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PARISH PLAN

INTRODUCTION



In Autumn 2002 the survey of all residents in Stainton Parish Council took place.

The purpose of the survey was to establish needs for the community and to develop the Parish Plan.

Any significant matters which were identified could then be incorporated into the Plan and used to assist in the development of the Area.

Completed survey forms were received from 118 out of 140 households in the Parish.

The main findings of the survey were incorporated into a presentation held for all the village residents at Sellet Hall on March 28th 2003.

The slides from that presentation are set out in this document together with comments and actions already taken or planned

STANTON

WHY WE CHOSE TO LIVE HERE

✓ or ✗ denotes positive/negative comments made by you

→ = Going forward

- ✓ Peace & Tranquillity
- ✓ Family, Employment, Nice house.
- ✓ Convenient to most amenities
- ✓ Beautiful scenery
- ✓ Friendly, helpful neighbours



There was an overwhelming view that people enjoyed living in the rural environment with the benefits of the countryside, and the advantage of being close to amenities in Kendal and the road/rail link

People did not wish to see any major change taking place particularly if this compromised their peace and tranquillity.





OUR ENVIRONMENT

- ✓ High satisfaction level for overall appearance.
- ✓ A desire to build on Community Spirit
- ✓ Fantastic response to the request for a "clean up day" with over 50 volunteers
- ✗ Some concerns over litter/dog fouling.
- ✗ Speeding traffic a concern for many

ENVIRONMENT continued

- Encouragement for attendance at Parish events
- Volunteer leaders required to set up "adopt a stretch of the village"
- Above all consideration for others in our Community
- Consideration to other road user please

§ Many comments were made but the main themes concerned traffic and litter.

There was a very positive response to setting up an Annual Clean up Day and to a proposal to Adopt a Stretch of Village. A successful litter pick was held on Saturday 26th April and it is intended to repeat this annually in Spring.

Actions going forward

By You

- § Keep the area free from litter and adopt a stretch of village to maintain
(see notice board for uncovered areas)
- § Participate in annual clean up events
- § Support future organised events
- § Control dog fouling



TRANSPORT

Public Transport - or the lack of it – but

- ✓ only 15 had problems
- ✓ Excellent response for volunteers for occasional help with transport
- ✓ School bus now operating.
- ✓ Church car park now under construction



TRANSPORT Continued

- ✗ Key concerns are
- ✗ Speeding traffic, Passing places on lanes and A65 footpath
- ✗ The state of our roads
- ✗ Identified danger spots include:
 - ✗ Millbridge/A65 - now much improved
 - ✗ Church and School crossroads

- § **Concerns about traffic and transport created the most significant level of response in the survey. A number of danger spots were identified on local roads and the speed of traffic on the A65 and lanes gave cause for concern.**
- § **88 households supported an application for a pathway to complete the missing section along the A65 between Shyreakes and Summerlands.**



Transport continued

- Explore further emergency transport rota
- Hotline telephone number for road repairs e.g. pot holes 0845 609 6609
- Parish Council to investigate solutions for speeding traffic
- School car park under consideration
- Please set an example with safer/slower driving



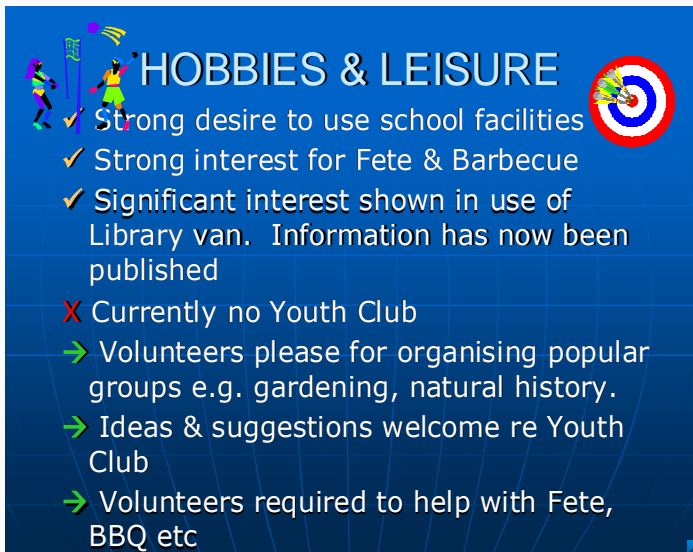
Actions going forward

By the Parish Council

- § Continue to pursue options for school car parking
- § Consult with SLDC over path for A65 and imposing speed restrictions on some roads

By You

- § Reduce speed on all lanes in the Parish
- § Sign up to provide emergency rota transport (see notice boards)
- § Report road repair matters to hotline 0845 609 6609



HOBBIES & LEISURE

- ✓ Strong desire to use school facilities
- ✓ Strong interest for Fete & Barbecue
- ✓ Significant interest shown in use of Library van. Information has now been published
- ✗ Currently no Youth Club
 - Volunteers please for organising popular groups e.g. gardening, natural history.
 - Ideas & suggestions welcome re Youth Club
 - Volunteers required to help with Fete, BBQ etc



- § There was a generally consistent view and request that greater access should be made available to the schools facilities and for a village event to be organised periodically

Actions going forward

By Parish Council

- § Dates and times of Library van now published on Notice Boards
- § Date was arranged for a meeting of special interest groups to meet and discuss ideas. This meeting was poorly attended and another date will be arranged later in the year.
- § To reassess next year whether there might be sufficient interest in a Parish youth group.

By You

- § Please advise any member of the Parish Council if you would like to organise or assist in arranging a village activity later in 2004

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE



- ✓ Currently most children play at home
- ✓ School play equipment available out of school hours with parental supervision
- ✗ Facilities for pre school children
- ✗ 50% of replies would welcome more activities for children/teens
- ➔ Outdoor Sports area suggested - to be investigated



§ There were only a very small number of young people in the Parish and it would be expensive to make any special arrangements.

§ **Actions going forward**

§ **By Parish Council**

§ Follow up initial investigations into creation of a multi-games area at school

§ **By You**

§ Use the school climbing frame which originated from Barnados at Barrow Green, which is available outside school hours under parental supervision.

§ Use facilities for toddlers and play groups which are available in Sedgwick, Natland, and Endmoor.

INFORMATION



- ✓ 75% of Parish are well enough informed
- ✓ 25% not well enough informed of events
- Parish Council to examine possible solutions
- Your suggestions would be welcome
- Continue publicity in Parish Newsletter
- Regular reports in Parish Magazine

DECISIONS MADE BY PARISH COUNCIL

- ✗ 50% Do not feel sufficiently informed
- Parish Council to consider how to rectify
- Your suggestions would be welcome
- Parish Council meetings are publicised on notice boards
- We encourage you to attend

§ The majority of people felt adequately informed about events within the Parish, but not about the Parish Council and decisions made.

§ **Actions going forward**

§ **By Parish Council**

§ Continue to produce the Parish Newsletter

§ Consider how information can be more effectively communicated.

§ **By You**

§ Attend the bi-monthly Parish Council meeting held at School. Details of dates are regularly published on notice boards.

COMMUNITY

- ✓ The School is important in this Community
- ✓ The Church and Chapel are important in this Community
- Development of a focal point to the Parish
- Calendar of Parish events to be developed
- Encourage newcomers to join Parish events
- Develop welcome pack with key contacts for all organisations



§ Stainton does not have any natural centre or focal point and there was a view that this contributed to a lack of community spirit.

§ **Actions going forward**

§ **By Parish Council**

§ A calendar of events will be developed to keep everyone informed of Parish activities.

§ A 'welcome pack' will be developed for all households to use as a basis for informing everyone of local organisations and contacts.

CONCERNS FOR SAFETY

- ✓ No actual house break ins
- ✓ High Concern - Low Occurrence
- ✓ Neighbourhood Watch
- ✓ 48 already in scheme.
- ✗ 6 break ins from outbuildings
- 41 would like to join neighbourhood watch
- 3 Volunteer Group Co-ordinators required to set up neighbourhood watch schemes for Shyreakes/Humphrey, Halfpenny, & Barrows Green.



§ There was quite a high level of general concern about personal and safety for property as reflected in the public at large. However the incidences of any problems was very low.

§ **Actions going forward**

§ **By Parish Council**

§ Follow up expressions of interest for Neighbourhood watch schemes in Shyreakes/Humphrey, Halfpenny and Barrows Green areas.

§ **By You**

§ Ensure that the existing schemes continue to work effectively by using the network to report any problems



YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP THE PLAN FURTHER

- § This plan is just the starting point
- § This plan in itself is not going to change anything, but summarises the views expressed by you at the time the survey was conducted. It will not make a difference if it gets put away once you have read it. It is a reflection of your views and sets out some ideas for making improvements and responding to some of the points you raised.
- § This is now your chance to get involved and help to both change and improve things.
- § Please let any Parish Council member know if there are things that you feel you could do to assist with the implementation of the plan and its further development.