

**CITY OF EDINBURGH COUNCIL (PORTOBELLO PARK) BILL COMMITTEE  
CONSIDERATION STAGE  
AGREED GROUPINGS AND LEAD OBJECTORS**

**Groupings**

The groupings have been agreed on the following basis—

- Geographical – with objectors grouped who—
  - live immediately adjacent to the Park;
  - live in the surrounding area, either to the north or to the south and west;
  - live further from the Park (including some who live outwith Edinburgh);
- Portobello Park Action Group (PPAG) and associated objections;
- one special interest group (golfers).

**Lead objectors**

Lead objectors have been identified based on an examination of objections where, for example, the lead objector has covered a range of the issues raised by other objectors in the group, or is the lead signatory on an objection lodged on behalf of a number of objectors in a specific location. The lead objectors are:

Group 1 – Portobello Park Action Group (objection 53)

Group 2 – Jennifer Peters, principal signatory to objection 46

Group 3 – David Kilkerr (objection 7)

Group 4 – Gillian Dunn (objection 66)

Group 5 – Oula Jones, principal signatory to objection 17

Group 6 – Beverley Klein (objection 65)

“Loss of amenity” includes: recreational/green/open space, exercise, walking, jogging, football, other sports, dogwalking, etc.

“Loss of views” includes: protected views to Arthur’s Seat; views to Firth of Forth; other views impacted by building.

Lead objectors for each group are printed in **bold and underlined**.

Group	Objectors	Specific issues
<p><b>GROUP ONE</b> (5 objections in this group)</p>	<p><b><u>20</u></b> (Diana Cairns)</p>	<p>Loss of amenity Impact on health and wellbeing Loss of views</p> <p>Sets a precedent Alternative sites available Already subject of Court decision Consultation process flawed Not an issue for the Parliament</p>
	<p><b><u>21</u></b> (Jack and Winifred Aitken)</p>	<p>Loss of views Increase in traffic Loss of amenity</p> <p>Sets a precedent Alternative sites available Already subject of Court decision</p>
	<p><b><u>47</u></b> (Stephen Hawkins)</p>	<p>Loss of amenity Impact on health [relaxation] and wellbeing</p> <p>Not a matter for the Parliament Alternative sites available Already subject of Court decision Consultation process flawed</p>
	<p><b><u>50</u></b> (Alison Connelly)</p>	<p>Loss of amenity Impact on health and wellbeing</p>

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	<p><b>53 (<u>Portobello Park Action Group</u>) (PPAG)</b></p>	<p>Loss of amenity  Impact on health and wellbeing  Visual impact and loss of views  Light and noise pollution  Traffic impact  Height of building  Operational disturbances  Impact on wildlife and biodiversity  Impact on health and mental wellbeing</p> <p>Sets a precedent  Alternative sites available  Already subject of Court decision  Consultation process flawed</p>

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<p><b>GROUP TWO</b> (19 objections in this group)</p>	<p>1 (John Kelly)</p>	<p>Loss of amenity Reduction in property value</p> <p>Council undermining the law Breach of contract Sets a precedent</p>
	<p>8 (Scott Macpherson and Susannah Fraser)</p>	<p>Loss of amenity Noise, light and litter pollution Traffic and safety</p> <p>Sets a precedent Alternative sites available Already subject of Court decision</p>
	<p>9 (Elizabeth R Manshour and 4 others)</p>	<p>Loss of views Loss of amenity Impact on health and wellbeing Reduction in property value Visual impact Height of building Sound and light pollution Loss of trees – ecological and visual impact Increased traffic/vehicular activity</p> <p>Alternative sites available Already subject of Court decision Sets a precedent</p>
	<p>10 (D&amp;M Costello)</p>	<p>Loss of amenity Impact on property value</p>

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		<p>Traffic impact Health and safety implications/impact on golf course</p> <p>Sets a precedent Alternative sites available</p>
	15 (Gary F Gowans)	<p>Loss of amenity Increase in traffic Environmental impact – noise, pollution, litter and vandalism Impact on golf course Light pollution</p> <p>Circumvents existing law Sets precedent Already subject of Court decision</p>
	25 (Ian, Sheila and Morven Robertson)	<p>Loss of amenity Increase in traffic Reduction in property value Loss of views Environmental impact – litter, traffic, pollution, noise Health and safety implications/impact on golf course Health and wellbeing</p> <p>Sets a precedent Alternative sites available Undemocratic to try to change law</p>

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	29 (Ian Ross)	Loss of amenity Loss of views Impact on health and wellbeing Environmental impact Design and visual impact Traffic impact Noise and light pollution  Sets a precedent Alternative sites available Already subject of Court decision
	30 (Richard Forbes and Karen Maxwell)	Impact on quality of life Loss of views Traffic impact Loss of trees Loss of amenity  Sets a precedent Alternative sites available Already subject of Court decision Consultation process flawed
	31 (Trevor Laffin and 10 others)	Loss of amenity Loss of views Traffic impact Impact on enjoyment of property  Sets a precedent Alternative sites available

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	32 (Christians Estate and Hope Lane residents)	Loss of amenity Traffic impact and safety Litter Noise disruption Floodlight pollution Golfer disruption Impact on property  Sets a precedent Already subject of Court decision Alternative sites available
	37 (Sandrina Gillon)	Loss of amenity Impact on health and wellbeing Loss of views Visual impact Noise and litter pollution Impact on property value Impact on wildlife  Sets a precedent Alternative sites available
	41 (Rhona and Colm Fitzgerald)	Loss of amenity Health and safety implications Traffic impact  Sets a precedent Alternative sites available Council acting beyond remit Ineffective use of parliamentary time

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	42 (Ron and Lynn Sylvester)	Loss of amenity Increase in traffic Loss of views Loss of trees and flora  Sets a precedent Alternative sites available Already subject of Court decision Consultation process flawed
	43 (Mrs R Sutherland)	Loss of amenity Loss of views Loss of trees Traffic impact Detrimental effect on character of area  Sets a precedent Undermines the law Alternative sites available Consultation process flawed
	46 (Duddingston Crescent residents) - <b><u>Jennifer Peters</u></b> , principal signatory	Loss of amenity Loss of trees and wildlife Light pollution Increase in traffic Loss of views Reduction in property values Change in character of area  Sets a precedent Alternative sites available



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		Consultation process flawed Contrary to Council's policy on Open Space Protection
	48 (Hazel Thomas)	Loss of amenity Loss of views Loss of trees Impact on wildlife Loss of light Traffic impact  Sets a precedent Alternative sites available
	49 (Robert D Sutherland)	Loss of amenity Loss of views Traffic impact/safety issues Health and wellbeing  Sets a precedent Alternative sites available Overturning Court decision Consultation process flawed Bad faith/breach of commitments
	54 (Park Avenue residents (K Gillon and 114 others))	Loss of amenity Loss of views/light Loss of trees/wildlife Detrimental effect on character of area Traffic impact/safety issues  Sets a precedent

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		Alternative sites available Consultation process flawed
	55 (Pauline, George, Sara and Emma MacDonald)	Loss of amenity Landscape value would be destroyed Traffic impact  Sets a precedent Already subject of Court decision

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<b>GROUP THREE</b>  (8 objectors in this group)	3 (G G and I Di Ponio)	Loss of amenity Loss of views Loss of trees Traffic impact  Sets a precedent Already subject of Court decision Alternative sites available
	5 (Pauline Cowan)	Loss of amenity Loss of views Loss of trees Traffic and general safety impact  Sets a precedent Already subject of Court decision Alternative sites available
	6 (Jean and Charles Douglas)	Loss of amenity Impact on health and wellbeing Loss of view Alternative space smaller and some distance  Alternative sites available Already subject of Court decision Consultation process flawed
	<b><u>7 (David and Janet Kilkerr)</u></b>	Loss of open space/amenity  Sets a precedent Alternative sites available

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		Already subject of Court decision
	13 (Joyce and Bill Flockhart)	Loss of amenity Traffic and safety concerns Loss of views  Sets a precedent Already subject of Court decision Alternative sites available
	14 (Steve and Fiona Coyle)	Loss of amenity Litter pollution  Sets a precedent Already subject of Court decision Alternative sites available Waste of taxpayer funds
	16 (Alex and Margaret Hope)	Loss of amenity Traffic impact  Sets a precedent
	44 (Duddingston Park residents – David Connelly and 49 others)	Loss of amenity  Sets a precedent Alternative sites available Waste of taxpayer funds Already subject of Court decision

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<p><b>GROUP FOUR</b> (16 objections in this group)</p>	<p>4 (PK and FI Wraith)</p>	<p>Loss of amenity Loss of views Increase in traffic Wellbeing from open space</p> <p>Sets a precedent Alternative sites available</p>
	<p>12 (Archie Burns)</p>	<p>Loss of amenity Environmental impact due to loss of green space Reduction in viability of local shops and choices</p> <p>Alternative sites available Sets a precedent Already subject of Court decision</p>
	<p>19 (Robert H Davis)</p>	<p>Loss of amenity</p> <p>Sets a precedent Alternative sites available Already subject of Court decision</p>
	<p>24 (Hugh and Colin Cormack)</p>	<p>Loss of amenity Reduction in property values Loss of views Impact on health and wellbeing</p>
	<p>27 (Caroline Hosking)</p>	<p>Loss of amenity Impact on health Loss of trees</p>

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		Environmental impact (pollution) Alternative sites available
	36 (L J Connelly)	Loss of amenity Loss of views  Sets precedent Already subject of Court decision Expense to taxpayers Flawed consultation
	38 (Sandy Sutherland)	Loss of amenity Loss of clean air; noise and light pollution Loss of trees Impact on golf course  Sets a precedent Alternative sites available Already subject of Court decision
	39 (Pamela Carr)	Loss of amenity Impact on health and wellbeing  Sets a precedent Alternative sites available Already subject of Court decision
	40 (Stephen Carr)	Loss of amenity Impact on health and wellbeing  Sets a precedent Alternative sites available

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		Already subject of Court decision
	51 (Ursula Wright)	Loss of amenity Loss of income to tourism business  Sets a precedent Already subject of Court decision
	52 (Sheila Coventry and others)	Loss of amenity Impact on health and wellbeing  Already subject of Court decision
	56 (Dr Gordon McCulloch)	Impact on health and wellbeing Loss of amenity
	59 (Graham Kitchener)	Loss of amenity Impact on health and wellbeing Loss of trees Traffic and safety implications Environmental impact (traffic and light pollution)  Sets a precedent Alternative sites available Legality of Council action
	61 (Sigrid Nielsen)	Loss of amenity Loss of view Impact on health and wellbeing Environmental impact  Already subject of Court decision

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	62 (Richard Wright)	Loss of amenity Sets a precedent Alternative sites available
	<b><u>66 (Gillian Dunn)</u></b>	Loss of amenity Loss of view Traffic impact Impact on health and wellbeing  Sets a precedent Already subject of Court decision Alternative sites available



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<p><b>GROUP FIVE</b> (1 objection in this group)</p>	<p>17 (Portobello Golf Course golfers) – <b>Oula Jones</b>, principal signatory)</p>	<p>Safety implications Loss of amenity due to change in playing conditions Environmental impact (drainage and flooding issues) Traffic impact (car parking facilities) Health and safety implications</p>

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<p><b>GROUP SIX</b> (10 objections in this group)</p>	<p>2 (J Madden)</p>	<p>Loss of amenity</p> <p>Sets a precedent Alternative sites available Already subject of Court decision</p>
	<p>11 (Thomas H Taylor)</p>	<p>Loss of amenity Loss of views Traffic/safety implications</p> <p>Sets a precedent Alternative sites available</p>
	<p>18 (Alan and Sheila Fletcher)</p>	<p>Loss of amenity</p> <p>Sets a precedent Consultation process flawed Alternative sites available Already subject of Court decision</p>
	<p>22 (Dr and Mrs Fraser)</p>	<p>Loss of amenity</p> <p>Alternative sites available Already subject of Court decision</p>
	<p>23 (Jet Cameron)</p>	<p>Loss of amenity Impact on health and wellbeing Loss of views</p> <p>Sets a precedent Alternative sites available</p>

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	28 (Anne and Anthony King)	Loss of amenity Already subject of Court decision
	34 (Anna Turtle)	Loss of amenity Impact on health and wellbeing  Sets a precedent Alternative sites available Already subject of Court decision
	35 (Laura Ross)	Loss of amenity Impact on health and wellbeing  Sets a precedent Alternative sites available Already subject of Court decision
	63 (Karen MacLean)	Loss of amenity Impact on quality of life  Sets a precedent Alternative sites available Already subject of Court decision
	<b><u>65 (Beverley and Deborah Klein)</u></b>	Loss of amenity Impact on health and wellbeing  Sets a precedent Alternative sites available Already subject of Court decision Consultation process flawed