

Parish Action Plan

The following table contains the Parish Action Plan that resulted from the consultation process. It is a live document that will be used to record progress on each of the actions and it will be managed by the Parish Council.

Comments made during the interview stage or on the questionnaire returns are in italics.

Action No.	Action	You Said	Progress	Responsibility
Transport and Traffic				
2.1	Investigate the reasons as to why some residents have difficulty accessing Cirencester based services and how solutions can be formed to address this issue.	10% of households experience difficulty accessing services (doctor, hospital etc) in Cirencester. Of these 11 households, 73% have members who are over 60 years old.		The Parish Council
2.2	Investigate the viability of, and funding for, routes that will enable residents to travel safely between neighbouring villages on foot and by cycle.	Hopes expressed for ' <i>Network of cycle/foot/horse tracks linking the villages</i> ' and ' <i>Safe paths for cycling/walking down Spine Rd and to Ashton Keynes, South Cerney and bridle way right of access</i> '. The suggested routes from the questionnaire are shown in map 2.1.1.		The Parish Council, in consultation with Gloucestershire Highways and funding bodies
2.3	Investigate the viability of new footpaths within the Parish	As well as routes between villages, households expressed hopes for new footpaths within the Parish such as ' <i>Safer walking to Neighbridge area</i> '. Map 2.1.2 shows the desired new footpaths.		The Parish Council, in consultation with Gloucestershire Highways and funding bodies
2.4	Investigate how the speed of vehicles can be reduced in and around the Parish.	Liked least : ' <i>Spine Rd getting busier - more noise/traffic</i> ' and ' <i>Speeding traffic through the village</i> '. Nearly 50% of households responded that a ' <i>reduced speed limit</i> ' was a requirement. The identified points for this are shown in map 2.1.3		The Parish Council, in consultation with Gloucestershire Highways and other enabling bodies
2.5	Write a formal letter of support to Andy Bus to express satisfaction with their 93 bus route.	<i>'Very good that we have a frequent bus service'</i> . Whilst only 15% of households use the service on a regular basis, 57% of households viewed the service as an essential part of village life.		Parish Plan Group
Housing and Development				
3.1	Investigate, through a housing needs survey, areas within the Parish where low key developments will be acceptable. A Neighbourhood Development Plan NDP can also be considered for this.	A good number of households agreed with the sentiment of ' <i>No further housing developments</i> ' with 51.8% of the opinion that there should be no more housing. However, 50.9% stated that some housing should be permitted such as starter homes and homes to downsize to. This was reinforced by comments such as: ' <i>More affordable, smaller houses</i> ' and ' <i>More low cost housing for young people and the elderly but in a controlled way</i> '. The results were inconclusive so a more		The Parish Council and GRCC

		detailed housing needs survey should be carried out.		
3.2	Advocate the continuation of the Settlement Protection Zones.	86% of households advocated the continuation of this policy		The Parish Council and CDC
3.3	Communicate to CDC the overwhelming support for there to be no more holiday homes permitted in the Parish.	Concerned ' <i>That the village will become a dormitory village with second homes</i> ' and liked least ' <i>Encroachment by developers taking over the the open countryside i.e. holiday homes</i> '. 77% of households do not want any more holiday homes to be given planning permission.		The Parish Council and GRCC
Environment				
4.1	Improve the condition and maintenance of well used footpaths, pavements, cycle ways and bridleways within the Parish.	Approximately 40% of households have the view that the maintenance and management of pavements, footpaths, cycle ways and bridleways needs improvement.		The Parish Council, in consultation with Gloucestershire Highways, GCC, CDC and funding bodies
4.1	Lobby Gloucestershire Highways to improve the condition of the roads within the Parish	Nearly 50% of households stated that road maintenance should be improved. Residents liked least about the Parish the ' <i>State of roads - potholes</i> '.		The Parish Council, in consultation with Gloucestershire Highways and funding bodies
Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour				
5.1	Establish the status of current Neighbourhood Watch Scheme.	Whilst most households are aware of the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, only half of households receive communications from a neighbourhood watch co-ordinator.		Parish Council in consultation with the neighbourhood watch coordinator.
Services				
6.1	Write to Post Office to commend Cirencester based service.	Over 95% of households are satisfied with their postal service.		Parish Plan Group
6.2	Create a group / organisation that can lobby for the improvement of broadband and mobile telephone coverage within the Parish.	Many comments were made about the requirement for improvement to telecommunication services within the Parish with ' <i>slow broadband</i> ' and ' <i>No mobile phone coverage</i> ' being stated as things that residents liked least about the Parish. Nearly 60% of households expressed a wish for 'fibre broadband'.		Parish Plan Group and Parish Council
Community Life				
7.1	Work for the creation / affirmation of public rights of way into and around Keynes Country Park to ensure that the public has uninhibited pedestrian access into the park.	Over 80% of households value footpaths within the Parish and there is a strong desire to ' <i>Legalise old footpaths around lakes stopped so far by Watermark</i> '		The Parish Council
7.2	Investigate the viability of creating a play area / open space within village.	Many households expressed views for ' <i>More facilities for parents and children such as play area</i> ' and a desire to ' <i>Create a communal meeting place with benches/play area</i> '. Nearly 40% of households stated that they would like a communal outside area.		The Parish Council, in consultation with funding bodies and GRCC.

7.3	Establish a group / organisation that can investigate the viability of a shop and post office and investigate the optimal location for it, should it be viable.	'Lack of village shop' occurred frequently in the 'Liked Least about living in the Parish' and over 80% of households stated that they require a shop as a new facility.		Parish Plan Group and Parish Council with GRCC.
7.4	Run an event for the children of the Parish to establish their needs and their requirements.	The Parish Plan Group recognises that it has yet to ascertain the views of the children within the Parish		Parish Plan Group