



**PUBLIC MEETING**  
**Results of consultation on**  
**parish facilities / ideas for Sam**  
**Middup Field**

**November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

# Objectives of tonight's meeting

- To communicate the results of the consultation
- To answer questions regarding the consultation
- To start the debate about what we do next

## **At tonight's meeting we will not**

- Present recommendations
- Present any cost/funding information

# How did we carry out the consultation?

- We considered a proposal from a professional market research company but decided to do the work “in-house”
- We tested 2 versions of a questionnaire with groups of residents before we went ahead, to make sure that the questions were understood
- We delivered a copy to all dwellings in village mid October 2017, for return by November 30<sup>th</sup> 2017. 182 copies were returned.
- We delivered a 2<sup>nd</sup> copy to all dwellings in April 2018 to increase the response rate. The questionnaire was also made available online via Survey Monkey.
- A further 41 paper responses were received and 35 via Survey Monkey.

# How much did it cost?

Printing charges - £370

Data inputting - £375

Survey Monkey - £140

**TOTAL INCREMENTAL - £885**

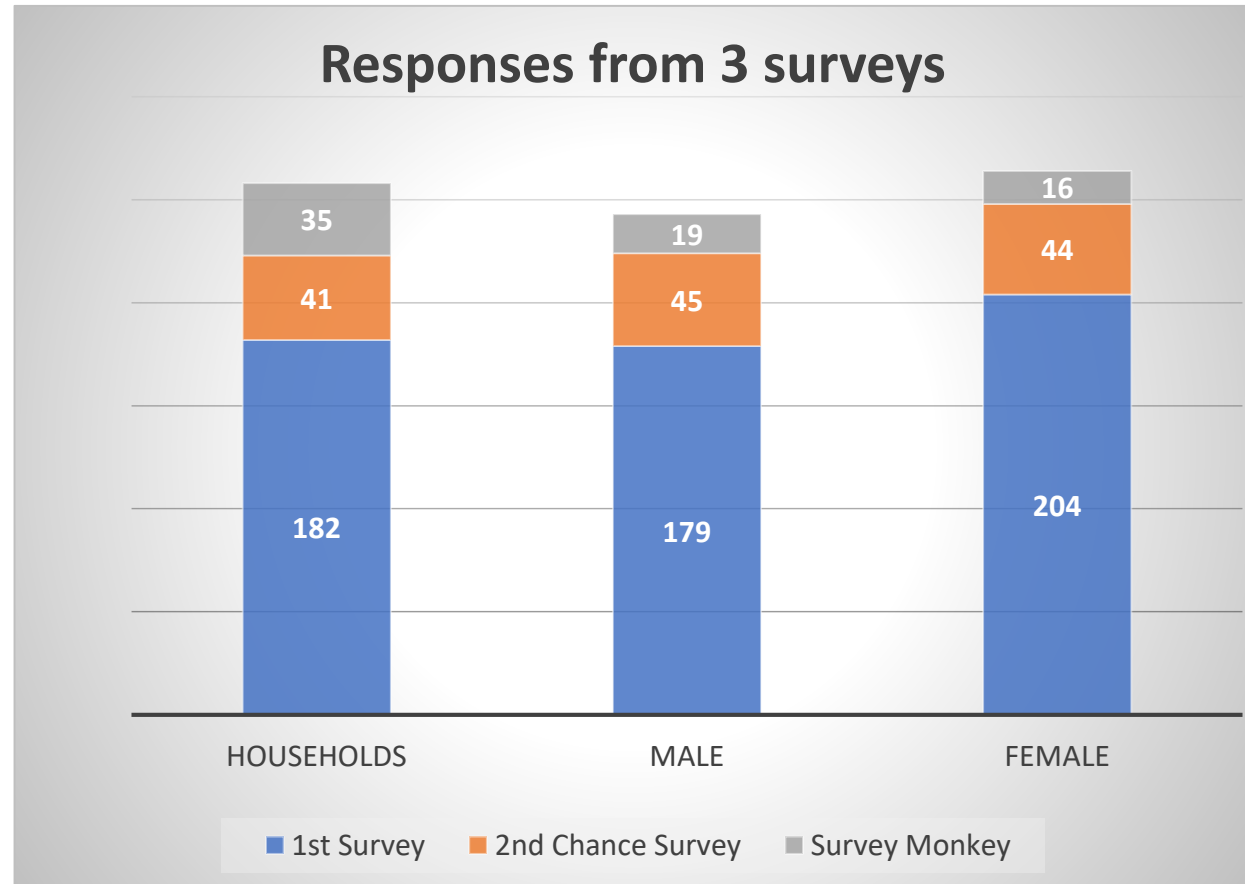
Questionnaires were delivered by Councillors and Parish Lengthsman

# Section 1

Please tell us about your household and  
current use of facilities

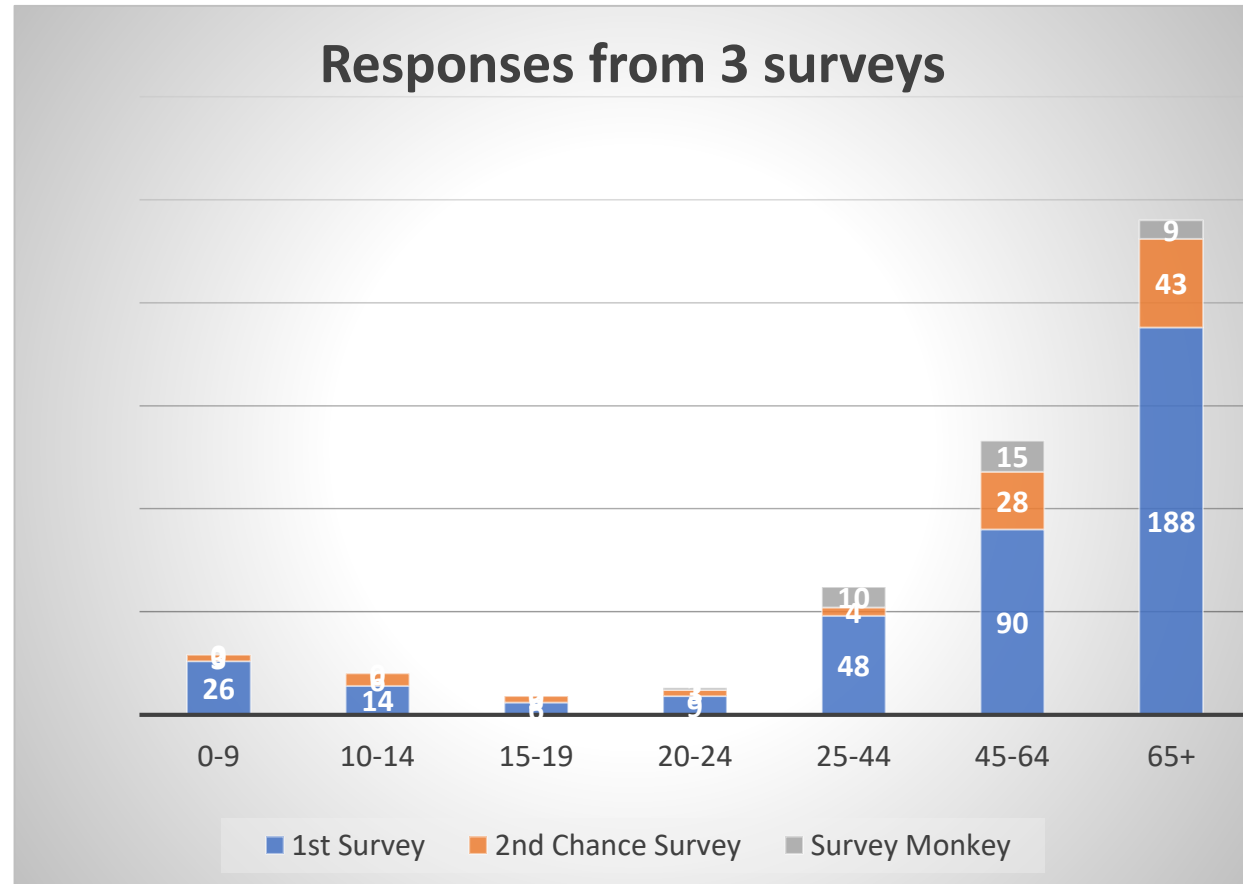
# Responses received

- A total of 258 responses were received
- This represents 26.2 % of households in parish
- Paper surveys allowed more than one person to participate
- Survey Monkey questionnaire only allowed individual responses
- 70% of responses came in the first wave



# Responses received – ages of respondents & their family members

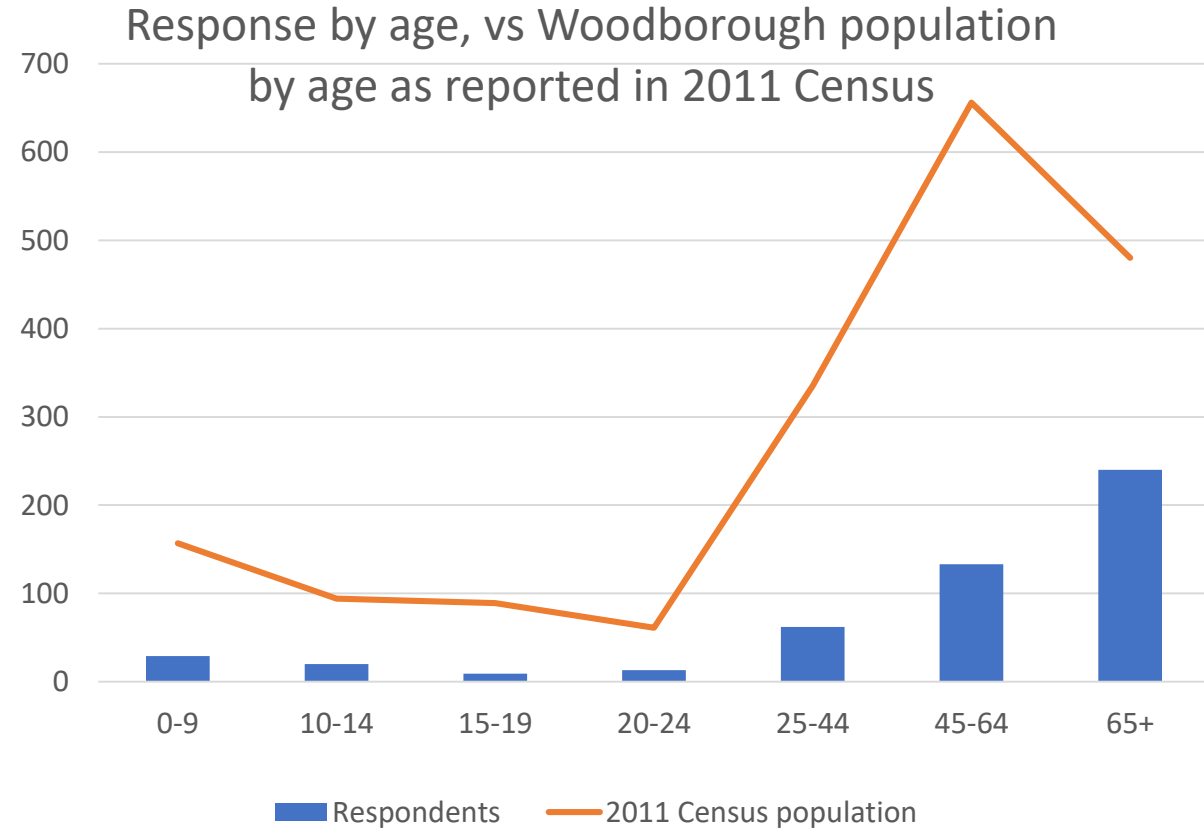
- Survey asked respondents to tell us the age of everyone in the household
- All over 11s were asked to participate, but in reality relatively few non adults did
- 47.4% respondents were 65+
- 26.2% of respondents were 45-64
- Survey Monkey respondents skewed to younger age bands than the paper survey (NB small numbers)
- Frequent mention of **non resident** grandchildren accessing and enjoying village facilities with Woodborough grandparents



# Age profile of respondents vs the 2011 census

NB Census data is from 2011 and 7 years out of date

- A higher proportion of over 65s responded than other age groups
- When comparing to the population of 2011, 1 in 2 of the 65 + age group responded
- When comparing to the population of 2011, approx. 1 in 5 of the under 65 age groups responded



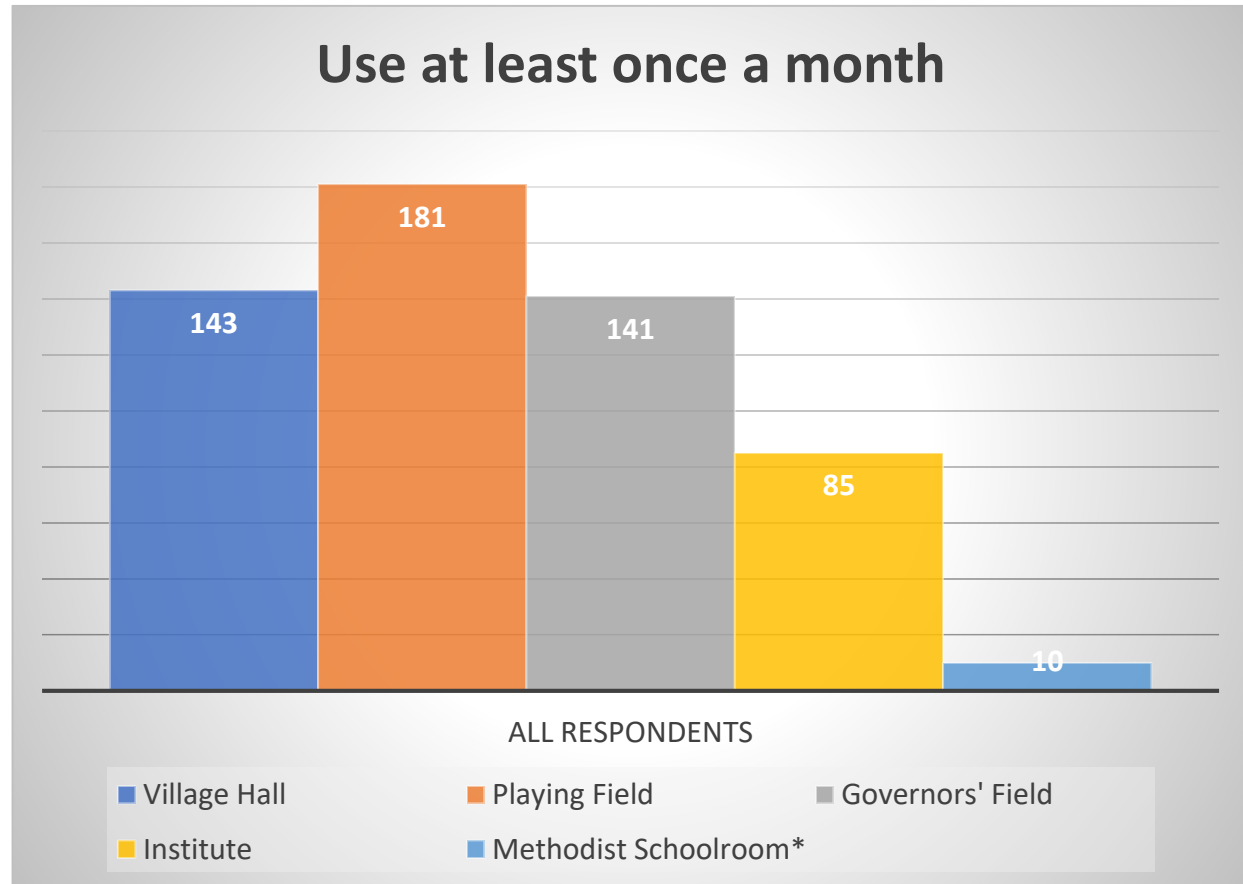


# Dog ownership

- 59 households said that they owned a dog – 23% of all households responding
- The Playing Field, footpaths and bridleways are all well used by dog walkers

# Usage of village facilities

- Playing Field is the most used facility, closely followed by Village Hall and Governors' Field
- Institute is also well used (not a Parish Council facility)
- The Methodist Schoolroom closed in 2017 – respondents were asked if they had used previously
- More than 80% of journeys to the Village Hall are made on foot
- More than 90% of journeys to the Playing Field and Governors' Field are made on foot



# What facilities do villagers use outside Woodborough?

Most commonly mentioned:

- Nuffield Gym
- Leisure Centres at Calverton, Southwell, Ravenshead
- Tennis courts at Lowdham & West Bridgford
- Golf at Calverton

# Should we have these facilities in Woodborough?

With a few exceptions, villagers seem content to travel to other villages to access different facilities and socialise more broadly, keeping Woodborough quieter than many of its neighbours.

Specific concerns:

- Duplicated facilities would not be viable
- Facilities in Woodborough should be for Woodborough residents – general reluctance about drawing more traffic into the village
- Some concerns about attracting “wrong types” into the village

# Section 2

Please tell us what facilities could be introduced, and what could be improved

# Detailed Results

Q5.1

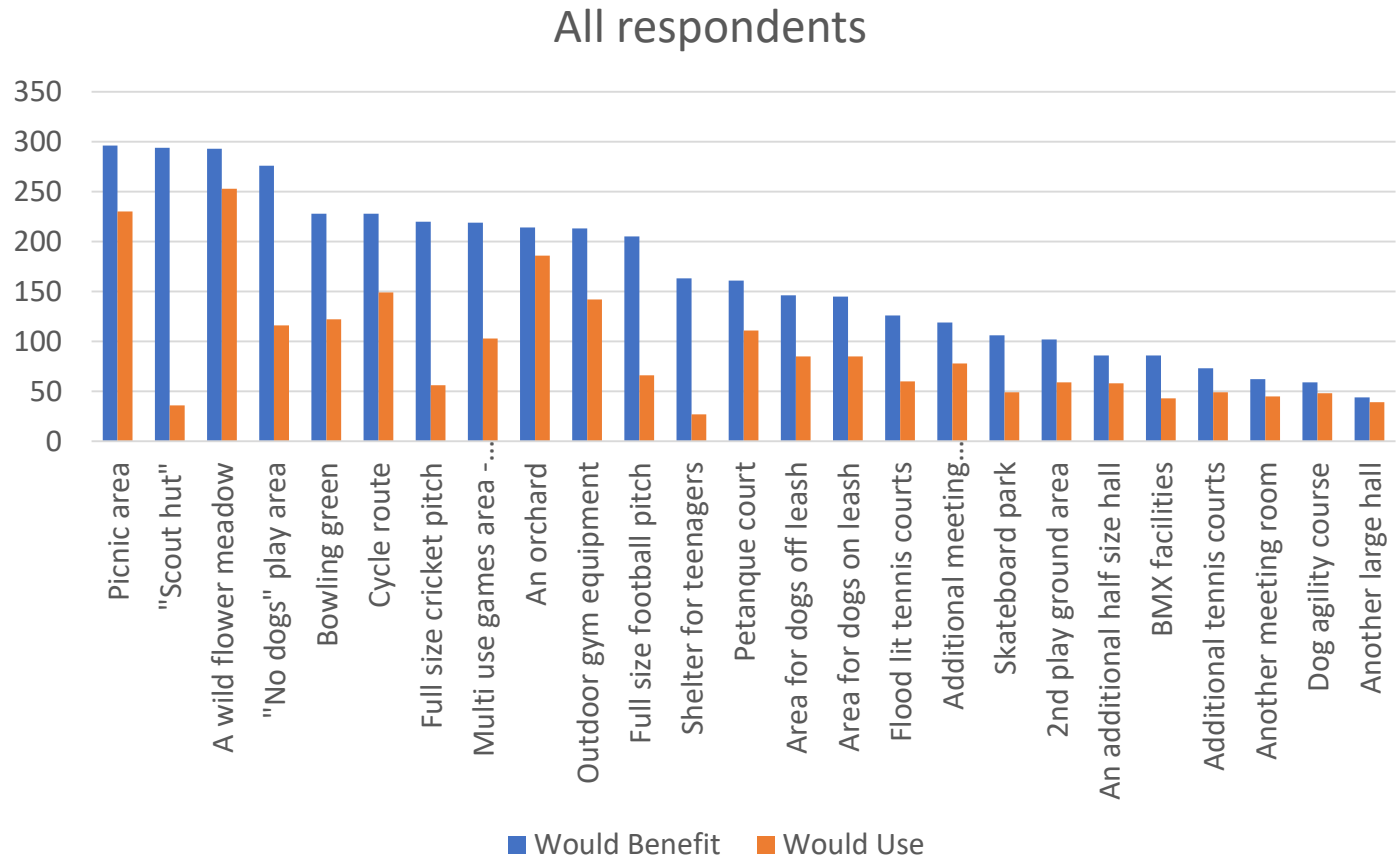
Respondents were given a list of 25 suggestions and asked if they agreed or disagreed with the following:

Statement 1 “This facility would benefit the village”

Statement 2 “I would use this facility”

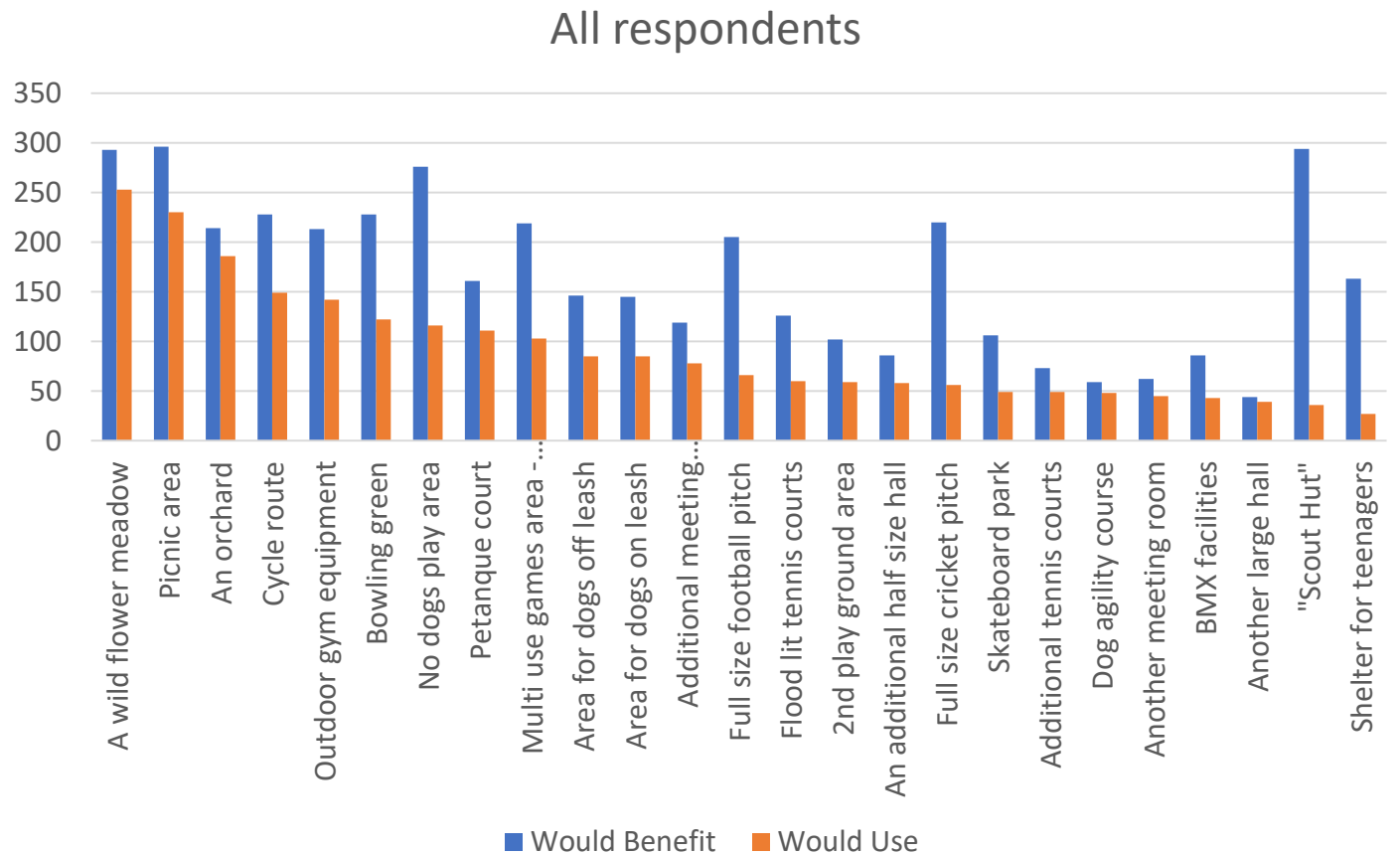
Which facility would benefit the village? Which would you use?  
 Ordered to show which facilities score most highly on “I AGREE this would *benefit* the village”

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2	Dedicated facility for Scouts etc	294	36
3	A wild flower meadow	293	253
4	"No dogs" play area	276	116
5	Bowling green	228	122
6	Cycle route	228	149
7	Full size cricket pitch	220	56
8	Multi use games area - MUGA	219	103
9	An orchard	214	186
10	Outdoor gym equipment	213	142
11	Full size football pitch	205	66
12	Shelter for teenagers	163	27
13	Petanque court	161	111
14	Area for dogs off leash	146	85
15	Area for dogs on leash	145	85
16	Flood lit tennis courts	126	60
17	Additional meeting facilities	119	78
18	Skateboard park	106	49
19	2nd play ground area	102	59
20	An additional half size hall	86	58
21	BMX facilities	86	43
22	Additional tennis courts	73	49
23	Another meeting room	62	45
24	Dog agility course	59	48
25	Another large hall	44	39



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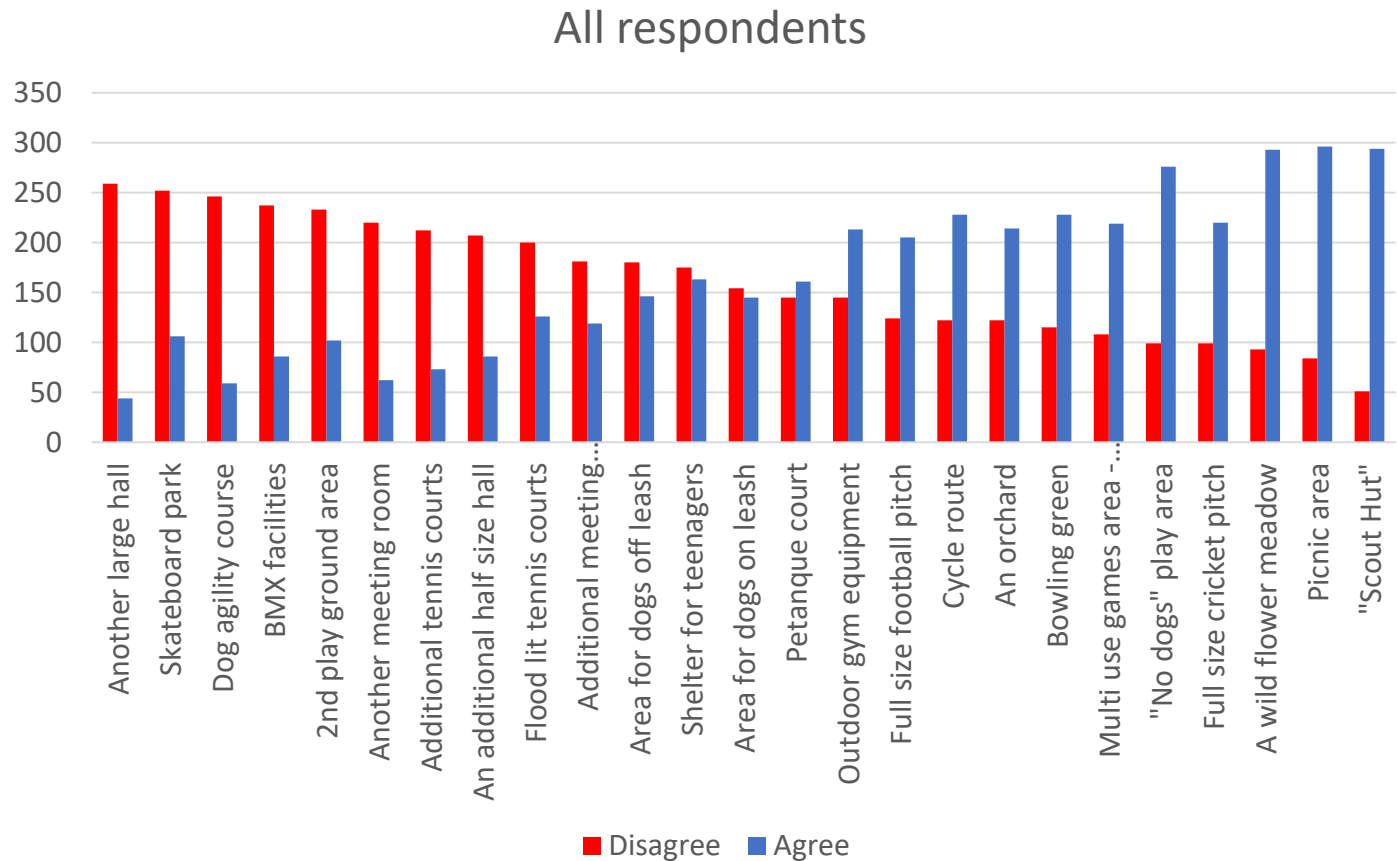




# Which facility would benefit the village?

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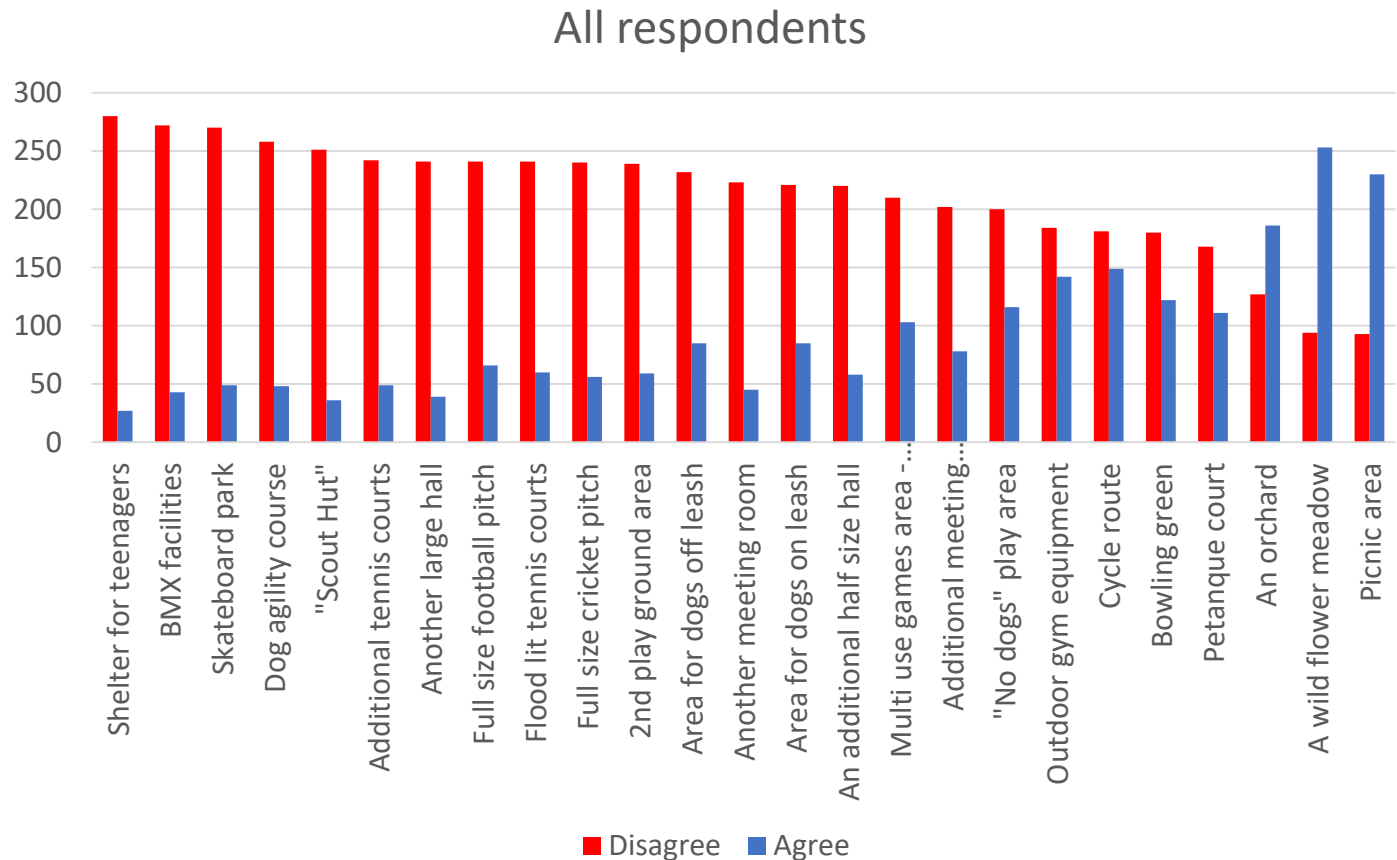
	"Would benefit village"	
	Disagree	Agree
1 Another large hall	259	44
2 Skateboard park	252	106
3 Dog agility course	246	59
4 BMX facilities	237	86
5 2nd play ground area	233	102
6 Another meeting room	220	62
7 Additional tennis courts	212	73
8 An additional half size hall	207	86
9 Flood lit tennis courts	200	126
10 Additional meeting facilities	181	119
11 Area for dogs off leash	180	146
12 Shelter for teenagers	175	163
13 Area for dogs on leash	154	145
14 Petanque court	145	161
15 Outdoor gym equipment	145	213
16 Full size football pitch	124	205
17 Cycle route	122	228
18 An orchard	122	214
19 Bowling green	115	228
20 Multi use games area - MUGA	108	219
21 "No dogs" play area	99	276
22 Full size cricket pitch	99	220
23 A wild flower meadow	93	293
24 Picnic area	84	296
25 Dedicated facility for Scouts etc	51	294



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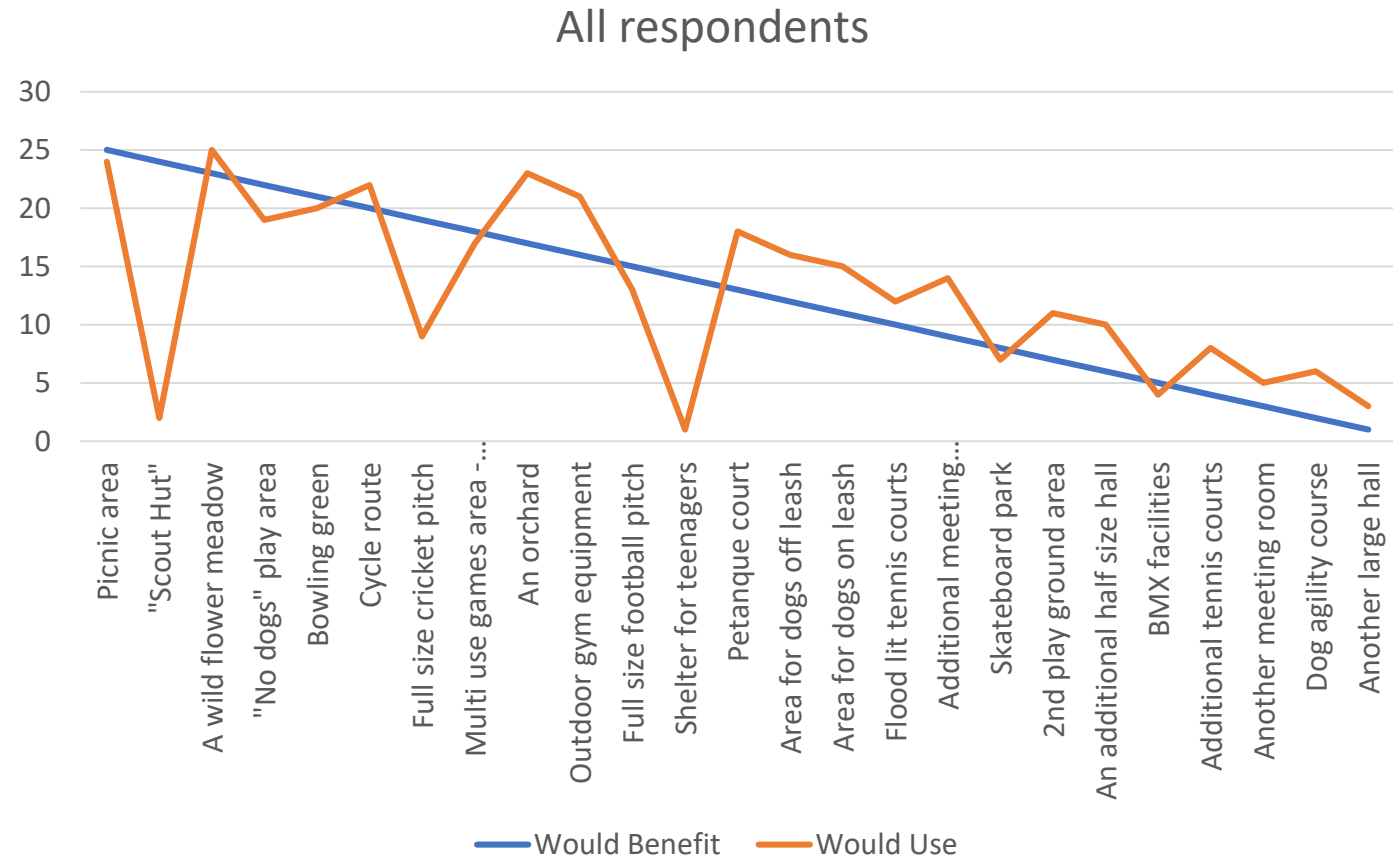
Ordered to show which facilities score most highly for “I DISAGREE I would **use** this facility”

	"I would use this facility"	
	Disagree	Agree
1 Shelter for teenagers	280	27
2 BMX facilities	272	43
3 Skateboard park	270	49
4 Dog agility course	258	48
5 Dedicated facility for Scouts etc	251	36
6 Additional tennis courts	242	49
7 Another large hall	241	39
8 Full size football pitch	241	66
9 Flood lit tennis courts	241	60
10 Full size cricket pitch	240	56
11 2nd play ground area	239	59
12 Area for dogs off leash	232	85
13 Another meeting room	223	45
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15 An additional half size hall	220	58
16 Multi use games area - MUGA	210	103
17 Additional meeting facilities	202	78
18 "No dogs" play area	200	116
19 Outdoor gym equipment	184	142
20 Cycle route	181	149
21 Bowling green	180	122
22 Petanque court	168	111
23 An orchard	127	186
24 A wild flower meadow	94	253
25 Picnic area	93	230



Which facility would *benefit* the village? Which would you *use*?  
 How do the rankings for the 2 statements vary?

	Ranking	
	Would Benefit	Would Use
Picnic area	1	2
Dedicated facility for Scouts etc	2	24
A wild flower meadow	3	1
"No dogs" play area	4	7
Bowling green	5	6
Cycle route	6	4
Full size cricket pitch	7	17
Multi use games area - MUGA	8	9
An orchard	9	3
Outdoor gym equipment	10	5
Full size football pitch	11	13
Shelter for teenagers	12	25
Petanque court	13	8
Area for dogs off leash	14	10
Area for dogs on leash	15	11
Flood lit tennis courts	16	14
Additional meeting facilities	17	12
Skateboard park	18	19
2nd play ground area	19	15
An additional half size hall	20	16
BMX facilities	21	22
Additional tennis courts	22	18
Another meeting room	23	21
Dog agility course	24	20
Another large hall	25	23



# Detailed Results

## Q5.3

Respondents were asked to name their Top 3 facilities that they would LIKE TO SEE in Woodborough

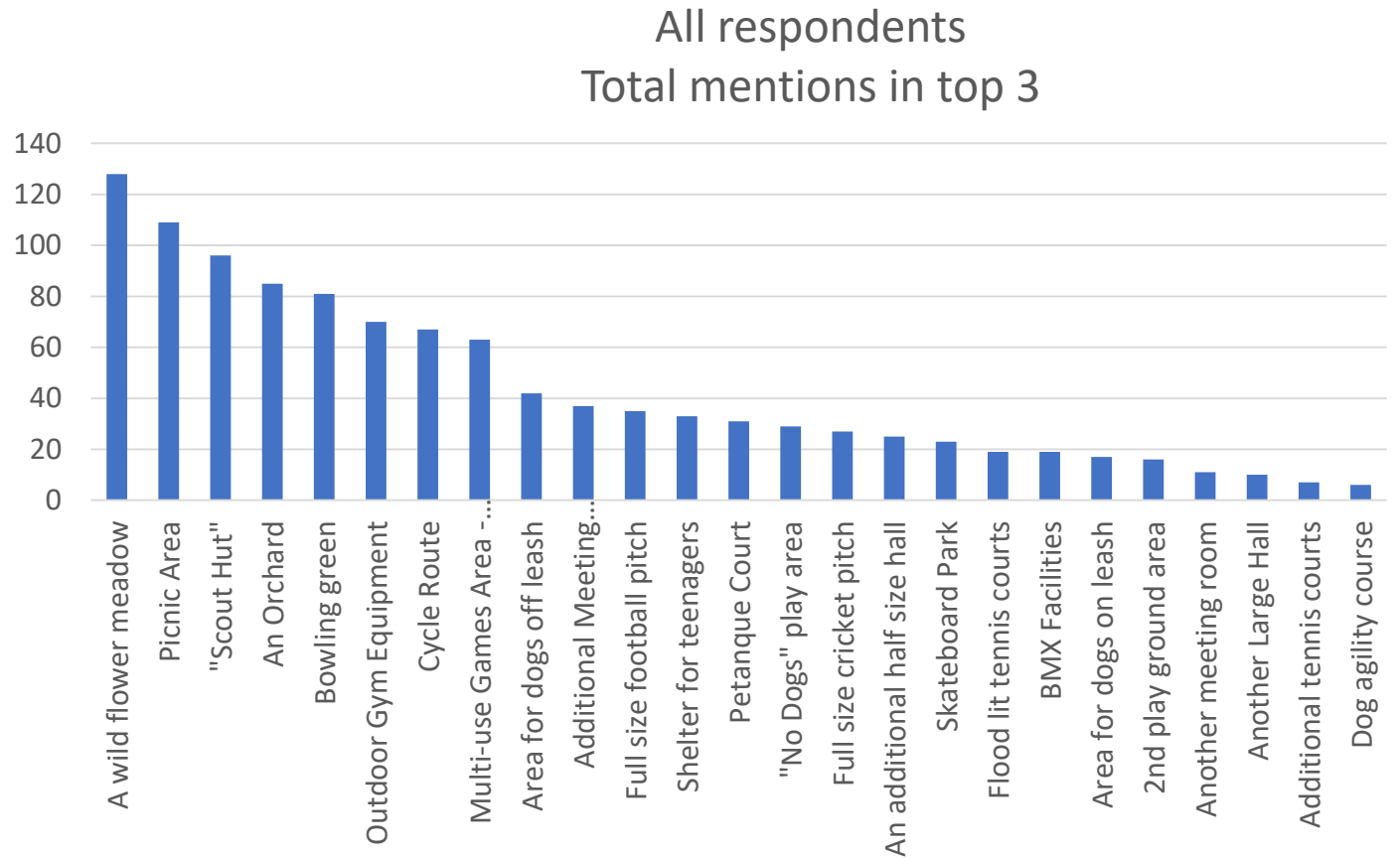
## Q5.4

Respondents were asked to name their Top 3 facilities that they would NOT LIKE TO SEE in Woodborough

# Which facilities would you *like to see*?

## Total mentions in top 3 “would like to see”

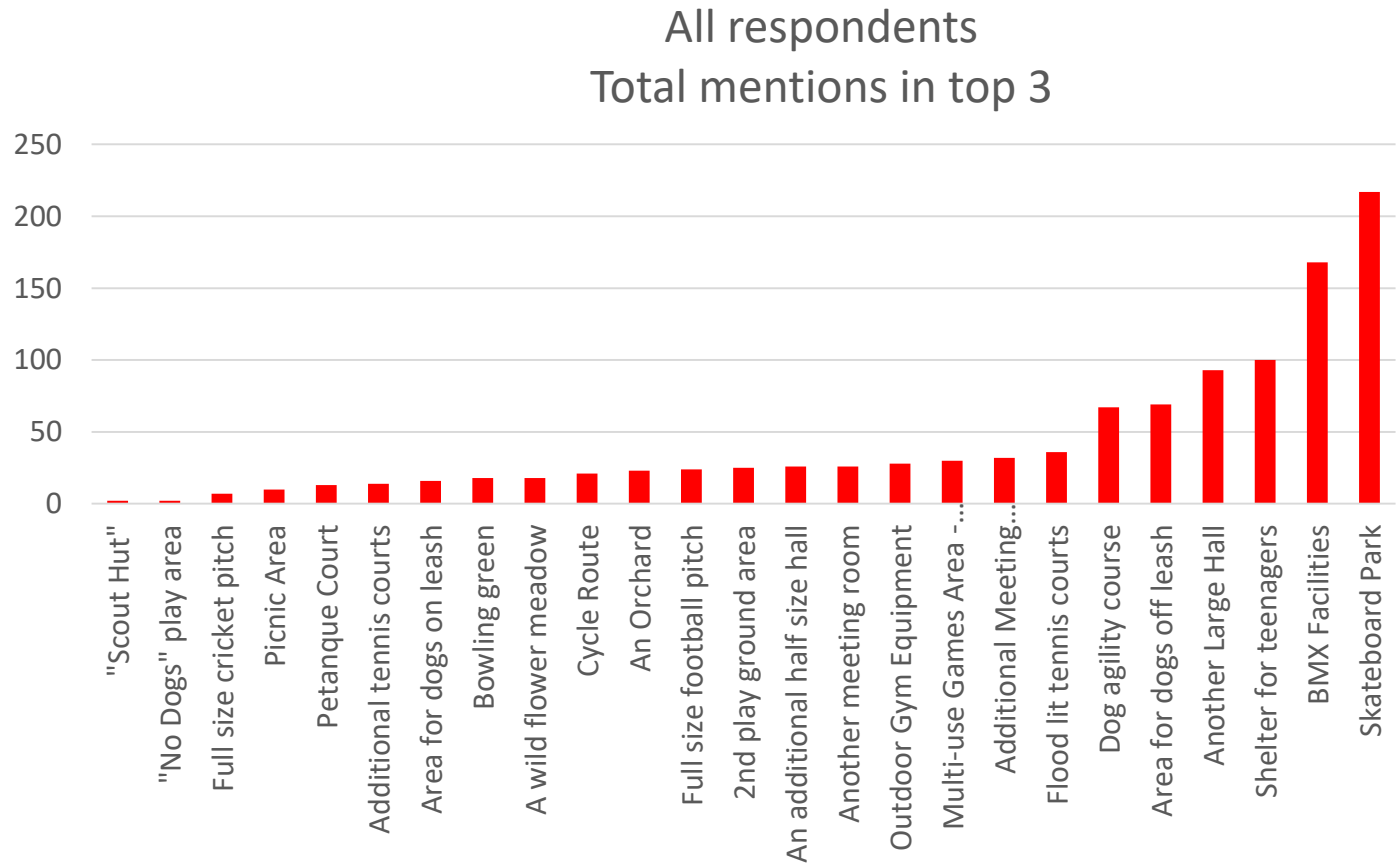
	Top 3 "Like" Choices	Total
1	A wild flower meadow	128
2	Picnic Area	109
3	Dedicated facility for scouts etc	96
4	An Orchard	85
5	Bowling green	81
6	Outdoor Gym Equipment	70
7	Cycle Route	67
8	Multi-use Games Area - MUGA	63
9	Area for dogs off leash	42
10	Additional Meeting Facilities	37
11	Full size football pitch	35
12	Shelter for teenagers	33
13	Petanque Court	31
14	"No Dogs" play area	29
15	Full size cricket pitch	27
16	An additional half size hall	25
17	Skateboard Park	23
18	Flood lit tennis courts	19
19	BMX Facilities	19
20	Area for dogs on leash	17
21	2nd play ground area	16
22	Another meeting room	11
23	Another Large Hall	10
24	Additional tennis courts	7
25	Dog agility course	6



# Which facilities would you *NOT like to see*?

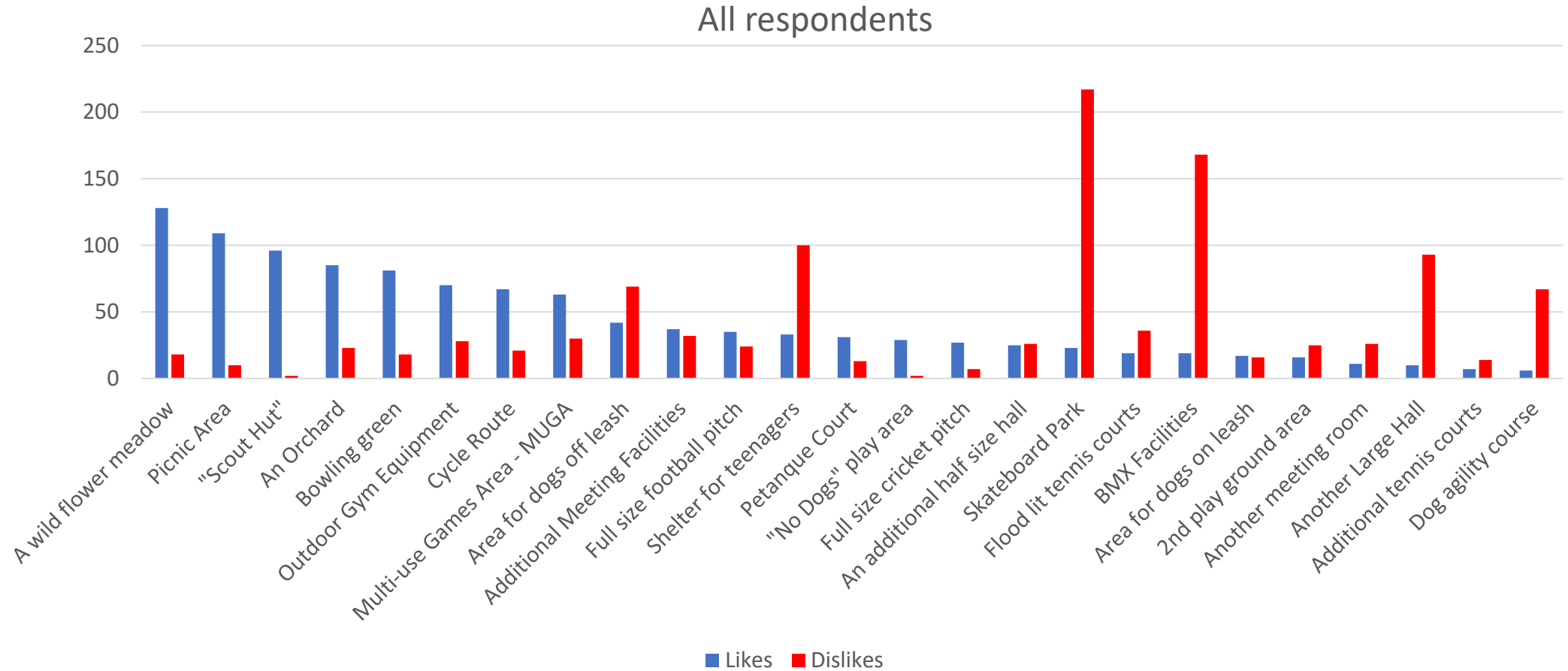
## Total mentions in top 3 “would NOT like to see”

	Mentions in top 3 dislikes	Total
1	Skateboard Park	217
2	BMX Facilities	168
3	Shelter for teenagers	100
4	Another Large Hall	93
5	Area for dogs off leash	69
6	Dog agility course	67
7	Flood lit tennis courts	36
8	Additional Meeting Facilities	32
9	Multi-use Games Area - MUGA	30
10	Outdoor Gym Equipment	28
11	An additional half size hall	26
12	Another meeting room	26
13	2nd play ground area	25
14	Full size football pitch	24
15	An Orchard	23
16	Cycle Route	21
17	Bowling green	18
18	A wild flower meadow	18
19	Area for dogs on leash	16
20	Additional tennis courts	14
21	Petanque Court	13
22	Picnic Area	10
23	Full size cricket pitch	7
24	Dedicated facility for scouts etc	2
25	"No Dogs" play area	2



# Which facilities would you like to see & NOT like to see

## Comparison of mentions in top 3 “likes” and “dislikes”



# Respondents' further suggestions for the field – facilities

- Perimeter path for walkers, runners, cyclists, also accessible to mobility scooters
- 3G or 4G 5 a side, all weather pitch
- Basketball
- Netball
- Offroad track for horses
- Offroad track for bikes to tear around
- Pitch & putt
- Croquet
- Communal BBQ area
- Communal herb garden
- Memorial garden



# Respondents' further suggestions for the field –opportunities

- Focus on conservation – access expertise of RSPB etc
- Plant, don't build, keep it open parkland
- Outdoor space for older people away from playground & sports – attractive planting & social seating.
  - “A peaceful garden area for older people to sit and enjoy. Significant numbers of older people are not catered for in the village.”
- Community beehives
- Community wind turbine & solar farm

# Any other comments? Other suggestions for the field

The questionnaire asked for views on facilities that could be developed on the field but a small number of respondents raised alternatives:

- Sell the field
  - because “it should never have been purchased”
  - pay down the debt and reduce Council Tax
  - avoid future expenditure
- Keep the field agricultural
  - PC ownership stops the land being bought by a developer

# **Any other comments? Methodist Church**

Several respondents identified the Methodist Church building as a potential future “Scout Hut”/facility for the uniformed groups

“get young people off the streets”

“for every young person in the village”

# Any other comments? “Nice to haves”

- Pedestrian/cycle route to Calverton
- More bins
- More benches
- A village café
- Opportunity to buy/sell local produce
- “Walking bus” to school
- Better pavilion facilities
- A village trail
- Footpath to link Playing Field and Sam Middup Field

# Any other comments? Village bugbears!

- Pavements
  - resurface them
  - make them wide enough for pushchairs & wheelchairs
- Dog fouling
  - more dog bins
- Parking spaces
- Pavement parking
- Speeding
- Better bus services
- More benches
- Governors' Field mud
- Potholes
- Coop site
- Fly tipping

# Appendix

Some verbatims

Please consider children residing in the village who are older than 12 years of age. There is nothing for young teens to do. They are too old to enjoy the governor's field, too old to be involved in scouts etc, therefore, there are no facilities in the village specifically designed for their age. A '4G' flood lit all weather pitch would be a great addition as the children can play games whether it's wet and/or dark. At present, our playing field is continually waterlogged and during the winter months, it's dark so a flood lit 4G pitch would give the children somewhere to play. Also as the area is large enough, there would be room to accommodate a bmx and skateboard ramp as well as an area for outdoor gym equipment. An area for people to walk the perimeter of the field with dogs would be appreciated. PLEASE CONSIDER THE YOUNG ADULTS OF OUR VILLAGE IN YOUR DECISION MAKING

We were opposed to the purchase of Middups' field. One of us has declined to fill in the questionnaire. This is likely to be a millstone around the neck of the parish for many years to come. We strongly suggest a sale of part of the land.



Turn Sam Middup Field into a park which includes an orchard, a wildflower meadow and a picnic area plus walks which join the other paths. Something along the lines of Gedling Country Park which research shows that this is what people want to be close to.

Having lived in the village for over 25 years, the council seems obsessed with turning a quiet village into a model of Blackpool.

Try to spend the council's money in a way that all residents can use these facilities e.g. disabled/elderly as well as families

If facilities were provided for youth - e.g. skate park, BMX, shelter - we feel this would encourage more youth into the village. We have problems with youth in the pinfold – we do not need to encourage them to hang around the village.

The Governors' Field has an age limit of 12 years. There is nothing for our teenagers to do. An area for them to skate/skateboard, play football and a floodlit all-weather pitch would be a good idea.

People who do not live close to an area frequented by those intent on creating havoc have no real idea of what it is like to have loudmouthed yobs using the nearby open spaces. I know that the majority of the youngsters may be well-behaved but all too often there are several who are only interested in causing as much chaos as possible as well as using unacceptable language. Trespassing into gardens to retrieve balls having climbed over fences, breaking down hedges and being told to “F off” is not an acceptable way to behave.

Let's create a lovely open space

More/better car parking is  
essential if any more facilities  
come to Woodborough



I would like to see immediate use of Middup's field considering the extra cost to my Council tax. I would like to see all facilities for teenagers and sports on this field with access to all.

Decisions on the uses for the Sam Middup Field should be mindful of the impact of traffic, noise and privacy on the local residents.

Well done for buying the field

It isn't what we want – it's what we  
don't want – Sam Middup Field!

We don't want anything that might attract unwanted attention to the village, creating meeting places that affect the tranquillity of the village

This may seem negative to young people but sometimes when they gather on the field in the summer there is antisocial behaviour – litter left about, cannabis use, damage

There are already ample playground facilities in the Governors' Field which now looks like a theme park. Can we have some outdoor space for older people with older dogs who don't wish to be bothered with younger ones.

Sell [the field] and buy the Methodist Church for the uniform people. Get our young people off the street.



The Parish Council should consider buying the Methodist Chapel, so that it could be used by Scouts, Cubs, Brownies, Guides and young people's organisations including some sort of youth club. The young people of this village have nowhere to go since the Scout hut was closed.

[Person 1] is an elderly lady who is unfortunately now housebound. She has lived in the village for nearly 40 years and has witnessed the decline in both commercial and parish facilities so would welcome further developments/investments for future generations.

We are privileged to live in this beautiful village.  
We appreciate the efforts made to maintain its  
character – please can we sort the Co-op site?  
Thank you for the opportunity to respond!

Questions?