

Settlement Summary: Fettercairn

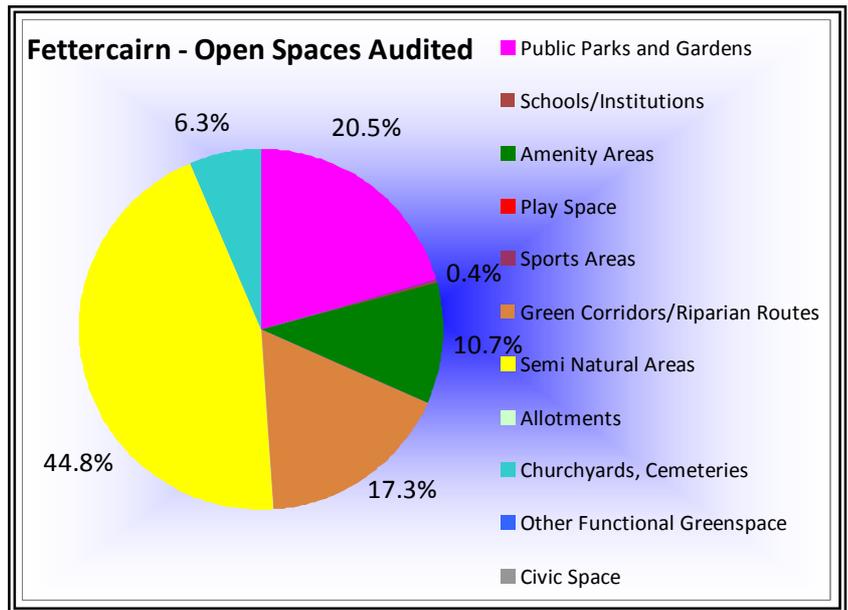
Population: 437

Observations (of Community Council)

None received.

Green Network Links

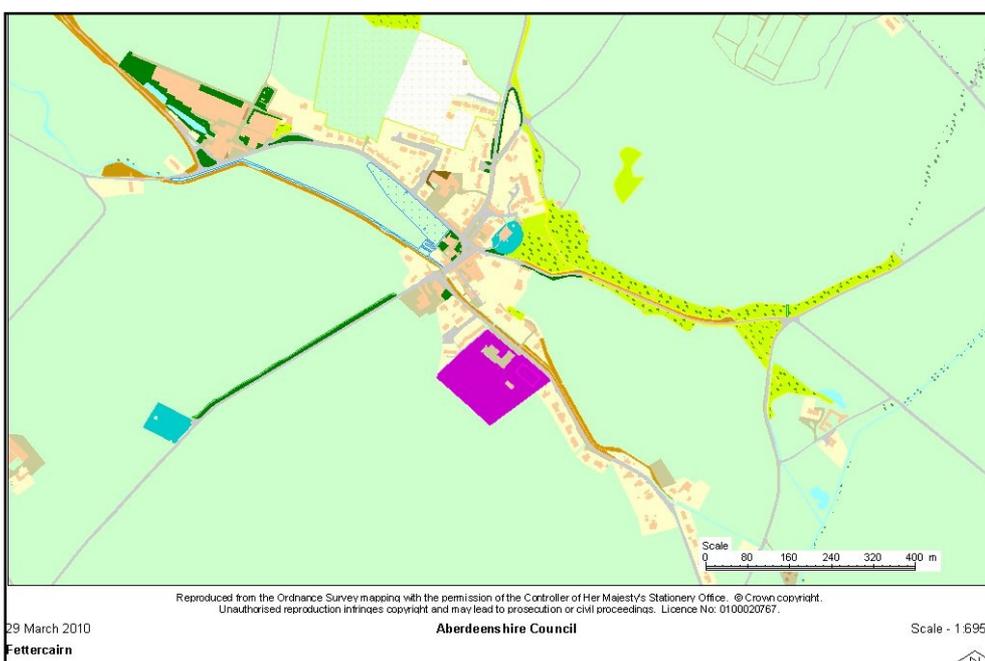
Being a relatively small settlement in a combination of linear or compact layout, lack of green links to the surrounding countryside is not currently an issue. However, some linkage should be retained in the event of further development.



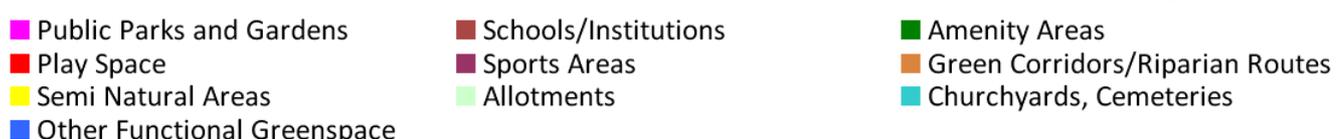
Proposals are currently under consideration to address flooding issues in the village around the Cauldcotts Burn.

Open Space Requirements

The village park in Fettercairn achieved a high overall score from the audit exercise, suggesting a good quality of provision – the only suggestions being for provision of a litter bin. However, given the number of hazardous roads to cross between here and more recent housing developments to the northwest of the village, it would be appropriate to consider provision of a small local play area for younger children in the area around Crichtie Place. Another suggestion is for the improvement of paths and provision of cycleways in Fettercairn woodland, but such an initiative would need to be subject to further consultation with local residents.



The footway along the Cauldcotts burn (opposite the play park) would benefit from being made safer, while improvements to the road and ornamental planting in the area of the distillery would upgrade the surroundings of the village's principle visitor attraction. Overall, Fettercairn demonstrates a good mix of open space types, with the exception of dedicated local play facilities for younger residents to the northwest of the village.

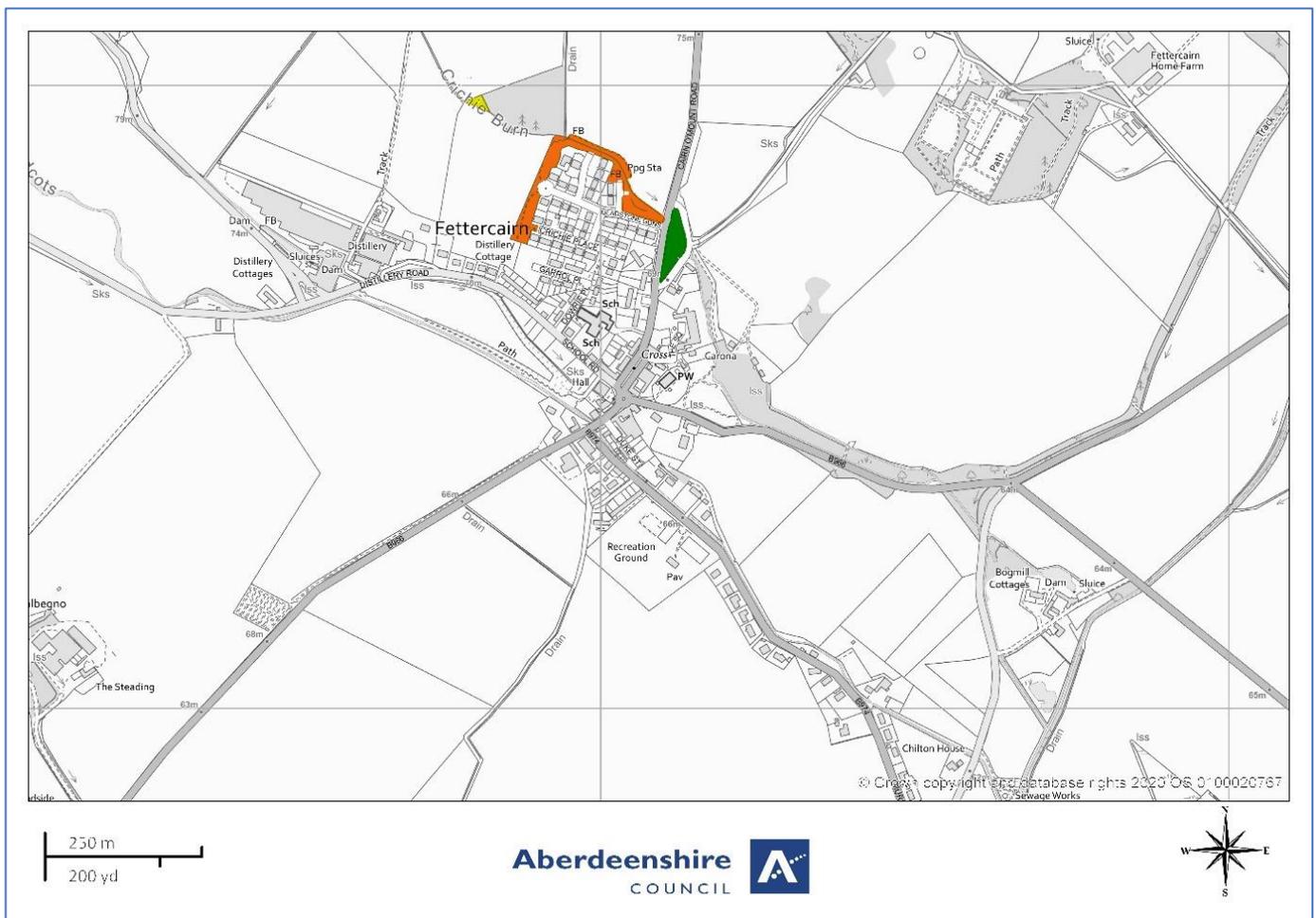


Open Space Audit Update 2019: Fettercairn

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.



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| ■ Public Parks and Gardens | ■ Schools/Institutions | ■ Amenity Areas |
| ■ Play Space | ■ Sports Areas | ■ Green Corridors/Riparian Routes |
| ■ Semi Natural Areas | ■ Allotments | ■ Churchyards, Cemeteries |
| ■ Other Functional Greenspace | | |