

Update on Pavilion 7 - February 2026

Phase 1 - To create an accessible and flexible building suitable and safe for community and school use with electricity and water connection. Accessible toilet and tea/coffee making facilities. Suitable for small group meetings - parents before/after school, family support, wellbeing support, youth access and as well as for activities utilising the playing field - school and village fetes, youth and adult team sports.

Phase 1, Stage 2

Funding:

1. Community Development Grant

An application for the Community Development Grant was completed and sent in on Friday 16th January. We keep our fingers crossed for a positive response in March.

2. District Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

We have had a meeting with a grants officer regarding an application for funding from District CIL. She was very positive about the project and has informed us of what we need to do in order to progress to putting in an application form.

The most important thing at this stage is to secure a lease from Suffolk County Council for the land that the Pavilion stands on. Currently we have been offered a 30 year lease from them and this now needs to be considered carefully before agreement. This lease would also cover the remainder of the playing field including where the play equipment is located.

Community Engagement:

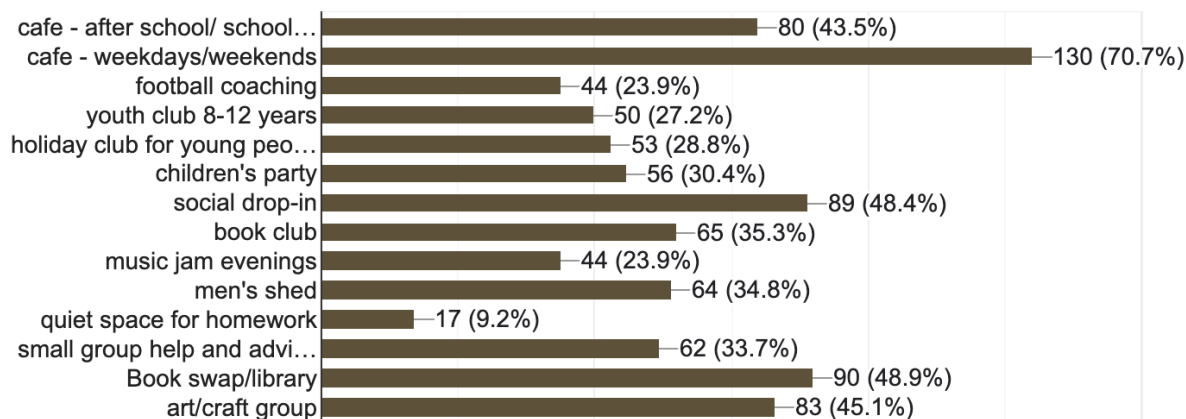
At the end of December/beginning of January we set up a survey to ask for the Village's views on reopening the Pavilion. We put out a leaflet to every house as well as links to the survey on Facebook, on posters on the village noticeboard and on the village website. We received 184 responses, all of which were in support of the project; this is considered a good response to these kinds of survey. (Over 10% of the population) and there was a good range of ages who took part. Hopefully the Tesco voucher was a good incentive!

These are the survey results for the suggestions for uses of the Pavilion which residents put

If the following were available in the Pavilion, which would you or members of your family use? Please tick all that apply.

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In addition we had supportive comments from a number of individuals and our District Councillor and County Councillor and the Headteacher sent in supportive statements.

Pavilion Supporters

We were delighted that eight residents offered to become supporters of the Pavilion project in their response to the survey. They attended a meeting on Tuesday 27th Jan and it was clear that they are all committed to helping the Pavilion reopen for the community. We will be meeting again in March to discuss further their role going forward.