

# KDBH Neighbourhood Area - Key Issues 2

**Strain on Community Services**

A major area of concern for residents is that new development will put even greater strain on vital community services, particularly health. Timely access to an appropriate practitioner is an issue for many residents, with concerns that access to a doctor of choice will become increasingly difficult with any further new development.

**Lifelong Learning**

Beyond statutory education, there is a desire to improve access to education facilities within the Area across all age ranges.



**School Places**

Residents are concerned that new housing growth may mean their children may not be able to access places in local schools or in a school of their choice, particularly at primary level.

**Improve Wellbeing**

There is a high level of dissatisfaction with the suitability and availability of indoor and outdoor facilities in the Area for sport, leisure, exercise and recreation.

**Social Facilities**

There is a need for improved social facilities for the young (under 18's) and for the elderly to have better access to a range of facilities at appropriate times.

**Improve Communications**

Improvement in the speed of broadband and resolving issues with patchy mobile phone coverage is needed to enable and improve business effectiveness and new, more sustainable, ways of working.



**Modernise Infrastructure**

Housing in KDBH has expanded rapidly over a relatively short time period, but the infrastructure has not increased accordingly - a view confirmed by 88% of business survey respondents.



**Protect Employment and Shops**

Residents and business are of one accord that the Plan needs to define policies that protect existing employment sites, promote appropriate opportunities for people to work in the Area, and maintain the mix, balance and vibrancy of local shopping facilities and services.