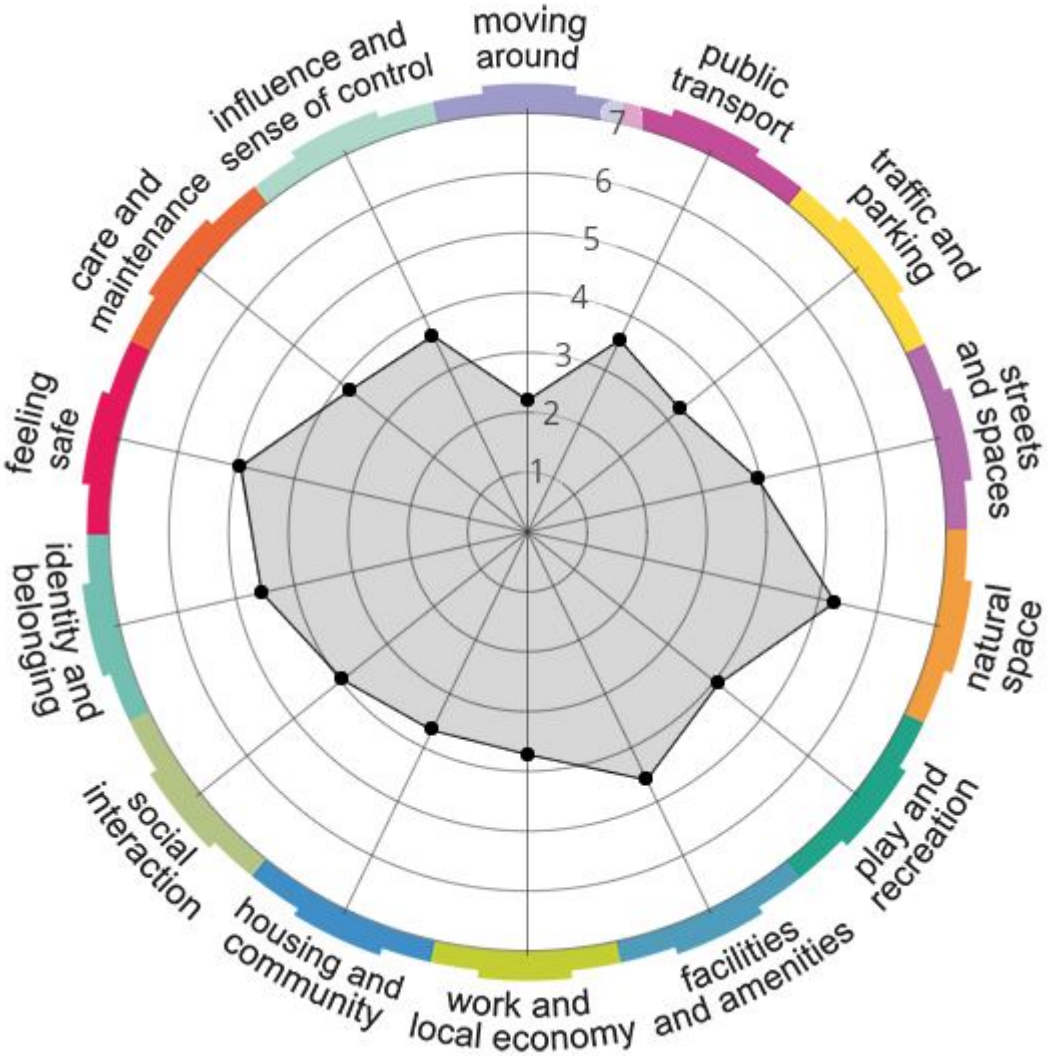
Kilcreggan Responses 2019



Priority Areas for Improvement:

Moving Around

Traffic and Parking

Public Transport

Influence and Sense of Control

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How good is your place? Area wide engagement results using the Place Standard Tool

Between May and October 2019, the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) used the Place Standard tool to engage residents in Argyll and Bute on how they feel about the place(s) that they live and work in Argyll and Bute.

We are very grateful to all the responses that we received. We hope you find the information easy to understand and of interest to you and your community.

We are pleased to see that the thematic areas of Natural Space, Feeling Safe, Identity and Sense of Belonging and Social Contact came out with the highest scores, needing the least improvement, when considering Argyll and Bute as a whole.

The engagement has been undertaken at a place-based level and respondents provided their postcode, groupings of postcodes have created the settlement/community level detail.

The results are available for community groups and partner agencies to use, for example, to assist with service planning or for community-led action plans.

Please note: The information is the views of individuals who responded to the engagement. We trust that the information provided will be viewed within the context of which it is provided. We are grateful to all those who have taken part in the consultation and believe in sharing information for openness and transparency.

We appreciate that the documents can be lengthy due to the amount of information and we hope that the format is user-friendly.

If you have any questions, please see our Frequently Asked Questions Guide or contact Community Planning by e-mail: cppadmin@argyll-bute.gov.uk , phone: 01546 604 464.

Next steps

This information is helping to shape plans for the area. Other information such as information from partners' data and statistics is also used to consider priorities for improvement. The CPP will analyse the information to identify priority themes for improvement within each of the four administrative areas and shape actions to address these where this is possible with resources.

We are currently mapping out what activity is already happening, what is planned within the next 3-4 years and where the gaps are. This information will be considered by both the CPP Management Committee and the Area Community Planning Groups to shape the actions.

The final agreed actions will become part of our four Area Community Planning Action Plans, due to be refreshed in 2021. To get involved, contact your local Area Community Planning Group.

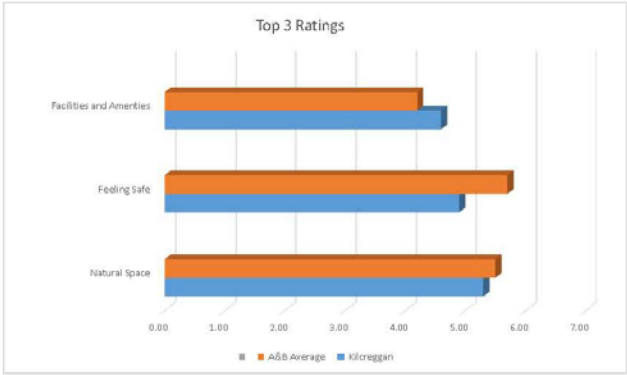
Kilcreggan Responses

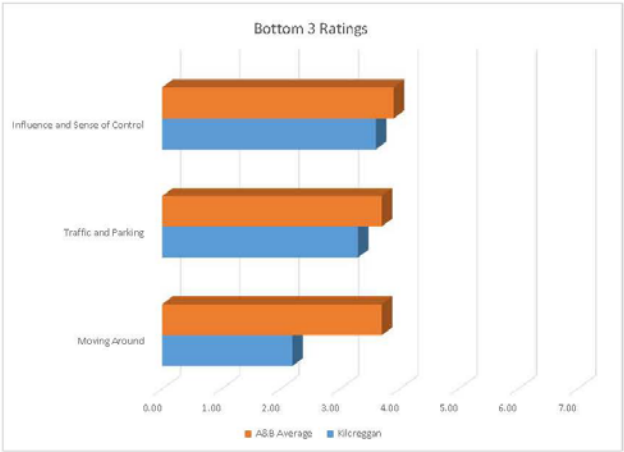
Our Top Rated Areas are:

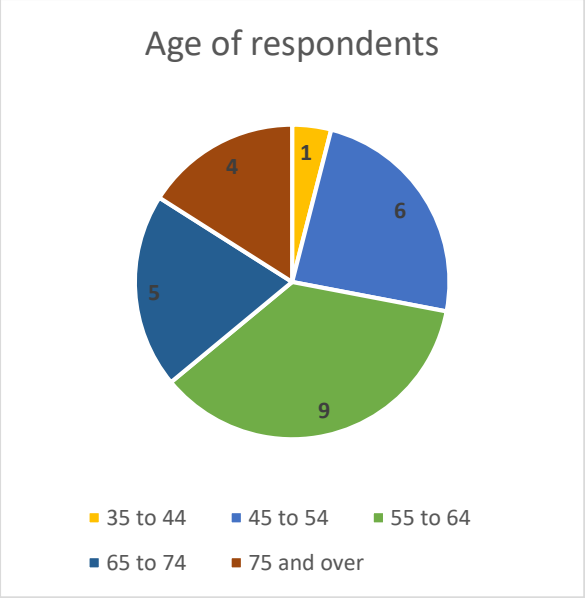
Natural Space	Respondents rated this area 5.3 out of 7 compared to Argyll & Bute Average of 5.5 out of 7.
Feeling Safe	Respondents rated this area 4.9 out of 7 compared to Argyll & Bute Average of 5.7 out of 7.
Facilities and Amenities	Respondents rated this area 4.6 out of 7 compared to Argyll & Bute Average of 4.2 out of 7.

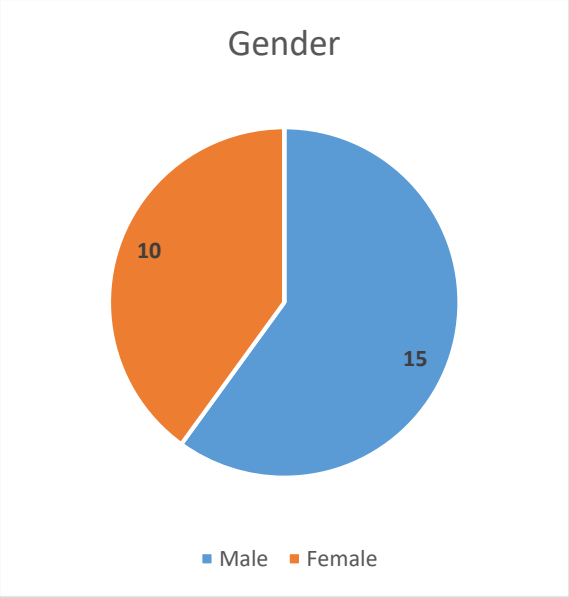
Areas of desired improvement are:

Moving Around	Respondents rated this area 2.2 out of 7 compared to Argyll & Bute Average of 3.7 out of 7.
Traffic and Parking	Respondents rated this area 3.3 out of 7 compared to Argyll & Bute Average of 3.7 out of 7.
Influence and Sense of Control	Respondents rated this area 3.6 out of 7 compared to Argyll &Bute Average of 3.9 out of 7.









Thematic areas by lowest score to highest score

Thematic Area	Average Score
Q1. Moving Around	2.2
Q3. Traffic and Parking	3.3
Q2. Public Transport	3.6
Q14. Influence and Sense of Control	3.6
Q8. Work and Local Economy	3.7
Q9. Housing and Community	3.7
Q13. Care and Maintenance	3.8
Q4. Streets and Spaces	4.0
Q10. Social Contact	4.0
Q6. Play and Recreation	4.1
Q7. Facilities and Amenities	4.6
Q11. Identity and Belonging	4.6
Q12. Feeling Safe	4.9
Q5. Natural Space	5.3

Q1. Moving Around: Can I easily walk and cycle around using good-quality routes?

25 responses in total – Average Score of 2.2							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
10 responses	7 responses	3 responses	3 responses	2 responses	0 responses	0 responses	0 responses

Comments

Good walking routes around the Rosneath Peninsular but no dedicated cycle routes.
More sheltered bus stops needed.
More signage would help the area to tell visitors to the area where the good places to walk and cycle are in and around the village.
No pathways from Rosneath to Kilcreggan/Cove, such a path would encourage walking to both Kilcreggan and also Rosneath caravan park
None in area
Not a good idea to try walking to the coop in Rosneath by road. Can go over the forestry track, but it's an uneven surface.
Not enough pavements at the bus shelter at Kilcreggan, need to drain floods at car park at Kilcreggan.
Our house sits just outside the village and my wife and I walk daily, sometimes two or three times, to the village shops or to the pier for the ferry to Gourock. There is no pavement on the B833 until the village despite most of the route being 30mph rated. I do cycle about the village. This is ok.
Our road is full of potholes, the edges of the road are eroding; there is no path or lights or cycle path. It is no safe to do so - it is not even safe to walk
Pavements are in poor condition, difficult for those who walk with a walking stick.
Pavements are small and slope - not great for young children as cars come round tight bends and are very close to where you are walking.
Pavements could be improved for disabled access.
Pavements in Cove and Kilcreggan a problem
Pavements narrow and broken sometimes non-existent. Road is generally dangerous with speeding traffic.
Poor kerbs, fast road (30mph?). Overhanging hedges etc. can push you onto road. Poor rain runaway in known places. More could be made of safe cycling.
Roads and pavements are shocking! Looks like another round of spray and chip all set to go all over the peninsula judging by the closed laybys and giant piles of stone in each all through summer once again. Spray and chip is a cheap fix for a huge problem that will not go away until the roads and pathways are repaired properly. In the meantime walking, cycling and are other modes of transport and recreational ventures are seriously hindered by the sheer lack of acceptable road and pavement surfacing - health and safety issues staring the council in the face and totally being ignored!
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Signage between Rosneath and Kilcreggan for forest path is needed - safer and quicker than road for walking. Pavement continuation to caravan park.
Some good walking across Rosneath peninsula and beyond bit cycling is very poor and dangerous with too many cycling on poor roads. cycle path design needs to get off road, make paths smoother (no 90 degree bends etc) and respect pedestrians
The roads around the Rosneath Peninsula are very poor, not to say dangerous, for cycling. The road between Kilcreggan and Rosneath is not good for walking either.
There are none....
Too dangerous to cycle on the road, no known cycle routes. Pavement too narrow, need to walk in single file.

Q2. Public Transport: Does public transport meet my needs?

25 responses in total – Average Score of 3.6							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
5 responses	3 responses	5 responses	1 responses	8 responses	2 responses	1 responses	0 responses

Comments

A later bus service and ferry service would see more use
Buses are hourly Monday to Saturday which is I think as much as can be expected. Sunday service is only every two hours which is insufficient. Also last bus back to the village from Helensburgh is too early.
Buses needed for Portincaple
Ferry is great, use it often. Bus to Helensburgh I use only infrequently. Bit of a white knuckle ride, but the drivers know the road well.
Ferry link to Gourock is reasonable. Could do with service into early evening and Sunday too. Bus also reasonable. If the ferry and bus actually coordinated their timetables that would help a lot. Same to be said for ferry arriving at Gourock pier. Mostly on disembarking you see the train leave the station
Generally good but Kilcreggan ferry still a bit hit and miss. Could 316 bus extend to Coulport every half hour in mornings and evenings?
Last bus from Helensburgh is 10pm. One at 11pm would be helpful.
Later ferry service and Sunday service needed and late bus on a Friday and Saturday to connect with the last train from Glasgow. Half hourly bus service.
Limited ferry service. Unable to access Gourock after 1830, which means that appointments at dentist; Inverclyde infirmary have to take place during the day. It also means that I have to leave Glasgow no later than 1630 in order to make the ferry, ruling out any social life with colleagues. No Sunday service - cannot access swimming pool and gymnasium.
More frequent buses
No ferry on a Sunday! Buses not suitable for disabled users why???? Are disabled people not entitled to access the same services as able bodied people in the 21st century?
Not enough bus shelters in Kilcreggan.
Not enough buses to commute the public about. One an hour is not a good enough amount. Every half hour would be a good move. The ferry service has improved since the change over from the last company.
Poor ferry service to Gourock, evenings and weekends, lack of coordinated join up with other bus and train services. Limited bus services
The 316 service from Kilcreggan to Helensburgh is very reliable hourly. However, it would be better if the service went to half-hourly as Garelochhead receives, especially between 6 and 8 in the morning and 5 and 7 in the evening. The passenger ferry to Gourock and then train onto Glasgow is a wonderful feature of life but the service supplier change to Calmac needs to be completed.
There is a good bus service from Coulport to Helensburgh but only hourly. The train to Glasgow from Helensburgh is half hourly and so increasing the bus service to half hourly would be an

advantage. This doesn't seem to be too much of an issue as there is already a half hourly service to/from Garelochhead that could easily be extended to Coulport
There is a regular bus but it does not run past 10pm then it’s the walk along the unlit road for a mile and a half home The ferry stops at 6pm Costs are not affordable
Uncertainty with ferry.
Uncertainty with the ferry.
We regularly use the bus to Helensburgh. Also regularly use the ferry and train to Glasgow. Indeed, only very rarely do we use our car for these journeys. Hospital travel can be difficult with public transport. Normally we would drive to Vale of Leven. Travel to Paisley we use ferry, train and bus/taxi. Hospital appointments seldom seem to take account of the location of patients.

Q3. Traffic and Parking: Do traffic and parking arrangements allow people to move around safely?

25 responses in total – Average Score of 3.3							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
5 responses	3 responses	7 responses	4 responses	2 responses	4 responses	0 responses	0 responses

Comments

As we require little parking what is there is sufficient
Bad parking in Kilcreggan due to Coulport staff.
Car parking congested, allegedly because of commuters to Kilcreggan leaving their cars overnight
Generally ok and like the 2 hour free parking in Helensburgh. too much double parking in Helensburgh
It is rare to see cars searching for parking space in Kilcreggan. However, this is a very car oriented community as might be expected in its rural location. I don't believe there is an ecological problem from traffic here. Following the example of Edinburgh, I would like to see consideration given to 20 mph limits in the village centres. There are a couple of blind spots where people park dangerously - at the Co-op in Rosneath where there should be double yellow lines outside the entrance, and at the Post Office in Kilcreggan. Finally, the annula road dressing hides a multitude of bumps but the closure of car parks to store the material takes far too long and the subsequent lack of road markings is poor.
It's becoming more difficult to park at the ferry terminal, fewer parking spaces available.
Kilcreggan side of Mill Brae needs widening
Locally in Kilcreggan near the pier there is very little spare parking space.
MoD use the car park at Kilcreggan, some have two cars and it makes parking impossible for residents.
More parking spaces are needed desperately in the village because the bases commuters leave cars for days on end and locals cannot park in the spaces and now that the Waverley starts to arrive the village will come into no parking zone for locals trying to go about their business.
Not enough parking in Kilcreggan as staff from the base occupy the spaces, there would be adequate parking if the base staff didn't leave their cars.
Parking charges too high. Not enough electric points throughout Argyll and Bute restricting those with electric vehicles from travelling.
Parking on Shore Rd is monopolised by individuals working at Coulport. They park their vehicles overnight and over the weekend in all the available spots. They commute by ferry and leave vehicles here to go from Kilcreggan to Coulport.
Poor village parking, spaces taken up by Coulport and Faslane long term parking, especially evenings and weekends
Roads are unsafe but there is parking
Speeding cars at all times on narrow and speed restricted roads. Hidden driveways [including mine] are dangerous to access and exit. No official signage to alert drivers to stop speeding and to be more careful and considerate.
The amount of traffic and places to park is not too much of an issue on the peninsular.

The council should be encouraging residents of Kilcreggan to leave their cars at home for short journeys. Enlarging the carpark is a blot on an otherwise beautiful village and will just encourage more car journeys at which point the community council will be whining again there is insufficient space.
There is a reasonable amount of parking in the village centre but too many spaces are taken up by Coulport workers who leave their cares there all weekend as they commute by ferry. It limits the spaces for local people and tourists. Also parking could be moved to other locations as the village centre is not attractive due to the volumes of cars parked there. It is a missed opportunity.

Q4. Streets and Spaces: Do the streets and public spaces create an attractive place that is easy to navigate?

25 responses in total – Average Score of 4.0							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
5 responses	0 responses	2 responses	7 responses	7 responses	3 responses	1 responses	0 responses

Comments

All the scenic laybys and stopping off points are closed throughout the summer due to large mountains of chips for spray and chip half of which never gets used and gets lorries back out again at the end of summer. Is this to become the norm every spring/summer? Lack of access for disabled, lack of appropriate disabled toilets, toilet charges is a huge put off and lack of signage
Boat yard sheds are sadly wasted but plans are afoot.
In the main yes but above answers illustrate difficulties, especially street safety for older, disabled and children. Very poor wheelchair access and for frail elderly
It's nice here!
Kilcreggan and Cove look naturally attractive without any empty shop blight. The community plans for Kilcreggan look OK but aren't vital and essential. The work done outside the cafe and the pub at Kilcreggan have worked in making it look attractive on a good day. On a bad day, well, that's life.
Kilcreggan is a beautiful place to live but the village is in need of some refurbishment. The space opposite the shops is not attractive and is the first impression that people getting off the ferry from Gourock have of the peninsular.
Kilcreggan is an attractive village. We commend the activity of the Community Council. Helensburgh is also an attractive town. Nationally, there is a need for councils to manage houses falling into disrepair. There is a house near to us that is being neglected by the owner.
Kilcreggan shore plan could be good if acted upon.
Kilcreggan village requires little capital spend other than maintaining to public spaces and keeping the village attractive with flower beds etc.
Looking nice in front of the Kreggans
Main street is attractive
No focal point.....just parked cars.
Pavements and curbs need improved.
Public spaces are filled with cars and ugly looking crash barriers. There is no real quality public realm in the village at all although there is clearly scope for there to be some.
Some maintenance of the Public areas and pier areas would be beneficial , especially pavements
The space along the fort road is a complete eyesore. All they do is move heavy plant and soil around. Roads become muddy/slippy. Looks unappealing and spoils the sea view and what could be spectacular and a tourist attraction
The village of Kilcreggan could be revitalised with more benches and picnic tables and pathways improved. As part of the community our community council and Kilcreggan primary school have been doing beach cleaning to help improve the overall area. My family have been involved with

these events and have been great getting some of the community together as we can see where the village needs improvements but just not got the funds or resources.
The whole of the Rosneath peninsula has a very unappealing and neglected look and feel to it.

Q5. Natural Space: Can I experience good quality green spaces?

25 responses in total – Average Score of 5.3							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
1 responses	0 responses	3 responses	3 responses	5 responses	6 responses	7 responses	0 responses

Comments

Get cars out of the village. The village should 'belong' to residents and visitors and not become a carpark.
It's nice here!
Kilcreggan is a fine village. Invasive plants are a problem.
lots of opportunities to walk
Lots of space and facilities for the number of people that visit. The Kilcreggan pier particularly is well provided in this respect. Some of us wouldn't mind moving Gourock and Greenock a few miles east to improve the southern view across the Clyde.
Natural space is in abundance on the peninsular with good walks and a pleasant nature reserve at Peaton Hill
None of note
Not enough opportunities to access
really good around Rosneath peninsula
Road verge overgrown, natural spaces overgrown lots of rubble and heavy plant, Old boatyard is a complete eyesore
Signage for footpaths in the woods would be helpful.
There is plenty of natural space around but access to it isn't great
We have a great play park now in Kilcreggan after fundraising to improve the old one and now Kilcreggan Primary School are in the process of getting the school fields upgraded and improved for the benefit of the children. We have hardly any funds for these improvements but a few parents are getting the ball rolling. We will be making a sensory path with recycled materials and will make a garden for growing plants and an outdoor class. Improving the pitch as it has been left for many a year to get over grown and unplayable. If you would like to help in any way please let Kilcreggan primary school know.
With some additional pavements the area would be heading to exceptional
Yes, but off road for safety reasons

Q6. Play and Recreation: Can I access a range of places for play and recreation?

25 responses in total – Average Score of 4.1							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
4 responses	1 responses	3 responses	6 responses	4 responses	6 responses	1 responses	0 responses

Comments

Fine countryside around Kilcreggan.
Good new facilities at Cove behind Burgh hall. Could something similar be done at Kilcreggan say by the Scout Hut?
Good park in Kilcreggan.
Good voluntary spaces.
Kilcreggan has football pitches.
Kilcreggan park has been re-furbished.
Kilcreggan playpark is on my doorstep.
Nice park that was supported by the navy wives.
No real safe places
No sports facilities or gymnasium to enable residents to keep fit and play sports.
None of note
Our child has now grown up (allegedly) so we are less concerned with such facilities. However, when he was much younger, we were reasonably happy and confident that he and his pals could roam the area on their bikes, knowing the roads weren't that busy and that other parents were looking out for them also. I am slightly concerned that play facilities are concentrated in the area between Cove Burgh Hall and Fairfield - this is quite a trek from the Kilcreggan end and involves a steep but short hill. Could something be done at Fort Road? I have always been passionate about sports facilities and would very much press for more 3g pitches across the peninsula at the primary schools or at Fort Road.
Size of the village limits such things as cafes shops but the environment is the key benefit
The community raised a lot of money to build a playpark a few years ago as public facility was in ruin. So that facility is in good condition however it will deteriorate without maintenance. There are little other facilities in other parts of the village though.
There are no good areas for the local youth to entertain themselves especially in poor weather
There are play areas in Kilcreggan and I believe a youth club but no having any children I'm unaware of the issues.
Total lack of any of these services unless you drive to Helensburgh and then what's there is substandard. Again major issues for disabled users. Beach at Helensburgh is a disgrace and does not encourage anyone to use it. Total lack of things to do on Helensburgh Esplanade what happened to the putting, carnival, play equipment for children once people get here there is nothing for them to do other than eat, drink and wander round fairly useless shops. Towns with piers capitalise on having it Helensburgh let's its pier crumble into disrepair until it is completely unusable and it nothing more than a health and safety risk!

Unknown
We have a great park but we could add more up to date exercise equipment for all ages instead of just for kids.

Q7. Facilities and Amenities: Does my place have the things I need to live and enjoy life? This could include shops, schools, libraries, health services or places to eat and drink.

25 responses in total – Average Score of 4.6							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
4 responses	0 responses	3 responses	3 responses	3 responses	9 responses	3 responses	0 responses

Comments

Amenities are good. There is always something going on at Cove Burgh Hall, there is a library there and the hall can be booked for private functions, there is a bowling club and a medical centre located in the village close to the shops. A ferry service runs to Gourock but It would be advantageous in the ferry service ran a bit later in the evening and also operated on a Sunday.
As good as you might expect for a small village. Excellent health centre but beyond GP significant travel is required but of course we all knew that when we moved there, so complaining about it isn't appropriate. I'd say we're very happy with local amenities as they are.
Centre 81 has lots of unused outdoors gear (lottery funded). It would be good if people could make use of this. Cove Burgh Hall is fantastic.
Generally very good although closure of Kilcreggan Hotel is a loss. Very much applaud the Co-op for its investment in local stores. Rosneath is a really good well run store. Notice that Cardross also benefiting
Good local shops, services, poor older people provision.
Great GP, butcher, chemist, cafe, bank
I think the facilities are acceptable for a village of its size. Any further expectations would be unrealistic.
Kilcreggan ok for facilities, would like a pier
Mainly use Helensburgh, good shops in Kilcreggan.
Mostly good but upgrading to the toilet block in the village would be good.
No gym, no sports facility, no pool....no indoor recreational centre.
One of the best things that has happened on the Rosneath Peninsula in my view is the investment made by the Co-op at Rosneath. They have built a really good general store, brought employment in and stocked it with an excellent range of mainstream products. This is brilliant and they should be part of community life across the council area - they probably are anyway.
Pretty good!
The local Kilcreggan primary is in need of more funding and the reduction in shared classes spanning more than one year group
Total lack of disabled friendly facilities. Total lack of facilities for disabled in general. Unless you want to eat and drink and pay to use the toilets at 30p a pop - don't come to!
Very lucky in Cove and Kilcreggan to have a butcher and chemist.
We commend the local activity that maintains Cove Burgh Hall.
What facilities???

Q8. Work and Local Economy: Is there an active local economy with good-quality work opportunities?

25 responses in total – Average Score of 3.7							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
2 responses	3 responses	7 responses	6 responses	4 responses	1 responses	2 responses	0 responses

Comments

Builders yards, boatyards and derelict spaces are hardly the place to find employment
Good work options within travel distance but public transport does not suit. Bus times don't correspond to train times. Ferry stops at 6pm so not of use for commuting outside of these hours
I am retired so not too sure about the opportunities available
I have to work in Glasgow
I have worked at HMNB Clyde. My wife works at HMNB Clyde, My son works at HMNB Clyde as does his fiancé. The majority of jobs at Faslane are skilled. I have also spent nearly 10 years commuting into Glasgow as do many others so the work is there. I have recently set up my own business so that can be done too.
I'm retired and so don't have any comments on this question
It is Faslane or Glasgow in reality.
It's taken me a few years to build up a portfolio of trades people, but they're good
Limited unless commuting into Glasgow
Not really many opportunities
People work out with the village
Retired.
Signage is an issue. Tourism isn't being properly exploited. People sleep here but travel elsewhere to spend money. Boat yard as work spaces for start-up businesses big opportunity.
There are no real local job training or job opportunities for the youth and unemployed
Very limited access to work
Very little local employment opportunities beyond the two MOD bases and support Companies.
We support local shops.
With the bases close by the community have quite a lot of people working in them. But the younger generation are moving away for apprenticeships and learning. My wife is self-employed and works locally in the community.

Q9. Housing and Community: Do the homes in my area support the needs of the community?

25 responses in total – Average Score of 3.7							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
3 responses	3 responses	4 responses	7 responses	6 responses	1 responses	1 responses	0 responses

Comments

Across the peninsula looks like a reasonable array of homes for sale but could always use more affordable housing
I believe there is a wide range of housing available in the area, of reasonable quality but I am no expert.
Limited social and sheltered housing and little to bring in young families
Mostly private homes except in Rosneath where the properties which appear to be of local authority origin are a disgrace
Mostly private houses.
No elderly or disability provision other than private buying
No issues with housing as far as I know
Not enough good quality family housing available just like everywhere else in Britain.
Not enough housing for the younger people of the village. Over the last few years outsiders from cities are getting moved in and making living a nightmare for local people. These people cannot adapt to the life in a small village and usually have severe mental problems or drugs and drinking problems. The community in a whole is good but the few who spoil it everyone noticed.
The housing in general is of good standing
There is room for affordable housing or social housing. Virtually all new builds are for private use.

Q10. Social Contact: Is there a range of spaces and opportunities to meet people?

25 responses in total – Average Score of 4.0							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
5 responses	3 responses	2 responses	3 responses	4 responses	6 responses	2 responses	0 responses

Comments

Again the Cove burgh Hall has something for everyone. A sadness is that the only hotel in Kilcreggan has recently closed. The hotel was gaining a reputation as an alternative and different style of meeting venue to the only pub in Kilcreggan and I think it will be a big loss to the community.
Cafe and pub
Cove and Kilcreggan is rich in social interaction through the plethora of Clubs and other organisations catering for every age group. Good communications too. I can't imagine how that might be improved.
Cove Burgh Hall excellent.
Cove Burgh Hall is well used, but has few vacancies for anything extra
Everything centres around Helensburgh which is not always accessible to some people and is usually totally for able bodied participants
I believe there are plenty of places to meet, especially if you include Helensburgh. Cove Burgh Hall is also an excellent facility.
Loss of the hotel has been disastrous.
Lots at Cove Burgh Hall.
Lots goes on at Cove Burgh Hall, arm chair yoga
Lots in Cove and Kilcreggan.
More should be done for older residents to have appropriate places to meet and socialise and perhaps get access to a cooked meal as happens in Helensburgh
No
No pub, Cove Burgh hall is excellent.
Peninsula has a lot going on if you're interested
Reasonable
The Burgh Hall is a meeting place but not for all. There is a cafe and a pub but yet again not for all. People have to travel further afield.
The lack of attractive public realm makes community building difficult.

Q11. Identity and Belonging: Does this place have a positive identity and do I feel I belong?

25 responses in total – Average Score of 4.6							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
1 responses	1 responses	4 responses	2 responses	6 responses	2 responses	7 responses	2 responses

Comments

Don’t always feel I belong.
Generally very good. Only observation is a feeling there is an “us and them” situation. The “us” being those who engage with community events and “them” being those who generally avoid these activities and then complain. Frankly it’s up to individuals to participate in community events. All the information is available through multiple channels. Perhaps some of the Clubs et al could do more to engage the wider community.
History and heritage isn't celebrated enough.
I believe the place is viewed positively for its location and facilities. I think there is a high degree of civic pride in the place. My symptom for that is that I rarely see graffiti.
I live in Kilcreggan but I'm not sure I belong after many years.
I would say Kilcreggan has a strong identity but not outside the surrounding areas. I have been here for many years and my wife has lived here all her life. Locals are great with each other and always feel welcoming to outsiders moving into the area.
Local people work hard to create and sustain community
No
There is a good programme of community events should you wish to participate
Until the closure of the hotel, now much reduced. Unless the pub is used, which is a good pub but not a social meeting place, the community met regularly, now we feel socially isolated.
while there is a local identity it’s not always known or promoted

Q12. Feeling Safe: Do I feel safe here?

25 responses in total – Average Score of 4.9							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
1 responses	0 responses	2 responses	1 responses	9 responses	3 responses	7 responses	2 responses

Comments

Absolutely!
Despite having never seen a policeman in our village in many years (mod police excepted) I have never felt unsafe at any time day or night living on the Rosneath peninsula.
I don't even have windows in my van and I'm not worried about my tools being stolen. Nuclear disaster apart, we are pretty safe here. LED street lights are not safe, certainly not without diffusers as they are here.
Kilcreggan doesn't have much if any crime to speak of.
Not privately owned houses are the problem. I feel that there are some anti-social tenants over the last few years. The last few years in Fairfield Gardens have been a nightmare but ACHA just pass the buck. They will never learn and things will never change.
Speeding drivers in built up area roads.
The village is generally safe and there is little evidence of crime or antisocial behaviour.
This is a comparatively safe place to live. This can be attributed in part to the high profile police presence, even if the majority of that is MOD provided.
Unusual to feel threatened
While in general the area is a relatively ow crime having somewhere for teenagers to congregate out of the bus shelter and when weather is poor would help add to the felling of safety
With mostly isolated villages and properties and the nearest police station in Helensburgh it wouldn't appear to be "safe". Plenty of military police but they wouldn't do much to help I expect and wouldn't answer a 999 call
Yes, but could be improved for certain groups as noted above

Q13. Care and Maintenance: Are buildings and spaces well cared for?

25 responses in total – Average Score of 3.8							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
2 responses	2 responses	5 responses	3 responses	6 responses	3 responses	2 responses	2 responses

Comments

Council could do a much better job caring for green areas especially around the pier head. Understand funds are tight but surely it's not beyond them to try organise community help?? Buildings- depends on whether they are owner-occupiers or landlord rental. Generally o-o are well maintained. Some rental properties are in dire need of maintenance although an eyesore rather than a danger to the public.
Cove burgh hall is well maintained
Cove Burgh Hall well kept.
Dilapidated former church next to Cove Burgh Hall. It is being left to wrack and ruin. Overgrown, broken windows etc. Looks awful - are there plans to redevelop?
Mixed, due to private ownership. Public spaces reasonable
Mostly ok, just public toilets.
No
Derelict property.
Pavements and kerbs are overgrown and choked with weeds. Residents do not tend to their hedges. Pedestrians are forced onto the road in many places as a result. Dog fouling; lack of street sweeping and litter are a problem. I am fed up reporting this to the council....
Recycling facilities could be improved immeasurably if more big trolley bins were available. The reduced frequency of domestic refuse collections is a pain. The shoreline can be littered by what comes in on the tides but I think this has improved over the years.
Spaces not cared for. Roads neglected Looks run down
The grass areas could be cut more frequently as they become unusable
The park is only in place because of a community effort. Roads and pavements are not in great condition. There is a recycling area but it could be housed better. Public spaces are a real concern as previously stated.
Unusual to see anything unkempt. Present state of Fort Road in Kilcreggan is open to question though. it seems to be a playground for earth shifting that has no purpose

Q14. Influence and Sense of Control: Do I feel able to take part in decisions and help change things for the better?

25 responses in total – Average Score of 3.6							
Score of 1	Score of 2	Score of 3	Score of 4	Score of 5	Score of 6	Score of 7	No response
3 responses	2 responses	2 responses	8 responses	4 responses	2 responses	2 responses	2 responses

Comments

Appreciate A&B is an awkward area to manage with its thousands of little communities widely dispersed. In saying that I and others I know feel disconnected from Council. In addition the local community councils are frankly dreadful especially in their ability to communicate. Their website is never updated. They choose to communicate and engage surveys via Facebook. I'd love to see the survey that tells them FB is an appropriate medium for communications considering to local population tend to be in the older age band. Most of their 'results' are a total fraud as they do not represent community views - only those of their friends who have knowledge of current activities.
Closer work with the local authority would help
I feel that I have a voice in the community and know the community council people and engage in community activities when I can. My children go to the local school and I'm active in the PTA. So I feel like I have a good sense in the goings on of Kilcreggan as a whole.
I'm not sure where I would go to voice an opinion on the community
Local social community concerns have been ignored
no more or less than anywhere else
The big issue here is knowing what decisions are being made that will affect them. I am happy to contribute to this survey and many other A&B Council questionnaires but am never sure of the result.
There is an active community council should people wish to join however CC are fairly limited in their power or ability to deliver anything.
wouldn't know how to begin to take part, there are no newsletters or local information points

What are the main issues and priorities for change that you have identified?

- An easily accessible tourist venue is essential. - The formerly vibrant community feeling must be revived with an accessible social, non-driving, centre - Due cognisance must be revived of the particular needs of a rural community, taking account of the need to avoid unnecessary travel. nA green issue as well as a social one!?
1 - road safety - 20 mph speed limits in village centres with yellow lines for blind spots 2 - not mentioned before but what about charging points for electric cars? 3 - more 3g sports facilities 4 - dedicated off-road cycle track around the peninsula joining up Dumbarton to Helensburgh to Whistlefield via Kilcreggan and ferry to Gourock
1. Public realm needs massive improvement 2. Relocate parking (as part of addressing point 1) 3. Pavement safety
1. There hasn't been a question on roads, the roads are in a poor state of repair all over the peninsular. In addition safety on the roads is a concern with one fatal accident in the last two years due to dangerous driving. I think the issue here is that there is nowhere on the peninsular where overtaking is NOT allowed. There are no double white lines nor are there any 'No Overtaking' signs which leads people to take dubious manoeuvres.
Affordable housing. Better cycling provision off roads.
Bringing people together to discuss issues and to reach out to newcomers like myself to take part.
Bus shelters in Kilcreggan.
Control of speeding drivers. Houses being left empty and not being maintained. Invasive plants.
Ferry and bus services increased.
Kick the community councils into touch and start again with those who want to do that privilege for the whole community. Keep the village tidy and in so far as possible, limit vehicle parking.
Lack of attention from Council to the street space. No road cleaning. Lack of a reliable, 7 day a week ferry service which serves the needs of the residents and not the contractor! Drainage and surface water problems all over the village exacerbated by poorly maintained drains and culverts.
More affordable housing. More car parking More buses and a more frequent ferry service particularly a Sunday service
pavement at bus stop
Personal pride in your surroundings. Poorly maintained houses, gardens, farms and roads
Possibility of later bus, maybe at weekends. Plans for dilapidated building next to Cove Burgh Hall, - former church I think. Safe cycle paths on the Rosneath peninsula.
Put a pavement between Kilcreggan and Rosneath to encourage more active participation, and provide a youth club or facility for teens in the area.
Quite a few.
Realistically you need a car to live here. No ferry on Sundays. Ferry finishes around 6pm on other days. Last bus from Helensburgh ~10pm. No evening visits to Glasgow without the car.
Safe roads, street lighting, cycle paths and affordable regular pubic transport
Support for older people, disabled and young people

What actions could be taken to deal with these?

1. Better road safety 2. Refurbishment of Kilcreggan Village 3. Refurbishment of the Peninsular roads
Clean the pavements and streets at least once a month. Serve residents with orders requiring them to maintain their boundary hedges and pavements outside their properties. Regular dog warden patrols to tackle dog fouling. Regularly clear the drains!!! Provide a modern, fit for purpose, ferry service.
Engage with the local Community Development Trust who have an ongoing project to improve the village centre. The project is spade ready and requires funding.
Encourage individuals to look after their own space, and not expect others (or the Council) to do it for them
I don't believe the road remedies I am suggesting need to be expensive physically but the administration for consultation on the matters probably raises the price. Otherwise, I understand that this is all cash constrained. Would I be willing to put more into Council Tax to get some of this done - probably yes - if I saw the direct benefit to my community.
In terms of parking discussions currently going on, broaden the assessment. Consider environmental issues rather than those who want to park their car up beside the cafe or chemist. Stand up to those that want to ruin the pier head. Their only concern is money in their pockets, not the resulting effect of choking residents out for a brisk walk. Community council need to recognise their role is not just for the few (us).
Information, information, information
Input from Council, action groups within community.
Install more shelters.
Investment I'm afraid
It all costs money. More staff would be needed to extend the ferry operating times, as would the bus service. There is a local taxi service that can bring precooked groups back from Helensburgh, but this can be expensive if there are only two passengers.
More dialogue between service providers and the local community
More information and involvement from Argyll and Bute Council and working with all the different areas to tell the community what will be happening with the area. Public meetings to inform the community of developments if any will happen.
Resurface the roads and install cycle paths and low impact lighting Have commuter printing for public transport Re ire ferry timetables - if possible reintroduce the Helensburgh route - this could also be used for school transport taking the school double decker coaches off roads that are not suitable for it
Some community safety initiative, investment in roads and transport infrastructure and engagement of local people in coproduction and design

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