

## Appendix 4. Community Organisations, Leisure Activities, Services & Support

Below are additional comments made in relation to the Community Organisations, Leisure Activities, Services & Support section of Wiveliscombe Community Plan Consultation March to May 2022

• **Asked: Are there any classes, groups, and activities that you would like to see it Wiveliscombe that don't currently exist?:**

- Pilates
- More sport and art groups for kids. Baby yoga etc.
- Over 60's keep fit needed. And NOT during the day - over 60's still have to work these days.
- No
- I think Wivey needs a proper grass bowling green. We have the demographic 😊
- Air rifle shooting area or a catapult shooting club
- I GO TO WIVY GYM REGULARLY - WHY IS THE GYM NOT MENTIONED?
- More health
- More Youth groups, more police involvement due to destructive kids with no boundaries and lack of proper parenting!
- Badminton club, amateur dramatics,
- more coherent knowledge/skills education/sharing programme
- Community workshop
- drama group
- mountain bike group, winter running, indoor climbing, mental health groups, proper community kitchen
- Drama group
- no
- Support Group for carers, writers group (jan setting up!), free drama, recorders
- Youth club or similar
- Would like a tool, skills, creative hub to share knowledge and resources and provide workshop/hangout space
- Life Drawing. Long Bow Making
- Open air cinema in rec, car boot sales, concerts,
- As above. Ballroom and Latin dancing. Also I would like to see some form of wildlife education and possibly rescue particularly of hedgehogs and other small mammals. Some form of wildlife/nature reserve, not counting Langley Marsh which is too vulnerable and needs a large cash input.
- Youth group
- U3A Activity in Wivey
- Bored games group. Evening art group
- T'ai Chi
- More Age UK classes - cheap and for the elderly
- Chess Club
- T'ai Chi
- Drama
- Upholstery
- Cycling
- Dance
- not personally
- More open access youth work through increased funding and more interconnected young people focused activities

- **Asked: Are there any classes, groups, and activities that you would like to see in Wiveliscombe that don't currently exist? Cont;**
- Dance
- Pilates, Buddhist centre/mindfulness retreat centre
- Adult Leisure and Learning activities / classes which were once thriving here, Univ of 3rd Age
- There used to be a meeting for elderly/disabled in Community Hall. Does it still exist?
- Fitness for over 50s

### **Additional overall comments made about Community Organisations, Leisure Activities, Services & Support:**

- I would love to help but am currently unable to due to having a newborn. I'd like to get in touch in a few months and see if I can be involved.
- Wivey is a great town with loads of options of things to get involved in
- I would support updating the toilet block via the precept but see no need to fund office space.
- Other points have already been questioned/addressed in the Wiveliscombe redevelopment plan.
- Definite gap in provision for teenagers who don't move into organised sport - need an old fashioned youth club for them!
- All the nice spaces that we have in Wivey where people can hang out are ruined by feral youths either leaving dangerous litter like broken glass and even needles or by the youths themselves intimidating people. Decent young teenagers don't want to hang out in these places. The skate ramp we have in the Rec is a prime example and yet now they're building another skate park which will attract more of these type of youths.
- Wivey is in need of activities for older children, skate park all weather pitches etc.
- Wiveliscombe is a lovely place to live, parking in town is the main complaint
- not enough welcoming spaces for health groups, youngsters etc, the small committees that run eg the silver street centre can be exclusive and unwelcoming. A professional ethos with oversight would prevent e.g. one persons religious views banning yoga from the silver st centre or intolerance closing down young people's hang outs.
- A direct link to wellington to access the sports centre, shops and clubs would be a huge benefit.
- More of anything that brings people together despite barriers such as financial or physical and mental health issues
- Subsidised membership at Wivey Gym and the swimming pool
- I answered no to all ages "Do you think there is adequate leisure activity provision for..." because there's not enough FREE provision
- Would be nice if the rec was used more for fairs and market stalls. Open air cinema adverts. Hire bands for all taste in music, fun sports days eg egg racing for all to enter
- Play areas for older children to stop them taking over the play areas meant for the little ones.
- Recreation group - provides great facilities for a range of activities. Mainly run by volunteers and funded by fundraising and grants
- Music - a range of music activities esp the Town Band and the music groups for all age groups inc Wivelele and various singing groups
- I have found Wivey to be very clique and it seems to be always the same people that go to everything which myself and others find off putting. There are particular people who get involved in running clubs/ the swimming pool and The Rec. This is a difficult subject to discuss but one lady is a bully and very patronising and rude to people. I stopped volunteering at the swimming pool due to her.

### **Additional overall comments made about Community Organisations, Leisure Activities, Services & Support cont:**

- Our teenagers need more, everyone moans about them hanging out causing mischief but they have nothing to do
- Wivey is well provided for with its community organisations. But they shouldn't be taken for granted - they need support (financial, strategic, labour etc) from Councils and individuals
- teens and young adults (U18) need a space that is not for structural activity as they get that in education. They need somewhere they can go without being accused of antisocial behaviour
- Could offer something aimed at 20 - 30 year olds
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- Play equipment for older children and teens - no they will trash it
- Skatepark - very noisy for local residents
- A space for teenagers to hang out - would need to be supervised
- More work experience opportunities for teenagers/young people and learning practical skills such as repairing bikes and caring for others in community. A young peoples community service and skills programme
- Is there still a youth club in Wivey
- More Co-ordination between groups
- There needs to be a coordinated approach between organisations and an equitable approach to bringing organisations together to ensure full participation. Sometimes all that's needed is funding sometimes is what's needed is an independent coordinators/community development worker who will provide links between institutions and organisations to see where partnerships can be created. It's fair to say sometimes old ideas need to change and also where organisations need to be flexible to move forward but it has to be done in an equitable fair way
- I rate Wivey Pool as one of the best pools I have ever swum in. It would be nice to encourage more people to congregate, chat, share food outside on the rec.
- Leave things as they are