

Report into the Westward Ho! Park survey (Pavilion and Tennis Courts).

The survey was circulated in The Link magazine (March 2022 delivery) to each household in Northam, through shops and other outlets in Westward Ho! and as a weblink shared on the Council's website as a front page news item and on Facebook.

To maximise the response, the weblink was shared on Facebook at the start of each week of March. The last day for inputting surveys was the 4th April 2022. Originally, the plan was to close the survey on the 31st March but given the need for staff to work from home having received positive Covid-19 LFT results, the final hard copies received were input on the 4th April and the survey closed for all responses.

The Council provided 6500 hard copies, circulated with The Link.

There were 446 responses, 112 were submitted in paper form and 334 online. The response rate was therefore 6.4%. It is noted that approx. 214 of the online responses were from students at Bideford College, not all of whom would live in the Northam Town area.

The detail of the responses is attached to this paper, with key points picked out over the following pages. All response rate percentages have been rounded to the nearest whole number.

Future uses of the Pavilion.

The respondents were given the choice of 16 possible uses, with a free entry field ('other') to enable respondents to provide their own ideas, which 69 did. The responses with over 50% were:

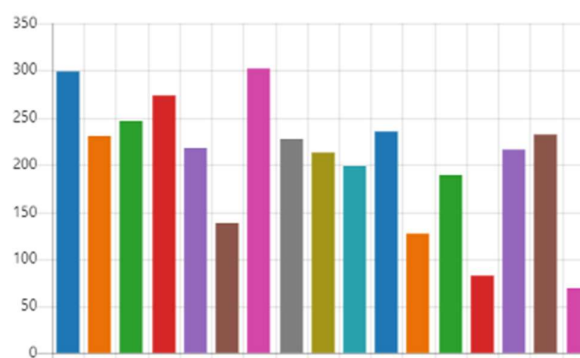
1. Making friends, addressing loneliness, isolation, bereavement group	302 (68%)
2. Mother and toddler	299 (67%)
3. Youth drop in coffee and chat	274 (61%)
4. School Holiday Club	247 (55%)
5. Evening film club and social events	236 (53%)
6. Arts and crafts club	233 (52%)
7. After school club	230 (52%)
8. Silver surfers tea and coffee mornings	227 (51%)

The complete list and bar chart are presented overleaf, along with all the 'others' mentioned. The most common response in 'other' was some kind of coffee shop or café.

1. Thinking about the Pavilion, please tick all the uses that you consider appropriate for the entire community.

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Mother and toddler	299
After school club	230
School Holiday Club	247
Youth drop in coffee and chat	274
Advice centre (e.g. health, well...	218
Reminiscence group	138
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Birthday parties	199
Evening film club and social e...	236
Local museum	127
Food pantry	190
Local radio station	82
Gardening club	217
Arts and crafts club	233
Other	69



Respondent	'Other' response
2	Food Bank
3	ART EXHIBITONS FOR LOCAL ARTISTS
13	evening social events by local groups
20	Second hand book shop
21	Training / work experience for people with learning disabilities
23	Any local group open to anyone (relevant to the group) in the community
25	coffee, snacks and ice cream cafe
26	Library type facilities (WWHO! is growing so it would be useful to have our own library facility)
29	Knock it down. It's an eyesore
32	Coffee Shop
35	Small function room with kitchen that can be hired for sit down meals with outside caterers and/or guest chef evenings. Portion of takings could go to council/up keep of building.
39	Weekly Youth Club
41	Multi-use with careful management, perhaps an indoor all-weather games centre.
43	Repair hub/café where people can take small household objects. There is one in Braunton.

45	Youth Club.
47	Seating exercise sessions.
57	Gallery for local artists - say one a month exhibitions.
58	Cafe and fresh food farmers market, home grown veg once a month. Maybe plants also.
59	Dancing/fitness etc.
75	Must be wheelchair-friendly (need wider paths).
88	All / any of these would be excellent.
90	Coffee shop
105	DANCING GROUP - ROCK OR COUNTRY MUSIC
106	I THINK YOU HAVE IT JUST ABOUT COVERED
110	Community Cafe with book exchange
117	Park cafe run by young adults with disabilities
122	Bring and buy, table top sales etc. to raise funds for the park.
125	History Club
129	Library / tourist information.
136	Temporary/flexible group space rather than a permanent fixture.
138	mini-market and table-top sales.
140	Possible nursery school/group. In the home counties I know a lot of scout groups do this successfully.
141	Evening/weekend youth club. Well done for thinking of such a wide range of options.;
142	Daily cafe 9-5 with low price coffee and cakes for the whole community, young or old.;
145	Sports clubs.
146	Local clubs and activities meeting venue
156	Groups for people with additional needs.
177	Basic engineering/tech. club for young people.
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182	Education for pet owners of dogs how to keep our beautiful Devon clean and healthy for our future generations.
183	As broad a range of uses as possible for as many people as possible.

185	Community Fridge.
189	The Happy Café was always a great project. I don't know why it was discontinued but it would be lovely to see it reinstated, maybe 3 days a week.
190	Cooking Club; Climbing Wall.
191	Evening Classes: First Aid, languages, Astronomy, Car Maintenance, Sign Language, Guitar, Self-defence, for the elderly & women.
197	Balance classes for those who need it there is no current NHS classes for this and non in Westward Ho
200	All of the above;
201	Subsidised exercise classes for over 60s
205	Wellbeing Area.
217	Table tennis club.
243	Skatepark.
248	A better park.
251	place for local bands to rehearse.
271	Skatepark.
284	Small ice cream and milkshake shack.
315	no idea.
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323	Friends.
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368	Football area.
370	Mini golf.
371	Sports.
383	Park for older kids.
405	Football.
428	Café.
431	a place where friends can meet up;
442	Toilets and changing for tennis etc.
443	Bridge club, Table tennis;