

voice

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FREE one day
pass to David
Lloyd for every
reader inside*



Proposed village centre –
taking a closer look at the plans

Win – a free meal at Frankie &
Benny's and a game at Hollywood Bowl

Floods update –
what progress has been made?

Dream homes – a sneak peak
inside some executive properties

Welcome

to the Kingswood Parks Voice. Following on from the success of the first issue of this newsletter, we are delighted to bring Issue 02 to our readers.

Not only did the first issue give readers the opportunity to find out more about the Kingswood Parks development, which sits on approximately 400 acres of land, but there were also competition prizes to be won. The young competition winners and their families were in for a real treat and you can read more about what they got up to on Page 7. This time, it might be you who wins a prize! Enter the Kidz Corner competition on Page 12.

We have linked up with David Lloyd, a state-of-the-art health and fitness club based in the Kingswood Parks leisure park, to give every reader a free one day pass. Meanwhile, one lucky winner will receive a free pass for their family to gain unlimited access to David Lloyd for a whole month. See Page 11 for more details.

In this issue, the Kingswood Parks Development Company (KPDC) is also delighted to give readers a sneak preview of the village centre concept plan – at this stage we are only developing plans and the detail has yet to be finalised. See Page 8 for what we have in mind.

You can also read more about what students at Kingswood College of Arts have been up to on Page 6, whilst we take a closer look at some of the larger, executive homes being developed in Kingswood Parks on Pages 4 and 5.

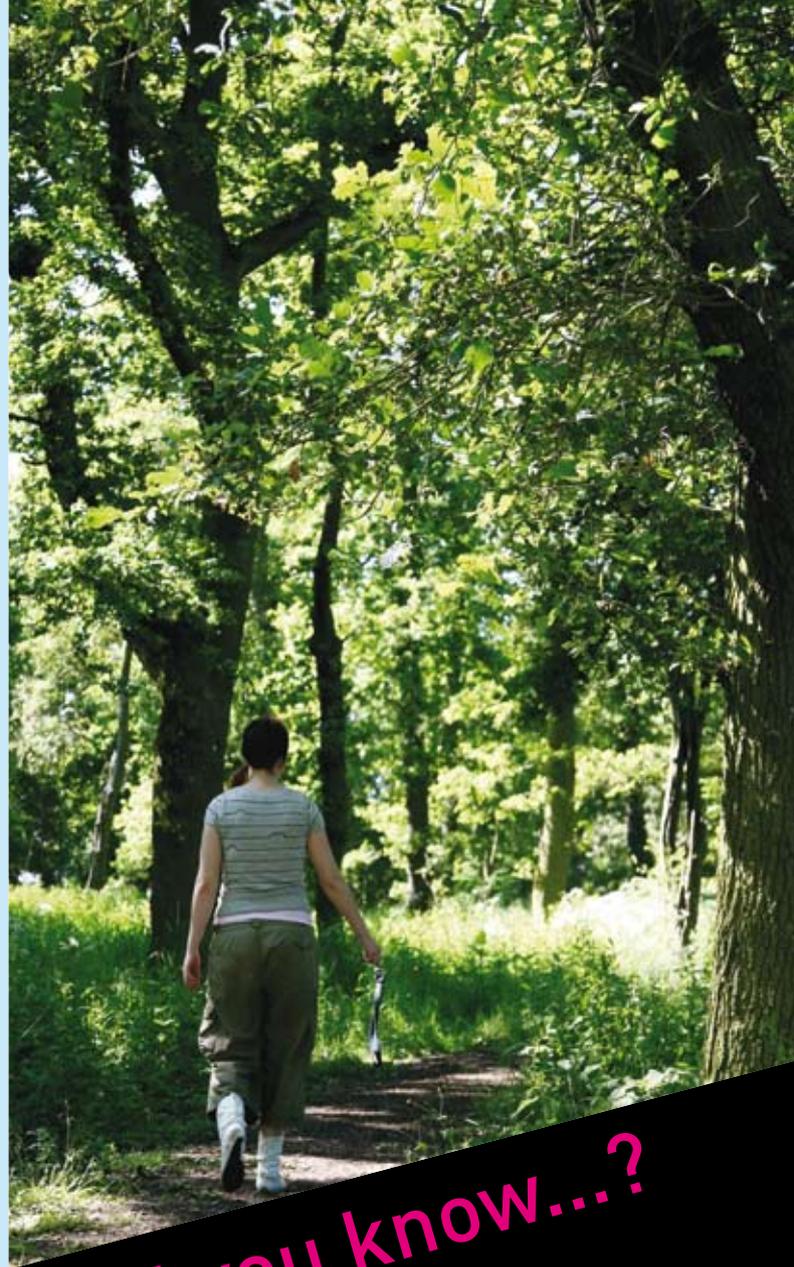
If you read a copy of the first edition of the Voice, you will have noticed a significant amount of coverage focused on an investigation into the floods. We are pleased to inform you that some progress has been made since then and more is being done - we have looked at this in more detail on Page 3, where you will also find a note from Councillor Carl Minns, Leader of Hull City Council.

Best Wishes Kelly

(On behalf of KPDC)

We would also be grateful for your feedback. What would you like to see in the next issue? Fill in the feedback form on our website: www.kingswoodparks.co.uk

- Following the distribution of the first edition of the Voice, we've already had more than 2,000 visitors to the Kingswood Parks website and there has been a huge amount of feedback from visitors via the feedback form. Many people contacted us with questions and comments about the development. For a summary of the questions they asked, and our responses, please visit the website.



Did you know...?

- The Voice is distributed by the Kingswood Parks Development Company Ltd, which is the primary developer of Kingswood Parks, an area that forms a small part of the Kingswood district of north Hull
- Approximately 2,000 people live in Kingswood Parks and there are currently more than 800 homes in the first two phases of the development, with an estimated 2,000 to be built over the next decade or so

COMMUNITY NOTICE

The Kingswood Parks Development Company places emphasis on promoting healthy living and looks favourably upon requests for the sponsorship of community or sporting activities. Please send requests of this nature via the website's feedback form - please visit www.kingswoodparks.co.uk

ADVERTISING

If you would like to advertise your organisation in future editions of the Kingswood Parks Voice, contact Kelly at TAS Communications on 01482 867867.

Positive news after the floods

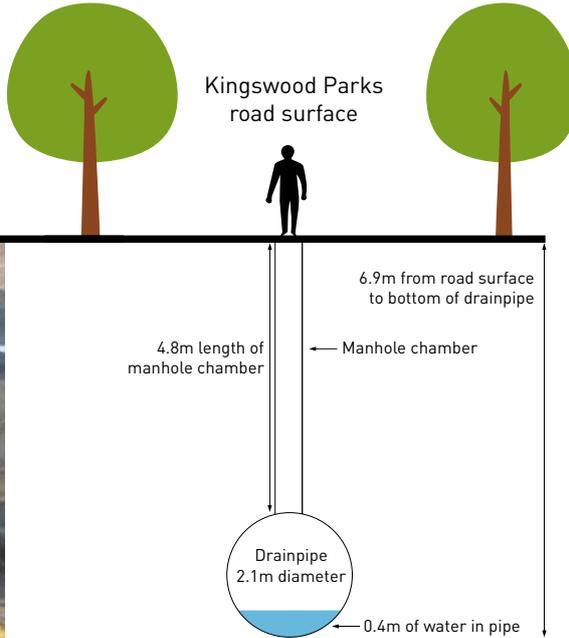
In the first issue of the Voice, we investigated the June 2007 floods in Hull and looked into how Kingswood Parks' robust drainage system works.

Since then, Hull City Council commissioned an independent report, which highlighted Yorkshire Water for failing to act on warnings about its Bransholme Pumping Station. Yorkshire Water has now provided an update (below) on the progress and investment

it is making to improve the flood resilience of this station in the future.

The Kingswood Parks Development Company has been monitoring the manholes up to three times a day throughout periods of heavy rain and is pleased to report that the water has continued to flow, rarely even rising to half way up the lowest pipe in the system. This is considered to be perfectly normal and the switching on of the pumps quickly removes this.

POSITIVE RESULTS:
Jonathan Woolfitt,
Kingswood Parks'
contractor, tests water
levels in the manholes



Update from Yorkshire Water

The following statement has been released by Yorkshire Water

“Following the unprecedented levels of rainfall experienced last June, Yorkshire Water has been investigating ways the company can play its part in protecting against future flooding.

The company is already part way through a £500,000 investment to improve the flood resilience of its pumps at Bransholme, which were inundated with rain water last summer. This investment is due to be completed in May.

Long term solutions for protecting the area from future flooding involve working closely with the Kingswood Parks Development Company and the Environment Agency – dialogue which is already underway.

We are working together to understand the impact of future development on the pumping station and also on the River Hull, which Bransholme discharges into.

Yorkshire Water would like to reassure customers in Kingswood Parks that the company is already making improvements to protect against flooding and is committed to any future investment needed at the pumping station.

However, a multi-agency approach to flood protection is essential to establishing any long term solutions due to the complexity of the drainage system in Hull.”

“A bright future for Hull”



“For everyone in Hull, the overwhelming memory of 2007 is the flooding, the biggest natural disaster ever to hit our city. Remarkable progress has been made in providing support for flood affected households, cleaning up the city, repairing the infrastructure and restoring services to as near normal as possible. I would like to thank everyone for their help, patience and resilience while we have been getting the city back on its feet. Even though the damage caused by the flooding was devastating, we have an opportunity to rebuild damaged facilities more imaginatively and more flood resistant.

We want to ensure that none of our residents are penalised because their homes were flooded, therefore we are working with the Association of British Insurers to ensure that residents can continue to buy quality building and contents insurance. We are seeking residents' opinions about the services and facilities they want, such as how the Woodford Centre could be re-developed, and already plans are underway for two new care homes which will be better equipped to suit the needs of older residents. We have adopted new planning rules for developers wanting to build in the city and are pressing for a single agency to be responsible for draining surface water. With partners locally, the Council is working to improve emergency planning procedures, and at an international level, we are working with neighbouring European ports to help make our cities more resistant to flooding.”

**Cllr Carl Minns,
Leader of Hull City Council**

Luxury awaits at executive



Taking a closer look inside the larger properties on offer...

There is a wide variety of quality homes to suit all budgets in Kingswood Parks, with property prices ranging from £90,000 up to £450,000. In this issue, we're focusing on some of the larger, executive homes available to house hunters.

Nestled away in tranquil corners of the Kingswood Parks development, a range of imposing, executive homes can be found – and house hunters looking for larger properties will not be disappointed by what's on offer.

There is a wide range of spacious properties to choose from on the development and the carefully-selected house builders which create them, enlisted by the Kingswood Parks Development Company, are renowned for quality and style.

David Wilson Homes is one of five key developers on site and its developments at The Spinney and The Pines are home to some of the most beautiful executive properties in Kingswood Parks.

Steve Jackson, sales director for David Wilson Homes Northern, said: "When we plan our developments we always focus on the requirements of the audience within that area. This was a particularly strong influence in Hull where we recognised demand for a selection of executive properties."

That's exactly what visitors to The Spinney will find, with the development comprising luxury four and five bedroom detached homes, ideal for the young professional market and second or third time buyers.

The four bedroom, three storey Sindley is a shining example of the homes available at The Spinney. The property oozes style, light and space. The family kitchen and breakfast room for example has a sloping ceiling with velux windows, adding an additional dimension and extra light to the space. Spot lighting on the ceiling and underlighting on the kitchen units give extra warmth and atmosphere during the evenings, while French doors lead on to the garden.

Upstairs, house hunters will be impressed by the extensive master bedroom, which leads to a dedicated dressing room with fitted wardrobes and an ensuite bathroom.

Meanwhile, The Pines consists of only 37 executive detached properties ideal for those seeking enhanced specification homes set within a private location.

Mr Jackson added: "These stunning brick-built homes have all the appeal of a traditional country manor and offset against modern design features, such as high ceilings and integrated surround sound systems to create comfort and elegance on a grand scale."

The Gilthorpe five bedroom, double-fronted detached home epitomises the stylish design featured throughout all of the homes at The Pines, boasting an array of extra touches, including a stainless steel integrated double oven, hob and canopy and electric garage doors.

This luxury home boasts 2,236 square feet of elegant living space including a spacious study, ideal for prospective purchasers who may need to work from home, but which can easily transform into a play room depending upon requirements.

In addition to this, a stunning master bedroom, boasting a Juliette balcony and leading onto a spacious ensuite, is a real feature of the property.

Prices for the four bedroom, three storey Sindley home at The Spinney start from £277,500 meanwhile five bedroom detached homes at The Pines start from £374,999.

For further information on the homes available at either development, call The Spinney sales office on (01482) 836640 or The Pines on (01482) 820732. Alternatively, visit www.dwh.co.uk for further details.

homes in Kingswood Parks



“I love the houses I sell so much that I bought one myself”

When she was looking for a larger home for her growing family, the perfect choice was right under her nose.

Lyza Williamson didn't have to look very far for her dream home, thanks to the fact she is a member of the team at Beal Homes' sales office in Kingswood Parks.

Now Lyza, husband Mark and their three young children are watching their new executive, detached home, in the Oakwood development of Kingswood Parks, rise from the ground.

Having lived in the Kingswood area for four years, Lyza knew she wanted to live in the Kingswood Parks development when she set out to find a larger home.

Lyza, who joined Beal Homes as a sales executive a year ago, fell in love with the distinctive four bedroom Runswick property the moment she first saw it. Whilst showing house hunters around the show property, she decided that it was the ideal design for her, but her husband Mark took more convincing.

High specification – great value

“Mark was determined to have a good look around to see what else was on offer in the Hull area,” said Lyza.

“After checking out what else was on the market though, he had to admit that Kingswood Parks can't be beaten as a great location for family life and that the Runswick has superb style, lots of space, a high specification and is great value for money.”

The Williamsons liked the idea of the shops, cinema, sports club, leisure centre and restaurants being just a stones throw away on the nearby retail and leisure park.

The nearby crèche and local school were also ideally located for their children Milyza, seven, Miah, four, and Ayrn, two.

Lyza added: “John and Richard Beal always encourage us to listen to what our purchasers really want. As a company, we are open to making changes to internal layouts at the pre-construction stage so that people can personalise their new homes to suit their individual style. We've chosen to open up the kitchen and dining room in our new home to create a large, contemporary, open plan room and we've also moved radiator locations, as well as having our kitchen designed to allow space for a huge American fridge. We can't wait to move in.”

Prices at Beal Homes' Oakwood development range between £125,000 and £294,995. For more information, call 0800 6121216. Alternatively, visit www.beal-homes.co.uk for virtual 360 degree tours of many Beal Home designs.

News from Kingswood College of Arts

NEWS *in* BRIEF

Learning Centre

Several new courses have been launched at the Learning Centre, based on site at the Kingswood College of Arts, this year. Members of the public are invited to enrol on the courses and can find out more about the programme by contacting Chris or Jill on (01482) 625733 or alternatively by emailing christinegillard@kingswoodhigh.com or jillbrookes@kingswoodhigh.com

Free internet access for the public

For local residents who don't have internet access at home, the Learning Centre provides free internet access, from Monday to Friday, between 9am and 3pm. Visitors are reminded that they will need their passport or driving license as proof of ID and to register on the first visit. For more information, call the centre on (01482) 625733.



GREAT ACHIEVEMENT: Alan Johnson MP presents the Healthy School Award to two pupils at Kingswood College of Arts.

Committed to a healthy education & environment

Kingswood College of Arts is continuing to demonstrate its commitment to excellence in education, after winning a national Healthy School Award.

Based in Wawne Road, a short distance away from Kingswood Parks, the secondary school is a real success story and gained specialist arts status in 2005. More recently, the school was highlighted as a high achiever in meeting the national Artsmark Gold standard, with a 10% increase in the number of pupils hitting the benchmark.

Now the school will continue to push its programme to improve the health and wellbeing of students and staff after gaining the Healthy School Award.

The award was presented to two of the college's students by the

Right Honourable Alan Johnson MP at a ceremony at the Village Hotel, in Hessle.

The accolade recognises the college's commitment to health and wellbeing in four key areas: Personal, Social Health Education (PSHE), Healthy Eating, Physical Activity and Emotional Health and Wellbeing.

Headteacher Nicole Swallow said: "I am very proud of the college's achievement, which reflects our commitment to promoting healthy lifestyles for students and staff."

In addition to this, there is a selection of high quality primary education available in the area with plans in the pipeline for a brand new primary school in the proposed Kingswood Parks village centre – see page 8 for the concept plan.

Look out for them down your street....



When the first edition of the Kingswood Parks Voice was distributed throughout October and November last year 10,000 copies were handed out.

Our Community Relations Team, easily noticeable thanks to their brightly-coloured Kingswood Parks t-shirts, handed out the publication in and around the development.

The Voice was circulated to all homes and businesses in the

Kingswood Parks development and many homes beyond the boundary, as well as at schools, estate agents and a range of other organisations.

Visitors to the Asda Kingswood store were also able to pick up a copy of the Voice, when the team distributed the publication outside its main doors, with additional copies available at the store's customer services desk.

I love Kingswood Parks because...

In the first issue of the Voice, we invited our younger readers to enter the Kidz Corner competition, to be in with a chance of winning a free family meal at Chiquito, followed by a movie at Cineworld. One of the things entrants were asked to do was to tell us why they love Kingswood Parks. We had an overwhelming response to the competition and found it so difficult to choose one winner that we selected two prize winners. Here is a selection of the responses we received:

You love it because

- ...of the shops and sporting and entertainment facilities
- ...it's cool, I love my house
- ...it has its own unique style and personality
- ...all one needs is in the same park
- ...of the excellent local shopping, leisure and entertainment facilities
- ...there is lots to do and see
- ...all my favourite things are here that I love
- ...you do not have to go anywhere else
- ...quiet environment, lots of shopping centres, easy traffic and a big park for children
- ...it has lots of good shops and leisure facilities
- ...it's the community for me
- ...of the shopping, eating, playing and relaxing
- ...work, rest and play only a short walk away
- ...there is lots of fun stuff to do with my family
- ...we're a walk away to shop, eat or play
- ...it has a lot of places to eat and sleep

Can you spot yours above?
That means you were so close to winning! If you want to be in with a chance of winning next time, enter this month's competition on the back page.

WINNERS!



...It's cool, I love my house

Caitlin-Eve Harrison, who lives in Chevening Park, Kingswood Parks, was one of our prize winners and enjoyed a night out with her parents courtesy of KPDC. She said: "I was very excited when I found out I had won the competition, I couldn't wait to tell my friends at school. We went to see the Bee Movie which was fab then had a lovely meal at Chiquito."



...We're a walk away to shop, eat or play

Joshua Waudby, who lives in Bushey Park, Kingswood Parks, also scooped a free meal at Chiquito and a trip to the cinema for his family, with a tour of the projection room at Cineworld. He had a great time and said: "I was really surprised when I found out I'd won the competition, my family had a great time when we went out."

Looking to the future...

A sneak preview of the village centre concept plans



We are delighted to reveal the very early stage concept plans for the "village centre" in Kingswood Parks. At the moment, these plans are by no means finalised, but we hope to develop them further in the near future.

If these plans come to fruition, it would mean that residents in

Kingswood Parks would have their own village amenities right on their doorstep, such as a doctor's surgery, a school with a community venue and a variety of shops and other facilities. What would you like to see in the new village centre?

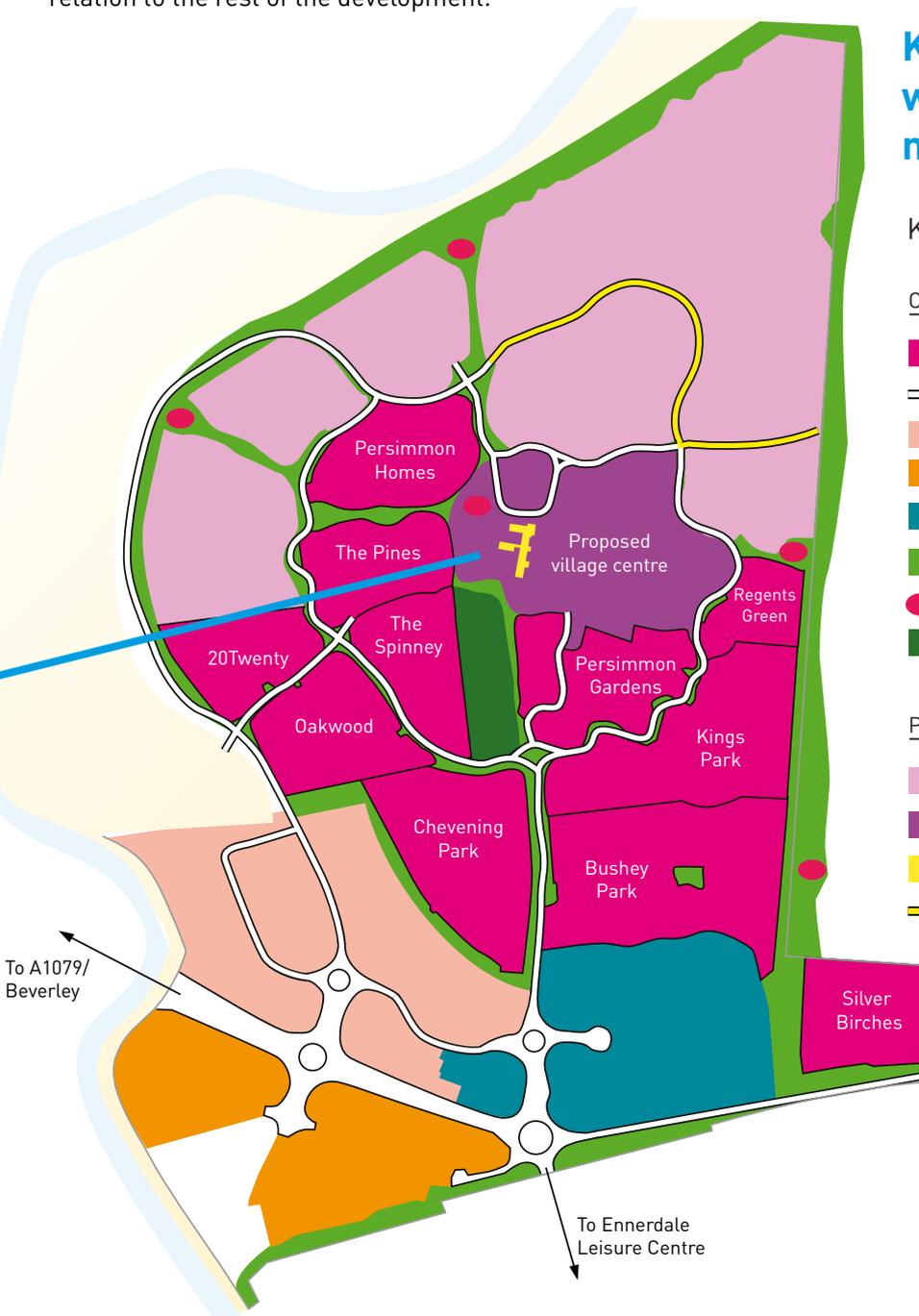
Give us your feedback at www.kingswoodparks.co.uk

Village centre concept masterplan



Where are you?

The plan on the left takes a closer look at the proposed layout of the village centre and on this page you can get a clearer understanding of where it would be in relation to the rest of the development.



Kingswood Parks - whole site concept masterplan

Key to map

Current development

- Housing development built or in progress
- Roads built or in progress
- Business park (Phase 1)
- Leisure park
- Retail / Commercial
- Greenways, jogging, walking and wildlife areas
- Children's play areas
- Ings woodland

Possible future development

- Future housing
- Proposed village centre
- Proposed School
- Possible future road



Vibrant health centre at the heart of the community



FITNESS EXPERT: Tony Barenskie, one of the personal trainers at David Lloyd, coaches member Sarah Johns

It may look like a typical private health club to passers-by, but a closer look at David Lloyd reveals what many consider to be “the heart of the community in Kingswood Parks”.

With facilities including everything from a fully-equipped gym and a diverse programme of more than 70 exercise classes each week, to seven indoor tennis courts, five outdoor tennis courts, three championship squash courts and four badminton courts, the opportunities to keep fit and have fun are endless.

The state-of-the-art gym is always the first to boast the latest equipment – and the most recent arrival in the fully-equipped gym is the Nautilus Treadclimber, the newest revolution to hit the fitness industry since the infamous power plates advocated by celebrities.

But there’s much more to this place than meets the eye. Not only does it also have both an indoor and outdoor pool, together with a sunbathing area, sauna and steam room, but the club also boasts a wide variety of social and professional facilities, as well as strong links with the community.

We’re closer than you think

David Lloyd is renowned for excellence and its facilities are widely-used by both local residents and those from further afield in the region.

This isn’t surprising when you consider how much is on offer under one roof, with a beauty therapy salon and hairdresser’s, a crèche for little ones and a family clubhouse where members can sit back, have a bite to eat and relax after a workout.

In addition to this, the on-site conference and banqueting facilities provide the perfect escape for business meetings, events and private functions, with the capacity to cater for 150 people.



David Lloyd

RACQUET & FITNESS CLUB



Cut out along the dotted lines

WIN – a free pass for a family of five to gain unlimited access to David Lloyd Hull for one month*

Free one day pass for every reader who enters (over 18s only)

All you need to do to be in with a chance of winning is fill out the form below, answer the question correctly and send your entry to the address at the bottom of the back page before May 01, 2008. Every person who enters will be entitled to a free one day pass at the club, even if they don't win the main prize.*

Q. What is the name of the latest piece of equipment in the gym at David Lloyd?

A.

Name:

Age:

Address:

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Postcode:

Telephone:

*Please note that the usual Kingswood Parks competition Terms and Conditions apply – see www.kingswoodparks.co.uk for details. The family pass for up to five people only includes a one month membership for your immediate family members, with up to two adults and three children. Only one entry per person, entrants must be aged 18 or over to qualify for the free one day pass. The winner will be drawn at random. The editor's decision is final and there is no cash alternative for the prize.

VOUCHER – HALF PRICE CONFERENCE ROOM HIRE

50%^{off}

This voucher entitles you to 50% off the room hire of a conference or function room, when you book a 2008 event at David Lloyd Hull before May 01, 2008.

All you need to do is quote the reference **KPV02** when you make the booking.

Forging links with the community



BUDDING STARS: Some of the youngest members of the All Stars Tennis scheme

The team at David Lloyd recognises the importance of strong relationships with club members and the wider community, that's why it has launched a series of community-focused initiatives. During the cold winter months, the club has been providing free indoor tennis sessions for disabled children who usually train outside at Swanland Tennis Club, but have been unable to continue as the dark nights drew in.

In addition to this, the club runs a Tennis All Stars scheme, which sees the city's most promising young tennis stars training as part of an academy there. These budding tennis enthusiasts work with professional coaches at the centre's racquet club to hone their skills.

Members of Hull FC's first team are also familiar faces at David Lloyd, which they use as their official training gym. Meanwhile, team members are also running sports workshops at the centre for Hull school pupils who wouldn't normally have access to such a variety of facilities.

The sessions are aimed at using team sports, such as Tag Rugby, to teach them about social inclusion.

For your chance to try the facilities at David Lloyd, simply enter the competition above. You will automatically receive a free day pass and may even be our lucky winner of the free one month family pass.

For more information about the facilities at David Lloyd, call (01482) 625200 or visit www.davidlloydleisure.co.uk

Kidz corner competitions

WIN!

An all expenses paid visit to Kingswood Parks for your family – 2 free games of bowling at Hollywood Bowl and a meal at Frankie and Benny's restaurant.

How to win: All you need to do is correctly complete the crossword about Kingswood Parks below and draw a picture of your house in the box provided. The winner will be drawn at random and the most creative drawings will be included in the next edition.

Fill in the entry form, ensuring you tell us what new facilities you would like to see in Kingswood Parks, then cut it out and return it to the address at the bottom of this page, by May 01, 2008.

Good luck!

The Kidz Corner Club

Cut out along here!



Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____ School: _____

Tel No: _____ Parent's email: _____

What new facilities would you like to see in Kingswood Parks? _____

CROSSWORD

DOWN

- 1 To look after something (7)
- 3 This word spells 'evil' backwards (4)
- 4 To have fun (4)
- 5 Somewhere you can buy clothes from (4)

ACROSS

- 2 To keep fit (8)
- 3 What do children go to school for? (5)
- 6 Something people do to earn money (4)

CREATIVE CORNER

Fill in the answers to the clues on the right of this crossword puzzle

Draw a picture of your house

Return to: TAS Communications, 44 Eastgate, Beverley, East Riding of Yorkshire, HU17 0DT

The winner will be drawn at random from all correctly completed entries and the Editor's decision is final. There is no cash alternative for the prize. Please see www.kingswoodparks.co.uk for the full Terms and Conditions