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Paths

Proper path to play park on Martock rec ground

Footpaths. Could be better looked after ie better access, less muddy paths more gravel walk ways

Improve footpaths - especially along Water Street/Church Street also keep clean, ie debris/from Yew trees by Church

Footpaths are not clearly marked and in some places blocked. I walk back to Kingsbury from Martock now and again

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many footpaths are uneven with an adverse camber. In East Street a considerable number of elderly folk consider it safer to walk in the road rather than the pavement!

Stop the local landowners from creating hazards to navigating the local footpath network. These bring people into the community area at very little cost.

Parish Hall / Community Hall

Replace terrible Parish Hall with a better facility and meeting rooms. A new youth club too.

We need a hall where we can hold large concerts, plays, centre of the community apart from using the church.

Re-design completely the Parish Hall or build a good Community Centre

We need to press on with new village theatre/meeting rooms etc.

The outdated Parish hall should be a high priority for replacement or, failing this, substantial modernisation

keep parish Hall and Youth Club frontage no houses here.

Kitchen facilities at Parish hall only major obstacle in encouraging diverse lettings.

New Community hall

Martock Methodist Church should be used as a Community building - because it is central for residents at the North end of Martock

Whether the accoustics are good enough in the Parish Hall. More use of the Parish Hall.

Dog fouling

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More litter and dog bins

Dogs' mess on many footpaths

Still a problem with dog fouling in public areas

Dog fouling on pavements

More waste bins are needed and maybe more dog fouling notices re penalty together with dog mess bins

We are short of dog bins - could we have more in North Street area? Near the Green and Car Park

DOG MESS on the pavements!! also the lane at the bottom of steppes which passes the middle rec needs to have chipping as it is a busy route used by all and is often very muddy.

Young people

Youths drinking and vandalism and litter

Recreation gates made operational and enforce closing time and opening times to prevent young motor cycle riders using it as a race track including quad bike riders

Lighting in the car park, now it is dark evenings.

Also CCTV

A more targeted vision, aiming for outdoor enthusiasts, e.g footpaths, cycle paths, cafes, would increase passing trade and improve opportunity in Martock

A new Youth Club as the other one is old and needs heating

Continue to support the youth worker and Youth club

Environment issues are that there are fewer green fields due to all the building work going on. What a shame.

Just more control of the 12-17 year olds especially from the shops to the council estate. They are quite unruly and loud

Somewhere for the youths to hang out in the evening rather than outside the co-op using bad language!

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There is a 'no culture' in Martock? The environment would be safer and better without teenagers damaging property doing wheelies on their bikes.

Provide internet cafe/coffee bar (or similar) for the majority of youngsters who will not 'youth club' and have lots of time and little money

Benches

Benches around rec and parish of Martock

Plant trees and provide seats at the Rec to provide a more pleasant and attractive village green open space

Community attitude

Respect of older people

Try and get more of the old, real Martock people involved.

More events to involve the whole village. The Guardians seem to do a good job, but a bit worthy. Britain in bloom?

Older generation should be enlisted to help and advise the younger

The Street Market was a great idea - more events like that? A truly community atmosphere created that evening.

Give consideration to working age singles and couples without children when offering programs and services.

Activities

A gym would be good

More evening classes locally - perhaps at primary school?

Perhaps more entertainment facilities for young people

Youth movements and education should be improved and encouraged.

Clubs and societies

Film nights perhaps?

Would it be possible for any day/evening classes to be based in Martock?

Big screens in the rec for major events

Could we have more events in Parish Hall. Music, plays etc for adults and children

More allotments

Music on rec; live local bands/groups/singers; outdoor/indoor film club.

Cleaning

Street/verge cleaning

Shops

A deli would be nice or a proper grocers

Bulb planting

More bulb planting round the rec and at entrances into Martock;

Comments/praise

On whole Bower Hinton in particular is a very nice place to live. Martock itself needs to be watched.

No, but I worry that all the great work, activity and community life may be reduced in Council cuts.

Did we really move here for the cultural scene? OK as it is

It has a very down market feel & culture - Sth Petherton it won't ever be - but why not? It has the architecture - but lacks any of the apparent air of sophistication and 'quaint' to much modern 'rubbish' on view? It won't get the industrial red brick chique - either

Given that so many people merely regard Martock as their dormitory, somewhere to sleep and then get out of by day, perhaps they should have a 'get out fast' relief road to A303?

We applaud all the events that take place in Martock. It's nice to feel that there is always something going on.

The Community Information Centre is marvellous. The help provided for new residents (me) is really marvellous

I consider that most people living in Martock have chosen to do so and should they wish for more they either visit larger towns and cities which perhaps offer culture and then return to the wonderful environment in which we in Martock live!

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Not that I can think of.

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Traffic

Reduction of speed limit to 20MPH on North, Water and Church Streets.

Heavy lorries on Foldhill Lane

Better transport links

Need buses to Yeovil until the ?? is finished

Police/wardens

The more than occasional presence of Police patrols.

Bring back policemen on the beat as people still park on double yellow lines obscuring vision

Can we have park wardens - there are often some 'big' kids in there and swearing and unsociable behaviour. Not nice for the smaller children to be amongst

Communication

A central list of clubs and organisations instead of disjointed information in purple pages, Leveller, noticeboards etc

More emphasis should be given to historical values in the area.

A prominently displayed diary of local events in a window of the Market House

Increase awareness of local events

Buildings

Seek funds to purchase the George Hotel and turn it into a Community hostelry - like the ?? and Clavel near Taunton

Finish off the refurbishment of the Railway Hotel and landscape round it to soften the general appearance

Boarded houses in North Street

Empty houses tidied up; Lyndhurst Grove is an eyesore and has been empty for 5 years

Opportunity for use of the George as a Community resource? Meeting point/parish community centre/youth centre under one roof?? Just a thought!!

community facilities in Kingsbury episcopi - eg sports hall / village hall

Other

Looking to taking over the private road at Marwin Close

Get the Government to sort out CRB. Once should be sufficient. You might get more volunteers!

Retirement homes of good quality

The size of the village does not seem to reflect the amenities and capacities of the schools

Martock Environmental Group. What a good idea! I think the David Hall in South petherton is an

Library needs to be protected

Keep the library open

Put library in Moorlands House - mor eroom for books and computers

The railway end of Martock is dying. We are losing another facility - The Railway Pub; soon the garage will be gone. So I think this end of the village needs to be looked at.