



Hadlow Down Community Centre Survey, July 2023

Hadlow Down Community Centre (HDCC) is a not-for-profit organisation created to drive forward the provision of a new Village Hall & Sports Pavilion for the benefit of all the villagers of Hadlow Down. The Committee is comprised of a group of residents who are trustees and volunteers. Our members are Bob Lake (Chair) John Thompson (Treasurer) Janet Tourell (Secretary) Fiona Shafer, Sarah Prall, Mandy Chapman and Rob Prall.

We aim to promote community spirit by involving all residents of the parish, with the intention of meeting the challenges ahead. In addition, we hope to encourage participation of all individuals or groups from within Hadlow Down or, who have links with the community, in the building and use of the new Hall & Pavilion.

The new building will be **located at the Playing Field*, and will include a ***Larger Hall*, Meeting Rooms, Kitchen and Toilets. The Pavilion will include male and female changing facilities, showers, storage, club room and bar. There will be parking for 43 cars, including 5 spaces for disabled users, 10 bicycle parking spaces and 20% of the car parking spaces will be fitted with electric charging points.

** The current Village Hall is located on Hut Lane*

**The current Pavilion is located at the Playing Field, School Lane*

***The new hall area = 180m² the existing hall area = 116m²*

Put simply, we hope the new building will become the beating heart of our community, set in the beautiful surroundings of the Playing Field.

We want to put the needs of our community at the centre of this project and future proof our plans with your input.

Survey Aims

Confirm that our residents still support the building of a new Village Hall on the Playing Field

Identify what facilities would be needed.

Explore which activities people would like to see offered in future at the New Village Hall and Sports Pavilion and measure the level of interest in hiring facilities.

Establish which activities and groups parishioners currently attend outside the parish and the barriers to taking part in these in the parish

Gather information to support our fund raising efforts

Your views are very important to us. Please take a few minutes to complete this questionnaire as, without knowing what you expect from the new building, we cannot provide the right facilities. It would also be exciting to know who would like to be involved with the project as it progresses, and how?

HDCC is a registered charity (Number 1158375)

*** 1. How often do you use the existing Village Hall?**

- Weekly
- Monthly
- Quarterly
- Twice a year
- Once a year
- I never use the Village Hall

2. Hadlow Down needs a new high quality Village Hall and Sports Pavilion for use by the whole community?

Please tick the answer that most represents your views and add your own ideas if you wish in the comments section.

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree

Please add any other comments you have

3. Do you support the proposal to build a New Village Hall and Sports Pavilion at the Playing Field?

- Yes
- No

Please tell us why

4. In the last year, have you been to an event in The Village Hall?

Please tick all that apply

- Exercise Class
- Dance Class
- Private Party
- Dog Training Class
- Coffee Morning
- Fundraising Event
- Seasonal Market
- Annual Show
- Committee Meeting (e.g. AGMs, The Hort.Soc., The Variety and Drama Club etc.)
- Plant and or Cake sale
- Lunch Club
- Other (please specify)

5. How often do you use the Sports Pavilion and or Playing Field?

- Weekly
- Monthly
- Quarterly
- Twice a Year
- Once a Year
- Never

6. In the last year, have you been to an event either in the Pavilion or at the Playing Field?

- Cricket Match
- Football Match/Training
- Volunteers Working Party
- Pop Up Supper
- Committee Meeting
- Sports Coaching
- Outdoor Theatre
- School Sports Event
- Other (please specify)

7. What type of activities would you, or someone in your household, be interested in attending in the New Village Hall and or Sports Pavilion?

Please tick all that apply

- Lunch Club
- Baby/Toddler Activities
- Social Events/Clubs
- Parent/Childminder Support Group
- After School Activities (Primary Age)
- After School Club (11-14's)
- Senior Citizens Club
- Youth Group
- Short Mat Bowling
- Adult Education Classes
- Gardening Club
- Community Cinema
- Table Tennis Club
- Library/Book/Jigsaw swap
- Performing Arts: Music, Drama
- Information Technology
- Health and Well-being
- Sport Coaching Sessions
- Supper Club
- Cricket and or Football matches
- Fitness Classes
- Seasonal Celebrations
- Talks and Lectures
- Art classes and exhibitions
- Dance Classes
- Dog Training/Agility
- Martial Arts
- Sensory Garden
- Stool Ball
- Outdoor Gym
- Birthday Parties
- A quiet area for co-working/ desk space and office facilities

Are there any other activities not listed here, you would like to see?

8. What would make you more likely to attend activities/events in the New Village Hall and Sports Pavilion compared to the existing Hall?

Tick any that apply

- Nothing, I attend plenty
- Activities that interest me (please tell us more)
- Better accoustics
- Better publicity of events
- Wi-Fi
- Improved Heating
- Access and facilities for disabled people
- Excellent kitchen facilities
- Better lighting
- Adequate Parking
- Electric Charging points for vehicles
- Dedicated Bike and Pram parking
- Bar and Club Room
- Improved toilet and changing rooms
- Shower Facilities
- More whole Community Events e.g Village Fayre and Bonfire Celebrations
- Relocation of Children's Play Area away from Road
- Coffee Hub

Other (please specify)

9. Thinking about your answers to questions 7 & 8, if the new building did provide more activities of interest and better facilities, how likely would you be to use it?

- Very likely
- Likely
- Neither likely nor unlikely
- Unlikely
- Very unlikely

10. Thinking about activities in The Village Hall and Sports Pavilion, what days and times suit you best to attend events?

Please tick any that apply

- Weekday Mornings
- Weekday Afternoons
- Weekday Evenings
- Saturday Mornings
- Saturday Afternoons
- Saturday Evenings
- Sunday Mornings
- Sunday Afternoons
- Sunday Evenings

11. What Activities/Groups do you attend outside of the village?

- None
- Other (please specify)

12. If you do attend activities/groups outside of the village what Prevents you from attending this kind of activity in Hadlow Down?

- No activity of this type offered in the village
- Already a member of a group outside of the Village
- Venue is not suitable
- Facilities are better elsewhere
- Too expensive
- Prefer to attend activities outside the village
- Poor facilities for people with disabilities eg: Hearing Loop, Braille signage
- Not enough parking
- No disabled parking
- None of the above

Please add any comments you have here

13. If you run a local business or work for an organisation or charity, would you be interested in hiring the New Village Hall for any of the following?

The New Hall will provide wifi, hearing loop, disabled access and dedicated disabled parking facilities.

Please tick all that apply

- NA
- Meetings
- Workshops/Training Events
- Sport Event
- Conference
- Office Party
- Office facilities/ Hot Desking
- Venue for fundraising events
- Other (please specify)

14. What help, if any, might you be able to offer as we progress with the project?

Please tick any that apply,

Please give us your details in Q.21 if you would like to help

- Project Management
- Join the Committee and attend meetings
- Help with Fundraising
- Word of mouth support
- Organising community events
- Publicity
- Marketing
- Maintain Website/Facebook/Twitter
- Door to door distribution of materials
- Ideas to help the project
- Building/ Construction expertise
- Help during practical phase e.g. building works, ground works, drainage etc.
- I am unable to help

Other (please specify)

15. We have a considerable task ahead of us to raise funds, what help, if any, can you offer? Please tick any that apply

- Bid writing
- Help with grant funding applications
- Sponsor some of the building works
- Become a major donor
- Offer building or business advice
- Join a community crowd funding initiative
- Make a one off donation
- Make a regular donation
- None of the above

Please tell us a little more about how you would like to help. It would be helpful if you could include any details of your skills and relevant experience.

Do you have any other comments or suggestions?

16. **Do you live in Hadlow Down?**

- Yes
- No

17. If you live outside of the village would you be prepared to travel to this location?

- Yes
- No

NA

18. **Do you or your organisation currently hire the Village Hall and or Sports Pavilion?**

- Yes
- No

19. How old are you?

- Under 18
- 18-24
- 25-34
- 35-44
- 45-54
- 55-64
- 65-74
- 75-84
- 85+

20. Are you?

- Male
- Female
- Non Binary
- Transgender
- Prefer not to say

21. If you would like to help in the future and or would like HDCC to keep in touch please enter your contact details.

Your details will be stored in accordance with GDPR guidelines. For more details of our Privacy Policy please see our website. www.newvillagehall.co.uk

Name	<input type="text"/>
Organisation	<input type="text"/>
Address	<input type="text"/>
Address 2	<input type="text"/>
Town	<input type="text"/>
Postal Code	<input type="text"/>
Email Address	<input type="text"/>
Phone Number	<input type="text"/>

*** 22. Please confirm you consent to HDCC using the data you have provided to generate reports that will be published and to provide evidence for future project funding bids.**

If you have indicated you would like to be kept informed, the information that we collect and store relating to you will be used to enable us to provide you with updates on our project. If you have offered to help us we will use your data to contact you.

I consent

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. We truly value the information you have provided. Your responses will contribute to our ongoing decisions, fund raising efforts and the future of our project.

You can find the latest updates on our project on our [website www.newvillagehall.co.uk](http://www.newvillagehall.co.uk)
You can follow us on **FB** www.facebook.com/HadlowDownCommunityCentre

During the consultation period we will be holding a QUESTION & ANSWER session at the Village Hall. If you have any questions or would like to know more details about our project please come along to The Village Hall, 7.30pm Thursday July 20th. For more details please visit our website.

If you have any other comments on the survey or the project, please email **Bob Lake** bob.lake@live.co.uk

If you would like give feedback or to speak someone anonymously you can contact Geoff Gregory.

geoff.gregory@outlook.com 07936 678891

Geoff has agreed to be an “honest broker” He is sufficiently removed from the project to listen to and accurately record your views. Geoff is the Chair of Five Ashes Village Hall Committee. He is an experienced fund raiser, having successfully raised the funding for the new hall in Five Ashes.

This project is about the heart of our community. By sharing your views we can ensure we meet your needs and shape the future of our wonderful Village. Your participation and support means a lot to us!

The Consultation period runs from 3rd July and closes on 24th July 2023

Results will be published in the Village Magazine and on our website at the end of August