



MELTON PARISH COUNCIL

REC(21)90.01a

Hall Farm Road Sports Ground Consultation Survey Results

There were 51 responses overall having distributed around 250 leaflets. Everyone who attended the open event was encouraged to complete a survey if they hadn't already done so.

Findings

People were asked to rate the enhancements from 1-7, with 1 being the highest.

16 selected football goal as 1st choice, however it should be noted that 12 had it as their last choice.
14 selected improvements to stream/wetland area as their 1st choice.

Looking beyond 1st choices, if you looked at the enhancements that were given a rating of 1-3 as the most popular and those given a rating of 5-7 as the least popular, the results are as follows:

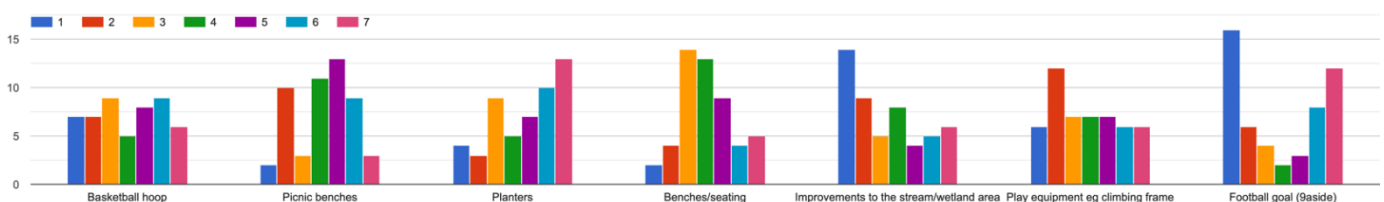
Most popular enhancements (given a rating of 1-3):

1. Wetland area improvements (28)
2. Football goal (26)
3. Play equipment (25)
4. Basketball (23)
5. Benches/seating (20)
6. Planters (16)
7. Picnic (15)

Least popular enhancements (given a rating of 5-7):

1. Planters (30)
2. Picnic benches (25)
3. Goal (23)
4. Basketball (23)
5. Benches/seating (20)
6. Play equipment (19)
7. Wetland area improvements (15)

These are the suggested enhancements for the area. Please mark these in order of preference (1-7, with 1 being the highest). Please note: You must give a different rating to each item, you cannot rate more than one item with the same rating :



Additional suggestions:

- Zip wire
- 2 goals and not just one (5 requests)
- Wildlife planting
- Floodlights and astropitch
- More trees
- Outdoor gym equipment
- Quiet place to sit
- Enforce dog fouling regulations
- Multiple benches for older generation to meet and chat
- BBQ area

- Community garden with raised beds
- Swings and slide
- Table tennis
- Enclosed dog area
- Owl/bird boxes
- Climbing frame with slide and tunnel
- Grit bins
- Lighting
- Monkey bars
- Skate park
- More bins

Concerns raised about:

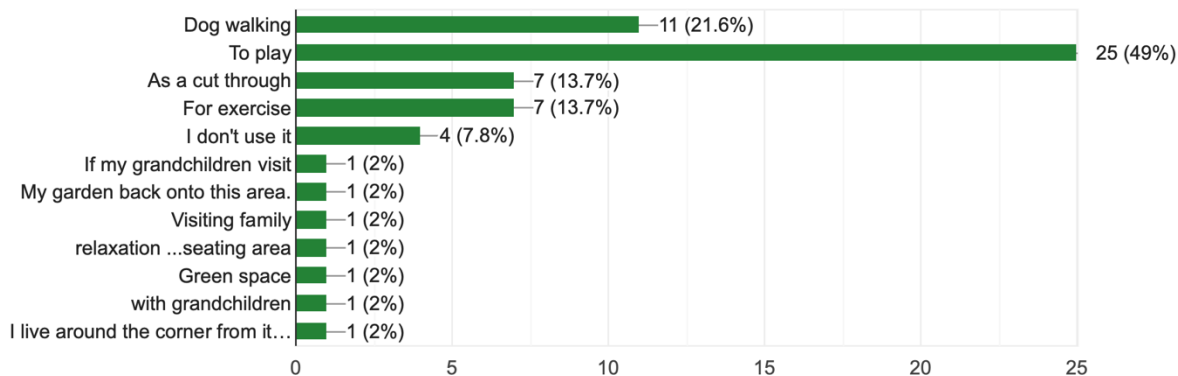
Antisocial Behaviour, noise and vandalism. If a basketball post was installed consideration should be given to the placement (away from fences) and installing a quiet surface.

Respondents:

Most respondents use the area for play therefore strong consideration should be given to providing play provision. Dog walkers make up another significant percentage of those who responded. There seemed to be no strong support for planters or a community garden. Respondents wanted to be kept informed about developments but there was a limited response regarding ongoing help with maintenance.

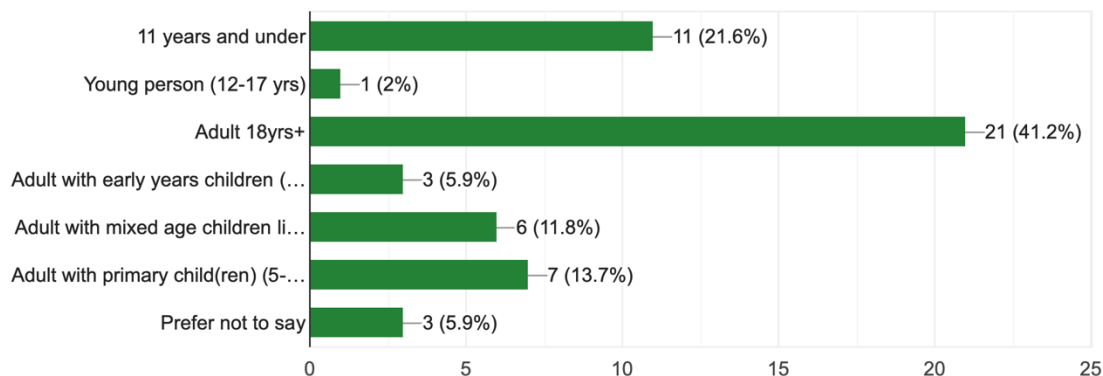
Why do you visit the Hall Farm Road Sports Ground?

51 responses



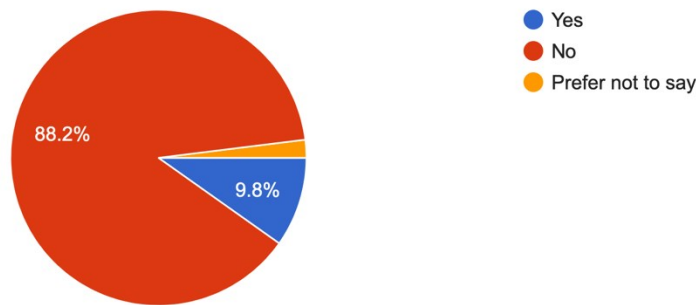
Which Hall Farm Road User are you?

51 responses



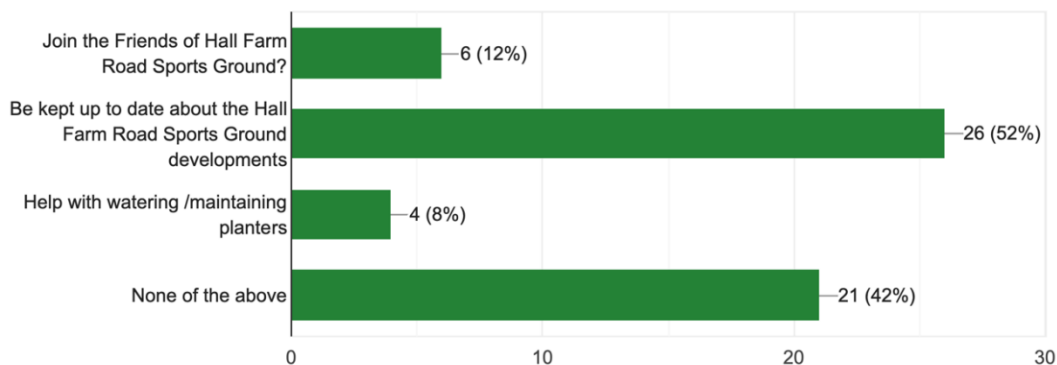
Do you have any disability (learning/physical/health)?

51 responses



Please indicate if you would like to:

50 responses



Suggested Enhancements:

- Football goal(s). Decision on location and number required. (<https://www.fitness-sports.co.uk/football-goalposts/socketed-steel-ant-vandal-goalposts-FBL-044.html> - cost c.£1k)
- Improvements to the wetland/stream area (see report from SWT REC(21)90.01b) (cost tbc)
- Play equipment (cost c£5-10k which could be covered by a grant/PlayPot)
- Bench – perhaps just one initially (cost c £350)
- Move the bin so it is out of the undergrowth and nearer the seat (cost – free)
- Install additional bin (cost £245)
- Adding bird/bat boxes would be relatively easy and inexpensive and would require little ongoing maintenance (cost c.£200)
- Creating a wildlife/wilder area near the fence could be possible, if it doesn't interfere with the football 'pitch' but some residents may complain about it looking unkempt and untidy. Signage would be needed to explain the approach. (cost tbc)
- Further trees could be planted as part of the Queen's Canopy project (cost – free)

Should play equipment be installed consideration must be given to the ongoing associated maintenance costs.

Councillors are asked to:

- Note and comment on the report
- Decide which enhancements, if any, they wish to proceed with



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