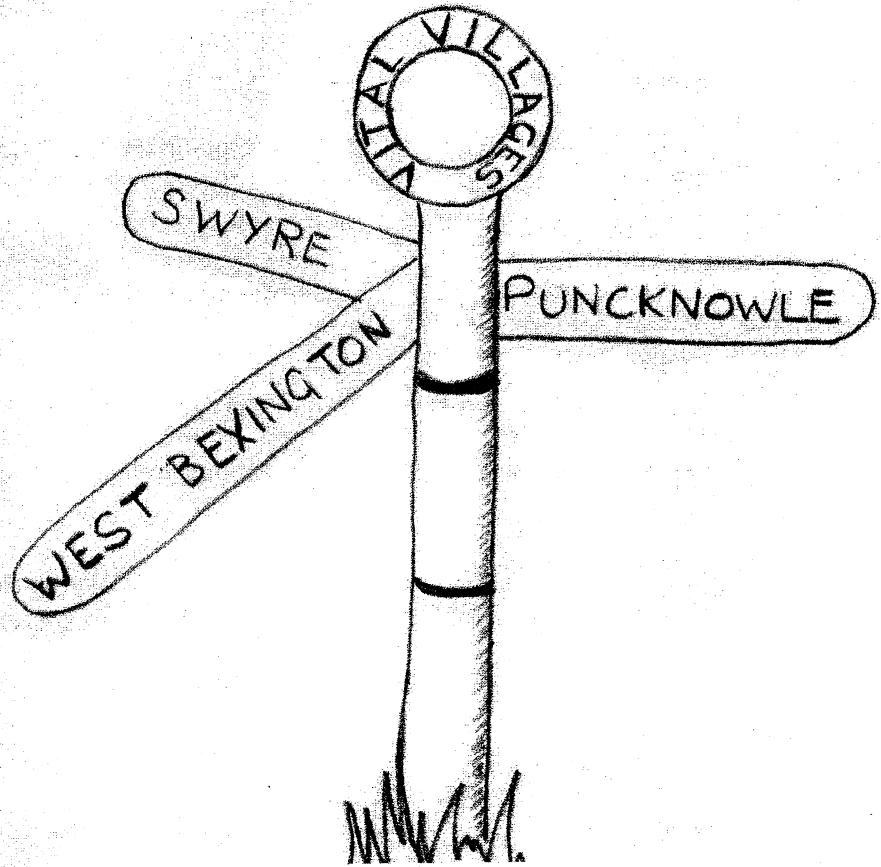


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**SWYRE**

**PUNCKNOWLE**

**WEST BEXINGTON**

**QUESTIONNAIRE**

**Vital Villages – an initiative of:**



## Puncknowle, Swyre and West Bexington Village Plan Questionnaire

This questionnaire has been prepared by a steering group of residents and Parish Councilors as part of the Vital Villages initiative promoted by the Countryside Agency and Dorset Community Action. Its aim is to help our community to identify needs and to suggest changes that may be made to improve the quality of life in our villages. It is administered through the Parish Council with grants from the Countryside Agency.

The first step was to hold open meetings in the Village Hall and the Bull Inn in January, in which we explained the project and invited discussion and ideas. These well-attended meetings led to this questionnaire, designed to provide a snapshot of the state of our villages and to give all members of the community an opportunity to express their concerns, hopes and aspirations. The results will be published as a report so that everyone can be aware of what needs have been identified and the basis for future action plans. This will lead onto the third stage - the formation of working groups of interested people to implement specific ideas which arise.

THANK YOU for taking the time to consider and complete your questionnaire.

Your views are important. We want to identify real needs and find practical changes which can be made for the whole community.

You are only asked to identify yourself on the Volunteer Response Form at the end of the questionnaire (if you choose to get involved in any projects). The Volunteer Form can be returned separately from the questionnaire. Your anonymity as regards the questionnaire will be respected, and the answers you give on it will be treated in complete confidence. If you have any questions or would like help in completing it, please contact us on the number below.

This questionnaire has been distributed to the whole of Puncknowle, Swyre and West Bexington. One per household will be provided, with space for individuals to add their views. There is an additional section for people under 18 to complete. Please try to complete all questions in the boxes provided; there is a large space on the final page for additional information and you are invited and encouraged to make copious comments, criticisms and suggestions here.

The completed questionnaire will be collected by

..... MADELINE MARSHALL ..... (Telephone number..... 897318 .....)

during the week beginning..... 14/7/03 .....

**NOW READ ON:-**

# Puncknowle, Swyre and West Bexington- Questionnaire

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## Household details

**Your household includes all people living under your roof at the time of filling in the questionnaire- this applies to the whole questionnaire**

1. In which village is your household situated? Please tick

Puncknowle	
Swyre	
West Bexington	

2. How long has your household lived in the Parish?  
Please tick

Less than 1 year	1-5 years	6-15 years	16-25 years	26-50 years	51+ years

3. How many people of each category are living within your household?  
Please tick all that apply

Age	0-4	5-10	11-17	18-25	26-40	41-60	61-75	75+
Male								
Female								

4. Is your dwelling Please tick all that apply

Housing Association rented?	
Occupied by virtue of employment?	
Owner-occupied?	
Privately rented?	
Shared equity?	
Other?	

5. Are you or any of your household ? Please tick all that apply

	Employed	Self - employed	Retired	Unemployed	Other
Male					
Female					

## Environment

(Please put any additional comments on the page at the back)

Maps and the footpath officers' details can be found on the village notice boards.

**Please circle the one that applies**

1. Has anyone in your household walked a footpath in the last year? Yes/ No
2. Were you satisfied with the condition of the footpath? Yes/ No
3. Are you satisfied with the condition of footpaths in general? Yes/ No
4. To improve our local environment which of the following initiatives would interest you?

**Please tick all that apply**

A GM Free Parish	
A kerb side recycling box scheme	
Enforcement of speed limits	
Installation of mains gas supply	
Litter bins	
Poop scoop bins	
Provision for allotments	
Radio mast free parish	
Seating around the villages	
The planting of more trees	
Other (please specify)	

## Housing and development

A development boundary shows the limits within the village where building may be allowed. There is a map showing the current development boundary for Puncknowle on Puncknowle notice board.

**Please circle the one that applies**

1. Do you want to see the existing development boundary upheld? ..... Yes/ No

2. West Bexington currently does not have a development boundary.

Would you like one? ..... Yes/ No

3. Swyre currently does not have a development boundary.

Would you like one?..... Yes/ No

4. Will anyone in your household require alternative accommodation in **your** village within five years? Please tick all that apply

Offspring	
Parents	
Other	

5. Please state what type of accommodation is needed and why?

6. Has any member of your immediate family moved from **your** village in the last 5 years due to : Please tick all that apply

Accommodation needs	
Lack of adequate transport	
Lack of employment opportunities	
Other (please specify)	

7. Might any member of your immediate family move from **your** village in the next five years due to: Please tick all that apply

Accommodation needs	
Lack of adequate transport	
Lack of employment opportunities	
Other (please specify)	

8. Given the opportunity of affordable housing would any member of your family return?.....**Please circle the one that applies**..... Yes/ No

9. In the coming years, if the need for further development is **proven** what type of housing would you like to see built in **your** village?

Please tick all that apply

Affordable owner/ occupier homes	
Housing association accommodation	
Medium and expensive owner/ occupier homes units	
Private rented accommodation	
Other (please specify)	

10. If there is a **proven** need in **your** village would you prefer?

Please tick

Small infill sites scattered within the village	
Larger developments	
None of the above	

11. What number of dwellings, over the next ten years, would you like to see built in **your** village?

Please tick

0	
1-5	
6-10	
11+ (please specify)	

12. Would you like to see small workspaces available for cottage industries in **your** village?

**Please circle the one that applies**..... Yes/ No

## Transport

1. How many people in your household drive a vehicle? \_\_\_\_\_
2. How many cars does your household have use of? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Would you be prepared to take part in a scheme to share private cars for?

Please circle the one that applies

Yes/ No

4. If Yes what for?

	Daily	Weekly	Occasionally
Leisure			
Shopping			
Transport to work			
Other (please specify)			

5. Do you currently share private vehicles with other people (non- household) for any of the following?

	Every day	Occasionally
Business		
Leisure		
Shopping		
Taking children to school/college		
Transport to work		
Other (please specify)		

5. Does any member of your household experience difficulties getting to the following towns. Please tick all that apply and tick where you do your main shopping

	Difficulties getting there	Main shopping centre
Bridport		
Weymouth		
Dorchester		
Other (please specify)		

Dorset Country Cars is a transport service in the Bride Valley for people who are not fit enough to use public transport or have no other means of transport to make essential journeys. Information on this service is available from Frank Whillock 01308 482457

6. Do you use this service?

Please tick

Weekly	
Monthly	
Not at all	

8. Which of the following buses do you use? Please tick all that apply

<b>X53</b> Wareham- Exeter	
<b>210</b> Litton Cheney- Bridport Hospital	
<b>31</b> Weymouth – Lyme Regis via A35	
<b>110</b> Dorchester- Bridport	
None	

9. If none- why not?

10. How do you rate the bus services for your village?

**Good**

**Adequate**

**Poor**

	X53	210	110	31		X53	210	110	31		X53	210	110	31
Access for the disabled														
Cost														
Frequency														
Reliability														
Route														
Other (Please specify)														

11. Dial-a-Ride bus service (with wheel chair access) is for those with mobility difficulties.

**Please circle the one that applies**

12. Would you use such a scheme if it were available?..... Yes / No

13. Would you use such a scheme in the future..... Yes/ No

14. Would you be interested if a minibus could take you to:

**Please tick all that apply**

Bridport Leisure Centre	
Broadwindsor Craft Centre	
Poole for Shopping	
Weymouth in the Evening	
Other (Please Specify)	

15. Is there a place where a new pavement would be beneficial?..... Yes/ No

16. If yes please specify where.....

17. Do you use a bicycle for any of the following?..... Yes/ No

18. If Yes .....Please tick all that apply

	Every day	Occasionally (please specify)
Business		
Leisure		
Shopping		
Taking children to school/college		
Transport to work		
Other (please specify)		

## Amenities

At present, apart from the Crown, Bull and Manor we do not have anywhere that can be used for a wide range of functions. The Church Hall is leased from the Diocese of Salisbury by Puncknowle Parochial Church council and is currently managed by them, although they are willing to consider another form of management committee. This set of questions will ascertain whether you use any of the facilities and whether you feel that we need more.

1. Do you think there should be a management committee representing the users of the Hall managed by a village committee?.....Yes/ No

2. Do you think this will lead to increased use of the Hall?.....Yes/ No

3. Which of the following activities, within the villages, do you **currently** use?

Please tick all that apply

Art club	
Church Fete	
Crown Puncknowle fundraisers	
Dart team	
Gardening club	
Fledglings	
Harvest supper	
Ladybirds	
Mobile book library	
Mothers Union	
Quiz teams	
Skittles	
Social evenings in Church Hall	
Toy library	
Other (please specify)	

4. Which of the following additional activities **would** you use?

Please tick all that apply

Book Club		Womens Institute	
Christmas party		Music classes	
Computer training classes		Natural history society	
Craft Fair		Private parties	
Dancing classes		Pantomime	
Exercise for older people		Pet show	
History/family history society		Table tennis	
Keep fit classes		Whist Drives	
Language classes		Yoga classes	
Film Shows		Other (please specify)	

5. Which **outdoor activities** would you support/ use? Please tick all that apply

Hikes/Rambles	
Sports day	
Tennis	
Treasure Hunt	
Other (please specify)	

**Internet**

6. Do you have internet access at home? Yes/ No

7. If you do, would you like access to broadband? Yes/ No

8. Do we need internet access in a public place? Yes/ No

## Other amenities

1. Locally do you use?

Please tick all that apply

Abbotsbury Butchers	
Gorselands caravan site shop	
Linda's café at West Bexington	
Milk deliveries	
Modbury Farm shop	
Paper deliveries	
Tamarisk Farm	
The Fish Wife van	
Vurlands eggs	
Other (please specify)	

2. In your village would you use?

Please tick all that apply

A general store	
A local farmers market	
A mobile shop	
A Post Office	
Other (please specify)	

3. Do you use?

Please tick all that apply

Catalogue shopping	
Internet shopping deliveries	
Supermarket deliveries	
Other (please specify)	

4. Which of the following additional amenities would you use?

Please tick all that apply

Cash point	
Bride Valley information directory/leaflet	
Other (please specify)	

**Please circle the one that applies**

5. Do you use the local post boxes?..... Yes/ No

6.. Do you use the local phone boxes? .....Yes/ No

7. How often? Please tick

Regularly.....

Occasionally.....

In an Emergency.....

8. Would you like a children's park/ play area in West Bexington?..... Yes/ No

9. Does your family use the play area in Puncknowle?..... Yes/ No

10. What improvements to the play area would you like to see?

Please specify

# Puncknowle and Swyre Parish Council

The Parish Council meets on the first Tuesday of the month. Agenda and minutes for the meetings are on the notice boards.

1. Do you attend the parish council meetings? Please tick

- Regularly.....
- Occasionally.....
- Never.....

2. If not, is this because

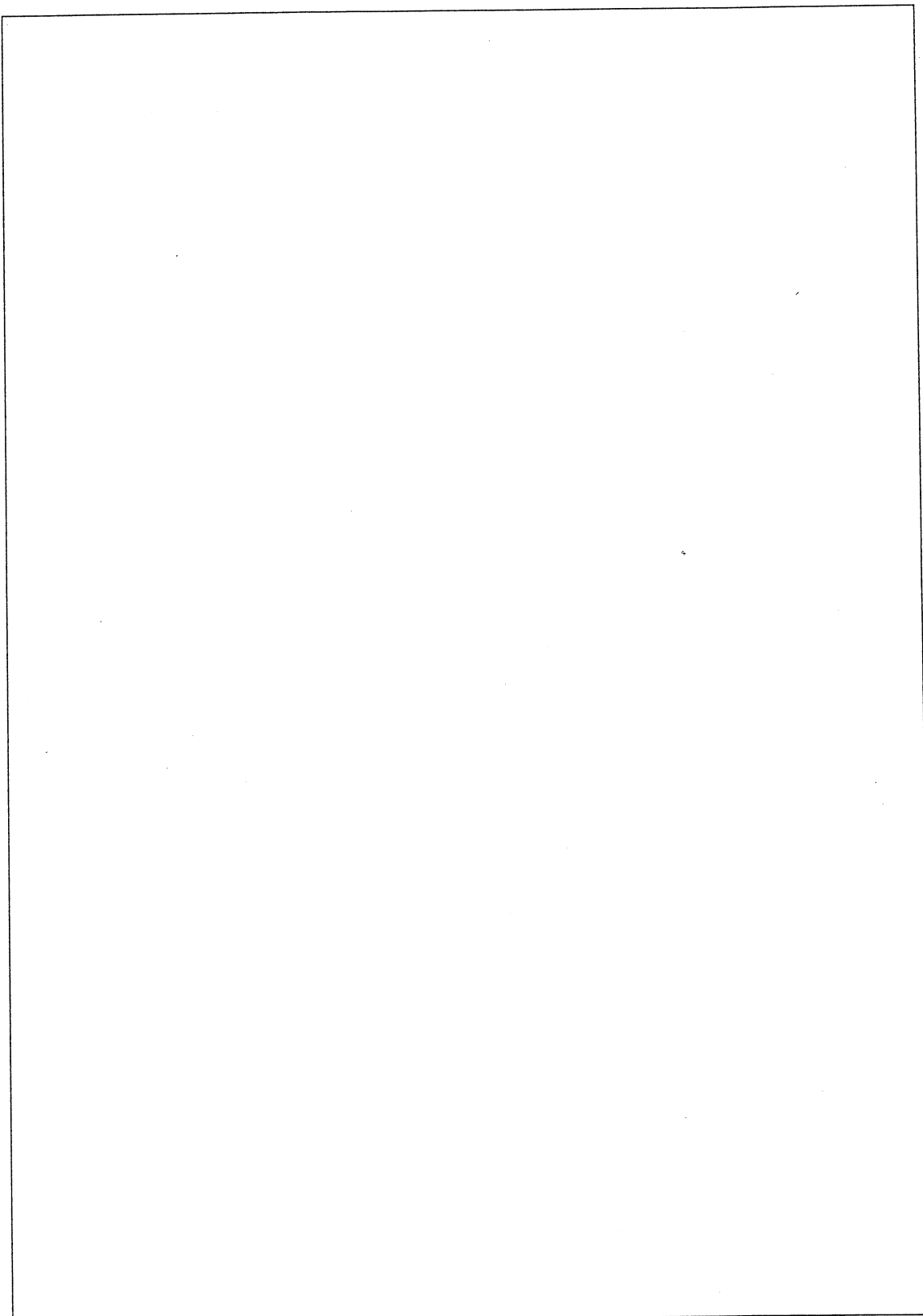
Please tick all that apply

You are satisfied with the work they do	<input type="checkbox"/>
You believe what they discuss does not affect you	<input type="checkbox"/>
You find the meetings too boring	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. What would make more people attend?

Please specify

## **Additional Information**



**Thank you for filling in the questionnaire**

