RECREATION GROUND GOOGLE SURVEY

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Abstract

In total there were 67 on line responses (there were more paper copies). This document provides a summary of the written comments & responses.

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What do you value about the existing Pavilion? (51 responses)

A community space with many uses in addition to sport

Its use as a community asset e.g. on school sports day, village summer fayre and many other events.

availability for village events

It's very pretty

Changing facilities and Kitchen facilities

It is a place where food and drinks are served when events are on

A focal point for lots of events

It's been a big part of my life in Crowhurst

as a meeting point for groups of different kinds within the village

The lovely outdoor veranda. The look of the clock tower and weather vane.

a venue the village can use for recreational ground activities

It is a historical landmark in the village and is used by a number of sports groups/teams

Never used it

We LOVE this play park!! Me and son come most Monday and Friday, and sometimes with grandparents on other days and we have such fun!! The play area is perfect for school age children. We love the bark floor, so we can fall without any worrry, we love the climbing frame and slide, it's just big enough to be a challenge. The enclosed fencing is perfect for the younger ones and the benches are a warm welcome to catch my breath. The car park is essentially and make the visit so easy and accessible. We also love running around the field playing catch.

It looks nice from a distance!

All round village amenity

Community use for many groups

Its' character, style and history

Toilet facilities

To be honest ive never been in it. I think there's a sense that it is just for use by the footballers and cricketers, I would love it if it was more accessible to all (or could be hired for events)

The clock tower

The toilets! Facilities to provide refreshments.

The opportunity for sports teams to prepare/change. Also - a kitchen and loo for village and village-school events.

It's a much valued facility for children and sports focussed adults

Community hub in an open space

The opportunity for the community to hold events

Traditional style and the clock tower

Lovely building, used at all events and clubs. Well worth preserving.

Refreshments and toilet facilities

Its a hospitality centre for sports and visiting teams etc. The traditional appearance is important and valued locally.

As part of The Friends of Crowhurst School, we use ithe pavilion for the Sports Day event as a refreshment cafe. The building itself is quite attractive from the outside.

I have only really used it to get refreshments during event asuch as school sports day or the village Fayre.

The history display area and the clock tower. That all parts of the local activities are using the rec as a central point, highlighting the reason why it was gifted in the 1st place.

Toilet facilities and a place to serve food/drinks, shelter

Clock tower

Traditional English village appearance

A focal point for the village sporting activities

It's low key olde worlde character

A place to have events, to have running water and toilets

Character, position, history

The whole pavilion is useful for sports days for the children

I think more social events should be there and to host girls sports to raise that as a profile

A nice meeting point

A well loved facility for local people and clubs with a traditional design that fits its setting very well.

village amenity

Toilets, kitchen, somewhere to we've food from

The clock tower but needs to be working

Its facilities and potential facilities to enhance the health and well being and connectivity of the community

Provision of facilities for cricket. Continuity with the past.

The way it fits into the landscape

Good for hosting events but the facilities are too old now.

What alterations do you think need to be made to improve the facilities of the pavilion? For example, specific improvements to:

62 responses

Value	Count
Kitchen Facilities	43
Changing Rooms / Showers / Toilets	56
Reception Area	25
Extended Storage	26
Decking & Verandah	36
Outdoor seating & possible shaded area	46
External facade & roof	19
Environmental Improvements e.g water harvesting, solar panels, insulation, carbon capture and energy efficiency	38

Any other comments or suggestions:

23 responses

obviously accessibility but will still need to be elevated.

better toilet facilities for village events

Frost protection, showers need upgrading and materials used to be of top quality as these facilities don't get the best of maintenance

all of the above will nead up grading

We love playing here, maybe something for 10 years plus and more from over 4 years. But 5-10yr it's perfect. Sometimes has to leave early due to no toilet access after school. So toilets open 7-7pm 7 days a week, would be great.

Fix the clock

Nο

The facade should remain in the same style in keeping with era, all additions to be out the back

It would be useful for those wanting to use the MUGA to also have access to the pavilion, especially the toilets and storage/changing. Could there be an external door with key code just to the toilet area perhaps?

Really don't know. It looks fine to me but if it doesn't meet regulatory requirements than it must be brought up to standard requirements

A working kitchen with oven will create future revenue options

Outdoor tap outdoor electricity point

WiFi access improved

Use of toilets may be useful especially if using the park/rec

Needs better shower facilities and storage.

It would be good if the toilets could be accessed even when the Pavilion is not in use, for people using the rec and playground.

A simple renovation would do in keeping with character and improving accessibility

Definitely environmental improvements - solar on roof and water harvesting/insulation at least.

Please retain its' character

Security system

For how often it is used, would need to carefully calculate value for money on any environmental improvements but solar panels may help to offset cost of running the sewage unit.

Firstly, provide the facilities needed by the community. 2. Fall within budget 3. reach workable 21st Century standards

The new pavilion at Catsfield serves as a good model

The Playground, Picnic area and Orchard

What do you value about the existing playground & picnic area? (52 responses)

I like the natural materials, that it is not plastic or brightly coloured,

It has been wonderful to have a safe area, in walking distance playground to take our children to which they have always enjoyed.

Very popular with kids, natural building materials

Community orchard

The play ground is great for children of Nursery and Primary age. After school it is used a lot in the spring/summer months. Nice for parents to be able to sit and watch children

we use this for our groups as aplace to be safe and able to join with others

Car park and field right there. Nice picnic tables. Like the play equipment.

The fence around it with a gate making it secure

good selection of equipment for children needs updating

It is a well used play area and picnic areaa

It keeps children ecnlosed

Mostly the parking. We would only recommend an additional play area as well as the one that's there, rather than taking the old one away, as the play area it's self is perfect. We have such fun.

The orchard and the range of facilities for children of all ages

The trees will be lovely

Community asset for families

Accesible/ pleasant

This is a nice area for children and families

N/A

It is a valued facility for children.

We love it, it's great.

It;s great for kids and young families - an essential part of any REC. It brings friends and business to the village.

The fenced area for children to play with safety due to being so near the carpark and road

It's a valued facility for local families

Being an Enclosed area

The setting next to each other and accessible due to its proximity to the car park. The grassy area and community orchard

Safe and lovely setting well used.

Space and fenced areas

Playground is great for children

Popular with young families and well situated by the car park, Rec, Youth Club and Preschool. The community orchard is a real improvement.

Local to the school and well kept

Lots of seating. Playground is interesting for the younger children.

Equipment is fun and safe, it's a nice place to sit while the kids play.

A safe area for children to play in

Play equipment for a variety of ages.

I like that it is largely made of wood, which fits nicely into the environment. I also value that there is something for different ages, younger to older children

variety of equipment, tables

good family facility

A good social area for the young

It is a well used safe area. Children enjoy playing there.

A good facility for families with young children

Open, safe space in the outdoors - a place for kids to play

Great, free, inclusive and attractive area

Everything

The benches and play equipment.

Family orientated

Good for children and families with close proximity to each other and and accessible from the car park for all ages. The community orchard provides great biodiversity enhancement, shade and beauty to the picnic area.

Good for young families

Somefor children to play and parents to meet

Variety of pieces of equipment and places to sit

A safe outdoor space for play and relaxation.

A nice amenity for the very young and their parents

TREES

Would you favour a **new** play area? (67 responses)

Yes 31

No 36

Would you favour a **renovated** play area? (67 responses)

Yes 55

No 12

What facilities would improve the current play and picnic area, and in particular the following items: (61 responses)

Value	Count
Play equipment	48
Seating	34
Fencing	15
Surface material of the ground area	29
Shade	32

Any other comments or suggestions relating to the playground, picnic area & orchard? (37 responses)

A new play area is likely to be nearer double the cost of a renovated area, the pace is there already but there just needs to be an upgrade of the equipment and the floor area to avoid injuries.

A zip wire and better wooden structure to suit all ages,

Adult gym equipment

An environmentally friendly new surface area is important and necessary.

As they grow, the trees will provide shade.

Consult children and young people

Could do with a shaded seating area.

Different play equipment and shaded areas

Disabled access to picnic benches

Entrance into play area needs to be improved as often has big puddle there. Also a safety fence to prevent children running straight out into car park.

Fine as it is

I had no idea there was an orchard!

I think the playarea ans picnic area is great as it is, I would support a new or rennovated play area as long as it is as good/ better than the exisiting one. Keeping natural materials not metal/plastic.

Improve the ground surfaces of all areas

Inclusive for SEN children

It hadn't occurred to me that a new playground is needed but if we could get funding then why not? It would be good to have a covered area for rain showers and to seek shade when it is very sunny. In time the orchard will provide shade but this will take some time and some other form of shading or shelter would therefore be helpful. A water fountain would be great for hot summer days! Sandpit? A zipwire like in Catsfield playground would be amazing!

It would be good if the grass area in the playground was cut more regularly. Outdoor gym type equipment would be good.

It would be great to have a lavatory

Just toilets please

Lowering the maximum age from 14 to 12

More for the children to do, it's very popular when we have lovely weather, more swings, more things for the children to climb on, level it out so children don't fall over. More seating, also wheel chair accessible

More interesting play equipment for older (8 +) would be a great addition. Maybe a zip wire, sandpit, stand alone equipment rather than one big piece. A willow dome or tunnel. I understand space is limited.

More seating

Move the playground to the right of the MUGA and then extend the parking area

Needs to stay a fenced area so children do not run into road, carpark. Picnic area & playground fenced off is the reason i use this play area

Sensory boards, disability swing, love the fences, safe if runners.

Shaded seating area would be great in the summer. Ground is very uneven at times.

Solar panels could provide shelter and shade

That area of grass between the playground and the field - with young planted trees. It' a bit neither this or that and under-used.

The play equipment needs upgrading. I quite like the picnic area as is, and don't mind the moles. I do wonder about the placement of the orchard, as this is where the kids play and there will be damage etc, also it feels strange to have what is already a fairly small area become a bit more crowded (with trees, which I love), but I wonder whether it was the best place for them in this enclosed space that is set aside for play.

The playground is great and in my opinion doesn't need replacing completely (I have a 5 year old and an 8 year old). It offers a good range of things for different age groups. Some of the equipment could be updated though, especially in the bit for little kids.

The surface of the playground needs replacing with environmentally friendly and sustainable surface.t material

The trees will eventually provide shade

What orchard? I've lived in the village 28 years and didn't know it existed

last time this was done my chrildren were at school now my grand chrildren have used the park

Recreation Ground

What facilities would improve the current Recreation Ground area (please bear in mind the area is prone to flooding and that the Rec is a dog free zone)? (43 responses)

Resurfaced car park

All weather perimeter path, more benches, solar panels over some of the car park

Accessible toilets when pavilion closed, new car park surface, pathway extended to MUGA including edging to stop cricket balls (old boarding was removed when paths to youth club and pavilion made)

A hard surface fenced area for playing football/ netball all year round

Extend the path to the MUGA

New MUGA is a great improvement to overall facilities

the best that the money rased can do

Outdoor gym, more shaded areas

shaded area

A running track around the boundry

Veg patch for the school kids to maintain.

Puddle free carpark

Perhaps an area for cricket nets

The opportunity should have been taken to move the multi use games area to the south of the youth club so that the football and cricket areas could have been moved 20yars south to allow a larger car park. The opportunity was not taken and has been lost. What a pity there had not been a complete appraisal of the Recreation Ground outline and facilities before this had been done.

Parking size and surface

As long as exisiting facilities are upkept, it is fine as it is

A footpath around the whole rec perimeter would make it so much more accessible. It would also provide a slightly drier way to access the MUGA and also provide a running route for warm up/group exercise. I do think that making the Rec open to dogs would encourage more families to come along, if parents can walk the dogs while their

children play tennis etc surely it would attract more villagers, so many of whom have dogs.

A path that runs around the rec so you can access all part much easier

Allowing dogs! I know unlikely but I think lots more people would use it if dogs were allowed.

Anything to help water drainage and less flooding. Grounds maintenance. Access to the MUGA - a lit-path

A dry footpath around the perimeter

Larger car park re site playground within rec

Improved the existing pathway and dark skies friendly lighting. Adult gym

Seating, particularly around the MUGA area.

Running track and outdoor gym

Improved biodiversity, particularly round the edges of the facilities.

Flood management.

The car park surface becomes very puddley when it rains. Maybe this could be improved. It might be nicer if the playground wasnt right next to the car park and the road but I dont know if relocating it is an option or not.

Improved maintenance to the grassed areas as they are probably the biggest earners for the Parish Council and sometimes the facilities fall below a certain standard of use.

A compost toilet closer to the playground so that families can enjoy it for longer

Filling in car park

Very difficult to improve facilities whilst there are flooding issues

Lighting at the Muga area would help with usage in winter months. The lighting area

Any extended recreational provision would need to be accompanied by improved parking which may increase flooding issues

Not sure much to be done about the car park other than pothole filling, which I know gets done. A flood-hardy path around the whole of the rec, so that bikes can go there, like battle rec. there is nowhere safe for children to ride their bikes (and it might be nice for walkers/joggers) in the village. I know the cricket is keen to not have a path near the stream, but there are far more potential users of this path than cricket players and perhaps they can co-exist? I also wonder if said proposed path could have a few items for adult fitness, ie chin up bars etc.also, the MUGA is great but not so great for five-

aside or footballs, and given that the grassy area floods so badly, this could be nice for the many football-playing kids here to adapt this/allow regular footballs in there.

Any of thr above listed would be great

Easier access to the tennis courts and this information available. Permanent ping pong tables and zip wire

Drainage cleaned out regularly

Outdoor gym and an outdoor covered area, maybe for the gym and possibly a table tennis table.

Some shade, a bmx bike track, seating, toilets

path down to the new MUGA and maybe around the current football/cricket pitch

Trees for shade away from pavillion/road/activities to offer shade for picnics and quiet relaxation.

outdoor gym/running track

What improvements could be made to improve its biodiversity eg native planting of hedges, trees to encourage wildlife and pollinators? (36 responses)

More wild planting along borders rather than just grass

native hedging and edible forage garden areas

Wildflowers

All of the above

Let our environmental group lead on this issue as they do a great job in the village all of the above

Willows planted to hrlp suck up water

We believe the area to be incredibly bio diverse. We see so many different birds, horses, insects, foxes etc. we believe this park is integrated beautifully into the country side. If you add in anything like bird fee you can encourage rats. Maybe a veg patch the school kid could come down and maintain weekly.

Yes quite a lot done already in this regard by environment group

The planted hedge at the South West corner has been a success and I do not think more can be done. We used to have nightingales nesting to the South of the youth club when I moved to the village in 1996 as well as in Quarry Wood - sadly they are no more.

Meadows along edges, extra trees

Trees for shade

Limit hedge and tree cutting as much as possible

More planting would be lovely.

No need

More hedging, natural wild life meadow

Plant more native trees, hedging and flowering shrubs. Ensure no pesticides/herbicides are in use

Hedges and/or More trees along the riverbank

Plant more trees and hedges. Also pollinator friendly plants

Maybe hedging round the playground instead of just fencing.

Maybe some wild meadow areas?

There has been a lot of planting of trees & bushes over the last few years and with the existing hedges etc there, should be sufficient, if there was a safe area for them to be kept consideration could be given to having a bee hive there for use as pollinators and the owner having use of the honey etc, aware this could be controversial because of H&S.

There could be a large flower bed in the area with picnic benches with pollinating plants. Preschool and the school could possibly get involved with growing projects. A wild flower/meadow area somewhere?

Planting to encourage wildlife

Wild Flowers along the stream

Tree planting could help with flooding

Hedge planting

As suggested by the question.

the area near the youth hut seems a great place for this, even a possible native garden/veggie place. I actually

More fruit trees

Hedges maintained

Excellent! Let's have more!

Yes as above

Taking more care of the wooded area beyond the youth hut

As above.

lots more trees, planting more diverse hedges to the right of the rec

Could improvements be made to any of the following items / areas: (59 responses)

Value	Count
The path	42
Lighting	28
Community Noticeboard	23
Information board & signposting	g 17
Seating	32
Rubbish bins	24
Recycling facilities	28

Please give details of any suggested improvements here: (31 responses)

the current lighting needs assessing as ofeten on at the wrong times. The notice board nearer the entrance to the car park where it used to be means pedestrians passing will see it.

avoid adding lighting - dark skies are important

Could the path be extended around the perimeter of the rec allowing a circular walk. This would give dryer access to the MUGA and give a route at the side of the croquet pitch. A plastic/can recycling bin would be good for drinks

It would be good to have any kind of lighting as there is none

some of this has all ready bean up graded the rest neads some inprovement

The path needs building up as floods. The existing lighting needs to be more robust

A path into the play area would be nice, as the badger has been having a field day causing mounds of mud on the path.

Stop the path from being under water and also the grass area by the pavilion. Another seat under the oak tree near the garage.

The car park is not listed - the ground is a disgrace.

Fix lighting, add lighting on car park

A path around the whole Rec would really improve access. More fixed seating near the MUGA would be good and better rubbish bins in the car park. Perhaps signage to promote the MUGA court.

The rec is awesome but the main problem with it is that it is a dog free zone and so it's hardly used!. Although I understand that the sports teams use the field, the usage amounts to about 90 minutes every fortnight, and the same with the play area as well. It seems to be a law to benefit the minority of users and exclude the majority group of users. There are huge number of dog owners in Crowhurst and if dogs were allowed in the park then you would see a significant increase in the usage of the facilities, at the moment the park is virtually unused most of the time for this reason. Also given as there are very few pavements in Crowhurst it means that a dog walker has to risk their safety walking on the roads in all conditions when they should be able to just go to the park. Virtually every other public recs in the country does allow dogs so I'm surprised they are banned here. Also allowing dogs in the park would drive traffic to the other facilities ie the new MUGA facilities, the new pavilion, it would increase attendance at local events the village fair etc. Whilst I understand the concern about dogs fouling on the grass, this could be dealt with (as it is in most public recs) by more signage and appropriate threats of fines. It would also be a great benefit to the community spirit of Crowhurst as dog owners are a community that would love to meet and socialise in the rec but aren't allowed to.

As above, a lit path around the REC circumferance (cheap...!) and anything to help drainage.

Lighting & path to pre school & mugu area

Perimeter path

Natural health circuit to encourage walking, stretching exercises around the edge of rec.

Seating in the picnic area needs to be improved. Also community information displays.

The path and lighting for access to Pavilion to encourage evening use, e.g. meetings

None

Maybe a raised path to allow use in all weathers.

The path and lighting to the YC building is so much better now than before. The community notice board doesnt seem to get updated much and is not in the best position for walking past ans stopping to read. Would be great to have more information somewhwre about all the facilitites and clubs avaliable at the rec.

A multi use noticeboard would be appreciated, improved lighting and larger or extra rubbish bins would be useful.

There could be signs/maps up about local walks accessed from the recreation ground, and about key interesting species to look out for. To be able to recycle would be great.

Poo bins in picnic area or car park

The lighting of the pathway is sporadic. The Youth Club was in use on the 28th Dec and the pathway lighting didnot come on at 5.30pm.

Regular maintenance of the above

Path, as indicated previously. Bins/recycling and noticeboards... well, tricky as this involves an already hardworking council, so loathe to complain as I know how this is. I suppose if there was some magic money, an improvement to how we can recycle at the play area would be great.

Hedge and fencing along pathway maintained

Wouldn't want recycling bins as attracts dumping.

Lighting of games area in the winter

More parking. There isn't enough parking and users often have to use the road.

Which activities would you think most popular and suitable for the Recreation Ground?

45 responses

Ball games e.g. cricket, football and those making use of the MUGA

encourage walking - its for everyone

Good selection of sports already. Might be nice to extend the path right around the perimeter for walking/jogging and cycling

I think existing activities suitable

the open space to play games in and village avents the play grown for the younger ones some thing for the sightly older ones might be good

Football, cricket, Muga (tennis etc), picnics, gym sessions

SPORT / PLAY

Football, Cricket, croquet, stoollball, rounders, circuits classes

Outdoor activities

Climbing frames, slides and swings.

All sorts!

Cricket and football

Cricket, croquet walking, picnics - the use as a football facility for adults needs reviewing on a regular basis - at the present time I need to be convinced that the income it brings is worth the aggravation.

Group exercise classes, running club as well as trying to get more people to use the MUGA. It's lovely to have the cricket and croquet played there - not sure about the footballers!

Dog walking

team sports, families' leisure

What activity happens more often on the REC (ours, and any UK field)..... it's football.

Existing

Football and cricket

Teen age gang our shelter. Something for older singles like a boules pit.

Cricket, basketball, stoolball, croquet, tennis, junior football (with local recruitment), pickleball, fitness groups and outdoor gym.tennis

Sports facilities

Cricket, tennis, basketball, soccer, stoolball, croquet

Cricket, football, open space for children to run

A running track round the perimeter would be great. Maybe a bmx/skateboard track similar to Battle Rec.

Football, cricket, fitness classes/activities.

IMO the pavilion must be the priority

A trail around the rec for walking/cycling would allow for eg family runs/walks at weekends so that Regular family walks around at the rec at the weekends during the summer months?

Sport

football, cricket

Football seems most popular

Running areas.

Sporting activities, picnicking and village events

kids play after school and in holidays and weekends, toddler play throughout, sports and games.

Village events

Any girls sports.

Football, cricket

Local clubs engaging in community sports and activities.

sports and excercise activities

Football, cricket, rugby, rounders, running and playing games

Health and fitness activities although too much football currently.

As used as present plus encouraging new interest and activity groups.

Cricket

walking, running, outdoor gym, cricket

Football, Cricket and Stoolball

Which facilities would you use as an adult or family? e.g running/cycle track, outdoor gym (51 responses)

Value	Count
Bike track would be good, path area around whole park to walk with pushchairs bikes & wheelchairs	1
Cricket ground	1
Cycle track would double as access to the MUGA, and be fantatstic.	1
Cycle/ running track round the outside of the rec	1
I organise the Wedmesday walking group and an all weather path around the recreation ground would be very useful but the cost of such an exercise would it prohibitive.all weather circuit path would be a bonus but far too expensive to put in. Perhaps extending the current path as far as the multi use games area would assist use when the ground is sodden. The	1
I wouldn't as I'm elderly.	1

Value	Count
N/A	1
N/a	1
None	1
Outdoor Gym	2
Outdoor gym	1
Outdoor gym equipment could be located beside the MUGA area?	1
Outdoor gym for adults	1
Outdoor gym, cycle track	1
Outdoor gym, gym classes	1
Outdoor gym, running, playing with the kids, tennis	1
Outdoor gym.	1
Possible outdoor gym and running track	6
Running track	1
Running track would be good, we would use that.	1
Running track, bmx track (the ramps behind Dennis' workshop are used quite a lot in the warmer months and would be a valuable addition to the village.	1
Running track, would provide great warm up for MUGA use and we could easily start up a running club suitable for all abilities. If the path was concreate this could mean cycles, skaters could use it but at the very least a rough wood chip path would be good. I would use an outdoor gym!	1
Running track. An outdoor pool would be ace!	1
Running/cycle track	1
Tennis, playground, outdoor gym, stoolball	1
Tennis, running, pickleball, outdoor gym, fitness groups	1
Those based at the MUGA e.g. tennis	1

Value	Count
Walking path around the perimeter	1
We usually just use it to have a play/run around on.	1
Yes out door gym	1
Yes to all	1
as above	1
as mentioned before, would definitely use a cycle/running track and outdoor gym (hoorah!) and I'd like there to be more of an emphasis on activities that don't exclude from patches of 'fenced off' grass etc - my kids have been told off for running round the perimeter of the croquet, for example, which seemed to want to always play right when school let out.	2
outdoor gym	1
outdoor gym equipment could be an improvement	1
outdoor gym suitable for the wellbeing of young and our inclement weather, walking, running and cycling track.	1
outdoor gym, cycle track	1
possably some	1
running track, outdoor gym	1
running/cycle track, outdoor gym	1
the perimeter for walking	1
walking track for all weathers	1
walking track, open area for general fun e.g. frisbee	

Which sports/games or other facilities would you use as a child, young person or adult? (39 responses)

Value	Count
As above	2
As all adults not appropriate to us	1
Climbing frame	1
Cricket	1
Cricket for children, football for children, running track, bmx track definitely.	1
Cricket nets	1
Football	1
Football goals	1
Football, Cricket and my grandchildren use the playpark.	1
Football, basketball and tennis	1
Football, rugby and cricket	1
Football. Cricket	1
Lower basketball hoops for younger children	1
MUGA for tennis	1
MUGA, area for circuits/yoga and running	1
N/A	2
N/a	1
No	1
Outside gym	1
Pilates, exercise classess	1
Play area, outdoor gym, running and cycle track	1

Value	Count
Playground, Muga, running and playing on the Rec	1
Rounders, Stool ball, football, running track, softball	1
Running, exercise and cycling	1
Same as above.	1
Tennis, walking	1
The children learnt to ride thier bikes on the rec so having a cycle track might be a good idea?	1
Those that exist i.e. MUGA, playground, the flat open grassed space	1
Walking on Wednesdays caters for older residents and is very much appreciated.	1
Walking running	1
boulle alleycould be fun	1
n/a	1
outdoor chess set such as at Crowhurst park would be amazing (though acknowledge the risk of theft given the vandalism that has occurred to the lighting), table tennis table	1
perimeter path for all users	1
running track, all weather pitch, football nets, tennis, badminton, basketball, netball, cricket	1
the MUGA will hopefully come into its own in the warmer months. I personally love the youth hut for events like children's parties and I've held workshops there. I think a really nice decking area for either of the outbuildings on the rec would be great to attract people holding workshops and events.	1
we just like to bring our own ball bats ect:	1

Any further comments or suggestions relating to the Recreation Ground: (34 responses)

Value	Count
A cafe!!! It could generate revenue and encourage people to the area.	1
A lot of parks have the outdoor gym equipmwnt but I dont know how well they are used. Migth be good to have a hang out/play area for older chidren if possible too	1
A valuable facility for the village that is worthy of supporting.	1
Car park could do with designated parking spots. It quickly is nearly impassible, as cars are just parked anywhere or too far apart to not give enough space. Ideally, it needs extending, if this is at all possible.	1
Car park is currently in a terrible state.	1
Could the water coming from the pond in the private garden be stopped with proper drainage	1
Could we commission local artists to do some nature based sculptures/installations? I'm thinking of the wooden sculptures at Egerton park as well as the stunning feather bench in the peace garden in Alexandra Park	1
Focus on sport and play	1
I think people are put off by the footballers, we could use a few more village events, some sports events perhaps. I like the way Battle rec has something for everyone and is very family/dog friendly with cafe etc. I know harder to do in our village but with better car park and path it might encourage more users.	1
If the hedge between the entrace to the car park and blacksmiths cottage could be moved back towards the playpark a footpath could be created making it safer to access the rec and walk past.	1
Improve the car park are and rationalise the space. Improve biodiversity	1
Improvement of car park surface and entry/exit	1
Information board re history of rec	1

Value	Count
It s a great facility. Toilets would be good but I understand that would be a lot for the council to take on and likely to be vandalised.	1
Keep 'no dogs' law	1
More benches around the perimeter of the rec	1
More control should be exercised over the football use, excess noise and bad language of supporters. The cost of hire for football should be raised.	1
More tree planting at the southern end to mitigate flooding a little.	1
N/A	1
Needs something for all ages. Carpark needs resurfacing. Wooded/overgrown area made accessible with a path	1
No	3
Only please liaise with those that already use the Rec to get their ideas etc	1
Security system to help combat vandalism, closing the gates at night	1
Traffic, parking and flood risk are a major consideration	1
Try to make improvements whilst keeping the inherent character of the buildings and grounds, as befits a typical English village	⁵ 1
Would be averse to any high level lighting	1
car park needs repair	1
hosting local forest schools	1
maybe resite the noticeboard so car park users might walk by it instead of just driving by it? Notices might be seen more often	1
no adult football	1
nope! i've done my blabbing.	1
thank everome who is envovled with the regenation of the ground	1

Would you be able to help with fundraising or do you have any fundraising suggestions? (34 responses)

Value	Count
A sponsored walk or a colour run. Themed run/walk such as Easter have a "bunny run".	1
Auction of promises	1
Fundraising at the summer fayre / grant applications?	1
Happy to help with fundraising - led the playground fundraising previously	1
House developers contributing to the new pavillion. Jumble sales, auctions, raffles and events.	1
I can advise / help with grant applications. I would suggest involving East Sussex County Council / Crowdfunder for fundraising activities as they often provide match funds.	1
I'd be happy to help with fundraising. No suggestions on fundraising.	1
Lego competition Saturday morning bacon butty sessions.	1
Monthly boot sales during the better weather months?	1
No	6
Possibly yes. Fun run/cycle event hosted by Crowhurst where entry fee is put towards improvement projects	1
Repeat 50-50 Sunday draw that took place in the pub to raise money for the veranda	1
Tescos community fund might be worth applying too.	1
The school could host an event	1
Village music events and expansion of Crowhurst Fayre activities to raise funds	1
What's the budget?	1
Would support events etc.	1

Value	Count
Yes	4
Yes and happy to help with grant applications.	1
Yes would be happy to help. We could host a sports day or a running event perhaps	1
bbq music event.	1
bingo and auctions/raffles seem to make loads of money for the school, doubled for them as well now they have online payment system.	1
fundraising childrens sports day with some stalls etc	1
no	2
possabley	1

Do you have any relevant skills or expertise that could aid the project as a whole?

(27 responses)

Value	Count
Beyond organising the walking group on Wednesdays no.	1
Carpentry	1
DIY, painting but also have access to tradesmen who represent the village	1
Early Years teacher/leader in the past and developed the outdoor area so could help if planning the playground was required.	1
Experience in grant applications	1
Fundraising, consultancy, Responsible business expert including knowledge and experience in sustainability, community partnership, Inclusion and diversity	, 1
Happy to help at fundraising events etc if we can.	1
I can support with bid writing for grants	1
Just helpful	1
Most probably not.	1
No	3
No Name: Dave Howley (can't fill in details in box below)	1
Not particiularly	1
Not really	1
Not that I think would be relevant.	1
Sorry no	1
Used to be a running coach and set up a running club so hold sessions as well as promoting the MUGA, pickleball and circuits sessions etc	1
Volunteer during fund raising	1
We would attend fundraising events	1

Value	Count
Would 'promise' our Cornish cottage for a week at off peak times	1
Yes but no time	1
i can help garden and i've offered to help run an after-school MUGA/play group.	1
no	3