# A Multi-Million Pound bid for the future of Kimberley

Kimberley Town Council has been asked to submit proposals for investing up to



£20,000,000

of funding in to Kimberley.

This programme sounds too good to be true, but the funding is really available, and we have to make a justifiable proposal for Kimberley to get it, and it has to be what YOU want, so we need YOUR support.

The project should take place over the next 3 years, with some parts beginning even this year. We have summarised the Council's proposals over the following pages and feel these will benefit the residents and businesses in Kimberley, both in health and prosperity, and make us even more proud to live and work here.

We want to know what YOU think of our these. It is also important to us to know if you have any priorities of your own, and what YOU would want to see £20,000,000 spent on.

Bear in mind that for the bid to be successful, it has to satisfy several criteria.... It must be spent within 3 years, and on capital projects which must be viable, improve the economic success of Kimberley, and benefit the welfare of residents and businesses alike.

The projects must produce a return on investment benefitting the prosperity of all.

#### In short, our present proposals are:

- 1 The creation of a central eco-park where the cricket club now stands.
- 2 The revamping of shop fronts to give them an attractive Victorian look.
- 3 Developing roads and safe cycle routes creating more parking.
- 4 State of the art hologram illuminations for seasonal events to boost visitors No 5 Well that is up to YOU. READ ON...

# YOUR VOICE! YOUR CHOICE? YOUR SAY!

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## Proposal 2 ~ Victorian Kimberley Shopping.

This proposal provides grants to traders to restyle the Kimberley Main Street and James' Street shopping areas to bring back Kimberley Heritage and stimulate trade. New Victorian style shop fronts with, for instance, out-hanging signs and lanterns in unified but varied colour and design window surrounds would create a charming shopping place to visit, not forgetting of course future needs with free Kimberley WiFi service for all residents and visitors.

Potentially, the purchase of the Chemist and Charity shop units on the Precinct, and removing the walls, but leaving the roof, would deliver a covered outdoor space for multi-use. For instance for Christmas events, Farmers or Antique markets. Even staging for the Kimberley Jam or for the Armistice Day Ceremony. Indeed any outdoor use, presentations, charity events, you name it!



## Proposal 3 ~ Enhancing Transport and Parking

Restructure roads and cycle tracks to create more parking spaces and make better routes for both cyclists and pedestrians, with safer school access and links towards the Bennerley Viaduct and the National Cycle Network.

#### Proposal 4 $\sim$ The Kimberley 3D Illuminations.

Environmentally friendly state of the art hologram, laser and LED lighting effects throughout the Town would compliment events all year round, be it a zero-pollution Bonfire Night, dramatic Christmas lights, the Kimberley Jam laser show, cascading poppies on Armistice Day or .... a very spooky green Halloween. Folk will come from miles around to see the Quirky Kimberley Illuminations.



# LED Illuminations & Lightning laser shows

# Proposal 5 ~ Your Choice.

Number 5? Well that is up to YOU. There is a form overleaf where you can make your choice, approve, disapprove or add suggestions.

## Proposal 1 ~ The Kimberley Central Park.

The creation of a parkland space behind the Doghouse Pub where the cricket club now stands.

#### The Eco-Business and Community Pavilion replacing the Parish Hall

This would feature a multi-function eco-centre with open-plan business start-up office space and a Café and meeting rooms, conference and function rooms for dance and fitness, and of course senior citizen activity areas. Perhaps a new medical centre, extra parking on the cricket net area, a crypt-themed teenager club facility and all based on an eco-friendly building with parkland views. This would make the ideal meeting place for business people passing on the nearby M1 junction. A perfect stimulus for local businesses and services whilst fitting in with the Councils' policy of always supporting local suppliers and businesses where possible.



#### **The Cultural and Community Parkland**

Ornamental iron gates from the Main St entrance would lead to a landscaped park with pond and fountain, but more much than the usual tree planting and benches.

An exercise Parkour on the edges of the park, a Lo-Go-Ape course, trim trail with X-trainers and treadmills will give people of all ages and fitness levels the opportunity to keep fit for FREE!

The shallow paddling pond may have ice skating in the winter. An Amphitheatre for outdoor performances and events or Fantasy Sculptures, attractions that would make the park a place for all to relax and of course it inks the Precinct from behind the Doghouse Pub to the Newdigate St. entrance and Toll Bar Square and James Street.

CCTV and speaking litter bins will ensure tidiness and security.



## How your Council made their choices and priorities....

We had a bit of a brainstorming session and considered 18 potential ways to spend £20,000,000. We listed these and voted all the ideas in order of OUR priority and what WE felt would benefit Kimberley most. This was the result below.

It seemed to us that our choices fitted together in the four main proposals. For instance, the Central Park idea perhaps must combine with moving the Cricket Club, along with the Digby Street football training ground, to the area near the Water Tower. The necessarily enhanced Cricket and Football facilities and function rooms would no doubt benefit the Swingate area to service the increased leisure activity.

The LED, laser and 3D Hologram light displays could envigorate ALL parts of Kimberley equally.

None of these ideas are set in stone. We want your support and YOUR thoughts.

Every proposal affects your life and business in Kimberley so think carefully before making your choice. What will benefit you? What would you like to see?

IF, and only IF, we put in a good bid, will we get this finance. We have to propose things that will enhance the PROSPERITY and WELL-BEING of the residents and businesses in Kimberley. So choose wisely.

#### You don't have to choose them all, so just tick the ones you like

Find better ground for cricket club
Change Cricket ground to Central Park with pond and other developments
Build community Hub (perhaps with library, office facilities, youth club)
Buy Water Tower and grounds
Build modern medical centre
Create new Victorian shop fronts for Main street and James' Street
Buy state of the art light and sound effects for Kimberley Illuminations
Buy Pharmacy and Charity shop to create covered events area on Precinct
Redevelop and/or relocate Parish Hall
Buy Swingate field for Cricket and Digby Football Clubs' relocation
Develop James Street Car Park to Market Area
Develop cycle paths to the Bennerley Viaduct and back
Purchase and develop derelict Mains Street Fleuraines Building
Upgrade the Main Street Toilets
Find a better ground for Digby Street Football Club
Provide children's play facilities at Digby Street
Buy the precinct







Now for YOUR IDEAS	
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www.kimberley-tc.co.uk (or s	see QR code on the front of this leaflet).