

Appendix 10

Q25 – Improvements needed to King George V Hall and Fields

Some comments have been edited to ensure that respondents could not be identified, and some comments have been edited or omitted due to inappropriate content.

Most investment is focussed around facilities NOT currently used by villagers A new approach that will ensure people who live in the village get to use facilities and services they want and need. Currently not run in the interests of villagers. I would like to see modern facilities - a proper place to meet and have coffee maybe a restaurant or decent cafe, a youth facility professionally run, Adult learning classes, a proper studio for keep fit and dance , modern gym, and SPA facilities. Perhaps some artisan shops and farmers market

Constant up-dating

All needs improvement and many facilities lacking - compare with East Horsley Village Hall.

Now I go to the Cricket Club on Effingham Common.

Always needs maintaining and renovating

Used to use them regularly when sons were younger but have not done so for the last 6 years or so but I would say that these sort of facilities always need improving.

Parking

We feel that this facility should be at the heart of village life. There could be a running / cycle track, more family-friendly refreshment facilities e.g. coffee/snacks/light lunches rather than members-only bars, better seating for groups of mums, improved children's play facilities (they've been improved but are still not a patch on other local playgrounds), improved facilities in the KGV hall (kitchen, stage for theatre etc), toilets accessible for field users when the building is locked, better outside lighting, more car parking for big events (district sports, rugby etc).

I think the playing fields would benefit from floodlights

Car Parking facilities when KGV Hall is holding any large event = they ought to be better managed

Fitness trail

Move rugby pitch in front of club house to enable games to be watched from the club house to ensure more people use the facilities.

The footpaths are in poor condition. The centre path has bricks sticking up, the hedges are over grown, parts of the field have been used as a dumping ground for spoil from the car park The bonfire site has not been cleaned up and restored

New Hall / Workout Studio /Gym / Coffee Shop / Medical Rooms / Squash

Accessibility to Rugby Club Room for Community as Hall is too big for some events

Bike racks (outside new coffee area.)

Tennis courts need resurfacing, new lines and nets!

Haven't used the facilities as I simply wasn't aware they are for public use.

Children's playground could be more exciting.

Children's playground needs to be better maintained, more equipment

They all need improvement. They don't have the facilities needed by the village -either too much or too little.

Flood light the tennis court

More rubbish and poo (dog) bins.

Children's play area

Tennis courts needed

Children's Clubs

KGV hall kitchen needs updating and enlarging. Cricket Square needs dining up to acceptable standard. Gate at Woodland Road end of KGV needs modernizing. KGV-litter is a real problem.

A total rebuild needed- only currently used by small part of the community as an unattractive venue. Why not a tennis, squash and badminton club, coffee bar and meeting place. EPFA only for part of community-needs to be open to all. Drama, local history group etc.

Dog walking

Better parking on Sundays. Better/improved changing/showering facilities. Disabled access to rugby club bar.

Get rid of the cricket pitch- it is never used, is now dangerous and is in the way.

Better lighting in the car park.

Car park. Toilets - Recycling facility . More equipment children's play area. Cafe facility.

A new KGV hall would be great - something modern and forward looking
Ditto for the Cricket club on the common.

More hard surface parking. Force the rugby club to publically give something back to the village.
Improved lighting on exterior paths.

Playground is a bit old fashioned compared to others in area.

It would be good to have some lights at the field gym so it could be used on winter evenings.

Club house needs redevelopment

Look after what we have I.e hard courts

Just need to ensure up keep of play equipment

Kitchen

Children's playground

After polishing hall floor it remains slippery for dancing.

Disabled facilities and entrance. Heating in toilets. Let the E.P.F.A get on with running the village bar as they have for 40 years.

The smaller children's playground could be updated as looks a little tired.

Parking- it is not designed to cater for activities that bring people in from a much wider catchment area.

Generally 'tired'. It is clean and usually warm. Provision of a new and longer projector and screen would enable more use by local groups and public meetings.

Interior rooms.

If all looks rather dated - club especially very 70's. Hall is decent but a bit chilly and bare.

A few more chairs would be nice in different areas.

Make the toddlers playground bigger, roundabout, another slide (bigger) to with small one etc. (Bookham and Dorking good example)

Playground needs updating.

The building design is very poor. Toilet facilities are inadequate for the number of people. The building roof structure needs to be improved and I would suggest it includes a small museum for Barnes Wallace. That might help to get a grant and upgrade the building.

Hall needs major kitchen upgrade and extension. Hall would benefit from a bar as part of hall hire for functions.

More disabled parking facilities.

Do not use KGV now but did in the past and everything was fine.

We are very luckily to have such a nice area in our community.

More info to be available for usage of facilities.

The enclosed children's playground needs weeding more often as there are often thorny weeds there which are dangerous for small children. The swings need oiling and the slide/climbing frame needs sanding and repainting desperately!. Please help!! My son loves using the playground but has come home with splinters on occasion.

Tennis courts a bit run down. Rugby sports hall and hall a bit run down.

Children's playgrounds update to attract and inspire children.

Would be good to have more flood lights and separate 4g football pitches to the tennis courts.
Would like to see member keys or bookings for the tennis courts.

Be more welcoming in the 2 bars to other village members.

More parking.

Club room and bar requires modernising.

The zip line is usually out of action. Good to see new equipment; old single broken swing near zip line needs replacing and a few more pieces of play equipment given the space would be great.
A coffee/ tea cafe would be nice to have plus a toilet for the children to use when picnicking with friends in summer.

More recreational facilities for older kids/ teenagers- youth club/ skate park?

1-Toilets could be available otherwise a trip to the park is cut short when one of the children need to use the toilet but has no where to go.
2- Regular checks on rubbish. There are often cans and bottles strewn on the grass by the play equipment.

The hard courts are a disgrace and need resurfacing desperately!

Can a water fountain be added? Playing fields association club room and bar needs publicising and to be open to all. At the moment feels like a private club. Could access to toilets be facilitated?

Bar/ club could be turned into cafe during day- ice cream etc, could be good!

1- Small cafe. 2- Toilet. 3- More play things for children.

Children's play area(more for them to do).

Additional car parking more considerate use of hall and club room during functions. e.g. music stopped at midnight.

Whole refurb

General maintenance.

There is safety concerns about the large trees on boundary fence with KGV. As children play both sides and branches fall from high levels - danger!

Hall and facilities.

Tennis courts need to be improved.

Repair to tennis courts.

Stricter control of dogs mess.

Club rooms could do with refurbishment

More dog bins around park

Too expensive to use tennis courts. Would be good to have gym facilities - (Leatherhead leisure centre is as expensive as Canon's gym) but only if affordable!

Leave the fields as they are.

Too many people involved at playing rugby

Last time I saw them tennis courts needed repair.

Toilets and bins for dog poo and signs to ask dog owners and walkers to pick and discard pop properly.

Outdoor toilet facilities and hand washing facilities

Hall needs re-building. Not enough parking on Sunday. Sound proofing for evening functions with loud music.

I am a trustee and we are working on improvements

Please install sound proofing - quieter music system!

In good condition already

Kept to a good standard given the resources

The overall building is very run down and dated. Could do with revelation and modernisation. Fields could be improved with more maintenance/interest added in them perhaps in terms of 'garden' sections to sit and enjoy.

Stinging nettles grow within the play park ones (small one)

A youth club for older kids

Second tennis net on the other court.

More up-to-date facilities for families, children and seniors.

Less nails where the bonfire burns, on bonfire night.

More changing rooms and a parish meeting room for village associations and increased car parking.

I use this facility for watching rugby and dog walking. I think the fields are kept in good order considering how often they are used.

- 1) When I have tried to access the hall to check the notice board I have found the doors locked.
 - 2) If the clubroom/bar was open during the day especially in spring/summer as a cafe it would really attract more people I think.
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Return the whole site to rural or natural park land and demolish or remove buildings and objects off the land.

Rugby pitch drainage could be improved.

Public toilets.

Needed proper parking at Scout Headquarters.

Circuit training course around KGV fields.

Both playground areas need improving to replace outdated equipment

A youth club/cafe for the youth of Effingham only with invited guests not available to children from outside the village unless as a guest or an Effingham child and strictly controlled.

A Senior Citizens meeting area.

Dog walkers do not clean up their dogs mess

Very scruffy inside

More dog bins, better lighting at night and early morning for dog walkers.

Organised events if interest and communication of forthcoming activities by email including sports/club events to welcome the wider community.

Would like a second tennis net

They are all very tatty. A new facility would be the only way to make any difference.

Modernisation.

It seems a good venue for E.P.C meetings but apart from that and village day I don't know what goes on there on a regular basis or how well it is used.

Infrequent user.

Parking is bad i.e. rugby matches. More space needed in club as clubroom is tiny and we used to go there but not much selection. We would like to see a swimming, bars and fitness place as I go elsewhere for this.

The small children's play area.

The facilities are good and we make use of them, however there is potential for them to be further Developed - offering a wide range of sports for example.

A little tea room would be great!!

Hall and clubroom.

Modernisation and general facelift but they do have history and character that should be restored.

Great improvement seen on older children's play area - some equipment could still be better.

Playgrounds together. If you have 2 age groups with you. It doesn't work.

Small park for younger children.

More seating around Top rugby field. More dog waste bins by Howard School.

KGV hall-demolition- its an eye sore.

More parking.

Modern facilities to meet the needs of the widest range of residents.

Good maintenance and up keep.

It is a vital part of the community and attention to the grounds is really important. The cricket wicket needs more care in the summer.

Lots of local parks have sandpits and water play. Although a few extra exercise bits have been put in the park the equipment is still quite dated.

An outside access w.c.

Playground facilities for pre-school children. Dogs to be kept on a lead in that area (fenced in area is only for toddlers).

New building (not modern). Reasonable rates to hire out rooms.

Buildings need complete reconsideration and rebuilding to meet much broader community needs and club/committee rooms, bars for all. Improved hall with stage and dressing rooms, medical clinic.

The association clubroom and bar should be not like an exclusive clique/club.

Access to toilet facilities when using the playing fields

More playground equipment other than exercise equipment that's not age appropriate.

I only know the Hall and that seems fine.

CAB-either have a drop in clinic once a month or once or twice a week either am or pm to suit.
Breakfast school club and after school club.

Playground needs updating- remove gym equipment!

Court cleaning and relining.

More benches for walkers to stop and chat?

General updating. Fun cycle trail.

Kitchen and cloakrooms in need of improvements. Cloakrooms should not be locked when hall is in use.

Lighting in hall is harsh and old fashioned. However, I recognise many improvements have been made in recent years.

Provision of club or meeting place for teenagers Easier to access hard courts - how to pay.

Hardcourts need new soccer goal. Posts and dividing boards need repairing

Please improve tennis courts. Provide a basket ball net exercise benches would be good.

More kids play area, castle or boat, sand area

Toilets for use whenever needed especially for the children.

Cycle track, Running track/path

1) Outside toilets for use during events, way home, jogging, playing at children's playgrounds etc.
2) Trim-trail around edge of play fields including other types of equipment (eg like along seafront at Hayling Island!)

I don't use the hall, but facilities seem dated.

Courts need more maintenance! School should be more responsible for litter thrown over the service!

The architecture of KGV hall is not in keeping with an historic village. Basically it's an eyesore.

Better litter collection and clean up

hard court-lighting. 3rd court- what is it's purpose?

Dangerous rubbish cleared on edges backing on to Browns Lane, metal etc.

Move young children's playarea.

Club room and bar, ban children in bar area.

Toilets for casual use of park.

Improve interior decor to attract more local visitors.

Toilets

I think the gym equipment is fantastic and regularly use it.

Outdoor multi/sports/tennis courts need upgrading/ refurbishing.

Surfaced footway from A246 pedestrian entrance to hall. Improved wheelchair/ disabled access to hall.
Refurbish EPFA club room.

New building required in due course.

Tennis courts.

Under 12s playground could be enlarged and improved.

KGV building could be smartened up outside and plants tidied and looked after better.

Parking needs to be a larger car park.

Toilets- no where to dry your hands. Sometimes no water. Public toilets would be good.

More lighting if possible.

Having better children's play areas, not having the toddler and older children's areas separate as this is very difficult if you have children of different ages.

Dog 'walkers' should be excluded from sports pitches and play areas.

No dogs should be allowed on the playing fields due to health risk- toxicara canis.

The play area for young children needs new equipment.

Effingham playing field association club room some repair and maintenance. Another tennis net.

Car parking for field activities and more than one hall activity.
