

PUBLIC MEETING Held on 14th February 2005 at Bisley WI Hall at 8pm.

Police, Fire & Health Services.

A welcome and an introduction to the Parish Plan was given by Phil Dawes. A Village Design Statement will be “what villagers would like to see for future Planning in their area”.

The format of the evening was introduced by Roger Budgeon.

POLICE SERVICES – Guest – PC Reuben Wyatt – Mobile Police Station

Questions	Concerns	Comments
Role of Mobile Police Station		PC Reuben Wyatt visits most villages but only stops in a few. Will stop elsewhere if contacted by phone or email. Average of 2-3 people visit at most stops. He can cover most services provided by a Police Station – Post coding of Bicycles, accept documents, videos of home security methods and much more.
SDC Rep. On board		Can answer most queries about Council services or will find out. Deliver bus tokens etc.
	Night time Crime	999 if emergency.
Switchboard understanding		Make information and directions as clear and concise as possible. Villages can supply maps.
Local Police		PC Mark Vickers is based at Bussage and, unless re-directed to an incident, would be there during published hours.
	Minor Crime	Funding not available for immediate response.
	Financial restraints on providing more cover	Contact Chief Officers – PCCM Meetings to request PC’s stay in villages for a longer period of service.
Are Speed Limits enforced? How?		Policing of speed limits can be arranged by request. (See you Parish Council) Flashing signs have been seen to work well.
Can offenders be publicised?		Through court reporting.
	Speed through Eastcombe	Approach GCC Highways for more positive speed limit signs.
	Incident Response times	

PC REUBEN WYATT can be contacted:

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FIRE SERVICES – Guest – Assistant Divisional Officer Rob Eaton

QUESTIONS	CONCERNS	COMMENTS
Finding the way (Navigation System)		Tri Centre at Quedgeley operates a Post Code Navigation system among others. Manned by LOCAL people who know their areas. (It is very important to support our local fire service and object to the centralisation to Taunton/Plymouth recommended by Govt.) They need clear, concise direction and notification if there is no access for the large appliances. Villages can produce individual maps and communicate with the local fire service. Clear House Names/Numbers/Street/Lane names are very important.
	Availability of Hydrants	These could appear on the Map to show which houses are not served – request made to fire service for more. Householders to know situation of their nearest hydrant.
	Small Fire Engines equipment	These appliances carry all the equipment needed and enough water to put out most fires.
	Other Services provided	Commercial Fire Safety checks for businesses. Community Fire Safety- Advice and talks on Home Safety Check Schemes.

One of the main points made at the Meeting was the concern that Emergency Services may not find the House. (Oakridge have already made a map and approached the Fire Service with their local knowledge and information).

HEALTH SERVICES – Guest – Bob Brooks for Dr. T Crouch

Questions	Concerns	Comments
	None of our villages have a Doctor's Surgery.	Surgeries at Chalford Hill and Painswick are used by most people in our parishes.
Transport to Surgeries		Volunteer drivers are available through S.D.CVS –Ring & Ride. A bus service is in operation from Eastcombe – Gloucester passing through our parishes, calling at Painswick Surgery and collecting an hour or so later – Wednesday's only.
	Home Care	Great shortage of Homes Carers.
Out of Hours Service		GP based at Stroud Hosp. with an Ambulance Car and Paramedic, the paramedic deciding if an Ambulance /Hospital trip is needed. They cover a huge area – Pressure on PCT for more funding – two doctors needed.
Ambulance Navigation		Post Code and local knowledge. Access to narrow lanes etc need to be explained at point of call.
Accident & Emergency		Stroud Hospital - 24 hour Cirencester Hospital – 24 hour.
	Chiropody	Patients from Chalford surgery need to go to Beeches Green Health Centre.
	Services available	Request lists to be available at the Surgeries. (already on websites)