



Longparish's Youth Club



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- Was started on 14 June 2006 : 13 girls and 7 boys attended on the first night.
- The object of Kidz Zone is to give young people somewhere safe to meet within the village where they can enjoy social contact and healthy supervised activities
- Kidz Zone Club meets at the Village Hall fortnightly on a Wednesday between 7:00 – 10:00p.m.



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- Club is supervised by adult Club Leaders and run by an adult volunteer Committee:
- Martin Hulme
- Karen Lewis
- Cheryl Dowler
- Trevor Bettell
- Andrea Hulme
- Georgina Knipe
- Fiona Gould



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- Girls and boys aged between 11 – 18 can be Members
- Cost is £1 per Club night; the joining fee also gives membership of the Longparish Community Association
- Kidz Zone now has 27 enthusiastic Members, with average of 15 – 18 attending regularly



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Activities include many indoor games:

- pool
- table football
- badminton
- table tennis
- dodgeball
- darts
- karaoke
- new age kurling
- play station and dance mats
- visiting the tuck shop or hanging out with friends



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- Many Longparish residents have generously helped set Kidz Zone up by donating their time, raising funds or providing equipment for Kidz Zone to use
- During the summer evenings supervised games are held on the football field for activities that need more space than is available in the Village Hall, such as rounders.



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- External activities have taken place – Members meet at the Village Hall and are driven to and from venues in a minibus, along with Club Leaders.
- We've been to
 - 10-pin bowling at Newbury Lakeside Superbowl
 - Quasar & Bowling at Southampton Superbowl
 - And, last Wednesday, Ice Skating at Bracknell.



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- Kidz Zone has a Members' Youth Committee of who help to ensure smooth running of the Club and suggest activities that Members would like to do
- There is a Code of Conduct which Members agree to abide by
- Kidz Zone, the club's name, was chosen by its own members, and has its own logo, kindly designed by Phil Barber



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- A regular monthly column in Hill & Valley magazine spreads the word about planned and past Club activities
- A web page was set up by David Gould and Jeremy Barber, so Kidz Zone has its own page on the Longparish website:
www.longparish/kidzzone.



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- There are several Longparish residents qualified to drive community minibuses, who have offered to drive occasionally, or already driven for us. If anyone else would like to help out with driving a minibus to Kidz Zone external events please let us know, as MIDAS training can be arranged.
- Finally, we'd be pleased to have more volunteers as occasional helpers at Club nights – its not onerous but it IS lively and satisfying – just contact any of the Club Leaders for more information!