

**Q2 Please tick which type/s of open spaces you use. Please tick all that apply**  
**Other (please specify)**

- Beaches
- Cycle paths
- Byways
- I love cycling and running so apprise longer lengthy spaces
- the Downs and Warren
- Football / sports fields
- Dog walking areas
- The Canal bank
- Playing fields
- The leas for park run
- The beach
- Cemetery (used to use children's play areas but they are grown up now)
- East cliff golf and tennis
- Canal walk ways
- but none in my immediate area are year round dog friendly for off lead exercise!
- Dungeness
- bowls greens
- walking my dog
- walking my dog
- Open air gyms
- Paths along and area around the Royal Military Canal, Princes Parade in Hythe and the promenade.
- Beach
- a space away from traffic and houses a place for people of all ages to run walk cycle walk or skate without the worry of constant traffic and quiet areas to sit, read , observe and just enjoy so rare in this day and age
- Princes parade is our favourite family walk
- Canal pathways
- Princes Parade is an excellent example of a natural open space
- Princes parade
- Radnor Park Dog Space
- A prime example for an open space for me is Princess Parade local wildlife walks cycle road near to me - do not have to take a car to get there nature to show my grand children beach
- Outdoor gym for adults
- Open space at end of Underwood Hawkinge.
- Cemeteries

**Q3 Please tick which type of open spaces you use most often. Please tick one option.**  
**Other (please specify)**

- Open air gyms
- Beach
- Princes Parade
- Most of above about same percentage

**Q6 What mode of transport do you use for the majority of your journey when going to the local park or open space you visit the most? Please tick one option. Other (please specify)**

- mobility scooter so all should have access

- but for off lead dog exercise I have to drive the majority of the year.
- Too restrictive questions

**Q8 If you use parks or open spaces, what activities do you take part in when you visit them? Please tick all that apply.**

**Other (please specify)**

- picking wild food (berries, nuts, mushrooms etc)
- As a cycling/walking route.
- Cycling
- Supporting service users to access
- With grandchildren
- Make art
- Breath the fresh air and enjoy the silence
- Just going for a walk
- All round sports and play areas.
- Photography
- to cope with depression
- Picnic in summer
- barbecue, picnic
- Growing veg etc
- For fresh air and sunshine
- Fishing
- Leisure centre with swings etc lower Folkestone Leas
- Photographing graves/family history
- Gardening on my allotment

**Q9 What is the name of your most visited open space?**

- Folkestone beach
- St martins plain
- The leas
- Royal Military Canal at Princes Parade
- Radnor Park
- Uphill play Park, Hawkinge
- The Warren
- radnor park
- Coastal park
- East Cliff/Harbour/Seafront/Coastal Park areas.
- Coastal Park
- Royal Military Canal
- Oakland's, Hythe
- Brockhill country park
- Canal path all the way to Aldergate Lane from Folkestone/Hythe
- Folkestone Harbour/lower Leas/coastal park
- Radnor park
- Warren coastal park
- Radnor park
- Dymchurch beach
- Coastal park and path to sandgate

- Sandgate
- Coastal park
- radnor park
- Beach
- Cheriton park
- coastal park, Radnor park, beach
- Radnor park
- The Greens, Littlestone
- Brockhill park
- Sandgate beach
- Royal military canal
- Costal park
- Samphire hoe
- The warren
- Coastal park
- Coastal park
- Coastal park, canterbury road rec
- Various pedestrian areas as am a road runner, mainly the seafront path from Folkestone to Hythe.
- Coastal Park
- St Mary's bay beach
- The coastal park
- Elham
- Hythe green
- Morehall Rec
- Radnor Park
- Lower Coastal Park
- The Leas
- Sunny sands
- Coastal Park folkestone or elms vale park
- Viaduct
- Radnor
- Folkestone beach walk
- Coastal park
- Leas coastal path
- The hythe canal -around Princess Parade
- The reck
- Field
- Sandgate beach
- Play areas in Hawkinge
- Folkestone coastal park
- Along the canal
- Stombers Lane
- Folkestone Sunny Sands
- Coastal park
- The Leas
- The beach
- Kearsney Abbey

- Sandgate Road precinct, Folkestone
- The leas coastal park
- The Warren
- Pleasure beach
- Golden valley
- Sandgate beach
- Don't know the name It is in the Park Farm area of Ashford Kent
- Freemantle Road
- Cheriton Garden
- Sandgate Rec - Military Road
- Lower Leas Coastal Park
- hythe canel
- Sunny sands & Harbour area.
- Radnor park
- Lympne
- East cliff
- Capel park
- Coastal Park
- Hawkinge cricket club
- Jocks pitch/Warren
- The Leas
- Sandgate beach
- Canterbury Road Recreation Ground
- Brockhill
- Radar park
- rador park
- The Marsh and the beach
- Biggins Wood Road/Pine Way park
- The hills behind Folkestone and the Warren
- brockhill country park
- the coastal park
- Park on Ridgeborough Lane in Sandgate
- Jock's pitch
- Woods nr Hayne Barne & Eton lands
- Coastal Park
- brockhill
- Coastal park
- Coastal park
- Coastal Park - Lower Leas
- Brockhill Parj
- Dymchurch beach
- Hythe Oaklands, the canal and Palmarsh rec
- The Greens Littlestone
- Coastal park
- Childrens play park
- Coastal park
- folkestone coastal park

- Greatstone Beach/Littlestone Greens
- Coastal park
- Warren
- The Leas
- Littlestone
- Radnor Park
- The leas
- Lower Leas Coastal Park
- Lower leas
- Radnor Park
- Leas play park
- Canterbury road
- Coastal park
- Radnor park
- Lower Leas Coastal Park
- Brockhill
- Canterbury road rec. Folkestone
- Coastal park
- Coastal park
- Not sure (play area on Morrison Road/Dover rd)
- Lower Radnor Park play area
- Park on Littlestone greens weekly nd Brockhill country park monthly
- Littlestone beach
- Radnor Park
- St martins field new romney
- Megan close play park
- Old Romney play area
- Brockhill park
- St Martine New Romney
- Coastal park
- Brockhill park
- Canterbury road rec
- Coastal park
- The Leas and Coastal park
- Radnor park
- Coastal park folkestone
- Playground opposite the waterworks at the top of Tram Rd
- Radnor park
- Coastal Park
- radnor
- Leas
- Folkestone coastal park
- Park behind All Souls Primary School
- Lower Leas Coastal Park
- Tayne field
- Folkestone old cemetery
- Coastal park

- Lyminge parks
- no idea
- The Warren
- The Green
- Radnor Park play area
- Lower leas adventure park
- Costal park
- Coastal park
- cheriton park
- Coastal park Folkestone
- Coastal park
- hythe green
- Upper Radnor Park
- Zig zag path
- Radnor Park and Coastal Park
- Radnor Park
- Lower leas coastal park
- Folkestone Warren
- East cliff
- The leas and open fields near newington
- Dymchurch beach
- Royal Military Canal West Hythe
- St martins field and little stone beach
- princes parade, hythe canal
- Greatstone Beach out of season, Littlestone beach in season, Newchurch Village Green for secure off lead green space.
- Princes Parade
- Samphire Hoe
- Greatstone Beach
- Brockhill Park
- Princes Parade
- Leas coastal park
- Princes Parade
- Princes Parade
- Folkestone costal park
- Princes Parade, Hythe
- Princes parade
- Jocks pitch
- Ah ah Princes Parade
- Jubilee Field, Newchurch
- The Warren
- Lower Radnor park
- Radnor park
- The Leas
- Folkestone Coastal Park
- Military canal
- Sandgate woods
- Sunny sands

- Radnor park
- Jubilee Field, Newchurch
- The Rype
- Coastal park
- Radnor Park
- The Warren
- st martins field
- Tayne field
- Leas / Lower Leas / Mermaid Beach
- Brockhill park
- Proctor Walk Playground Hawkinge
- Cheriton recreational park
- Military canal and beaches
- Coastal park
- Campbell Road park
- The Leas or the beach
- Coastal Park
- Sandgate Beach
- Freemantle Road Play Area
- TOO MANY
- Princes Parade
- The Rype Lydd
- Hythe canal
- Don't know
- The green hythe
- The Warren
- Footpaths, bridleways and cycle paths alongside Royal Military Canal
- Sandgate beach
- Radnor park
- Radnor park
- The warren and adjacent beach
- Stanley Road park
- Princes Parade - Royal Military Canal
- coastal park
- Folkestone Warren
- The leas (coastal park)
- Hythe beach
- The Leas and Littlestone Greens
- Coastal park folkestone
- Hythe Beach
- Littlestone beach also walk with a group in many areas
- Beach and allotment
- St Martins field
- Royal military canal, hythe to Seabrook
- Oaklands
- Princes's Parade.
- Princes parade and royal military canal

- Oatlands green space
- Littlestone
- Littlestone golf course field and Sea Front
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- Canal area walk parked by at pull in off princes parade. Next is brockhill park
- Princes parade
- Hastings country park
- Coastal Park
- Prince's Parade and canal area Hythe
- Hythe Green & Holman's Field
- Hythe recreation ground
- Littlestone/Greatstone/ St marys bay
- the beach
- Coastal path
- The Leas and Lower Sandgate Road
- Coastal park
- radnor park, cheriton rec, kingsnorth gdns
- Royal Military Canal banks
- Coastal park
- Hythe Sea front (Marine Parade, Princes Parade)
- Princes Parade in Hythe.
- The Esplanade Folkestone to Hythe
- Hythe canal and beach
- Coastal park
- Sunny sands, Sandgate beach, Mermaid beach
- Hythe beach
- princes parade seabrook
- The Rec or Lower Leas Coastal Park
- Princes parade
- Princes Parade/Royal Military Canal
- Princes parade, beach and canal path
- Wobbly Park Seabrook
- Coastal Park
- As above
- Lade Fort Crescent
- Hythe seafront
- Prince's Parade, Seabrook
- The area around Princes Parade
- Princes Parade.
- Canal bank
- Princes Parade
- Princes Parade
- Oaklands park hythe
- St Mary's Bay
- Princess parade
- Princes parade
- Radnor Park



- Royal Military Canal (Princess Parade)
- Radnor park
- Lyminge Forest
- Princes parade
- Princes Parade & Royal Military Canal
- Princes Parade
- Princes Parade, Hythe
- Princes Parade
- Princes parade
- Princes parade Hythe
- Princes Parade
- East cliff/Warren
- kingsnorth gdns
- Princes Parade
- along the canal from Sandgate to the light railway in Hythe
- Coastal park and adjoining beach
- Coastal park
- Hythe Canal
- Royal military canal
- Hythe The Green
- Princes Parade
- Hythe canal plus oaklands plus beach
- Lower Leas Country Park
- coastal park Folkestone
- hamsteet woods
- Coastal Park
- TAYNE FIELD
- Brockhill Country Park
- Hythe seafront
- Polo ground by Cornwallis Ave
- folkestone coastal park
- Brockhill park
- princes parade/beach
- Hythe Green
- Brockhill Park
- Seabrook, Royal Military Canal, Princes Parade.
- Lower Leas Coastal Park & seafront
- Oaklands
- Green space Underwood Hawkinge.
- Kersney abbey
- The Rype
- Cheriton Recreation ground
- Radnor park
- Folkestone Downs
- greatstone beach and costal cycling
- Cheriton Rec
- Hythe Royal Military Canal (but others often too)

- Lydd on Sea Beach

**Q10 If you don't use parks and open spaces regularly (i.e. once a month or less) why is this? Please tick one option. Other (please specify)**

- I live in Canterbury so I usually use parks around there but I travel to Folkestone and other areas by bus every now and again. When my brothers and I were younger we spent a lot of time at Folkestone park and we loved it, it was by far the best park around for kids, afterwards we would walk around town, visit the amazing sweet shop and go and get fish and chips.
- I use the parks
- Free parking at coastal park
- Not been suitable weather to be at the costal park.
- Too busy working
- Our closest playpark at the Seapoint Centre in Seabrook does not have swings suitable for a toddler.
- I live in Milton Keynes but whenever I'm in Folkestone I always walk to the Warren and along the sea front.
- Work and family commitments prevent us going to them more, we do however go a bit more often during the school holidays.
- There are no parks in Folkestone with decent play equipment for the under 5's. The lower leas is lovely but it ah get very crowded with children of all ages. Plus it is difficult to see where children are. We rarely stay in Folkestone if we're meeting friends for a play date but instead choose to go somewhere like Kearnsey Abbey. This is because it has an excellent (enclosed) park with a wide range of play equipment. There is plenty of space for a picnic and to play ball and a little cafe on site for drinks and ice creams. It means you could spend a day at Kearnsey Abbey without children being bored after 30 minutes. There is nothing similar in Folkestone where you could arrange to meet friends and spend the day. I would love to see the play equipment at the park in Sandgate on Ridgeborough Lane updated. With so many new houses being built in Sandgate it would be wonderful to have a fabulous enclosed park within walking distance where you could take a picnic and meet with friends. Your plans for Radnor Park are fantastic but it is an open park surrounded by busy roads. Some investment in your smaller community parks would be amazing.
- Lack of time off.
- The weather is bad!! It's winter but in the summer we are at the park all the time!!
- There isn't one I can walk to
- Lack of free tome
- Lack of time
- dogs mess
- Poor outdated play equipment for children under 5
- Bad health
- Question does not apply to me as I use open spaces regularly
- Its been Raining
- to far and to cold

**Q13 If you would like to give more information about your level of satisfaction or dissatisfaction with the quality of parks and open spaces in Shepway (question 11) please do so here:**

- They need to be cleaner. Too much litter, fly tipping and dog mess
- I would like to see more edible plants grown alongside ornamentals and possibly the encouragement of different types of fungi (preferably edible) within the parks. There is way to much emphasis on tree felling to tackle what sdc considers fungal infection of trees. As the practice rarely works. Especially for the type of fungus that i know grows in Folkestone. A better idea to avoid tree felling would be to introduce competing fungi in the same spot as the more damaging variety. I do know that chicken of the woods, sulphur tufts and oyster mushrooms have been shown to outcompete the more invasive honey fungus.
- I note that some improvements are being made to the corner of Radnor Park by the old fountain. Could the council have gone one step further and reinstate the tennis courts and mini golf that usedto be in the top corner, this could have included a pay and play facility on the bowls green?
- I only didn't put very satisfied due to litter levels, these are particularly bad in the ponds near Radnor park- so much litter and debris it's horrible

- Better control of litter and dog mess. More recycling bins including BBQ disposal. Also Sandagate path is not wide enough for cycles, cafe tables and pedestrians. A board walk would help.
- The open spaces in shepway are not always accessible to those who are disabled.
- To many teenage children wrecking Canterbury road rec at night and it not being cleaned in the mornings
- Dogs mess is often an issue. Litter is sometimes an issue.
- Some spaces are fantastic (Coastal park) some are improving (Radnor park ) others are neglected (Lindwood rec)
- We need to preserve nature and encourage to appriate what we have.. before it all goes to building plots!
- Shepway should commit to maintaining all open spaces in the area. Several areas are used to fly-tip, covered in dog mess and are overgrown. Also, Shepway should be committed to protecting open space and not continue to plan building on green spaces.
- Vandalism and litter makes it less enjoyable
- More cycleways along the coast.
- I believe we should become more practical facing problems of our societies and that one way would be to turn as many spaces as possible into beautiful edible gardens to grow food for souls and bodies at the same time.
- Stombers Lane hawkinge park needs serious updating and making safe
- Lot of play equipment is old little variety.
- I have been visiting golden valley park for 10 years & im very dissatisfied that the swings have been taken down over a year ago & leaves no swings for my children who are 11 & 8. I live 2 mins from this park & have used the park regularly for 10 years. My children are also very disappointed that their local park is of no use to them other than a slide that had been made smaller.
- The freemantle road park is in dire need of restoration.
- Some of the more local parks are very limited in the type of play equipment they offer and some of it is very old.
- Less dogs mess / litter! Upgrade lymgne play park please
- I walk my dogs through the coastal park most days and it always looks lovely. The guys that work hard all year round should be commended for everything they do.
- There is an imbalance in the district from no playing fields to lots of playing fields.
- We need more for the older kids, aged 10/17
- Myself and my children use the park on biggins wood road/pine way Folkestone almost every day. Whilst money has been invested in the park in the way of a new swing it would be nice to see something new to replace the slide that was removed.. Cheriton Recreation ground has also had swings removed with only 2 swings returned.
- Maintenance of these play areas are not always satisfactory
- We are desperate for better play facilities for the children in Palmarsh Recreation park
- The quality of flower planting and upkeep of green spaces are outstanding. The playspace for children could be made bigger to include an area for picnicking exempting dogs.
- I am very happy with the more popular children's play areas, like the coastal park, but some of the quieter play areas are not so well maintained. For example, we don't use our closest park in the golden valley as the swings have been broken/missing for over a year.
- What's already there needs to be maintained better and maximised. For example the little park on the Avenue in New Romney is almost continually flooded and just sits there. This is an important space for families that side of the town including all the new houses around Josephs Way. If more houses are going to be built then the council needs to make sure that there's enough green space for new residents.
- There is nothing for children with disabilities - also the coastal park is brilliant for most abilities would be nice to have something like that in Radnor.
- They can be quite repetitive same kinda thing in all of them would be good to have more with outside gym in them so older children & adults could join in the fun
- Could do with better play facilities on jocks pitch as it's a lovely green open space with a or of families living in that area who would use the park for young children.
- To be honest I do not know who is responsible for the playpark opposite the marsh academy but it is a mess to put it plainly.since works were there a year or two ago we do not use it. However on a more positive note the park on Littlestone greens has been greatly improved and has the luxury of the outside gym!
- Would love an enclosed area somewhere in New Romney that dogs are allowed off lead please.
- I think the council do a very good job in the maintenance of the park, it's the general attitude of some people that misuse the space
- One of the main reasons we bought our flat was due to its close proximity to the Leas, coastal park and beach
- Not enough parks and kids playgrounds and the ones that are in existence are generally in a poor state of repair and play equipment is very limited.

- Some parks need equipment updating or maintaining. Some areas need something for all ages so younger children are not intimidated by older children
- Why is there no lighting on the Leas?!
- Parks need more to keep the 8-12 year olds occupied they too old for slide etc but not old enough to just hang around
- Love Shepway parks and rec - the Leas and beaches being favourites. Standards very high. Although notice the rats are back in the coastal park...
- Need more maintenance and more litter-picking.
- They are not kept clean and tidy, I would be happy to pay more council tax if all the work to make the area nice was better maintained.
- The coastal park is great as it has areas which make a day out, including different play facilities for different ages and toilets and a cafe. The park such as Cheriton park has just been developed but can only spend about half an hour there as no toilets, and the younger children's area is not suitable for children under 5. Sand pits would be great in other parks as well play equipment or hills and bumps and textures that under 5s would enjoy. And a place to get a cup of tea or some warmth would be nice.
- Parks need easy access to toilets. This is not always the case.
- The beaches are great and generally clean, there are a lot of playgrounds which seem quite dated now though. It would be great to get some more modern playground facilities.
- The up keep on play areas for younger children Unfortunately vandalism is ruining play areas
- Dymchurch skate park
- We could do with a park or area in new Romney where we can exercise dogs off lead.
- More effort should be made to link green spaces and not be treated in isolation, whether it's a park, nature reserve, RM Canal. Housing should sit within the green space, but not destroy the inherent and historical link.
- Dog mess is a huge problem in all types of open spaces, nothing is done to catch offenders yet councils now use cameras to prosecute litterers, so why not follow dog walkers discreetly and fine offenders
- Sad to see so many open spaces being sold to Developers & used for housing, rather than turned into green spaces for the community. I understand more housing is needed but there are so many abandoned empty houses across the country that should be utilised instead.
- Generally speaking, the parks are good e.g. Lower Leas and Kingsnorth Gardens etc, but SDC should scrap the development of such a vital resource as Princes Parade as the scheme is patently not in local residents' interests.
- Most parks are very good e.g. Lower Leas Coastal Park, Kingsnorth Gardens etc but children's play facilities could be improved in Cheriton. SDC should also scrap plans to build on Princes Parade. It's a vital green space in Seabrook and the scheme is patently not in the interests of local residents.
- The coastal park in Folkestone is absolutely amazing, however for local children being down the cliffs it's more of a family day trip than a local stop off on the way home from school or a quick run around spot. I'd like to see more space in Folkestone where children can go where it is safely protected from the roads but accessible for shorter playing activities.
- More bins are required as the level of rubbish is too high. Dog poo bins also not frequent enough.
- Jocks pitch has a very poor children's play area considering those living around it pay substantial council tax fees and it is frequently used by families to access the warren. The area is used as a thoroughfare to the beach and could provide so much more for families in the summer. The only options currently in the summer are to sit amongst the dog poo and play ball games No facilities for older children at all.
- Love what is here already, but Folkestone desperately needs more playgrounds (swings etc), even if small, for young kids (2-10).
- Need more trees and landscaping in Radnor park.
- Newchurch has a great park space considering numbers of children. Other parks in built up areas don't seem to be right...I think this is because adults decide on park equipment. You need to ask young people what they want and need.
- Parks in Hawkinge are not maintained well
- I feel that while the coastal park is a great space for children, some of the other local parks need some work. One example would be the park on Jocks pitch, this is a lovely space but the park is really tired and could do with renovation.
- Continual issues with rubbish. Teenagers hanging about during holidays making it unfriendly for younger children. Not enough toddler friendly parks or open spaces. Not enough provision made for older children either - no where for them to play ball games, skate etc so they use park space meant for under 10s
- I am concerned we are losing some of the open space for sports facilities to new housing in the Shornecliffe area. I am also concerned that Princes Parade will be built upon as this is beautiful open area that I enjoy walking along regularly.
- It would be nice to see more roadside nature reserves, community gardens etc
- Many of the children's play areas that we visit feel neglected - often we have to clear broken glass from around equipment, bins are full, equipment has been damaged and/or removed. In Hawkinge some of the play areas

are in a dire state.

- We need to preserve the ones we have and then add to them.
- Better play equipment in some of the parks is needed.
- Main area for improvement is Radnor Park but aware this is in the pipeline. The coastal park is superb.
- Bridleways are poorly maintained. Recently walked the Sandy Lane Byway from Shorncliffe to Seabrook to find it blocked by fallen trees and also found fly tipped furniture "
- All play equipment/areas should be enclosed to prevent dog access and dog fouling. Enforce dog ban areas properly. Dog fouling ruins play areas. Greater variety of play equipment. More exciting/interesting play equipment needed. Also toilets are a must!!! Young children cannot hold it in that long. For example Military Road/ Lower Radnor Park - no toilets so can't stay as long as we would like or take a picnic.
- Too much dog fouling Uncertain future of green spaces with possible housing developments, even on tiny patches of green
- Filthy state of the beach - mainly through rubbish left by fishermen.
- Littlestone Seafront is very neglected, poor condition to the road surface for access.
- One problem is litter
- So many of the open spaces are beautifully kept but there is a problem with fly tipping especially Crete Rd. Some of this is from commercial operation so you need to inform the Environment Agency as this is a CRIME and they should be dealing with it!
- Romney Marsh needs a natural and semi natural green space.
- Could be more inventive with spaces, like the coastal path. Only one really good kids park in shepway , in costal path, the rest are very basic. ( hythe green ok) The combined space like the costal path, children & adult spaces is the way forward
- I am very satisfied with princes parade and am therefore worried we will lose this beautiful space to development.
- Litter
- I would like to see more outside gym equipment... Set in a dedicated space like a playground for adults
- Dog mess is a frustrating problem in most areas
- I find the main problems with quality are litter, vandalism and dog poo. Some due to inadequate maintenance or perhaps lack of facilities which would help like more litter bins and places for young people to use.
- The views and open space was a primary reason for moving to the Shepway area last year.
- Currently the natural, green space of Princes Parade is a great open space however, it and other open spaces such as The Green are constantly under threat of development and this would mean a serious degradation of the provision of open spaces in Hythe.
- More space or young people and their a giving
- We enjoy lots of different open spaces most are well kept but Princes parade is the best as there is always something different to see and if the kids are with us they love the wooden Park area..it feeds their imagination.. In the summer it is so near the beach.. Best of all world's.
- Our family would be devastated if Princes Parade/the Royal Military Canal was developed. It's such a special place, so important to everyone we know around here who use it all the time foe exercise, pleasure, walks with friends etc and as a place to get away from it all when we need to.
- Some park areas need updating. We are in West Hythe and there is nothing in walking distance in terms of play areas. The one on Burmarsh Road has nothing in it any more apart from a basketball hoop and goals.
- We used to live in Hythe and I really appreciated the walk along the military canal , Lay's Walk and the beautiful borders along Wakefield Walk. I would like to see the bank alongside the canal in New Bridge Way properly landscaped. The reeds are overgrown and in the summer you can't see the canal. It used to be used as an area for picnics and fishing. It is now any eyesore.
- The answer is staring at us in the face: Save Princess Parade and the beautiful nature reserve for all generations to benefit from now and in the future and not housing developers
- The use of such areas is increasing as people pursue a more active lifestyle that incorporates enjoyment of natural open space but the availability of such areas is decreasing due to development of housing and commercial buildings. More needs to be done to provide both formal parks as well as more informal natural open space.
- Please preserve the valuable assets we have and don't let them diminish, they will be lost forever
- Encourage better management by using vulounteers as well as qualified maintenance teams.
- It's a shame that our natural green spaces are being sold for housing that will only be affordable by the richer population. And really that it should be built in at all.
- Not so much the quality but the fact that green open space is gradually being eroded by development. If Princes Parade were to be developed this would be a huge loss to the area.
- We don't have many completely natural spaces that are easily accessible around the local area. We can't really get back area that is already built upon, but we could at least refrain from building on the parts we have left.

- Natural and semi natural spaces still require managing, I feel this gets overlooked
- Why does Q12 not include specific dog walking areas as a choice. In Hythe we need a Radnor Park dog walking area. We have plenty of football/tennis and skateboard areas.
- I do not use Folkestone so called green spaces due to anti social behaviours and with having an experience myself young children 15 ish swearing and abusing me.
- I really would like to see more outdoor gym equipment, a perfect place would be the East Cliff recreation area. It already has numerous leisure/exercise opportunities and an outdoor gym like the one in the Capel le Ferne gardens would be an ideal setting.
- There is such a long wait to get an allotment, I just want to do some gardening and grow some veg for health and relaxation it's essential
- Childrens play equipment is generally poor. Too limited and basic.
- The litter bins along sea front in Hythe are old and broken and when windy all the litter blows out.
- Brockhill Park could have more walks within it and could be looked after better
- The 'children's park at SeaPoint, Princes Parade is woefully inadequate for all age groups, but especially toddlers.
- Green area outside Hollands Avenue - been trying to get permission for mini park for years!
- Need provision for my disabled son - with good visibility, with fences and working gates and away from roads.
- In Hawkinge, the children's play parks are so run down and under maintained that they are too dangerous for me to take my children to
- One of the nicest green spaces, the local garden centre, is going to be built on :-(( So much for green spaces for people to enjoy, & for the local wildlife!
- Many of the children play areas are old and most of the equipment has been removed & not replaced. Would be great to have more toddler friendly options!
- We have great parks and open spaces. Unfortunately a lot of the countryside is inaccessible as its farmland with very few paths across it.

#### **Q16 Which allotment or community garden do you use?**

- Park Farm
- Harbour ward community garden; Blackbull allotment
- Kings north and the Leas
- Hawkinge Allotment Society - not managed by Shepway.
- Tynwald, Hythe
- Park Farm Road, Folkestone
- tile kiln lane nearest
- Tyson Hill Road community garden
- Lyminge
- One in Etchinghill if there was one created.
- Harbour Community Gardens
- Harbour garden and Blackbull allotment
- Blackbull Rd
- I used to have one on Eaton Lands
- No where else to put this comment but even though I don't personally need an allotment I think we should be providing more including some communal plots
- Tyson Road community garden
- Twiss Road, Hythe
- I like to walk past and look at Eaton Lands and the allotment near Hythe Canal. Just because I don't have the physical ability to build an allotment doesn't mean I don't like looking at them.
- Lydd

#### **Q18 What mode of transport do you use for the majority of your journey when going to your allotment plot or community garden? Please tick one option. Other (please specify)**

- Mobilty scooter

**Q22 What mode of transport do you use for the majority of your journey when going to the play facility you visit most often? Please tick one option. Other (please specify)**

- Mobilty scooter to take grandchildren
- and on foot

**Q24 What is the play facility you visit most often?**

- Leas Coastal park
- Play area by Amy camp
- Children's play area by the canoe club at Seabrook
- Coastal park
- radnor park
- Coastal Park 8
- Royal Military Canal
- Coastal Park
- Radnor Park
- Coastal park
- Lower sand gate road coastal park
- Coastal park
- Coastal park with my nephew!
- Coastal park
- radnor park or payers park
- Cheriton park
- Chichester Park
- Cheriton recreation ground
- Coastal park
- Canterbury road rec
- Coastal Park
- Coastal park
- Elham
- Hythe green
- Brockhill
- Lower Radnor park
- Lower Leas
- The seabrook play park on princess parade
- Hawkinge play areas on rotation. All walkable.
- Folkestone coastal park
- Stombers Lane hawkinge
- Capel park
- Jocks Pitch
- Lower Leas Coastal Park
- Golden valley
- Capel
- Military Road, folkestone
- Static cycling, rowing etc.
- Military Road Rec
- lower leas

- Radnor park and the small park beside Stella maris
- Lympne
- Hawkinge park
- Trampolining Maidstone. Roack Wall Broadstairs.
- St Martins
- costal park
- Park on the rype in Lydd
- Biggins Wood Road/Pine Way
- the coastal park
- Coastal park
- Coastal Park
- Coastal park
- Lower Leas Coastal Park
- Military Road Rec
- Oaklands Hythe, Canal and Burmarsh Rec
- Coastal park. Would like to use my nearest one, golden valley, but swings are broken!
- brockhill park
- Littlestone Greens
- Coastal park
- Littlestone play park
- Radnor Park
- Leas play park
- Coastal park
- Lower Leas Coastal Park
- Lower Radnor Park play area
- Littlestone greens
- St martins rifles new romney
- Megan close
- Old Romney play area
- Sandgate costal park
- Canterbury road rec
- Coastal park
- The coastal park
- Great stone play park or Dymchurch recreation
- Cheriton park
- Playground opposite waterworks at top of Tram Rd or Elham playground
- Radnor park
- radnor
- Leas adventure park
- Coastal park
- Lower Leas Coastal Park
- Tayne field
- Play area, Hythe Green
- Cheriton park
- Coastal Par
- Lower leas park
- Coastal park



- cheriton park
- Coastal park
- Upper radnor park
- Coastal park
- Swings
- Coastal park
- Coastal Park
- in between shorncliffe and saga in sandgate
- Hythe children's parks
- Lower Leas coastal park
- The Folkestone costal park
- Jocks pitch
- Jubilee field Newchurch
- Radnor Park
- Hythe green
- Cheriton recreation ground
- Morrison road
- Radnor park
- Zip line at Newchurch.
- Lydd the Rype
- Canterbury Rd rec
- Costal Park
- Lower Leas
- Hythe Green
- Proctor Walk Hawkinge
- Park near Dover Road/Coastal park
- Campbell Road
- By Cromwell park place
- Freemantle Road play area
- Stanley Road, Cheriton park
- The green hythe
- Coastal park
- Coastal park
- Radnor park
- Coastal park playground
- military road park
- Littlestone
- Coastal park
- Hythe Green
- Fairfield Road, New Romney
- Oakland/hythe green
- The playground in Seabrook and oaklands hythe
- Coastal Park
- Hythe green
- Sandgate park on Military Road
- Coastal park
- Coastal park

- Hythe Green playground
- Hythe seafront
- Molehill or Cheriton Park
- Saltwood park
- Seabrook Wobbly Park
- Lympne
- Princes Parade play area
- Oaklands hythe
- Oaklands Park Hythe
- Princess parade
- The leas
- Cow gate road Hawkinge
- Folkestone Ski Slope
- Leas cliff
- Open air gym equipment
- Princes parade
- A small park, that could be bigger
- East cliff
- Seabrook beach park by canal
- Princes Parade
- East Cliff
- SALTWOOD
- Brockhill country park
- Saltwood play park
- Coastal park
- Hythe Green
- SeaPoint Princes Parade.
- The Rype
- Cheriton recreation ground
- Hawkinge
- Radnor Park

## **Q27 Any further comments on play facilities in Shepway?**

- Needs to be indoor facilities
- There are very few facilities for children 5 and under within shepway. The closest to me is radnor park and there are very few other facilities within easy walking distance that cater to my 19 month old child. With the exception of baby swings and sand pits (that are only used during the summer months) there's next to bugger all amenities for ages 5 and below and not many locations within easy distance of each other either.
- Looking forward to the new play equipment at Radnor Park- much needed and hoping there is some provision for very young children. We don't have older kids so I don't really know much about provision for them.
- Limited/no play facilities that are designed for those that are disabled e.g wheelchair swings and platforms
- Remember a lot of children are taken to these places so should be a mixture of things to do
- I don't think it's acceptable that a public play park has to be insured and maintained by a very small charity who struggle to raise funds. It should be a statutory responsibility, particularly as it was previously maintained by the parish council.
- 2 parks closest to me in the east cliff area are poorly maintained and do not provide enough equipment/facilities for children.
- It's a mixed bag at the moment but very exciting to see upper Radnor park will be improved and great about the indoor skate park. Would like a green gym on Radnor park.
- I only use with my grandchild

- More cycle tracks please
- There is not enough older play equipment for 7-14 year olds in park. There's a lot of toddler play areas, golden valley park is just for toddlers not older children
- Freemantle Road Green space is woefully under provided for - despite having many young families close by
- The equipment is sometimes damaged and it seems to take a long time for repairs to take place.
- As previously stated imbalance in Shepway District. Rich areas receive more and deprived areas have none.
- We need more for the older kids in Lydd
- When equipment is removed (presumably for health and safety reasons) it isn't replaced quickly enough. Cheriton Recreation ground is still missing swings from the older kids area and a climbing frame from the young kids area. Biggins wood road/pine way is still missing the slide.
- Jock's Pitch should be revamped with play equipment for young children and enlarge new and a large dog free picnic area created as the view is do stunning. Martello tower opened as museum.
- There needs to be a play area on the west side of Folkestone nearer to where shorncliffe road meets Folkestone west station and I would suggest st Mary's playing field
- There are a group of teens who hang about the Birds Estate who really do need something to do - they are bored out of their minds - but a good hearted bunch.
- Golden valley swings are broken! They have been for over a year, which means we have to drive to a park. Please fix.
- We are very lucky to have our green gym and park on the Greens. Something like this closer to New Romney town would be good.
- Young teenagers hanging around smaller younger childrens play areas and not allowing the smaller children to use the facilities probably because they have no where else to go!
- Cctv should be put in or have wardens for the areas as lots of needles are found in brabner park and in Canterbury Road rec have gangs that beat up younger children and cause damage to cars and properties in that area
- Wish the teens would take care of their areas but that is beyond our control I guess!
- The council need to respond to emails quicker when things are broken, avg 6 months to fix things
- There are no entertainment areas for teenagers so for fun they end up destroying the equipment designed for younger children.
- As before, there are not enough and the ones that do exist are often on a very poor state of repair and play equipment is very limited / basic.
- The park on tayne field is dangerous. The top park is too small with swings right next to the gates. Countless accidents. The see saw is always broken and the slide is impossible for small children to climb up. The bottom park is boring and the slide is far to high for little children to use without giving parents a heart attack. Please remember shepway is more than just folkestone and hythe
- Need more inspection/maintenance
- They all need toilet facilities
- Wish there was more for under 5s and the only skate park in Folkestone is too far for my son to travel without my assistance. There is no climbing walls or equipment aimed at 11years and older in Cheriton that is in walking distance for my son.
- Toilets need to be in every park.
- We can see that there are improvements going on and we are grateful.
- We love the Leas Coastal Park but could do with more outdoor facilities for toddlers.
- Facilities in Cheriton are not in great condition
- Again the costal park(Folkestone) is fabulous and I can not fault it. Brilliant work. But it's position makes it a day trip and harder to pop to from the top of town so it would be great to see improvements to the children's play areas in other parks . I've popped into a few of the mini swing parks and they don't feel full of life they feel abandoned and unloved. It wouldn't take much.
- The only decent park is the coastal park which has had broken equipment for months. Despite this, it is crammed with kids after school in the summer. Jocks pitch gets very busy with adults in the summer but isn't very enticing for children due to lack of facilities
- Desperately in need of more small play areas for young kids.
- Certainly not a lot in Hythe!
- Youth need more things to do
- The play areas local to us (Morrison road, wear bay road) are both in poor repair. Morrison road has had swings missing for almost 2 years, roundabout removed and not replaced for about 9 months. Wear Bay is in poor repair. The wood is rotting and appears to be about to collapse in a couple of areas, which is very dangerous when it is a provision for pre-school children.
- Young teenagers need appropriate safe spaces to socialise where they are not placed at risk.

- Need more maintenance and interest
- Please try to cater for all ages wherever you can. Vandalism and anti-social behaviour occur where there are insufficient facilities for all
- The play areas for younger children often feel unloved and messy - we frequently have to remove litter including glass before our children can play. Equipment is often removed (presumably due to vandalism) or gates locked. In Hawkinge in particular some of the smaller play areas were in a dire state.
- Regular maintenance needed
- Could do with more play facilities for smaller toddlers aged 2-4 years
- Toilets are needed by larger play areas. Better equipment. Enforce dog fouling rules and dog bans.
- It would be good if the equipment was kept cleaner, 2 year old couldn't use it a few weeks ago, as covered in mud
- Really need to think harder about innovation with family spaces, inc kids parks. Coastal path & Brockhill are fab but need more like this
- New Romney & Littlestone do have good areas for youngsters.
- Council Bike hire?
- Please do not take any away
- More is needed for 11+ children
- The play ground in St Mary's Bay off Taylors Lane is shut and locked up. Why?
- I think there are several hobby facilities that could be improved on or added to the community. Ski/snowboarding for example, local facilities are non-existent with the state of the ones at Folkestone sports centre being completely dismal. To find a half decent dry slope a 45 minutes to an hour drive is required and for a snow centre at least double that. Just another outdoor activity and great form of exercise that is discouraged by the lack of accommodating facilities, which can be enjoyed by children and adults of all ages.
- Need to cater for teenagers and young adults better, youth clubs, accessible sports and pastimes?
- Not enough areas and most are very basic. I visit family in Bedford the park areas are amazing.
- The skate park in Hythe is always covered in litter. Need to encourage the young people to take more responsibility
- With the new skate park and climbing wall being built in Folkestone brings a brilliant opportunity to bring a more adventurous type to the area. My recommendations: A large outside climbing wall (possibly up the inside arch of the arch bridge on Ford Rd), a few climbing boulders in the coastal park. Google 'fairlop waters boulders' for some information. A slide / zip wire thing down to the adventure playground. A luge down the hills or the Leas cliff (Google Queenstown luge for information) Reinforced posts and flat areas for people to slack line in most parks. Sign posted/marked lanes for mountain biking with set routes and different difficulties. An outside gym with good body weight facilities such as parallel bars, ropes, chin up bars etc <https://goo.gl/images/iJrJsf> A cantilever bungee jump platform off the top of the Leas cliff. Skate, climbing, soapbox racing and other adventure sports events. Help and guidance from council for individuals to get events up and running. Security cameras in vandalism hotspots
- The coastal park needs baby swings.
- Between the Coastal Park in Folkestone (which is rat infested) and Hythe, there is very little, I would love to see the facilities at Seapoint improved upon greatly, both the park and a proper Club house and storage for kayaks etc.
- George Gurr park - poorly maintained Lower Leas - excellent Jocks Pitch - needs more equipment for kids & some picnic benches
- May be nice to have something for children in Underwood. Have few small children living here. Maybe few exercise pieces for the older ones in Underwood space.
- Not good for my two autistic children who need space away from roads, fences around play equipment for my 10 year old.
- For older teenagers I'm not sure Shepway has much to offer. But as I don't use these facilities, maybe I am just unaware of what is available.