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Dear Ray,

Further to the results of the recent Community Association questionnaire I am really pleased to see such a good response from our community for improving facilities for our younger members.

I have been a regular user of the Community Centre since I moved here a number of years ago. The play area is a favourite of my younger nephews and nieces when they visit and, as you know, the centre is used monthly for our local history group. Events last summer (the ‘Facebook’ gatherings) seemed to highlight that there is a real need locally to provide a positive outlet for the energies of young people. I have no idea how many, if any of our local youths were involved, but it is very encouraging to see that the survey confirms that there is an overwhelming desire for organised activities.

Whilst the hall is fine for a group of 15-20 rather sedentary historians, and the play area equally fine for younger children, I believe that there is a definite need to develop the centre to provide the space for the number of people and associated activities that a successful youth group would require. It is important that there are adequate facilities for the initiative to be successful.

Engaging with young people in a positive way will not only improve the present environment in the villages but also nurture a good community spirit that will be beneficial for the future. By continuing to enhance the site and broaden its usefulness I am sure it will encourage other activities also that will strengthen our community.

As a personal user of the community centre, event attendee and as Treasurer of the Monk Fryston Time Team, I would like to offer my full support to the proposed developments and I wish you luck with the project.

Yours sincerely and with best wishes,

Katie

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