

Wooden Trim Trail:



A wide range of different pieces of trim trail equipment were displayed at the open event which is included in Appendix 9. Single pieces of equipment can be selected and combined to create linear or circular designs:

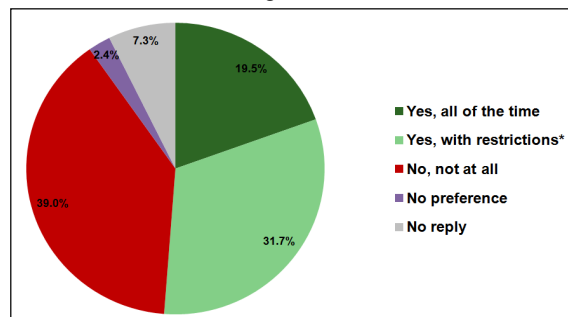
## RECOMMENDATION 13

Explore options to source & install a wooden trim trail on site with priority given to provision of items similar to a 'Rope Bridge', 'Log Climber', 'Tyre Hopscootch' and a 'Rope Tunnel'.

### 7.3) Access to the Site

77% of respondents to the survey indicated they strongly agreed that the site should be a space for the whole community. Many of these felt this should include dog walkers and their pets, with 50% of all respondents suggesting dogs should be allowed. Whilst a number of people had no clear preference, there was a strong representation of 40% from those wishing dogs being excluded from the site.

Households that consider dogs should be allowed on site:



This split in opinion was echoed at the open event with comments regarding dogs being divided almost 50/50. A high number of people at the event indicated that if dogs were to be allowed then appropriate signage is displayed encouraging owners to clear up any fouling.

It is clear that a decision whether to allow dogs needs to be made and effectively communicated to everyone in the community. The main restrictions people wanted to see enforced if dogs were to be allowed were that they be kept on leads and are cleaned up after. In addition however a number of people suggested that dogs be allowed on the site only a certain times. A compromise of this nature may make the situation more acceptable to more people. As in all cases of dog access, the policy would need to be self policing and rely on public support.

## RECOMMENDATION 14

A policy of restricted access be introduced for a trial period excluding dogs from the site

- At weekends
- During school holidays
- Between 3pm and 8pm
- During public events

At other times, dogs may be exercised off their leads subject to being under control and having and fouling removed.

When asked when the site should be open, over 58% agreed that it should be available during the daytime and early evening. This broadly reflects the current policy of "Dawn 'til Dusk"

## RECOMMENDATION 15

The existing policy of operating from Dawn until Dusk remains in place and casual activities are not encouraged after dark. However a procedure be introduced for approving certain community function after dark.

A majority of respondents did not want to see the site available for exclusive bookings by sports clubs or groups etc. However occasional use for community events such as fetes, picnics and cultural events was encouraged

A minority of people felt that a second access gate should be introduced but the number of people expressing this view suggest it may be something to consider in the future as and when user numbers increase

20 (48.8%)	Access restricted to the existing main gate off Marefield Lane.	15 (36.6%)	Access increased by adding another pedestrian access point.
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