

Settlement Summary: Gardenstown

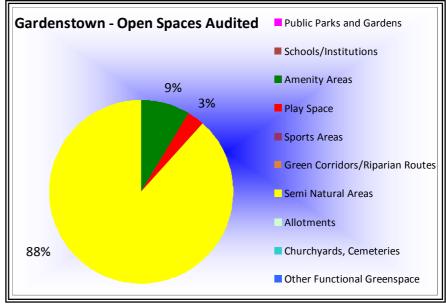
Population: 762

Observations (of Community Council)

None received.

Green Network Links

The presence of steep cliffs in and around the village allows for good connection between amenity greenspace within the village and surrounding natural areas, although much of the amenity

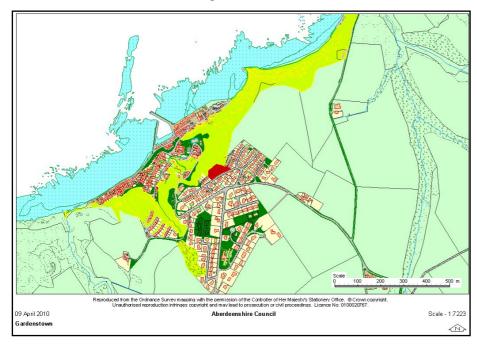


greenspace is well connected in itself. The development of paths within and beyond the village is challenging due to local topography, although the Core Paths Plan does identity development of a coastal path link between Macduff and Gardenstown as a long-term project.

Open Space Requirements

Auditors' findings suggest that the play park at Garden Crescent would benefit from increased provision of bins and benches, as well as additional equipment. At Troup view, plating is yet to be established prior to adoption of the open space by the Council.

Overall, there appears to be a good range of public open space within Gardenstown, with the added benefit of surrounding coastal areas for those able to access this. Implementation of



suggestions raised by auditors could however, increase access to local space for visitors and residents, particularly those less able to access the surrounding countryside.

Public Parks and Gardens
Play Space
Semi Natural Areas
Other Functional Greenspace

Schools/Institutions
Sports Areas
Allotments

Amenity Areas
Green Corridors/Riparian Routes
Churchyards, Cemeteries



Open Space Audit Update 2019: Gardenstown

An update exercise was carried out in 2019 to account for new open spaces arising from major developments completed since the Open Space Audit 2010, and to address any known disparities/gaps in information. The scope of the update exercise did not include a review of the Open Space Audit 2010. The Audit update 2019 has been used to assist in the preparation of the Proposed Aberdeenshire Local Development Plan 2020.

This is an interim Audit. Whilst this information will feed into a future comprehensive Open Space Audit, at this stage there may be some auditing inconsistencies across settlements due to factors such as community interest, and landscape/topography influencing how open spaces are identified, particularly at and around the edges of settlement.

Allotments are excluded as these are audited separately as part of the Food Growing Strategy 2019-2030.

There are no updates to the Open Space Audit 2010.