

# Seamill & Castle Improvements.



An opportunity for your involvement and comment.  
Introduced by Councillor Ron Edwards.

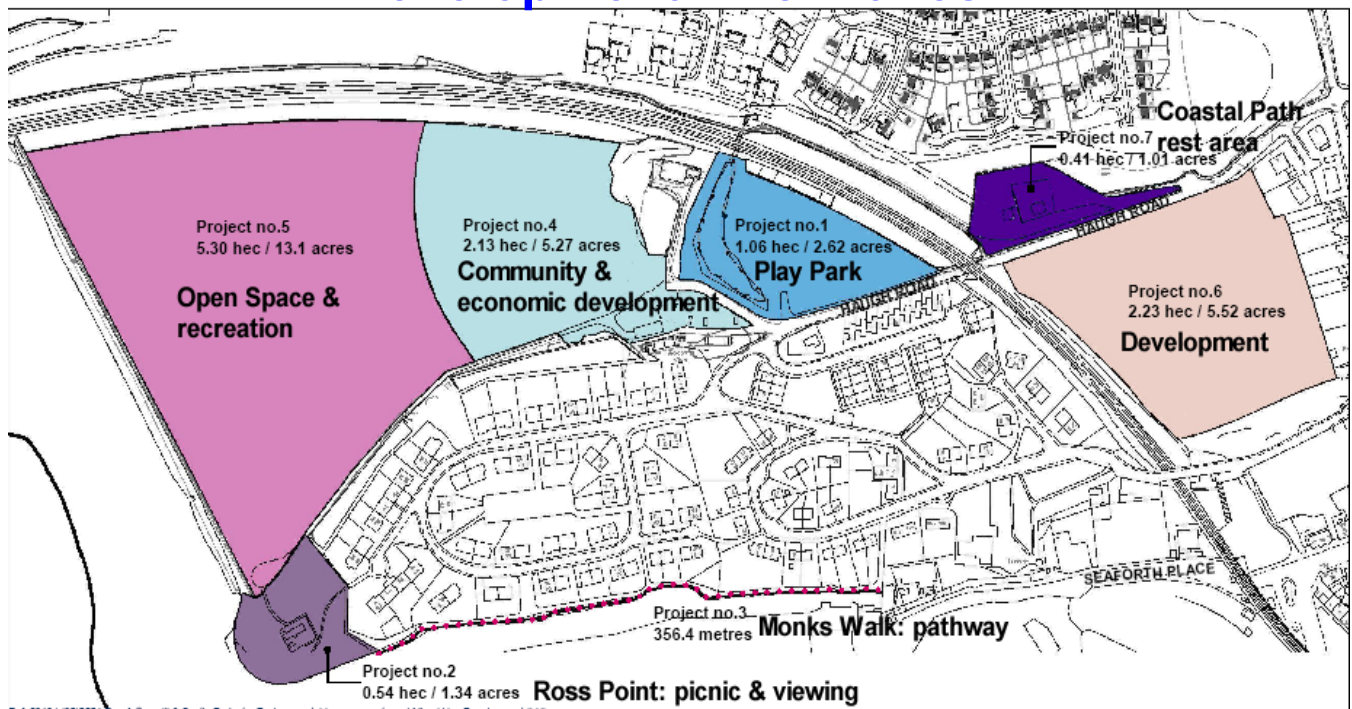
The Seamill & Castle Improvement Scheme comprises representatives from the Castle, Burntisland Community Council, Fife Council, Collinswell Land and other community groups. The purpose is to work with the community to improve the whole area. Last year you were given the opportunity to tell us what you wanted through the consultation taken forward by Vikki Hilton.

There was a huge response and something like 100 different suggestions were received. The group has worked to put these aspirations into effect and this has resulted in a Development Brief, being promoted by Fife Council, for the whole project area. This will give an integrated approach to improving the Seamill and Castle.

A major thrust is to create a community facility, whether this is a Coastal Path Interpretation Centre, cafe and community “Drop In” centre or something else is ultimately up to you. To assist in the funding of this, make improvements the Haugh Road and to give other benefits, such as employment opportunities it is proposed to zone a “community & economic development area” and to possibly allow Duncan's Field to be developed for low density parkland style residential use. The “economic development area” will have to be very carefully controlled to ensure that it is compatible with the parkland of the Seamill and Point and certainly is not for housing. Properly thought out and created, this enterprise could create a substantial number of jobs, many for the Castle and locally in Burntisland.

Plans to build a large adventure playground on the Bottle Cowp and profile the Seamill Pond to make it attractive are already well advanced. Ross Point will be profiled and landscaped and accommodate a Picnic Area and probably a Sea-viewing platform of innovative design. From here people can sit and watch the seals and the views.

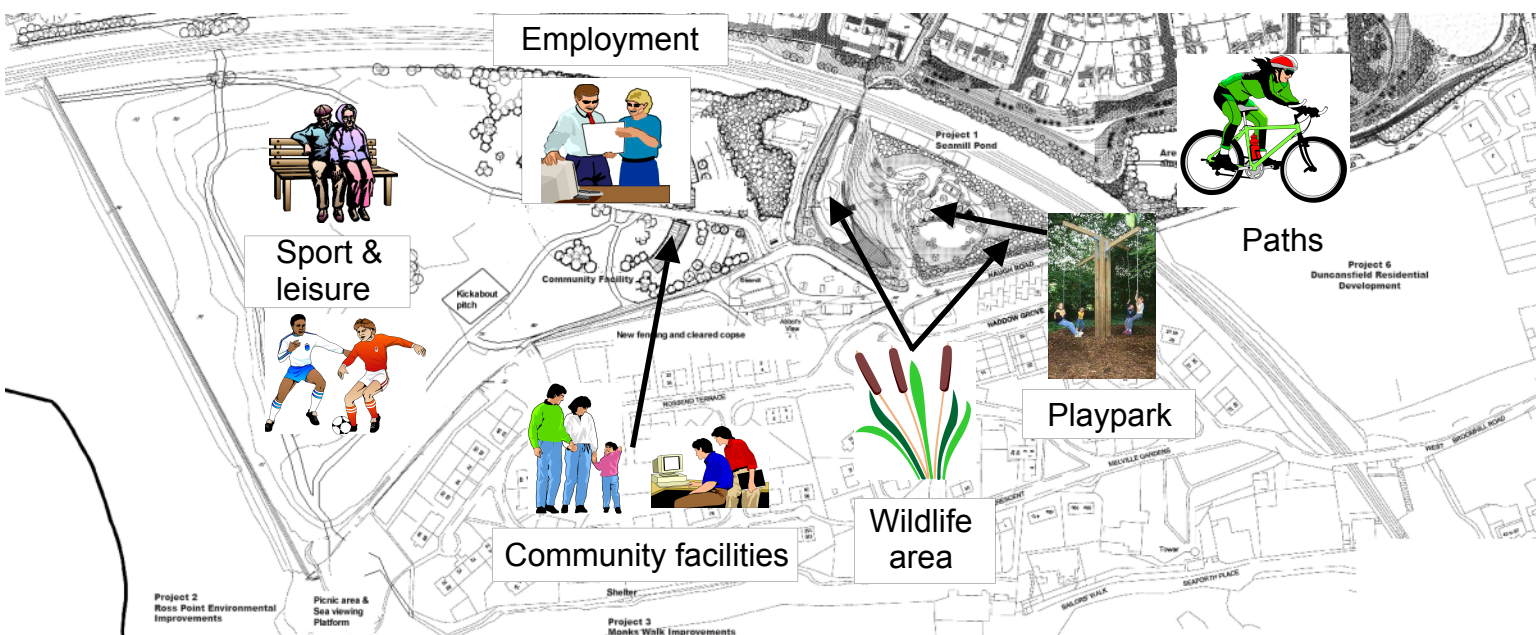
## Development Brief zones.



## What has been done so far, or is planned for this year.

- ✓ Rossend Terrace Play Park has been renovated.
- ✓ The kick-about football pitch is on order and will be put in in the autumn.
- ✓ The fence along the bottom of Rossend Terrace is now complete and the copse of trees will be thinned out and remaining rubbish and old fences removed this winter.
- ✓ To give great views, the shelter on the Monks Walk is in place but there are some finishing touches still to be done.
- ✓ Profiling of the Bottle Cowp and Seamill Pond is about to start and the adventure play park will be built in this area. The dam wall at the pond has been strengthened and path will have street lighting.
- ✓ The whole area has been tidied up and rubbish removed.

## One possible layout of the Seamill area.



## Possible community & visitor uses.

In terms of sports, the kickabout pitch is underway, which is something that the youngsters have asked for on several occasions. The remainder of the Seamill green area will be able to either remain as it is or perhaps a community effort will transform it to something in keeping with the aspirations of the community. With your help and agreement we hope to set up a "Social Enterprise" to help run community facilities, the range of activities offered will be up to the community to suggest and make happen. These enterprises can make a huge difference. There is plenty of support available at the moment to help them succeed.

The figure above shows **one possible layout of the area and its uses** compatible with the proposed Development Brief that will go to consultation. You may well have more or different ideas. I would urge all of you to take part. It is for the future of your estate and your area. There will be a meeting of the Castle Residents Association in September and then the proposal will be taken to Burntisland Community Council. You will also have opportunity to submit your comments to Development Services before any decision is made. Please take part and get the best for the Castle and Seamill area.

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Draft Development  
Brief  
Consultation meetings***

**Castle Residents Association:**

Wednesday 20th September 2006, 7pm, Burgh Chambers

**Burntisland Community Council:**

Friday 13th October 2006, 7pm, Burgh Chambers.

All are encouraged to attend.

**Please send any written comments on the Development Brief  
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