



Castlewellan Forest Park

User Questionnaire



20 March 2018

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Q1. What gender are you?

- Male Female

Q2. What is your ethnicity?

- White Black Caribbean
 Chinese Black African
 Irish Traveller Black Other
 Indian Mixed Ethnic Group – please specify _____
 Pakistani Other Ethnic Group – please specify _____
 Bangladeshi

Q3. Do you have any long-term illnesses, health problems or disabilities which may limit your daily activities and/or the work you can do?

- Yes No

Q4. What age range are you in?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 0 – 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> 25 – 29 | <input type="checkbox"/> 50 – 54 | <input type="checkbox"/> 75 – 79 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5 – 9 | <input type="checkbox"/> 30 – 34 | <input type="checkbox"/> 55 – 59 | <input type="checkbox"/> 80 – 84 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 10 – 14 | <input type="checkbox"/> 35 – 39 | <input type="checkbox"/> 60 – 64 | <input type="checkbox"/> 85+ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15 – 19 | <input type="checkbox"/> 40 – 44 | <input type="checkbox"/> 65 – 69 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 20 – 24 | <input type="checkbox"/> 45 – 49 | <input type="checkbox"/> 70 – 74 | |

Q5. How often do you visit Castlewellan Forest Park?

- Almost everyday
 Once or twice a week
 Once a month
 Once every six months
 Once a year
 Never (go to Q24)



Q6. Approximately how many miles do you travel to get to the Park?

- 0 – 5
- 5 – 10
- 10 – 20
- 20 – 30
- 30 – 40
- 40 – 50
- 50+

Q7. What do you do when you visit the Park?

- Walk
- Take children to the playground
- Socialise with friends
- Relax
- Use the bike trails
- Participate in events/entertainment
- Outdoor activities on the lake
- Play sport – please specify _____
- Train/run
- Walk the dog
- Just pass through
- Horse Riding
- Fish
- Wildlife watching
- Other – please specify _____

Q8. Which part of the Park do you use most?

- Lake
- Walking trails
- Bike trails
- Annesley Garden
- Playground
- Maze



Q8. Continued

- The Grange
- Camping/Caravanning
- Nowhere specifically

Q9. What facilities do you use in the Park?

- Toilets
- Car Park
- Cafe
- Bike rental
- Canoe rental
- Bike wash
- Educational services
- Caravan/Camping
- Trails
- None of the above

Q10. How long do you normally stay?

- Less than 30 minutes
- 30 – 60 minutes
- 1 – 2 hours
- 2 – 4 hours
- 4+ hours
- Overnight

Q11. How would you normally travel to the Park?

- On foot
- Bicycle
- Motorcycle
- Car
- Bus
- Horse



Q12. Which entrance do you use to get into the Park?

- Main entrance/car
- Main entrance/pedestrian
- Leitrim car park
- Drumbuck Road
- Bann Road

Q13. What condition do you think the Park is in?

- Poor condition
- Reasonable/Fair condition
- Good condition
- Very good condition
- Excellent condition

Q14. In general, how safe do you feel the Park is?

- Very safe
- Safe
- Fairly safe
- Not very safe
- Not safe at all

Q15. How familiar are you with the history/heritage of the Park?

- Very familiar
- Fairly familiar
- Not very familiar
- Not at all familiar

Q16. Do you think the Park has a positive impact on local people?

- Yes
- No
- Not Sure



Q17. If you think it has a positive impact, which of these statements apply? – Please tick all that apply

- It improves my quality of life
- It promotes a sense of community spirit
- It holds a special appeal for me
- It attracts visitors

Q18. Overall how satisfied are you with the Park?

- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Not satisfied

Q19a. Do you think there is enough information about the Park's attractions and facilities?

- Yes
- No – please go to Q19b

Q19b. Which areas would you like more information about?

- The history and development of the Demesne/Park in general
- The Castle
- The Annesley Garden
- The Grange
- The trees, the plants, the flowers
- The wildlife in the Park
- Castlewellan/wider region
- What's on

Q20. What part would you like to see improved/restored in the Park? – Rank: 1 being priority

- The Annesley Garden
- The Grange
- Parking
- Entrance/Exit
- Trails – Walking/Horse Riding
- Access to the Lake
- Area around the Lake
- Cross over bikes/walking trails
- Other - please specify _____



Q21. What facilities and activities would you like to see in the Park? – Rank: 1 being priority

- More Toilets at the Garden
- Improved refreshments area
- Better access for mobility users
- Seating around the Park
- Picnic areas
- Lighting
- Sculpture, art work
- Regular organised events
- Family activities
- Other - please state _____

Q23. How do you find out about what's happening in the Park?

- Word of mouth
- Social Media
- Websites
- Press/Newspapers
- Other - please specify _____

Q22. Would you like to get involved in volunteering in the Park?

- Yes - If yes, please provide contact information below i.e Name, Address, Email, Telephone
- No

Q24. What do you believe the key attractions of the Park are?

Q25. Is there anything else you would like to add?



Returning Completed Questionnaires :

Completed Hard Copy Questionnaires to be dropped off at '**Park Rangers Entrance Hut**' at Castlewellan FP.

OR

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