

DITCHEAT PARISH PLAN – ACTION PLAN 3

Youth Facilities

Priority: To address the lack of youth facilities in the Parish as raised in the survey

Target(s):

- Establish an accurate assessment of how many young people in the Parish want facilities and activities
- If there is sufficient desire for these, establish precisely what form they would take
- Generate answers for the provision of said facilities/activities

Impact/Success Criteria

- A clear documented statement of the desire for, and nature of, activities/facilities
 - Local people fully informed of the above
 - Sufficient funding raised to implement provision
 - Young people in the Parish have access to the facilities they seek
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June 2015

Questionnaires were handed out to two groups:-

Group 1) Twenty two 9 to 11 year old children living in the Parish attending Ditchheat School.

Group 2) Twenty 11 to 14 year olds going out of the Parish to school. (Forms were distributed at the Ditchheat and Alhampton bus stops.)

There were 7 responses from Group 1, but a 100% response from group 2. Just under half (20) of the total surveyed expressed interest in a youth group and 17 responses liked the idea of a disco/dance.

If a Youth Group was formed then other suggested activities arising from the questionnaire such as badminton and discos could become incorporated. All that is needed is for some adults (**maybe parents!**) to come forward. Help and advice will be given if and when required.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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What we've done so far

- A general invitation to parents and youths to come forward with ideas brought no response.
- A direct approach to children aged 11-14 years at the school bus stops in Alhampton and Ditchheat resulted in interest from five children out of the twenty asked to complete a form.
- By arrangement with the headmistress, 22 children (from our Parish) in Ditchheat School were invited to complete a questionnaire.
- From both these surveys a total of 20 children aged 9 – 14 requested a youth group.
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What happens next

- The Action Group will look at enabling the formation of a youth group.
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