

Participatory Budgeting – Update for Area Committee			
Service Area	Place Based Programme	Lead Officer	Rhonda Leith
Stage 1 : Pre Consultation : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are we asking the public for their view on (what service is it / description etc)? • How much funding are we asking about? • Who are we asking, • How are we doing this ? • When are we doing this ? • When will we report back ? 			

Stage 2 : Post Consultation

Springhall and Whitlawburn

The stakeholders group considered a range of potential processes for PB and decided to identify a single achievable priority for the group in the year ahead. Ideas have been collated around broad themes and action. A short neighbourhood survey was undertaken to decide this.

The findings from the PB survey have helped achieve two things

- Enabled the community to identify the top 5 community priority themes to focus PB activity around
- Enabled the community to reconsider and rerank the priority themes for 2021/2022

278 residents took part in the survey and 811 votes were cast. 39.9% of these were from Springhall, 21.94% from East Whitlawburn and 38.13% from West Whitlawburn. The following were identified as the most important current priorities for the area:

1. More leisure and recreational opportunities (previously 1)
2. Building stronger and better communities (previously 2)
3. Better financial wellbeing (previously 7)
4. Housing improvements (previously 3)
5. Greater community safety (previously 4)

The results of the survey require further analysis and meetings have taken place and are planned with relevant agencies to make them aware of the outcome of the survey and the relevance of this to their work. For example, in terms of housing improvements the ranking was significantly different in Springhall it was the top priority, in West Whitlawburn it was 5th and in East Whitlawburn it was ranked 10th Financial wellbeing has risen significantly and health improvement has risen from 9th to the 7th priority. The request for PB proposals opened on the 16/9/21 and will close on the 14/10/21. Following the community decision on these proposals, a further report will be presented to the committee.

Fernhill

Fernhill stakeholders chose to use a small grants model to allocate the £2800 budget available, making it accessible to small groups and organisations who were operating in the Fernhill community.

It was decided by the stakeholders to have voting both online and in person, and an online voting link was made available through council social media as well as local social media pages, and in person voting was available for 5 days where the Community Engagement Team and stakeholders were present with iPads.

Total No. of Votes cast 337, £2800 available

No.	No. of Votes	Project	Amount Awarded
1	88	Fernhill Youth Project	£700
2	68	Fernhill Play Scheme	£700
4	67	Fernhill Soccer School	£700

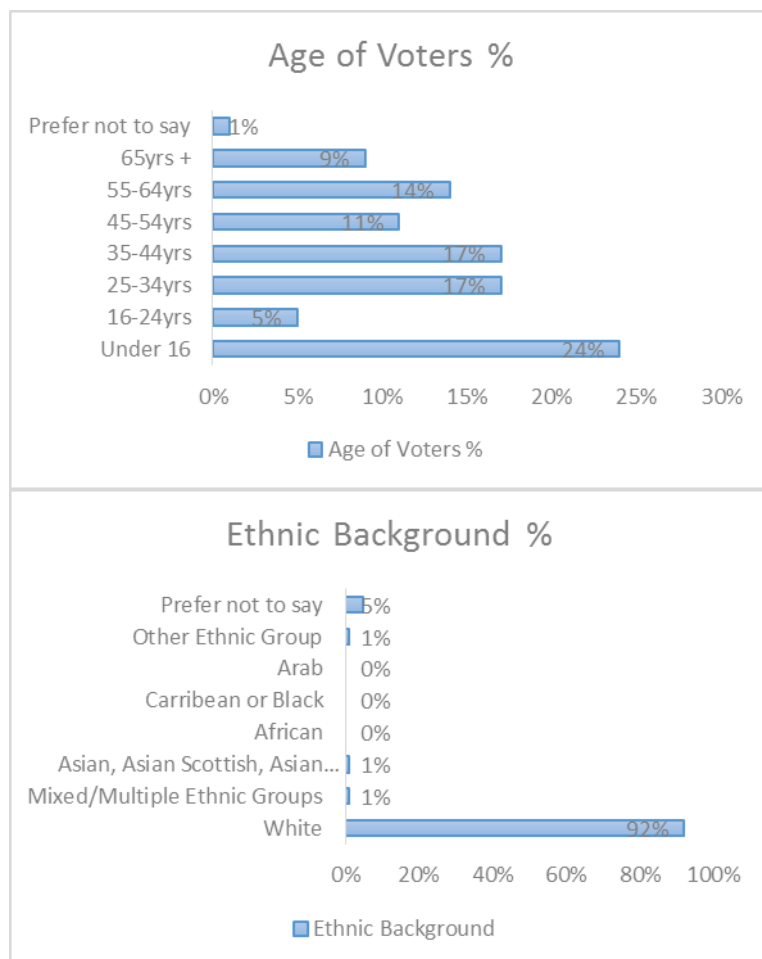
5	41	Fernhill Bowlers	£700
6	38	Communities Together	£0
7	34	Fernhill Seniors	£0

Of the 236 full postcodes provided when voting (some partial postcodes mostly from young people):

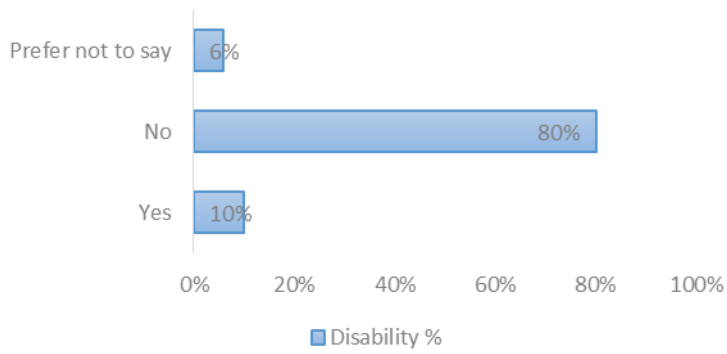
- 49% were in the top 5% most deprived areas (SIMD)
- 92% were in the top 15% most deprived areas (SIMD)
- 64% of votes were completed during face to face engagement.

The two groups which were not successful in this round of funding are being supported to find other sources to fund their projects.

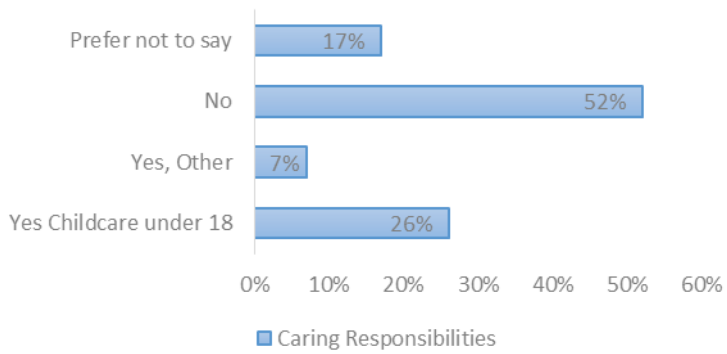
Demographic Breakdown



Disability %



Caring Responsibilities%



Gender Breakdown %

