

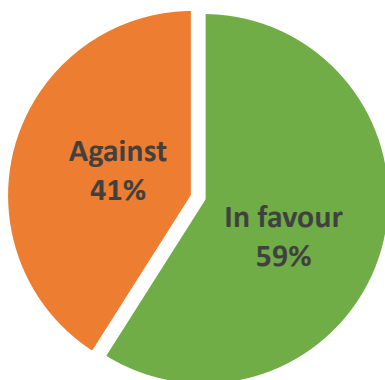
CUXTON PAVILION RE-DEVELOPMENT SURVEY RESULTS AND UPDATE

Many thanks to all the residents who took the time to complete the recent survey and share your views on the proposed pavilion redevelopment. We can confirm 217 responses were received in total out of 1120 surveys posted to residents.

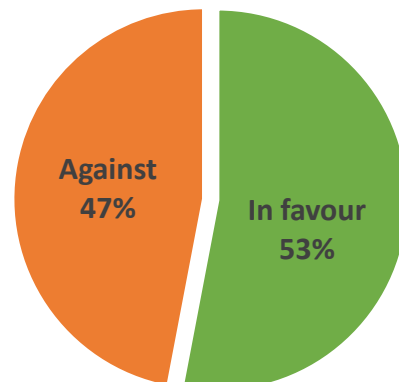
However, following the discounting duplicated responses, those with no name and address details provided and the process of random sampling, there were 187 valid surveys of which 59% were in favour of the redevelopment and 41% were against.

53% were in favour of funding the costs through the precept and 47% were against.

Response to Pavilion Redevelopment



Funding via precept increase



The Parish Council read the full, anonymised comments shared by all respondents which included some thoughtful feedback and interesting suggestions. Thank you to all those who responded with feedback.

The Parish Council has considered all the responses and comments and have decided to defer the project at this time. We will continue to explore alternative funding options to cover more of the proposed costs and we may revisit this project in future when more funding opportunities become available.

The survey has informed the Parish Council of a number of possible ideas which we will be exploring further over the coming year. We will consider the costs of offering a refreshment kiosk and covered seating in the Recreation Ground, and new opportunities for local residents to meet to reduce loneliness and promote community cohesion. We will be talking to potential partners in the village to explore options for this.

Continued over

In response to some of the survey comments, the Parish Council wants to clarify our remit and reach:

- The Parish Council is responsible for: the upkeep and use of the Recreation Ground; some woodland space (6 Acre Wood behind Woodhurst Close) and keeping streets clean in the village. We make decisions that affect the village, including how the village precept money will be spent. All Parish Councillors are volunteers.
- The Parish Council works with voluntary groups including: Cuxton Countryside Group; Cuxton 91 FC; the Wheel of Cuxton; Friends of Cuxton Library Gardens; Cuxton Open Gardens; Cuxton Allotment Association and the Scouts. We work alongside these organisations to help make the village a better place for everyone to live.
- The Parish Council own the Recreation ground but the Scout Hall, Church Hall and Social Club are all on private land and owned or run by voluntary organisations and therefore do not fall under the Parish Council's remit. The Parish Council work in collaboration with these organisations, for example the recent defibrillator familiarisation session, which was hosted at the Social Club.
- Highways are Medway Council's responsibility; however, we highlight concerns about the A228 and speed issues in Cuxton. We signpost to Medway Council any issues such as potholes in the village but the Parish Council are not responsible for fixing them.

Cuxton Parish Council is always keen to hear any ideas to improve the lives of Cuxton residents, so please let us know if you have any future projects for us to consider. You can do this by contacting Parish Councillors using the details on the back of the Noticeboard or attending a Council meeting. If you would like to volunteer to help the Parish Council with any future projects then please contact the clerk clerk@cuxtonpc.org.uk

We will also be sure to keep residents informed of the progress we are making with any new initiatives.

Cuxton Parish Council

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Don't forget the 'Big Lunch' will be held on Sunday 18th June, weather permitting.

The event takes a lot of setting up, so if you are able to lend us a hand on the day between 8am and 10 am to put up the gazebos that would be really helpful. Ideally we need 6 people to put up each gazebo.

We have lots of live music organised and there will many stalls as well as a Zumba demonstration.

We hope to see you on the 18th June.



Peninsula Big Band

An evening of music from the 30's to the 90's

Saturday, 13th May 2023 at 7.00pm

St Michael's & All Angels Church, Cuxton

Light refreshments available

Donations in aid of church funds

IDENTIFICATION NEEDED to Vote on May 4th

Changes in the law require all voters to provide photo identification in all government elections. This can be a passport or photo ID driving licence and some but photo bus passes.

NO IDENTIFICATION NO VOTE

For more information please access the following link:

<https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/voter/voter-id/accepted-forms-photo-id>

Are you or is someone you care for affected by Dementia?



Does your work involve caring for or spending time with someone who has dementia?

KENT DEMENTIA SHOWCASE 19TH MAY 2023

Meet local professionals, connect with dementia support services, learn about cutting-edge research, try different activities and attend the Dementia Friendly Kent Awards 2023 at 2pm

Free Entry - 10am - 3.30pm



Kent Event Centre,
Kent Showground, Detling



Doors open at 9.30am for professionals to network

www.kentdaa.org

07846 238 925

CUXTON ALLOTMENTS

Following its' recent advertisement, Cuxton Allotment Association has had a large response from residents wanting to take on the gardening challenge. Thank you for your interest.

Several new plot holders have now taken over plots and are looking forward to starting work on them.

There is currently a short waiting list so if you are interested in renting an allotment plot, please contact the clerk

clerk@cuxtonpc.org.uk

for more details.

Happy growing.

Cuxton Allotment Association

Cuxton Social Club invite you to a

CORONATION PICNIC



DRINKS OFFER
JUG OF PIMMS £7.50

Join us to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III
Saturday 6th May



Set up from 10.45am in the events hall.
Bring your own picnic - please no drinks.
Tables available first come first served.

www.cuxtonsocialclub.co.uk



BOOTCAMP

MONDAYS | 19:00 - 20:00

BUSH ROAD, CUXTON RECREATION GROUND

£6 NO BOOKING REQUIRED, JUST TURN UP
CONTACT NICOLA 07851714611

Improvement by Movement

WHAT'S ON IN CUXTON

Cuxton Social Club

Saturday 6th May. **Coronation picnic.** Bring your own picnic but no drinks please. Tables available on first come first served basis. (See advert).

Friday 26th May – **Bourne and Bred.** Live in the events Hall, from 7.30pm.

White Hart

Friday 19th May - **Shameful Behaviour.** Classic rock covers from Gary Moore, Thin Lizzy, Rory Gallagher etc, from 8:30 pm.

Cuxton Library

Open Tuesday 9am to 1pm, Thursday & Friday 2pm to 6pm, Saturday 10am to 4pm (no lunch closure).

Public computers are available for one hour sessions for library members. There is a charge of £3 per half hour for guest sessions.

White and blue recycling bags are available for collection during opening hours.

Email: cuxton.library@medway.gov.uk

Tel: 01634 337799

White Hart www.whitehartcuxton.co.uk Tel: 01634 789969

Golden River Chinese Tel: 01634 296888 (Collection service only)

Cuxton Social Club Tel: 01634 71808

To advertise an event or group on the Cuxton Parish Facebook, Twitter or Instagram page please contact the Clerk by emailing: clerk@cuxtonpc.org.uk

Useful Contacts

Medway Council has a website that deals with a variety of problems including; dogs, fly-tipping, roads, street lighting and a range of other issues.

https://www.medway.gov.uk/info/200176/report_a_problem

Cuxton Recycling Centre: To book a slot go onto the Medway Council site and select a date and time. **NO booking, NO entry.**

<https://www.medway.gov.uk/tipbooking>

Doctor out of hours: 111

Police: 101 for non urgent matters

Public defibrillators: Located at Cuxton Social Club, Church Hall, Cuxton Railway Station, Cuxton Marina, and the Academy of Cuxton Schools.

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Website: www.cuxtonpc.org.uk

Facebook: www.facebook.com/CuxtonParishCouncil

Academy of Cuxton Schools

Summer Term 2023

Monday 17th April to Friday 26th May

May Day Holidays

Monday 1st May, Monday 8th May

Half-Term Holiday

Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June



Cuxton Parish Council
Serving our community

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