

Hooper's Field

Q1. How do you feel the Parish Council can improve the promotion of the facility to residents – current details of the facilities are on the Parish website www.wanborough.info

- Provide clear facilities in the local doctors surgery and perhaps use local radio from time to time
- Put more information in the Lyden Magazine
- I don't
- Signs around Wanborough - Like the farmers market - advertising what is going on
- Activities with contacts are shown in the Lyden Magazine. Anyone with any nous at all should be able to find out from there or from asking around
- They could be advertised through the Lyden magazine, school, playgroup and online. I would have thought most local residents interested in the community would know what facilities are there!
- I'm very happy with the current facilities. They seem perfect for a village of our size.
- Regular brief update in Lyden Magazine which reaches c. 500 Wanborough parishioners,
- The Parish Council already does a good job promoting and maintaining the facilities.
- Larger hall to allow for more than one club to meet. I would like to play badminton there.
- Make it more friendly
- nothing required
- Making sure there is promotion of the Hoopers field site within the Lyden newsletter, there are possible other facilities which make sure site more appealing and used more regularly and posters or banners around the village as a reminder that the facilities are there.
- Lyden, In Village Shop, Noticeboards in Pubs
- Posters in bus shelters, Posters in shop window, info on village hall noticeboard, leaflet to residents home
- Newsletter via school to parents, more info on PO noticeboard & Lyden magazine
- Good as it is
- Regular reminders in the Parish magazine, through the school, in the WPC newsletters
- promote the Lyden as a hard copy version of events
- A 3G football pitch to allow football games to be played instead of being cancelled due to grass pitch condition as a result of the winter weather. The games the Wanborough Wasps play brings the community and family together.
- Facebook posts and posters/updates in village amenities such as village hall and pubs.
- Newsletters, Open Days
- More promotional material at Hoopers itself or the Village Hall
- Advertisements in the Lyden
- By making the facility multiuser at the same time
- Flyer, Lyden, more events
- newsletter
- Ability to book online perhaps?
- Maybe more free "taster" sessions for the different sports. I know there is the big open day in the spring/summer which is always a great way to highlight what's on offer.
- Notices at the Village Hall and in Bus shelters
- Include in The Lyden for those that subscribe. Include in the Parish newsletter so those who do not use the internet are aware.
- I think there are adequate facilities available, and should be maintained to a high standard. The driveway gate is in need of attention, so it can be opened and shut at night to stop joy riders using it
- Have information about all sports facilities and clubs in one easily visible place. Move the village shop here. Make the hall bigger and rent it for events.
- I believe I am aware of what is going on through the parish magazine and website.
- No improvement necessary - website sufficient

- Maybe for the youngsters promote more through school and have a booking app with alerts ? For the less technology familiar - mail drops (including something in the pubs and village hall displayed) and a stand at the farmer market when it's on ?
- quarterly newsletter
- More Free taster sessions for clubs
- Letters at primary school or maybe we could have a local newsletter that everyone receives detailing events during the year
- More details perhaps on the Lyden monthly magazine
- Lyden magazine
- List in the lyden magazine
- Make Hoopers field more visible
- Notice boards with details of clubs and facilities for residents .
- I think the open day is a good idea. May be twice per year. Summer sports vs Winter sports
- Allow sports clubs to promote on Wanborough.info and in newsletters
- Facebook, bus shelters, Parish Magazine
- Advertise clubs/events on Wanborough Facebook page
- Make turn up and play slots available. Sense that cricket and tennis clubs are for members only
- Using the Facebook groups
- Posters, flyers
- Each club to have an up to date website as well
- The tennis club is good but the facilities for changing rooms and the cricket club are quite poor. I only just found out that the bowls club have a bar but the cricket club do not. Very strange as a bar is crucial to any cricket club to attract players and additional revenues.
- Posters around the village. Include information as adverts in the liden magazine.
- Respect and support the Sports clubs that provide the existing sporting facilities and operate them first of all. Ask the clubs to be integrated with any plans Be transparent about funding and costs Improve the communication to the village and use the skills available within the clubs Make the whole of the resources at hoopers available to all the clubs The members of the Parish council on the Hoopers sub committee need to be competent in understanding sport - be inclusive and not out of touch
- Discount for students
- Use Lyden mag more Noticeboard Facebook
- Parish Magazine updates.
- Monthly membership, the tennis club expects you to pay yearly in a one off payment. So instead i use the courts at David Lloyd purely because of this, The clubhouse is always shut so not inviting and maybe this could be looked at to encourage people to see the facility as having more use to them.
- Website and visting Hopper's is sufficient for village users
- Greater use of social media to draw attention to what's on offer.
- News letter, adverts in pubs/shop/village hall

Q3. If you think any of the facilities are "Poor" or "Very Poor" please state way

- It would be nice if the main hall could be extended so more space for keep fit, pilates, dancing classes also possibly badminton
- Use weekly in the summer
- Everything is good, so no need to change
- I think the facility is very good as it is
- The car park is only usable for a short period of time as gets very wet and not easy to use with children
- Kitchen very poor
- The green is maintained well the clubhouse lack a decent kitchen, heating and the toilet facilities provided at Hooper's Field are inadequate
- Have only used the field for walking on and I know it gets very boggy in the winter. Have used the tennis courts & hall
- Minimal facilities (kitchen); lack of indoor facilities for (e.g.) badminton, volleyball and/or basketball/netball Cricket nets- Don't look well kept, hard to use as net does not cover the entirety of the strip Football pitches - No nets in goal, could do with a mini stand for Wanborough games
- The main hall is very small and could do with being enlarged to make it far more useable.
- Drainage is an issue with matches sometimes having to be postponed due to waterlogged pitches. The pitches are always cut and marked well. It would be nice to offer tea/coffee facilities on match days - this could raise some funds for the teams. Car park is a good size but again there is an issue with drainage and cars getting stuck in the past.
- The hall size is too small to use as a sports hall facility
- Car Park poor when it rains and gets muddy
- Facilities are excellent for village use
- Car park poor when wet
- Car parking - road into Hooper's Field is uneven & poor condition. Better hardstanding needed for parking cars
- Kitchen very small and inadequate, main hall basic dingy, toilets inadequate
- Leave it alone, all is good as it is, do not want it commercial
- All very good, we are lucky to have a facility in the village
- Football pitches can be poor in winter due to poor drainage
- It is too small to be functional for social facilities
- The cricket nets are in quite poor condition. The main hall is a little small for events / difficult to hire out
- My partne and kids use it
- Pitches frequently waterlogged. Main Hall small and dark
- Main hall is a bit small and needs some TLC
- The football pitches get very wet in the winter and unplayable. The club house has limited facilities for winter tournaments with no bar or space for football teams
- Main hall is very plain, rather small or any activity and the balcony has been blocked
- All very good
- Driveway is very bumpy, in the winter car park gets muddy and by the tennis courts cars get stuck
- There needs to be an area of hard surface parking - when wet and muddy cars always get stuck Hall is far to small and so is the kitchen, kitchen needs to be updated
- Car park - big pot holes and lots of mud & water
- Car parking can get a bit muddy in the winter
- Car park could do with improvement but as I live in the village I always try and walk there so it's not so much of a problem for me
- not used enough for football. some floodlights and a 3G pitch would encourage more football for the kids and enable football training during winter evenings in the village which is not possible today. Multiple junior football pitches lined out would give the football club more identify instead of using multiple locations.

- The main hall is very small and therefore limited in its useage. It also seems quite dark and doesn't have a lot of natural light.
- The car park is muddy
- I am local so walk to use this Facility. This is a community facility, supported by the Parish therefore should be predominantly used for local people who in the main could walk.
- Wiltshire
- Main Hall - Too Small
- Nets are in a bad state of repair
- Hall facilities not large enough for all when two or more clash
- Little room to manauver, kitchen totally inadequate. Toilets not looked after leaving them somewhat unhygenic, whole pavilion needs attention.
- Car park and drive have become worse in the last years. The hall is very small - not sure you can call this a hall.
- Car parking muddy in winter' hall is cold and a bit grubby
- Wiltshire
- Some need updating and the hall needs to have a purpose rather than just being occasionally used for events
- Hall itself is adequate but toilet facilities, particularly for ladies, are awful -Bowls often have 30 - 40 ladies trying to use one ladies and one disabled toilet. The kitchen is unfit for catering purposes
- The cricket nets are rather uneven and the ball goes through the netting frequently to add storage thus blocking the window in the hall and making it so dark. also bowls club walked into the hall when I had booked it demanding to us the kitchen so haven't hired it since
- Limited facilities
- No lighting plus is often full when there is an event on.
- Football pitch needs better drainage Not enough dressing rooms for the clubs using them . The whole facilities needs updating as its too small for perpose !
- The football and cricket field has not had the investment that tennis club has benefited from.
- Drainage of the football pitch is poor in winter. Hall is small and dark
- The cricket outfield is uneven. The crickets nets are dreadful and unsafe to play in. The cricket square has poor drainage and not supported. The outfield never gets cut. The changing rooms are disgusting and the main hall is very tired. The cricket club would attract a lot more players with a bar and proper club house to make it family friendly and a destination for members rather than having to use the local pubs
- The field is poorly drained with the drainage itself inadequate - yet we are conducting a survey about further expensive ideas and plans without enough resources or honesty to deal with matters here and now. They are swept aside and ignored yet well known and have been for years
- Could do with being larger
- Tennis courts should have a day a week and evening for free access to all residents. I have seen this in other parishes.
- Football pitch was poorly drained.

Q5. Are you a member of any sports clubs or facilities outside the Parish?

- Nuffield Gym - fitness facilities
- The sports clubs I like aren't available at Hooper's Field, I do dance classes outside the parish
- Nuffield Health Gym
- Basset down Golf Club
- Ridgeway School for swimming
- Gym club, football club, triathlon club, swimming club
- I attend dance classes outside of the Parish as they are accessible, social and of a high standard.
- Nutfield gym greenbridge
- Merriott Leisure club - I enjoy the wet side facilities the lounge bar for lite bite and coffee
- West Berkshire Golf Club
- Yoga & Swimming
- Wanborough Wasps U9's football team
- We use local facilities for badminton and swimming
- Gym
- Slinn Allstars Running Club
- Badminton - no badminton clubs in wanborough
- David Lloyd
- Son plays for wroughton football team
- Link Centre, Highworth REC
- Nuffield Gym
- U3A in Kennet - they are the only group who have a cycling club
- Nuffield Club - Swimming & Excercises
- Leisure centre outside of parish - for gym & swimming pool
- David Lloyd
- member of gyms, & play adult 3G football to keep fit with friends from the village.
- David Lloyd - gym and swimming
- I use a gym in Swindon
- Running Club Old Town. Not one in the village, however this is something I would support.
- Highworth Swimming Pool
- Indoor bowls swindon manor indoor bowls club
- Health club for swimming and gym.
- Climbing and triathlon clubs
- Golf Club
- Nuffield Gym
- Nuffield health
- British military fitness bootcamp and shin splints running club
- cricket and football for historical reasons
- Swimming at Better Gym
- Nuffield gym - might be nice to have a gym in wanborough ?
- Westlecot Indoor Bowls Club- no facilities at Wanborough
- Swindon Smash badminton club based at New College
- not me but my children are members of cricket and football clubs outside the village
- Nuffield gym for te pool, classes and gym
- Alexander Park - swimming activities
- David Lloyd leisure
- Cycling Club
- Nuffield for swimming and gym
- Martial arts school Nuffield
- David Lloyd swimming pool and gym

- Weights and boxing. Weight loss classes
- I play tennis in Cirencester as it's cheaper than the Wanborough club
- David Lloyd - it has indoor facilities
- Nuffield Gym
- David Lloyd
- Cricklade/Bath Petanque(French Boules) Clubs .. can only practice at Hoopers when car parking empty..
Plough Pub has a basic facility too
- David Lloyd Leisure Wanborough Swim School

7. Would you support Parish Council using some of their current capital reserves to pay for a consultant to carry out a feasibility study and produce plans for the possible expansion and improvement of Hooper's Field Sports facility?

- Possibly agree as long as consultant not too expensive
- Consultants cost too much
- No!
- There are more important things in the village that need money spent on, road safety, speeding traffic, footpaths, Hooper's Field already has a lot of money spent on it!!!
- I would like to see S106 money spent on something everyone would benefit from in the village not just the minority. I do regularly walk around the field
- I strongly disagree with any use of S106 money to expand Hooper's Field facilities & equally strongly disagree with the use of reserves for that purpose
- The sooner the better
- Depends how much this would cost and if the results are acted upon. Also the council must have an idea already if the villagers will actually use it. We already have a good village hall
- I don't park at Hooper's Field but I do walk our dog around Warneage wood
- Any proposals for expansion and improvement should reflect the stated aspirations of local residents and users (individuals and clubs). If, and only if, a consensus emerges, should the possibility of contracting a consultant to conduct a feasibility study, with a clearly defined remit/terms of reference, be considered.
- No need for drastic change
- It would be good to see what can and can't be done, if the facilities expand I'd be sure to use them
- I feel the facilities are currently adequate for our village
- Need to establish whether a consultant is necessary, and at what cost, or whether local advice / skills could be sought.
- An independent view would be helpful to determine the direction of improvements and future development.
- Why waste money on a consultant? It's one of the best facilities in the area, leave it as it is....
If managed well
- I think some upgrades and new facilities would make more people come to Hooper's Field and give the community a more social and useable area.
- . Someone with proven track record in similar consultancy
- agree for improving pavilion, no need for extra facilities on field
- I think the current facilities are more than adequate for a small village. Any expansion would be to get outside people in and using the facility to make more money. I would be strongly against this
- Yes but please ask residents what they would like to see as part of the feasibility work
- In principle although without more detail it is difficult to know for sure.
- Rather more money is spent on facilities, but agree an "expert" is needed to advise
- There is potential for introducing more facilities for teens/younger people including outdoor exercise area/gym equipment, off-road bike trail (including Warneage Wood), skate park etc. Lots of possibilities. We already spend a lot of money on Hooper's Field, no need to spend more, please spend on other areas around the village, footpaths, road safety
- Not enough people use it at the moment why do you need to increase
- Such a study would need to identify funding options e.g. grants that other places e.g. Wootton Bassett seem to have received to develop facilities
- It's important for the village to have a sustainable, on-going facility. A consultant should help you achieve this.
- The facility at present is perfectly satisfactory for a small rural village. There are a myriad of sports facilities locally and I see no reason why Hooper's Field needs to be further developed. Moreover, the money could be better spent improving the quality of some footpaths and such like within the village.

- Yes because at present everything is what the tennis club and bowls club want! Need independent person to sort and bring in more sport - flood lit astro turf pitches bring in money and can be used all year round
- I'd love to know what possibilities there are to expand the Hoopers Field facility
- Whilst a good idea, firm decisions on requirements should be established before the employment of any consultant.
- Surely professional advice is needed if any improvements are to be made.
Depends on cost
- The sports facilities are good as they stand money from housing developments would best be spent promoting the wilts & berks canal planned to pass near Wanborough
Hooper's field only benefits a small proportion of the parish i.e those who participate in sporting activities that are available on that site
- Consultants fees can be excessive
- Consultants cost considerable amount of money, make sure there is a good plan in place before money is spent on consultants
- I'm not really fussed
- What sort of expansion / improvement? The consultant would need (if ever used) a specific guide as to the kind of expansion / improvement requested, otherwise it would be a colossal waste of money
- However we would like to see any capital reserves used for traffic calming on the High Street first given the speed cars travel
- I would prefer the money to be spent on improving other areas in the village, such as footpaths, open spaces, things that all residents enjoy
- for better football facilities
- It sounds wonderful but I don't know what else the capital reserve could be used for. It may be helpful to have a list of priorities to see where this would fit in. Also, without an idea of the costs involved (which I'm guessing wouldn't be insignificant) it's hard to give full support.
- Consideration should be given to the improvement of the facility in terms of perhaps introducing a fitness trail around the existing land. The facilities should be (where possible) accessed on foot rather than by car. Given the concern in relation to the traffic implications of the Eastern Development, particularly the lack of support for the ban on NO LEFT TURN from the developments proposed along the Wanborough Road, any improvement which would attract more cars should be should be proceeded with, with caution. The Eastern Development, will cause light pollution. I do not support any improvement which would introduce floodlights.
- I think they are fantastic facilities that need developing and promoting further-
- What are these housing developments?
- Make it more of a community facility not exclusively for club members.
- Depends how much and what the intended outcomes are meant to be.
- Dependent upon the aims of the FS, and subject to reasonableness of fees.
- May Improve Participation
- How about a gym
- Whilst I personally don't use the club much (hand eye continuation rubbish!) there are lots of local children (and adults) that would benefit from both sports and also a place to socialise (e.g. Youth club or something)
- the existing facilities are very good and the money should be spent on more important issues for example road safety in the village
- As long as there is no proposal to encroach on the cricket pitch
- too much money is being spent on Hoopers field as it is - more funds are needed for projects around the village
- If it leads to an improvement in the facilities at Hoopers field
- Please don't waste money on expensive consultants fees, best to do as much research and analysis yourselves and only use consultants when necessary
- Why. Pay for a consultant when a questionair posted round the village would be viable for people's views .

- If you look at the total number of people using the facilities, how many are from Wanborough. Judging by the car park and traffic it is a high percentage. Why should the Parish pay for non parish members to use facilities?
- As long as it is affordable - and you can't improve football facilities without changing field drainage. Cricket dominates use of the field.
- Would depend on the cost of the survey.
- More awareness and engagement to get kids and parents involved together!
- Especially if it could be used for a weights gym etc
- As long as it's not wasted and beneficial improvements are made from ideas each club and users provide This would help all of the clubs thrive and allow a brilliant community social destination for all club members and families. The bar, complete with events will generate revenue and attract more members as well as being the heart of the community. The improved playing facilities will bring youth members and allow the standard to be improved. It seems like the bowls and tennis clubs are fairly well looked after but the cricket club has been neglected.
- I don't think a consultant is necessary
- First of all there needs to be agreement and a Public meeting about what the clubs and the village wish to see and pay for before spending £25000 on a study
- It would depend how much is proposed to be spent
- This presumes the facilities need to be improved. I would like to see statistics on the use by parishioners. E.g. Tennis club 100 members, 60 from the parish. This with info on the population could inform the percentage use by residents.
- It's common sense
- Expertise already available within village/community .. initially seek volunteer to carry out study/info gathering
- I would not want to see Hoopers Field promoted to users outside the community & nor would I wish to see greater use of flood lighting.
- Are there not the skills in the village residents firstly?
- Consultants fees can sometimes be saved by carrying out some initial work yourselves, make sure you know exactly what you want before paying for a consultant

8. Would you support expanding and improving the current facilities at Hooper's Field?

- yes, but it all depends on cost
- Until the facility pays for itself and doesn't need support then so further spend
- It's all good, residents and clubs who use it should be grateful and need to stop complaining about the facilities, or maybe they should pay more themselves
- From what I have seen it is perfectly good as it is, why spend so much money on it.
- Toilet facilities also need to be improved, A larger & better kitchen is essential
- Larger kitchen / Hall if people are going to use it. Better changing facilities if not adequate now. Car park does need tidying up. Also the parking can be used for other village events
- Any decisions based on parking must be evidence based and contingent on a carefully designed and implemented survey having been conducted. This should recognise that the facilities were always intended to serve the needs primarily of Wanborough residents, many of whom live within reasonable walking distance and, disabilities aside, should be actively discouraged from driving to Hooper's Field. In the case of visiting teams, the policy should be to encourage multiple occupancy, thereby reducing the pressure on parking spaces.
- From my experience the current facilities are adequate. There is no need for enlarging these facilities unless Wanborough is going to grow into some mini-town.
- Neither Agree nor Disagree indicated where there is insufficient knowledge of the site or rooms
- I feel the car park is sufficient. Local residents should be able to walk.
- If any of these improvements were deemed to be cost effective and for the benefit of the village community
- think a garden of sorts would be a very nice communal area which would attract a lot of people, such as myself.
- Tennis Club is well used, flood lights on courts 3 & 4 would enable more usage in winter months
- I'm unsure of need for kitchen, changing facilities , drainage. A Larger hall could encourage more hire options.
- Not required, so not want commercial type sports areas
- HF is a very important village asset which we should develop and sustain especially in light of likely further village expansion. In my opinion the hall was too small from the outset. With a little more imagination we could have a hall capable of some indoor sports and potential for a post office given the church decision not to allow the village hall to become a community owned asset.
- Any expansion should be viewed in conjunction with what is available at the Village Hall to avoid duplication.
- From the point of view of a bowler a larger kitchen is urgently needed, the present room is no where near big enough
- We haven't use the facilities inside the hall so cannot comment. It would be great to have an alternative venue to rent in the village apart from the village hall, which is very popular and sometimes oversubscribed.
- They are all very good no need to spend more money on them
- More people from the village need to use it first before you start to expand
- A large hall that could be subdivided for many different indoor sporting or community activities. Having a quality facility will enhance village and community life.
- Perhaps a 3G pitch for football practise/matches
- Hooper's Field is a pleasant village sports facility as is. Expansion would invite more traffic into the village, more noise from private functions and more light pollution.
- I'm quite new to the village so haven't used it yet other than to walk via
- The car parking space is excellent but some lighting is required
- All facilities are very good
- Would support improvements that offer a reasonable alternative to the village hall
- Sports field looks very good, hall very small with no windows
- Facilities are generally good, just the car park
- Most of these I won't be using
- I only use the tennis club regularly and we have no need of any extra facility except more floodlights
- I feel the facilities are very good, keep maintaining them the way you are
- There isn't a need to spend so much money on making the facility bigger, just maintain what we have got

- Consideration should be given to the improvement of the facility in terms of perhaps introducing a fitness trail around the existing land. The facilities should be (where possible) accessed on foot rather than by car. Given the concern in relation to the traffic implications of the Eastern Development, particularly the lack of support for the ban on NO LEFT TURN from the developments proposed along the Wanborough Road, any improvement which would attract more cars should be should be proceeded with, with caution. The Eastern Development, will cause light pollution. I do not support any improvement which would introduce floodlights.
- The toilet facilities are very poor
- If you are a sports enthusiast I can see why you would wish to support these facilities, however I am not a sport enthusiast and Hooper's Field offers nothing for me.
- It's a sports facility - improve the sports on offer.
- Extend use so it's more a social hub that encourages sports ?
- Maybe improved use of the field possibilities of a field running track or something that could maybe be used by an athletics club?
- I assume changing facilities also include toilet facilities
- The cricket pitch becomes frequently unplayable in the summer sometimes even after a small shower, so I am all in favour of better drainage.
- should concentrate on improving village hall. Hoopers is already too expensive to hire for the facilities available
- All of the above needs help .
- if people from the village are using the facilities why is a larger car park required? It reinforces to me the facilities are predominantly used by non residents.
- The Parish Council has neglected annual mainatenance of the field and grounds which would not have left us in the position of expensive reinstatement
- The bar to be opened on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings and or after practice, training and games as well as private functions
- Publish what plans you have already
- Does the village need another hall? Before I would support funding ecosndion I would like to understand the use by residents. I.e. How many use at the moment?
- The facility is very hidden from the road and opening this up would help people see the facility is there

9. As part of the possible Hooper's Field improvements do you think Parish Council should consider looking into adding further new facilities to help increase the usage of Hooper's Field, in addition to improving and expanding on the current facilities?

- Yes as long as the existing sports clubs can stay
- maybe expanding the hall
- No more facilities until the clubs can afford to maintain what they already have
- Very strongly disagree
- Further new facilities? However further improvements of current facilities i.e toilets being regularly maintained would be appreciated
- Will people in the village use it or outsiders. Only if requested or required
- In should like to see more resources (fiscal and human) devoted to improving the range of facilities provided at Hooper's Field.
- It depends what is found to be feasible, but yes, new facilities would be a good consideration
- Like it or not some of the clubs using Hooper's Field are only viable because of outside membership. Until the current facilities no longer meet the needs of villagers the status quo should prevail.
- Establishing level of interest in particular "new facilities" will aid in decision making, and identify priority list. Preference should be given to sustainable (ie not requiring Parish Council subsidy)
- If there is demand from Wanborough residents.
- Consider badminton, indoor bowls, martial arts clubs
- A garden of sorts with an assortment of trees, plants and flowers as well as sitting areas and maybe a fountain. This would be a popular area which people would like the visit a lot.
- The Council need to be aware that more facilities will draw in outsiders and need for extra parking, lighting etc
- It does not need anything else
- As above in Q7, look into ideas which would be inclusive for younger villagers
- Its all very good just maintain and keep what we have, clubs should help pay if they want anything else
- Don't need to expand, not enough people from the village use it at the moment
- There are no community facilities for the retired elderly of the village to meet and socialise. I'm sure a number of clubs could be established for music groups, cards, keep-fit, table tennis etc.
- Hooper's Field is a pleasant village sports facility as is. Expansion would invite more traffic into the village, more noise from private functions and more light pollution.
- Limited at present
- A cafe would be good, we don't have anything like that in the village. Golf practice nets would be good.
- It should be possible to have more than one event / club meeting at a time in the hall
- All weather pitches for hockey or football
- Also develop the main hall so more than one activity can take place at a time
- Facilities are very good
- It's fine as it is
- Hooper's Field is sufficient for the size of the village
- As already stated the facility is big enough for our village needs, we don't need to make it any bigger
- 3G pitch and floodlights for the kids to train on and adults to play football on
- Possibly, the one thing I thought of is an all-weather running track around the outside of the field. The primary school are keen to partake in the "mile-a-day" scheme and locating a track within the village for everyone to access would bring more benefit to the whole village rather than just the school children. However, adding new facilities to the site could mean a potential increase in cars needing to park there, so the boggy car park issue would need addressing.
- See comments regarding traffic and light pollution. I think data should be provided from all of the clubs that currently use the facility in relation to membership within the Parish to establish who is actually using it.

- Play area for kids whilst parents at activities
- If done properly eg Bowls or general sports shop a cafe facility for example for making money help cover some of the cost of upgrading pavilion
- Village shop and post office.
- This question is vague. What new facilities? Expansion of sporting facilities should be the priority and focus.
- Gym
- Important to have lots of things going on in the village, helps people to meet each other
- YES
- Badminton court/s would be a very useful addition. Also indoor tennis court if possible
- concentrate on improving current facilities for cricket/football and tennis/bowls rather than diluting funds over more sports
- Facility is a good size for this village
- A gym for residents which would improve the health of residents .
- The most accessible past time for the population is walking . Let's encourage walking and even trail running in and around the field. There is also a growing trend for x-biking. The wood would be perfect for that. There are plenty of cyclists in the village that would benefit.
- If the Parish Council doesn't maintain what is there how could it add more?
- Running track Gym equipment Swimming pool Will all need funding I know but could be an income generator.
- The facility would benefit from an all weather, multi purpose pitch with floodlighting.
- Astro turf facilities would help teams train and play all year. Squash court facility would be a benefit
- but you need to be careful the cricket and football pitch doesn't get over used and becomes a problem to play on, also for the cricket club to get covers for the wickets
- Children's play park to Encourage family Use
- This question already indicates tha parish council know the answer already - What new facilities are being considered
- Pétanque pitch
- Again it would depend on what they were and cost.
- If there is space the more sports on offer would be my first choice.
- An outside HIT training area would be a great start, cheap and of significant benefit to personal trainers and people interested in fitness
- Hoopers Field is on the edge of a quiet residential area - Please respect that.
- There is no need to make the facility any bigger than it already is, we are a small village and a facility this size is sufficient for our needs

10. Would you use the following possible new facilities if they were available at Hooper's Field?

If you think there are any other facilities not mentioned above that will help to improve Hooper's Field please let us know

- Club for senior residents (outings)??
- Please no 3g football or multi user games area, Hooper's Field would not look the same with these, please don't make the pavilion bigger
- Save the post office would be a good idea, nothing else needed, facility is good for the size of the village
- Village Hall available to hire, can the village sustain another hall, we don't want the village hall to close. Nothing else needed at Hooper's Field
- Very strongly disagree with all of these
- The above examples are excellent, however until further development has been firmly established and the financial implications settled Hooper's Field will remain a "white elephant" and will not meet its potential
- Some keep fit classes in the village have stopped because of poor attendance
- Consideration given to the provision of outdoor, whole-body work stations.
- Swimming Pool Mini Golf
- What is 'Trim Trail', Multi User Games Area, 3G Football Pitch? For goodness sake let's keep our feet on the ground.
- Gym facilities Running/cycling track
- The use of Shop / Post Office is dependent on the future of Village Store
- A local fitness gym
- If shop is moved from the High Street, Wanborough is less convenient for playing football than other venues closer to town. Trim trail sounds interesting, but not sure what it is, is it walking or jogging trail.
- The library and shop are very appealing ideas and I would use them very often as well as attending any new sports classes/using facilities. A garden area not necessarily on the Hoopers ground would also be very attractive.
- Not required
- Some form of mini gym / fitness centre perhaps through subscription perhaps "run" by volunteers. Small hotels often provide such facilities.
- Shop & Post office, dependent on what happens to the current PO.
- Again as per Q7, mountain bike trail (incorporating Warneage Woods), skate/bike park, outdoor gym equipment/exercise area. Also perhaps a landscaped seating area where people could sit outdoors and read, for example, or watch the sports being played on the field.
- Post Office is very sensible and would benefit more, not like anything else at Hooper's which benefit the minority
- No
- Close integration onto Warneage woods e.g. for a fitness trail / running track Running circuit
- Outdoor gym, indoor gym/social classes
- Golf practice area, café
- squash courts
- Nature Trail for Children Volley ball court European languages and cultures teaching centre
- We have a good Village Hall, we don't need a function room at Hooper's Field as this could close down the Village Hall
- I think a swimming pool would be really good although it would be expensive. A cafe would be nice as well
- Whilst I would not object to a new post office and shop being built I would only agree if there is a real possibility of a funding a tenant and the tenant paying a full rack rent. I still hope that one day the existing shop and premises will be sold
- Gym, Fitness classes, kids classes
- Post Office would help the village especially as the current owners want to retire
- social club?
- All weather running/walking track as mentioned previously.

- A running track would be good and/or a pathway around the perimeter of the field.
- The village hall is an asset to our village and the above would be taking away the income that is needed by the hiring of the hall. We do not need 2 halls
- Running track/course
- Floodlights for bowls green
- possibly needs more thinking
- You should focus on the needs of the Wanborough demographic, which is aging, i.e. no need for larger hall.
- Gym
- Maybe athletics facilities such as a long jump pitch etc../ high jump
- Small Play area for children
- Definitely need pétanque area
- As above. Trail walking and running would be a great idea as it is one of the most accessible forms of exercise. X-Riding would be too. There are many cyclists in the village. The wood and field are perfect for c-riding
- Running/cycle/wheelchair track
- Squash court
- Weights gym. Weight loss classes. Fitness classes.
- You could introduce a licensed bar to be open and run during tennis, bowls, football and cricket matches for spectators to be able to buy snacks and drinks
- Squash court
- Do you have an outside bbq area?
- Why ask a question when the answers are already decided This survey indicates all these ideas are already on paper ! Yet Not published in the village
- Would use shop/post office more often than weekly, assuming the existing one has shut. Also, frequency of use of hall for classes would depend on what was being offered.
- All weather running track to be used for walking as well.
- Yes to the shop if the facility was opened up to a proper operator and not a part time shopkeeper

11. Wanborough Parish Council currently subsidise the running of Hooper's Field through the Parish Precept to support healthy living and sport within the village. In order to improve the facility at Hooper's Field would you be willing to see an increase in the Parish Precept (the Parish Council's proportion of the Council Tax)?

- small increase
- Clubs should pay
- Why should people who don't use Hooper's Field pay for it.
- Instead I would like the Parish Precept to be used to provide much better maintenance of footpaths, throughout Wanborough, including adjacent verges & hedges
- We'd loose it on something else I guess!
- Subject to the proviso that the additional revenue is used primarily to expand the range of faculties provided at Hooper's and not simply to improve the existing facilities for current users.
- If the money is to be put to good use
- Let those who use the facilities pay a fair price for doing so. Don't burden villagers with additional costs!
- Start up subsidy could be considered, as if the objective is to get more people involved this would increase membership (and rental from the clubs to PC), and therefore become self supporting within a couple of years. Also need to consider split of membership between Wanborough residents who contribute to the Precept, and those outside Wanborough who gain benefit without additional contribution. Clubs should be encouraged to consider higher membership subscription from non Wanborough residents. For example the Village hall hire rates are higher for non residents than non residents.
- The costs should be met by the clubs
- Make the facility friendly to all and not just for upper Wanborough residents,
- yes, no problem at all
- Improvements should aim to be self funded
- And effort to improve the local and social facilities of the community would be well backed-up and agreed with by myself.
- Increase precept to improve pavilion. The danger is that if you improve sporting facilities you will be providing NOT for the village but for Covingham, Swindon and the Eastern Development Area with increased traffic, parking, demand for more lighting etc. Is this what the Village want. The Neighbourhood Plan responses wanted the "Village" to be kept seperate from EDA but TOO much expansion will DRAW IN the outer regions
- A very good idea - needs good PR to convince residents of its acceptability! But we should lead by example and spell out why we think encouraging exercise is good for fitness, anti - obesity etc etc
- Leave well alone
- In principal although it is difficult to answer questions like this without any idea of scale.
- To get more facilities I know we would need to pay more
- As long as the improvements were significant and included something for all ages.
- Clubs should pay more, not residents who don't use it
- No we don't want to pay anymore
- Depends on size of increase - small yes, large no
- I would prefer to have a facility that provided a benefit to the village. How much am I currently paying? How much is the increase? How can you be sure there would be an increase if the services provided fund themselves?
- I keep very fit through running. I might use a trim trail but other than that I deem the current facilities satisfactory for a small village. Expansion would blight the village through increased traffic, noise and light pollution.
- Membership of clubs is rightly not confined to parish residents . In some cases membership is largely non Wanborough residents .
- Subject to the amount
- The parish precept is already a fiddle to by-pass the council tax gap so this sounds like the tip of the iceberg
- Parish Precept should primarily be used for the village / village residents as a whole - not for the minority
- The clubs should pay more not the residents

- It will depend on how much the precept would increase
- The clubs should help pay towards the running of the facility. Bowls Club use the facility alot and have their own conservatory, maybe they should help pay more, people from outside the village should pay more to use Hooper's Field
- The facility should be self sustained and users to pay enough to cover the outgoings, its not fair on residents who don't use the site to pay considerably when they don't use it
- The clubs and users should be paying to help run the facility not residents who don't use it, more money needs to be spent in other areas around the village, footpaths and open spaces
- Data is needed from all of the current clubs to see who is actually using this facility. Parishioners or not?
- As I said Hooper's Field has nothing to offer residents who are not sport mad. I live here for the beauty of Wanborough and the peace and quiet of village life.
- As long as it is not too much!
- facilities would have to be aimed at village use - not external teams using the facilities, unless they pay their way.
- Already pay very hefty council tax
- In its current form. No. We are paying for non parish residents to benefit. If the facilities we more strongly orientated towards the villages, walks, trail running etc. It would get my support.
- As long as it is spent with all clubs having similar benefits from investment.
- If all decisions were sensible and agreed by as many residents as possible.
- Development should be self sufficient as used by wider community outside of Wanborough
- Would depend what you chose to do with it. Most of the proposed plans seem to be for the elderly or young and miss those actually paying the taxes.

12. Please confirm if you have any further comments that you would like to make about Hooper's Field Sports Facility

- I think Hooper's Field is a good sports facility already I play tennis at other sports clubs in the area very regularly and believe that Hooper's Field is on of the best for it, beautiful rural environment. The pavilion needs some upgrading but I would not want to see too much building expansion or tarmac surfaces.
- I walk around the woods, these should not be touched to expand Hooper's Field, really fed up with clubs who assume residents should improve their facilities, get themselves fundraising like others have to do and stop expecting things to be paid for!!!
- The Hooper's Field Sports Facility should be maintained for the Benefit & use by residents of Wanborough principally. The Eastern Villages Development should have their own sports facilities
- More publicity, local press, more noticeboards around the village i.e. doctors surgery is an example, people are not going down to Hooper's Field to read notices. The PC must present themselves in a more "people caring" body so that the "villagers" can see what or there their money is going.
- I think people who want to exercise already belong to a club and won't change their habits easily
- Broader and more inclusive (range of activities provided for/supported; age demographic). Focus to remain primarily on meeting the current and anticipated/planned future needs of Wanborough residents, clubs and organisations.
- No
- I don't park my car and walk the dog but I do walk through on the footpaths regularly with my dog.
- I am concerned about the push for a MUGA / 3G pitch at Hoopers. These facilities cost so much to install and maintain and I feel they would not be in keeping with a village setting. These type of facilities are already available nearby at Croft, PGL and local secondary schools where they are in the correct setting. I also don't think many local residents would actually use them.
- Improvements to the pavilion are urgently needed for the current sports and a business plan should be prepared to meet ongoing maintenance and future improvements.
- The facility should make a shop within the plans as our local shop is ver poor, weddings and parties should be available, a fitness gym would be great,
- I think its a lovely facility but should be used for the village by the villagers. We dont want to bring lots of people to the village who do not support it financially and the traffic is a concern along Rotton Row
- It's a very nice facility but with the addition of weekly classes, a library and/or shop and a garden area would be much appreciated and used by many of the people in wanborough.
- Good as it is, keep our village hall where it is
- I believe Hooper's Field has been wonderful for Wanborough but the pavilion needs lots of attention
- I feel it a great space with such potential which is not used.
- No more money should be spent on Hooper's Field, only benefits a few in the village, users should pay more so it is self sufficient
- There has been a significant under investment in the facility in recent years to promote its use.
- A larger sports and social facility would incur a cost to the quality of life of residents through increased traffic, noise from sports and social events and increased light pollution from floodlighting. I deem this an unacceptable cost to villagers when there are some very good facilities locally already. Considering the concerns expressed by councillors regarding potential 'rat running' through the village with the forthcoming New Eastern Villages development, to invite further traffic by building a large sports and social facility seems to fly in the face of these concerns. An expanded facility would not be in keeping with the village environment we currently enjoy.
- Until clubs are largely paying the economic subscriptions there is no case for expansion - maintenance , yes
- It is unattractive with its current facade, a more appealing look and community centre atmosphere would surely encourage usage
- No
- I do not think trees planted bu the Woodland Trust should be removed to increase the sports facility. The wood is an extremely valuable asset to the village
- We are lucky with what we have, no need to change
- I enjoy using Hooper's Field, nothing bigger is needed, we are only a small village and don't need anything bigger

- I enjoy using the facility, we are very lucky to have it do close to us
- Lovely place, keep it the same and keep at what you are doing.
- As a village we are lucky to have such a nice facility within walking distance, we need to ensure that it is maintained to a good standard but as there are not many users from the village, I don't think we need to increase or expand the facility as this will only attract people from outside the village resulting in more parking, more traffic, I don't think this was the aim of the facility when it was first built.
- I think Hooper's Field is a great facility, there are areas for improvement as mentioned previously but overall, I think for a village the size of Wanborough it is an excellent facility. Thank you for your hard work.
- It's great to have the facility in the village.
- Having recently moved to the village i have yet to understand how access to the facilities and clubs at Hoopers field work- can you hire the sports spaces? More promotion of this would be good
- We are not an age where we can participate in active sport but use Hooper's Field for walks and relaxation along with Warneage Wood. Grandchildren on family visits use a few facilities a childs play area would compliment the other facilities for parents
- Do use car park for walking around Warneage Wood
- Start yoga and fitness classes!
- Hooper's Field should remain a facility for the benefit of the parish and its residents. Hiring out facilities to 'others' should not be considered. The facility should not affect other facilities within the village, i.e. there are five pubs and a village hall available for private hire.
- No
- Would like to see it improved as a lovely facility to have in the village
- No
- a post office/shop is a great idea and a far more valuable asset to the village than a boules pitch for example. Would be used by the majority rather than a tiny tiny minority of villagers
- N/A
- Why is Hooper's field hidden away. I have looked at other similar facilities and they are out and proud . I am sure it would attract more people if it was more visible. Plus the frontage is in dire need of prettification
- Great place to walk dog/kick a ball around. Would be amazing to see a pétanque area, as I have a feeling it will be used very regularly.
- People who don't live in the village should pay more to use the facilities, this happens in other places
- It is totally under used so an update with more sport facilities would be great
- An indoor swimming pool would be fantastic.
- No
- N/a
- My partner plays cricket for Wanborough. The kids and I love to watch him and have a picnic but there isn't much for the kids to do other than kick a ball around.
- Let the Culbs who sit on the Hoopers field committee be responsible for and included in this project
- Any thought given to a gym or swimming pool?
- I think sport has changed, gym and fitness is part of playing sport and the facilities are looking somewhat out of date
- In general the village has excellent facilities but need to be maintained, additional use needs to have that future consideration and priority for residents.
- Would be good to know more specific timetables of events. Also more class based activities in the evenings.
- Hooper's Field is a lovely facility that as a village we are lucky to have, it is kept in very good condition, and I feel only needs minor improvements such as a better kitchen and a hall that has windows to the outside as it is very dark inside, when I play tennis anyone from other areas visiting always compliment on what a lovely place it is and as a village we should appreciate that.
- Not a large increase though.
- Would need to know how much it is being subsidised at the moment. What other priorities are there in the parish?