



Heath Farm News and Comment

Heath Farm Leisure Facilities - KHPC

Kings Hill Parish Council has heard the views and concerns of many residents, which are summarized:

- The facility focuses too much on football and there are concerns that a wider variety of sporting opportunities need to be addressed
- There is no provision for skateboarding or BMX riding
- The allotment area is too small and the individual plots are also too small
- The noise and pollution survey was done before the current plans were considered and do not take the Charlton Athletic Community Trust proposal into consideration
- There is no satisfactory data of how increased visitor numbers will affect transport and parking
- There are concerns about the increased opportunities for antisocial behaviour
- In spite of the consultation day, it is still felt that the needs of the Kings Hill residents are not being put first.

Please email your comments to office@kingshillparish.gov.uk

Heath Farm Leisure Facilities – comment from Your Heath Farm Heath Farm Public Consultation

It was encouraging to see Liberty making the effort to showcase their revised Heath Farm development plans at the public consultation meetings last month, but there was a definite defensive air about the presentations that raises some questions; there seems to be a growing apprehension about the true nature of the proposed development and a serious question mark over who this facility will really serve, particularly with their confirmation of the social inclusion programme (young offenders, adult education etc). If the Q & A sessions and message boards at the meetings are representative of feelings of the wider Kings Hill community then it would be almost negligent of Liberty to plough stubbornly on with these plans without exploring further options.

Liberty claim to remain open to suggestion from residents for other credible, commercially self-sustaining alternatives. If you have ideas or suggestions that you would like to share with fellow residents please email them to **choice@yourheathfarm.com** or, visit the website **www.yourheathfarm.com**

Heath Farm Allotments

The provision for Allotments is still in the new plans unveiled last month. The amenities committee will be discussing the Allotment requirement for Kings Hill residents at the meeting on 25th November. Residents are welcome to attend this meeting.

The waiting list for Heath Farm Allotments is now at 49. If you have not yet put your name down on the waiting list then do so now: E mail your details to :- office@kingshillparish.gov.uk

Heath Farm Sports Facilities/ update from Liberty - KCC partnership

A community-wide public consultation was held on 24 September 2009, during which the attendees were invited to provide verbal and written comments on proposals for the leisure facilities at Heath Farm. The feedback is now being analysed and the responses will be considered prior to revised drawings being submitted to the Local Planning Authority.

The plans which were presented show the Pavilion and the Artificial Grass Pitch have been relocated further away from the residential development and the allotments, with the area allocated for a future Bowls facility moved to the edge of the facility.

Kings Hill Community Broadband

Many of us on Kings Hill have suffered years of poor or even no broadband but hopefully this is about to come to an end.

At the Annual Parish meeting in May residents petitioned the Council to take action and in July an invitation to tender was published to find an internet service provider (ISP) to establish and run a broadband service providing every house and small business

in the Parish with a minimum download speed of 2Mbps.

In September the Council chose QuicKaNet who will operate the service on a not for profit basis under the banner Kings Hill Community Broadband. With funding provided under KCC's 'Community Broadband Grants' program the Kings Hill Parish Council and QuicKanet will be working

together to roll the service out across Kings Hill Parish in the coming months. It is not yet known when the service will become available or the cost of the service to users.

If you live on Kings Hill and are interested in this exciting development please contact the Parish Council at **office@kingshillparish.gov.uk** or Kings Hill Community Broadband at QuicKanet on 01732 871 711.

The Parish Council

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Parish Councilor Vacancy

Please contact the Parish Clerk for further details.

New Clerk

Helen Munro joined KHPC on 7th September. Helen has several years experience as Parish Clerk working for Offham Parish Council. Helen is a resident of Kings Hill. The Parish Council wish her well in the role.

Contacting the Parish Council

The office is open Mon - Fri at:

The Kings Hill Community Centre
70 Gibson Drive, Kings Hill ME19 4LG

Contact details:

Tel: **01732 870 382**

Email: clerk@kingshillparish.gov.uk

Website: www.kingshillparish.gov.uk

Council Meeting Dates

All Parish Council Meetings are open to the Public. The meetings are held on Wednesday evenings at 7.30 pm in the Community Centre . Meeting dates are also available on the Parish Council Website.

The Schedule of Council Meetings

First Wednesday	Planning
Second Wednesday	Community Hall
Third Wednesday	Full Council

The next Amenities Committee will be held on 25th November 2009

Meeting Agendas are available on the Parish Council Website:

www.kingshillparish.gov.uk

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christopher.brown@tmbc.gov.uk

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Dog owners – please think of others

This is a plea to all dog owners: please would you clean up after your dogs and dispose of the waste in the nearest bin, each and every time, no matter which part of the development or surrounding area you are in. If you own or walk a dog, it is your responsibility to ensure that you clean up after them.

There are now a significant number of Dog Bins on Kings Hill so please use them.

It is also very important to ensure your canine friends are under close control at all times and on a lead whilst walking on the paths and cycle ways. There have been incidents where adults and in particular children have been frightened by dogs, remember under the dangerous dog act your dog does not have to make contact or injure someone, just put them in fear. So avoid the distress to others and the consequences of being reported under the act by ensuring you have control at all times.

Give Kings Hill a Skate Park

Thirty youngsters aged 10 to 20 have asked the Parish Council to support their campaign to get a facility to keep them off the streets. Jamie Shaw is leading the group and their first action is to get a petition signed by local residents. They will then present this to the Parish Council and Liberty. If you want more information please contact Jamie on givekingshillskatepark@hotmail.co.uk and on **facebook**.

Malling Action Partnership

Malling Action Partnership (MAP) is a voluntary body brought together to support the business and community life of West Malling and the nine surrounding parishes including Kings Hill.

The Partnership has won its bid for £75,000 match funding from South East England Development Agency for several projects within these parishes.

One of the first projects is to build contacts with local businesses, and promoters of local events. A campaign to encourage increased

spending in local businesses and events will then start, using a locally produced MAP website and magazine, and occasional promotional and training events.

We are particularly keen to hear from people who are working from home so we can ensure our details of local businesses and events are complete.

If you are interested please send your contact details and the nature of your business to MAP Chairman Trudy Dean on trudy.dean@kent.gov.uk

Fast Food?

Planning Permission 09/02357/FL is a request for Change of use from A1 (retail) to A5 (hot food takeaways) at Unit 1c, located at 17 Queen Street, Kings Hill.

This application will be discussed at the Parish Council Planning Committee on 5th November. Members of the Public are welcome to attend. A previous application **07/03998/FL** for change of use was refused.

If you wish to comment on this application you can do so on the T & MBC website.

Kings Hill Community Centre

70 Gibson Drive, Kings Hill ME19 4LG

The Centre of Your Community

Did you know, that a huge variety of Activities take place on a daily basis at the Kings Hill Community Centre?

For further details of how to join any of the groups and clubs who meet regularly at the Community Centre, please contact **Hilary Wren** Centre Manager: 01732 220919, Office Hours: 9.00am – 2.00pm Monday- Friday or email your enquiry to : khch@kingshillparish.gov.uk

New from September

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome Dinky Dancers, Messy Play, Partytime and Kings Hill Chess Club to the Community Centre.

Coming soon

Freedom Dance School Disco Dancing
Ages 4 – 16 on Thursdays 4:30pm – 6:30pm
FREE TRIAL 22nd October 4:30pm.

Yoga During Pregnancy with Monique.

Musical Bumps for babies up to 3 months
Thursdays from 12:30pm – 1:30pm.

Learn Arabic on Saturdays, 2.00 – 3.00pm.

Elite Soccer for Toddlers –
Mondays, 12.00 – 1.00pm.

Pilates – from 2nd November
Mondays 7.00 – 8.00am;
Tuesdays 9.15 – 10.15am and 12.15 – 1.15pm

Stacey Fell is back with us after her Maternity Leave from Tuesday 3rd November

Booked Events

Indoor Boot Fair on Saturday October 31st from 9.00am – 2.00pm. To book a table ring Jackie on 01959 522 912.



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR
28th
November
2009

10am – 3pm
including lots of stalls

A chance to start
your Christmas shopping!

Bouncy Castle, face painting,
fun & games for all

If you would like to book a stall (£15) please phone Hilary on 01732 220 919 Monday – Friday, 9.00am – 2.00pm or email khch@kingshillparish.gov.uk

Kids & Kaboodle

Nearly New Baby Clothes Sale –
Saturday 14th November 2.00 – 4.00pm

Party Time is now running once a month – next 'Party' November 15th and December 19th. This is an opportunity to leave your children to play for a couple of hours.

Italian Market

Saturday 28th November 9.00am – 3.00pm



★ PANTOMINE ★

MOTHER GOOSE

5th December 2009 at 4pm
Tickets £5 each

To buy your tickets please call into the Community Centre
Monday – Friday, 9.00am – 2.00pm;
or call 01732 220 919

Payment by Cheque Only
(payable to Kings Hill Community Centre)

Refreshments available

Kings Hill Youth club



During the summer we had various outings, ranging from paintballing and a day at Bewl outdoor centre learning to sail, to a visit to Southend for the big rides, learning more DJ-ing techniques, and of course boot camp!

If you are interested in joining in the fun please ring Sophie on 07947 706 781. The Youth club is open on Tuesday and Friday evenings.

Kings Hill Pre-School

Autumn/Winter Term 2009

The remainder of 2009 is going to be a busy time for Kings Hill Pre-school.

We have welcomed in our new children who are all settling in really well and our topic this term is 'all about me'. We are encouraging the children to bring in photos of themselves, their family, pets, and any of their favourite things, which we are then adding to our display.

Future Events

Sunday November 15th 'Get ready for Christmas' boot fair at the Kings Hill School

Saturday 19th December: Kings Hill Pre-School and, with Kings Hill Bouncy Castles, invite you to **Santa's Grotto and Christmas Fete** – at Kings Hill Community Centre. Come and see Father Christmas in his grotto and give him your Christmas Wish List. We would love to see you there from 3 to 5pm for a mince pie and mulled wine.

Kings Hill Neighbourhood Policing Team Update

PCSO Rose Sparrowhawk has now joined the Kings Hill Neighbourhood Policing Team, working alongside PCSO Wendy Stanley and PC Nick Stevens. She has been eager to join the team and get out and about on patrol in Kings Hill.

Local Officers can be contacted as follows:

PCSO Wendy Stanley: 07989 992 435
PCSO Rose Sparrowhawk: 07989 992 443
PC Nick Stevens: 07800 675 339

All of the officers can be contacted on the following e-mail address:

mallings.neighbourhood@kent.pnn.police.uk

New Mallings Sergeant

There has been a new addition to the Mallings Neighbourhood Policing Team, PS Penfold joined the team on 7th September 2009, taking over from T/PS Mark Beresford.

Anti-Social Behaviour Hotline (Tues-Sat, 16:00-22:00): 07500 157866

Anyone wishing to report incidents other than anti-social behaviour should call 01622 690690. In an emergency, please call 999.

Litter

It has been brought to our attention that there has been an increase in littering within the Parish, particularly in Liberty Square. In response to this, the local PCSO's have been working with Tonbridge & Malling's Litter Enforcement Officer. So far 3 Fixed Penalty Notices have been issued to identified offenders. Local officers would like to remind residents that it is an offence to drop litter and to please use the bins that are provided around the Parish.

Watch your speed

Please remember the speed limit on Kings Hill is



PACT (Partners And Community Together)

The first Kings Hill PACT meeting was held on Thursday 1st October. During this meeting local residents were asked to discuss their concerns in the area, highlighting on a map where the issues were, particularly in relation to anti-social behaviour, speeding, parking, nuisance vehicles and environmental factors. From this the attendees chose their top 3 priorities, which will be the focus of actions by the relevant agencies to try and tackle these priorities.

The new priorities coming out of this meeting are:

- Anti-Social Behaviour in Liberty Square, particularly in relation to young people riding their bikes in the square and gathering in large groups outside ASDA, particularly in the evenings and at weekends.
- Speeding Vehicles along Tower View, Discovery Drive and Gibson Drive.
- Parking in particular along Milton Lane, Hazen Road and outside Discovery School during school times.

A PACT panel meeting will be arranged shortly to discuss these priorities further and to decide on actions to take to tackle them. Further details on these will then be available on the Kent Police Website, using the Post Code Search facility.

The **Police Surgery** meets on 3rd Thursday of the month at Kings Hill Community centre from 1:30pm – 2:30pm, next meeting 19th November 2009. This is an opportunity for anyone to pop in and meet the PCSO's and discuss any issues they may have regarding policing matters on Kings Hill.

Kings Hill Cricket Club

Kings Hill Cricket Club has concluded the 2009 season with a win against Frittenden.

This was the second win of the season for Kings Hill, a season that has seen several new players join the experienced members that have been with the Club since its formation in 2006.

We are hoping that the new pavilion at the Kings Hill ground will be completed early in 2010 so that the Club can begin playing home matches next summer. Winter Nets will be held at the Judd School, Tonbridge from January followed, hopefully, by the first matches at Kings Hill in April or May.

We are always looking for new players to join the Club, please contact:

Neil Miners Club Secretary on 01634 242604 for further details about the club or email kingshillcc@hotmail.co.uk

Kings Hill Woman's Institute

The WI meet every 4th Wednesday at the Kings Hill Community Centre at 7:45pm.

Our future events are:

28th October

Funny talk of journeys around the world

25th November

Christmas Craft

(Come and make something yourself)

16th December

Christmas Party –

Our social evening with fun and games

For more information about the events or how to Join the Kings Hill Women's Institute, call Linda on **01732 522 437**



The View from The Hill is the Quarterly newsletter from the **Kings Hill Parish Council**.

If you have any comments about the articles in this edition of **The View from the Hill** or wish to give us any other comments you may have on any Parish Council matters, please write to: The Clerk, Kings Hill Parish Council, Kings Hill Community Hall, 70 Gibson Drive, Kings Hill ME19 4LG. Alternatively please contact us on **01732 870 382** or email office@kingshillparish.gov.uk

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