

# Community Plan Pucklechurch and Shortwood Public meetings 13/2/07 and 8/3/07 Analysis Commentary

## Introduction

Two public meetings, one in Pucklechurch and one in Shortwood, were held as part of the consultation to promote discussion and to gather the issues, concerns and ideas which should be considered in the preparation of the community questionnaire in working towards the eventual Community Plan. Those meetings commenced at 7:30 pm and were quite well attended:

134 people were counted at the 11 discussion tables in the Pucklechurch village hall meeting on Tuesday 13 February 2007.

34 were recorded at the 5 tables of the Shortwood meeting in The Vestry on Thursday 8 March 2007.

Discussions at each table were lead and recorded by a preselected facilitator. Separately listed (not in this document) are the names of those attending as collected on Attendance sheets, together with contact telephone numbers of those volunteering to help with the distribution and collection Community Plan questionnaire.

The issues and ideas discussed as recorded on the sheets collected after each of the 4 time limited exercises at the tables are summarised and analysed in the spreadsheets that follow in this document.

## Exercise 1: Top Priorities

The following questions were posed:

What do you believe are the top issues and opportunities facing Pucklechurch area over the next few years? What would you like to see happen?

The people at each table raised issues, which were listed by the table's facilitator or in some cases by each individual. Then each table attempted to reach a consensus on its top 3 issues.

## Exercise 2: "Deep Dive" Issues and Solutions

The tables were given one area to discuss and to agree the issues and possible solutions. Some tables were given the same areas. The areas were (those of the Steering Committee working subgroups):

Environment and the Green Belt  
Community Spirit  
Traffic and Transportation  
Sustainability  
Business

## Exercise 3: "On the Buses"

"There is a big emphasis on public transport in the greater Bristol area. Pucklechurch could lose out if we don't use the services. But what would it take to make YOU switch from using your cars to the buses or even bicycles? Are there modes of transport that could be viable to reduce car trips such as dial a ride, car pools?"

Each table was asked to propose ideas that would make them move from their cars to an alternative form of transport for at least 20% of their trips.

## Exercise 4: £500,000 to spend

Each table was asked to agree very quickly what £500,000 should be spent on in the Pucklechurch area, giving realistic estimates of costs of the projects - forfeiting £100,000 after each minute without agreement, losing their budget completely if not agreed in 5 minutes. Sheets were not returned by some tables at the Pucklechurch meeting; presumably failing to agree on projects within the very limited time.

## Analysis

For each exercise the issues and ideas raised together with results of table discussions were recorded on the table facilitator's sheet. In some cases individuals also completed sheets that were collected.

Where **Priorities by table** have been analysed in the spreadsheets that follow, the priorities are:

1, 2, 3: Top priorities (where 1 is the highest) for the table from the facilitator's sheet only.

x: where the issue was listed on the facilitator's or an individual's sheet, but did not reach one of the top 3 priorities for that table (even if priority 1, 2 or 3 on an individual's sheet).

For each item (row) the number of tables agreeing on the priorities 1, 2, 3 or x are counted in the **4Counts** columns. The points awarded for each priority are shown in a heading row of those columns, and are applied in the calculations for the **Total Score** and **Total Weighted Score**.

The **Total Score** for each item (row) is the sum of the (count x points) across the 4 priorities, but takes no account of the varying number of people on each table.

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Based on the assumption that at least half the people on the table agreed in their consensus on the top priorities 1, 2 and 3 (as listed on the table facilitator's sheet), the count multiplied by points was multiplied by half the number of people on the table for those priorities. But the support for other issues mentioned (marked x) is not known and is not factored by half the people on the table.

Thus, the **Total Weighted Score** is calculated as the sum of the (count x points x half the number of people on the table) for priorities 1, 2 and 3 plus (count x points) for priority x.

Although other methods of weighting could be applied, using this method the order of items by priority appears not to be significantly changed by weighting to take into account the varying number of people on each table.

### **Findings**

The top four issues from the two meetings are compared below, but see the spreadsheets on the following pages for more information.

	<b>Top Priorities</b>	
<b>Pucklechurch</b>		<b>Shortwood</b>
Green belt conservation, keep as village, not to join with Emersons Green	<b>1</b>	Traffic speed: traffic calming, bollards, speed bumps, print "30" on road at both ends of Shortwood, pub traffic
Public transport: regular buses, links to main routes & other modes of transport	<b>2</b>	Shortwood parking: on pavements & at bus stops, parking for visitors, Running Club
Health care centre/surgery	<b>3</b>	Green belt conservation, keep Shortwood as village
Traffic speed: traffic calming	<b>4</b>	Traffic: impose weight limit on lorries in Shortwood

Groups should check the following pages to consider whether issues and ideas raised at the meetings are being or should be covered in the questionnaire. Particular attention is drawn to topics with red shading in the group columns indicating that they may not have been previously listed or considered by the groups, e.g.:

Travellers, hospital provision, under age riding of motor bikes in Pucklechurch

Existing traffic calming scheme, parking on pavement and in bus stop and demands for mains gas and sewers in Shortwood.

Some of the issues specific to Shortwood may not have been aired previously in our committee and group meetings in Pucklechurch.

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Commentary by Phil Look

Priority order	Environment & Develop	Community Spirit	Traffic & Transport	Sustainability	Business	Issue/Opportunity/Idea	Priorities by table											Priority: Points:	1 4	2 3	3 2	x 1	Total Score	Total Weighted Score
							Table number: Number of people:																	
							1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
						For each item below, the group(s) concerned, with shading on the left, should consider whether that item is or should be covered in the questionnaire.	13	9	9	11	16	8	10	10	12	20	16	134						
1						Green belt conservation, keep as village, not to join with Emersons Green	1	x	3	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1		8	1	1	1	38	237
2						Public transport: regular buses, links to main routes & other modes of transport	x	x	2	3	x		2	x	x	2	3			3	2	5	18	90.5
3						Health care centre/surgery	x		1	x	x		x	x	x	3			1		1	6	12	44
4						Traffic speed: traffic calming					2	2	x		x				2		2		8	38
5						Youth/Youth opportunities/facilities	x		x	x	x		3		3	x					2	5	9	27
6						Traffic - M4 Link Road											2			1			3	24
7						Travellers: restrict sites, caravans without planning permission	2	x	x	x					x					1		4	7	23.5
8						Road crossings: improve visibility by shops in Pucklechurch					x			1					1		1		5	21
9						Recreation/community facilities: improve/new hall, youth centre	x	3			x	3		x							2	3	7	20
10						Shops: variety, keep them, important to life of village, meeting place	x								2					1	1		4	19
11						Roads and infrastructure	x	x		2										1	2		5	18.5
12						Sustainable environment, footpaths, development			1										1				4	18
13						Crime/policing	3	x	x	x											1	3	5	16
14						Traffic: large lorries in village		2					x							1	1		4	14.5
15						Affordable housing					x			3							1	1	3	11
16						More surfaced foot/cycle paths: Oaktree Avenue, Parkfield, Shortwood Road to Emersons Green, Policeman's hill/corner		x	x		x	x	x	x		x						7	7	7
17						Parking: Parkfield, Becket Court & elsewhere.		x		x	x				x						4		4	4
18						Litter: bins, collection		x				x	x		x							4	4	4
19						Planning & development: Oaktree Avenue, elsewhere, infill		x		x					x						3		3	3
20						Raise profile of Church	x	x													2		2	2
21						Post Office	x	x													2		2	2
22						Bus times: earlier, later, weekend, more frequent		x						x							2		2	2
23						School	x						x								2		2	2
24						Street lighting			x												1		1	1
25						Security from prison				x											1		1	1
26						Spiritual & cultural		x													1		1	1
27						Fuel station	x														1		1	1
28						Hospital provision	x														1		1	1
29						Enhance village appearance, replace trees								x							1		1	1
30						Under age riding of motor bikes: frequent at night on trading estate									x						1		1	1
31						Empty rubbish bins every week								x							1		1	1

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### Issues/Ideas from exercises 2 - 3 that were not Top Priorities in exercise 1:

Item number	Environment & Deve	Community Spirit	Traffic & Transport	Sustainability	Business	For each item below, the group(s) concerned, with shading on the left, should consider whether that item is or should be covered in the questionnaire.	Raised on Table number										
							1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1						Drainage infrastructure					✓				✓		
2						Infill						✓					
3						Enforce planning laws											✓
4						More power to parish council											✓
5						Sort out baptist church					✓						
6						Chapel area development						✓					
7						Village landscaping								✓			
8						Adopt a highway - litter											✓
9						Permit some sensitive development within the village		✓									
10						Community officer					✓						
11						Community policeman booking offenders							✓				
12						Boules court											✓
13						Consultation between councils & residents to improve parking in Parkfield					✓						
14						Volunteer hospital taxi service					✓						
15						Village minibus & to Emersons Green	✓			✓			✓	✓			
16						Park & Ride						✓				✓	
17						Bus links with park & rides		✓					✓				
18						Improvements on Policeman's bend, e.g. Traffic lights - other lane used for pedestrians/cyclists								✓		✓	
19						Bus service to hospital		✓							✓		
20						Cheaper bus fares	✓								✓		
21						Cheap park & ride from Pucklechurch village hall	✓										
22						Park & Ride north of Bristol						✓					
23						South Glos to accept Dayrider tickets							✓				
24						Integrated bus/Saver ticket								✓			
25						Enforce weight limits											✓
26						Nectar points for using bus											✓

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							1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
							27						Double yellow lines at post office				
28						Co-ordination of bus timetables				✓							
29						Bus token for elderly									✓		
30						New crossroads											
31						Car sharing: advertising, organising, on website		✓		✓				✓		✓	
32						Link cycle paths to buses		✓		✓							
33						Cycle path link					✓						
34						Better signs for industrial estate								✓		✓	
35						Recycling plastic collection		✓								✓	
36						Help with solar panels										✓	
37						Use the online polling on 10 Downing St website											✓
38						Sustainable environment									✓		
39						Free rainwater butts										✓	
40						Better local food supply		✓									
41						Post office & banking facilities				✓							
42						Competition from Sainsbury's defeating local retail: farm shop, post office, petrol station with resulting loss of community feeling	✓										
43						Community ownership of post office combined	✓										
44						Combine orders & deliveries to village	✓										
45						Subsidise/protect village outlets	✓										

Favourite order	Environment & Dev	Community Spirit	Traffic & Transport	Sustainability	Business	Project	Priorities by table											Priority: Points:	1 4	2 3	3 2	x 1	Total Score	Total Weighted Score				
							Table number:																		Counts			
							1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								134			
							13	9	9	11	16	8	10	10	12	20	16	134										
1						Village hall - rebuild/redevelop/do up, more rooms, storage, coffee shop, permanent stage, underfloor heating, more attractive, more outdoor facilities						1	1		3		x				2		1	1			11	59
2						Footpaths										1					1						4	40
3						Community shuttle bus															1						4	32
4						Community bus service										2						1					3	30
5						Youth facility																1					3	24
6						Redevelop the chapel area for a gym and a cyber café							1								1						4	20
7						Small link bus for 3 years									1						1						4	20
8						Youth service										3							1				2	20
9						Cycle tracks																	1				2	16
10						Community base								2								1					3	15
11						Garden in Chapel space																		1			1	1
12						Crossing																		1			1	1
13						Community carers																		1			1	1
14						Health services										x								1			1	1

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							Table number:												4	3	2	1
							Number of people:															
1						Traffic speed: traffic calming, bollards, speed bumps, print "30" on road at both ends of Shortwood, pub traffic	x	1	1	1	1		4			1	17	55				
2						Shortwood parking: on pavements & at bus stops, parking for visitors, Running Club parking	x	2	3	x	2			2	1	2	10	28				
3						Green belt conservation, keep Shortwood as village	x	3	2	3				1	2	1	8	27				
4						Traffic: impose weight limit on lorries in Shortwood				2				1			3	10.5				
5						Focus for varied community: Shortwood sign					3				1		2	5				
6						Public transport			x							1	1	1				
7						Continuity in planning decisions			x							1	1	1				
8						Foot paths & pavements: top of Shortwood Hill, Shortwood Road to Emersons Green			x							1	1	1				
9						Landfill site concerns	x									1	1	1				
10						Vandalism			x							1	1	1				
11						Refuse collections leave rubbish on roads and verges			x							1	1	1				
12						Social meeting place				x						1	1	1				

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								1	2	3	4	5
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						<b>Exercise 2</b>						
1						Traffic speeding	✓	✓	✓		✓	
1.1						Permanent speed camera	✓				✓	
1.2						30 mph speed limit signs from Emersons Green	✓					
1.3						Speed Watch/policing	✓		✓			
1.4						Paint 30 limit sign on road		✓				
1.5						Review Shortwood traffic calming scheme through questionnaire			✓			
1.6						Remove current traffic calming					✓	
1.7						Speed bumps on entering Shortwood at top and bottom					✓	
2						Pavement/parking problems			✓			
2.1						Completion of pavement in Shortwood			✓			
2.2						Village car park			✓			
2.3						Parking in road will slow traffic			✓			
2.4						Yellow lines on bridge					✓	
3						Parking in bus stop	✓					
3.1						Suggest Running Club park elsewhere	✓				✓	
3.2						Promote more considerate parking by villagers	✓					
4						Heavy lorries & tankers coming through Shortwood					✓	
4.1						Impose weight restriction					✓	
5						Bushes & trees encroach on road impair visibility					✓	
5.1						Regular trimming					✓	
6						Emersons Green shops increase traffic in Shortwood and make roundabout dangerous		✓				
6.1						Put traffic lights at roundabout		✓				
7						Brown field issues		✓				
7.1						Clear indication of Green belt and Brown field		✓				
8						Shortwood to remain village not part of Emersons Green		✓		✓		
8.1						Do not allow in filling		✓				
8.2						No new building				✓		
9						No facilities for extra housing (gas, sewerage)				✓		



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10						<b>Exercise 3: Ideas to move to using buses for 20% of trips</b>							
10.1						Evening/Sunday bus services	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
10.2						Cheaper fares	✓				✓	✓	
10.3						Bus service to Emersons Green	✓				✓		
10.4						More destinations		✓					
10.5						Better connections/links		✓					
10.6						Bus shelters		✓					
10.7						More frequent buses at prime times		✓					
10.8						Improve infrastructure - look at passenger levels				✓			
10.9						Return fares available at all times					✓		
10.10						Minibus to Pucklechurch School							✓
10.11						Flyers in village to every household							✓

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							Table number:												Counts			
							1	2	3	4	5								4	3	2	1
1						Mains gas	1		1	1	1	34	4				16	54				
2						Village Hall	3	1	2				1	1	1		9	33				
3						Sewers	2							1			3	10.5				
4						Traffic calming				2				1			3	10.5				
5						Village policeman for 10 years			3						1		2	8				
6						Focus point for local community				3					1		2	7				
7						Village mini bus			x						1		1	1				
8						Windmill - self built to provide free electricity	x								1		1	1				
9						School Bus				x					1		1	1				
10						Bus shelters				x					1		1	1				

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