

# KAL Commission – Elected Member Survey Questions

7 responses received to an online survey during November 2020

## Which KAL facility / facilities would be the usual one(s) used by people living in your ward? Select all that apply

-	Batley Baths and Recreation Centre
-	Batley Sports and Tennis Centre
-	Bradley Park Golf Course
1 (14%)	Colne Valley Leisure Centre
-	Deighton Sports Arena
1 (14%)	Dewsbury Sports Centre
2 (29%)	Holmfirth Pool and Fitness Centre
3 (43%)	Huddersfield Leisure Centre
1 (14%)	Leeds Road Sport Complex
-	Lockwood Park Health and Fitness Club
3 (43%)	Scissett Baths and Fitness Centre
1 (14%)	Stadium Health and Fitness Club
-	Spennithorne Leisure Centre

## Which ward do you represent?

-	Almondbury Ward	-	Dewsbury West Ward
-	Ashbrow Ward	-	Golcar Ward
-	Batley East Ward	1 (14%)	Greenhead Ward
-	Batley West Ward	-	Heckmondwike Ward
-	Birstall and Birkenshaw Ward	-	Holme Valley North Ward
-	Cleckheaton Ward	1 (14%)	Holme Valley South Ward
1 (14%)	Colne Valley Ward	1 (14%)	Kirkburton Ward
-	Crosland Moor and Netherpton Ward	-	Lindley Ward
-	Dalton Ward	-	Liversedge and Gomersal Ward
2 (29%)	Denby Dale Ward	-	Mirfield Ward
1 (14%)	Dewsbury East Ward	-	Newsome Ward
-	Dewsbury South Ward		

## Thinking of your nearest KAL site, how satisfied are you that it is meeting the needs of your local community, particularly those most affected by inequality?

1 (14%)	Very satisfied
4 (57%)	Quite satisfied
2 (29%)	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
-	Quite dissatisfied
-	Very dissatisfied

**What are the main health conditions that are of concern to you and your ward?  
Select all that apply.**

5 (71%)	Mental Health conditions
3 (43%)	Diabetes
4 (57%)	COVID (including recovery from COVID and deconditioning due to COVID and associated inactivity)
7 (100%)	Physical Inactivity
3 (43%)	Obesity
5 (71%)	Frailty / mobility issues
1 (14%)	Long Term medical conditions (e.g. Musculoskeletal, Cancer, Stroke, Cardiac, COPD etc)
1 (14%)	Another condition - please specify:

- "over consumption of alcohol"

**Do communities in your ward have any other particular needs that should be considered, as we seek to work with KAL to expand their offer?**

3 comments:

- "Representing a rural ward, there is plenty of space for walking etc but if they want to use KAL facilities these are a bit distant and especially if dependent on public transport often difficult to access. Would be good to see use being made of community buildings to provide some activities, like low impact physical activities for older people and more activities that older teenagers could access to boost their mental health."
- "I receive very little negative feedback on the facility at Scissett other than the appearance of the annex and the fact that greater access to public swimming would be preferred."
- "There are a number of disconnected communities in HVS - Moorlands, Kirkroyds, Woodlands, The Oval. How do we ensure that they have access to affordable and relevant activities? Also the need for youth orientated activities."

**Do you have any ideas for how KAL could make greater use of their assets (buildings and/or staff) to assist with some of these local priorities? Please share your ideas:**

5 comments:

- "Same as my answer above, it is staff more than buildings, representing a rural ward accessing the buildings esp if needing public transport can often be a barrier, so if the staff could come and run activities and sessions outside of KAL facilities it may help, Could use community buildings or local sport club facilities"
- "As a base potentially for outdoor activities Important to link with CV Anchor organisation"
- "Greater access to the swimming facility for public swimming would be worth considering."
- "Free trial membership, taster sessions, sessions in community buildings closer to where people live"

- "how about them been starting and finishing points for organised walks, more difficult in the more urban areas, but walks could be based on local heritage in these areas."

### Are there any other assets you would like to see KAL support in your area to improve the wider health and wellbeing offer?

5 comments:

- "I would like to see some improved cycling provision, many of the major routes in the ward are not really suitable for cycling, esp families so an off road facility would be great."
- "Possibly Slaithwaite civic/Marsden Mechanics"
- "The facility we have is good but could be promoted more within the ward."
- "Utilise the sports hall in the Phoenix centre for activities and Holmfirth Tech."
- "perhaps supporting the local walking groups, and to promote walking as a means of exercise."

### How might you be able to help us and KAL (and other partners) to engage with these target groups to better understand their physical activity needs and co-produce a revised local offer that better includes them?

6 comments:

- "We have 3 magazines that cover 4 villages in the ward & I would be happy to get something in these, We also have FB community pages in each village I could use and also we have community/village associations in each which I could link up with. Also there is a wide range of other community based groups from uniform groups, WI, library groups etc etc. A whole network to engage with which I would be happy to help with."
- "Set up meetings with key people in these organisations"
- "People are aware of the facility at Scissett but my experience is tat a relatively small percentage of the ward actually use it. Greater promotion of its offer might be well worth considering."
- "Promoting engagement activities on social media and attending engagement sessions"
- "As ward councillors we hold Ward Partner Forums so we could put this on the agenda for the next meeting. Please contact Julie McDowell who coordinates this."
- "open days could be held to promote the KAL offer which ward members could promote and help organise."

### Who are the key local partners in your ward that KAL could link up with or work alongside?

6 comments:

- "I think Community Plus have a good handle on this, aside that I would say obviously the Denby Dale Centre which has the Kirkburton Hub & libraries are a good resource. Most of the villages in my ward have some type of sports club, cricket or football or the like which might be willing to work with KAL. I

know in Shepley where I live that we also have a very good Tennis Club, for example who would be worth working with."

- "CV Anchor - CV Social Care Co-op Slaithwaite Civic Trust Marsden Community Trust Local sports clubs Local PCN/GPs/Social Prescription team Community Plus Democracy service team (Luc Bride) Experience Community (Disabled residents)"
- "The squash club at Skelmanthorpe and the tennis club at Denby Dale. Local cricket and football clubs etc. It might be possible to work together to improve activity."
- "Dewsbury Rams, Dewsbury Rangers, Shaw Cross Sharks, Hanging Heaton Cricket Club, Hanging Heaton Golf Club, BCM Stars, Friends of Caulms Wood, Friends of Dewsbury and Ossett Greenway"
- "I would suggest working with the Community Anchor - Holmfirth Tech ( Sarah Broxton), Community Plus ( Claire Baldwin) and our detached Youth worker - Catherine Edwards. In addition it would be good to engage with the Holme Valley Parish Council on this issue - clerk is Liz Bennett."
- "the U3A and various walking groups, walkers are welcome, and the Parish council"

### **Is there anything else you would like to say at this point about the potential changes to how we and KAL work together?**

3 comments:

- "Happy to help in any way I can, am supportive of the aims of this initiative, if Covid has taught us anything it is that being healthy and physically active is critically important to being able to fend off viruses and infections."
- "Partnerships are critical"
- "No thank you"