36628 Open Space Strategies and Play Sufficiency Assessment Regulations

I'd like to make a request on the progress of the Open Space strategies and Play Sufficiency Assessment regulations now the consultation date of 31/03/2022 has passed and the next steps you as a Local Authority will take to ensure an appropriate assessment into the quality of play spaces are conducted in line with the new legislation.

As you have noted the consultation period has recently closed and the Scottish Government will now be going through a period of consideration of the comments submitted. The government will then decide what, if any, changes it may wish to make to the regulations and also in respect of any accompanying material it may consider relevant to publish or update alongside the legislation.

As a result, the Council awaits with interest to see the final form of this legislation and any associated information published alongside it as this will be something the Council will wish to comply with and to inform the process for preparing the Open Space Strategies (OSS) and Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) as well as how we will undertake our audit. A report was put to Planning Committee in February earlier this year which addressed this further. This can be found on our website as Item 6.3 through the following link:

https://democracy.edinburgh.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=147&MId=6162&Ver=4