The Kibworth Neighbourhood Planning Group

Kibworth Beauchamp Parish Council

Kibworth Harcourt Parish Council



Questionnaire

For Clubs, Interest Groups and Organisations

Summary Report of Analysis

Introduction

The Localism Act has given the opportunity for all members of the community to play a part in shaping the future of the places where we live and work. In Kibworth Beauchamp and Kibworth Harcourt we are working to put together a Neighbourhood Plan that will cover aspects such as housing, employment, transport, the natural environment and community facilities. We have been gathering opinions on all of these topics through a range of ways.

One of the factors that residents quote as being special about life in Kibworth Beauchamp and Kibworth Harcourt is the rich variety of clubs, interest groups and organisations. The Plan will include considerations of community facilities that serve those groups. We have therefore approached clubs, groups and organisations using the Kibworth community facilities to ask their opinion on several matters including membership, activities, meeting venues and their visions for the future.

Respondents were invited to remain anonymous if they wished, but encouraged to supply their name in order to identify future needs for their group and/or meeting venue.

48 completed questionnaires were received in total.

Names of groups/clubs/organisations submitting completed questionnaires (arranged alphabetically)

1st Kibworth Beavers

1st Kibworth Mountain Wolves - Cubs

3rd Kibworth Guides

Affinity TSA [Teaching School Alliance]

Body Toning Classes in Kibworth

Celia Herrick - Yoga

EWF Karate

Fit to Dance Pilates

Fusion Youth Group

Girls Group

Ignite (St Wilfrid's Youth)

K&D U3A Summer Strollers

Kibworh Mothers Union (St Wilfrid's Church)

Kibworth & District U3A - Social Bridge Group

Kibworth & District U3A - Table Tennis Group

Kibworth & District U3A Gardening Group

Kibworth & Fleckney Rotary Club

Kibworth & Smeeton Womens Institute

Kibworth Art Lovers Society

Kibworth Golf Club

Kibworth Harcourt Conservation Society

Kibworth Harcourt Parish Council

Kibworth History Society

Kibworth Joint Burial Committee

Kibworth Methodist Church

Kibworth Methodist Church Senior Citizens Lunch Club

Kibworth Methodist Ladies Contact Group

Kibworth Rangers - Girl Guiding UK

Kibworth Tennis Club

Kibworth U3A Flower Arranging Group

Kibworth U3A Investment Group

Kibworth Village Hall

Kibworth Village Hall Play Group

Kibworth Wednesday Fellowship

Senior Citizens Cream Teas

Seniors at Play

Space4U - counselling for young people

St Wilfrid's Church

The Kibworth Band

The Kibworth Society

U3A - Kibworth and District - Groups Music appreciation, German conversation and Anglo-Zulu War Study Group

U3A Art Group

U3A Craft Group

U3A Line Dancing

U3A Poetry Group

U3A Singing for Pleasure

Two anonymously completed questionnaires were also received.

Section 1: Activities of the groups

(More than one activity could be ticked by each group)

Sporting activities	12
Special interest/hobby	23
Social events	21
Youth group	10
Educational events	13
Raising money for charitable work	12
Faith group	6
Support group	9
Other specified activities were as follows:	
Community Group	
Companionship for the lonely or housebound	
Conservation and heritage	
Counselling	
Daily preschool	
Parish Council	
Playgroup	
Singing	
Speakers with historical and current interests	
Teaching School Alliance	
Traditional brass band and Youth [word illegible] group	
Trips out for those housebound or in care homes	
Yoga	

Section 2: Membership

Group membership consists of:

Adults (only) 30 groups

Children (only) 8 groups

Adults and children 10 groups

Number of members:

Total of 2936 members across all groups

Of those, estimated number living in Kibworth Beauchamp and Kibworth Harcourt?

Total of 2042 across all groups (=70%)

The sizes of the groups responding to the questionnaire are shown in the following graph.



Have you seen any increase in membership as a result of housing development in the Kibworths in recent years? Please tick one option.

No appreciable change	29
Slight increase	12
Significant increase	4

If there were to be further housing development in the Kibworths (e.g. 400 or more houses), what do you anticipate would be the effect on your membership? Please tick one option.

No appreciable change	16
Slight increase	24
Significant increase	8

Section 3: Meeting frequency

How frequently do you hold meetings? Please select the category that best describes the frequency:

Several times a week	10
Once a week	15
Every two weeks/twice a month (not in questionnaire; added by responders)	4
Once a month	16
Less than once a month	2

Section 4: Meeting Venue

16 groups meet in their own premises

29 groups rent room (s) one or more venues to hold meetings

[Commentary: this question potentially caused some of confusion due to the reference to ownership.]

Section 5: Owning premises

Responses received for the following venues (arranged alphabetically):

Committee Members' Homes

Kibworth Band Hall

Kibworth Golf Club

Kibworth Methodist Church / Church Room

Kibworth Village Hall

Members' homes

Scout Hut

St Wilfrid's Church / Church Hall

The Well

Are your premises sufficiently large for your current activities?

YES 12 / NO 4

If you have anticipated future growth in membership in Section 2, will you be able to accommodate growth in your current premises?

YES 5 / NO 7/ Na 4

If you answered NO to either question, is there room to expand at your current site?

YES 4 / NO 3/ Na 9

Is there sufficient parking for members who travel to your meetings by car?

YES 11 / NO 5

Individual Venue Analysis

(number of groups giving each answer)

	Large Enough?	Can accommodate	Is there room to	Sufficient parking?
		anticipated	expand?	
		growth?		
Kibworth Band Hall	YES 1 / NO 0	YES 1 / NO 0/ Na 0	YES 0 / NO 0 / Na 1	YES 0 / NO 1
Kibworth Golf Club	YES 1/NO0	YES 0 / NO 1 / Na 0	YES 1 / NO 0/ Na 0	YES 1 / NO 0
Kibworth Methodist Church / Church Room	YES 2/NO1	YES 0 / NO 1 / Na 2	YES 0 / NO 1/ Na 2	YES 2 / NO 1
Kibworth Village Hall	YES 1 / NO 0	YES 0 / NO 1 / Na 0	YES 0 / NO 1 / Na 0	YES 0/NO1
Scout Hut	YES 1 / NO 0	YES 0 / NO 1 / Na 0	YES 0 / NO 1/ Na 0	YES 0 / NO 1
St Wilfrid's Church / Church Hall	YES 2 / NO 0	YES 2 / NO 0 / Na 0	YES 0 / NO 0 / Na 2	YES 1 / NO 1
The Well	YES 0/NO3	YES 0 / NO 3 / Na 0	YES 3/NO0/ Na 0	YES 3 / NO 0

Note. Whether to fill in the renting or owning section was rather ambiguous in some cases (e.g. the churches and the scout hut) therefore answers were given in both sections. As the questions were slightly different, the results have not been combined.

Section 6: Renting a venue

Where do you usually meet? Please tick any that apply.

Kibworth Grammar School Hall	15	Bowling Club	0
Village Hall	2	Kibworth Club (Working Men's Club)	0
The Kibworth School	1	The Well	0
Scout Hut	4	St Wilfrid's Church Hall	6
Tennis Club	0	Methodist Church	6
Golf Club	1	Kibworth Band Hall	0
Cricket Club	2	Bowling Club	0
Other (please specify) Raitha's Function Room in past Yes for in-house meetings also garden visits		Prefer not to say	0

Is your venue sufficiently large for your current activities?

YES	28	
NO	4	KGSH x 3, Methodist
		Church Room

Is your venue suitably equipped for your activities?

YES	27	
NO	4	KGSH x 2,
		Scout Hut, Methodist
		Church Room

If you have anticipated future growth in membership in Section 2, will you be able to accommodate growth at your current venue?

YES	17	
NO	6	KGSH x 2,
		Scout Hut x 2, Methodist
		Church Room, Village Hall
Not applicable	5	

Is your venue suitably equipped for your activities? Please tick one option.

Not really suitable, but 'needs must'	2	Scout Hut, KGSH
Just about suitable for our purposes	12	
Very well equipped for our purposes	19	

Do you ever have difficulty booking a room at your usual venue(s)? Please tick one option.

Never	21	
Occasionally	9	KGSH x 5, Scout Hut x 2, St Wilfrids, Golf Club
Often	1	KGSH

How do you view the room hire rates at your usual venue(s)? Please tick one option.

Good value for money	26	
A little expensive	5	KGSH x 3, Scout Hut, St Wilfrids
A strain on our funds	0	

Is there sufficient parking for members who travel to your meetings by car?

YES	25	
NO	4	Scout Hut x 4

Section 7 Additional club activities

Do you have activities you would like to implement, but are currently constrained? YES 15 / NO 32

- If YES, please indicate the nature of the activities

The following comments were made (includes group name and their venue):

1st Kibworth Mountain Wolves - Cubs meeting at Scout Hut. Cooking is difficult as facilities not good

3rd Kibworth Guides meeting at Scout Hut. Cooking, sport, outdoor activities!

Affinity TSA [Teaching School Alliance] meeting at Kibworth Grammar School Hall & Cricket Club. More education conferences and events

Fusion Youth Group meeting at Village Hall. Outside activities

Girls Group meeting at The Well. More physical activities for breaking down barriers. More expert speakers coming in.

Kibworth & Smeeton Womens Institute meeting at Kibworth Grammar School Hall & St Wilfrid's Church Hall. We are currently unable to have certain activities that need space as the room we meet in is not big enough. Currently seeking alternative meeting room.

Kibworth Golf Club meeting at Kibworth Golf Club. Full involvement of disabled due to lack of adequate facilities

Kibworth History Society meeting at Methodist Church/ Church Room. Further researches into Kibworth's history and heritage. Establishing a local museum.

Kibworth Methodist Church meeting at Kibworth Methodist Church. Specifically 1) for the elderly and 2) teenagers

Kibworth Rangers - Girl Guiding UK meeting at Methodist Church/ Church Room. More active activities - space to run around indoors

Kibworth Village Hall Play Group meeting at Village Hall. Outdoor Play area

Kibworth Wednesday Fellowship meeting at Methodist Church/ Church Room. We like to go for a trip or meal out, but as several members are disabled and most are over 80, we need transport and disabled access. Most of our funds are spend on paying for the local PATH bus from Harborough

Seniors at Play meeting at The Well. Armchair aerobics; dance

What are the constraints limiting your organisation's ability to implement these activities (please tick any that apply)? – summary of all answers received

Lack of money	6
Lack of venue/space	13
Lack of volunteer time	8
Uncertainty of need/ support	1

Section 8 Employment

9 groups provide paid employment (e.g. coaching, administration, cleaning, catering)

Total paid personnel hours per week.

660 hours = 17.8 people on 37 hour week

Section 9 Further comments

The following additional comments were received (name of group and venue given):

1st Kibworth Mountain Wolves - Cubs meeting at Scout Hut. Our Beavers, Cubs and Scouts doubled in size (1 extra group and weekly meeting) this year - two of the groups meet outside the Scout Hut (1 is at the High School) as there are no time slots available at the hut. This is difficult for those leaders as they need equipment from the hut. It also prevents them running some activities (e.g. cooking on gas stoves). Sometimes people may undervalue the importance of our groups on the community but we help to encourage young people to grow up respecting others, having confidence enjoying life and overall being good people. We are currently not able to offer this to all children in the village due to lack of meeting space which is a shame.

Affinity TSA [Teaching School Alliance] meeting at Kibworth Grammar School Hall & Cricket Club. We really like being based at KGSH. Space (office) is increasingly becoming a challenge for our team. We would have capacity/requirement for extra office space in the next 3-12 months

Body Toning Classes in Kibworth meeting at Kibworth Grammar School Hall. The nature of my classses only allows a certain amount of people to [word illegible] attend. I can't accommodate the amount already let alone any more if village gets bigger.

Celia Herrick - Yoga meeting at Kibworth Grammar School Hall & The Kibworth School. The facilities seem to be steadily coming to full capacity, and, for instance, I feel it will not be long before the Grammar School Hall car park will be insufficient in size to accommodate all the cars. This is already happening when the Affinity Group (linked with the Primary School) has training days because, even if the training is happening at the Primary School, as opposed to KGSH, the staff attending seem to be given instructions to park at KGSH car park to ease congestion in Hillcrest Avenue.

Fusion Youth Group meeting at Village Hall. We can only just run at the moment because of lack of help. Anymore children wanting to join the club would probably have to be turned away if our

numbers climb much more. This then resulting on potential anti social behaviour as most clubs are full to brim. The young people will only have the streets/parks to hang out in! This defeats the whole object of these 'safe environment' clubs and groups and to be honest is an insult to those of us giving up time (precious) to offer the young people of Kibworth a 'safe place to go'. People will give up completely and then where will we be???

Kibworth & District U3A - Table Tennis Group meeting at Scout Hut. Lack of parking is our biggest problem. More houses in Kibworth will increase our parking problems.

Kibworth & District U3A Gardening Group meeting at Kibworth Grammar School Hall. We are all Senior Citizens. KGS should provide a caretaker to set up and clear away furniture, especially the new chairs which are very heavy to move. Curtains in the Main Hall (which we use) are too light when projecting on to a screen. Kitchen facilities inadequate for the no. of people using KGS and the gas stove is dangerous as gas has escaped on several occasions - [Name supplied] was supposed to have fitted cut out when taps turned on without ignition 2 years ago. Lack of toilets on ground floor.

Kibworth & Fleckney Rotary Club meeting at Golf Club. We are in the process of starting another "satellite" group to attract a younger profile of Rotary supporters

Kibworth & Smeeton Womens Institute meeting at Kibworth Grammar School Hall & St Wilfrid's Church Hall. As the village grows it would seem necessary to provide more 'communal' space such as a community hall with various sized rooms to accommodate a variety of groups

Kibworth Harcourt Conservation Society meeting at Committee Members' Homes & St Wilfrid's Church Hall. The Society was formed nearly 40 years ago to fight to preserve The Manse (Leicester Road). Committee meets in own homes about every 6-8 weeks. Society members maintain flower tubs in Conservation Area. Although primarily concerned with monitoring planning applications within the KH Conservation Area (which includes St Wilfrid's Church and top end of Church Road and Coach & Horses), the annual Christmas Tree lighting event on first Saturday in December is a big social occasion involving all ages. Hosted a public meeting at High School when previous Kibworth bypass consultation took place some 25 years ago.

Kibworth History Society meeting at Methodist Church/ Church Room. The [Kibworth History] Society is supportive of the KNPG's work.

Kibworth U3A Flower Arranging Group meeting at Kibworth Grammar School Hall. If the numbers in U3A grow beyond their 320 ish it is probable that the numbers at the monthly meeting will grow. There is nowhere in Kibworth that can accommodate more than 120.

Kibworth Wednesday Fellowship meeting at Methodist Church/ Church Room. There are few facilities for disabled people in the village, also problems of access for mobility scooter users e.g. drop kerbs are often missing. A secure storage, near the square for scooters would enable disabled people to get the bus to Harborough or Leicester, though it could be outdoors (e.g. in the library grounds).

Space4U - counselling for young people meeting at Kibworth Grammar School Hall. Sometimes the room is a littly "noisy" - i.e. people talking/waiting for classes to end/parents waiting/talking in corridor. Also music can be very loud on Tuesdays (we use the office 3-7pm). Due to the nature of

our work it can sometimes be distracting for the young people but venue/parking and "people" here are lovely so we manage to overcome this. Thank-you.

St Wilfrid's Church meeting at St Wilfrid's Church. If there should be a significant large development more community space would be a requirement. We feel that plans for a bypass need to be ringfenced now so that the land is kept in preparation, and planning decisions made on that basis.

The Kibworth Band meeting at Kibworth Band Hall. Band formed in 1905. Rebuild hall in 1972. Full members. Youth [word illegible] 39 at present.

The Kibworth Society meeting at Kibworth Grammar School Hall. Membership of the Kibworth Society are mainly older people. We meet in the afternoon and have no members who are employed. The building of new houses will not affect our membership numbers as most are older and have been members for many years.

U3A - Kibworth and District - Groups Music appreciation, German conversation and Anglo-Zulu War Study Group meeting at Members' homes. The groups I lead are all home groups and we do not rent premises

U3A Poetry Group meeting at Members' homes. Several U3A Groups only lend themselves to home groups. If overall membership of U3A were to increase the Grammar School Hall would not be big enough for the important monthly meetings.

Summary

Key themes which come out of the questionnaire for clubs, groups and other organisations using community facilities within the Kibworth villages are as follows:

- There is a need for provision of space for children/youth activities including cooking and outdoor activities at venues, particularly Scout Hut and Village Hall
- Facilities and accessibility for the disabled need to be improved
- KGSH is near to capacity
- There may be a need for a venue with a large room
- Space is not sufficient for activities at The Well
- Parking is a problem for several venues: Scout Hut, Band Hall, Village Hall, KGSH (sometimes), Methodist Church.