

Feedback from KGV Engagement Event

17th July 2018

Attendance

Children 6

Adults 47

Which activities do you enjoy at KGV?

Activity	Daily	2-3 times a week	Weekly	Monthly	Occasionally	Total
Dog walking	10	6	1	1	5	23
Organised sport			1		6	7
Walking	8	3	3	5	2	21
Running		1	4	4	2	11
Cycling	3		4	3		10
Route elsewhere	3	4	2		2	11
Enjoying wildlife	9	6	2			17
Picnics	2			5	4	11
Play area	7	4	7	6	1	25
Skate park	6	3	4	1	2	16
MUGA		5	2	4	2	13
Informal games	1	5	2	2	5	15
Meeting friends / family	9	9	2	2	5	27
Rest / time to think	4		1	1		6
Picking blackberries			1		6	7
Watching sport			1	2	1	4
Stargazing					1	1
Events					6	6

What time of day do you usually visit the site?

Morning	16
Afternoon	38
Evening	13

How long is each of your visits to KGV?

<30 mins	30 -60 mins	1-2 hours	2-3 Hours	>3 hours
7	20`	11	1	

What do you value most about KGV?

- Open green space, KGV protected in perpetuity for outdoor recreation and must remain so, enjoying walking and sitting watching football or cricket
- Good mix of play space and open space, access 24/7 all year round is key
- It is a central point old Highcliffe (Victorian) and new Highcliffe (estates) and all people gravitate to it. You meet new / different people from Highcliffe there, it helps community cohesion
- Quite hidden, KGV would be better used if more people knew about it
- Nice its open and not too crowded
- Wide open green spaces, enclosed for safety
- I like playing football on the hard pitch
- Dog walking, great open play area, wildlife, open space in Highcliffe for walking
- I had no idea it was a public space, it will be great for relaxing in and for taking children to play
- Good for kids to play and run around
- It has a Highcliffe community feel to it – it feels safe
- Its always been here in my lifetime
- Children able to play safely, dog walking, exercise, great use park area at all time and weather
- Great for walking the dogs (obviously not when cricket / football is on)
- Green space, organised sports (as spectator), short walks, wildlife in the perimeter hedging, venue for local events
- All children (and parents / carers) mix and play there. It breaks down social barriers
- Green space – not built on, buffer to motorway, dog walking
- Play park but could be hugely improved, open space, community feel. Access to all / integrated
- Dog walking, would like an all weather path around the edge, low level lighting on paths for winter walks
- Better access from Gordon Avenue play park through to KGV fields

- Being able to go and always bump into someone you know – community facility
- Walking , meeting people, children’s play area
- I like going on the zip wire
- Great open space gives views of the hills and the sky
- Dog walking, open space, children’s play areas
- Open space to relax and play, run, family games, watching the football and cricket matches
- I like going on the swings
- Green space, wildlife, birds singing, quiet, nature, space, peace, dog walking
- Dog walking, taking grandchildren to the play area, being able to use an open green space in a built up area, blackberries

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Community use

- Let’s hope the local community get a useable facility like Stanmore have with the Carroll Centre
- A community room for Highcliffe residents
- The new pavilion should be usable by local groups like scout / guide groups
- Community hall for locals
- Public toilets available all day very important
- Will you be giving public access to the toilet facilities as current KGV / park users come into the stadium pavilion to use toilets / fill water bottles etc?
- Local community use – meetings. HCFA – bringing community together, old and young (activities)
- A place where young people can go to play table football, pool etc. Could be staffed by volunteers from the community
- Community facility that can be hired for family events such as children’s parties
- Community facility – for use by community as well as sports groups – shared use
- Community use of pavilion for meetings, elderly people tea and coffee events, computer/homework club, youth club. Use of church can be a turn off for non-religious people. Secondary schools are a long way from Highcliffe and so local children miss out on events at school in the evening and need something local. Connection with Neighbourhood wardens

Sports Use

- Multi-use pavilion, provide storage
- Ensure use of storage, kitchen, toilets and showers for Park run. The pavilion sounds great! (from junior park run)
- Let responsible club officials have keys for facilities
- Boxing club excellent opportunity for young people, long may they prosper
- Limited car parking for organisers
- Supportive of boxing club using pavilion but needs some parking
- One good quality pavilion will be much better than 2 rather outdated ones. An excellent opportunity to provide enhanced facilities, will be a good home for the boxing club

Pavilion Design

- Proposed pavilion to be flat roofed and low – green roof?
- Have you thought about putting in CCTV to reduce the chance of vandalism? The stadium has CCTV and it has been really valuable
- Traditional looking pavilion
- CCTV on the pavilion may deter / catch vandals
- Attractive building incorporating nest boxes for house martins and swifts
- New single pavilion is a good idea; hopefully the roof will be difficult to climb on
- Traditional style pavilion please
- Green roof if 2 storey, not industrial

General Comments

- Mop sheltered areas when it's raining
- Timetable and when used – stops dog walking

Further suggestions for improving KGV

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Access

- Review access – safety of children and young people going to play area and skate park

- On the whole approving of the KGV plans (although not so moving the leisure centre). Attention must be made for people parking in the park and ride who then have to cross Bar End Road to enter the area. Often see people queuing up to cross on the pavement. Will sport equipment i.e. football and cricket balls reach the motorway?
- Upgrade entrance to KGV, look after entrance gates
- Access from Bar End Park and Ride to KGV during and throughout construction work – pedestrians and cycles (from Junior parkrun)
- The access must be widened and separated for pedestrians and vehicles entering KGV / play area. Also the council house / allotment / Milland Road junction must be separated for cars and pedestrians
- Worried about cars entering / leaving KGV field while walking dogs as at present no cars do in evenings
- Pedestrian access only but via current athletics, Milland Road not around the back of the pitches
- Please don't try to dissuade vandalism by restricting hours of pedestrian / cycle access. It won't work and would remove opportunities for star gazing
- There needs to be a crossing at bar end road
- Access road needs widening, currently blind corner and only 1 car width. Maybe formal pavement too
- It would be nice to improve the entrance to KGV as it is unsafe and ugly
- Main entrance too small and dangerous. Parking should not be allowed this wouldn't be able to be monitored
- Don't want access from Gordon Avenue to KGV as it would become a thoroughfare
- A linking path to the proposed Leisure Centre is crucial
- Over the next 10 years we have to convince people not to use their car. Therefore cycle stands and cycle storage are critical
- Could extend No.4 bus route to feed proposed Leisure Centre and KGV
- Could the proposed footpath link have wildflowers please? Kids need to be educated about wildlife. Please make it a 'wild' footpath and not a formal one *
also relates to biodiversity
- Want footpath connection through University track to remain open
- Hard surfaced path for scooters/rollerskates
- Could there be a roundabout on Milland Road? Could there be an in/out system?
- Light the new connecting path
- Safe route from school to stadium (school has events there)
- Paths for scooters (young children)
- Low level lights around perimeter – in winter and better path would make it safer as it's dark at 4pm.
- We need a crossing at bar end road

- As a resident I wouldn't use the proposed new footpath between KGV and Garrison Ground, we need a footpath that runs from Vale road along through/behind the track and depot and then onto Bar End Road (route to garage for shopping/Amazon pick ups)
- We need a residents' access route too from Vale Road to Bar End
- The connecting footpath link to Garrison Ground – HCC are offering 3m wide but you need so much more than that. A standard path is 2.5m wide and buggies etc. need to be able to pass

Pollution

- Monitor pollution on KGV near the M3. This stretch of the M3 is very polluted. What effect will that have on junior park run if on KGV?
- Noise pollution barrier along M3 – combine with solar panels
- Minimise cars, noise and light in the area and maintain views of the South Downs from Gordon Avenue
- Worried about noise from footfall
- Pollution monitoring to reassure parents before we put junior football here. Particulate and Nox measurements – could we create a pollution barrier?
- Noise pollution barrier along M3 – combine with solar panels
- Pollution issues beside M3 – check before getting people to run

Biodiversity

- Community involvement in biodiversity workshops
- Increase biodiversity on site, links to other areas surrounding meadows, allotments, South Downs etc. Wild play – den building, pond dipping. Organised informal activities for locals
- Important for deer, hole in fence to come in and out, need full access, also foxes use site
- Keep trees, greenery
- See * under Access (comment counted as Access)
- We would like a Greening Group on KGV
- No more trees
- Don't eliminate all the blackberries – they are an asset

Events

- Regular community events for local community for all ages. – promoting KGV as an open green space, open to all
- Please find somewhere to put the circus and fairground
- Park run – Can we continue to use the same meeting point at Garrison Ground during building of proposed Leisure Centre? We could use KGV whilst

works are happening, but need the new footpath to happen ahead of the building being built so we can access KGV from Bar End P&R. Access through from Bar End Road needs to be maintained throughout build

Play Area / Open Space

- Improve playground for older children and another for younger children like Olivers Battery, Southampton Common. Improve skate park like River Park
- Maintain as much open green space as possible, plant trees
- Splash park would be well used – could be seasonal and low maintenance. Eastleigh and Hedge End have very popular ones
- Most of the emphasis seems to be on active people – football and cricket. There also needs to be things for families with young children, plenty of seating and trees for shade and picnicking
- Maintain open space and free use to do casual / unplanned activities
- Dog bags and enough dog waste bins
- Provide a permanent non-grass trim trail at KGV, minimum 1km length (junior park run)
- Clean, safe outdoor space for classes when fine to move into e.g. Pilates, yoga, stretching, insanity, HIIT etc.
- Create markers for running/jogging/walking to encourage people to try it. You could use trees or oak posts to inform people of the distance they have run.
- Place to do graffiti please
- Scooter area would be good – it is a problem on the estate
- Clear vegetation at entrance to Gordon Avenue - the triangle
- Think about people who are less active – could we have a bandstand like Romsey?
- More seats for elderly so they can watch activity even if not participating in it
- Skate park needs to be bigger for teenagers
- Gordon Avenue should be for younger children and KGV for older children because younger children are sometimes bullied at KGV for being in play area that older children see as their own

Parking

- Extension of permit parking to St Leonards Road, Gordon Avenue etc. to prevent people parking there and leaving their car for long periods
- Coaches are dropping off on Vale and Milland Road. Early evenings Milland and Vale Road continually busy. Twice a week we have cars parked across our driveway
- Is hatched area in car park needed? Planters?
- Limit any parking should be open space (Fields in Trust). Current problem with cars to KGV, dangerous for locals and kids. Stadium cars also park here!

- The parking at the proposed site only for disabled. No coaches or general public parking
- As little parking as possible
- Park for people not cars
- Parking should be at Park and ride except disabled – needs to be monitored! Access too narrow for cars and pedestrians combined
- Be careful to keep traffic and parking to a minimum as added traffic past the play area would be most undesirable
- No car parking. Management art stadium has been inadequate even with on-site staff
- More parking spaces for Highcliffe and parking meters to prevent overspill free parking for new sports centre users
- Milland Road – ‘private’ parking at the end near the entrance that is free to use is a problem
- Limit parking. Make spaces for disabled, officials, parent/child etc. add markings and have organisers monitor them
- Shutting gates to University Athletics Stadium will push parking into Milland Road
- Never any parking available in Highcliffe on the roads
- Not sure people will respect parking restrictions
- Redesign entrance and road to deter parking/drop off
- Bar End Park and Ride is good for Park Run

General

- Move the information board to a more visible area i.e. in view of houses
- Space for a small shop selling the basics would be an asset for the local community: we lost our local shop Gerrards!
- Vandalism prevention, dog fouling
- Adequate provision of litter bins and recycling at viewing areas (junior park run)
- Light the path – low level lighting to the trim trail and around the site
- Cycle route – not appropriate to go between football pitches, go around
- Where will the proposed re-siting of the South Downs Way walk go through KGV?
- Dog poo – University gives away free dog poo bags in their building – initially they were attached to fence, but kept getting taken in large quantities, but the scheme has worked to reduce mess. £70 for 2000 bags so is expensive if people take too many. Need poo bins to go with this else it won't work
- Dog poo – I pick up other people's dog poo and there are others who do too. Distance between bins is too far – discourages those who do pick up other's poo from helping out
- Could we move green waste site to Garnier Road area?

- No lighting please
- Clubs are leaving a lot of litter after matches and it is a mess and is harmful to wildlife
- I don't want the cycle path through KGV that is shown on the Leisure Centre plan
- There is an opportunity for food and drinks at KGV
- Don't want cycle track off SDNP past allotments and through KGV – people coming off SDNP don't want to go that way
- Lights powered by poo scheme – seen one up north somewhere
- Litter after matches is a problem
- Dog mess – work on this please

Feedback Forms

- Thought it was going to be boring and onerous with people droning on for hours and it wasn't at all. It was brilliant, so well organised and laid out and all the staff were really friendly
- Well run event – thank you
- No obvious advert for event, KGV playground only notice was on fence between play park and KGV pitches so not visible to youngsters / parents. Please do pollution monitoring by M3 on KGV before moving junior parkrun there. Club-managed parking on KGV will be a disaster for Milland / Vale Road residents please re-think this. Dog leg path KGV to Garrison Ground needs to be safer than currently suggested. Please relocate the green waste compound away from KGV
- Please use the Parish magazine to advertise these types of events as it goes to every house in Highcliffe.
- “Wonderful, thank you” – verbal feedback
- “Keep up the good work” – verbal feedback
- “I don't like the Leisure Centre, but this is great” – verbal feedback