

# SIBFORDS COMMUNITY PLAN: LAUNCH

## Summary of 'Love' or 'Hate' Comments and General Suggestions and Improvements plus Written Responses

### TRAFFIC AND ROADS (59 Responses)

'Love'		'Hate'	
Lack of through traffic	2	Traffic congestion through inconsiderate or irresponsible parking on village roads especially at Shop	21
		Speeding on village roads	15
		Poor gritting service	5
		Pot holes	3
		Road cleanliness	1
		Traffic at Primary School	2
		Traffic in Sibford Ferris at certain times	1
Be tolerant to farm vehicles	1	Ban farm vehicles	1
		Lack of pedestrian pavements	1

General Suggestions / Improvements	
Smaller buses in keeping with demand and size of roads	1
Sensitively designed traffic calming particularly in Sibford Ferris Main Street – but no humps or flashing lights	1
Better liaison / co-operation from County Council on gritting of roads in severe winter weather and stocking of grit / salt bins	2
Measures to make 30mph speed limit adhered to	1
Improve road surfacing in Bonds End Lane	1

### HOUSING (85 responses)

'Love'		'Hate'	
No street lights, clear night skies (Gower)	15	No street lights(Gower)	1
Countryside, the Valley and beyond	15	Footpath map not easily available.	1
Peace and Quiet	6		
Quaker tradition	1		
Vicar lives in village	1		
Our postman	1		
Limited new development	1		

## HOUSING (continued)

General Suggestions / Improvements	
More 'Affordable Housing' needed with more young people around in 20 to 40 age group	26
No development in the valley	3
No new Housing	4
Fewer 2 <sup>nd</sup> homes /Weekenders	2
No new housing estates	2
No modern housing	1
New houses must have off street parking.	1
Some new residents and small Business Park	1
Need a clear position on all New Housing	1
Housing and infrastructure need to be examined in order to support community and nurture young people associated with two schools	1

## LEISURE AND RECREATION (46 Responses)

'Love'		'Hate'	
Cricket Pitch and Open area in village	1	Lack of a playing field	1
Children's playground / play area	2	Park / play area - could be improved	1
Use of Sibford School's sporting facilities	1	Lack of leisure facilities and activities for teenagers and young people	3
The excellent rural walks and paths	1	Lack of a village pub that can be walked to (following closure of Bishop Blaize)	1
Village Groups and Activities	2		
Schools and Churches	1		
Village Shop and Post Office	1		
Good mixture of people	1		
Horticultural Show	1		

General Suggestions / Improvements	
Requirement for a Playing Field / Sports Pitch	5
Provision of Allotments within the villages	5
Extend and link existing footpaths and bridleways	1
Establish more permissive paths to enable creation of more circular paths within villages	1
Have one big village Fête instead of separate fetes held by church / Village Hall Committee etc	1
Save the Bishop Blaize	2
Village Pantomime	5
Establish a Drama Group for Children	1
Churches Focus Group	2
More activities available for young people	1
Drop in Centre for Teenagers, Adults and Groups	5

## COMMUNITY (81 Responses)

'Love'		'Hate'	
I like hearing the kids playing at school	1	Lack of support for Village Hall	1
The Schools (Maintain – 1)	4	Dog Fouling / inconsiderate dog walkers	1
Having a Local Pub	1	Poor use of village church	1
Community life and the local community. Comments included: strong local community spirit and 'heart and soul'; a caring community; kindness, friendship and helpful attitude of villagers; friendly atmosphere; supported by website and magazine	14	Lack of sports facilities	1
Surgery and Dispensing Pharmacy	5	Poor provision for young people – need for a 'teen scene'	1
Wide range of Village amenities : Shop / Village Hall and Facilities / Surgery / playground / Pub / Churches	12	Lack of support for Parish Councils at their meetings	1
A diverse and interesting population / mixed community	2	Closure of the Bishops Blaize	1
Large enough to support good facilities	1	Highways Conditions	1
The Shop	1	Village Drainage	1
The newspaper delivery	2		
Three good places of worship: Anglican, Methodist and Quaker who work together	1		
No street lights	1		
A good lunch club for housebound	1		
Firework Display	1		
Very good Parish Council	1		
Sibford Scene	1		

General Suggestions / Improvements	
Look at uniting the Parish Councils	1
More support at Parish Council meetings	1
Consider improving links between the two villages	1
Save the Bishop's Blaize and not allow development	8
Provision of a Playing Field	1
Investigate ways to help houses of worship;	3
Use of Holy Trinity Church for other activities,	2
Possibly selling of Church and congregation integrated with Swalcliffe Church	1
Develop a framework for financial support for the church	1
Greater involvement of children in village events	1
College education provision	1
Improved liaison with and 'listening' by District and County Councils	1
More community activities	1

## BUSINESS AND ECONOMY (39 Responses)

General Suggestions / Improvements	
Improve Broadband service	12
Improve reception for mobile phone service	8
Like village shop	7
Like surgery/dispensary	2
Shop to have later open hours	4
Do something about Bishop's Blaize	3
Lower heating oil prices	1
Good to have Friends' School in Community	1
More 'Self-Determination'	1

## ENVIRONMENT (54 Responses)

'Love'		'Hate'	
No street lights, clear night skies and ability to see the stars (Gower)	15	No street lights(Gower)	1
Rural location and countryside and green spaces within surrounding and the beyond the villages, and the Valley	17	Footpath map not easily available.	1
Peace and Quiet	6		
Quaker tradition	1		
Vicar lives in village	1		
Our postman	1		
New houses eco-friendly	1		
The village pond	2		

General Suggestions / Improvements	
Alternative energy should be in Plan	1
Community ordered heating oil	1
Community Tool Bank	1
Community Owl Barn	1
Control of outdoor / security lighting on houses	1
Conservation of the Valley	1
A Year Round 'Village Tidy Group'	1
Improve litter and cleanliness of streets	1

## CRIME AND COMMUNITY SAFETY (6 Responses)

'Love'		'Hate'	
Lack of crime	3	Don't like Street lights	1
Safe, friendly and inclusive	1		
Safe and secure and don't want street lighting	1		