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Greenspace Audit Consultation

Greeninverness is to carry out a major community consultation exercise in October 2006 to find out how people living in the city view their local greenspace.

Based on the recommendations and opportunities identified in the 2005 Greenspace Audit,

14 consultation sessions are planned for the 7 districts of the city.

The aim of the consultation is to find out from local residents and communities...

- What they value most about their local greenspace?
- How they get there?
- How they currently use the space?
- Would they like to see the area improved or developed?
- What improvement ideas they have.

The community consultation is a joint venture between Greeninverness and The Highland Council, with additional funding from Scottish Natural Heritage.

Debbie McCallum the Greeninverness Officer said: “We want people to think about our questions over the summer while they are out and about enjoying the greenspace in and around Inverness so in October we can collect some up-to-date comments and opinions.”

A variety of consultation methods will be used in order to reach as wide an audience as possible including, a display in the City Partnership Office, a consultation road show, workshops and a web-based questionnaire.

Debbie added: “The results of the consultation will inform the development of a Greenspace Strategy for Inverness. It is vitally important that this reflects the desires of local people and I am hoping to achieve a good level of response.”

A schedule of dates and venues will be available in September on the greeninverness website at www.greeninverness.com.

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