

Calton Community Council

Glasgow Green Events Survey 2026

Resident Feedback Report

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Prepared for:

- Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS)
- Local Councillors
- Calton Community Council
- Local residents

Executive Summary

Calton Community Council conducted a resident survey in early 2026 to gather views on the Winter Wonderland funfair and the wider use of Glasgow Green for events. Although the dataset available for this analysis is partial, the responses provide a clear and consistent picture.

Residents are not opposed to events, but many feel the current level of commercial activity is too high, too frequent, and too disruptive. Winter Wonderland in particular generated strong views, both positive and negative.

The most consistent themes across responses include:

- Excessive noise, especially late at night
- Environmental damage to grass and paths

- Restricted access to the park
 - Safety concerns during setup and teardown
 - Parking and traffic issues
 - A strong desire for community-led, low-impact events
 - Repeated calls for investment in facilities, especially toilets and lighting
 - A deeply felt demand for the reopening of the People’s Palace and Winter Gardens
- Overall, residents want a better balance between events and everyday use of the park.

Methodology

- Survey conducted online over two weeks in February 2026
 - Distributed via Calton Community Council and local networks
 - 104 respondents in total (full dataset not available for this analysis)
 - Mixed-method design including Yes/No and multiple-choice questions
 - Open-text responses
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- This report is based on the truncated Excel dataset provided
 - Two images containing open-text responses
 - The structure of the original survey questions

Quantitative Findings

Charts below use truncated data to determine whether the majority response is YES, NO, or MIXED.

Chart 1 — Should Winter Wonderland Return in 2026?

Result: NO

Winter Wonderland 2026 – Support Level

NO: 

- Closed too often
- Used for too many large events
- Overburdened by back-to-back commercial activity

Chart 3 — General View of Winter Wonderland (Experience of the Event)

Result: MOSTLY NEGATIVE

Resident Experience of Winter Wonderland



Detail

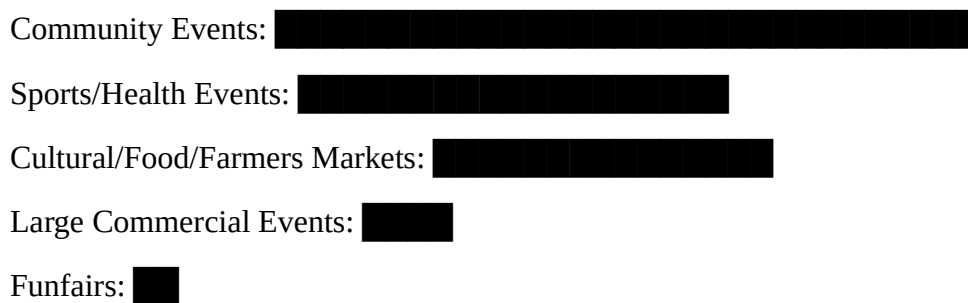
Negative themes include noise, rubbish, damage, and disruption.

Positive themes include atmosphere, lighting, and enjoyment.

Chart 4 — What Types of Events Do Residents Want?

Result: COMMUNITY-LED, LOW-IMPACT EVENTS

Preferred Event Types



Detail

Residents want:

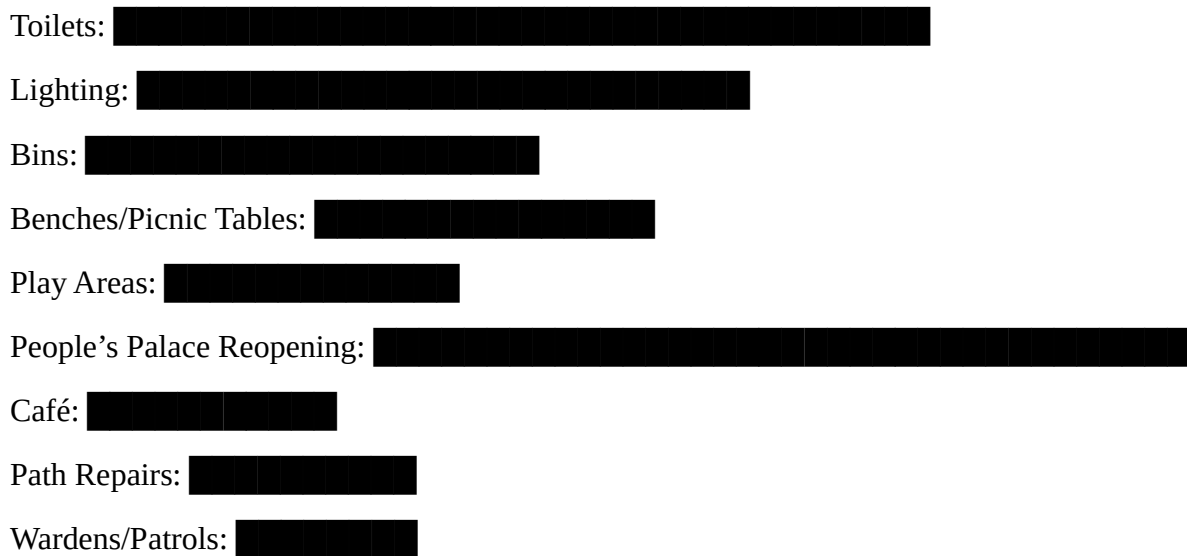
- Family events
- Cultural events
- Sports and wellbeing events
- Markets and food festivals
- Cinema nights
- Parkrun

Support for large commercial events is low.

Chart 5 — What Improvements Do Residents Want?

Result: TOILETS, LIGHTING, BINS, BENCHES, PLAY AREAS, PEOPLE’S PALACE

Most Requested Improvements




- Shorter durations
- Shorter hours
- Better spacing

Chart 8 — Should Events Be Better Managed?

Result: YES

Need for Better Management

Yes: 

No: 

Detail

Residents want:

- Better noise control
- Better lighting
- Better traffic management
- Better cleanup
- Better environmental protection

Recommendations

1. Reduce the scale and duration of major events

Especially Winter Wonderland and TRNSMT.

2. Limit event frequency

Avoid back-to-back commercial events.

3. Prioritise community-led, low-impact events

Family-friendly, cultural, sports, and wellbeing events.

4. Improve park infrastructure

Toilets, lighting, bins, benches, play areas.

5. Reopen the People's Palace and Winter Gardens

The strongest single request.

6. Improve communication and consultation

Residents want earlier notice and clearer information.

7. Strengthen environmental protections

Better ground protection, quicker repairs, stricter conditions.