions".	
31	finer for organisations breaking rules regarding this	Mar 11, 2014 3:23 PM
32	Restricted approach areas for visitors/audiences (almost impossible to police, I imagine)	Mar 10, 2014 7:02 PM
33	I believe that damage to the ground is normally charged back to the event organisers and it is done at cost. I would suggest that there should be a penalty applied to any reinstatement costs to focus organisers on the issue of damage.	Mar 8, 2014 11:09 AM
34	parking is an issue	Mar 7, 2014 3:04 PM
35	Yes - apply enforcement more rigorously.	Mar 5, 2014 3:17 PM
36	No	Mar 5, 2014 10:23 AM
37	A bond of money to be held by the council - which may encourage those setting up the event to be careful	Mar 5, 2014 9:15 AM
38	Not that I can think of.	Mar 4, 2014 4:11 PM
39	As much encouragement to prevent vehicle access as possible should be made. Perhaps time limited access for loading and unloading but not constant vehicular access?	Mar 4, 2014 1:54 PM
40	Each event is different and vehicles need to have access when the event needs it, not when the lease says.	Mar 4, 2014 1:26 PM
41	Plans for poor weather - like ground cover for muddy/wet weather should be available and part of the original plans. I've been to events where entry was delayed because they were scrambling for straw or mesh to make walking safe. Surely that should have been onsite regardless of the weather and the responsibility of the organisers.	Mar 4, 2014 11:05 AM
42	Greater enforcement.	Mar 4, 2014 10:57 AM
43	doesn't do the soil any good in princess st to have turf removed and put back down.	Mar 4, 2014 10:34 AM
44	Hold all events at Ingleton or balado	Mar 3, 2014 4:20 PM
45	Make sure the event organisers are bound to pay for any damage.	Mar 3, 2014 4:00 PM
46	Tough regulations are needed to stop cars from parking actually in the park like they sometimes do.	Mar 3, 2014 1:09 PM
47	Traffic management plans should be a necessary part of the letting conditions. These may differ, dependant on the event, to an indication of parking or access needs for a single vehicle up to major traffic management plans.	Mar 3, 2014 10:29 AM
48	I think the measures need to be even more robustly implemented given the mess the access areas on the Meadows constantly show	Feb 28, 2014 1:08 PM
49	less vehicles and more installing event structures by man/woman power to look after the grass and the local and wider environment.	Feb 28, 2014 10:40 AM

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50	Up to now control of vehicular access has been unsuccessful. It only needs one vehicle in the wrong place to damage a tree. Constant monitoring and an enforced regime of fines needs to be added to the robust restrictions.	Feb 27, 2014 7:51 PM
51	NO	Feb 27, 2014 5:07 PM
52	Strict measures to ensure conditions are restored quickly or punitive fines to be paid.	Feb 27, 2014 2:23 PM
53	And should be strictly enforced	Feb 27, 2014 11:12 AM
54	After a Corstophine Fair the Army vehicles left major ground damage which took a long time to recover for Public use	Feb 27, 2014 10:39 AM
55	These lease agreements are of course accessible to anyone through Fol requests, but if not already they should all automatically go on the Council's website - such transparency is essential for informing the local public. In the Meadows, drainage is the key problem in preventing damage to the ground. Any improvement would be welcome.	Feb 27, 2014 9:23 AM
56	Any other measures which would limit damage to the space.	Feb 27, 2014 8:30 AM
57	Any period greater than 15 days MUST require a moving of tracked pathways on grass to allow it to recover. Simply lift and relay adjacent.	Feb 27, 2014 12:17 AM
58	Repair to site caused by vehicles should be billed to the event organisers.	Feb 26, 2014 10:15 PM
59	Proper policing of all movements and the events organisers to pay all the costs on monitoring every movement!	Feb 26, 2014 9:05 PM
60	Constant Council monitoring of what is permitted and action taken when rules are ignored	Feb 26, 2014 9:24 AM
61	Maybe extreme weather conditions before/during or after the event should trigger a review/tightening of the requirements.	Feb 25, 2014 5:45 PM
62	Council officials should enforce the principles and not pay lip service to them	Feb 23, 2014 9:39 PM
63	Events should be restricted in number and duration and there should be strict conditions on the speed and quality of restoration of public amenity.	Feb 21, 2014 5:27 PM
64	Clarity rather than "robust" is important.	Feb 19, 2014 2:12 PM
65	All of the above are valid. I think there should be an expectation that events include measures to protect the ground and that it should be standard practise for all, rather than selective as it currently is. However with the best will in the world and no matter how many precautions are taken if the weather is bad enough there is nothing you can do to limit the damage.	Feb 18, 2014 9:50 PM
66	Time of year/prevaling weather conditions should play a part in setting the level of vehicle restrictions, and organisers should be required to provide relevant equipment to mitigate damage, e.g. temporary ground tracks etc.	Feb 18, 2014 12:12 PM
67	Maybe there should be more work completed by the CEC so that the most heavily used park areas are actually transformed into viable assets which can tolerate vehicle access and movements, so that there is as limited reinstatement needed as possible after events. It's a long-term investment strategy.	Feb 16, 2014 1:26 PM

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68	the greatest damage done to the meadows is when rain turns the place to mud and then the event organisers drive large vehicles across it. yellow grass does recover but something needs to be done about the compacting and the rutting caused by the lorries and heavy machinery. even last year when the ladyboys laid down trackways, the people who removed the tent did nothing to stay on them, and left ruts after heavy rain at the end of their stay. in my view, the council should say that any measurable ruts exceeding 5 cm deep would lead to the event not being permitted to return to the meadows for 5 years. a deterrent is needed The council should take a "results based approach" to assessing events. Events should be fined or banned if they leave measurable damage, in combination with the councils current approach of pre-defining vehicle restrictions	Feb 15, 2014 3:27 PM
69	Ground should not be at higher risk of pot holes or flooding after events.	Feb 15, 2014 3:02 PM
70	Uniformity of ground protection for all event spaces/event promoters	Feb 14, 2014 4:11 PM
71	Put into practice your guidelines which are often seen as a wish list. The Meadows needs a load of sand like a golf course to deal with the boggy areas. There has been much talk and many meetings but little to show for it. !	Feb 13, 2014 6:18 PM
72	See prev response in relation to 3 and 4 G surfaces.	Feb 12, 2014 10:20 AM
73	Very much more robust restrictions should be in place: often heavy vehicles invade grass which is used for sports like cricket, which requires an even surface, and create muddy conditions for walkers especially children.	Feb 11, 2014 1:35 PM
74	While it is important to protect public spaces as much as possible it is also important for the life of the city that events are allowed to happen in them in order to animate public spaces for the benefit of all. If the city has decided it wants large events to happen in its public spaces then it needs to be very careful that it does not impose crippling costs on event organisers thus making the cost of producing large events prohibitive.	Feb 11, 2014 1:02 PM
75	Pedestrian access is also an important factor to be considered.	Feb 10, 2014 8:55 PM
76	As long as buses are not affected	Feb 9, 2014 11:01 AM
77	Type of infrastructure required?	Feb 8, 2014 12:35 PM
78	Why do people get to drive their cars onto the Meadows and park them beside the event tents? They can walk, surely, and the tent wasn't delivered in the car. If an event does require equipment delivered by transporter, then the event should be located the MINIMUM distance from Melville Drive without damaging the trees and as much as possible the transporter should remain on Melville Drive and be unloaded from there.	Feb 6, 2014 9:45 PM
79	Time limits are still the key.	Feb 6, 2014 1:13 PM
80	Maybe laying down wood for the vehicles to drive and stand on.	Feb 6, 2014 12:54 PM
81	Making sure that these regulations are upheld. I am a daily user of the Meadows and observe a lot of poor practice by vehicles during events. Need for more tracks to protect the ground.	Feb 5, 2014 4:11 PM
82	I think this is quite a technical question, which I don't have the knowledge to answer in detail. I would, however, like to see better arrangements looked at	Feb 5, 2014 4:11 PM

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	to protect the ground in view of the likely increases in wet weather due to climate changes. I would assume there are newer technical solutions available to put down pathways and tracks for vehicles which would help prevent the cancellation of events and also stop catastrophic churning up of the ground. The council should research these and set a "gold" standard for ground protection based on the best available materials.	
83	strict adherence once the lease agreements are signed. any breach of the agreements should be followed up, with public acces to the whole process. afterall, if it is your 'locality' that suffers (from a breach of the leae agreements) you would want to know that the Parks Dept/City of Edinburgh does as a follow up.	Feb 5, 2014 1:56 PM
84	Yes, but equally important is monitoring that lease agreements are adhered to. More staff will be required to do this than in the past	Feb 4, 2014 10:45 AM
85	However, there needs to be monitoring and enforcement and I suspect you do not have the resources to police this. I suggest the promoter pays a bond which is only returned if there have been no issues.	Feb 3, 2014 7:56 PM
86	Event organisers must be liable to reinstate the areas used back to exactly as they were before the event	Feb 3, 2014 7:55 PM
87	There should be weight restrictions on vehicles taken on to grass areas, say 7.5 tons max	Feb 3, 2014 6:41 PM
88	Do you actually allow people to Llve in the meadows during the festival in their caravans? If so could you please publicise this and what the restrictions are because I'm surprised to here there are any!	Feb 3, 2014 10:06 AM
89	Do you really consult with the parks gardeners? It is distressing to see how their work is ruined year on year.	Feb 3, 2014 8:23 AM
90	There is no serious policing of the restrictions not the resources to do so therefore they are mainly irrelevant	Feb 3, 2014 8:15 AM
91	The lady boys of Bangkok have about 15 caravans on site and cars. One think having an event another turning it into a camp site	Feb 2, 2014 11:09 PM
92	How are the restrictions monitored and enforced?	Feb 2, 2014 10:30 PM
93	And must be strictly enforced!!	Feb 2, 2014 5:08 PM
94	I frequently see - and often report - vehicles using MMW and other Meadows paths in ways that are inconsiderate and inappropriate. too often when i report such events, i am told that the responsible council doesn't know what the vehicle was, or what it was doing there. this suggests to me that these restrictions are inadequate and/or that council vehicles and vehicles contracted by the council to undertake work are not suitably regulated.,	Feb 2, 2014 2:35 PM
95	Parking should where possible be off site and not in the park	Feb 2, 2014 11:29 AM
96	Proper permanent hard standing in areas. Also try rotating the "arenas" around the different areas of the parks so thatone area is not used all the time.	Feb 2, 2014 12:17 AM
97	Reducing the number and weight of vehicles needed to erect structures, or the number or weight of structures that have to be erected by cranes. It is	Feb 1, 2014 9:23 PM

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	the cranes' wheels that make the most damage.	
98	Just a shame it's never enforced.	Jan 31, 2014 11:55 PM
99	Just making sure the Restrictions are adhered to.	Jan 31, 2014 7:46 PM
100	Ground Inspection within duration of event to ensure compliance.	Jan 31, 2014 6:57 PM
101	no	Jan 31, 2014 6:20 PM
102	Monitor that restrictions are being adhered to	Jan 31, 2014 6:16 PM
103	Do users of the ground causing damage have to cover the cost of reinstating it ? They should.	Jan 31, 2014 6:02 PM
104	Enforce them!	Jan 31, 2014 5:15 PM
105	duckboarding and other protection methods should be considered.	Jan 31, 2014 4:51 PM
106	Complete care should be a strict requirement and grounds used be re-instated as quickly as possible...NO car parking should be provided on park grounds and all refuse removed by the end of each of the the day..or days when the event is on	Jan 31, 2014 3:09 PM
107	With the ease of digital photography, it would be relatively easy to prove if damage had been done by vehicles during an event. The Council should rigorously pursue any company whose vehicles have damaged public parks. I would wish to see vehicles with disabled drivers / passengers given access to Calton Hill.	Jan 31, 2014 2:15 PM
108	certain areas require additional protection such as covers or ramps to protect grassland from vehicle damage.	Jan 31, 2014 12:07 PM
109	Tracking should be mandatory	Jan 31, 2014 9:11 AM
110	Ensure reinstatement by event organiser	Jan 31, 2014 9:02 AM
111	Could those event organisers be required to limit the weight of material they are hauling over grassy areas and deliver their equipment piece by piece to minimise damage? IOr could they be required to lay down a protective covering/other to protect /minimise damage to grass? If this is possible, I would like to see it introduced.	Jan 31, 2014 8:36 AM
112	Can't think of any	Jan 31, 2014 8:34 AM
113	Investigation of improved access or new hardstanding areas that would improve access without damaging the character of the parks.	Jan 30, 2014 1:12 PM
114	Work efficiently? The council may have learned about how to limit damage and disruption via the Trams project? Maybe?	Jan 29, 2014 2:54 PM
115	BUT IT NEEDS TO BE FAR MORE POLICED AND REGULATED WITH WATCH-DOGS AT THE SET UP AND TAKE-DOWN STAGE. SOME OF THE BIG ARTICULATED LORRIES DO NOT STICK TO THE TRACKING LAID DOWN AND WILL TURN ON THE GRASS AND REVERSE ETC CAUSING ENORMOUS RUTTING AND DESTRUCTION FO THE GRASS.	Jan 29, 2014 12:06 PM
116	I think that the vehicle tracking strategy through the parks should be part of	Jan 28, 2014 9:37 PM

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	the parks manifesto, not just in the lease agreement	
117	This question doesn't mention public safety and for me that is the main reason to limit vehicle access. I would always be sympathetic to the needs of people with mobility issues, e.g. the elderly or disabled but I suppose this is already covered by legislation.	Jan 28, 2014 4:25 PM
118	CEC should secure a significant bond prior to signing a lease and be committed to using all or part of that bond to pay for repairs to any damage caused by event organisers.	Jan 28, 2014 1:49 PM
119	Presumably the approach taken is the one that most robustly protects the ground. Are there examples of good practice that could be pursued?	Jan 28, 2014 11:58 AM
120	raised wooden platforms	Jan 28, 2014 11:42 AM
121	Are there not certain circumstance where vehicle access should be prohibited completely?	Jan 28, 2014 11:20 AM
122	Specific mention of drainage reinstatement bond?? Addressing resultant drainage issues paramount	Jan 27, 2014 11:35 PM
123	No	Jan 27, 2014 6:21 PM
124	Implement 1 way traffic systems nearby if necessary	Jan 27, 2014 5:19 PM
125	I think its more important to reinstate the area after rather than worry about the damage which can be fixed	Jan 27, 2014 2:10 PM
126	temporary surfaces ? free parking in the local area for events.	Jan 27, 2014 1:47 PM
127	Litter and its control seems to take a secondary approach where in fact it should form part of the conditions if not already in place	Jan 27, 2014 1:38 PM
128	A large bond and an increased bond if damage has been done in a previous year or the event is slow to pay, repair damage etc. Also think it would be useful to use some / any increased revenue from events to improve the drainage of the various parks where feasible even for day to day useage there would then be less damage.	Jan 27, 2014 1:02 PM
129	Well, i am thinking that having a very wide area of grass is very attracting to people, so they like to step on it and enjoy the natural landscape....so i wonder weather there exists the possibility to install structures, or a type of meshes that will decrease the footfall area of grass without damaging it so badly	Jan 26, 2014 6:44 PM
130	Please see all previous points.	Jan 25, 2014 9:57 PM
131	Yes, better use of geo-textiles on events spaces and strengthening of access points. Restrictions on vehicle movements in wet weather should be specified in contracts. Also, the Council should consider having its own geo-grid or similar geo-textiles that it can bring to events when ground conditions are poor, thus minimising impacts from vehicles.	Jan 25, 2014 2:12 PM
132	Cars/vans/caravans limited or banned completely.	Jan 24, 2014 10:51 PM
133	Very large penalty clauses and if necessary not being let back ever again anywhere.	Jan 24, 2014 9:46 PM

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134	Access points are usually where most damage occurs - there should be vehicle weight/size restrictions. Access points should be variable i.e. use one for a week then a different on this will prevent major ruts etc forming.	Jan 24, 2014 8:01 PM
135	size of vehicle	Jan 24, 2014 12:30 PM
136	Move the tractor pads around so they do not damage the grass	Jan 24, 2014 12:28 PM
137	Rubbish disposal facilities and their regular emptying should be considered. Cigarette butt and bottle caps left in grass areas are frequently a problem after events.	Jan 24, 2014 12:14 PM
138	Weather can make a big difference to the amount of damage. Some sort of common sense element should be included in documentation. I assume that City Officials are involved in the booking and should have the power at short notice to implement policy alterations.	Jan 24, 2014 12:04 PM
139	No other than robust management to ensure the lease agreements are adhered to and robust action is taken if it is not. It would therefore be necessary, in an annual review, to let the public know what action has been taken as evidence that this is being robustly managed.	Jan 24, 2014 10:49 AM
140	Realistically how is this monitored or reported? Possible to charge for vehicular access via a 'pass'. This could either be issued from CEC and ensure any money received is reinvested back into the park or it could be managed by event organisers and form part of the commercial agreement.	Jan 23, 2014 4:44 PM
141	Parking around the parks should be restricted and the restrictions should be enforced. This is particularly an issue along Melville Drive, where the cycle lane is often blocked.	Jan 23, 2014 1:53 PM
142	As far as Leith Links is concerned the usual access is into the park from the area opposite Salamander Street - i believe the John Rattray statue is being considered for part of this area - this will make vehicular access either impossible or restricted - i think the statue site needs to be reconsidered. The alternative is from Vanburgh Place and we already have issues regarding damage made by council vehicles using this access/egress point. There should be more robust control over any bonds placed to cover damage but it should not be used as an excuse to cause damage	Jan 23, 2014 8:32 AM
143	CEC should in addition be proactive by setting restrictions on traffic movement at events. This is something that needs to be applied to CEC vehicles as well.	Jan 23, 2014 7:32 AM
144	As I said in a previous question, more emphasis must be placed on finding out the current ground conditions to prevent unnecessary damage.	Jan 22, 2014 10:31 PM
145	Vehicle movements are often not policed; nor are there any apparent sanctions	Jan 22, 2014 8:35 PM
146	Public transportation shall not be disturbed by the event during working hours (week-day).	Jan 22, 2014 8:26 PM
147	Private profit from public land makes me wonder why the fuck I'm paying council tax. Fuck you.	Jan 22, 2014 8:23 PM
148	Yes - ENFORCE the restrictions - which the Council currently does not do! And penalise contractors and events organisers that flout the restrictions. Let	Jan 22, 2014 7:44 PM

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	it be known that there will be a fierce crackdown on abuse of the park, not the current lazy laissez-faire apathy and inaction.	
149	Council /park officials should be in attendance to monitor damage and rule flaunting by event holders	Jan 22, 2014 7:33 PM
150	Possible use of photographic schedule of condition to record base condition of park prior to events	Jan 22, 2014 7:15 PM
151	Amount likely to come via other means, eg parking on edge of meadows and bringing things in, rather than driving in etc, creates damage to grass and artificial footpaths.	Jan 22, 2014 6:14 PM
152	Limit the size and weight of vehicles and structures. It is pointless to spend money on improving the drainage if the weight on the ground is going to damage the drainage substructure.	Jan 22, 2014 6:09 PM
153	As mentioned before - football matches etc only allowed when ground firm enough and NO cars in park players or spectators	Jan 22, 2014 5:24 PM
154	See previous comments about noise on Calton Hill	Jan 22, 2014 4:54 PM
155	the contractors should be required to protect the grass	Jan 22, 2014 4:40 PM
156	Everyone must wear slippers when walking on the grass. Should this question be directed to specialist landscape experts rather than to members of the public?	Jan 22, 2014 3:43 PM
157	The weather needs to be looked at just before setting up an event. If it is going to rain, take that into account and protect the ground.	Jan 22, 2014 3:38 PM
158	Robust rubbish removal should also be put in place. Maybe a large returnable deposit if parks are left damage and litter free.	Jan 22, 2014 2:53 PM
159	Yes I think there should be restrictions on vehicle access but when I receive the agreement for our annual Village Show in Rosefield Park it always states that vehicles are not allowed in the park at all. This is unrealistic for setup and break down as we need to bring equipment into the park. I think this should be accepted as necessary so long as they are not heavy vehicles.	Jan 22, 2014 1:15 PM
160	restriction on fires or bbq's which are not properly mounted to protect the grass areas	Jan 22, 2014 12:48 PM
161	tracking is often ignored , specially during wet weather; more supervision should be available	Jan 22, 2014 10:39 AM
162	Drip trays under engines to stop oil leaks. The drip tray need only be kitchen grade for short events.	Jan 22, 2014 10:23 AM
163	No.	Jan 22, 2014 9:22 AM
164	Can't think of any off the top of my head	Jan 22, 2014 8:13 AM
165	limit footfall proactively	Jan 21, 2014 9:41 PM
166	It is imperative that the impact analysis includes all disruptive ingress to the parks appropriate council officials (ranagers?) must maintain a careful watch on the use of the parks with additional (part time) help during the events	Jan 21, 2014 8:59 PM

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167	Make a few more permanent roadways where there there are regular events with fairly predictable access requirements, rather that chew up the grass, leave a mess and have to re-turf.	Jan 21, 2014 8:55 PM
168	Certain amendments to the key areas affected by vehicle damage should be adapted with this in mind. This saves incurring the same issues and re-instatements	Jan 21, 2014 8:24 PM
169	Smaller events take care to reduce damage caused during duration whereas many large scale commercial events seem to cause much more damage. Perhaps the implications of damaging the site could be made greater.	Jan 21, 2014 8:22 PM
170	The above only seems to be applicable to some events. No caravans on the meadows. Commercial vehicles should only access parks if conditions permit.	Jan 21, 2014 7:48 PM
171	The key issue is enforcement - on the Meadows, it has been observed that contractors do not always observe agreed requirements so it is essential that a Parks official is present when events are set up and taken down	Jan 21, 2014 7:45 PM
172	Special precautions should be in place in very wet weather.	Jan 21, 2014 7:16 PM
173	Parks dept and promoters require a better working relationship. All event companies should have enough insurance to cover any damage and if not, should not be allowed onsite.	Jan 21, 2014 6:08 PM
174	only on hard ground	Jan 21, 2014 5:28 PM
175	Enforce them. Every year we see large vehicles on the Meadows!	Jan 21, 2014 4:22 PM
176	Certain areas of certain event sites suffer from wet conditions more than others. Perhaps work can be undertaken to drainage to make this less of a problem ?	Jan 21, 2014 4:13 PM
177	Education: Some event organisers will not be aware of; the damage that can be caused by vehicles (and structures and feet for that matter!) the availability of various ground protection products. There is an opportunity here for the council/Parks to help these organisers, as Parks will have seen many different systems/products deployed, and have photos?	Jan 21, 2014 2:53 PM
178	Unsure	Jan 21, 2014 2:44 PM
179	No vehicles to be parked within the parks unless actively loading or unloading. Events seem to use the parks as vehicle parks	Jan 21, 2014 11:53 AM

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1	Very much agree with this approach but you need to ensure that compensation is paid by the organiser if these conditions are not adhered to as well as compensation for any damage.	Mar 21, 2014 5:06 PM
2	Local stakeholders and community councils should be given the opportunity to participate in the review process, should they wish to.	Mar 21, 2014 12:17 PM
3	To impose appropriate conditions on event activities and placement of infrastructure to be monitored and assessed; contingency plans to be put in place to form part of lease agreements. We agree that these conditions are important, and that contingency plans must include the possibility of cancellation if weather conditions or the weather forecast are unsuitable: insurance must allow for this. Event organisers must make sure that they do not damage underground utilities (i.e. drainage in particular) on the east Meadows.	Mar 20, 2014 11:39 AM
4	It's worth adding I think part of the Meadows still hasn't recovered from the 2011 washout Taste festival.	Mar 19, 2014 7:55 PM
5	Merely monitoring, and reviewing the damage after events, does nothing to solve the problems that these events are causing to parks. The events should not be in parks at all. They should be in more suitable places that can accommodate vehicles and infrastructure.	Mar 18, 2014 7:50 PM
6	Yes, but contingency plans should be shared with Parks officials	Mar 18, 2014 6:53 PM
7	The Council are charging extremely high rents for leasing of space at the moment. It is for the landlord to assess the risk/ possibility of damage to an area before leasing this to an event. If bad weather is likely to make an area unsafe for users, then the area should not be leased for that purpose - given the vagaries of the Scottish weather.	Mar 18, 2014 5:17 PM
8	Council should be able to cancel events if the weather is too bad. Proper plans of underground infrastructure (eg drainage) must be made available to event organisers. Forestry department should be consulted about how close to trees tents etc can be erected.	Mar 13, 2014 8:02 PM
9	This should be a shared responsibility with the council. It is not the fault of the organiser if there is bad weather and this can lead to serious economic disadvantage for the organiser e.g. If it is cancelled at last minute.	Mar 11, 2014 9:36 PM
10	"obtain information" is a bit vague - could this be more specific or an example given?	Mar 11, 2014 8:31 PM
11	In principle it's correct but bad weather can affect anyone	Mar 11, 2014 1:48 PM
12	I agree with all suggestions except the contingency. Event organisers should be required to incorporate contingency plans for bad weather but when it is a large event the fact that we are in Scotland, a country that has a changeable weather system, the arrival of bad weather should not require them to cancel. This is currently managed via the JACC and is addressed at EPOGs. I believe this approach works.	Mar 8, 2014 11:15 AM
13	The Parks department should supply information required to ensure the protection of underground and overhead utilities.	Mar 5, 2014 10:21 AM
14	Right approach but more enforcement/penalties needed if public or private event has caused damage to the site. Financial recompense to local	Mar 4, 2014 11:49 AM

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	community council if it has affected a community activity such as bulb planting or faster council repair eg pathways or replacement of trees	
15	Mentioned on my previous response!! No one wants to see an event delayed or cancelled due to poor preparation - it rains a lot in Scotland - it should not come as a surprise.	Mar 4, 2014 11:07 AM
16	The general public have zero confidence on the council to deliver on 'post event reviews'. We have heard too many times 'lessons will be learnt and no-one is to blame' to have any faith in this system. Financial penalties and public sackings would restore some confidence. Also written-off debts (ice rink) to be pursued, even when the debtor is one of Steve Cardownie' mates.	Mar 3, 2014 4:23 PM
17	Dont think they are doing it well enough - the areas around 'duck boards' for example get very worn	Feb 28, 2014 1:09 PM
18	This should be done by the Council	Feb 27, 2014 5:08 PM
19	Mostly agree yes but the 'review' should be openly published.	Feb 27, 2014 11:14 AM
20	The review should be made public on the Council's website as well as the lease and its conditions.	Feb 27, 2014 9:30 AM
21	The council needs to be able to cancel any event if the weather forecast is very bad. It appears unable to do so or unwilling to do so.	Feb 26, 2014 9:06 PM
22	Contingency rather than assuming the worst case is the best policy.	Feb 19, 2014 2:13 PM
23	This should all be standard practise. At the beginning of each event when the park is handed over ground surveys should be carried to to evaluate the damage a that time, and then again on the hand back in order for a fair assessment to be made. The council should also be able to provide current data and maps on any underground services that could be affected.	Feb 18, 2014 9:53 PM
24	Instead of contingency plans, event organisers should plan for funding/insurance for bad weather and other circumstances so that they can cover the full cost of the reinstatement of the park space that might have been damaged as a result of their leasing a park space.	Feb 16, 2014 1:31 PM
25	It would be the correct approach if council made ALL reviews public. from the perspective of the public, the weasel word "appropriate" makes it sound like a cop out. council would do well to be more transparent about the conditions imposed on specific events and the reviews undertaken afterwards While contracts are undoubtedly commercially sensitive, surely the "damage limitation conditions are not ? PLease publish them, along with the post event reviews. this will help everyone work togetehr to find collective solutions.	Feb 15, 2014 3:32 PM
26	i feel there needs to be even more conditions set	Feb 14, 2014 3:13 PM
27	Through the Council's EPOG system these points ought to be picked up as a matter of good practice. The tone of the guidance here is rather negative .	Feb 12, 2014 10:25 AM
28	On the face of it, it seems reasonable. Don't know what it is like in reality	Feb 11, 2014 1:52 PM
29	BUT how strict are these? I have a feeling that where money is involved, some of the restrictions are relaxed.	Feb 11, 2014 1:36 PM

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30	Sanctions should cover the full cost of reinstatement and be enforced in all cases.	Feb 10, 2014 11:24 AM
31	The Council should have a map of under/overground facilities available for each venue as event organisers may not be as thorough in finding this as might be ideal. Contingency plans in the event of adverse weather are probably not appropriate for smaller events. They would probably either not go ahead or go ahead in a smaller fashion.	Feb 7, 2014 8:48 AM
32	Contingency plans are essential, esp in the case of bad weather. I have seen examples of bad practice in open-air, rainy conditions, that really warranted the event being halted.	Feb 5, 2014 1:58 PM
33	It depends on the size and duration of the event. Proportionality is important. a 2 day community event should not be required to produce contingency plans that a large commercial event is required to do	Feb 4, 2014 10:47 AM
34	no comment	Feb 3, 2014 8:19 PM
35	But the bond is required so that promoters know they will lose financially if they do not protect the Council's assets	Feb 3, 2014 7:58 PM
36	Impose penalties for damage after events if the contingency measures are ineffective or not taken.	Feb 3, 2014 10:06 AM
37	In addition, consideration of restoration cost provision should be made (deposit/insurance/bond etc) so that the event organiser meets the cost of dealing with any negative impact of their event, rather than the public.	Feb 3, 2014 9:22 AM
38	And remember that noise is a very important issue, too.	Feb 3, 2014 8:23 AM
39	But must be strictly enforced!	Feb 2, 2014 5:09 PM
40	The Council should inform the event organiser what the underground/overground utilities are in each location. This would achieve a consistency that is not possible if individuals are permitted to research in an ad hoc manner.	Feb 2, 2014 11:32 AM
41	"Appropriate sanctions" is not clear enough. there should be clear penalties to ensure that someone not adhering to site conditions and causing damage either restores the park or pays to have it restored.	Jan 31, 2014 7:44 PM
42	Why does the answer need to be yes or no? Broadly the approach seems sensible but you don't say what the sanctions are and where non compliance exists I would not be confident that swift action would be taken.	Jan 31, 2014 8:45 AM
43	Would be better if there was a standard data sheet on utilities that presented all of the issues to be taken into account as apposed to each organiser having to do their own investigation - resulting in much duplication of effort.	Jan 30, 2014 1:14 PM
44	I think that the free and public parks should be free to the public. Your survey is over complicated, your questions confusing. I am unsure even why I am filling this in. Have you built a skate park in every public park in Edinburgh yet? Have you seen the incredible turn around and popularity of the once deserted Saughton Park? Get with it... BUILD MORE SKATE PARKS! See our beautiful parks fill up with beautiful healthy people of all ages!	Jan 29, 2014 2:56 PM
45	is it worth it, though? Are we meeting the cost of repair and maintenance?	Jan 28, 2014 11:58 AM

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46	More regular monitoring by Council officials required whilst events are on-going, not just post event review. Once damage has happened, it has happened!	Jan 28, 2014 11:21 AM
47	Very much so the onus should be on the leaser	Jan 27, 2014 1:39 PM
48	Think this is the norm that the event is responsible. So expect the sanctions are monetary or not allowed to book site again etc? Think list of options that the sanctions might take should be detailed	Jan 27, 2014 1:07 PM
49	No. The approach is all about enforcement. We should be encouraging use of the parks for events and not putting red tape in place of events organisers who provide jobs for local people and support the local economy.	Jan 27, 2014 12:22 PM
50	It would be helpful for utilities companies to provide online surveys of overhead or underground infrastructure within parks' boundaries and perimeters to assist event organisers when planning.	Jan 27, 2014 5:39 AM
51	It is fine as far as it goes, but could go further e.g. as per previous response points, use the purpose built stadia and come to different arrangements with current owners of major sporting grounds. Public parks should not be rented out for random events that disrupt the amenity of the space and surrounding areas.	Jan 25, 2014 10:00 PM
52	No, the Council should play a stronger role in governing contingency plans for poor weather, taking leadership to protect our park assets. This shouldn't be left up to the event organiser, but firmly governed by the Council in dialogue with the event organiser.	Jan 25, 2014 2:16 PM
53	If events, as said severely limited, should be completely responsible for damage, contingency plans and liability.	Jan 24, 2014 10:52 PM
54	I would take a deposit first from the organisers then that way you don't have to chase them for the money.	Jan 24, 2014 8:04 PM
55	Information about overhead or underground hazards should be given as part of the lease	Jan 24, 2014 1:34 PM
56	It misses out NOISE and TOILETS, see above	Jan 24, 2014 12:52 PM
57	Users should be able to demonstrate that they are able to implement their contingency plan in good time as well as simply being able to produce one.	Jan 24, 2014 12:16 PM
58	Do Reviews take place during event set-up or during event itself to ensure compliance with agreements?	Jan 23, 2014 4:46 PM
59	Enforcement by the Council of any infringements is also important	Jan 22, 2014 8:30 PM
60	No private events on public land. Except Shrubhill.	Jan 22, 2014 8:24 PM
61	Strict legal agreements in place to cover all these aspects, plus schedule of condition to record conditions	Jan 22, 2014 7:16 PM
62	But in addition, make sure that their insurance allows them to cancel the event if the weather is unsuitable for it.	Jan 22, 2014 6:10 PM
63	Not robust enough - too easy to violate then wring hands apologetically afterwards.	Jan 22, 2014 5:41 PM

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64	Why are you asking this question to members of the public? I think everyone should do what they want and have no repercussions if damage is done.	Jan 22, 2014 3:47 PM
65	It would be sensible to require a cash deposit to cover damage over and above that which is presumably built into any lease.	Jan 22, 2014 12:23 PM
66	Seems OK in spirit as long as the agreements are robust and completely address concerns and any violation is penalised.	Jan 22, 2014 11:32 AM
67	I think the parks should be able provide a map/knowledge of underground services in order for events to take them in to account. The rest seems correct	Jan 21, 2014 8:28 PM
68	Part of the Lease Agreement should additionally include full reinstatement conditions and the entire Agreement should be available for the public to see	Jan 21, 2014 7:47 PM
69	Given that the council surely knows what's above and below its parks, perhaps event organiser could be supplied with information, rather than "must obtain information"	Jan 21, 2014 6:53 PM
70	It makes far more sense for Edinburgh Council to always have in their possession a ready plan of underground utilities to issue to those those using the grounds, particularly first time leasees. Why make organisers seek them out each time? Being asked for this information time after time is surely frustrating for the provider of the information (ie gas, water or electrical companies) and costly and time consuming to the seeker, who must call various providers to get an overview of the layout.	Jan 21, 2014 5:57 PM
71	Last year's Mela at Leith Links was a disaster. There were high winds and the event had to be cancelled because somebody hadn't secured the big music tent well enough. There were no refunds unless you had only just arrived.	Jan 21, 2014 4:24 PM
72	Over bureaucratic and fobbing off the Councils responsibilities. The Council should use its experience as event area landlord to ensure one-off users have the best information available (not the other way around) With the number of times a Pete Irvine stage or Karen Koren event has self-destructed or caused other public danger, potential or real this policy is clearly not effective. The Council should be responsible for ensuring that there are no overhead or underground electricity cables or drains in areas they allow to be used for events. Anchorage points should be incorporated in any hard standing area and all other ground penetration by pins outlawed on hardstanding or field drained areas.	Jan 21, 2014 12:31 PM

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1	Not long enough - four weeks is a much more realistic period for consultation.	Mar 23, 2014 12:54 PM
2	The consolation periods are too short at present and should be doubled at least to allow for local park users to be informed and consulted.	Mar 21, 2014 6:29 PM
3	More time is needed to get responses from Community Councils as the CCs only meet once a month, Members can be consulted via e-mail but the takes time , All applications should be sent out to stakeholders for a period of 10 days... to allow for consultation	Mar 21, 2014 5:22 PM
4	In the case of disagreements the event should be reconsidered carefully and where popular effort should be made to allow it by putting more restrictions on depending on the exact problem.	Mar 21, 2014 5:10 PM
5	It should be guaranteed that community councils are included in consultations for local event applications, and have ample time to provide a response. I agree with MSCC that five days for small events and ten days for a large event do not offer enough time for community councils to thoroughly canvass opinion amongst their members and reach a consensus. I additionally support MABLAG's position that at least a three week consultation period for large events and two weeks for small events. It would be worth considering that the fee for staging large commercial events in Edinburgh's parks should rise accordingly to cover the costs of the proper reinstatement and any necessary repair work on the parkland.	Mar 21, 2014 12:17 PM
6	The process should follow a similar approach for any permit or licence application. Planning and transport would be consultees in some of these cases.	Mar 20, 2014 12:26 PM
7	Five days for a small event and 10 days for a large event does not allow enough time for consultation. We need at least three weeks for large events and two weeks for small events. We are volunteers, and cannot always be at our desk, or require others to respond in our absence. We should add that at the recent Friends of Parks meeting where we discussed this consultation we were shocked to learn that the fee for the use of parks for large events was only £450 per day. We find this totally unacceptable: it should surely be at least £1000 per day. This would then allow for proper reinstatement of the ground afterwards. An example of how this should be done is what happens in Charlotte Square after the Book Fair, where re-turfing take place immediately.	Mar 20, 2014 11:44 AM
8	Who are " local stakeholders" ?	Mar 18, 2014 11:29 PM
9	A few days notice is not enough for any objectionable aspects to be changed. Much more time is clearly needed if the organisers of events are to understand that changes may need to be made, and even that events may be judged to be unsuited for parks, so that a new venue will need to be found. A realistic amount of time for such changes should be included in the rules.	Mar 18, 2014 7:52 PM
10	Five days for a small event and 10 days for a large event does not allow enough time for consultation. We agree with other members of MABLAG that we need at least three weeks for large events and two weeks for small events. Community Council office-bearers are volunteers often with other demands on their time. On receipt of an application we require to canvas opinion from other community councillors and reach consensus. As you know from experience this takes time and makes it commonly impossible to	Mar 18, 2014 6:53 PM

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	meet the deadlines. We have also noticed that some applications do not reach us until the event so the process does not seem to be universally applied. If as others have alleged, the fee for the use of parks for large events is only £450 per day this should be increased for commercial hirers to £1000 per day. This would then allow for proper reinstatement of the ground afterwards as is the case with the Edinburgh Book Festival at Charlotte Square where re-turfing takes place immediately.	
11	The proposed events should be publicised to the public who should have the power to vote that permission be given or refused for the event.	Mar 18, 2014 6:34 PM
12	Short time scales	Mar 18, 2014 6:27 PM
13	Consider longer consultation times, and wider stakeholder groups (or inviting views by additionally advertising applications on the Council's website).	Mar 18, 2014 6:15 PM
14	There needs to be a much longer period for community groups to respond. 5 - 10 days does not allow for consultation with members and local residents by, for example, community councils which are supposed to represent the views of these individuals.	Mar 18, 2014 5:40 PM
15	The process is entirely opaque. In 2013, Princes Street West Garden was leased to an event which could not access the garden as a result of the weight implications. This prevented access to the garden by other events and lost the city revenue. There should be public consultation for large events.	Mar 18, 2014 5:20 PM
16	List the local stakeholders: can't really comment	Mar 18, 2014 4:55 PM
17	Two weeks for a local group to review a large event is not enough, especially for new proposals (fine for repeats of previous events).	Mar 18, 2014 11:15 AM
18	longer consultation on event purposes	Mar 17, 2014 4:03 PM
19	The consultation period needs to be far longer.	Mar 17, 2014 3:14 PM
20	less red tape and therefore cost	Mar 17, 2014 11:30 AM
21	Assume elected members are the local councillors for the park concerned	Mar 16, 2014 3:53 PM
22	Give stakeholders longer to consider things. Committee meetings are often only held monthly. Put out for consultation as soon as application received. I have seen examples of applications having been received in September and not put out for consultation until February.	Mar 13, 2014 8:04 PM
23	LONGER REVIEW PERIOD	Mar 13, 2014 7:37 PM
24	As long as publicly agreed guidelines are in place.	Mar 13, 2014 11:47 AM
25	Offer explanations for declining an event and also for possibilities for hosting the event in another site/period or improvements to be made.	Mar 13, 2014 11:12 AM
26	If the Director's views differ from the local stakeholders and the elected members then he should explain in writing the reasons why.	Mar 12, 2014 12:22 PM
27	In our experience the process from application to decision can take up to 10 months. In the case of a large commercial event such as ourselves using the same site annually a refusal at such a late date would be financially ruinous.	Mar 12, 2014 12:00 PM

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	There should be a maximum period of 8 weeks from application to decision.	
28	From application to permission being given can take up to 10 months. Should an event which includes Edinburgh on its annual tour be denied the site at such short notice the result would mean financial ruin . Ther should be a maximum period of two months from application to decision.	Mar 12, 2014 11:41 AM
29	In principle the process seems fine but in practice it can take ,as in our experience, over 9 months to get final approval.This places commercial events in what could be a disastrous position. An annual large event ,eg Ladyboys Of Bangkok,could not replace the three week booking at a peak time of the tear with only 3 months notice. We would be faced with financial ruin.There should be a maximum period of 8 weeks between application and decision.	Mar 12, 2014 11:26 AM
30	This means that an event supported financially by the council would likely get the go ahead even although there have been problems in the past. There could be a bias towards a small community event if it was happening on the same day, etc.	Mar 12, 2014 11:15 AM
31	I would think that there should be a right of appeal to elected members. The Director of Services to Communities cannot always get the decision right and therefore I feel local citizens should be able to appeal to democratically elected members if they feel the wrong decision has been taken.	Mar 12, 2014 9:25 AM
32	10 working days does not seem long enough for events which might last up to a month	Mar 11, 2014 6:38 PM
33	Depends on what your definition of Local Stakeholder is. E.g. Do those who use the Meadows fall into this category or is it only organised groups e.g. Friends of the Meadows - Orgained groups will have their own agendas where as individuals will have a more personal view	Mar 11, 2014 5:32 PM
34	I would like to be sure that all elected members for the wards containing the park are to be consulted and that this consultation is not just limited to members of the administration.	Mar 11, 2014 4:51 PM
35	Only elected members directly affected by proposed event should be consulted after local stakeholders have been consulted and prior to executive decision being made.	Mar 11, 2014 2:07 PM
36	Explain "local stakeholders" and explain how the consultation would be effective.	Mar 10, 2014 7:04 PM
37	Lengthen the consultation periods and try harder to advertise consultation to residents to encourage feedback	Mar 7, 2014 8:07 AM
38	The time scales are a bit short for organisations to consult their members and respond.	Mar 5, 2014 3:19 PM
39	The Director shouldn't have the final say - too likely to be subject to outside interference. It should work the other way round, with a recommendation from the director and a vote from elected members to act as a stop gap. I.e. they should be allowed to overturn the director's recommendation if more than 66% disagree with the decision to proceed.	Mar 5, 2014 1:15 PM
40	Final decision by ELECTED councilors and 75 % agreement	Mar 5, 2014 12:48 PM

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41	How are "local stakeholders" defined?	Mar 5, 2014 10:23 AM
42	I would consider myself a local stakeholder (allocating cricket pitches for all Saturday games but I never get consulted, just told what events have been planned). I would like the council to take more care in consulting interested parties.	Mar 5, 2014 9:18 AM
43	10 working days seems rather short a time for information to be circulated then acted upon so 5 working days is ridiculously short a time. If people are away or whatever then there is no time to formulate a response before decisions are made regarding applications.	Mar 4, 2014 8:39 PM
44	Is there an appeals or mediation process that can be used to address concerns?	Mar 4, 2014 1:55 PM
45	There should be a clear and transparent application process. Any applicant must be replied to within 24 hours and given an opportunity to appeal if their application is rejected.	Mar 4, 2014 1:31 PM
46	Community should have more of a direct voice - they seem to be 2 rungs down the ladder. - Bring them up by at least one level.	Mar 4, 2014 11:08 AM
47	Who are the stakeholders?	Mar 3, 2014 5:21 PM
48	Removal of potentially corrupt elected members, replacement with local residents who are actually affected by the decisions	Mar 3, 2014 4:24 PM
49	for large events, a longer consultation period, and final decision to be taken by full council	Mar 3, 2014 4:14 PM
50	A longer lead in time so stakeholders have more time to engage.	Mar 3, 2014 4:01 PM
51	Give clear indication of timescale. Consultation period is clear but not thereafter.	Mar 3, 2014 10:30 AM
52	but sent out to the local communities? where? never seen one?	Feb 28, 2014 10:42 AM
53	Longer periods of consultation, taking into account that Community Councils, Park friends groups and other interested groups are likely to meet monthly.	Feb 27, 2014 7:53 PM
54	Run it thru the Neighbourhood Partnership and Community Council	Feb 27, 2014 5:08 PM
55	Yes, as long as all the decisions comply with the manifesto.	Feb 27, 2014 11:15 AM
56	There should be a set criteria, if this is met then a service area in the Council should be able to accept or reject the application. This would save time and money.	Feb 27, 2014 10:45 AM
57	In a democracy, the decision should be made by a committee of elected members, based on the comments from stakeholders and the local community and on the information, guidance and recommendation from the Director of Services. Ten days for a large event is too short a period unless publicity for the local community about the application is improved.	Feb 27, 2014 9:33 AM
58	I think the consultation period could be slightly increased to make sure as many people as possible have a say. For example is consultation co-ordinated to community council meeting cycles? If not how is this managed?	Feb 27, 2014 8:32 AM

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59	Must be 15 working days before large events and 10 working days before small events.	Feb 27, 2014 12:19 AM
60	time period for public consultation on large events could be longer	Feb 26, 2014 10:16 PM
61	Allow at least 4 weeks to consult.	Feb 26, 2014 9:07 PM
62	who are local stakeholders exactly? longer consultation period for local stakeholders? more democratic approach?	Feb 26, 2014 5:51 PM
63	Insist that the decisions, on the ground, are carried out 'to the letter'.....more patrolling staff on event days.	Feb 26, 2014 9:31 AM
64	Longer time for large events - at least 15 working days	Feb 25, 2014 5:47 PM
65	Longer period of time should be given	Feb 25, 2014 9:55 AM
66	local stakeholders should also be allowed attend	Feb 23, 2014 9:40 PM
67	Wrong that elected members have no responsibility for final decision. Director of Services should make a recommendation to Councillors/ or a sub committee which they should accept/reject .	Feb 21, 2014 5:29 PM
68	It would be helpful if it were clearer when permission is required. For example there is a difference between permission to erect infrastructure and when participants are simply passing through an area as they, or other members of the public, are legally entitled to do. For activities where participants are simply doing what they are legally allowed to do, the onus should be on the Parks authority to carry out an evidence-based study of likely damage before placing restrictions. Failing to apply this sensibly would simply lead to organisers not asking permission unless legally required.	Feb 19, 2014 2:20 PM
69	I don't think it should matter how big the event is the time should e the same. From my own experience local residents and stakeholders are rarely equipped with the understanding of events to make a qualified decision, it is usually based on emotion rather than fact. Also local stakeholders are usually very unaware of the money that an organiser is being charged to be on the park or of the financial contingencies that have to be put in place as bonds in the event that there is damage. I think council's need to be clear with resident son this and perhaps some direct benefit seen by resident to the inconvenience that they feel. ie., new additions to the paly ground with funds raised form 2014 events on that particular park etc.,	Feb 18, 2014 9:59 PM
70	Longer time to consult with local stakeholders	Feb 18, 2014 9:35 PM
71	Local stakeholder groups meet much less frequently than once a fortnight. Where possible, a month should be given for consultation prior to large events. Also local stakeholder groups (e.g. residents' associations) should be sought out as personal experience indicates this is not happening.	Feb 18, 2014 12:16 PM
72	Broader liaison and info share cross-Council depts to ensure information share and useful input and understanding.	Feb 18, 2014 8:01 AM
73	How do you define local stakeholders?.	Feb 17, 2014 3:42 PM
74	When doing the consultations, include the council's contractual proposals to limit damage. Often there is no intrinsic reason why an event should not take place if the possible damage is well flagged in advance and limitation plans	Feb 15, 2014 3:35 PM

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	put in place. It makes little sense to consult solely on the basis of the event organizers request. Consultation should include the councils proposals for how to mitigate.	
75	Letters sent to local residents and community groups to increase awareness and participation.	Feb 15, 2014 3:03 PM
76	Is there a timeframe for submitting your application, i.e. six weeks prior to the intended event?	Feb 14, 2014 4:13 PM
77	there needs to be a better system for asking for consultations and a longer timescale for stakeholders to respond for example many people now take two weeks holiday therefore both periods need to be at least three weeks	Feb 14, 2014 3:15 PM
78	10 days, 15 days	Feb 14, 2014 8:57 AM
79	Extend the consultation period	Feb 12, 2014 8:22 PM
80	The recent review of Events Governance suggests that a cross section of senior officers would be well placed to offer a view to the Director following due process. This would enable a less silo orientated approach to be introduced to the final decision.	Feb 12, 2014 10:29 AM
81	Ensure that local communities are well informed about how they can feedback during the consultation period. Other than that, the process seems entirely appropriate.	Feb 12, 2014 9:06 AM
82	There should be an appeal process	Feb 11, 2014 1:52 PM
83	Who are 'stakeholders'. This is a buzz word that has no meaning. Surely the people to be consulted are the local residents and park/greenspace users?	Feb 11, 2014 1:37 PM
84	Longer consultation for larger events	Feb 11, 2014 10:08 AM
85	It would be good if Festivals Edinburgh was consulted, in the case of proposals relating to festivals.	Feb 10, 2014 4:12 PM
86	There should be a team of people from various backgrounds making the final choice.	Feb 9, 2014 8:48 PM
87	Members should ensure they consider views, but prioritise the economic and cultural impact over individual stakeholders views.	Feb 9, 2014 1:38 PM
88	Consultation periods could be extended, particularly for large events.	Feb 9, 2014 11:47 AM
89	Not long enough consultation and not enough publicity	Feb 9, 2014 11:02 AM
90	My own experience is that I seem to have to deal with too many people when organising an annual event.	Feb 7, 2014 8:52 AM
91	In theory, it is, but who are local stakeholders? Are they identified on the same basis as planning applications, as those immediately adjoining? I bet they don't include a lot of park users, those of us who walk through the park on the way home from work, to the pub / theatre / cinema / club, sit out there in the sun with the kids.	Feb 6, 2014 9:49 PM
92	Longer consultation times.	Feb 6, 2014 1:46 PM

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93	Local public should be involved. Have a twitter account and FB page for each park.	Feb 6, 2014 1:14 PM
94	Community Councils should always be consulted.	Feb 6, 2014 11:31 AM
95	This is not a long enough time period for groups to consult with their members and collate them to feed back. 14 days would be more reasonable for both large and small events.	Feb 5, 2014 4:14 PM
96	Perhaps extend the consultation period to 10 and 20 working days, i.e double the current tume	Feb 5, 2014 1:59 PM
97	must be put on community noticeboards too?	Feb 4, 2014 8:18 AM
98	The community should decide not politicians.	Feb 3, 2014 11:09 PM
99	but maybe need 14 days for larger events	Feb 3, 2014 8:20 PM
100	Not sure	Feb 3, 2014 7:59 PM
101	Longer time required	Feb 3, 2014 1:49 PM
102	More time for consideration of events by local groups - a month would seem reasonable	Feb 3, 2014 12:59 PM
103	Who are local stakeholders? Please publicise who is being consulted?	Feb 3, 2014 10:07 AM
104	Public notice of the proposed events should be made.	Feb 3, 2014 9:22 AM
105	Surely these applications can be reviewed and consulted on over a longer time frame - six weeks?	Feb 3, 2014 8:25 AM
106	Not enough time	Feb 2, 2014 11:09 PM
107	Would be interesting to know what criteria events are judged and what weight of influence local stakeholders have if they object to an event.	Feb 2, 2014 10:33 PM
108	Should be '10 working days' and '15 working days' for consultation with local stakeholders.	Feb 2, 2014 5:11 PM
109	As a new member of a community council which receives these notices, I find the way in which they are sent to be inefficient. We get barrages of emails, often with multiple cc's or other heading material. it is sometimes hard to see immediately what they are about (subject lines inadequately clear). It would be a full time job to keep on top of all the varied communications we get -- this wears down community councils (see the recent resignation of the Old Town community council) and prevents us from dealing effectively with them. If input from local stakeholders is really wanted, the council should look carefully at its systems for communicating with them. simply dumping bulk emails on people is not 'consultation'.	Feb 2, 2014 2:39 PM
110	Probably ok - but should an appeal process be introduced?	Feb 2, 2014 11:34 AM
111	The consultation poeriod should be at least 2 months and not just local stakeholders should be informed.All decision shouldkd be taken by the Councillors (or appriatte Committee) not delegated to the Director. All applictaions should be online so that not just local stakeholderts are aware of the event and can on=bject. An event in The meados could have implications	Feb 2, 2014 12:20 AM

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	on a large wider area if say, traffic diversions etc are in place.	
112	At some times of the year, five working days is not enough for local stakeholders to examine the consultation and decide on a reply. Ten would be better for all events.	Feb 1, 2014 9:25 PM
113	I think the consultation periods should be longer.	Feb 1, 2014 5:04 PM
114	Stakeholder - who are they? I never know about events until they are about to happen? Why only 5 or 10 days? Could the council formulate a response in that timescale? No, so why expect others?	Jan 31, 2014 11:58 PM
115	More time for consultation over large events	Jan 31, 2014 9:53 PM
116	Publish comments and decisions, especially where Director has overruled local stakeholders and/or elected members,	Jan 31, 2014 6:59 PM
117	more time required	Jan 31, 2014 6:22 PM
118	Is 5 and 10 days enough notice ? I don't know if local stakeholders complain that it's not.	Jan 31, 2014 6:04 PM
119	This gives insufficient information of who you mean by "local stakeholders". More detail required, and the applications should be available on the web for anyone who wants to comment, with some way of receiving notifications. Elected members of what? Who controls the Director of Services, or is this like the planning department where no one does?	Jan 31, 2014 5:18 PM
120	Not sure what is meant by 'local stakeholders' and how these are notified. By 'elected members' do you mean councillors? Do the agendas of the Parks and Greenspace Service and the Director of Services for Communities coincide? I doubt it.	Jan 31, 2014 4:54 PM
121	Longer public consultation	Jan 31, 2014 4:49 PM
122	Possibly a longer consultation period	Jan 31, 2014 12:07 PM
123	This process should be refined to dovetail with the Events Governance Review which set out a similar process to be considered by all relevant elected members for any large event. This allows the process to be immune from becoming a 'political football'. The process described above could result in the local stakeholders vetoing a large event which is being supported or part funded by the Council.	Jan 31, 2014 11:15 AM
124	Too slow	Jan 31, 2014 9:13 AM
125	Longer period of consultation is required. Also, I would be concerned that elected members would make the decisions and not necessarily take the local communities views into account. I would also be concerned that this approach may not guarantee to reflect the local community's wishes and I would like to see clearer commitment to honouring local preferences.	Jan 31, 2014 8:50 AM
126	Make this more visible as I am not aware of any consultation for forthcoming events until I see the poster advertising it!	Jan 31, 2014 8:37 AM
127	clarification as to who are the local stakeholders and improve communication to ensure that genuine consultation does occur	Jan 30, 2014 3:35 PM

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128	Perhaps ensure that the local stakeholders be conscious of providing services across the equality strands and be mindful that some organisations/charities may be restricted to particular parks for accessibility reasons.	Jan 30, 2014 10:48 AM
129	More notice could be given to the local stakeholders	Jan 29, 2014 4:08 PM
130	I think that if a bunch of school kids want to play a football tournament, they are going to really struggle. By the sounds of it, a team of highly trained lawyers may get a shot at the pitch n putt but only if they apply 2 years in advance in groups of 3 with no dogs and wearing helmets.	Jan 29, 2014 2:58 PM
131	I THINK THERE SHOULD BE A LONGER TIME PAERIOD FOR CONSULTATION. PEOPLE/GROUPS CAN BE ON HOLIDAY AND MISS THE 5 OR 10 DAY DEADLINE. ALSO IN THE PAST SOME EVENTS ARE NOT PUT OUT FOR CONSULTATION AT ALL AS FOR SOME REASON THEY ARE HELD UP AT ANOTHER PLANNING, LICENSING ETC STAGE AND WE ONLY GET TO HEAR THEM A DAY OR TWO IN ADVANCE - AND SOMETIMES AFTER THE ACCEPTANCE EVEN. 3 WEEKS MINIMUM FOR LARGE EVENTS WOULD BE A BETTER CONSULTATION PERIOD. THE LARGE EVENTS ARE CONTACTING THE COUNCIL WELL IN ADVANCE SO THERE IS NO REASON WHY A LONGER CONSULTATION PERIOD CANNOT BE IMPLEMENTED.	Jan 29, 2014 12:11 PM
132	I think more notice should be allowed for stakeholders to comment	Jan 28, 2014 9:40 PM
133	There seem to be a lot of levels of bureaucracy here.	Jan 28, 2014 4:27 PM
134	By making comments and reasons for allowing events to proceed, and any conditions attached, publicly available. The use of parks is of interest to a wider constituency than those that live locally.	Jan 28, 2014 1:55 PM
135	5 days is very little time for local stakeholders to consider proposals Suggest they should be given more time.	Jan 28, 2014 12:57 PM
136	A longer consultation period perhaps?	Jan 28, 2014 11:58 AM
137	More general public consultation is required.	Jan 28, 2014 11:22 AM
138	5 working days is not a long time for consultation regardless of the scale of the event	Jan 28, 2014 9:18 AM
139	Wider notification	Jan 27, 2014 11:36 PM
140	Longer periods of consultation and wider distribution of consultations.	Jan 27, 2014 5:04 PM
141	reduce impact of elected members opinion	Jan 27, 2014 2:12 PM
142	the public / local groups should be consulted on events in the local area.	Jan 27, 2014 1:48 PM
143	Provided internal stakeholders are part of the consultation	Jan 27, 2014 1:40 PM
144	The consultation should be allowed to be wider with a two tier rating system - local and city as the spaces are for all. Current system allows a well organsied local group to basically rule the park in their vicinity for own use e.g. Meadows.	Jan 27, 2014 1:13 PM
145	The process might be somewhat less cumbersome if events were held more	Jan 27, 2014 12:23 PM

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	regularly and were seen as the norm rather than the exception.	
146	There should be a clear opportunity for local residents to have their say by publishing the applications online.	Jan 27, 2014 10:51 AM
147	Longer times. 10 working days for small event and 15 working days for a large event	Jan 27, 2014 10:42 AM
148	Who are the local stakeholders? This could end up being quite random.	Jan 27, 2014 5:40 AM
149	more use of internet consultation	Jan 26, 2014 11:15 AM
150	The final decision(s) should be made jointly and equally by the local Community Councils for each area containing one of the parks, plus an on-line ballot for all council tax payers in the ward(s) within a 2-3 mile radius. This latter suggestion should also be adopted for all major capital schemes i.e. you put them to a public vote for priority and value add, or not, each and every time. A ballot once every few years for local councillors does not give the successful members, or salaried officers, authority to spend what they like, where they like, thereafter. What you describe in this question sums up the token democracy employed by CEC to keep the power within their chambers rather than have transparent and case by case considerations at truly local levels. Our household is still reeling from the significant inconvenience we experienced during the so-called flood prevention works and the vandalism to historic streets and areas caused by the trams roadworks. You will appreciate therefore the somewhat thoughtful and less than optimistic nature of this response.	Jan 25, 2014 10:07 PM
151	Consultation period seems rather short	Jan 25, 2014 9:26 PM
152	it seems like a very short time - if someone is on a fortnights holiday, they would completely miss the chance to comment.	Jan 25, 2014 1:27 PM
153	If local stakeholders include residents then 5 working days is too short	Jan 25, 2014 7:09 AM
154	All applications should be available for comment on the Council website so the public and other relevant interested parties can comment.	Jan 24, 2014 10:53 PM
155	The time frame is too short.	Jan 24, 2014 9:47 PM
156	You should use the council website to consult on applications because we are all stakeholders we are all residents of Edinburgh. A panel should be set up to consider the applications that has representation from communities, council officers and cllrs. decision made. Community reps should only be allowed to sit on 2 panels max.	Jan 24, 2014 8:14 PM
157	Not sure if 10 working days is enough time for very large events to be communicated to the local stakeholders and give their views?	Jan 24, 2014 3:14 PM
158	Take into account what they say; give longer for consideration - at least a month, so that it can be considered at Community Council meeting.	Jan 24, 2014 12:54 PM
159	let the public have a say	Jan 24, 2014 12:32 PM
160	What is the definition of a local stakeholder?	Jan 24, 2014 12:29 PM
161	The Parks and Greenspace Service should regularly review their "local stakeholders" contacts and publish the procedure for being included in the	Jan 24, 2014 12:18 PM

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	list.	
162	Neighbourhood teams could tweet out online consultation details and post on facebook, online consultations should be easily accessible on council website	Jan 24, 2014 11:42 AM
163	Not sure. Is the 5 and 10 day consultation sufficient i.e. do you receive sufficient levels of feedback during these time frames. If yes then they are OK if no then they need to be extended.	Jan 24, 2014 10:52 AM
164	The stakeholders should be invited to observe the meeting where the decision is made.	Jan 23, 2014 5:19 PM
165	Seven and fourteen days would be more appropriate	Jan 23, 2014 5:01 PM
166	Who decides who local stakeholders are? I am not a Friends of park or Community Copuncil member but use my local park and are therefore an affected stakeholder and should have a say. How and to whom are these applications communicated to? Utilisation of Parks Noticeboards is currently very poor but this is something that they could be used for...as one example.	Jan 23, 2014 4:48 PM
167	Who are "local stakeholders"? Central parks like Princes St Gdns and Meadows are used by most Edinburgh inhabitants and many tourists, and Meadows is also a key cycling connection, so consultations should be at least city-wide.	Jan 23, 2014 1:55 PM
168	Timescales may be too tight	Jan 23, 2014 1:43 PM
169	local households should be included in the local stakeholder review. I live in Regen Terrace and have never been asked for my views on events in Calton hill or regent road	Jan 23, 2014 11:35 AM
170	longer consultation period with local stakeholders would be beneficial	Jan 23, 2014 10:42 AM
171	5 working days is a rather short period for stakeholders to respond - Community Councils meet once a month and although email is utilised not all the members may be available to give a consensus response. 10 working days for both would be more equitable.	Jan 23, 2014 8:33 AM
172	Could do with a longer consultation period. This would allow stakeholders to publish info on their websites and for local people to have more chance of finding out.	Jan 23, 2014 8:20 AM
173	It would appear a 5 day and 10 day consultation is very rigid and does not permit much of an opportunity to consultb local stakeholders. If this is an issue perhaps the timescale should be increased and advertised appropriately.	Jan 23, 2014 7:35 AM
174	5 and 10 days are often insufficient to gather local views, especially given the time frame of the council considering the application.	Jan 22, 2014 8:38 PM
175	Large events shall be approved by local council elected members. (only relevant if not already the case)	Jan 22, 2014 8:33 PM
176	Community groups require at least three weeks notification of all events	Jan 22, 2014 8:30 PM
177	The planning formal website is an absolute joke. Not even a postcode search map.	Jan 22, 2014 8:24 PM

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178	The time scale is too short, it can take time to inform everyone. And the council must observe its own guidelines. Currently events are imposed on the park with sometimes little or no consultation and at short notice. Or the views of the local community council are ignored. Elected councillors are not always informed, it seems, officials act unilaterally. Different Departments do not communicate with each other properly - left hand doesn't know what the left hand is doing!	Jan 22, 2014 7:49 PM
179	Provide portal for general public comment on applications and for reviews on completions	Jan 22, 2014 7:17 PM
180	there is insufficient time for local amenity groups to meet and respond	Jan 22, 2014 6:29 PM
181	Greater amounts of information should be available for the people who live locally. "Stakeholders" often excludes residents in favour of business.	Jan 22, 2014 6:15 PM
182	These time limits are far too short. They do not allow for consultation with local organizations, community councils, Friends of Parks etc. It assumes that volunteers are always at their desks. I suggest that all events need a month for proper consultation with stakeholders.	Jan 22, 2014 6:12 PM
183	Not long enough	Jan 22, 2014 5:55 PM
184	If it is not already the case it would be useful to publish which organisations/groups have applied for events and whether or not they were successful in that application. Also, whether or not all park venues are considered, so if an event is unsuccessful in its application - could it be moved to a different venue?	Jan 22, 2014 5:49 PM
185	Include more community groups and residents living adjacent to parks where applicable.	Jan 22, 2014 5:43 PM
186	How are local stakeholders informed? Ive never seen info before - so needs improved	Jan 22, 2014 5:27 PM
187	The review time periods are quite short	Jan 22, 2014 4:56 PM
188	See previous comments about noise on Calton Hill	Jan 22, 2014 4:55 PM
189	The details should be placed on CEC website for anyone to view and comment. However, stakeholder groups should still be informed individually.	Jan 22, 2014 4:52 PM
190	30 days consultation for all events. It should be a committee that approves the events, not one director. Decissions by the elected members and the director should be published on CEC website.	Jan 22, 2014 3:52 PM
191	How can only 1 person make this decision?	Jan 22, 2014 3:39 PM
192	Community Councils generally only meet once per month so in many cases 5 or even 10 working days is probably not sufficient to get the appropriate views of the community. In the case of repeat events this might not be a problem but for large and new events is should be standard practice to ask the views of the Community Councils - one month would therefore be necessary.	Jan 22, 2014 2:58 PM
193	Timescale is very short particularly for large events particularly if sent by letter (sometimes letters from the council take over a week to arrive). Who counts as local stakeholders? Is it just community councils (which I presume	Jan 22, 2014 1:49 PM

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	are consulted)? Or are local residents involved?	
194	The approval process takes a very long time. In the case of our last Village Show event in Rosefield Park last September. I had to make several call to check teh status and only received the approval about a week before the event was due to take place.	Jan 22, 2014 1:17 PM
195	could community councils also be involved?	Jan 22, 2014 12:49 PM
196	There should be a once-a-year invitation to apply for events. This would provide an overview of patterns of use. The current system is heavy in administration and it is unreasonable to expect community groups to gather together their co-ordinated comments to a very tight timetable for each and every event.	Jan 22, 2014 12:27 PM
197	Define local stakeholders? If the mechanism of notification is placing an advert in the Edin Evening Standard then no, that's not adequate. Nor is posting a few photocopies around the area. This has to be a minimum of leafleting everyone within a km of the event for a small event and 2-5km for larger events. For firework displays and loud events this needs to be extended - I cannot stress just how much the Tatoo fireworks affect the health of residents within earshot. Sleep is disturbed because we leave windows open for fresh air in the summer and actually work for a living and require rest - 11 pm and later is unacceptable for this level of noise. This must be workse for families who have younger children.	Jan 22, 2014 11:37 AM
198	Allow longer consultation periods where possible to maximise community feedback and also publicise	Jan 22, 2014 11:24 AM
199	not enough time for some of these applications to be circulated to Community Councils	Jan 22, 2014 10:40 AM
200	Consultation process is often not long enough for local bodies including Community Councils that meet only monthly or less during holiday times. 28 day period would not quite be long enough notice for a major event. 14 days could be enough notice for a small event. Director of Services for Communities could sanction what may be called Emergency small Events eg topical march or rally if war is declared again.	Jan 22, 2014 10:31 AM
201	Better identification of "stakeholders"	Jan 22, 2014 10:28 AM
202	Longer notice period.	Jan 22, 2014 9:33 AM
203	There should be proper public notices and full acknowledgement who these identified stakeholders are, and of whatever stakes it is they actually hold. The decision making process seems very centralised with no obligation to take into account the views of citizens or councillors. I'm surprised this was seen as acceptable to begin with.	Jan 22, 2014 5:27 AM
204	Consultation period is not long enough for local communities to get round their members. Has to be extended. Two weeks for small event. Three weeks for larger.	Jan 21, 2014 9:04 PM
205	a contingency for weather and other variable effects must be part of the contract. (like the high winds restricting the Hogmanay celebrations in Princes Street)	Jan 21, 2014 9:01 PM
206	Make sure that the Council's costs are covered. You are not a charity.	Jan 21, 2014 8:56 PM

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207	I think the feed back should be opened up to the event organiser to respond and address concerns of stakeholders. This will ensure stakeholders have input and organisers take concerns in to account allowing events to proceed.	Jan 21, 2014 8:31 PM
208	Faster approvals process for one day community events in community parks	Jan 21, 2014 8:29 PM
209	The consultation could be more transparent and made available online for comment by more parties.	Jan 21, 2014 8:24 PM
210	Rotate events & opportunities	Jan 21, 2014 7:50 PM
211	The 5 and 10 day limit should be lengthened where necessary eg during the Christmas/New Year festive break or when the Councillors are on holiday so that as many people can respond as possible	Jan 21, 2014 7:50 PM
212	Have the elected members decide. Director of services given right of veto, but only in exceptional cases.	Jan 21, 2014 6:54 PM
213	For small events it should be dealt with by Parks/Greenspace. For any larger event the decisions should be made by experienced Events officers within the Council who have the ability to ascertain the 'bigger picture'. If there is a legitimate business case this should be a fundamental part of the application not for a Park Officer to make the decision based on his/her 'view'	Jan 21, 2014 6:12 PM
214	longer time scale and wider consultation	Jan 21, 2014 5:30 PM
215	All events should have at least a 10 day consultation period.	Jan 21, 2014 4:45 PM
216	Community Councils need longer than five days to respond. 21 days in each case is better.	Jan 21, 2014 4:26 PM
217	It may be a good way to approach this, however elected members and also local stakeholders all have their own agendas, which will invariably differ from Event Organisers. Also, they may have little or no experience in event site production - use of ground protection etc. I feel there should be more input in this process from Event Organisers in general, and Event Site Production specialists in particular	Jan 21, 2014 4:17 PM
218	I think that local stakeholders should have more notice. E.g. community councils meet monthly and might have no time to gather views and respond in 10 days, never mind 5. The wording implies that the Director of Services for Communities can ignore views and comments - that seems wrong.	Jan 21, 2014 4:03 PM
219	Five working days doesn't seem very long, especially since stakeholder organisations like community councils only meet monthly. I'd like to know who the applications are sent to, and how, before I could answer this.	Jan 21, 2014 3:46 PM
220	This process seems unsuitable for smaller events. There should be some element of professional decision making by the Parks Service.	Jan 21, 2014 2:37 PM
221	Its far to long winded and builds a power structure that is no longer required in modern days. the park should be considered and the if the event is properly monitored it should be allowed a permit to take place.	Jan 21, 2014 2:34 PM
222	Consult by public notice for everyone to view and comment. 28 days notice period for comment Elected members should have final decision just like licensing and regulatory.	Jan 21, 2014 12:33 PM

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223	"Director of Services for Communities" is not a public elected person who is not answerable to the public. should be up to a council committee	Jan 21, 2014 11:54 AM
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Page 10, Q1. We would like to add additional sites to the portfolio whilst bearing in mind event organisers need for central, accessible locations.

Are there any additional sites that you feel would be appropriate?

1	Queen Margaret Park, Corstorphine	Mar 23, 2014 12:56 PM
2	No	Mar 21, 2014 8:36 PM
3	Saughton Park	Mar 21, 2014 5:10 PM
4	There are no additional sites I would like to see used for events in Edinburgh.	Mar 21, 2014 12:18 PM
5	Planning would support that all parks and spaces should be used to reflect the hierarchy, as noted above.	Mar 20, 2014 12:27 PM
6	We think that Harrison Park and Lochend Park might be considered for events.	Mar 20, 2014 11:44 AM
7	Holyrood Park?	Mar 19, 2014 10:38 AM
8	You make no mention of holy rood park. Historic Scotland? Even football pitches area"? Garden Sq hares in New Town?	Mar 18, 2014 11:32 PM
9	None	Mar 18, 2014 8:44 PM
10	Inch Park, Saughton Park and Sighthill Park	Mar 18, 2014 7:57 PM
11	There are many places with hard surface. The city council should be able to identify them.	Mar 18, 2014 7:54 PM
12	Harrison Park	Mar 18, 2014 6:54 PM
13	Princes St Gardens? Portobello beach? Holyrood Park?	Mar 18, 2014 6:35 PM
14	Cramond Foreshore, Blackford Hill, Ingliston Market, Turnhouse. And other out-of-town sites in collaboration with other local authorities. If organisers consider that their events are the kinds of thing people will wish to attend, they will be willing to lay on transport. Models for this include EIF events at Ingliston - private coaches from Central Edinburgh.	Mar 18, 2014 5:44 PM
15	I would like to see more pop-up shops and markets, rolled out to all local parks and neighbourhoods, with different themes.	Mar 18, 2014 4:58 PM
16	none comes to mind	Mar 17, 2014 4:03 PM
17	Colinton Mains Park	Mar 16, 2014 3:55 PM
18	Ocean Terminal	Mar 13, 2014 8:05 PM
19	Portobello Park, Portobello Beach	Mar 13, 2014 1:32 PM
20	Hailes Quarrypark	Mar 13, 2014 11:30 AM
21	Harrison Park,	Mar 13, 2014 11:14 AM
22	Edinburgh lacks a central event space. The Meadows is ideal and even large events only occupy a very small portion of the overall site .This means other activities are hardly impacted they just use a different part of the site. We	Mar 12, 2014 12:04 PM

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	along with other regular operators have offered financial assistance to improve infrastructure and create a more user friendly event area on a small part of the Meadows.	
23	Edinburgh lacks a central site of firm standing with good access and basic amenities for medium to large touring events. Every major city in Europe has such a site. This produces income for the city by way of rental and encourages prestige events to visit. The benefits to the city by way of tourism and cultural enrichment are positive.	Mar 12, 2014 11:44 AM
24	Edinburgh lacks a central performance / exhibition area with hard standing and basic facilities for the siting of large mobile structures. All major European cities have a central site for the hosting of medium to large touring shows events. Such a site would not only alleviate pressure on green spaces but encourage prestige events to the city benefitting the local authority in both site rental and tourism.	Mar 12, 2014 11:30 AM
25	Ross Bandstand, Portobello Beach, Trinity Park, plus any other venues that may not be owned by the Council, yet receive substantial funding from the Council.	Mar 12, 2014 11:18 AM
26	Victoria Park in Trinity, the Promenade at Portobello.	Mar 12, 2014 9:26 AM
27	Saughton Park, Sighthill Park	Mar 12, 2014 9:16 AM
28	Montgomery Park in Hillside could be good for a smaller event.	Mar 11, 2014 5:41 PM
29	Beside Holyrood Palace	Mar 10, 2014 7:05 PM
30	Holyrood Park	Mar 10, 2014 2:50 PM
31	Possibly Braidburn Valley for cultural events.	Mar 5, 2014 3:22 PM
32	Portobello Park	Mar 5, 2014 12:48 PM
33	N/A	Mar 5, 2014 10:24 AM
34	No	Mar 4, 2014 4:12 PM
35	Lochend Park? Holyrood park is not included in the manifesto. Is that treated separately?	Mar 4, 2014 11:52 AM
36	The waste ground area beside Ocean Terminal. Some of the larger green spaces along the water of Leith. Also some of the beach areas seem perfect for events - North Leith Sands for example, perhaps these waterfront areas could be used for events?	Mar 4, 2014 11:30 AM
37	YES!! There are so many 'brown' sites. It is nice to see some disused plots around the city used during the Festival - it would be nice to use them more often - like ground on Leith Walk and the lot near Fountainbridge. Unused lots at Western and Granton Harbour could be used for events and some of the land around Ocean Terminal. Why tear up beautiful parks when there is scrub land.	Mar 4, 2014 11:11 AM
38	I think Portobello Park, being on the A1 and having a large open, accessible	Mar 3, 2014 7:14 PM

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	area is an excellent site for events (as it has been in the past eg. Radio 1 Roadshow). Being Common Good land it could be used for the Common Good ie as public event space instead of trying to build a school on it.	
39	Victoria Park	Mar 3, 2014 5:21 PM
40	Ingleston showground. Other fields further away. Glasgow perhaps.	Mar 3, 2014 4:25 PM
41	Victoria Park	Mar 3, 2014 4:14 PM
42	No.	Mar 3, 2014 4:02 PM
43	Regent Road Park?	Mar 3, 2014 10:33 AM
44	Silverknowes, Figgate Park and all others in the council boundary should be considered for events not just the same ones all the time inconveniencing the same people.	Mar 3, 2014 10:02 AM
45	What about the Inch Park. There is a cycling club that uses this park every Saturday and they leave the grass in a mess. They also park their cars on the road outside residents houses and make it difficult for them to access their properties.	Feb 28, 2014 3:15 PM
46	I feel that a dedicated site should be created away from parks	Feb 27, 2014 7:55 PM
47	Calton Hill, St Margaret's Park, Harrison Park	Feb 27, 2014 5:09 PM
48	a tarmac area / car park	Feb 27, 2014 4:31 PM
49	Not that I can think of.	Feb 27, 2014 10:46 AM
50	You don't mention George Sq Gardens, a key Festival location. Presumably this is not Council owned, but still has to meet Council planning criteria? It's a very successful site for the Festival function it fulfils - and that could apply for appropriate use at other times of the year. Similarly, Charlotte Sq Gardens is a tremendously successful venue for the Book Festival and has potential for use at other times of the year; St Andrews Square Garden has been very effectively refurbished and has proved a superb location for appropriate events and activities.	Feb 27, 2014 9:40 AM
51	Saughton Park WEster Hailes Quarry Park	Feb 27, 2014 8:33 AM
52	Encourage exploration of other sites / rotation to lessen the impact on same old locations every time.	Feb 27, 2014 12:20 AM
53	Ocean Terminal wasteland - and the waterfront area surrounding it. Large area behind commercial quay and Scottish Government. City centre squares and gardens, Charlotte Square is closed off for most of the year for example. Multrees Walk - a boring pedestrian shopping street - could be used for events.	Feb 26, 2014 10:19 PM
54	Use Ocean terminal for Ladyboys and Meadow bank for Moon walk and Taste	Feb 26, 2014 9:08 PM
55	smaller scale events in the smaller parks?	Feb 26, 2014 5:51 PM

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56	Any brown filled sites within the city	Feb 26, 2014 9:32 AM
57	Leith Links	Feb 25, 2014 9:56 AM
58	Stakeholders should be consulted on any additional sites	Feb 23, 2014 9:41 PM
59	Should St Andrews Square not be included? Also important that George Street is included, given the proposals for semi permanent structures on public ground.	Feb 21, 2014 5:31 PM
60	I can only speak personally, there are no sites large enough that I am aware of in Edinburgh. But the thought is a good one.	Feb 18, 2014 10:00 PM
61	saughton park	Feb 18, 2014 1:36 PM
62	Victoria Park Newhaven	Feb 17, 2014 3:43 PM
63	Harrison Park would be a great site to have to the Edinburgh Parks events portfolio as it is fairly central, not far from Haymarket, Tynecastle and Murrayfield Stadium, and along the Union Canal	Feb 16, 2014 1:35 PM
64	I know it's not Council property but Holyrood Park	Feb 14, 2014 4:14 PM
65	Smaller events at Lochend Park - Nic Park, picturesque with nice view of Arthur's Seat	Feb 14, 2014 3:34 PM
66	yes, Currie Parks	Feb 14, 2014 3:15 PM
67	Spylaw park	Feb 12, 2014 8:22 PM
68	A list of sites you have in mind would have enabled an answer.	Feb 12, 2014 10:30 AM
69	No	Feb 12, 2014 9:07 AM
70	NO	Feb 11, 2014 9:55 PM
71	I like to see the city being used, but we need to restrict traffic so that the streets are used. They are accessible to all and most visible!!	Feb 11, 2014 1:38 PM
72	Am too new to the city to make suggestions.	Feb 10, 2014 8:56 PM
73	Campbell Park in Colinton, Juniper Green Park, the green space between Juniper Green and Baberton (not sure of name), the SW side of Edinburgh needs more events.	Feb 9, 2014 8:50 PM
74	Portobello Park	Feb 9, 2014 1:53 PM
75	Find a few bits of underused tarmac. The 'shows' come to Ocean Terminal - there's non-grass there. It could be a home for some of the events.	Feb 6, 2014 9:50 PM
76	Not that I can think of.	Feb 6, 2014 1:14 PM
77	St Margaret's Park, Corstorphine High Street.	Feb 6, 2014 12:56 PM
78	don't know	Feb 6, 2014 12:16 PM

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79	No.	Feb 6, 2014 11:33 AM
80	Montgomery Street Park for small events. West Pilton Park isn't as far away as you think and has a large space available. Easter Drylaw Park St Marks Park Saughton Park	Feb 5, 2014 4:23 PM
81	All that comes to mind are the lovely private gardens of Edinburgh (Queen St for example) - but that would never happen!	Feb 5, 2014 4:14 PM
82	No	Feb 5, 2014 2:45 PM
83	Drumbrae area by the leisure centre? What of other areas e.g Portobello promenade, the long walk way starting at Crammond and then into Granton?	Feb 5, 2014 2:00 PM
84	Holyrood Park.	Feb 5, 2014 12:36 AM
85	sites awaiting development - such as Fountainbridge in the Council's ownership	Feb 4, 2014 10:48 AM
86	St. Andrew's Square; Holyrood Park.	Feb 4, 2014 10:42 AM
87	Charlotte square.	Feb 3, 2014 11:09 PM
88	No	Feb 3, 2014 7:59 PM
89	Possibly Inch Park?	Feb 3, 2014 1:00 PM
90	Look at parks in the suburbs.	Feb 3, 2014 10:08 AM
91	Holyrood Park; Marine Drive area	Feb 3, 2014 9:24 AM
92	Other sites probably best left for local use with less stringent applications and restrictions. I assume Holyrood park is not governed by the Council and therefore not included here in the survey.	Feb 3, 2014 9:15 AM
93	Hard landscape areas where damage to parks is minimised e.g. Waterloo Place, Royal Mile, Grass Market etc	Feb 3, 2014 9:13 AM
94	No	Feb 3, 2014 8:16 AM
95	see first comment. Put heavy duty events on concrete floors somewhere outside the city.	Feb 2, 2014 8:00 PM
96	Sighthill & Saughton Park?	Feb 2, 2014 5:12 PM
97	If other sites were considered, would any funds generated by those sites be reinvested in that park and/or the local neighbourhood? eg Harrison Park East might be suitable for the occasional event - especially given that it has parking and access so the ground would not need to be destroyed, but i would be willing to consider that only if income went into providing amenities such as better playpark facilities and public toilets.	Feb 2, 2014 2:45 PM
98	Hermitage of the Braids	Feb 2, 2014 11:35 AM
99	Braidburn Valley Park, Colinbton Mains Park, Morningside Park	Feb 2, 2014 12:21 AM

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100	Harrison Park Lochend Park	Feb 1, 2014 9:28 PM
101	None.	Jan 31, 2014 11:58 PM
102	Braidburn Valley Park	Jan 31, 2014 9:53 PM
103	Ingleston showground	Jan 31, 2014 7:47 PM
104	a general guide for smaller areas not covered by the forgoing.	Jan 31, 2014 7:00 PM
105	What about St Andrew Sq and Charlotte Sq?	Jan 31, 2014 6:24 PM
106	st Andrews square as increasingly more events there	Jan 31, 2014 6:23 PM
107	not known to me	Jan 31, 2014 4:55 PM
108	George IV but only for very local events	Jan 31, 2014 4:50 PM
109	Saughton Park	Jan 31, 2014 2:30 PM
110	Victoria Park, Blackford hill, Morningside Park.	Jan 31, 2014 12:08 PM
111	Sites with hard standing only should be considered to ensure no further environmental damage.	Jan 31, 2014 8:50 AM
112	Portobello beach, the park at the Jack Kane Centre, the gardens in areas such as Drummond Place or Gardners Crescent - more farmer type markets hand crafts etc	Jan 31, 2014 8:39 AM
113	Victoria Park	Jan 29, 2014 5:11 PM
114	Victoria Park	Jan 29, 2014 4:08 PM
115	Build Skate Parks and they will come. You will be giving the children of Edinburgh everything you didn't in the 80s (yeah I suffered a youth of harrassment and struggle as an unwanted skater with nowhere to go). Get on it. Make the city healthy again!	Jan 29, 2014 2:59 PM
116	HERMITAGE PARK WOULD MAKDE A GREAT SON ET LUMIERE SHOW LIKE THE "ENCHANGTED FOREST" EVENT NEAR PITLOCHRY EVERY EYAR - WHICH IS LOVELY AND ATTRACTS MANY FAMILIES AND IS A WINTER EVENT WHEN THERE ARE NOT MANY WINTER EVENTS.	Jan 29, 2014 12:13 PM
117	Saughton Park, Figgate Park, St Andrews Square?,	Jan 28, 2014 9:44 PM
118	The temporary use of vacant or derelict land e.g. Fountainbridge, former Morrison Street Goods Yard site at Haymarket.	Jan 28, 2014 1:56 PM
119	St Andrew Square is missing from the portfolio, presumably because it falls under a different management regime, or is not a park? This is a pity as it needs very careful thought as a small space where anything in it has a very big impact...	Jan 28, 2014 12:00 PM
120	Castle Esplanade, Royal Mile/City Chambers, area in front of "Dynamc Earth"	Jan 28, 2014 11:23 AM

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121	Rosefield Park and Brighton Park, Portobello	Jan 28, 2014 10:08 AM
122	Davidsons Mains Park, Cramond Foreshore, Corstorphine Hill, Camo Estate	Jan 28, 2014 9:54 AM
123	Lochend Park, Victoria Park, St Mark's Park, the Quarry Wester Hailes	Jan 28, 2014 9:19 AM
124	Environmentally sensitive sites including the Pentland Hills which CEC has responsibility for	Jan 27, 2014 11:38 PM
125	Plenty of suburban parks are available to use that may benefit the local area e.g. Saughton, Portobello park	Jan 27, 2014 5:21 PM
126	No	Jan 27, 2014 5:04 PM
127	Leith Links/Saughton Park/The Meadows/Bruntsfield Links	Jan 27, 2014 4:03 PM
128	No	Jan 27, 2014 3:00 PM
129	Cramond - gypsy brae	Jan 27, 2014 2:13 PM
130	Victoria Park. Leith Links.	Jan 27, 2014 1:49 PM
131	West Pilton Park and other large green space within local neighbourhoods	Jan 27, 2014 1:41 PM
132	There is no mention of other spaces which already run events eg Queens Park and does their strategy run in tandem / work alongside this? Think there should be reference to them etc in CEC strategy. Also feel that Council needs to drive up income generation by setting bigger targets for the hire of schools green space / playgrounds as these could be used for large and small event hire as this is a resource however unless income generation targets increased the easy route is not to do it. They need to have more stretching revenue generation targets to drive up community access to schools and external spaces	Jan 27, 2014 1:22 PM
133	Straiton Place Park, Portobello Beach, Figgate Park	Jan 27, 2014 12:24 PM
134	Regent Road park would be a nice area for events with a very nice backdrop.	Jan 27, 2014 11:21 AM
135	Victoria Park	Jan 27, 2014 11:06 AM
136	No	Jan 27, 2014 11:02 AM
137	Holyrood, St Andrew's Sq	Jan 27, 2014 10:52 AM
138	Portobello Beach Figgate Park Saughton Park	Jan 27, 2014 5:44 AM
139	st andrews and charlotte squares	Jan 26, 2014 11:16 AM
140	there are lots of open grassed areas all over the city that could be used for events, like in the Inch and Gilmerton etc	Jan 26, 2014 11:09 AM
141	See previous points and suggestions.	Jan 25, 2014 10:07 PM
142	Holyrood Park	Jan 25, 2014 9:26 PM

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143	No	Jan 25, 2014 8:57 PM
144	Portobello park	Jan 25, 2014 2:18 PM
145	No, Edinburgh planning has already allowed the destruction of all Leith's other green spaces like Ronaldson's Wharf.	Jan 25, 2014 7:10 AM
146	None. What you have is too much. Stop this now.	Jan 24, 2014 10:54 PM
147	Many but they are not in Parks	Jan 24, 2014 9:48 PM
148	Inch Park, portobello beach, figgate park,	Jan 24, 2014 8:16 PM
149	Harrison Park/ Roseburn Park	Jan 24, 2014 7:13 PM
150	N/A	Jan 24, 2014 3:14 PM
151	Victoria Park St Mark's Park	Jan 24, 2014 1:03 PM
152	Don't know, but there are unused/under threat indoor locations eg St Stephen's church	Jan 24, 2014 12:55 PM
153	Holyrood park	Jan 24, 2014 12:30 PM
154	Gayfield Square Gardens. Hillside Area Gardens.	Jan 24, 2014 12:19 PM
155	All greenspace should be available for use by groups for local events.	Jan 24, 2014 12:06 PM
156	Jewel Park	Jan 24, 2014 11:43 AM
157	No.	Jan 23, 2014 5:19 PM
158	No	Jan 23, 2014 5:01 PM
159	Saughton Park	Jan 23, 2014 4:48 PM
160	No	Jan 23, 2014 2:28 PM
161	Victoria Park.	Jan 23, 2014 12:00 PM
162	The Inch	Jan 23, 2014 11:27 AM
163	Victoria Park, King George V Park, Queen Street Gardens, Figgate Park etc	Jan 23, 2014 10:43 AM
164	St Mark's Park could host a fun event, as long as it finished before bedtime	Jan 23, 2014 8:20 AM
165	any of the other parks within Edinburgh?	Jan 23, 2014 7:55 AM
166	Bruntsfield Links.	Jan 23, 2014 7:37 AM
167	Shrubhill. It is a huge shame that such a central area in a part of town that needs more green is an absolute sh!thole.	Jan 22, 2014 11:25 PM
168	St Andrew square gardens	Jan 22, 2014 9:16 PM
169	Princes St. Garden, East side	Jan 22, 2014 8:43 PM

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170	The Craigs (for sporting/adventure events)	Jan 22, 2014 8:35 PM
171	I assume that open public spaces like the Grassmarket are being reviewed separately - it is vital that they are included in any Council events strategy.	Jan 22, 2014 8:32 PM
172	Shrubhill. The grassy roof of the Council HQ.	Jan 22, 2014 8:25 PM
173	Victoria park. Liberton park.	Jan 22, 2014 7:36 PM
174	Inverleith park	Jan 22, 2014 6:44 PM
175	NO	Jan 22, 2014 6:29 PM
176	Ocean Terminal	Jan 22, 2014 6:13 PM
177	Victoria Park	Jan 22, 2014 5:55 PM
178	No	Jan 22, 2014 5:50 PM
179	Poss. St Marks depending on the event?	Jan 22, 2014 5:49 PM
180	Craigmillar Castle Park would be a super venue for events such as pop concerts, agricultural shows, orienteering, cross-country cycling, ballooning, model aircraft displays, sheep dog trials. There are panoramic views of the city and Arthur's Seat from the Park. Vehicles would have to come in from the Craigmillar or eastern side of the park, so the entrance would need to be widened and tarmaced. Pedestrian access would be from the west side on to Dalkeith Road where there is a very good bus service.	Jan 22, 2014 5:33 PM
181	Meadowfield Park is one of the obvious additions. I appreciate that the number of underground burns, flowing down from Dunsappie Loch, mean that in wet summers it would be almost impossible to hold any events. However, it should be possible to hold open days of societies, etc, there, where there would be a minimal infrastructural impact. Lochend Park also springs to mind.	Jan 22, 2014 5:25 PM
182	Saughton Park	Jan 22, 2014 4:58 PM
183	Holyrood park - but I guess this is not run by the council?	Jan 22, 2014 4:57 PM
184	The ground at the front of Ocean Terminal.	Jan 22, 2014 3:40 PM
185	The city is littered with small suburban parks and green spaces which do you want to use? Ask the Community Councils	Jan 22, 2014 3:00 PM
186	Saughtonhall Park. (would have helped to have a list of which parks were in the portfolio here rather than relying on memory!)	Jan 22, 2014 1:49 PM
187	No	Jan 22, 2014 1:18 PM
188	Victoria Park King George V park West Pilton Park	Jan 22, 2014 12:50 PM
189	None. There is already good central provision, especially when Holyrood Park, Meadowbank and Murrayfield are taken into account.	Jan 22, 2014 12:30 PM

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190	No.	Jan 22, 2014 12:03 PM
191	There must be additional sites out of the City which would be better suited to some events. The City is not accessible by car and many of these events are attended by people who drive to the venue as there is no other viable option. I would like too see many of the City's events moved out of the City to less populated areas with the correct infrastructure - could the various park and ride sites be better utilised to open up such venues?	Jan 22, 2014 11:40 AM
192	no	Jan 22, 2014 10:41 AM
193	Any non grassed area. Edinburgh has a good public transport infrastructure which is going to get better. The event organisers alleged 'need' for central locations is not relevant. Large events should move indoors. The needs of local people to be able to use their parks and for their children and shift workers to get a good night's sleep should have more priority than they do currently.	Jan 22, 2014 10:38 AM
194	Any park or open space could be considered	Jan 22, 2014 9:25 AM
195	no	Jan 21, 2014 9:44 PM
196	Areas where local groups could help develop and perhaps become involved in the organisation - local parks across the city.	Jan 21, 2014 9:05 PM
197	fountain bridge site of the old brewery now demolished.(site own by council) Ue of streets in some areas where traffic can be diverted efficiently	Jan 21, 2014 9:03 PM
198	Meggetland sports ground?	Jan 21, 2014 8:59 PM
199	Murrayfield (privately owned?) blackford hill, craighouse (privately owned?)	Jan 21, 2014 8:36 PM
200	No	Jan 21, 2014 8:30 PM
201	I used Saughton Park and it worked very well and was very well received by all attendees	Jan 21, 2014 7:58 PM
202	The use of certain roads like near Waverley is a good idea eg in front of St Andrews House, the Grassmarket and the Lawnmarket	Jan 21, 2014 7:53 PM
203	No.	Jan 21, 2014 7:19 PM
204	Victoria Park, Trinity	Jan 21, 2014 6:13 PM
205	Victoria Park, Meadowbank Stadium	Jan 21, 2014 6:01 PM
206	Saughton	Jan 21, 2014 5:39 PM
207	st Andrews square charlots square castle esplanade	Jan 21, 2014 5:32 PM
208	Inch Park or Roseburn Park	Jan 21, 2014 5:30 PM
209	holyrood event basin (by the parliament)	Jan 21, 2014 5:20 PM
210	No	Jan 21, 2014 4:26 PM

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211	Murieston Park and Harrison Park.	Jan 21, 2014 4:04 PM
212	Warriston Park Harrison Park Roseburn Park	Jan 21, 2014 3:27 PM
213	Holyrood Park	Jan 21, 2014 2:58 PM
214	Cramond Esplanade area	Jan 21, 2014 2:53 PM
215	Gardens in Queen Street. Balgreen Park	Jan 21, 2014 2:51 PM
216	Portobello Beach - Good parking at Tumblers/ Pits	Jan 21, 2014 2:45 PM
217	no	Jan 21, 2014 2:39 PM
218	Saughton	Jan 21, 2014 2:37 PM
219	Many football parks should be upgraded and regularly maintained and enjoyed by all citizens of Edinburgh. Again poor maintenance caused by cut backs impacts on the game and the number of spectators to enjoy the area. Also the co operation of the staff at these venues is also required. Some of them let the users know they do not want to be there by the look on their faces.	Jan 21, 2014 2:36 PM
220	Can't think of any	Jan 21, 2014 2:23 PM

Page 11, Q2. Where would you suggest that it be created?

1	There is a good space at the West end of Princes' Street Gardens. The forecourt to Edinburgh Castle is traditional place for holding a market - why is there no market there?	Mar 23, 2014 1:00 PM
2	Meadows	Mar 21, 2014 8:37 PM
3	There are hard surface sites already but these usually charge more than the parks dept.	Mar 21, 2014 5:24 PM
4	Not Inverleith park as a quarter of the original space is already taken up by allotments. Allotments basically give up part of the park for private use as they are surrounded by a high fence with locked gates. So we dont want to have an area that would be used extensively for events and thus deprive the locals of even more park. However there may well be areas of Edinburgh which would benefit from such a robust space. The Meadows might like it as they suffer long periods after long events when the ground is more or less unuseable for many weeks. There may be other areas that would prefer this approach - however it would be important that the surface remains pleasing to look at - ie grass rather than a synthetic surface	Mar 21, 2014 5:17 PM
5	I am concerned that this idea is too idealistic, as more regularly held events and the consequent time it would take to repair the parkland would jeopardise the availability of the park space for recreational and sporting activity. I am not in favour of the suggested robust green space being located in the Meadows due to the fact that Meadows is already established as a popular location for sporting and recreational activity, which further events may disrupt.	Mar 21, 2014 12:18 PM
6	needs to be central for good public access - The Meadows for example	Mar 21, 2014 12:00 PM
7	Alternative locations for events outside parks should be considered, utilising streets and spaces. The objectives of the emerging Edinburgh Street Design Guidance will be on place making for street, using them in alternative ways. As part of a review of Council's Public Realm Strategy a vision and strategy should be developed for all spaces, green and urban. This would specifically apply to the city centre in detail but would establish principles that could inform the parks and events manifesto.	Mar 20, 2014 12:29 PM
8	We are not in favour of such a space being created in the Meadows.	Mar 20, 2014 11:49 AM
9	?	Mar 19, 2014 11:57 AM
10	A small area of the Meadows	Mar 19, 2014 10:39 AM
11	Not close to residents nor an eyesore on a place of beauty	Mar 18, 2014 11:02 PM
12	I don't know. This is a good idea in principle but in practice I suspect that any suitable space is going to be too far out of town to be attractive to event organisers.	Mar 18, 2014 8:45 PM
13	Saughton Park	Mar 18, 2014 7:59 PM
14	It does not seem likely that any green space could tolerate the extent of damage that occurs with the way 'events' are done these days. If, however, a detailed proposal were made, it could, of course, be considered by people interested in and knowledgeable about these matters.	Mar 18, 2014 7:56 PM
15	The Meadows is probably the only place that is suitable but it would need	Mar 18, 2014 7:56 PM

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	robust management and ground works to provide a slightly raised, better drained and less prone to rain damage. Some additional tree planting might be needed to improve water uptake from run of from these area. The big concern is the traffic implications, but this affects anywhere except perhaps Princes Street Gardens.	
16	not sure there is a solution that allows both heavy events and use for sporting purposes. These seem to require different degrees of 'give' in the ground We are not in favour of such an area on the Meadows since it is so heavily used for sports and we suspect a robust surface would compromise this.	Mar 18, 2014 6:54 PM
17	I don't know, except not in the Meadows, please.	Mar 18, 2014 6:36 PM
18	Holyrood Park ;)	Mar 18, 2014 6:17 PM
19	(See previous section) Ingliston. Or Ocean Terminal.	Mar 18, 2014 5:46 PM
20	As said before, I think lots of local sites	Mar 18, 2014 4:59 PM
21	Maybe in outlying areas acceble by local transports and has plenty parking	Mar 17, 2014 4:04 PM
22	Ingilston	Mar 16, 2014 3:57 PM
23	Do you mean a big area of Astroturf? I think that would be dreadful.	Mar 13, 2014 8:06 PM
24	Holyrood park	Mar 13, 2014 11:48 AM
25	Close to New Town.	Mar 13, 2014 11:15 AM
26	To enable the site to be attractive and financially viable to commercial organisations this would have to be central.	Mar 12, 2014 12:06 PM
27	See prior comments.	Mar 12, 2014 11:44 AM
28	Please refer back to my previous comments re . a hard site.	Mar 12, 2014 11:30 AM
29	In theory I'm supportive of this idea but I would need to know more detail on location and number of events that would need to be held there. In some ways the current set up of sharing the load between a number of sites is actually better. I'm not sure if local people would be happy if their home was near this new site and it was getting a large number of events every year.	Mar 12, 2014 9:28 AM
30	area near canal basin; land leased or purchased from Holyrood park	Mar 11, 2014 6:40 PM
31	Holyrood park.	Mar 11, 2014 5:42 PM
32	There is enough greenspace within the city to provide for most needs	Mar 11, 2014 5:28 PM
33	Not in an existing park.	Mar 11, 2014 4:52 PM
34	Don't know	Mar 11, 2014 3:54 PM
35	some park areas could be changed to a paving style brick that would allow the grass to grow through given the area both leisure and public use, these areas would look like a green grass site but be hard surface also. these measures have been used in europe throughtout the major city park areas for many years.	Mar 11, 2014 2:32 PM

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36	Not sure what this means??	Mar 11, 2014 1:49 PM
37	Away from residential areas	Mar 10, 2014 7:06 PM
38	Any area being put forward for this use is unlikely to be in the city centre. Any site being proposed should be located where there are good transport links for coaches private vehicles and bicycles. Parking for those vehicles and secure places for bicycles should be provided. These proposals should be major considerations recognised from the start of any discussions about a location. They should not be something that is looked at once a site has been proposed, they should be a 'deal breaker' part of the consideration.	Mar 8, 2014 11:22 AM
39	Disused piece of land towards top of Leith Walk, it's an eyesore and could be turned into a green space that is accessible on foot from city centre.	Mar 7, 2014 8:09 AM
40	On a brown field site which might be reclaimed for green space instead of office building. Or on the outskirts of the city. If it were attractive enough a good bus service could be part of the the package.	Mar 5, 2014 3:26 PM
41	I don't know/	Mar 5, 2014 1:16 PM
42	Pilton	Mar 5, 2014 12:48 PM
43	Don't know	Mar 5, 2014 10:25 AM
44	Princes Street Gardens	Mar 5, 2014 10:25 AM
45	Don't know! perhaps working in partnership with Holyrood Park?	Mar 4, 2014 4:13 PM
46	Outside Ocean Terminal in Leith.	Mar 4, 2014 1:59 PM
47	Lochen Park?	Mar 4, 2014 11:52 AM
48	One of the cities brownfield sites, or the ground Opposite Ocean Terminal - would help boost tourism in this area. Also the site of the old council building at halfway up Leith walk - if there aren't already plans for that area.	Mar 4, 2014 11:34 AM
49	Again, All along the coast from granton to Leith. ITs not far from the centre, buses are regular, there is parking and right now it looks pretty scruffy. I have seen the plans for the housing but that could be decades away. Better use would be some permanent 'warehouse' like structures for indoor events, markets, shows, food fairs, with adjoining outside space that would also be open to the public outwith events. A smaller, more central version of Ingliston	Mar 4, 2014 11:14 AM
50	upgrade the bandstand areas in all the parks.	Mar 4, 2014 10:35 AM
51	Portobello Park	Mar 3, 2014 7:15 PM
52	Saughton park	Mar 3, 2014 6:49 PM
53	Leith, near Ocean Terminal. Excellent transport links, great backdrop across the Forth, amazing sunsets, lots of empty gap sites, local area would benefit from economic boost, and shows that the Council cares about the north of the city as well as traditional venues such as Meadows & Princes St Gdns.	Mar 3, 2014 5:40 PM
54	Edinburgh Council need to concentrate on emptying my bins and fixing the roads. Stop wasting your time on new visionary projects which you are not	Mar 3, 2014 4:27 PM

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	capable of delivering efficiently. Please concentrate on core services, not turning Edinburgh into a shit Disneyland.	
55	Meadows	Mar 3, 2014 4:15 PM
56	Fountainbridge. Leith Walk. Leith, Newhaven near the shore - in the bid development area there.	Mar 3, 2014 4:03 PM
57	Greenspaces need to be protected and promoted as a place of peace and quiet.	Mar 3, 2014 1:10 PM
58	Meadows, Inverleith, both Princes St	Mar 3, 2014 10:33 AM
59	The Meadows	Mar 3, 2014 10:02 AM
60	From brown field sites. Calton Gate would have been a good choice. (Still would be!)	Feb 27, 2014 7:55 PM
61	Not through a significant reduction in soft landscaping (and thus more hard surfacing)	Feb 27, 2014 2:25 PM
62	Meadowbank	Feb 27, 2014 1:10 PM
63	Calton Hill or Queen Street Gardens	Feb 27, 2014 10:41 AM
64	In part of Holyrood Park.	Feb 27, 2014 9:44 AM
65	Not sure	Feb 27, 2014 8:34 AM
66	Open to ideas. But take care not to over urbanise any specific green area at present	Feb 27, 2014 12:21 AM
67	The land surrounding Ocean Terminal is a scandal. It is full of rubbish and dead grass. It borders the port and waterfront and sits like an eyesore outside the Scottish Government. Surely this space could be put to better and more community friendly use?!	Feb 26, 2014 11:55 PM
68	Not on the Meadows	Feb 26, 2014 9:08 PM
69	Silverknowes? Portobello (ie near the Forth)	Feb 26, 2014 5:52 PM
70	Inverleith Park	Feb 25, 2014 5:47 PM
71	There are too many events already. Almost all public space is now vulnerable to this - there should certainly be no more.	Feb 21, 2014 5:32 PM
72	I am not sure but it would need to be central.	Feb 18, 2014 10:01 PM
73	No idea	Feb 18, 2014 12:16 PM
74	Not sure of options, but city centre would be most obvious and useful - likely to attract resident interest and interesting activity.	Feb 18, 2014 8:02 AM
75	In view of size of City may be preferable to have two sites .	Feb 17, 2014 3:45 PM
76	In the most heavily used park spaces; in the Meadows, as this park has had historical drainage and vehicle access issues, and is at the same time a prime location for events in central Edinburgh Seems the Meadows should	Feb 16, 2014 1:37 PM

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	be the first park to benefit from this 'robust greenspace' update.	
77	central	Feb 14, 2014 4:14 PM
78	Leith links seaward extension, or around granton/ western harbour sites where there is lots of unimproved land	Feb 14, 2014 3:34 PM
79	Princes Street gardens east should not be ruined with Christmas market. The Putting Green should be reinstated.	Feb 13, 2014 6:21 PM
80	See previous answer.	Feb 12, 2014 10:31 AM
81	Inverleith Park	Feb 12, 2014 9:08 AM
82	The Meadows	Feb 12, 2014 8:17 AM
83	IN LEITH.	Feb 11, 2014 9:56 PM
84	Murrayfield and football grounds	Feb 11, 2014 1:53 PM
85	Needs to be fairly central	Feb 11, 2014 10:08 AM
86	In the vicinity of Arthur's Seat	Feb 10, 2014 10:50 AM
87	I think somewhere more to the SW side of Edinburgh as there are many events in the city and towards Leith etc.	Feb 9, 2014 8:51 PM
88	East Fountainbridge. Restore Portobello Park to public ownership and use that.	Feb 9, 2014 1:54 PM
89	Not Princes Street!	Feb 9, 2014 11:50 AM
90	Central with good bus links	Feb 9, 2014 11:03 AM
91	The Meadows	Feb 9, 2014 9:54 AM
92	The Meadows would appear to be the best site	Feb 7, 2014 8:52 AM
93	I think its a pipedream - too much nimbyism	Feb 6, 2014 1:47 PM
94	Instead of Caltongate? No, seriously, pick a gap site if you like for this. A new space that's not 100% ours all the time is less annoying than losing somewhere people rely upon.	Feb 6, 2014 1:15 PM
95	Holyrood Park	Feb 6, 2014 12:57 PM
96	not sure, but an area of hard-standing, of a reasonable size, with provision of appropriate utilities, is very desirable	Feb 6, 2014 12:17 PM
97	Can't think of anywhere in the city centre.	Feb 6, 2014 11:34 AM
98	Ocean Terminal, where there are a number of large building sites which haven't been developed and a quick, frequent bus service.	Feb 5, 2014 4:26 PM
99	Seems like a strange question. Surely you shouldn't be holding events in greenspace if you can't put any damage right afterwards and accommodate normal everyday use of those spaces. I don't think i understand what you are asking - where could you create a new space in a cramped city?	Feb 5, 2014 4:16 PM

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100	I think the commercialisation of public recreational space has gone far enough.	Feb 5, 2014 2:48 PM
101	difficult to say, would need to have an over view of spaces already in use, so as to consider 'extending' this facility to an (underused) area.	Feb 5, 2014 2:02 PM
102	ingliston	Feb 5, 2014 12:00 PM
103	Meadowbank, or Holyrood Park.	Feb 5, 2014 12:37 AM
104	Holyrood Park	Feb 4, 2014 10:42 AM
105	fountainbridge, next to the canal, new boroughmuir site etc.	Feb 4, 2014 8:19 AM
106	Not enough information here. What are you suggesting?	Feb 3, 2014 11:11 PM
107	Presume this is asking about a new space being created? If the Leith water Front/Trams project had not been such a failure I would perhaps have suggested creating a decent park there	Feb 3, 2014 8:21 PM
108	Greenspaces even if robust, should not be used as car parks as this encourages car use which is not sustainable in the vast majority of cases.	Feb 3, 2014 8:02 PM
109	Portobello Park	Feb 3, 2014 1:50 PM
110	Can't think of anywhere but to say 'accessible for all other recreational uses' is somewhat ambitious if not delusional.	Feb 3, 2014 1:38 PM
111	I'm not sure as I think that the difficulty would be finding somewhere that could withstand the volume of events and still be a community resource. This might work if it was on the edge of the city but then might not attract the 'custom'. I can't imagine any of the city centre green spaces being suitable for this	Feb 3, 2014 1:04 PM
112	Fountainbridge	Feb 3, 2014 10:08 AM
113	Holyrood Park seems the obvious place.	Feb 3, 2014 8:28 AM
114	close to airport	Feb 2, 2014 8:02 PM
115	To repeat my question above, IF a park were to be brought into use for events, would funds generated be reinvested in the park? or in the local area?	Feb 2, 2014 2:45 PM
116	Inverleith Park	Feb 2, 2014 11:35 AM
117	The Meadows/Links and Inverleith Park	Feb 2, 2014 12:22 AM
118	Somewhere that is not surrounded by residential areas and wouldn't cause chaos to the local transport network.	Jan 31, 2014 11:59 PM
119	That's the problem -- I don't think there is anywhere!	Jan 31, 2014 9:54 PM
120	No ideas	Jan 31, 2014 7:47 PM
121	the key word here is "accessible". Somewhere close to tram route is obvious choice. Pity it doesn't go to Leith where use could be made of the underused areas in the vicinity of Ocean Terminal.	Jan 31, 2014 7:10 PM

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122	don't know - need to know options	Jan 31, 2014 6:24 PM
123	In the most heavily used areas and those that take longest to recover - both Princes St gardens, St Andrew and Charlotte Sq	Jan 31, 2014 6:24 PM
124	The currently large gap site off Leith Walk (west side).	Jan 31, 2014 4:56 PM
125	Leith Links	Jan 31, 2014 4:51 PM
126	I would NOT be in favour of a dedicated event site, its good that differant events happen in differant areas	Jan 31, 2014 3:11 PM
127	Holyrood Park - I know this is not managed by the Council but it seems the obvious place	Jan 31, 2014 2:18 PM
128	Dont know	Jan 31, 2014 12:09 PM
129	West Princes Street Gardens: Improvement to red blaize area. The availability of this space would not then be restricted by historic / annual licence applications for other activity. Improvements to the Ross Theatre facilities and infrastructure to provide bespoke event spaces. Having said that this should not proclude use of other unusual spaces for unique events.	Jan 31, 2014 11:18 AM
130	Meadows	Jan 31, 2014 9:04 AM
131	There is a car park across from Haymarket Station in a serious state of disrepair. I would need to have a map showing waste ground to be able to answer this fully but I do not believe any grassy areas should be sacrificed for this purpose.	Jan 31, 2014 8:54 AM
132	Carltongate site would have been ideal as it's central	Jan 31, 2014 8:41 AM
133	Accessible to temporary parking or close to public transport. Also provided with key services.	Jan 30, 2014 1:15 PM
134	Canongate - behind New Street	Jan 29, 2014 4:08 PM
135	I am all for more parks but just make sure you build a skate park in every existing park. We will all benefit from this now and for many years to come.	Jan 29, 2014 3:00 PM
136	DON'T KNOW BUT IF SUGGESTIONS COME FROM THE PUBLIC THE COUNCIL WOULD HAVE TO TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION NOISE LEVELS AND THE IMPACT THAT AND THE FOOTFALL IN THE AREA WOULD HAVE FOR THE LOCAL RESIDENTS.	Jan 29, 2014 12:15 PM
137	would have to utilise an existing green space	Jan 28, 2014 9:45 PM
138	Portobello Park! Better use for Edinburgh than as a school.	Jan 28, 2014 4:44 PM
139	Somewhere very central, like Princes St Gardens	Jan 28, 2014 4:27 PM
140	North-Eastern quadrant of Inverleith Park	Jan 28, 2014 4:21 PM
141	Notwithstanding previous comments, a dedicated area at the Meadows could be suitable e.g. close to play park / tennis courts - the grass area this is not used for formal sports in this location.	Jan 28, 2014 1:59 PM
142	Not sure what you are asking in this question - greenspaces are already	Jan 28, 2014 12:59 PM

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provided. Do you meant additional greenspaces?

143	Somewhere large enough where the primary function as a park could still happen, so the meadows, or Inverleith, for example. However, it would be awful to 'ghettoise' events to the same location every time. It is important for things to happen in the city centre and we have amazing open spaces to accommodate events, but we have to be discerning about what these events are...	Jan 28, 2014 12:04 PM
144	Camo Estate	Jan 28, 2014 9:54 AM
145	The city is too big to identify just one site	Jan 28, 2014 9:19 AM
146	Brownfield site - caltongate, west of Leith Walk midway down, Meadowbank, Oxfgangs park	Jan 27, 2014 11:42 PM
147	Brownfield sites in Edinburgh but can't think of any	Jan 27, 2014 5:22 PM
148	I don't suggest one is created. Outside events cause a huge amount of noise pollution for local residents.	Jan 27, 2014 5:04 PM
149	On reclaimed land or unused land anywhere along the coastal shoreline	Jan 27, 2014 4:05 PM
150	The Meadows	Jan 27, 2014 3:01 PM
151	I really dont ahve an issue with the reinstatement process so long as it is carried out as quickly as reasonably possible and the cost is met from the fees paid by the event organiser	Jan 27, 2014 2:14 PM
152	Leith Shore and surrounds where space and access is viable with good transport infrastructure	Jan 27, 2014 1:42 PM
153	Think they need to look at Ross Theatre and consider making this a more adaptable venue for different events as its under used e.g. Festival, Hogmanay, Scottish Country Dancing hires and a few other one offs. Limited choices each with pros and cons. Think Council needs to do a feasibility study and then consult on various options. My choice would have been Leith if the trams were there to provide transport etc. Otherwise Inverleith Park as less useage currently than Meadows.	Jan 27, 2014 1:31 PM
154	In every park.	Jan 27, 2014 12:24 PM
155	Somewhere with a good bus route	Jan 27, 2014 10:52 AM
156	NOt fussed	Jan 27, 2014 10:43 AM
157	The development site on Royal Mile/New Street	Jan 27, 2014 5:45 AM
158	princes st gardens. it is a huge space that is greatly underused	Jan 26, 2014 11:18 AM
159	more hard standing areas with dual purpose	Jan 26, 2014 11:10 AM
160	You already have this type of space i.e. Ingliston show ground plus Holyrood Park. Arrangements could also be made with sports stadia as per previous points already made. Suggest you spend less time thinking of ways to further exploit the green spaces that remain in the city, and more time on the essential infrastructure of waste disposal, road surfaces and the general collections of litter and removal of graffiti.	Jan 25, 2014 10:12 PM

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161	At the proposed North Meadows near the Royal Infirmary. Also, investment in relaying and strengthening the turf in one large area at the Meadows and Inverleith Park for higher levels of use should be strongly considered	Jan 25, 2014 2:29 PM
162	existing brown spaces.	Jan 25, 2014 1:28 PM
163	Not sure but I hope it will include space for community gardening/allotments - the management of the allotment waiting list is woeful.	Jan 25, 2014 7:11 AM
164	Events are not what public greenspace is about. Small scale, grass roots events are fine, otherwise you are jeopardising our city.	Jan 24, 2014 10:55 PM
165	Meadows	Jan 24, 2014 9:49 PM
166	The Meadows or Inverleith park	Jan 24, 2014 4:50 PM
167	Princes Street Gardens East - develop the area around the Bandstand for use more.	Jan 24, 2014 3:17 PM
168	Anywhere along the new tram route	Jan 24, 2014 1:59 PM
169	On some of the privatised green land in the city	Jan 24, 2014 12:56 PM
170	As near the centre of town as possible, with good access to buses and car parks.	Jan 24, 2014 12:31 PM
171	Edinburgh is a beautiful city, attractive in it's own rite, some consider that there are already too many events in the city centre. Any news space should not be in the city centre.	Jan 24, 2014 12:22 PM
172	City centre would be the most attractive but parking is an ongoing problem. Small area in each area of the city could be identified.	Jan 24, 2014 12:07 PM
173	Union Canal	Jan 24, 2014 11:35 AM
174	Holyrood park is the only possible space I can think off - the flat bit next to the house/car park	Jan 23, 2014 10:24 PM
175	on derelict land, like a skateboard park at Shrubhill or defunct PO site on Brunswick Road (or some part thereof) etc	Jan 23, 2014 4:49 PM
176	I have answered no as I'm not 100% sure what you are asking here.	Jan 23, 2014 3:03 PM
177	Many events could be held in pedestrianised street spaces, e.g. Princess St, George Street, Royal Mile, and more streets should be closed and made available for events. Events in central shopping areas are often more attractive as people can combine them with other activities (shopping, cafes, museum visits)	Jan 23, 2014 1:59 PM
178	Inverleith Park (though good luck with the local community objections). The reason I say this is that it is probably the least used of the main parks currently used for main events (I do live nearby)	Jan 23, 2014 1:45 PM
179	meadows	Jan 23, 2014 11:35 AM
180	The Inch	Jan 23, 2014 11:28 AM
181	Where there is already transport infrastrucre to support parking and site	Jan 23, 2014 8:34 AM

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	vehicular access	
182	Shrub Place	Jan 23, 2014 8:21 AM
183	Extend Meadows and introduce to Leith Links.	Jan 23, 2014 7:38 AM
184	Saughton Park	Jan 22, 2014 8:39 PM
185	Do not astroturf our parks you cretins.	Jan 22, 2014 8:25 PM
186	somewhere extra, in addition to established, existent parks. On a bus route, so citizens could easily access it. What about Ingliston - is that not already available as a permanent event site? Wherever else, NOT Arthur's Seat, please please please!	Jan 22, 2014 7:52 PM
187	Ingliston then there would be sufficient parking	Jan 22, 2014 7:37 PM
188	not private ones	Jan 22, 2014 7:21 PM
189	the land opposite Ocean Terminal and other brownfield sites that could be used until other developments come forward... there are swathes of land laying idle across the city	Jan 22, 2014 6:31 PM
190	I think the two requirements are incompatible. Hard standing sites should be explored for those events that are suitable: e.g. the Ladyboys of Bangkok.	Jan 22, 2014 6:14 PM
191	On one of the less-used municipal golf courses.	Jan 22, 2014 5:52 PM
192	Silverknowes	Jan 22, 2014 5:51 PM
193	Not sure how realistic this is but CEC could look to extend Pilrig Park into the brown site at the north of the park making a much larger area for events to be held.	Jan 22, 2014 5:49 PM
194	Craigmillar Castle Park ...see previous answer.	Jan 22, 2014 5:34 PM
195	Probably in one of the suburban parks	Jan 22, 2014 5:26 PM
196	No idea!	Jan 22, 2014 4:57 PM
197	Holyrood Park and Saughton Park	Jan 22, 2014 4:53 PM
198	Princes St gardens	Jan 22, 2014 3:54 PM
199	Leith	Jan 22, 2014 3:40 PM
200	Drumbrae Park - behind Drumbrae Leisure Centre is used for the Clermiston Gala every year but lies empty for most of the rest of the year. It has the advantage of being on top of a hill so very good drainage. It has the disadvantage of being very windy and in the flight-path to Edinburgh Airport.	Jan 22, 2014 3:03 PM
201	This is a maybe - not sure what you are suggesting here. Is it an area that isn't a park but is just used for events and so has hardstanding?	Jan 22, 2014 1:50 PM
202	Holyrood Park or Meadowbank stadium central area?	Jan 22, 2014 12:52 PM
203	The Meadows?	Jan 22, 2014 12:04 PM

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204	I assume the implication is that one of the City's green spaces will be converted to hard-standing or similar? The City needs quality green space and I would suggest that all other recreational uses would be limited to times when the events were not being staged. Is such a site currently available at Ingliston or near the airport - then you could use the available infrastructure to move people around while utilising what is largely brown field land?	Jan 22, 2014 11:43 AM
205	Not enough information. Do you mean grasscrete which is often less than 60% grass. Events mostly do not need grass and are just looking for a cheap venue. If you have a brownfield site in mind (Caltongate?) then tell us what site you mean.	Jan 22, 2014 10:41 AM
206	Not too near residential properties that would be disturbed by e.g. parking / noise / traffic issues. Ingliston area (near to public transport links etc).	Jan 22, 2014 10:31 AM
207	a site in each neighbourhood area	Jan 22, 2014 9:25 AM
208	Fountain bridge	Jan 21, 2014 9:04 PM
209	East Meadows	Jan 21, 2014 8:59 PM
210	The meadows, inverleith park, WPSG	Jan 21, 2014 8:40 PM
211	Either current centrally located derelict land, or Holyrood Park.	Jan 21, 2014 8:34 PM
212	Meadows	Jan 21, 2014 8:31 PM
213	Saughton Park - underused and not well known across Edinburgh but a great facility	Jan 21, 2014 7:59 PM
214	How about the top of the car park on Castle Terrace?	Jan 21, 2014 7:54 PM
215	Inverleith park. Drainage very poor next to Bowling green, great to upgrade & put in Public Toilets. Very good views from Park. Good public transport from all sides makes it very accessible	Jan 21, 2014 7:53 PM
216	Yes but not to the total exclusion of the other sites. Possibly in the Queen's park.	Jan 21, 2014 7:22 PM
217	There are very few locations as all have merits/issues etc Inverleith Park or Meadows does spring to mind as no doubt they are the most requested (and rejected!). However, the reality is that to fit in with ease of access, transport, local biz etc these are the only central locations as Princes St Gdns unless the Ross Band Stand is invested in is a no go.	Jan 21, 2014 6:20 PM
218	Newhaven	Jan 21, 2014 6:02 PM
219	lots of city centre unused buildings, shrub hill, the calton gate area	Jan 21, 2014 5:36 PM
220	Sighthill	Jan 21, 2014 5:30 PM
221	old bus depot and Market Street, Grass market should be a green space, lochend park, blackford quarry, many of the peripheral parks	Jan 21, 2014 5:23 PM
222	no	Jan 21, 2014 4:39 PM
223	Inverleith Park	Jan 21, 2014 4:18 PM

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224	The site of the former New Street Garage.	Jan 21, 2014 4:05 PM
225	It sounds like a great idea, but I'd prefer existing common good green spaces to be protected.	Jan 21, 2014 3:51 PM
226	Saughton, Meadowbank.	Jan 21, 2014 3:25 PM
227	Possibly in Holyrood Park.	Jan 21, 2014 3:18 PM
228	I think this should be developed on a part of the Meadows. Noting here as nowhere for General Comments. 'The ground bond ££ are very high and not proportional to the extent of ground that an event would actually impact on. Recent example would be an event in WPSGardens that was to impact on about 100m sq of grass. The bond asked was £50,000. There was some reparation reqd. To a corner of grass about 5m sq. Cost approx £150. Why would an event organiser tie over such a large sum, if their impact history was impeccable and planned impact/access negligible?	Jan 21, 2014 2:53 PM
229	Sighthill where they have knocked down high rise flats	Jan 21, 2014 2:52 PM
230	-	Jan 21, 2014 2:46 PM
231	As many areas as possible. It is well documented that many children are obese and need exercise. Maybe if the council organised various sporting events on decent grass they may be interested in attending and taking part in sports.	Jan 21, 2014 2:38 PM
232	Meadows/LeithLinks	Jan 21, 2014 2:37 PM
233	A newly-created greenspace at Fountainbridge	Jan 21, 2014 2:34 PM
234	Exactly!! where is the big question.	Jan 21, 2014 2:24 PM
235	Meadows, Leith, Inverleith, Corstorphine, Queens park & Inch	Jan 21, 2014 12:35 PM
236	Saughton, Roseburn	Jan 21, 2014 11:56 AM
237	The Meadows, Leith Links, Princes Street are sites that come to mind	Jan 21, 2014 11:49 AM

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131		
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132		
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133		
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141		
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142		
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143		
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146		
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147		
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159		
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161		
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163		
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165		
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175		
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176		
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180		
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188		
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2	community Council/ parks department	Mar 21, 2014 5:19 PM
3	Friends of Parks meeting	Mar 20, 2014 11:50 AM
4	Through community council, neighbourhood partnership and FOMBL.	Mar 18, 2014 5:48 PM
5	Newsletter from MP Sheila Gilmore	Mar 17, 2014 3:15 PM
6	been emailed	Mar 11, 2014 1:05 PM
7	MP newsletter	Mar 10, 2014 2:50 PM
8	From an event organiser	Mar 8, 2014 11:24 AM
9	Sheila Gilmore MP newsletter	Mar 7, 2014 8:10 AM
10	from Ritchie Fraser who has been helping with Inverleith Park artificial cricket strip (out of action for cricket since moonwalk 2012)	Mar 5, 2014 9:21 AM
11	through circulation from SCOREscotland	Mar 4, 2014 4:14 PM
12	Leith Links Community Council Meeting	Mar 4, 2014 11:52 AM
13	Corporate Comms	Mar 3, 2014 10:35 AM
14	Council Official	Feb 17, 2014 3:48 PM
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16	EventScotland newsletter	Feb 12, 2014 9:09 AM
17	Neighbourhood Watch Group	Feb 11, 2014 9:17 PM
18	Community Council information	Feb 9, 2014 1:55 PM
19	Email forwarded by West End Community Council member	Feb 9, 2014 11:51 AM
20	Ian Murray's twitter feed	Feb 6, 2014 1:15 PM
21	Mentioned at WEst End Community Council meeting by Cllr Mowat	Feb 6, 2014 11:37 AM
22	community council website	Feb 3, 2014 11:12 PM
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25	Council leaders email	Feb 1, 2014 12:01 AM
26	Andrew Burns' newsletter	Jan 31, 2014 5:33 PM
27	my friend and inspiration Kenny Omond (the man who made Livi Skate park happen despite the council) shared this with me and I came straight here. Stop the beauraucracy, get building skate parks now!!!	Jan 29, 2014 3:02 PM
28	COMMUNITY COUNCIL	Jan 29, 2014 12:17 PM

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41	From Chair of Community Council	Jan 23, 2014 8:35 AM
42	and Spurtel website	Jan 23, 2014 8:21 AM
43	facebook cockburn association	Jan 22, 2014 6:45 PM
44	In fact I was telephoned by the Evening News before I had a chance to look at the survey	Jan 22, 2014 6:17 PM
45	From Edinburgh Tenants Federation	Jan 22, 2014 5:28 PM
46	circulated by Community Council	Jan 22, 2014 10:43 AM
47	local residents email list	Jan 22, 2014 5:29 AM
48	Via community council	Jan 21, 2014 9:07 PM
49	Not really qualified to answer the questions in this survey but have expressed my views on the subject.	Jan 21, 2014 7:26 PM
50	Emailed to me by Convenor of Meadows Festival	Jan 21, 2014 3:54 PM
51	thanks for the opportunity to comment	Jan 21, 2014 2:53 PM