

# Parish Plan

summary  
of key points



# PARISH & COMMUNITY-LED PLAN QUESTIONNAIRE 2012

## BERRY HILL/CHRISTCHURCH/EDGE END/CANNOP

### SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS

Answers given by **at least 50%** of the 379 households who took part in the survey, either relating to things they think are a problem, improvements/developments they would like to see, proposals they agree or disagree with, or things that are of high importance to them, are summarised below. All percentages are out of the total number of households who took part in the survey (379).

#### ENVIRONMENT

- **71%** think dog fouling is either a major problem (31%) or a problem (40%) in their area
- **62%** think litter is either a major problem (18%) or a problem (44%) in their area
- **69%** think that having no building on open spaces and parks is of high importance
- **66%** think freedom of access to the Statutory Forest is of high importance
- **64%** think maintaining and protecting the heritage and landscape of the Forest of Dean is of high importance

#### HOUSING & DEVELOPMENT

- **65%** think that making sure there are adequate facilities to support housing developments is of high importance
- **52%** think that using 'brownfield' sites where possible is of high importance
- **79%** would prefer an Education Facility on the 5 Acres site and **79%** would prefer playing fields/leisure facilities\*
- **67%** would prefer an Education Facility on the Berry Hill Site and **69%** would prefer playing fields/leisure facilities\*

*\*N.B. Respondents could tick up to 2 options for these questions*

#### POLICE & COMMUNITY SAFETY

- **69%** think more visible policing is needed in their area

#### ROADS & TRAFFIC

- **74%** think potholes area either a major problem (41%) or a problem (33%) in their area
- **68%** think speeding traffic is either a major problem (29%) or a problem (39%) in their area
- **67%** think road maintenance is either a major problem (35%) or a problem (32%) in their area

#### COMMUNITY

- **61%** think better information on what is happening between the areas would best help pull the community together
- **58%** said the schools are very important to them in their community

#### COMMUNITY FACILITIES

- **59%** said better advertising for events would encourage them to use the community facilities more

#### EDUCATION & SKILLS

- **88%** do not agree with the proposed move of Gloucestershire College to the Cinderford area (Northern Arc)
- **78%** do not feel they have had enough information about the proposed move
- **92%** want the college to stay on the 5 Acres site
- **91%** think the sports & leisure facilities (including theatre) should remain on the current site if the move goes ahead
- **88%** want to retain post-16 education facilities in the Forest of Dean area
- **61%** do not wish Berry Hill Primary School to join with Lakers School to create a single school to cater for all ages

#### PARISH

- **84%** do not know what is going on West Dean Parish including information about the Parish Council
- **69%** do not know their West Dean Parish Councillor
- **64%** would like to receive information about West Dean Parish Council by newsletter

#### BUSINESS & ECONOMY

- **61%** would like to see small businesses employing under 10 people in their area
- **58%** would like to see retail/shops in their area