

63496 'No Ball Games' Signage

No ball games signage is found in a range of settings, often parks, verges and council estates.

I would like to know:

How many “no ball games”, “ball games prohibited” or similarly phrased signs has the council purchased in each of the past 10 years?

How much the council spent in total on the items procured in (Q1)?

How many “no ball games”, “ball games prohibited” or similarly phrased signs are currently maintained by the council, if such a record exists?

There are no records held in relation to such signs covering this ten-year period.

What the council's policy is on erecting 'no ball games', 'ball games prohibited' or similarly phrased signs, if such a policy exists?

There is no specific policy held.

The City of Edinburgh Council noted the importance of physical activity for children and young people and agreed in 2018 that 'No Ball Games' signs are unenforceable, serve no purpose, and discourage people from enjoying physical activity. The Council agreed to bring Housing Greenspace policy in line with Parks and Greenspace policy set in 2013 and remove all 'No Ball Games' signs from Housing land. Although there is not a distinct policy covering 'No Ball Games' signs, the Council's Parks and Greenspace service (existing at the time) stopped installing 'No Ball Games' signs and removed existing ones in 2013 in response to developing its management rules established that year to promote physical activity and the shared enjoyment of public spaces.