

Adults of Working Age

The Issues:

Limited activities for adults, both leisure and educational, within the parish itself.
The lack of a focal point.
Limited employment opportunities in the parish.



Background

46.4% of the 476 people in the age group 25-59 who answered the questionnaire gave the 'focal point' or meeting place as a current issue, a higher percentage than the respondents as a whole. So the 25 - 59 year olds were slightly more concerned than the respondents in general about a meeting place, and almost half of them mentioned it. 26.7% of this age group mentioned a library, and 17.9% mentioned activities for young and old together. Again, these are slightly higher percentages than for the respondents as a whole, so this middle age group is rather more concerned about a library and cross-generational activities. Overall, the people who answered the question about facilities for adults in the parish, thought poorly of them.



Action:

Establish a working party to look at the feasibility of providing a community focal point.
Explore possibilities for activities including venues, funding and leadership.
Encourage voluntary sector and church/chapels to expand activities/catchment.
Investigate mobile library service usage.
Encourage the development of employment opportunities in the parish

Partners:

BMDC and KeighleyArea Co-Ordinator.
Keighley Voluntary Services/Voluntary sector.
Church/Chapels.
PCT/Steeton Pharmacy

Timescale:

2008-2011