



WYMESWOLD PARISH PLAN **Action Plan**

What happens next?

A 20 page questionnaire was delivered to every household in the parish during July 2004 and 71 percent of households completed them, a total of 630. We identified 61 action points. An action point is an issue that you have identified as requiring some attention from us as a community or from the councils and other organisations that provide our services. The **Action Plan** describes our view of how the community can get together to resolve these issues.

The Parish Plan documents have been prepared by a group of volunteers (the Parish Plan Steering Group). This group is undertaking a number of actions within the Plan. In particular we are acting as an information service to both parishioners and service providers. We hope this information will bring people together who share common interests and enable them to work together to resolve issues. The current steering group will be disbanded after the **Plan Presentation Day on 16th April 2005**. Wymeswold Parish Council, as sponsors of the plan, will monitor progress and update the **Action Plan** but a new 'Plan Review Group' may be set up if there are enough volunteers prepared to carry the work forward.

The response rate of parishioners to the questionnaire was outstanding by any measure. The resulting information is thus authoritative and can be used to promote the interests of all parishioners.

When reading the action plan, please think not only of what 'they' can do but also what 'I' can do to support the action plan.

Please come and see us on 16th April at the Memorial Hall.

Regards

Steve Johnson
Chairman, Parish Plan Steering Group

WYMESWOLD PARISH PLAN – Action Plan

Key: **PPG** – (Wymeswold) Parish Plan Group
CBC – Charnwood Borough Council
LCC – Leicestershire County Council
PCC – (St Mary’s) Parochial Church Council
WHO – Wolds Historical Organisation

WPC – Wymeswold Parish Council
RCC - Rural Community Council, Leicestershire and Rutland
WNW – Wymeswold Neighbourhood Watch
PCT – Primary Care Trust
WMHMC – Wymeswold Memorial Hall Management Committee

The actions may be cross-referenced with your short report by following the matching headings. The action point numbers will be found on the full report, which is available for purchase in hard copy and CD-ROM or can be viewed on Wymeswold web site www.wymeswold.org

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Environmental maintenance issues

1	Ensure that all parishioners are made aware of the importance of their contribution to the maintenance of the environment.	PPG, WPC CBC Parishioners	Deliver PPG presentation, leaflets for circulation and notices where appropriate. Ensure parishioners are aware who is responsible for each aspect of environmental maintenance.	Continuing	Meet expectations expressed by parish e.g. less litter, tidy appearance of parish, leading to increased pride in the village and well maintained public areas.
2	Support service providers and individuals in their efforts to improve maintenance of the physical environment.	WPC, Environment Agency	Investigate grant possibilities (RCC). Pursue means of preserving hedges, trees, green spaces and water courses where they are of public value.		
3	Review situation on dog fouling. Encourage dog owners to be responsible for clearing up after their dogs.	WPC, Dog owners, CBC dog warden	Ensure dog owners are fully aware of the feelings of parishioners. Method as above. Advertise for a parish ‘dog warden’. Parishioners to be encouraged to report offenders.	Summer 2005	Less fouling. All dog owners cleaning up after their pets.
4, 6	Advise parishioners how to report road and path defects. Ensure LCC Highways are notified as soon as defects are observed.	WPC, LCC	Households informed of mechanisms by utilising WPC, PPG and notices in <i>The Link</i> .	Summer 2005	All households receive information. Highways defects reported and repaired quickly.
5, 6	Devise an action plan to control and deal with fly tipping. Identify vulnerable areas and obtain information to support the prosecution of offenders.	WPC, CBC, LCC, Parishioners	Police guidance on the reporting of fly tipping to be made available at PPG presentation and via village information systems..	Continuing	Action plan published. Prosecution of offender(s) reported in press and locally.

Heritage awareness and the use of parish churches

7	Improve awareness of heritage.	PPG, WHO	Produce and advertise a heritage leaflet.	Autumn 2005	Increased heritage awareness.
8	Initiate heritage projects.	WPC	WPC to liaise with WHO and local Heritage Warden to prioritize proposed and new heritage projects. Explore funding with RCC / CBC/ LCC.	Continuing	Funding for heritage projects obtained.
9	Review the use of the parish church.	PCC	Establish a review group	Winter 2005	Increased use of the parish church.

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Use and condition of field paths and rights of way

10, 11	Improve condition of footpaths in the parish.	Footpath warden, walking group, WPC and LCC	Set up a group with footpath warden, walking group and other interested parties to work with landowners to improve footpaths. Produce walks leaflet and map. Funding available from LCC.	Spring 2006	Improved condition and increased use of footpaths. Village walks leaflet distributed.
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Recycling of waste, energy conservation and renewable energy

12, 13, 14	Investigate and, if appropriate, provide additional recycling facilities.	WPC, CBC	Liaise with waste disposal and recycling companies	Spring 2006	Additional provision in place.
15	Provide information about energy saving and alternative forms of energy provision.	PPG Parishioners	Invite CBC and energy saving agencies to an open meeting in order to create a local energy saving group.	Meetings held by Spring 2006	Meetings attended by parishioners leading to the reduction of energy consumption and increase in use of renewable energy sources.

Parishioners' environmental 'pet hates'

16, 17, 18, 19	Ensure noise, vibration, fumes and other traffic environmental issues are considered when traffic problems are addressed (see traffic section).	Police Parishioners CBC	Investigate violations of laws by noisy and badly parked vehicles. Minimise use of vehicles in village Advise on planning issues with regard to motor sports.	Spring 2006	Parishioners generally happier about environmental impact of traffic.
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Things we like to do; youth activities and clubs

20, 23	Increase range of activities available to parishioners. Make parishioners aware of existing opportunities, venues and contact details. Increase use of the playing field and improve its facilities.	PPG, CBC, existing clubs, WPC	Advertise for a village sports and leisure coordinator(s) to bring together interested parishioners and to liaise with CBC sports devel. officer and others. Publicize existing opportunities. Explore grant opportunities (RCC funding pack).	asap	New activities and clubs to meet the needs of parishioners. Directory of venues, facilities and prices produced. Up to date village diary maintained.
21	Bring together those who have expressed a particular interest.	PPG	Contact those individuals who, by way of the contact form, have expressed a particular interest in participating / organising an activity.	asap	Individuals with similar interests will have made contact.
22, 24	Promote youth activities within existing clubs and develop new opportunities.	PPG, WPC, CBC	Advertise for an organiser to bring together adults interested in working with Mary Sage (county volunteer youth organiser), Andrew Lake (CBC youth services coordinator) and other interested persons to devise and implement a plan of action. Explore grant opportunities (RCC funding pack).	End 2005	Organiser appointed. Plan of action produced to address the needs of the village youth.
25	Disabled access to upper floor of Memorial Hall desirable.	WMHMC	NHS Non- recurrent Partnership Awards grants available (See RCC funding pack).	asap	Access for disabled installed.

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Education issues

27	Inform Wymeswold school, governors and PTA of findings.	PPG	Send copy of report to school, governors and PTA.	Spring 2005	Report sent.
28	Investigate opportunities for after school provision.	Parents	Bring together interested persons to investigate possibilities. Explore grant opportunities (RCC funding pack).	Autumn 2005	After school provision, as required, in place.
26	Investigate opportunities for holiday play scheme provision.	Parents	In conjunction with above or as separate initiative. Explore grant opportunities (RCC funding pack).	Autumn 2005	Holiday play scheme provision, as required, in place.

Higher education

29	Inform potential providers about parishioners' interests in pursuing adult education courses.	PPG, LCC, community education and colleges	Send a copy of report to relevant officers.	Spring 2005	Report sent
30	Make parishioners aware of opportunities and investigate provision of additional classes.	PPG LEA area organiser based at Stonehill	Promote the idea of an adult education coordinator from within the parish. This person to liaise with providers and parishioners to address needs identified in questionnaires.	Continuing	Feedback to parishioners about possible new opportunities and new classes set up if appropriate.

Local services and public transport

31, 32, 33, 34	Provide an effective parish information service.	PPG, WPC	Bring interested persons together to collate, and manage information. Extend the <i>Welcome</i> leaflet and produce a <i>Village Directory</i> to include voluntary and commercial activities. Grant possibilities available (See RCC Funding Pack).	Summer 2005	An effective printed information service in place at the Post Office, churches, pubs and shops. Establish system for updating on regular basis.
		Local providers	Local providers to promote use of their services by contributing to the above or independently.	Continuing	Increased use of local facilities.
35	Make transport timetable available in village.	WPC	WPC to maintain displayed timetables. Include timetables in local services directory.	Continuing	Parishioners have access to timetables at all times.
36	Investigate the possibility of evening bus services.	PPG, WPC, LCC	Inform providers of results of survey to prompt a response.	Spring 2005	Report sent.
37	Approach potential commercial providers (e.g. Fosse Park) about the possibility of occasional bus services to major commercial centres.	PPG, parish councils, commercial providers	Liaise with other villages prior to contacting commercial outlets.	End 2005	Negotiations opened with providers.
38	Initiate and promote car-sharing schemes.	PPG	Bring interested persons together.	2005	One or more schemes in place.

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Health services and disability

40, 41,	Investigate ways to improve access to services and access to car transport. Identify opportunities for self-help groups.	PPG/WPC Charnwood CVS 'New Business Enterprise' scheme	Assess success of recently implemented volunteer car scheme and <i>Community Transport</i> scheme set up by LCC.	Continuing	Everyone can access services satisfactorily.
42, 43	Inform service providers of the additional services requested by parishioners and encourage local action to fill some of the gaps identified.	PPG, WPC,	Encourage more activities like the Wolds Community Club	Continuing	Some of identified needs met.
39, 44, 45	Continue open discussions with PCT and other service providers for provision of additional services.	PPG/WPC	Continue to lobby PCT about GP and other services in the village. Continue to lobby MP.	Continuing	Satisfactory access to GP services.

Spiritual and pastoral care

46	Refer information in full to PCC and Methodist church authorities.	PPG, PCC and Methodist church authorities	Interested parties to discuss the implications of the full survey results of this section.	Spring 2005	Improved spiritual and pastoral care.
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Concern about crime

47	Align perceptions of crime with reality.	PPG, WPC, WNW and Police	Promote Neighbourhood Watch and consider the best approach to encourage more parishioners to become actively involved.	Continuing	Acceptance that Wymeswold really is a safe place to live.
48	Fully explore the route for increasing police presence.	PPG, WPC, WNW and Quorn Local Policing Unit	Actively seek village volunteer to become a Special Constable. Investigate funding for <i>Community Officer</i> scheme to cover villages of Wymeswold, Burton and Hoton.	Continuing	Special constable appointed. Higher profile police presence.

Traffic and road safety. Traffic control measures and the need for a bypass

General	Set up traffic liaison group (Traffic Group).	PPG, WPC, Other parishes	Invite interested persons to form a traffic liaison group.	End 2005	Active group set up.
49, 50	Reduce speeding through the village.	Traffic Group, WPC, LCC, CBC, MP	Collect information with which to lobby the relevant authorities. WPC to progress installation of traffic calming measures on A6006.	End 2005	Less speeding through village. Traffic calming in place by Summer 2006.

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51, 54	Initiate and support debate on the full implications of a bypass and / or re-routing of east-west trunk traffic flow that currently use the Wolds village roads.	Traffic Group, LCC and WPC	Liaise with Burton on the Wolds PPG and parish councils of other villages affected.	End 2005	Reduced traffic through the village with a safer A6006 as the ideal outcome.
52	Service providers made aware of parishioners' feelings.	PPG	Detailed survey information made available to service providers.	April 2005 (continuing)	<i>(Note: Continued monitoring by WPC or parish plan review group, if one is set up.)</i>
53	Address all aspects of school related vehicle movements.	Traffic Group	Traffic Group to work with school and PTA to encourage more walking to school	End 2005	Less traffic at school start and end times

Optimum future development

55	Sustain the rural community.	WPC, planners, MP	Open debate with planners and MPs.	Continuing	Facilities retained and improved.
56	Inform authorities of parishioners' wishes with respect to balance of housing developments.	PPG, WPC, CBC and planners	Present favoured balance of housing development to LCC and CBC for comment. WPC to actively pursue alternative low cost housing if Wysall Lane application is refused.	Continuing	Local wishes met. Affordable housing provided.
57 58	Understand and inform the parishioners of the implications of further development of Nottingham East Midlands Airport.	WPC, CBC, LCC, PPG	PPG will inform the service providers of parishioners' concerns to prompt a response via the WPC.	Continuing	Parishioners have a better understanding of implications.
59	Act on the concerns of parishioners regarding the effects of Wymeswold airfield activities on village life.	PPG, WPC and councils of affected parishes.	Present views to WPC and CBC and establish liaison method regarding any future developments.	Continuing	Activities on Wymeswold airfield are generally acceptable to parishioners.
60	Ensure all parishioners have a say in planning as expressed in VDS by having a strong input to the proposed 'Development Framework' document.	WPC, CBC, VDS and PPG	Use of VDS and Parish Plan in any changes of future planning policy. Involvement of WPC as sponsors of these documents.	Continuing	Future development to be in line with VDS and Parish Plan.

Communications

61	Develop a parish web site to improve communications in the parish.	PPG	To bring together parishioners interested in forming a management group to raise funds for, set up and manage a parish web site.	End 2005	An authoritative and informative web site.
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