

Bisley with Lypiatt & Miserden Parish Plan Public Meeting - Wednesday 16th March 2005 at Bisley WI Hall.

Phil Dawes gave an introduction and welcome also explained that the Heart of the Parish Plan is to enable Parish Councils to take forward the needs of their communities. The Village Design Statement is to assist with future Planning Applications. He asked for names & addresses of attendees so any feedback could be sent to them.

EDUCATION / SOCIAL ANENITIES

Roger Budgeon introduced the section on Education. We have 4 Primary Schools and I Secondary School in our Parishes, access to local Colleges of Further Education & University.

EDUCATION	
Questions/Concerns	Comments
Primary Schools	More cooperation needed between them. Parish Councils to support the schools in any way possible to them. There is a need for children from out of the parish to keep the schools running.
Glos. County Council Education Review (for next 10 yrs).	Primary - 4000 Spare places now – increasing to 9000 by 2011 Secondary - 4000 spare places by 2011. Primary Schools in these parishes have waiting lists from people outside the area – these children are needed to keep the schools viable. Parishes should make it clear that they need to keep their Local Schools with local children having priority for spaces available.
School Transport	Parish Councils to challenge the 3mile rule on bus travel as the roads are unsafe for walking or cycling. Request Cycle Tracks and Footpaths. Lobby for cheaper bus passes.
School Facilities	Some school facilities could be shared with the Community so more funds could be obtained by Parish Councils to support these.
Adult Education	Requests for teachers of specific topics can be made to Cirencester & Stroud Colleges to be run in Village Halls.
WEA Classes	Availability to be researched.
Various Private Courses	Available at different locations e.g. Art Classes.
Social Amenities	
Play Spaces needed for Bisley & The Camp	Bisley have a Management Fund – need to find a location. The Camp need to find a location if possible.
Teenage Amenities	Consult with them – what do they need / want? Use of Village Halls – need supervision.
Skateboard Park	Insurance costs, locations.
Youth activities	Frith Youth Centre Chalford Rams Explorers (14-18yrs)
Transport to youth Activities	Phone to book evening bus to & from Stroud Clubs etc. Publicise in Newsletters & on Website. Hire of Minibus from Glos. Minibus Scheme
Other Activities in the Parishes	Publicise in Newsletters & up to date Websites.
Villagers do not know each other.	Welcome Packs of useful contacts and social activities to be given to newcomers and available for residents. Parish Councils to lobby for NO reduction in Council Tax for 2 nd homes & holiday homes.
Newsletters	Include more info. about neighbouring parish activities. (possibly a separate sheet available to all).
Transport for Elderly	Research “Good Neighbour Scheme” Hire of Minibus from Glos. Minibus Scheme. Ring & Ride – Stroud.
Allotments	Maintain & Publicise allotments in Bisley, Eastcombe, Far Oakridge, Oakridge & Waterlane.

