



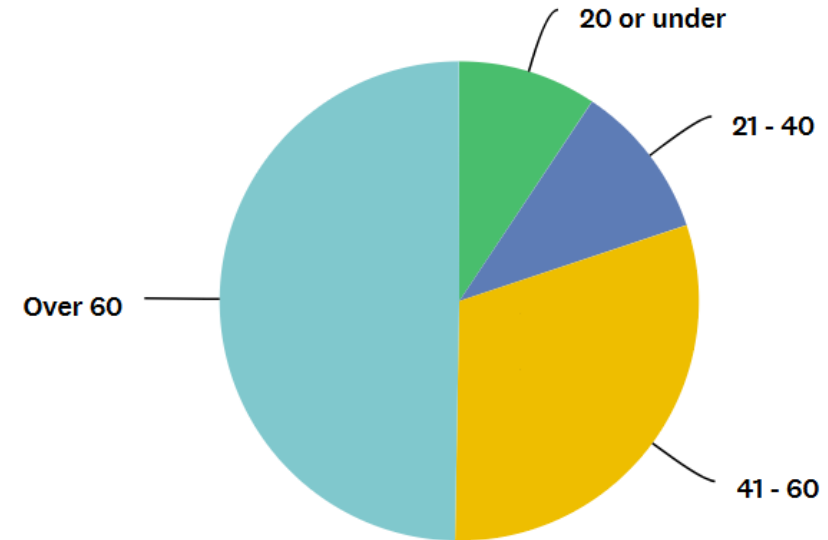
Bishop Monkton Village Hall & Playing Fields

2025 Survey of Residents

Age Profile

Please let us know your approximate age

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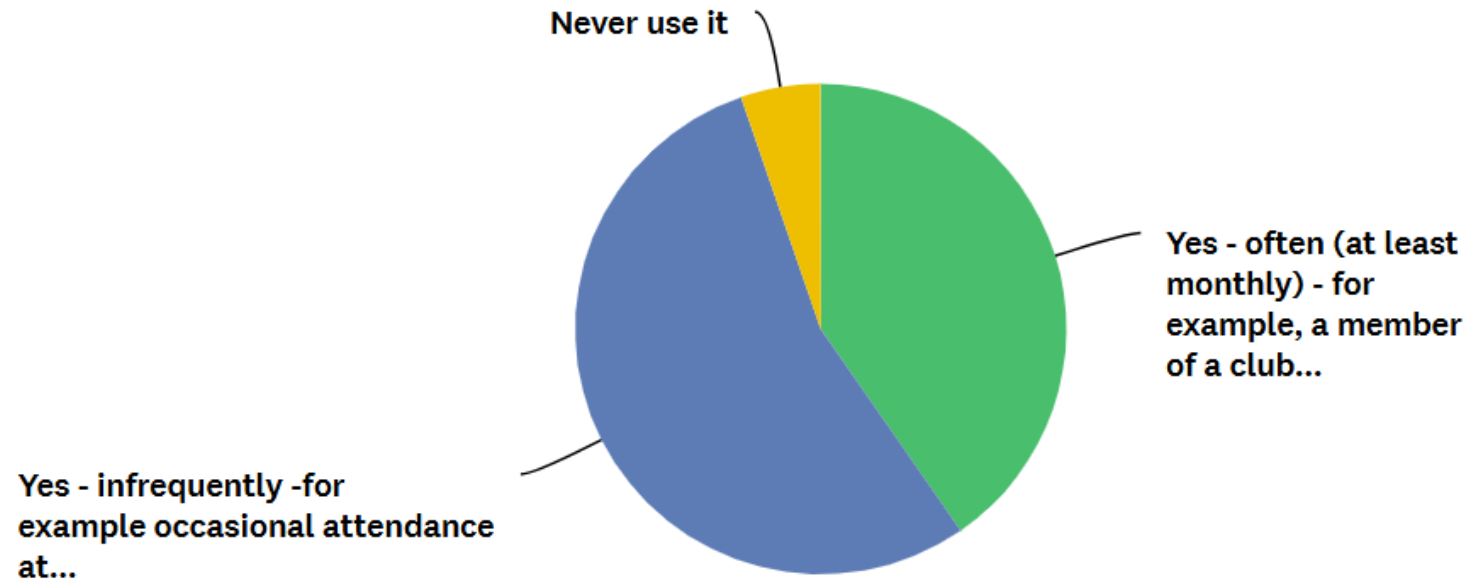
We had 171 respondents, 94% were from the village.

The profile is skewed heavily to older people – **leading to a concern that the views of younger people may be under-represented.**

Or does this just reflect the demographics of our village?

Are you a current user of the Village Hall?

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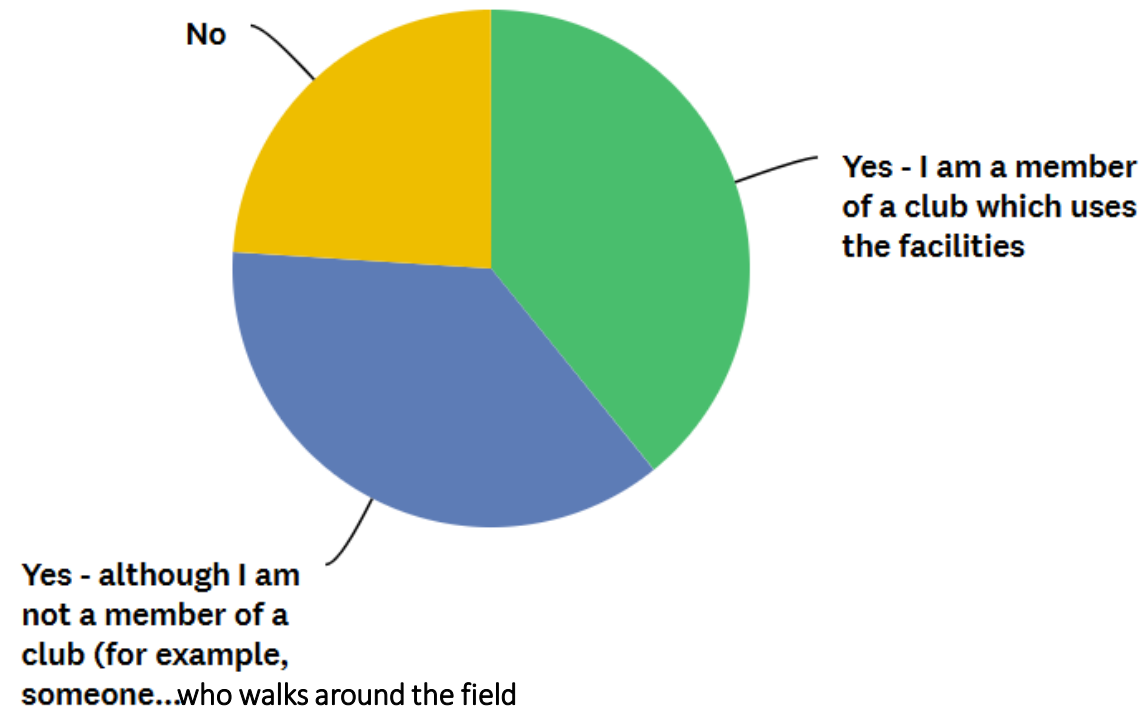


Most people responding use the Village Hall – hardly surprising, but also great proof that it is well used 😊.

But non-users are an important demographic – why aren't they using it? However, they gave very similar answers.

Are you a current user of the Playing Fields (including Croquet, Bowls, Football, Tennis, Cricket)?

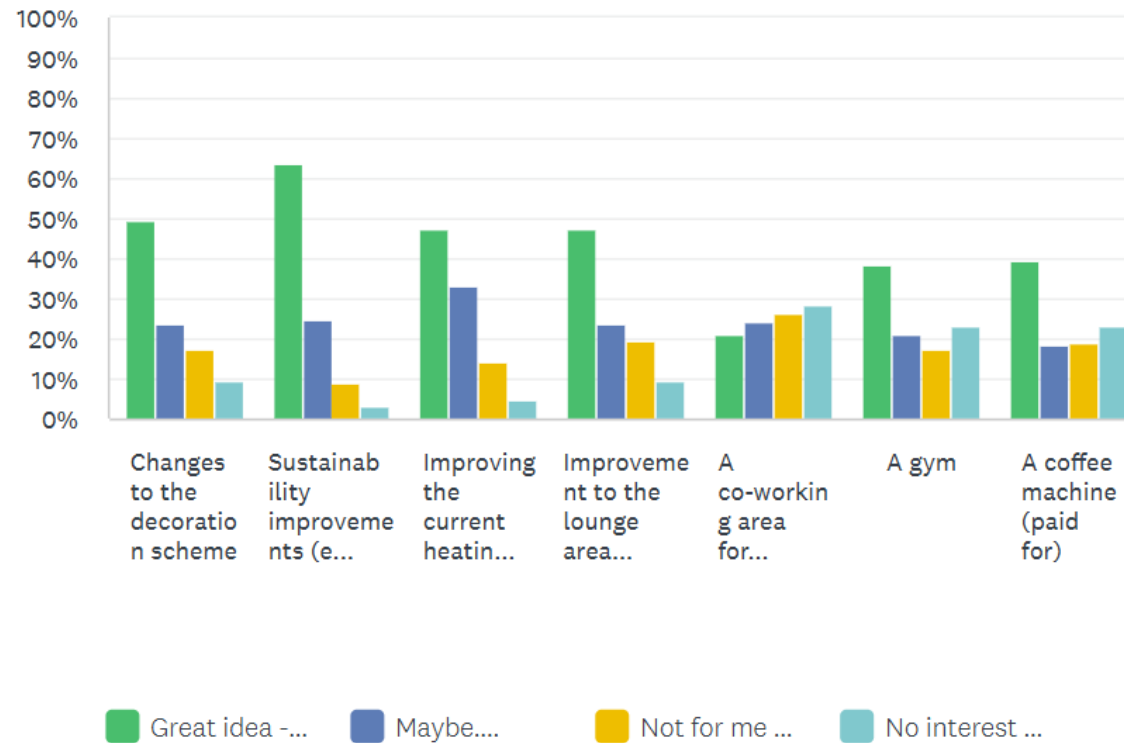
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Unsurprisingly, Club / Society membership seems to be a big driver of usage

Thinking about the inside of the Village Hall, what improvements would you like to see (please score each item - if it doesn't interest you at all please make this clear)

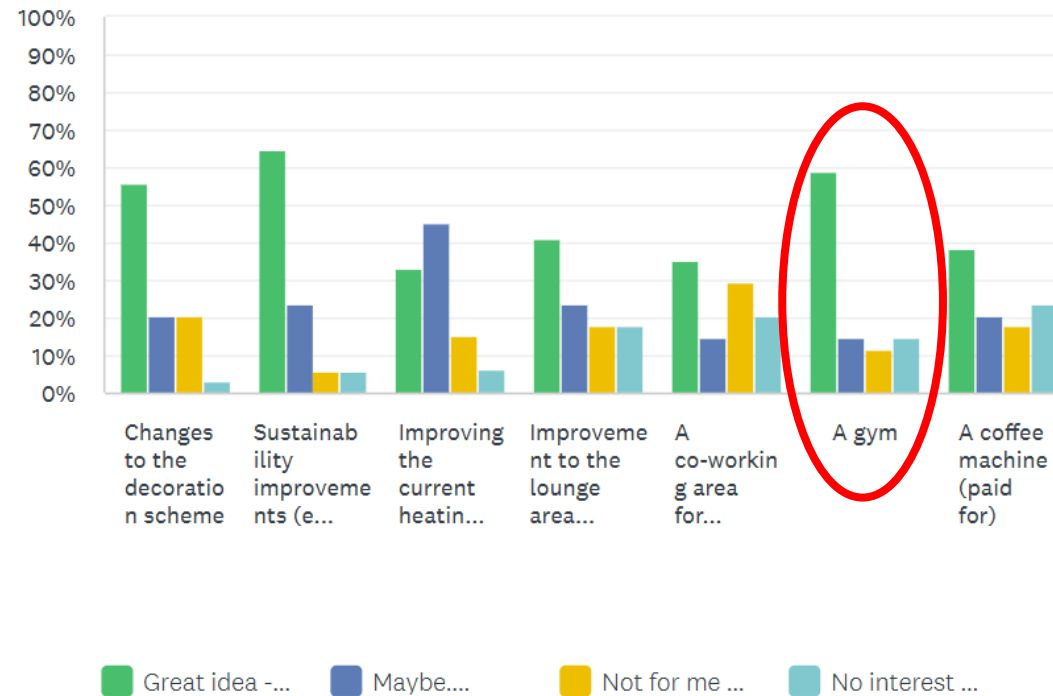
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Sustainability, heating, lounge and decoration improvements are popular. A co-working area, gym and coffee machine are not.

Thinking about the inside of the Village Hall, what improvements would you like to see (please score each item - if it doesn't interest you at all please make this clear)

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Under
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A gym is much more popular amongst under 40's only.

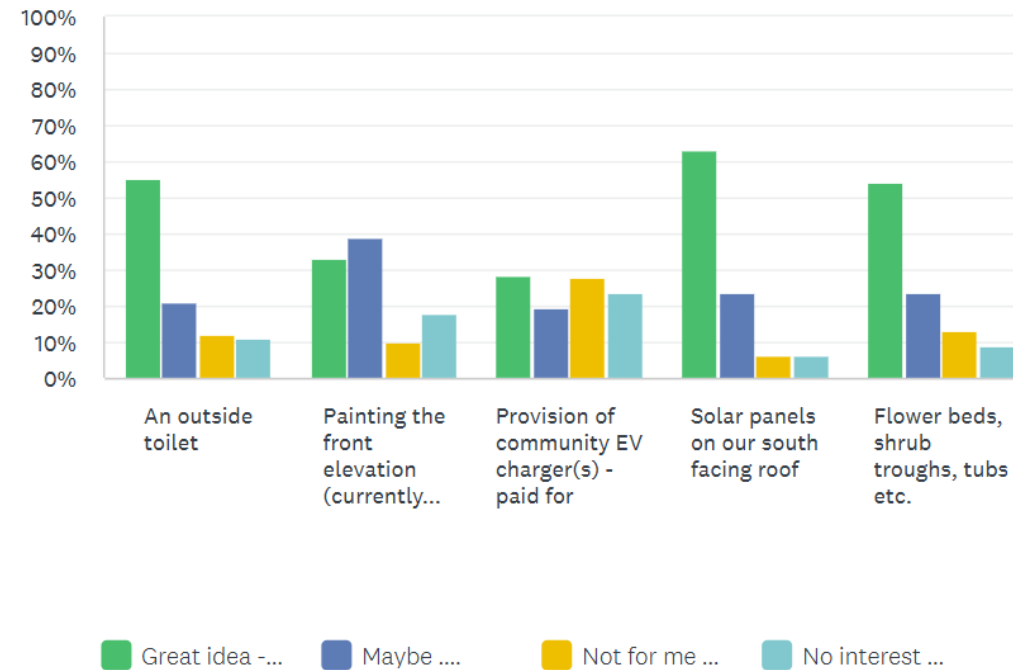
A co-working area and coffee machine score lowest in both cases – and are tricky to manage / maintain too.

Written comments – inside of the hall

- **Keep the BBC colour scheme (lots of comments)**
- **Replace curtains (dated) with blinds (lots of comments)**
- **A shop / post office (lots of comments)**
- Pool table
- Bar
- Water cooler
- Better Wi-Fi (??)
- Make use of the area behind the stage
- Heating is noisy
- Instant water heating
- Festoon lighting for parties
- Refurbished toilets

Now thinking about the outside of the Village Hall, what improvements would you like to see (please rank those which interest you most at the top and select "N/A" if you have no interest in the item)

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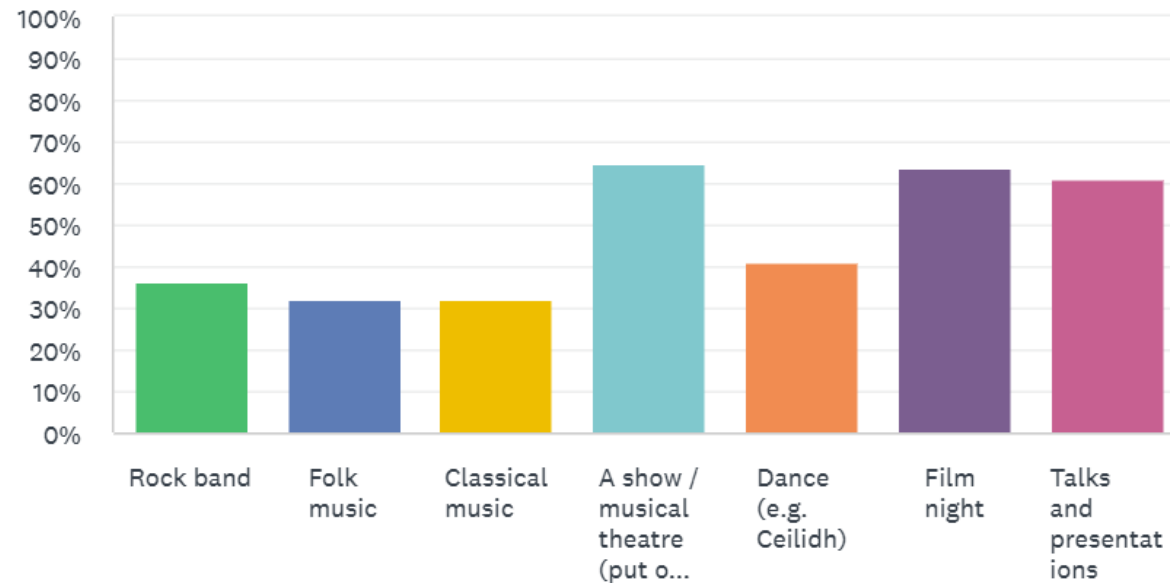
Solar panels and an outside toilet very popular. A written comment suggests baby changing facilities in the outside toilet – good idea. Flower beds (etc.) also popular – but who would maintain them? Low interest in EV charger(s).

Written comments – outside the hall

- **Don't do things which increase the maintenance burden – we rely on volunteers**
- **Waterproof notice board like the ones in the village**
- **Picket fence on veranda**
- **Skate park**
- Picnic tables / chairs
- Better outside lighting
- Rubbish bin (public)
- Welcome sign
- Bird boxes, bug boxes
- CCTV
- Wheelchair / pushchair access from front of hall to playing field
- Improve the appearance of the elevation from the car park

Would you have an interest in any of the events below at the Village Hall involving performances even if there is an element of financial risk to the Hall due to the cost of booking? (Please only select if it is highly likely you would attend)

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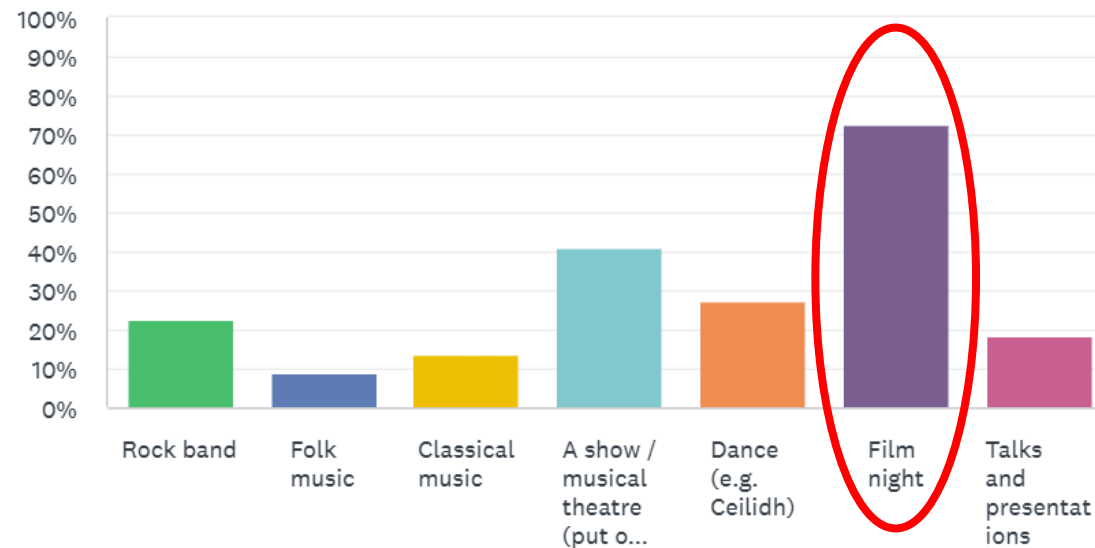


Events at the village hall would be popular – especially shows, dances, film nights and talks.

But arranging these isn't really the remit of the Village Hall Committee at present – the survey gives a good idea of what people want if someone wanted to take this on.

Would you have an interest in any of the events below at the Village Hall involving performances even if there is an element of financial risk to the Hall due to the cost of booking? (Please only select if it is highly likely you would attend)

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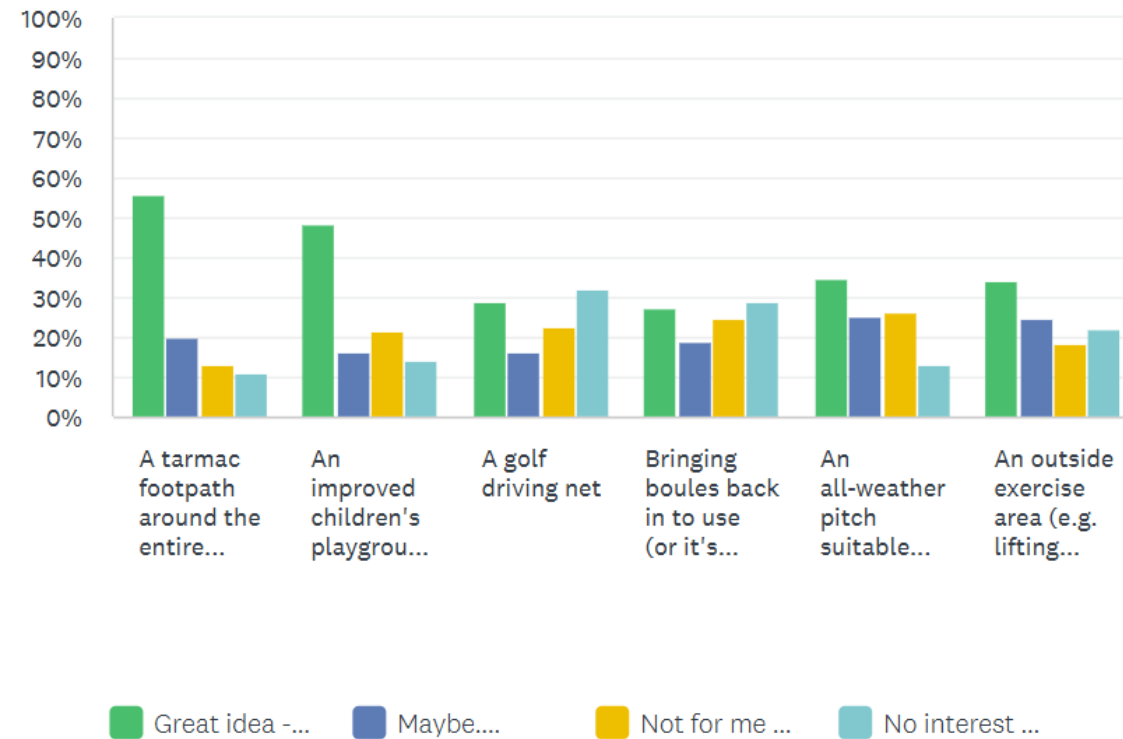


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The answers are very different for under 40's – with little interest for most items apart from Film Nights

Now thinking about the playing fields and outside areas, what new facilities would you like to see? (please rank and select "N/A" if you have no interest)

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A tarmac footpath and improved playground have high levels of support
Lower and broadly similar support for golf (some people thought this was a range!),
boules, all weather pitch and an outside “agility area”

Now thinking about the playing fields and outside areas, what new facilities would you like to see? (please rank and select "N/A" if you have no interest)

Answered: 33 Skipped: 1



Under
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Under 40's give a very different answer – with substantially more support for the improved playground, golf and all-weather pitch. The footpath is universally popular.

Written comments – playing fields

- **Path is a great idea – safe area for kids to ride scooters and bikes.**
- **Something for older children / teens – they have nothing in the village (many comments)**
- **Put benches alongside the path**
- **Skate park (many comments)**
- **Zip wire**
- **A larger play area**
- Don't change playground. Definitely no zip wire (1)
- Nature enhancing facilities (bird boxes)
- Community vegetable garden
- Permanent, improved cricket nets
- Boules has not been looked after / Boules is a white elephant (1) / Longer Boules lanes
- Netball court / lines
- Wind screening around tennis courts
- Golf pitching area / bunker
- Padel court
- Floodlights for tennis / MUGA

Other Ideas (General)

- More disabled parking spaces
- Entrance to the field from Hungate – it's too cut off right now
- Shop / community café
- Stage area / behind is not used – could create space for shop / gym
- Electrical power to south perimeter for maintenance
- All weather pitches are a good source of revenue
- Concerns of “mischief” / “loitering” from older children if we put facilities in
- Clear fence on balcony
- Hedging around croquet
- Thank you to volunteers

Would you be happy to help implement some of the changes (please leave your name above if "yes")

Answered: 125 Skipped: 47

