



WHITMINSTER



PARISH PLAN



2008



Whitminster Parish Plan

CONTENTS

Section 1	Introduction
Section 2	Overview of the Process
Section 3	History of Whitminster
Section 4	Whitminster now
Section 5	Results of the questionnaires and consultations Over 18's Under 18's
Section 6	Action Plan & Stroud District Council Officer's comments
Section 7	Acknowledgements and Bibliography
Section 8	Maps

PLEASE NOTE:

House holder copies of the Parish Plan include sections 1 to 8. Full copies of the Plan, which include all sections, 1 to 12, can be viewed or obtained as follows;
A full copy may be viewed on the Whitminster Website;
<http://community.stroud.gov.uk/whitminster>
A full paper copy can be viewed on request at Parish Council meetings
Copies can be requested on CD from the Parish Council

Section 9	Appendix 1 Over 18's questionnaire results Under 18's questionnaire results Interactive Event results
Section 10	Appendix 2 Over 18's questionnaire master copy
Section 11	Appendix 3 Under 18's questionnaire master copy
Section 12	Appendix 4 Data for reference to Stroud District Council

Whitminster Parish Plan

Introduction

What is a Parish Plan, and why we need to have one.

A Parish Plan is a comprehensive action plan which covers social, economic and environmental issues. It should be seen as a vision for the community's future and identifies the action that is needed to tackle local problems and areas of concern.

Producing a Parish Plan will allow people to determine the future of the parish. It will ensure the Parish Council is representing the views and wishes of the local people; it will help to co-ordinate actions between local groups and authorities; information will be passed from the local plan to the district and county policies, plans and strategies and evidence of need will be provided for funding applications. It will also allow the Parish Council to apply for Quality Parish status in the future if considered appropriate.

The Parish Plan will be used to create an ongoing agenda of action needed to be taken to fulfil the vision for the community's future. It will create volunteer groups or teams that will pursue the actions outlined in the plan.

The Parish Plan will be an agenda item on the Parish Council Agenda. The Parish Council will regularly review progress of projects and update the plan as required. This will ensure that the plan remains current.

What can you do?

Please contact the Parish Council if you see a project that has emerged from this Parish Plan, which you would like to get involved with.

Parish Council Chairman – John Jones 01452 740839

Overview of the Process

The Parish Plan steering group first met in May 2004. At this meeting, Angela Burlow from GRCC (Gloucester Rural Community Council) was present to give guidance. Discussions took place to establish ways to involve the wider public from within the parish, using a questionnaire and other consultation methods.

Members of the steering group attended GRCC Parish Plan Forum meetings, beginning with the first one in December 2004.

The steering group members changed between the first and next meeting in January 2005. At this meeting, the group formulated an action plan and designed the questionnaire that was to be sent to all 350 households in Whitminster.

The next meeting took place in March 2005, where distribution and marketing of the questionnaire was planned in order to achieve maximum participation of the community.

A further meeting took place in April 2005 to finalise details of the questionnaire.

The questionnaire was distributed and collected, by hand, by volunteers in May 2005.

Feedback was given to the Parish in August 2005 via the parish magazine – SPAN – regarding the percentage of the village that had participated, and giving those who had not participated, a further opportunity to do so within the following month.

The group used the winter period to consider how to handle the data in the questionnaire responses. It was decided to apply for some funding to allow someone to be paid to extract the raw data from the questionnaire in February 2006. The Parish Council was approached for funding assistance, which it gladly gave.

The steering group met in July 2006 and present at that meeting was Krista Harris, Regeneration Officer from Stroud District Council (SDC). Krista advised the group on the assistance that she could give on behalf of the Council, with the forward strategy. Krista informed the group of potential funding from the Stroud Local Strategic Partnership. The group applied for £1500 grant and was successful in achieving it. The Parish Council donated a further £250. This would help meet future costs of producing the Parish Plan.

The questionnaire contained a section that asked for opinions about creating a village website. Responses given were used to decide the content of the website.

From August 2006, plans were being made and developed within the steering group, in liaison with Stroud District Council and Whitminster Parish Council, to create a village website for Whitminster. The aim is to make the site 'interactive' to allow feedback to be two-way. The results arising from the questionnaire analysis would also be available to view on the site. The website is hosted by SDC and managed by the Whitminster webmaster in liaison with Whitminster Parish Council.

The new website was advertised in SPAN in September 2006.

A team was set up to produce and edit a website newsletter. The newsletter is circulated monthly to all village community groups, and any other interested party.

The public began using and interacting with the website as soon as it was uploaded. Website traffic reports are provided by Stroud District Council to the webmaster and then to the Parish Council on a monthly basis to allow monitoring to take place.

The group met in October 2006, and was joined by Angela Burlow who assisted with the formulation of a plan of action. The plan included; arranging more consultation, data publication, working with Stroud District Council and keying in to other strategies, i.e. housing needs survey.

In order to proceed with the analysis of data arising from the questionnaire, the steering group used £400 of the £1750 funds available to have the data analysed during the period June 2007 to August 2007. These results were published initially on the village website.

The numbers of the steering group fluctuated and decreased somewhat throughout the period from 2004 to 2007. This posed some difficulties for the 4 core members. The parish plan is intended to represent the views of the parishioners of Whitminster, so more views were needed...

The August 2007 Website newsletter announced the intention to set up a neighbourhood watch page on the website, in liaison with the neighbourhood warden. This was in direct response to a suggestion received from a parishioner via the contacts page on the website.

Angela Burlow supported and guided the steering group in August 2007 and the next meeting took place in September 2007. People who had offered help when completing the questionnaire would be contacted and it was hoped that they would now be happy to be called upon to assist the steering group and join them at the meeting in September.

At the September meeting, unfortunately no new volunteers came forward. A public participation strategy was implemented. This included planning an 'Interactive Event' to coincide with re-opening the village hall. It was hoped that volunteers would come forward from village community groups to assist the small steering group at this event. Plans were made to contact community groups.

The Interactive Event took place in January 2008, supported by helpers from the community and attended by 34 people in total. This was a disappointing attendance.

Following the Interactive Event; the core members of the steering group met with Angela Burlow to plan the completion strategy for the Parish Plan.

Happily, at this point, two new volunteers joined the steering group.

The group met weekly from March to June and achieved success in compiling and analysing the data from the Interactive Event. Individual group members took responsibility for pulling together separate parts of the plan and brought them together in May for editing.

In June, the Action Plan was given to Stroud District Council Officers for comments. The aim of this consultation was to enable the officers to advise on where their department would be able to support or act on the identified action. Whitminster Parish Council was given the plan seeking their comments and their recommendation to adopt it.

In August, with all comments and amendments received, the plan was ready to undergo final editing. Following this, the Parish Council were invited to formally adopt the Whitminster Parish Plan and once adopted, the document was produced in printed and CD formats, and made available on the official village website.

Volunteers to take part in community project groups will now be welcomed and sought by the Parish Council to take forward the issues and actions identified from the consultations in the Parish Plan, and to work with the Council and other organisations to resolve them.

History of Whitminster

The first settlement in Whitminster is thought to have been in place during Roman times, when the conquering army built the road now known as the A38, linking the South-west of England to the Midlands and beyond. The settlement probably being an outpost of Frocester built as a lookout for invaders coming up the Severn Estuary.

The first mention of the settlement can be found in the Domesday Book. Parts of the area adjacent to the Church are recorded as Wheatenhurst, which became more populated. Indeed, in times of extreme drought, the outline of house foundations can still be found in fields in the vicinity of the Church.

The Whitminster Village Sign depicts:

The Church, as the original centre of the village of Wheatenhurst.

2 Wheat Stooks to represent the Farming and Mills.

A Wood, which is the meaning of 'Hurst'.

With the Village name – Whitminster – which is as it is generally known today.

Although predominately an agricultural area, much of the land was heavily wooded, nowadays all that is left is the Grove, off to the right of Grove Lane, and "Granny Shepherds", a copse on the boundary of Manor Farm and Grove End Farm, close to the M5.

As transport links grew, and the Roman Road (A38) became a route for stagecoaches and packhorses, the main part of the village moved from the area around the Church to alongside the road. From approximately 1604 'The Swan', now The Old Forge was a Staging Post where teams of horses were stabled. The 'Red Talbot' later renamed the 'George' and then the Whitminster Inn came into use as a Hostelry. With the advent of the motorcar in the twentieth century, the A38 became more the focal point of the Village.

During the early twentieth century, a clock maker's and then a printing works were based at Whitminster Court in Grove Lane, A good example of a 'Whitminster Clock' at one time could be seen in Winfields Seed Shop in Westgate Street in Gloucester.

Local Government evolved over the centuries, the parish becoming part of the Wheatenhurst Union in 1835, which in 1935, was transferred with the rest of the Wheatenhurst Rural District to Gloucester Rural District. In 1974 the parish became part of the newly formed Stroud District Council area of Gloucestershire County.

The area remained predominately rural and in agriculture, with, at one time eight farms in the village. Herds of cows walked up and down School Lane, and backwards and forwards across the A38 until about 1981.

The Stroudwater Canal was built from Framilode, through Whitminster and on towards Stroud in the 1700's albeit with several changes of route through the grounds of Whitminster House, finally being closed in 1952.

As Whitminster's population increased, housing was mainly concentrated in the A38/School Lane area, leading to the School being built in the mid 1840's.

The present primary school building in School Lane was erected as a National School in 1849 with a private legacy of £1,040 from a Mr. C.O. Cambridge who had run and

paid for Sunday and Day schools probably from around 1800. It was a controlled C. of E. School by 1968.

Whitminster Secular School was opened in 1884. A boy's boarding school set up in a house in Grove Lane called Bullock's Folly. The school apparently only survived for 5 years. The premises were subsequently used as a watch factory and as a printing works and had changed to a private house by 1910 called Whitminster Court.

Although Whitminster is still predominantly a rural parish, the village centre itself has developed from about 125 dwellings in the early 1970's, to the 350 homes now.

In the past, Whitminster has fluctuated over the centuries, from a recorded 41 people in 1542, to 428 in 1861. During the 1900's the figures declined slightly and in 1961 the population was recorded as 392. The increase over the past 47 years has been quite dramatic

Mains water came to the village just before World War 2, mains electricity in the early 1950's and a main sewerage system in the 1960's.

The first housing estate to be built was Holbury Crescent in the 1950's, by Gloucester Rural District Council, as a Council House estate.

Development became more extensive in the 1960's starting with the building of The Close, which included a new Police Station and Magistrates Court needed to replace the original on the corner of School Lane, part of which was demolished to make room for the widening of the A38 into a dual carriageway and to deal with traffic offences on the newly constructed M5. The Police Station and Magistrates Court, both of which were demolished in 2000, occupied the site where Henry Wither's Place now stands.

From The Close, building continued in the '70's into Paynes Meadow, with the Vaisey Field development being added in the '80's. Rickyard Way, Little Holbury, Kidnams Walk, and Upton's Gardens have been built from the 1990's onwards, with infill houses being added in parts of the village as well. The War Memorial was moved from the corner of School Lane/A38 to the present position when the A38 was made into the dual carriageway.

General stores have survived in the village for many years, situated at different times, in the Old Forge, Whitminster Motors and its neighbouring house. Our Post Offices have been housed in two private dwellings in Hyde Lane, sorting and delivering the mail to Whitminster, Fromebridge and Moreton Valence. In moving to the present position in, The Whitminster Stores, it shares history with a blacksmith's forge, a garage with petrol pumps that, at one time took pound notes (often literally) as payment for your petrol, similar to the card system now in use at supermarket pumps, then a car showroom and sales.

Highfield Nurseries started life as the Western Forestry, re-locating to Whitminster from Wales, while Attwoolls, as well as dealing with tents and marquees, also sold animal medicines and remedies.

The present Village Hall, built in 1938, was opened in early January 1939; replacing the small Hall built in 1885 at the corner of Hyde Lane. The village hall was completely refurbished in 2007.

The Playing Field was purchased from Kidnams Farm and paid for by local fund raising in 1978. The Pavilion was acquired from the Army at the S. A. S. Depot in Hereford and erected by volunteers in the late 1980's.

Records of a Wheatenhurst/Whitminster Church dedicated to 'St. Andrew' date from the 11th century although no part of the existing building is visibly older than the 14th century.

Wheatenhurst/Whitminster has records of active groups of Wesleyans and Baptists since 1781. However, the only known custom built premise, was the Methodist Chapel, built on the main road in 1893 and in use until the late 1960's and now a private residence.

Highfield House is known to have been originally built before 1838 – by or for Anthony Ely – who was the minister of the church.

The War Memorial was built just after World War 1; this monument was originally sited on the corner of School lane and north bound A38. It was carefully moved to its present site in The Close, when this development was completed in the middle 1960's. It is still the focus of the Remembrance Day services held annually in November.

References

A History of the County of Gloucester – British History Online
www.british-history.ac.uk/report Accessed May 2008

Whitminster Now

LOCATION

The rural parish of Whitminster, formerly called Wheatenhurst, lies on the A38, five miles West of Stroud and six miles South of Gloucester. Other nearby towns and villages include; Stonehouse, Dursley, Cam, Quedgeley, Hardwicke, Saul and Arlingham. The area of the parish is 1,267 acres.

Parishes on Whitminster's boundaries are Frampton on Severn, to the south and south west, Moreton Valence to the north, Eastington, to the south east and Saul to the west.

The northern boundary is marked partly by a brook and the largely disused Moreton Lane, the Stroudwater canal and the River Frome form the southern boundary. The parish is bounded on the east by the M5 and on the west by the Gloucester to Sharpness canal.

The Stroudwater Canal intersects with the Gloucester to Sharpness Canal just north of St Andrews church. Water from the River Frome feeds the canals via the Whitminster Weir.

The soil of the parish is the clay of the Lower Lias, and it is drained by the watercourses already mentioned. The land is fairly flat and, lying mostly below the 50-ft. contour, is liable in parts to winter flooding. In the south-east, however, a gentle hill rises to a little over 100 ft.

The name of the village was altered by popular use in the 16th or 17th century to Whitminster. Either name or both names were used in the parish up to the mid 20th century, but in 1945 Whitminster was adopted as the official name.

References:

<http://www.british-history.ac.uk/report.aspx?compid=15893&strquery=whitminster>.

Accessed 19th April 2008.

<http://www.stroud.gov.uk/docs/community/parishes/whitminster.asp> .

Accessed 19th April 2008.

POPULATION

Population mid 2005	Number
Population mid 2005	904
aged 0 to 4	61
aged under 17	203
aged 16 to 64 years	627
aged over 75	30

Reference from Maiden 2008.

EDUCATION

There are a number of pre-school providers within the parish.

There is one primary school in the parish. Other Primary schools are in Frampton-On-Severn, Stroud, Stonehouse, Cam, Dursley, and Quedgeley.

There are no Secondary Schools in the parish. Secondary Schools are situated in Dursley, Stroud, Stonehouse, Quedgeley and Berkeley.

There are schools in Stroud and Stonehouse for children with special needs.

Adult evening classes are available in Whitminster at the village hall, and are provided by further education establishments.

There are colleges in Stroud, Dursley, Gloucester and Cheltenham.

The University of Gloucestershire is located in Cheltenham.

NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

We are fortunate in Whitminster as there are footpaths leading in most directions and all are well mapped and signposted. A footpath map is available in this plan.

To the north there is a footpath leading from Hyde Lane to Moreton Valence and eventually to Castle Bridge back along the canal path to Saul Junction then east over the fields to just south of the village school in School Lane. Also from Saul Junction there is a footpath to Frampton on Severn and you can return to the village by another footpath leading to the village from The Perryway.

To the east of the village there are footpaths to Standish and Eastington. All the paths are well signed and most have delightful views of the countryside and River Severn, Sharpness Canal and river Frome.

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

Health services are provided by the Gloucestershire Primary Care Trust (PCT). There is a local surgery in Frampton-On-Severn plus a further five surgeries in Stroud, two in Stonehouse, three in Dursley, one in Cam, three in Quedgeley, and one in Hardwicke; all within ten miles of Whitminster. Most of the surgeries provide district and other nursing services.

The surgery at Frampton-On-Severn provides dispensing services. There are further dispensing pharmacies in each of the nearby towns.

Hospital Care and out-patient clinics are provided at Gloucester Royal Hospital, Cheltenham General Hospital, Stroud Hospital and Berkeley Hospital. Accident and Emergency services are provided at each hospital, with the exception of Berkeley.

There are six dental practices in Stroud, three in Stonehouse, one in Quedgeley, two in Dursley and one in Cam.

There are at least three opticians in Stroud, two in Stonehouse, one in Quedgeley, and two in Dursley.

Gloucestershire County Council provides social care services from its offices at Shire Hall in Gloucester, St Bedes in Stroud and The Old Magistrates Court in Dursley.

DOCTORS SURGERIES

Frampton-on-Severn,

The Surgery, Whitminster Lane, Gloucestershire GL2 7HU

Stroud

The Surgery Gloucester St, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL6 6RD

Rowcroft Medical Centre, Stroud, Gloucestershire GL5 3BE

The Health Centre, Beeches, Green, Stroud, Glos GL5 4BH

Locking Hill, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL5 1UY

St Lukes Medical Centre, 53 Cainscross Road, Stroud, Gloucester GL5 4EX

Stonehouse

73 Regent Street, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire GL10 2AA

The High Street Medical Centre, 31 High Street, Stonehouse, Glos GL10 2NG

Dursley/Cam

The Westgate Surgery, 40 Parsonage St, Dursley, Glos GL11 4AA

May Lane Surgery, Dursley, Glos GL11 4JN

The Surgery, 42 The Street, Uley, Dursley, Glos GL11 5SY

The Orchard Medical Centre, Fairmead, Cam, Dursley, Glos GL11 5NE

Quedgeley/Hardwicke

The Quedgeley Clinic, St James, Quedgeley, GLOS GL2

The Surgery, 9 School Lane, Quedgeley, Glos GL2 6PJ

Centurion House, Olympus Park, Quedgeley, Gloucester, Gloucestershire, GL2 4NF

The Surgery, 62 Westbourne Dr, Hardwicke, Gloucester, GL2 4RU

DENTISTS

Stroud

Rowcroft Dental & Implant Centre, 11 Rowcroft, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL5 3AZ

Ewa Rozwadowska, 37 London Road, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL5 2AJ

Confident Dental Care, 37 London Road, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL5 2AJ

Barnes & O'hara, 17 Nelson Street, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL5 2HN

The Dental Surgery, 10 Lansdown, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL5 1BB

Lansdown Dental Practice, 48 Lansdown, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL5 1BN

Stonehouse

P. Townes and Associates, Dental Surgery, 13 Queens Road, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire, GL10 2QA

Dental Surgery, 2 Woodcock Lane, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire, GL10 2EE

Dental Surgery, 13 High Street, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire, GL10 2NG

Dursley/Cam

Castlegate Dental Surgery, 82 Parsonage Street, Dursley, Gloucestershire, GL11 4AA

Archway Dental Practice, 40 Parsonage Street, Dursley, Gloucestershire, GL11 4AE

D G McCollum, 3 Chapel Street, Cam, Dursley, Gloucestershire, GL11 5NX

Qudgeley

St James Dental Practice, St. James, Quedgeley, Gloucester, Gloucestershire, GL2 4WD

TRAFFIC

Whitminster is situated on the A38, which travels in a North South direction through the Parish and which is one of the main commuter routes from Bristol to Gloucester. The M5 is the major commuter route near to Whitminster and is accessed at junction 13 in the south east corner of Whitminster parish within one mile.

The traffic through route in the centre of the village is via School Lane. School Lane is one of two access routes to Frampton-On-Severn, and continues to Saul and Arlingham and the River Severn.

TRANSPORT

Whitminster is well served by public transport. There are regular bus services to Bristol, Gloucester and Dursley. The A419 starts in a East to West direction just south of the village but unfortunately no local bus services operate in that direction from Whitminster. The Village Link bus has also stopped operating in the area. It has been replaced by a regular but infrequent subsidised service.

School services to Severn Vale School at Quedgeley, Berkeley Vale in Berkeley, Rednock School in Dursley and the Downfield Schools in Stroud are operated by private bus services, supported by the Gloucestershire County Council.

Stroud Ring and Ride supply a transport service, mainly for disabled and older people, in Stroud. This service covers Whitminster. It is a service where you can pre book transport to a specific address from your home address. Notice would need to be given of the departure times to and from the required place.

Rail services operate from Gloucester, Stroud, Stonehouse, Cam and Dursley with excellent links to London, Birmingham and Cardiff.

National Coaches main stop is in Gloucester but pickups are available in Stonehouse and Stroud. They offer a regular service to London and main cities throughout the U.K.

SERVICES AND AMENITIES

Whitminster has a range of services and amenities;

- mobile library services
- police surgery/mobile police van
- neighbourhood warden
- police community safety officers
- blood donor visits
- recycling centre
- refuse collection service
- telephone kiosk with e-mail facilities
- three post boxes
- broadband
- gas
- electric
- mains sewer
- storm water drainage
- street lighting

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Whitminster Parish Council

Meetings are held monthly, on the first Wednesday, throughout the year. These take place usually in the Village Hall, unless otherwise notified. Council comprises 7 Parishioners, and a Parish Clerk. Council elections take place every 4 years.

Gloucestershire County Council, Shire Hall, Gloucester, GL1 2TG

Stroud District Council, Ebley Mill, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL5 4UB

CRIME POLICING AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

Whitminster no longer has a Police Station in the village and now comes under Stonehouse Police Station, which is approx 5 miles to the east. The main police headquarters for Gloucestershire are located at Waterwells in Quedgeley, which is approx 4 miles north of the village just off the A38. The Fire Control Centre is at Waterwells but there are Fire Stations in Gloucester and Stroud. The Ambulance Emergency service again is controlled from Waterwells.

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION

Community Magazine

SPAN – circulated monthly, free of charge to every household in the Parish, due to financial contribution from Whitminster Parish Council. This magazine covers the six Church Parishes of Eastington, Frocester, Haresfield, Moreton Valence, Standish and Whitminster.

Notice Boards

Public ones situated at the Village Hall, Playing Field, and The Close/Vaisey Field.

Parish Council Board – situated outside Whitminster Stores.

Village Hall Board - on the front wall of the Hall.

Notices can also be posted in Whitminster Stores, and other local outlets.

Local Press: The Citizen, Stroud News & Journal, Gazette, Western Daily Press.

Local Radio: Severn Sound and Radio Gloucestershire.

Television: News is covered in the area by a number of Stations for the West and Midlands of the Country.

Mobile Library Service; Fortnightly at the Village Hall car park on Thursdays.

Telephone Kiosk; situated in The Close.

Post Boxes

Three in the village, situated at: The Close; School Lane by Little Holbury and at the Weir Cottage in School Lane, opposite St. Andrew's Church.

Web sites

Whitminster - <http://community.stroud.gov.uk/whitminster>

This site provides links to all the community activities.

Gloucester County Council - www.gloucestershire.gov.uk

Stroud District Council - <http://community.stroud.gov.uk>

Broadband is available in Whitminster via a landline. Cable is not yet installed.

SPORT & LEISURE

Whitminster is fortunate in having two community facilities, which offer sport and leisure opportunities:

- The Village Hall provides indoor facilities for many group or club activities, educational classes, playgroup and toddler sessions, fund raising events and private parties. Facilities include a licensed bar, computer access points, large hall, meeting room, kitchen, toilets and stage.
- The sports pavilion and playing field is used by the Whitminster Football Club and Whitminster Cricket Club for organised sports, and by parishioners arranging informal games, and by the school. Facilities include a licensed bar, kitchen, social area, toilets and changing rooms equipped with showers.

Play facilities are situated:

- a) On the Playing Field – providing a Skate Board Ramp, a hard surfaced area with basketball net and practice goal and a Rock 'n Cross Seesaw.
- b) On two of the housing estates, those being – Little Holbury and Kidnams Walk.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

- Whitminster Church of England Primary School
- St. Andrew's Church
- War Memorial in 'The Close'
- Whitminster Village Hall
- Sports Pavilion situated on the Playing Field

The Village Hall and Playing Field facilities were combined under one charity in 1985, they remain the property of the parishioners of the Parish of Whitminster. They are managed by the Village Hall and Playing Field Management Committee, which is comprised of organisations' representatives and nominated / volunteer parishioners, elected annually.

Churches and Chapels of other denominations can be found in Stonehouse, Stroud, Dursley, and Gloucester.

BUSINESSES AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Attwoolls: marquee hire, tent manufacturer and camping equipment suppliers
- Highfield Garden Centre, Children's toy shop and Restaurant and Water World.
- Highfield Nurseries - growing and supplying of plants on site and by mail order.
- Whitminster Inn, with Hotel and Function Centre, Chinese & Indian Restaurants and Fast Food outlets.
- The Old Forge pub and restaurant.
- Whitminster General Stores and Post Office
- MDS – Machinery Development Services
- Whitminster Motors
- County Council Highways Depot
- Tim Tiley – Furniture Restoration
- Fromebridge Mill – Public House/Function Centre and Restaurant
- Jaxons Farm – Egg Unit
- Whitminster House Estate. – Letting property and function facilities.
- Teckels – Animal Sanctuary & Boarding Kennels/Cattery
- Whitminster Primary School

Many other private businesses in the community are run from home addresses.

FARMS (working and no longer working)

Grove End Farm
Whitminster House Estate Farm
Packthorne Farm
Manor Farm
Jaxons Farm and Land
Kidnams Farm Land
Parklands Farm Land

HOUSING and DEVELOPMENT

Today there are approximately 350 houses in the parish, affording accommodation for an estimated 900 people. (681 on the electoral roll, plus an estimated – 219 – to include children and adults not registered).

There are c. 318 'market value' houses and 32 'affordable/social' dwellings.

It is unlikely that any further major 'market- value' housing development will be taking place in Whitminster until at least 2011, when the Stroud District Council Local Plan will be reviewed.

In accordance with the Stroud District Council Local Plan, adopted November 2005, there is no land within Whitminster, currently allocated for development for employment use.

Whitminster Parish Council has opposed any building of affordable housing in the parish, citing the Local Plan inquiry report, which states that the village cannot sustain more housing within the current village infrastructure, and also that the village is well served at this time by affordable housing.

Whilst taking into account that the existing affordable/social houses have been established for seven years, 2007 saw the Parish Council, as part of the Severn Voice group of parishes, undertaking a Housing Needs' Survey in the village.

Severn Voice consists of nine rural parishes within the area of the River Severn, namely, Slimbridge, Frampton on Severn, Whitminster, Arlingham, Fretherne with Saul, Moreton Valence, Epney and Longney, Elmore, and Hardwicke.

The results of the Housing Needs' Survey proved a need for forty two units of affordable housing within the nine parishes. Hardwicke would be excluded, due to its close proximity to development currently taking place south of Gloucester.

Identifying possible/ suitable sites within the eight parish boundaries, geographical and environmental issues denoted five sites only, were available.

Longney; 1
Frampton; 2
Whitminster; 2

Whitminster - in the 2007 affordable housing needs survey identified seven families as having a need for a further seven units of affordable housing.

RESULTS OF CONSULTATIONS AND ACTION PLAN

- Pages 1 to 11 - Consultation results – over 18's followed by under 18's
- Pages 1 to 9 - Whitminster Parish Action Plan and Stroud District Council Officer Comments

CHARACTER & VILLAGE DESIGN

Refer to question 5 to 12. Appendix 1 for details.

- ♦ Respondents were presented with six aspects of the village and were asked to tick those which they thought were being cherished and cared for. The most commonly ticked items were the buildings, memorial and village facilities.
- ♦ When asked to comment about the village hall, the majority were in favour of refurbishing the hall (or leaving it as it is).
- ♦ When asked what would enhance the village, The most common answers were:
Public green / green space, Improved village hall, More for young people, More for children, Less litter
- ♦ When asked about the focal point of the village, most people thought it was either; the shop, hall or school and that it should be the hall.
- ♦ When asked to identify what is important about Whitminster, the following were identified; Friendly people / Close community, Small size / Village feel / Do not expand, Peaceful / Quiet, Rural location / Countryside, Access to motorway
- ♦ When asked if there was anything in the village they would like to see changed or removed, the top answers were; Problem with parking, Grove Lane junction, speed on the A38, Park / play equipment for children, less litter.
- ♦ When asked if there was anything that they felt would be detrimental to the village or would not like to see, the top answers were; too much housing development.
- ♦ When asked to identify preferred external finish of residential development, the top answers were; red brick and Cotswold stone.



Achieved;

Village Hall refurbishment and extension was completed in 2007.
Some volunteers have begun litter picking in their area.

Priorities for action – see Action Plan for details;

Problem with parking, Grove Lane junction, Litter, Development (commercial and residential)

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

Refer to questions 13 and 14 Appendix 1 for details.

- ♦ 75% of people who took part in the 2005 questionnaire indicated that they use Frampton surgery.
- ♦ 90% of people who took part in the 2005 questionnaire indicated that they were satisfied with the current provision of health and social care offered by their surgery
- ♦ When asked for any issues that they felt strongly about, the top comments were; lack of transport to the surgery, no Saturday surgery.

Priorities for action – see Action Plan for details;
Saturday surgery, transport to Frampton surgery

EDUCATION

Refer to questions 15 to 22 Appendix 1 for details.

- ♦ The majority of those who expressed an opinion regarding provision for under 5's were satisfied with the service and facilities. Those who were dissatisfied expressed concern that the location was too close to the A38.
- ♦ When asked if their children aged under 11 attend Whitminster School, 21 of the 32 households who answered the question said Yes. There were a variety of reasons why the remaining 11 children did not attend.
- ♦ 14 households would like the school to offer pre-breakfast childcare
- ♦ 21 households would like the school to offer after school childcare
- ♦ The majority felt that Whitminster School is large enough for the village, however, the majority felt that it would benefit from more permanent buildings.
- ♦ A large number of different secondary schools are attended by children living in Whitminster. Transport problems were identified in travelling to schools in Stroud areas.



Priorities for action – see Action Plan for details;
Pre-breakfast and after school childcare, permanent buildings, transport

LOCAL SERVICES AND AMENITIES

Refer to questions 23 to 27 Appendix 1 for details.

- ♦ All of the services and amenities in Whitminster are very well used.
- ♦ The majority were satisfied or very satisfied with the services and amenities that they use.
- ♦ When asked what other services they would like, the top answers were; gym or sports centre.

- ◆ More than half of those who took part in the 2005 questionnaire said they would like to attend evening activities, courses or classes and named at least one activity, course or class that they would like.
- ◆ When asked about suitable disabled access to the services and amenities, the majority said it was not suitable, in particular the shop (and post office).

Achieved;

Classes are now available in addition to the clubs and activities at the village hall.

Priorities for action – see Action Plan for details;
Gym, sports centre, disabled access

SPORT AND LEISURE

Refer to questions 29 to 33 Appendix 1 for details.

- ◆ The four most used or popular sport and leisure areas and activities were; Playing Field, Quiz night, Women's Institute, Play Group.
- ◆ The majority of those who expressed an opinion were satisfied with the available sport and leisure areas and activities.
- ◆ The following improvements were suggested; more or improved parks or play areas within the village, and gym.
- ◆ When asked if the needs of people aged under 11 and 12 to 18 were met within the village, most people did not comment, however, the majority of those who did comment said 'No'. The top improvements suggested were youth club and a variety of other clubs and activities.
- ◆ There was a small amount of interest in a public Internet facility being available in the village.



Achieved;

A youth club has been started at the village hall on Monday evenings.

Priorities for action – see Action Plan for details;
Parks or play areas, gym, youth club and activities,

CRIME, POLICING AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

Refer to questions 34 to 36 Appendix 1 for details.

- ◆ When asked what could improve Crime and Policing in the village, the top answers were; Visible policing, Evening patrols, Monitor car speed, Local police officer.
- ◆ There is a very low crime rate evident in the village.
- ◆ The majority of households who had used another emergency service were satisfied or very satisfied with the service they received.

Achieved;

Whitminster now has a community neighbourhood warden. Police surgeries are held at the village hall and Whitminster has a local police officer.

Priorities for action – see Action Plan for details;
Visible policing, Evening patrols, Monitor car speed

TRANSPORT

Refer to questions 37 to 39 Appendix 1 for details.

Since the questionnaire was carried out, the Village Link Bus Service has been discontinued. When asked about bus services, a very high number of respondents want a bus service to Stonehouse and Stroud and to the Frampton-on-Severn surgery.

Priorities for action – see Action Plan for details;
Bus to Frampton Surgery, bus services from the village.

TRAFFIC

Refer to questions 40 to 44 Appendix 1 for details.

- ♦ The majority of respondents were dissatisfied with; speed control measures, pedestrian/cyclist safety, and parking facilities within the village
- ♦ The majority of respondents were dissatisfied with speed control on the A38, pedestrian/cyclist safety on the A38, parking facilities on the A38 (Whitminster Stores, Pizza and Chip Shop, Public House)
- ♦ The majority of respondents 41% would like more parking restrictions.
- ♦ The majority of respondents 78% would like a pedestrian crossing near the shop.
- ♦ The majority of respondents 47% would like traffic lights at School Lane/A38 junction

Achieved;

A puffin crossing was completed in August 2007.



Priorities for action – see Action Plan for details;
Traffic and speed limits in the village, parking near the shop and fast food outlets, parking in School Lane, parking by school,

EMPLOYMENT

Refer to questions 45 to 48 Appendix 1 for details

The majority of those who responded work within 10 miles of Whitminster, and the majority of these use a car to travel to work, 3 walk to work and 1 cycles. 12 households would be interested in a car share scheme. A further 2 said “possibly”.

Priorities for action – see Action Plan for details;
Car sharing

COUNTRYSIDE AND ENVIRONMENT

Refer to questions 49 to 50 Appendix 1 for details

Around half the households (47%) said they use the local footpaths or rights of way.

- The greatest dissatisfaction is with the condition of the footpaths, with 41% not satisfied. Roadside footpaths is the only item in Q50a where the number of “Not satisfied” is greater than the number of “Satisfied/very satisfied”.
- Some of the most popular suggestions for improvement were; village clean up day, more litter bins, cycle paths to other villages, dog waste bins, attention to hedges.
- 80% of households would use a pocket sized plan of the village.
- Two thirds of households would like to see a wooded area within the village.
- 69% of households would like to see further development of the canal or canal areas.
- When asked about general services in Whitminster, the highest numbers of respondents were dissatisfied with cable services/broadband and storm water drainage. The number of people dissatisfied with storm water drainage was increased in the 2008 Interactive Event following the floods in July 2007.
- 90% of the households recycle. Requests were made for recycling for garden waste and cardboard.
- 60% of respondents think the village should consider using solar panels (with 13% in disagreement)



Priorities for action – see Action Plan for details;

Litter, canal development, cycle path, dog waste bins, repair pavements/paths, pocket plan for the village, wooded wildlife area, cable, storm water drainage, recycling

HOUSING/DEVELOPMENT

Refer to questions 60 to 63 Appendix 1 for details.

- ♦ The majority of households 58% would not be happy to see further development in the village. Top reasons included
 - Village is big enough already
 - Village would lose its character
 - Loss of green land
 - Services couldn't cope (sewerage, school, roads etc.)

- ♦ The types of housing that people would prefer if development were to take place included; starter homes and family homes.
- ♦ The preferred size of development at any one time was up to 10 properties.
- ♦ When asked to identify what is important about the character and design of new houses, the top answers were; parking spaces and affordability, exterior finish and size of garden (IE 2007).
- ♦ When asked about affordable housing (AH IE 2007) a number of people recognised that it may be needed, however concerns were raised about suitability, access and sustainability. An affordable housing survey was carried out in 2007. Details of this are available from the Parish Council.
- ♦ A large number of respondents wanted to know about areas in the village to be developed. The majority wanted to be informed of this via e-mail.

Priorities for action – see Action Plan for details;
Level of development in the village, housing, affordable housing, character of housing, information about planning applications

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION

Refer to questions 64 to 67 Appendix 1 for details.

- Around half the respondents (53%) would use or encourage visitors to use a “Welcome to Whitminster Village” Information Pack.
- No more than 9 of the 118 households (8%) are dissatisfied with any of the following; Span, Village notice boards, post box, library services, telephone kiosk, school website. At the Interactive Event in 2008, further suggestions for improved communication were made, including; community meetings and a Stroud telephone directory.
- Around half the households (49%) would use a village website.



Achieved;

A village website was created following the completion of the 2005 questionnaire, and it is now very well used. <http://community.stroud.gov.uk/whitminster>

Priorities for action;

Welcome pack for the village, communication, telephone directory

COMMUNITY & PARISH COUNCIL

Refer to questions 68 to 71 Appendix 1 for details.

- 64% of respondents think Whitminster is a friendly village, however only 40% think there is a sense of community.

- Three quarters of respondents said a sense of community is important to them.
- The most commonly attended village events are general fundraisers and fetes.
- The majority of those who expressed an opinion are satisfied with what the Parish Council spends the money on:
- Comments from the people who attended the Interactive Event in 2008 included request for a poster showing the activities of the Parish Council.
- The subject of Emergency Planning was proposed at a Parish Council meeting in 2008. This has been referred to the Parish Plan for further action.



Achieved;

Whitminster has been accepted as an emergency response centre.

Priorities for action;

Information about Parish Council activities, emergency planning



CULTURE

Refer to questions 72 to 73 Appendix 1 for details.

60% of respondents said that their spiritual needs were met within the village. 6% said 'No'.

UNDER 18's

People aged less than 18 years took part in the consultation in 2005, responding to a questionnaire covering similar topics to the over 18's questionnaire.

When asked if they attend or use any of the village clubs or facilities, the top answers were; Playing field, Skateboard ramp, followed by; Youth Club, Playgroup.



When asked if there was enough to do in the village, the majority were satisfied, however, 32% said no. Suggestions for improvements included; cafe for children, youth club, cycle tracks, swings in the park, girls football club.

When asked if they would like a larger playing field, the majority said yes.

When asked if they would use a public internet facility, the majority said no.

When asked if they thought Whitminster School was large enough for the village, the majority said no.

When asked if they thought the school would benefit from more permanent buildings, the majority said yes.

The top 5 most used village amenities in this age group were;

1st - Whitminster Stores & Chip Shop

2nd - Garden Centre

3rd - Village Hall

4th - Post Office & Chinese Takeaway

5th - Attwools & Pizza Shop

When asked if they would attend further activities if the school provided them, 81% said 'yes'. The top suggestions were;

Football for Girls

Dance Classes Modern & Ballet

Art & Craft Club

Sport classes (including; Rugby Club, Rounders, Football)

After School Club

Computer Club

First Aid

Drama and Music

When asked about bus services, the majority did not use the village link or other public bus services. Those who use the public bus services suggested that more busses to Stonehouse/Stroud and evening busses were needed.

When asked if they thought that vehicles speed too fast through the village, 86% said 'yes'.

When asked if they felt safe crossing the road, the majority said crossing the road in the village was OK. The majority said that crossing the A38 was not good.

When asked about the following, the majority answered yes to each question.

Do you use public footpaths and rights of way?

Would you use pocket size plan of the village showing public footpaths and rights of way?

Would you like to see wooded areas in village?

Do you want to help protect wildlife in the village?



When asked what they thought of the communication in the village, there was an even split between being good and not being used for SPAN and the village notice boards.

Suggestions for improvement included having a notice board nearer the playing field and making it 'funky'.

The majority of respondents did not use the library, telephone kiosk and school website. The majority of respondents did use the post box.

When asked if they would use a village website, a small majority said yes. Top suggestions for what to include on a village website included;

1st - Youth info

2nd - Post Office & Shop, Regular Activities, Primary School, Playing Fields

3rd - Welcome to Whitminster, Public Footpaths, Events, Village Hall

4th - Message Board

When asked about people in the village, 89% thought that Whitminster is a friendly village.

When asked about village events, the most attended were;

Fetes

School Functions

General Fundraisers

Local Church events

When asked for ideas to make the village better, the top answers included;

Youth club / cafe - Brownies and Cubs, Drama and Ballet

Better play areas for under 5's - A little climbing frame for small children

Slides, swings and rope swings.

Somewhere safe to ride a bike

When asked what they would change in the village, the top answers included;

Like to see a bigger park and swings.

The drive up to the playing field tarmaced.

Buses to and from Stonehouse

When asked if there would be anything bad for the village, the top answers included;

Bullies and teenage gangs - No more pubs because of noise and drunken teenagers

If it becomes too big it will lose its friendliness - No big takeaways like Burger King etc

No more houses - Too much development in the village

Crime and vandalism

Double yellow lines through village

When asked what they like about living in Whitminster, the top answers included;

Lots of children to play with - The village school and friends close by - You can walk to school

Its facilities – It is quiet

Everyone communicates and its not busy

It is friendly - Community spirit

It's a nice place to live - Central location - The countryside

It is easy to get around and the large playing field - The skate ramp

A bigger house

Priorities for action;

- Cafe for children, Brownies and Cubs, Youth club,
- Cycle tracks
- Slides & swings in the park, Better play areas for under 5's, A little climbing frame for small children,
- School activities/clubs; Drama, Music, Dance Classes and Ballet, Art & Craft Club, Sport Classes (including; Rugby Club, Rounders, Football), After School Club, Computer Club, First Aid, Girls Football Club,
- Permanent school buildings
- More busses to Stonehouse/Stroud and evening busses
- Speed in the village
- Wooded and wildlife areas in the village
- 'Funky' notice board nearer the playing field.
- Village website to include 'Youth info'



Whitminster Parish Action Plan

And Stroud District Council Officer Comments

NO	Points for Action (with reference to summary text)	Q ref	Action and projects arising from the data	Who will make a referral or carry out the Action	Target date	Lead Department Comments; i.e. where action is referred or where partnership working is required. E.g. Council Officer, Highways, School,
1	GP Saturday service	14b	Refer data to Frampton Surgery for discussion and their investigation.	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	Frampton Surgery
2	Evening / adult education courses	26	Refer data to Village Hall Management Committee to build on action already implemented	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	This was done in 2007	WVHPFMC
3	Pedestrian access within village amenities	27b	Refer comments re; difficult access within Whitminster Stores to the owner of the shop	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	Whitminster Stores
4	Canal development, including cycle path alongside canal to Frampton	56 50c	Refer comments to Waterways/Canals organisation Cotswold Canal Interpretation Steering Group The Cotswold Canal Partnership	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	British Waterways Cotswold Canal Interpretation Steering Group The Cotswold Canal Partnership
5	Cable services	57a 57b	Refer data to cable service providers	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	Cable providers
6	Pre and After school care	18	Refer the data to Whitminster School	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	Whitminster School
7	Permanent school buildings	19	Refer the data to Whitminster School	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	Whitminster School

NO	Points for Action (with reference to summary text)	Q ref	Action	Who will make a referral or carry out the Action	Target date	Lead Department Comments; i.e. where action is referred or where partnership working is required. E.g. Council Officer, Highways, School,
8	Dog waste bins	50c	Refer data to Parish Council for feasibility study for proof of need and area.	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	Parish Council See SDC comment, no. 8 Alex Davis
9	Parks and play areas	29a 10	Refer comments to Parish Council to investigate provision/improvement of park/play areas	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	Parish Council, Whitminster School, WVHPFMC
10	Needs of people under age 11 out of school hours	30	Investigate provision of more activities for people under 11. Build on action already instigated by Village Hall Management Committee	Form a community group to carry out consultation, future planning and ensure sustainability Work in partnership with Parish Council	Determined by level of community motivation	Community Parish Council See SDC comment, no. 10 Jane Bullows
11	Needs of people aged 12 to 18 out of school hours	31	Investigate provision of more activities for people aged 12 to 18. Build on action already instigated by Village Hall Management Committee		Determined by level of community motivation	Community Parish Council See SDC comment, no. 11 Jane Bullows
12	Crime and Policing	34b 34c	Refer data to police and Parish Council	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	Police Parish Council
13	Grove Lane Junction	10	Report on-going concerns and law breaking to Parish Council and Police. Local community to adhere to the Grove Lane junction rules.	All community members	Continuous	Police Parish Council
14	Puffin Crossing on A38	44	Installed in 2008	Not Applicable	Done	Highways Parish Council - Done
15	Storm water drainage	57a 57b	Refer data to Gloucestershire Highways department and parish council	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	May 2008	Highways Parish Council

NO	Points for Action (with reference to summary text)	Q ref	Action	Who will make a referral or carry out the Action	Target date	Lead Department Comments; i.e. where action is referred or where partnership working is required. E.g. Council Officer, Highways, School,
16	Traffic and speed limits in the village	40a 41a	Refer data to Gloucestershire Highways department and Parish Council	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	May 2008	Highways Parish Council Police
17	Cycle paths to nearby villages	50c IE	Refer data to Gloucestershire Highways department and Named other parishes/villages	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	May 2008	See SDC comment, no. 17 Krista Harris Highways Parish Council SDC planning Named other parishes/villages
18	Repair damaged pavements/paths	50a	Refer data to Gloucestershire Highways department and Parish Council	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	May 2008	Highways Parish Council
19	Parking at the shop	40- 43	Refer data to Gloucestershire Highways department, Police, shop owner and Parish Council	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	May 2008	Highways Parish Council Police
20	Parking on bends in School Lane	40- 43	Refer data to Gloucestershire Highways department Parish Council and the Police	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	May 2008	Highways Parish Council Police
21	Parking by school		Refer concerns to Whitminster School, Playing Field Management Committee, Glos. County Council for action i.e. 2-way traffic to/from car park behind school	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	Whitminster School WVHPFMC Glos CC Parish Council
22	Bus to GP surgery & village link service	37a 37b 14	Refer data to Stroud District Council transport department & Vision 21	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	May 2008	See SDC comment, no. 22 Krista Harris GCC transport Vision 21 Named other parishes/villages
23	Bus services from the village	37c 38bc 39 22	Refer data to Stroud District Council transport department & Vision 21	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	May 2008	See SDC comment, no. 23 Krista Harris GCC transport Vision 21 Named other parishes/villages

NO	Points for Action (with reference to summary text)	Q ref	Action	Who will make a referral or carry out the Action	Target date	Lead Department Comments; i.e. where action is referred or where partnership working is required. E.g. Council Officer, Highways, School,
24	Recycling cardboard and garden waste	58	Refer data to Stroud District Council	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	May 2008	See SDC comment, no. 24 Michael Kelly Parish Council Named other parishes/villages WVHPFMC
25	Housing	60 - 61	Refer data to Stroud District Council planning department GRCC and Parish Council	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	May 2008	See SDC comment, no. 25 Conrad Moore SDC Planning GRCC Parish Council
26	Character of housing	60 - 63	Refer data to Stroud District Council planning department and GRCC	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	May 2008	See SDC comment, no. 26 Conrad Moore SDC Planning GRCC
27	Level of development within the village	11 60	Refer the data to Stroud District Council Planning Department.	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	May 2008	See SDC comment, no. 27 Conrad Moore SDC Planning
28	Affordable Housing	A H	Refer data from Housing Needs Survey to Stroud District Council Planning Department and GRCC	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	May 2008	See SDC comment, no. 28 Conrad Moore SDC Planning GRCC
29	Health & Fitness facilities	24c	Refer data to Stroud District Council Planning Department.	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	May 2008	See SDC comment, no. 29 Jane Bullows SDC Planning
30	Litter reduction and management	7 50c	Investigate ways of reducing or contributing to litter management in the village, i.e. organise village clean up days.	Form a community group to set up litter management system. Work with Parish Council & SDC	Determined by level of community motivation	Community Parish Council

NO	Points for Action (with reference to summary text)	Q ref	Action	Who will make a referral or carry out the Action	Target date	Lead Department Comments; i.e. where action is referred or where partnership working is required. E.g. Council Officer, Highways, School,
31	Pocket plan of village/welcome pack	51 64	Investigate production and circulation of plan/welcome pack	Form a community group to carry out consultation, future planning and ensure sustainability and work with Parish Council / other Groups who may wish to have an input	Determined by level of community motivation	Community Parish Council GRCC Groups who will have an input into the welcome pack
32	Wooded/wildlife area in village	53 54	Investigate potential areas for development of wooded or wildlife area		Determined by level of community motivation	See SDC comment, no. 32 Krista Harris Community Gloucestershire Wildlife Parish Council
33	Stroud telephone directory	66	Request Stroud directory distribution to Whitminster	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	Parish Council BT
34	Village communication	66	Investigate methods of communication, i.e. SPAN, website, meetings, notice boards, etc	Form a community group to carry out consultation, and actions	Determined by level of community motivation	Community Parish Council
35	Information about planning applications	60 - 63	Refer data to Parish Council & SDC to investigate methods of accessing & disseminating information about applications, i.e. SPAN, e-mail from Stroud District Council, Parish Council meetings, websites	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	See SDC comment, no. 35 Krista Harris Parish Council SDC planning
36	Information about Parish Council activities	71	Refer data to Parish Council to investigate methods of disseminating information about activities, i.e. SPAN, e-mail, website, meetings, notice boards, etc	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	Parish Council
37	Parish Emergency Response Plan		Refer to Parish Council to work in partnership with partners to devise an Emergency Response Plan, including the potential to use a village facility as a central Emergency Response Centre e.g. in case of severe flooding, accident on M5, significant fire, etc	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	See SDC comment, no. 37 Mike Hammond Parish Council SDC environment Glos CC Police GRCC, Local Businesses
38	Car sharing	48	Investigate viability of car share scheme	Form a community group to carry out consultation, and actions	Determined by level of community motivation	See SDC comment, no. 38 Krista Harris Community Parish Council

Under 18's Action Plan

NO	Points for Action (with reference to summary text)	Action	Who will make a referral or carry out the Action	Target date	Lead Department Comments; i.e. where action is referred or where partnership working is required. E.g. Council Officer, Highways, School,
39	Cafe for children, Brownies and Cubs, youth club,	Investigate ways of initiating these activities. Refer data to WVHPFMC, Parish Council and School.	Form a community group to carry out consultation, future planning and ensure sustainability Work in partnership with interested partners & Parish Council	Determined by level of community motivation	Community WVHPFMC Whitminster School Parish Council
40	Cycle tracks,	Refer to points 4 & 17, above.	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	See SDC comment, no. 40 Krista Harris Refer to points 4 & 17, above.
41	Slides & swings. Better play areas for under 5's. A little climbing frame for small children.	Refer data to WVHPFMC and Parish Council	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	WVHPFMC Parish Council
42	School activities/clubs; Drama, music, Dance Classes and Ballet, Art & Craft Club, Sport classes (including; Rugby Club, Rounders, Football), After school club, Computer Club, First Aid, girls football club	Refer data to Whitminster School	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	Whitminster School
43	Permanent school buildings	Refer to point 19. above	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	Refer to point 19. above
44	More busses to Stonehouse/Stroud and evening busses	Refer to point 23 above	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	May 2008	See SDC comment, no. 44 Krista Harris Refer to point 23 above

NO	Points for Action (with reference to summary text)	Action	Who will make a referral or carry out the Action	Target date	Lead Department Comments; i.e. where action is referred or where partnership working is required. E.g. Council Officer, Highways, School,
45	Speed in the village	Refer to point 16 above	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	May 2008	Refer to point 16 above
46	Wooded/wildlife areas in village?	Refer to point 32 above	Form a community group to carry out consultation, future planning and ensure sustainability Work in partnership with interested partners & Parish Council	Determined by level of community motivation	See SDC comment, no. 46 Krista Harris Refer to point 32 above
47	'Funky' notice board nearer the playing field.	Refer data to parish council	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	Parish Council
48	Village website - Youth info	Refer data to WVHPFMC, parish council, school and other interested partners	Parish Plan Steering Group – make referral	Following publication of the Parish Plan	WVHPFMC Parish Council Whitminster School
49	Future Plan Management & Review	Parish Council regularly review progress and update the plan as required. Parish Plan will be an agenda item on the Parish Council Agenda.	Parish Council	Continuous	Parish Council Community

Key: WVHPFMC = Whitminster Village Hall and Playing Field Management Committee
 GRCC = Gloucestershire Rural Community Council
 SDC = Stroud District Council
 Glos CC = Gloucestershire County Council
 BT = British Telecom
 IE = Interactive Event Data

Stroud District Council Officer's Comments

Number	Officer's Name	Stroud District Council Officer's Comments
8	Alex Davies	Before a Dog waste bin can be installed an assessment of need/feasibility is carried out as there is a limited budget. This is based on 3 criteria: Number of complaints about dog fouling (0 have been received from Whitminster in the last year), How many bins there are already in the area and the accessibility for emptying. If Whitminster does have a dog fouling problem there are other measures that can be taken to resolve this. If you would like to discuss this further please contact Alex Davies on 01453 754492
10	Jane Bullows	Consult with SDC Regeneration Through Sport Service for advice and information.
11	Jane Bullows	Consult with SDC Regeneration Through Sport Service for advice and information.
17	Krista Harris	The District Council seeks to prepare a cycling strategy encompassing the whole district. It is anticipated that cycling opportunities in the vicinity of Whitminster will be identified.
22	Krista Harris	Stroud District Council do not operate or are responsible for transport initiatives. An opportunity for transport may exist with Voluntary Community Action (Stroud)
23	Krista Harris	Stroud District Council do not operate or are responsible for transport initiatives.
24	Michael Kelly	<p>Cardboard recycling is something that residents across the District are requesting more and more. We are about to commence a trial with 4 Parish Councils to have cardboard bring sites somewhere in their areas. We aim for this to be a partnership approach with SDC providing the bank and the servicing and the Parish providing the monitoring. This will build on the three already in position and if the trial is successful we aim to have around 20 banks located throughout the District in the future.</p> <p>The recycling of plastic other than bottles is difficult as there is a lack of reprocessing capacity within the UK, and there are increasing concerns over the stability / ethics of foreign markets. However, over the past few months we have been talking with a number of merchants / waste handlers who may be able to offer UK capacity for this material. We will monitor their progress and hope that in the future we will be able to add bring site banks for this waste stream.</p> <p>SDC currently have no plans to roll out a garden waste service. There are 2 key reasons for this which are outlined below. We will, however, offer assistance to any organisation that wants to set up community composting facilities.</p> <p>a. The promotion of home compost bins enables the householder to treat the waste as close to where it was produced as possible. This means that a valuable product in the form of compost is produced to improve the garden further.</p> <p>b. The introduction of garden waste collection schemes by other local authorities has seen an increase in the overall amount of waste produced. This results in increased operational costs and an increase in the cost of running the service.</p> <p>I will acknowledge that SDC needs to communicate better with residents in relation to the recycling service and we have started to improve this. For example in the recently produced SDC newsletter we have outlined some FAQs about the service. However, we will work in the coming months to provide better information on our website and produce different leaflets for residents on the service.</p> <p>The provision of extra capacity within the recycling service is something that we are currently investigating. In October 2007 we launched a new Waste and Recycling Scheme in the Stanleys area of the District which saw weekly recycling collections through the kerbside box. Results from this aspect of the trial have been mixed and we have recently engaged residents for feedback.</p>

25	Conrad Moore	Unclear on what this is trying to achieve. Is it general issue identified in the District identified by the Council's Vision and Priorities as well as through our LSP work? This can be seen at: http://community.stroud.gov.uk/general.asp?pid=34&pgid=1187 . The documents listed below may have most of the specific information required though.
26	Conrad Moore	The character/design of an individual house will need to comply with policies in the Adopted Stroud District Local Plan in Chapter 7. Need to clarify whether it is a design/appearance of a dwelling issue or the type of housing to meet local needs? Need to liaise with Planning Strategy on this and/or play a part in the emerging future LDF. Happy to discuss revised LDF timescales, but the content of our future work can be seen at: http://www.stroud.gov.uk/info/localplan/LDS_Submission_Oct_2007.pdf Further guidance is also provided in the residential design guide at: http://www.stroud.gov.uk/docs/localplan/planning_guidance.asp and is provided by other documents such as the IH Conservation Area at http://www.stroud.gov.uk/docs/planning/canals_ihca.asp . Details of the type of houses being built in the District can be seen at: http://www.stroud.gov.uk/info/localplan/SDC_Annual_Monitoring_Report2007.pdf A difficulty is that landscape character also plays a role in house design by providing part of the wider context and setting, and this can be inspected at http://www.stroud.gov.uk/docs/localplan/planning_guidance.asp .
27	Conrad Moore	Level of development within the village. What is being sought from this? - evidence to assess potential for future actions if necessary? Could be clearer in description and actions. Do you want growth to support local services or provide local housing? The issue is wider than housing and should include employment if the Government aims of achieving Sustainable Communities is to be met. Actions should be linked to the future Local Development Framework input and within a context of where do they see the village in 20 years time and what it will provide for example? Allocated sites can be seen at: http://www.stroud.gov.uk/docs/localplan/stroud_district_local_plan.asp and this sets out potential no.s on those allocated sites. The Residential Commitment in Stroud District will set out figures for the Parish including unallocated windfall sites: http://www.stroud.gov.uk/info/residential_commitment_2008.pdf . Reference should also be made to having an input into the Sustainable Communities Strategy and Local Development Framework documents.
28	Conrad Moore	Affordable Housing. What is being sought from this? - evidence to assess potential for future actions if necessary? Could be clearer in description and actions. Actions should be linked to the future Local Development Framework input. Need also to discuss with Pippa Stroud and Jon Shaw at SDC. Affordable housing numbers can be seen at http://www.stroud.gov.uk/info/localplan/SDC_Annual_Monitoring_Report2007.pdf . Policies in Adopted SDLP at Chapter 5. Further guidance is also provided in the emerging Affordable Housing SPD at http://www.stroud.gov.uk/docs/localplan/planning_consult.asp and the Interim Planning Statement at http://www.stroud.gov.uk/docs/localplan/planning_guidance.asp .
29	Jane Bullows	Consult with SDC Regeneration Through Sport Service for advice and information.
32	Krista Harris	Stroud Valleys Project may be a referral organisation.
35	Krista Harris	All planning applications can be viewed on the Stroud District Council's website at: http://www.stroud.gov.uk/docs/planning/planning_application_search.asp
37	Mike Hammond	The Parish Council will be working with SDC Civil Contingencies Unit to develop a procedure to use the village hall as an Emergency Rescue Centre.
38	Krista Harris	Stroud Valleys Car Club may be a referral organisation.
40	Krista Harris	The District Council seeks to prepare a cycling strategy encompassing the whole district. It is anticipated that cycling opportunities in the vicinity of Whitminster will be identified.
44	Krista Harris	Stroud District Council do not operate or are responsible for transport initiatives.
46	Krista Harris	Stroud Valleys Project may be a referral organisation.

Acknowledgements and Bibliography

Acknowledgements

Whitminster Parish Plan Steering Group for; planning and carrying out the questionnaires and consultation, obtaining funding, data analysis, writing and editing the Parish Plan document, printing and circulation of the Parish Plan, and liaising with stakeholders.

Pat Gilmore	2004 – 2008
Clare Pockett	2004 – 2008
Honor Jones	2008
Matt Barrett	2008
Gary Counsel	2004 – 2008
Anita Teesdale	2004 – 2008
Alan Groves	2004 – 2007
Sarah Groves	2004 – 2007
Kerry Cunningham	2004 – 2005
Sharon Powell	2004 – 2005
David Law	2004 – 2005
John Jones	2004

Miss Counsell for data analysis

David Paynter for data analysis

Sarah and Alan Groves for website design and management, and data analysis

Anita Teesdale for donation of paper for the questionnaire

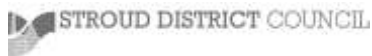
Gill Rogers for assistance with formatting the final document & front cover.



Angela Burlow, Gloucestershire Rural Community Council (GRCC), for support, guidance and access to information



GRCC representatives for support with data analysis and information



Krista Harris, Stroud District Council, for support, guidance and access to funding from the Local Strategic Partnership



Stroud District Council Officers for support and guidance

Whitminster Parish Council for support and contribution to funding and administration of funds

Village and Community Halls Network (Stroud District) for donation of paper for draft copies of Parish Plan

Thank you to every member of Whitminster Parish who took part in the questionnaires and Interactive Event, and who has visited or contributed to the interactive part of the website.

Every effort has been made to acknowledge all organisations and individuals who have contributed to the Parish Plan, however, inadvertent omissions may have occurred. Please accept our apologies.

Bibliography

A History of the County of Gloucester – British History Online

www.british-history.ac.uk/report

Accessed May 2008

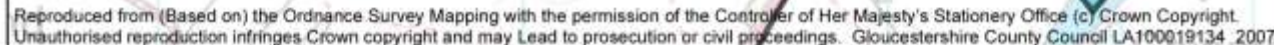
<http://www.british-history.ac.uk/report.aspx?compid=15893&strquery=whitminster>.

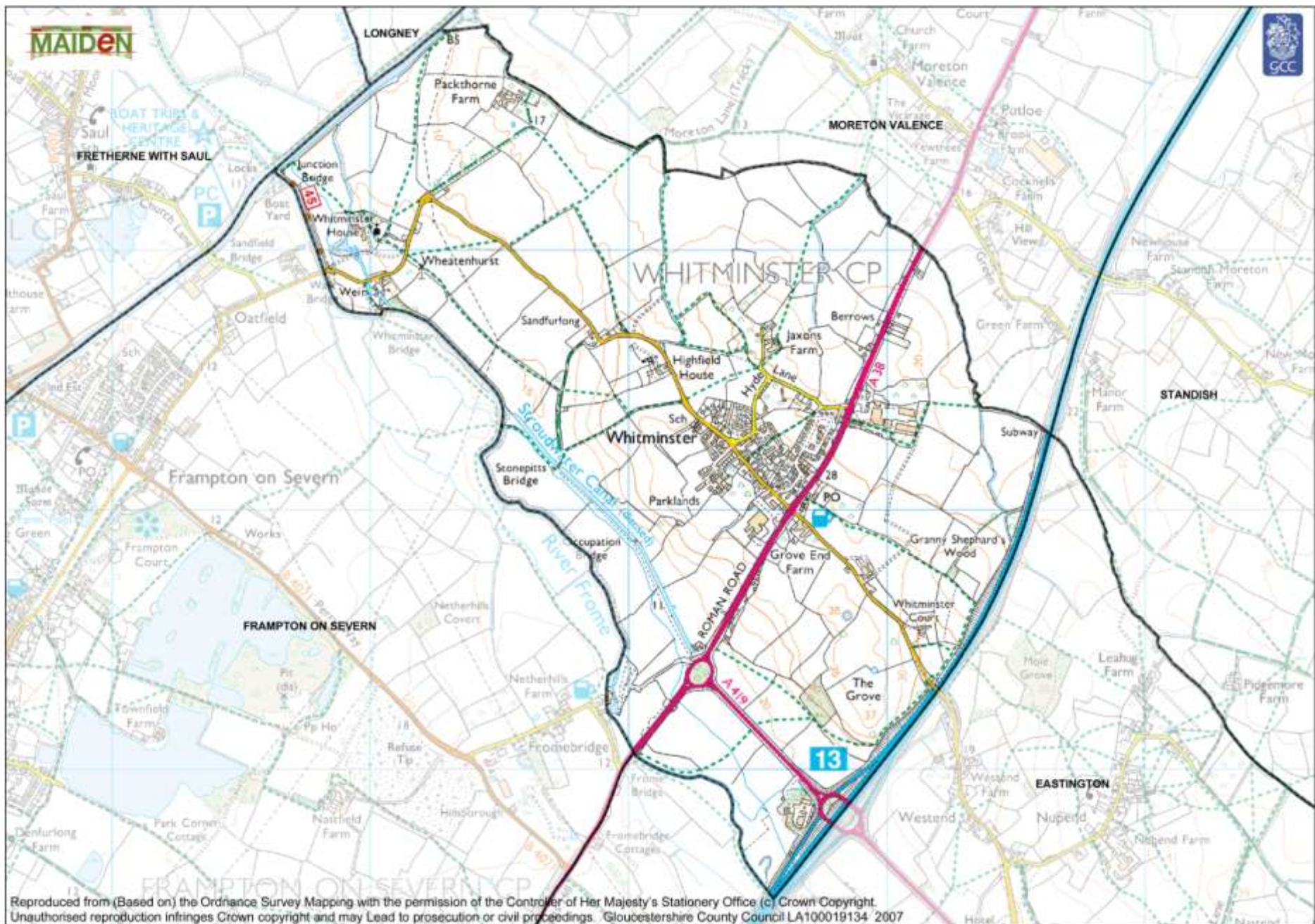
Accessed 19th April 2008.

<http://www.stroud.gov.uk/docs/community/parishes/whitminster.asp> .

Accessed 19th April 2008.

Maiden 2008 for population demographics and Maps.





Reproduced from (Based on) the Ordnance Survey Mapping with the permission of the Controller of Her Majesty's Stationery Office (c) Crown Copyright. Unauthorised reproduction infringes Crown copyright and may Lead to prosecution or civil proceedings. Gloucestershire County Council LA100019134 2007

APPENDIX 1

Interactive Event Results

Over 18's Questionnaire Results

Under 18's Questionnaire Results

Character &

Village Design

Q7. What do you think would enhance the village? (E.g. public green spaces/other service or facility)

62 households (53%) named one or more feature or facility which would enhance the village.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate the features or facilities that you feel would most enhance the village.

Public green / green space	9
Public park	4
The village environment	6
The village hall	3
Facilities for young people	15
Facilities for children	
Less litter	14
Improved transport	10
More Shops	
Location of facilities on A38	
Gym	3
Other leisure facilities or activities	5
Improved roads & traffic management	1
Signs	
Housing	1
Other	2
No opinion	

What solutions can you suggest? What do we need or need to do, how do we go about getting it & where should we put it, if we were to get it?

Q8a. Where do you think the focal point or 'hub' of the village is?

95 households answered this question, some naming more than one location.

The top 5 answers are listed below. Please use a sticky dot to indicate where you think the focal point or 'hub' of the village is now.

Shop	14
Hall	10
School	1
Pub	2
Whitminster Inn	3
Post Office	
Other	
No opinion	1

Please explain your choice. Has your opinion changed since the refurbishment of the village hall?

Q9. What is important to you about Whitminster?

76 households (64%) answered this question.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate those items that are most important to you now.

Friendly people / Close Community	14
Small size / Village feel / Do not expand	22
Peaceful / Quiet	2
Access to motorway	1
Rural location / Countryside	17
Safe	1
Facilities	
School	1
No opinion	

Why are these things important to you? What can you suggest to help to preserve or enhance these things?

Q10. Is there anything in the village you would to see changed or removed?

55 households (47%) answered this question.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate which of the most common answers you feel most strongly about.

Safer crossing on the A38	1
Lower speed on the A38	8
Problems caused by parked cars	17
Park / play equipment for children	5
Less litter	10
Grove lane junction onto A38	15
Skateboard ramp	
Shops & amenities	4
Other	
No opinion	

How would this benefit the village? How could we go about changing these things for the better? What solutions can you offer?

Q11. Is there anything that you feel would be detrimental to the village or would not like to see?

62 households (53%) answered this question.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate those items that you feel most strongly about.

Too much housing development	31
Traffic calming	2
More traffic	10
Industrial or commercial development	10
Other	2
No opinion	

Why do you feel this would be detrimental to the village? What alternatives can you think of?

Thinking about the overall character of the village, if further residential development was to take place, please use a sticky dot to indicate the feature or character of new housing you feel should have the highest priority?

Exterior finish	13
Amount of living space	8
Number of bedrooms	
Size of garden	8
Number of parking spaces	20
Affordability	13
Other	5
No opinion	

Why is this important to you? How do you think this will affect the character of the village?

**** (from 'sticky notes)**

Other variety to cater for all

Location

I agree, some small 2 bed for young couples-don't have to be housing association-just smaller.

I agree whole-heartedly- new housing doesn't have to be housing association to be smaller.

Health and

Social Care

Please comment on any issues under Health and Social Care that you feel strongly about.

You might like to consider the following;

- G.P.
- Pharmacy
- District nurse
- Health visitor
- Midwives
- Social services

Please try to explain how these issues affect you, and what you feel could be done to improve things.

The g.p service is very good + district nurse (2 dots)

g.p service was even better when Saturday morning service provided (5 dots)

really pleased with our surgery(a bus service that linked with the surgery would be good) (2 dots)

a bus service would be great going to the surgery (3 dots)

I had breast cancer last year and the district nurses were brilliant, they were all such a friendly team. Made things a lot easier for me. The doctors are also very good; they always get me seen very quickly. Keep up the good work.

I think g.ps provide a great service- you can always appointment we are v. lucky (2 dots)

Community first response team- defib on site. First aid training for all local people.

**for
the
best
of
the
world**

Q15a. Provision for under 5's.

Up to 29 households expressed their opinion of the educational provision for the under 5's

Please a sticky dot to indicate which area you feel most strongly about.

	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
Service		
Facilities		
Location	2	
Other		
No opinion	7	

Please explain your choice.

Please suggest any ways in which things that you are not happy with could be improved.

Q18. If Whitminster School offered before or after school childcare, Please use a sticky dot to indicate how often would you use it?

	Every day	2 or 3 times a week	Once a week	Occasionally
Pre-breakfast childcare		2		1
After school childcare		2		

Do you already have childcare arrangements? What difference would this make to you and your family?

Q19 & 20. Is the school large enough for the village? Would you like to see more permanent buildings?

Please use a sticky dot to indicate your opinion.

	Permanent buildings preferred	Temporary buildings are acceptable
Large enough	10	
Needs expanding	7	

38 out 43 households thought that the school needed more permanent buildings. How would this benefit the school and the village?

Do you have any other comments or suggestions regarding Whitminster School?

Parents on the school run must show more consideration for the residents of holbury cres..

At present the cres is blocked twice a day. Perhaps the local community wardens could attend.

Local Services & Amenities

Q24c. What other services would you like?

85% of households said that they were either satisfied or very satisfied with local services. When asked what others they would like, 34 respondents named at least one additional service or facility they would like to see.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate which service or facility you would most like and how often you might use it.

	Every day	2 or 3 times a week	Once a week	Occasionally
Health & fitness facilities (Gym, sports centre, pool)	1	14	5	2
Independent shops (Butcher, baker, chemist)		2	5	
Multi-chain shop (Tesco Express)				
Hairdresser				2
Café		2		
Internet café	1	1		2
Allotments	3			

Are there any other services or facilities that you would like to see? How often would you use them? How would they benefit the village as a whole?

In October 2007, the children of Whitminster School put forward their ideas for activities that they would like to see. Their top suggestions are listed below.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate which activity you would be most likely to use and how often.

	Every day	2 or 3 times a week	Once a week	Occasionally
Youth club (9 upwards)			4	
Arts & crafts			3	1
Dance lessons			3	1
Badminton			3	1
Fitness club				
Gymnastics				
Discos			2	1
Athletics				
Football				
None of the above				

Are there any other activities that you would like to see available locally for children?

Would you be interested or able to assist a co-ordinator in setting up and / or running any of these activities?

Q26. What evening activities/courses/classes would you like?

53 respondents (45%) named at least one evening activity, course or class they would like.

The village hall committee have recently carried out a separate survey and are currently looking for volunteers to organise and assist with new activities.

Would you be interested or able to assist a co-ordinator in setting up and / or running any of these activities?

Languages.

Language- French or Italian

First aid

Sport &

Leisure

Q29a. How satisfied are you with the sports and leisure facilities/opportunities in the village?

Only 21% of respondents said that they were satisfied with sport & leisure facilities / opportunities in the village.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate which improvement would make the biggest impact on sports and leisure facilities/opportunities in the village.

More readily available information about sports and leisure opportunities	8
Greater range of sport and leisure facilities or opportunities	5
More age appropriate sport and leisure facilities or opportunities. (i.e. more for teenagers or younger children to do)	6
More or improved health & fitness facilities or opportunities in the village	8
More or improved outdoor sports and leisure facilities or opportunities in the village	2
More or improved parks and play areas within the village	10
Something else	2
No change	4

Q30. Are the needs of people aged 11 or under met within the village?

24% of households who responded did not think that the needs of those aged 11 or under were met within the village.

Please comment on this issue

We have no cubs, brownies, and youth club.

Parks are falling apart and have no swings!! (1 dot)

A agree with above. I feel that a Sunday school is very important

Q31. Are the needs of people aged between 12 and 18 met within the village?

36% of households who responded did not think that the needs of those aged between 12 and 18 were met within the village.

Please comment on this issue

Youth club needed (6 dots)

Needs are not met at all_–kids are getting into groups on street corners-youth club would be great.

Q32. Do you think that the recreational space (playing field) should be extended?

22% of households think the playing field should be extended, 30% disagree, while the remainder did not express an opinion.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate which of the following suggestions you most strongly agree with.

Please indicate how often you use the playing field	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Occasionally	Never
It would provide room to play when cricket or other team games are being played				3	1
It would allow more sports to be played at the same time, tennis and basketball, for example				1	1
Extra room would allow for additional features like a park, shelter for young people or a push bike track			1	2	2
It's always nice to have more space and would prevent it from being built upon			1	3	2
I think the playing field is large enough				1	6
I think the playing field is too big and should be made smaller					
I don't use the playing field and do not have any opinion to express				2	5

What do you use the playing field for? What would encourage you to use it more often?

Q33a. Would you be interested in having a public internet facility?

11 households said that they would be interested in having a public internet facility.

If one was available in the village, please use a sticky dot to indicate how often you might use it?

Every day	2 or 3 times a week	Once a week	Once a month	Occasionally	Never
			1	3	16

Crinée &

Polichin

Q34a. How satisfied are you with the level of policing in the village?

43% of households said that they were dissatisfied with the level of policing in the village. 25% were satisfied or very satisfied, while the remainder did not express an opinion.

Since the questionnaire in 2005, a neighbourhood warden and community police officers have been introduced to the village. The neighbourhood warden is paid for in part (under a share scheme) by the Parish Council.

Has your opinion changed? Please use a sticky dot to indicate how you feel about the level of policing in the village now.

Very satisfied	2
Satisfied	12
Not satisfied	5
No opinion	3

Please explain your selection

Greater monitoring of youths particularity impact /influence on younger children.

Speed checks or lower limit passed Teckels. As it can really scare the dogs when out walking along road.

Q34c. What other policing would you like?

46 respondents made comments on the questionnaire in 2005.

Has your opinion changed? What do you now see as the top priority for the village?

Please use a sticky dot to indicate which item is most in need of improvement.

Police Officers 'On the beat'	7
Other foot patrols (e.g. CPO's)	
Evening patrols	9
More visible police presence	12
Local resident Police Officer or Police Station	
Vehicle speed monitoring	14
Incident response time	1
Other	1
No change necessary	

Transport

Q37a. How satisfied are you with the Village Link bus service in the village?

8 out of the 10 households who responded to this question said that they were dissatisfied with the service.

Since the questionnaire in 2005, the Village Link bus service has ceased to operate.

How do you feel about this?

Please indicate how often you used Village Link bus service	Daily	Weekly	Occasionally	Never
It is a great loss to the village and should be re-instated ASAP				2
It was a handy service but needed more local support to be commercially viable				8
It wasn't a very useful service. It didn't run often enough or to where I wanted to go			1	2
It was a waste of money; nobody in the village used it.				
Other				10

Do you travel from village to village? What would encourage you to use this kind of service?

Only time I asked to use it- they said I couldn't because I wanted to take too many children + would fill the bus!

Q38a. How satisfied are you with the level of bus services beyond the village?

34 households gave an opinion, 20 were satisfied and 14 were not.

What improvements should be made?

Please use a sticky dot to indicate which most important to you.

	Please indicate how often you use the bus service (or would do if the service was available)			
	Daily	Weekly	Occasionally	Never
Bus to Stonehouse	7	2	3	
Bus to Stroud	9	3	4	
More frequent service	3		2	
Evening buses to and from Gloucester	1	3	5	
More direct buses	1			
Other destinations		3	1	
Newer, more comfortable buses				
Other	1			
No opinion			1	2

**if
fi
ci**

Q40a & Q41a. Are you satisfied with speed control measures, both within the village and on the A38?

The majority of respondents to the questionnaire said that they were not satisfied with speed control measures in Whitminster.

Many suggested ways of reducing the speed of traffic within the village and on the A38. Some of these measures are listed below.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate those measures that you feel would be most effective.

	Please indicate how normally get about in the village and on the A38			
	Walk	Cycle	Car	Other
Speed humps	3		2	
Chicanes, rumble strips or other traffic calming	1		4	1
Speed limit enforcement cameras		1	1	
Lower speed limits	4		6	
Altered road layout	1		1	
Electronic speed awareness signs			5	
Traffic lights				
Mobile speed enforcement units	2	1	8	
No change necessary	1		1	
No opinion				

Q40b & Q41b. Are you satisfied with pedestrian / cyclist safety, both within the village and on the A38?

The majority of respondents to the questionnaire said that they were not satisfied with pedestrian / cyclist safety in Whitminster.

Many suggested ways of improving pedestrian / cyclist safety within the village and on the A38. Some of these measures are listed below.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate those measures that you feel would be most effective.

	Please indicate how normally get about in the village and on the A38			
	Walk	Cycle	Car	Other
Cycle lanes on road	4			
Reduce traffic speed	3		5	
Cycle tracks to surrounding villages	3	1	9	
Repair damaged pavements and footpaths	5		8	
No change necessary				
No opinion			1	

Pavements are very uneven and difficult for pushchairs-easily tipped over.

Signs to warn motorists of children playing in the village.

Q42. In the original questionnaire, many respondents suggested that a pedestrian crossing should be placed on the A38 near the shops.

Now that the crossing has been completed, has this solved the problem of pedestrian safety on the A38? If not, why not? What else needs to be done?

	Please indicate how normally get about in the village and on the A38			
	Walk	Cycle	Car	Other
Yes	17		2	1
No	3	1	2	
No opinion	3			

Too far away from School Lane

Might cycle to Frampton more often if it was safer

Grove Lane crossing cars still come straight across

Q40c, Q41c & Q43. Are you satisfied with parking facilities / restrictions, both within the village and on the A38?

The majority of respondents to the questionnaire said that they were not satisfied with parking facilities / restrictions in Whitminster.

Many suggested ways of improving pedestrian / cyclist safety within the village and on the A38. Some of these measures are listed below.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate those measures that you feel would be most effective.

	Please indicate how normally get about in the village and on the A38			
	Walk	Cycle	Car	Other
Better parking arrangements at the shop	5	1	8	
Prevent lorries parking outside the shop			3	
Restrict parking on bends in School Lane	5	1	11	
Prevent cars parking on pavements in School Lane	3		3	
Enforcement of parking restrictions	2		2	1
Parking restrictions in The Close				
Other				
No change necessary				
No opinion				

What solutions can you think of?

Employment

Please comment on this issue

Country side &

Environment

Q50a. Within Whitminster, how satisfied are you with the condition of each of the following?

Generally, respondents to the questionnaire were satisfied with the listed amenities.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate how you feel about these amenities now.

	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	No opinion
Roadside footpaths		20	
Provision of litter bins		2	
Hedges		13	
Public footpaths / rights of way		8	
Ditches		10	
Amenity areas		4	
Bridleways		1	
Canal		3	

Q50a. Despite being generally satisfied with the listed amenities, many respondents suggested improvements that could be made.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate which of the following improvements would make the most difference to you.

Vandal proof bins	2
Clean up the canal	1
Open the canal footpaths for pushchair / wheelchair access	1 (what about bikes)
More litter bins	
Empty bins more often	4
Avoid ploughing up footpaths in fields or allowing them to become overgrown	10
Keep hedges neat and tidy and do not allow them to encroach onto paths, pavements or roads	12
Keep ditches cleared	3
Restore the canal	3
Extend footpath and lighting beyond the school	2
More dog waste bins	5
Re-surface uneven paths	9
More street lighting	3
Other	1
No opinion	

Q50c. What else would you like?

This was an open question. The top answers have been listed below.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate which of the following would make the most difference to you.

Village clean up day	13
Bigger post boxes	2
More footpaths	7
More dog waste bins	9
Pavements / cycle path to Frampton	16
Campaign to reduce litter	7
Swings for play areas	
Wider pavements	6
Pedestrian access between Cul-de-sacs	5
Other	
No opinion	1

Q51. If there was a 'handy' pocket sized plan of the village showing the public footpaths or rights of way, would you use it? (C)

80% of households would use a pocket sized plan of the village.

Where should it be available and how much should it be?

Please use a sticky dot to indicate the price you feel would be most appropriate and the best location to sell or distribute the plan.

	Free	Less than £1	Less than £2	Less than £5
Shop	2	5	8	3
Vending machine				
School				
Village hall		2		
Other				1

Q53. Would you like to see a wooded area within the village? (C)

Two thirds of households would like to see a wooded area within the village.

Can you suggest a suitable location for a wooded area within the village?

How could this be developed?

Q54. Do you think it is important to protect wildlife within the village? (C)

90% of households think it is important to protect wildlife within the village.

How could the village do more to protect wildlife?

If a conservation area was to be created within the village, where should it be?

Would you like to help set one up?

Q55. Would you like to see further development of the canal or canal areas?

69% of households would like to see further development.

The top development suggestions have been listed below.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate which of the following would make the most difference to you.

A full restoration to a working canal	13
Boating facilities / marina	
Link with Saul / Stroud-water canals	5
Clear the walkways. Restore footpaths and bridleways	14
Leisure area / park / picnic area	3
Coffee shop	3
Nature reserve / village pond	6
Cycle path / nature trail	11
Restore canal only. No further development.	2
Limited development – no large industrial / commercial / residential	2
Other	
No opinion	

Q57a. How satisfied are you with general services in Whitminster?

Respondents to the questionnaire were most dissatisfied with cable TV, digital services and electric supply. Fewer than 10% were dissatisfied with any of the other services.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate the service that you are most dissatisfied with.

	Most dissatisfied with
Cable TV	8
Digital services	3
Electric	
Lighting	3
Recycling Services	1
Broadband	8
Sewerage	2
Storm water drainage	21
General council services	
Mobile library	
Post	2
Refuse services	4
Telephone	
Gas	
Water	
Other	

Why are you dissatisfied? What could be done to improve things?

Q58. Do you recycle? What would encourage you to do it more?

90% of the households recycle.

Please use your sticky to indicate which of the following would encourage you to recycle more.

Cardboard collection	26
Plastic collection	9
Garden waste collection	13
Bigger bins	
Weekly collection	1
Other	
Do not recycle	
No opinion	

Q59. Should the village consider using the following sources of power?

60% of respondents thought that the village should consider using solar panels (with 13% in disagreement). 27% thought that the village should consider using a wind turbine, with 35% in disagreement.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate the alternative power source you are most in favour of, or most opposed to.

	I think it would be worth investigating	No thanks
Solar panels	10	1
Wind turbine	8	4
Other	Weirs at fromebridge mill and wheatenhurst	
Water power		

What other alternative sources of power can you suggest?

**Housing
&**

Development

Q60a. Would you be happy to see further development in the village? If not, please explain why?

58% of households would not be happy to see further development in the village.

Yes		No	
Starter Homes	5	School too small	3
Family Homes	4	Too much development already	6
Leisure	4	Village big enough	9
Bungalows	3	Keep it a village not a town	15
Sheltered Accommodation		Infrastructure would not cope	10
Rented/Housing Association	2	Increased traffic	
Commercial		Loss of village feel or character	4
Flats		Loss of green land	5
Industrial		Insufficient services	
Other		Other	
No opinion			

Q63. In the future, would you like to be able to access a map of the village showing;

- a) Areas that have been developed**
- b) Areas to be developed**
- c) Areas that could be developed**
- d) Areas that are not appropriate for development**

Over half the households would like to be able to access a map showing areas that could be developed and areas to be developed, while almost half would like it to show areas that are not appropriate for development.

Which of these is most important to you?

Areas that have been developed	
Areas to be developed	20
Areas that could be developed	1
Areas that are not appropriate for development	2

Would you like to know about any proposed planning applications? If so, how?

Letter	5
Local press	
e-mail from Stroud District Council	9
Public meetings	1
Posters / information boards	5
Other	
No. I am not interested	
No opinion	

AH (Affordable Housing)

Summary of the 'post-it notes' comments regarding thoughts on the need established through a recent Housing Needs Survey for 42 new 'affordable' houses in Whitminster and surrounding parishes

- If it's 42 council houses (affordable) then 'no' as we don't want a large council estate in the village.
- A mix of small houses and association part rent etc would not be good
- If we had to but prefer not
- No opinion
- If we can spread this around all the villages & within each village then good.
- Doesn't need to be part of a bigger development
- New developments should have direct access to A38 and not depend on use of existing roads
- We think the village is big enough all ready
- I would be very happy as I am trying to find somewhere to live at present and I want to stay in Whitminster as I work here, and have lived here nearly 10 years now.
- Don't believe the general services, water; sewerage etc can handle any more development
- I would like to see Whitminster remaining as a village - it is big enough already – school finding it difficult to accommodate children at present.
- We paid more for our house to live in a village same house in Quedgeley is cheaper!!
- I would like to see it remain a village atmosphere

Information &

Communication

Q64. Would you use or encourage visitors to use a “Welcome to Whitminster Village” Information Pack?

Around half the respondents (53%) would use or encourage visitors to use a “Welcome to Whitminster Village” Information Pack.

What should it contain? Where would you expect to be able to get a copy? How much would you expect to pay?

Yes.info/ history of village. Delivered though letter box free of charge

Available at local shop- up to £ 1.50 (2 dots)

Suggest a village/ local map on notice board outside village hall, signed from road, with parking place and local info / notices. (3 dots)

Yes agree with this esp. to new folk moving into the village- it would be esp. helpful to any one with young children to know about local groups (maybe we would lose them to other larger village groups then)

Also help new mums/dads who are at home feel less isolated -----

More community spirit (6 dots)

Q66. What would improve communication within the village?

Please use a sticky dot to indicate your opinion.

General use notice boards	15
Village website	6
Community meeting	11
Social gatherings	11
More public involvement at Parish Council meetings	5
Bigger post box	
Village newsletter	15
Other	
No change necessary	
No opinion	

Q67a. Did you know that Whitminster now has its own website? If so, how often have you visited it?

Please use a sticky dot to indicate how often you have visited the Whitminster website.

I didn't know about it	4
I've heard of it, but never visited	8
Once	1
A few times	10
I'm a regular visitor	1

Did you find it useful? What might encourage you to use it more often?

Note; one post it: Q 67a- no Internet

Q67b. What sort of things do you, or would you, look most on the Whitminster website?

Please use a sticky dot to indicate your favourite features on the Whitminster website.

NOTE: The numbers in brackets are from the A3 sheet as there were two opportunities to give an opinion on question 67b

Events	9 (11)
Regular Activities	3 (5)
Welcome to Whitminster	(1)
Village Hall	9 (3)
Parish Council	7 (3)
Public Footpaths	(4)
Notice boards	4 (3)
Canal	1 (3)
Parish Plan	6 (4)
Post Office & shop	1
Links to other villages	
Primary School	2 (1)
Village Pubs	2
Church	(1)
Playing Fields	
Do not use / would not use	1 (2)
No opinion	3 (1)

****Link to Stroud council planning (4 DOTS)**

Is there anything, not on the website, that you would like to see? Does anything on the website need updating?

Community &

Parish Council

Q68a. Do you think Whitminster is a friendly village? (C)

64% of respondents thought Whitminster was a friendly village. 19% were unsure. 10% disagreed.

How do you feel now?

Please use a sticky dot to indicate your opinion.

Yes	21
No	1
Unsure	4
No opinion	1

Q68b. Is there a sense of community in Whitminster?

Although 64% of respondents thought Whitminster was a friendly village, only 40% thought there was a sense of community.

How do you feel now?

Please use a sticky dot to indicate your opinion.

Yes	15
No	4
Unsure	5
No opinion	

What would help to make more of a community within the village? Would you like to be involved or included in community projects?

Q71. Are you satisfied with what the parish council spends money raised from local council tax on?

The majority of those who expressed an opinion were satisfied with what the parish council spends the money on. 38% were satisfied or very satisfied, 8% were not satisfied and 55% did not express an opinion.

How do you feel now?

Please use a sticky dot to indicate your opinion.

Yes	18
No	1
Unsure	2
No opinion	3

Do you know what the Parish Council does for the village?

Please use a sticky dot to indicate your opinion.

Yes	14
No	
Unsure	7
No opinion	

Would you like more information about the activities of the Parish Council? If so, how or where would you like the information?

Letter	3
Local press	1
e-mail from the Parish Council	6
Public meetings	1
Posters / information boards	14
Other	2 website updates
No. I am not interested	1
No opinion	

Do you know when meetings are held? Would you like to attend?

	I do / would like to attend some PC meetings	I do not / would not attend any PC meetings
I know when meetings are to take place	9	2
Its usually too late to attend when I find out when meeting are on	8	
I have no idea when the Parish Council meets		
I am not interested in the Parish Council		
No opinion		

U

W

Q

G

R

V

O

I

S

THINGS TO DO

Please use a sticky dot to indicate which activity you would be most likely to use and how often.

	Every day	2 or 3 times a week	Once a week	Occasionally
Youth club (9 upwards)				
Arts & crafts				
Dance lessons				1
Badminton				
Fitness club				
Gymnastics				
Discos	2			
Athletics				
Football				
None of the above	Cricket warhammer gym			

Are there any other activities that you would like to see available locally for your age group?

Would you be interested helping to organise any of these activities?

CYCLING

Where do you cycle to?

Please use a sticky dot to indicate where you cycle to most often.

Only within the village	3
Frampton	
Saul	
Stonehouse	
Eastington	
Quedeley	
Dursley	
Stroud	
Other	
Do not cycle	

Do you feel safe when you are cycling?

Yes	1
No	2
Don't Know	

How could cycle safety be improved?

Many people have suggested ways of improving pedestrian / cyclist safety within the village and on the A38. Some of these measures are listed below.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate those measures that you feel would be most effective.

	How do you normally get about in the village		
	Walk	Cycle	Other
Cycle lanes on road		2	
Reduce traffic speed			
Cycle tracks to surrounding villages		2	
Repair damaged pavements and footpaths			
No change necessary			
Don't Know			

Would you use a cycle path / cross country track to get from village to village? Which village would you most like to be able to get to?

Frampton	
Saul	1
Stonehouse	1
Eastington	
Quedeley	
Dursley	
Stroud	1
Other	Canal sweet shop
Do not cycle	

PARKING

Some people have suggested that parked cars are a problem in the village. Does this affect you when you are walking or cycling?

How does this cause you a problem?

Where in the village is the biggest problem with parked cars?

Many people have suggested ways of improving pedestrian / cyclist safety within the village and on the A38. Some of these measures are listed below.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate those measures that you feel would be most effective.

	How do you normally get about in the village		
	Walk	Cycle	Other
Better parking arrangements at the shop		2	
Prevent lorries parking outside the shop		1	
Restrict parking on bends in School Lane			
Prevent cars parking on pavements in School Lane		3	
Enforcement of parking restrictions		3	
Parking restrictions in The Close			
Other			
No change necessary			
No opinion			

What solutions can you think of?

TRAFFIC

Many people have suggested ways of reducing the speed of traffic within the village and on the A38. Some of these measures are listed below.

Please use a sticky dot to indicate those measures that you feel would be most effective.

	How do you normally get about in the village		
	Walk	Cycle	Other
Speed humps		2	
Chicanes, rumble strips or other traffic calming		1	
Speed limit enforcement cameras		3	
Lower speed limits		1	
Altered road layout			
Electronic speed awareness signs			
Traffic lights			
Mobile speed enforcement units		2	
No change necessary			
No opinion			

In the original questionnaire, many people suggested that a pedestrian crossing should be placed on the A38 near the shops.

Now that the crossing has been completed, has this solved the problem of pedestrian safety on the A38? If not, why not? What else needs to be done?

	How do you normally get about in the village		
	Walk	Cycle	Other
Yes		3	
No			
No opinion			

COUNTRYSIDE & ENVIRONMENT

If there was a 'handy' pocket sized plan of the village showing the public footpaths or rights of way, would you use it?

80% of households would use a pocket sized plan of the village.

Where should it be available and how much should it be?

Please use a sticky dot to indicate the price you feel would be most appropriate and the best location to sell or distribute the plan.

	Free	Less than £1	Less than £2	Less than £5
Shop	3			
Vending machine				
School				
Village hall				
Other				

Q53. Would you like to see a wooded area within the village? (C)

Two thirds of households would like to see a wooded area within the village.

Can you suggest a suitable location for a wooded area within the village?

How could this be developed?

Q54. Do you think it is important to protect wildlife within the village? (C)

90% of households think it is important to protect wildlife within the village.

How could the village do more to protect wildlife?

If a conservation area was to be created within the village, where should it be?

Would you like to help set one up?

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION

Have you visited the Whitminster website? If so, how often and what for?

	Regularly	Some times	Rarely	Only once	Never
Events					3
Regular Activities					
Welcome to Whitminster					
Village Hall					
Parish Council					
Public Footpaths					
Notice boards					
Canal					
Parish Plan					
Post Office & shop					
Links to other villages					
Primary School					
Village Pubs					
Church					
Playing Fields					
No opinion					

Did you know that you can post messages on the website? Is this something that you might use?

Would you use a messaging service, perhaps to your mobile phone, to keep you up to date with village events and activities?

What improvements can you suggest for the following?

- SPAN
- Village notice board
- Library service
- Telephone kiosk
- School website
- Village website

Would you enjoy a village fête? What would you stalls, activities and entertainments would you like to see?

Sweet stall

Warhammer

Limbo & dance comp

Fun fair (1 dot)

Sports day

Want more friends to come from outside the area

Car boot sale

Toy stall

MORE OF YOUR IDEAS...

What do you think would make the village better?

Is there anything in the village you would like to see changed or removed?

Is there anything that you feel would be bad for the village or would not like to see?

Interactive Event, Jan 08

Comments from 'sticky notes' (Over 18's).

Character & Village Design

Q 7 What do you think would enhance the village?

- Restored canal.
- More dog poo bins, maybe at top of Hyde lane. (+1 dot)
- Other-traffic calming by the field entrance just past the school. Less traffic on the school run outside Holbury Crescent
- More trees + more greenery
- Better quality parks for kids
- The litter problem in Whitminster getting worse, don't people care what's outside their door! More community spirit please

Q10 Is there anything in the village you would like to see changed or removed?

- Move shop to village hall side of village.

Q(no number) Comments on Character of any new housing development

- Other variety to cater for all
- I agree, small houses for young couples don't have to be housing association, just smaller
- I agree whole heartedly – new housing doesn't have to be housing association to be smaller
- Location

Education

Q 15a Provision for under 5's

- We have a lovely toddler group which all families are welcome to come to.
- Sorry no vaccines at the magic roundabout childminding service at present!
- When my children were at playgroup it was a real problem to get equipment out at beginning of session and putting it away at end- health and safety issues regarding lifting and handing haven't been addressed.

Q 19 & 20 Is the school large enough.

- Need more permanent buildings? Like the small size of school i.e. number of children however they desperately need more space. The hall is far too small + temporary buildings are totally unacceptable It would need expanding if we have more homes built.
- It only can take 15 children each new intake. Also permanent buildings would be nicer + nicer environment for kids. Also the school need room for out of school, we are losing families to Frampton Eastington because of this.

Local services and amenities

Q24c What other services would you like?

- Cubs group - most of Frampton cubs are from Whitminster!
- Why was the idea of a gym at the Whitminster inn turned down? I think it was a great idea! As do many of my friends
- Swimming pool please
- If we have a gym – discounts for locals especially the under 18s to get them off the street corner in the evenings. Could we have things in the evenings (fitness etc) for those of us with kids or work?

Sport and Leisure

Q 29a satisfaction with sport & leisure in the village.

- More for older groups – lunch club, offee mornings etc
- Walking group (+1 DOT)

Crime & Policing

Q34c What other policing would you like?

- Greater monitoring of “youths”, particularly impact/influence on younger children
- Speed checks or lower limits past Teckels as it can really save the dogs when out walking along the road

Q (no number) Mobile police surgery

- I used the previous service and it was very good
- Of no use if working. An evening visit would be an idea.
- Time of day parents attending.
- A more realistic time of day would be useful i.e. after 6pm (+1 dot)

Transport

Q37a Village link bus

- Only time I wanted to use it they said I couldn't as I wanted to take too many children and would fill the bus!

Q 38a Bus service beyond the village

- Other destinations – Cheltenham
- Other- i.e. to Frampton including doctors Surgery (+1 dot)

Traffic

Q40a Satisfaction with speed control measures in the village

- Chicane near the entrance to the field past the school.
- Restricting speed in the village
- Please no speed humps one reason I moved out of the city. (+2 dots)
- Speed awareness before school
- Speed humps actually cause tyre/wheel damage and can over time cause service/expensive repairs. Any other speed calming measures should/ could be used but please no humps
- Speed on A38 past 50-mile sign should be 30 MPH

Q40b Satisfaction with pedestrian/cyclist safety in the village

- Pavements are very uneven and difficult for pushchairs – easily tipped over
- Signs to warn motorists of children playing in village
- Might cycle to Frampton more often if it was safer

Q 40c, 41c & 43 Satisfaction with parking in village & A38

- Make a proper parking facility out of the green opposite the school. I.e. remove the grass – then tarmac flat area.
Response to above comment;
- Nice idea for people who use it twice a day (school run), but not for those who live there. What about a small-grassed area- may be planted up! A smaller grass area would make it easier at school time for people to drive around parked cars

Q42 Pedestrian Crossing

- Too far away from School Lane
- Grove Lane crossing – cars still coming straight across

Countryside & environment

Q50a Satisfaction with condition of hedges, footpaths, etc

- Litter is a problem sweet wrappers, etc. Where is the regard for the village, neighbours, community. Everyone is responsible.
- Alleyway is dark, creepy, overgrown. People are allowed to have poor, falling down fences + no lighting (Kiddmans walk to school lane)
- Other verges should be kept low at roads for safety of pedestrians
- There is a sign saying bikes can't use the canal paths - surely this should not be the case.
- Hedges along the lagger are overgrowing on occasions. Whose responsibility it to cut them?
- More dog bins
- More owner responsibility and prevent their animals fouling on private gardens
- Poor condition of Little Holbury play area (I know you are on the case)

Q50c What else would you like?

- If we had links (pedestrian access) from the top of village e.g. Vaisey Field into Kidman's walk area. Mums could take the kids to school that way instead of on the busy school lane (much safer)
Response to above comment
- ;Pedestrian access between cul-de-sacs could increase crime.

Q51 Map of village

- Could the map be based on O.S. and include the whole of the Parish (we are on the boundaries of several O.S. maps) (+1 dot)

Q54 Wildlife protection/wooded area within the village

- Wood between Upton gardens + playing fields. Include meadow, pond, wildlife boxes etc
- Vaisey field would be ideal for wildlife as well
- More bird boxes. Pond-would be nice but not sure where.
- Use the wood already between playing field and Upton gdns (not sure who owns this)

Q57a Satisfaction with general services in village

- Could do with some more street lighting along the road towards the shop from Teckels
- After putting loads of cardboard in the recycling the bin man told me it was just chucked in with the rest and burred in the tip. Not recycled

Housing & Development

Q 63 Map of village showing development

- No I can view this on-line (3 DOTS)
- Map should show all 4 types of area, coloured. (5 dots)

Q 63 Further development of the village

- We definitely do not want any council estates in Whitminster; why not make smaller private houses, which people can afford?
- I do not think there should be any further development of the village. If there has to be then the homes, should be build where it will not affect anyone already living here
- School is already too small, too small to accommodate children in village it needs a lot of money spent to replace the classrooms + update the hall + gym equipment etc.

Information & Communication

Q66 Information and communication improvement

- Span- list of all important info and a website village hall no. Toddler groups, playgroup, village shop, span no. Clubs. All in one place to look and handy if every house gets one
- .Larger notice boards (+1 dot)
- Stroud area telephone directory (+ 10 dots)

Q67a Would you use Whitminster website

- I have no Internet

Q67b What would you add to Whitminster website

- A list of all the things clubs, dance class, toddler, playgroup that take place in Whitminster on what days and what time. Also contact no's for village hall, span, local neighbourhood watch, School etc
- All info in one simple list

Q67b What do you use Whitminster website for

- Link to Stroud District Planning list (+4 dots)

Q68b How to improve community spirit

- I think Whitminster is clicky- small groups tend to stick together, but there isn't anything which pulls the whole village together. (+1 dot)
- Walking club
- Road party once a year

Under 18s

Countryside & environment

Q53 Wooded area within the village

- Other side of the canal
- Back of Little Holbury

Q54 Protect wildlife

- Fence off protected wildlife. School field.
- Issue fines for hurting or killing animals

Other ideas from under 18's

- Indie bands playing at the village hall (1 dot)
- More houses
- More streetlights
- Fence around skateboard ramp
- Another crossing next to garden centre (+1 dot)
- Bigger shop (+1 dot)
- Sports day (+2 dots)
- Toy library to borrow toys (+1 dot)

Whitminster Parish Plan

Over 18s questionnaire results

Contents

Notes	2
Summary	3
Results	
About you	5
Character & Village Design	8
Health & Social Care	20
Education	22
Local Services & Amenities	27
Sport & Leisure	31
Crime, Policing & Emergency Services	37
Transport	41
Traffic	46
Employment	52
Countryside & Environment	52
Housing / Development	62
Information & Communication	65
Community & Parish Council	69
Culture	72
Additional comments	73

Notes

1. Each household in Whitminster received a copy of the parish plan questionnaire to complete in May 2005.
2. Questionnaires were delivered by hand and were collected (or left at drop-off point for collection) a week later.
3. 118 households completed a questionnaire.
4. The response rate to the survey was 41%. (This is based on the 2001 census figure of 291 for the number of households in the parish of Whitminster.)
5. GRCC was supplied with data 'counts' for each question in Word format in September 2007. This report is based on these figures.
6. The report follows the structure of the questionnaire and uses the same section/question wording.
7. Unless stated otherwise, all percentages in this report are based on the total number of households who completed a questionnaire (118) rather than the number who answered any given question.
8. The terms 'household' and 'respondent' are used interchangeably in the report.
9. The questionnaire contained a mixture of open (free text) and closed (tick box) questions. This will be indicated alongside each question heading as 'O' (open) or 'C' (closed).

Summary

The top 22* issues are listed below. These are based on the proportions of 118 households who indicated dissatisfaction / expressed the desire for change / said they would like to see (or would use) a particular service or facility. For each item, see the relevant question for the full results.

They are arranged in two ways: first in the order in which they appear in the questionnaire, then in numerical order (highest percentage at the top).

a) Order in questionnaire

1.	I would use the school for evenings activities, courses or classes	52%	Q25
2.	I am not satisfied with the level of policing in the village	43%	Q34a
3.	I am not satisfied with speed control measures within the village	62%	Q40
4.	I am not satisfied with pedestrian/cyclist safety within the village	42%	Q40
5.	I am not satisfied with parking facilities within the village	42%	Q40
6.	I am not satisfied with speed control measures on the A38	47%	Q41
7.	I am not satisfied with pedestrian/cyclist safety on the A38	50%	Q41
8.	I am not satisfied with parking facilities on the A38	58%	Q41
9.	I would like more parking restrictions e.g. traffic calming, double yellow lines	41%	Q43a
10.	I would like a pedestrian crossing near the shop	78%	Q44
11.	I would like traffic lights where School Lane meets the A38	47%	Q44
12.	I am not satisfied with roadside footpaths	41%	Q50a
13.	I would use a pocket sized plan of the village	80%	Q51
14.	I would like to see a wooded area within the village	66%	Q53
15.	I would like to see further development of the canal or canal areas	69%	Q55
16.	The village should consider using solar panels	60%	Q59
17.	I would not be happy to see further development in the village	58%	Q60a
18.	I would like to access a map showing areas that could be developed	57%	Q63
19.	I would like to access a map showing areas to be developed	55%	Q63
20.	I would like to access a map showing areas that are not appropriate for development	47%	Q63
21.	I would use or encourage visitors to use a "Welcome to Whitminster Village" info. pack	53%	Q64
22.	I would use a village website	49%	Q67a

* This was intended to be a 'top 20' but then I realised that if I extended it to 22 it would capture all relevant items with a percentage of 40% or more.

b) Numerical order

1. I would use a pocket sized plan of the village	80%	Q51
2. I would like a pedestrian crossing near the shop	78%	Q44
3. I would like to see further development of the canal or canal areas	69%	Q55
4. I would like to see a wooded area within the village	66%	Q53
5. I am not satisfied with speed control measures within the village	62%	Q40
6. The village should consider using solar panels	60%	Q59
7. I am not satisfied with parking facilities on the A38	58%	Q41
8. I would not be happy to see further development in the village	58%	Q60a
9. I would like to access a map showing areas that could be developed	57%	Q63
10. I would like to access a map showing areas to be developed	55%	Q63
11. I would use or encourage visitors to use a "Welcome to Whitminster Village" info. pack	53%	Q64
12. I would use the school for evenings activities, courses or classes	52%	Q25
13. I am not satisfied with pedestrian/cyclist safety on the A38	50%	Q41
14. I would use a village website	49%	Q67a
15. I am not satisfied with speed control measures on the A38	47%	Q41
16. I would like traffic lights where School Lane meets the A38	47%	Q44
17. I would like to access a map showing areas that are not appropriate for development	47%	Q63
18. I am not satisfied with the level of policing in the village	43%	Q34a
19. I am not satisfied with pedestrian/cyclist safety within the village	42%	Q40
20. I am not satisfied with parking facilities within the village	42%	Q40
21. I would like more parking restrictions e.g. traffic calming, double yellow lines	41%	Q43a
22. I am not satisfied with roadside footpaths	41%	Q50a

Results

ABOUT YOU

Q1. Ages of the people living in your household (O)

N.B. 108 households answered this question. The figures in tables 1a and 1b relate to these 108 households only.

- ♦ From the information provided for Q1 it is possible to deduce the number of households of each size (1-person household, 2-person household etc.). The most common household size is 2 people (41%), while a quarter of households contain a single person. (*Table 1a*)
- ♦ The 108 households contain a total of 259 people, giving an average of 2.4 people per household.
- ♦ Household members range in age from 1 to 79. The most common age group is 30-39, with 21% of the 259 household members falling into this range. (*Table 1b, Chart 1b*)

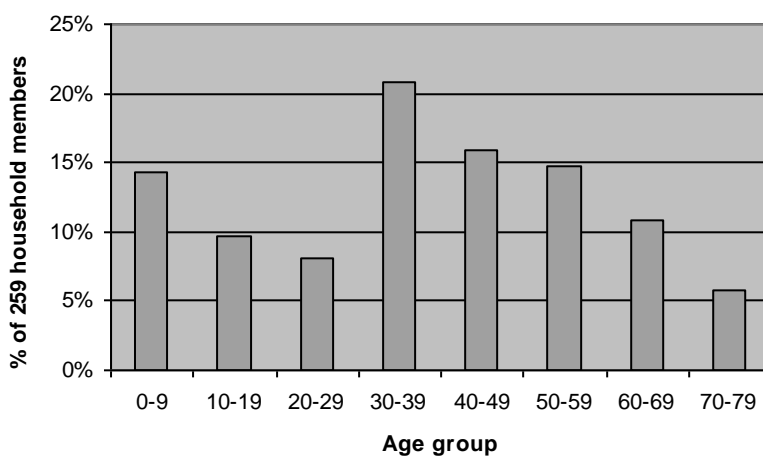
Table 1a: Household size

	No. of households	% of 108 households
1 person	27	25%
2 people	44	41%
3 people	11	10%
4 people	19	18%
5 people	7	6%

Table 1b: Household members by age group

Age group	No. of people	% of total (259)
0-9	37	14%
10-19	25	10%
20-29	21	8%
30-39	54	21%
40-49	41	16%
50-59	38	15%
60-69	28	11%
70-79	15	6%

Table 1b: Household members by age group



Q2. How long have you lived in the village? (C)

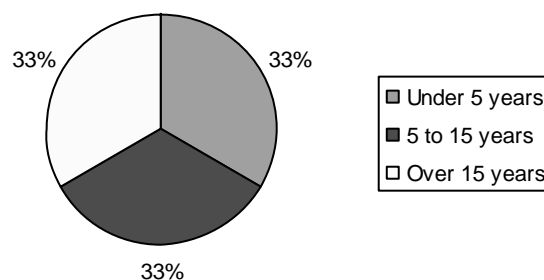
N.B. 108 households answered this question. The figures in table 2 relate to these 108 households only.

- ♦ The 108 respondents are divided equally between those who have lived in the village for under 5 years, 5-15 years and over 15 years.

Table 2: Length of time lived in village

	No. of households	% of 108 households
Under 5 years	36	33%
5-15 years	36	33%
Over 15 years	36	33%

Chart 2: Length of time lived in village



Q3. Why did you move to the village? (C)

N.B. The figures in Table 3 add to more than 118 because some respondents ticked more than one option. (For this question, and from this point forwards, all percentages will be based on the total number of households which took part in the survey, i.e. 118.)

- ♦ The most common reason for moving to the village was “available housing”, with 36% of the 118 households selecting this option.

Table 3: Why did you move to the village?

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Available housing	42	36%
Love country life	34	29%
Work in the area	32	27%
Love village life	25	21%
Relatives nearby	18	15%
For the village school	8	7%
Marriage	7	6%
Born in the parish	4	3%
Retired to the parish	4	3%
Other*	19	16%
No response	1	1%

* Respondents were able to add their own answers to those listed in the questionnaire. The most common (4 respondents) related to the accessibility/convenience of the location e.g. “Access to M5”, “Commutability”.

Q4a. Do you intend to stay in Whitminster? (C)

- ♦ 82% of respondents intend to stay in Whitminster.
- ♦ 8% (10 households) do not intend to stay.

Table 4a: Do you intend to stay in Whitminster?

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	97	82%
No	10	8%
Other response*	5	4%
No response	6	5%

* "Don't know", "Maybe" etc.

Q4b. If not, why might you move? (O)

- ♦ This was an open (free text) question. All 22 responses are shown below; each was given by one household. The responses have been arranged so that similar comments are grouped together.

Box 4b: If not, why might you move?

- Only to purchase a house away from A38
- To move away from the A38/M5 to an older property
- Become too busy and noisy, loud cars, bad attitudes
- Move to quieter area
- Lack of parental guidance of local youth
- Mainly with the problems with teenagers
- Not convenient for buses
- The village isn't the place I originally moved to & circumstances are different
- Move to better area
- Can't afford the house prices
- Housing
- It would depend on available housing when the time comes for a larger house
- Work
- Work commitments
- Job relocation
- Family reasons
- If I move will be to be near my daughter
- Move to warmer climate
- Returned to live abroad
- Need a change
- For the time being – to better ourselves
- Not long term ... but you never know

CHARACTER & VILLAGE DESIGN

Q5. Within the village, do you think the following are being cherished and cared for?
(C)

- ♦ Respondents were presented with six aspects of the village and were asked to tick those which they thought were being cherished and cared for. The most commonly ticked items were the buildings, memorial and village facilities.

N.B. This question did not contain 'Yes/No' options, just a single tick box for each of the six items. The lack of a tick could either indicate that the respondent disagrees that the item is being cared for, or alternatively it could mean that they do not have a particular opinion on the matter. This means that it is difficult to conclude anything significant from the results.

Table 5: Do you think the following are being cherished and cared for?

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Buildings and memorial	51	43%
Village facilities	51	43%
General character	36	31%
Local architecture	22	19%
Areas of beauty	18	15%
Historical landscapes	11	9%

Q6. In response to the village hall survey that was conducted throughout the parish in 2002, the majority indicated their preference to refurbish the village hall on its existing site and not rebuild the facility on the playing field. Do you have any comments that you would like to make about the village hall? (O)

- ♦ 63 respondents (53%) made a comment about the village hall. The answers arranged alphabetically by theme overleaf.
- ♦ There were 27 comments in favour of refurbishing the hall (or leaving it as it is). This represents 23% of the 118 households.
- ♦ There were 19 comments in favour of rebuilding/relocating. This represents 16% of 118.

Box 6: Village hall

In favour of refurbishment / leaving as it is

- A refurbishment will enhance it and provide increased facilities for the village
- Could do with a makeover
- Excellent facilities, should continue
- I filled in questionnaire supporting refurbishment
- I like it
- I think it would be nice when it is refurbished and now that I have more social events laid in at the hall not just when someone books a party but general social evenings nights out on a regular basis
- Important part of village - especially at present location
- It is a great focal point for the village and is used on a regular basis
- It is the traditional meeting place of the village and, other than the school it is the hub of the village life thus its prominent position is a great advantage.
- It is very useful for functions and parties and would attract more if decorated tastefully
- It's a bit scruffy although a lovely old building
- It's ok where it is
- Keep it
- Location fine
- Lovely size, nice atmosphere, dirty floor, dog hairs, horrible toilets, not very nice kitchen, needs a lot of attention
- Make the most of its location
- Needs a refurb
- Needs modernising
- Needs redecorating
- Needs some redecoration to make it a more inviting venue
- Needs to be updated and refurbished
- Outside could do with refurbishing, recycling area needs tidying up more often
- Refurbishment as soon as possible
- Should be updated to minimum standard legally required, too late to move it now, needs to make sure that there is a structure to look after it long term
- The village is not committed to the refurbishment of the hall
- Village hall should remain where it is and be refurbished it is the centre point of the village
- Village hall to be refurbished on present site

In favour of rebuilding / relocating

- Build it next to the school. They can use its facilities. The playgroup would be more integrated. I don't think people realise the amount of effort needed to raise the money to overhaul the village hall.
- Feel that a better location would be on playing field as it will give more flexibility for use
- Good local amenity but needs some modernisation (toilets) and freshening up, might be better placed near playfield at rear of school (keeping all amenities together gym)
- Having looked more deeply at the benefits of rebuilding I would like to see it rebuilt near to the school
- I feel it is run down and out of date, wrong location
- I think that village hall should be rebuilt on playing field as a lot of money would be needed to bring existing building up to an acceptable level
- In the wrong place, too near to exit on the A38
- It should have been moved to playing field
- It would have been better to move the village hall away from A38
- It's an ugly building with little grounds around it needing constant maintenance inside and out
- Would prefer a new hall either on same site or at the playfield
- Our preferred choice was to rebuild on the playing field as after the initial outlay maintenance costs would be less, also new build would attract more business.
- Requires complete rebuild and a thorough redesign
- Sell the land & knock it down - build new on the playing field
- Shame it was voted not to move it
- The decision was misjudged - new building would have been better, a new hall might possibly have been built by now, instead we face years of fund raising to renovate an old building
- We feel it should be relocated to playing field so all events could be held in one place
- We think the wrong decision was made, the hall should have been on the playing field, it would have been more central and financed quickly and easily
- We were not of the above majority, would like to know the estimate cost of the purposed refurbishment

Other views on refurbishment / rebuild etc.

- Economics to maintain old building, poor parking, residents do not support events, does the village need it?
- Has an appraisal been undertaken to demonstrate viability of refurbishment against rebuild to modern standards? Are both facilities sustainable?
- How much more money is needed?
- Many new residents since 2002 therefore recommend new consultation
- Scruffy and old fashioned
- Will the new extension come to fruition?

Car park

- Car park attracts crime and should be closed all night more restrictions and noise
- Not enough available parking when functions on lack of lighting in rear end of car park
- Parking facilities are poor

Additional uses

- Open it to a café or tea room on some weekdays
- Needs more use for village occasions i.e. parties, bbqs, sales, not jumble, aerobics

Miscellaneous

- Disabled facilities/not cleaned properly after dog clubs which is not good for play group
- Local people only pay lip-service to support the village hall
- More knowledge of village hall use, never sure what's on
- The road side of hedge could be neater
- The village is a 'hotch potch', it appears very average in every respect
- You need something or somewhere to keep the teenagers off the street corners

Q7. What do you think would enhance the village? (e.g. public green spaces/other service or facility) (O)

- ♦ 62 households (53%) named one or more feature or facility which would enhance the village.
- ♦ The comments are listed in full overleaf. They are arranged alphabetically by theme. Those which mentioned more than one item have been split.
- ♦ The most common answers were:
 - Public green / green space 12 households
 - Improved village hall 6
 - More for young people 6
 - More for children 5
 - Less litter 5

Box 7: What would enhance the village?

Public green / green space

- Central hub e.g. village green
- Green space
- Green space
- Green space
- Public green in a central position
- Public green space
- Public green space
- Public green space
- Village green
- Village green
- Village green
- Village green

Public park

- A public park
- Communal park
- Public park

The village environment

- Trees/flowers along main road
- Flowers planted on public areas
- More trees
- Shrubs and pond
- Landscaping of A38
- More managed green space

Village hall

- Improved village hall
- New village hall
- New village hall
- Re-vamp of the toilets, separate room for the playgroup
- The refurbishment of the present hall with improved facilities
- Village hall with larger green area surrounding it greater variety of sports facilities - tennis courts

Young people

- Facilities for teenagers
- Facilities for youngsters e.g. youth club to prevent hanging around getting into trouble
- More social facilities for children over 13 years
- Somewhere for youngsters to go
- Youth shelter
- Youth work for teenagers/more social events

Children

- A play area for under 5s
- Children's play area
- Facilities for children to gather (not play things)
- Play equipment for young children in main playing field
- Swings - more playgroup to purpose built next to school

Litter

- Less litter
- Less litter (major eyesore)
- Less litter being dropped
- More litter bins
- More litter bins

Transport

- Bus service to Stonehouse
- Bus service to Stonehouse/Stroud

- Bus services, visits to old people who like myself cannot go out anywhere to meet no one

Shops

- A nicer village shop perhaps similar to the post office in Frampton
- Chemist
- Choice of shop - one in existence convenient but some items can be very expensive e.g. fruit and veg
- Fruit and veg shop
- Local produce shop/farm shop
- Shopping centre (posh) with e.g. boutique coffee shop book shop small supermarket fresh fruit and veg shop
- Teashop

Facilities re A38

- Facilities in the village not separated by A38
- Improved facilities on A38
- Public services in the village rather than the other side of the A38

Gym

- Local gym
- Gym facilities

Leisure (other)

- Doing more in the playing field
- Golf course and woods
- Walks along the canal

Roads & traffic

- Less traffic
- Necessary road side parking
- Resurfacing pavements and roads
- School crossing
- Slow traffic on A38/ give people priority over traffic
- Sort the car park which is the close
- To really slow down the traffic particularly down school lane without daubing the road with paint

Signs

- Better footpath signs
- Village signs

Housing

- More houses
- Restricted development of housing

Miscellaneous

- Allowing the Whitminster hotel their illuminated sign and gym plans
- Better quality notice board in more permanent positions
- Focal point
- Footpaths that link to the new estates rather than them being dead ends
- Memorial and hall not being vandalise
- Just to keep what we have in good order
- Village map plan in prominent place designated park area

Q8a. Where do you think the focal point or ‘hub’ of the village is? (O)

- ♦ 95 households answered this question, some naming more than one venue / location.
- ♦ The top 5 answers can be summarised as follows:

– Shop	34 households
– Hall	31
– School	24
– Pub	6
– Post office	5
- ♦ 10 respondents said they did not think there was a focal point and 3 said there was more than one focal point.

Q8b. Where do you think it should be? (O)

- ♦ 65 households answered this question, some naming more than one venue / location. (10 respondents referred to their answers to Q8a, but due to the format of the data counts it is not possible to ascertain what these answers were.)
- ♦ The top 5 answers can be summarised as follows:

– Hall	15 households
– Shop	7
– School	7
– Pub	7
– Playing field	6
- ♦ In addition, the following longer comments were made:

Box 8b: Focal point of village: selection of comments (but see list above for most common answers)

- Near the geographical centre, we need a village green accessible by all estates
- Need it to be in the heart of the village
- A place where all people of all ages are encouraged to socialise
- Think it will always be shop area

Q9. What is important to you about Whitminster? (O)

- ♦ 76 households (64%) answered this question.
- ♦ The comments are all listed in full in Box 9 where they have been arranged alphabetically.
- ♦ The most common answers can be summarised as follows:

– Friendly people / Close community	24 households
– Small size / Village feel / Do not expand	18
– Peaceful / Quiet	15
– Access to motorway	12
– Rural location / Countryside	9
– Safe	7
– Facilities	7
– School	5

Box 9: What is important to you about Whitminster?

- A pleasant and quiet place to live
- Bridleways/public footpaths
- Car parking in close
- Close safe community
- Community relations with other village people, family involvement i.e. church, school
- Convenience of the M5, Gloucester etc., rural location
- Convenient for m/ways & shops, public transport etc.
- Countryside
- Country location, fact that it is a village - not too much more growth
- Countryside, footpaths, wildlife
- Ease of access for motorway
- Easy access to M5
- Easy access to M5
- Friendliness
- Friendliness
- Friendly neighbours and locals
- Friendly, peaceful
- Friendly people and good school
- Good amenities
- Good area to live in, close for me to work, good neighbours
- Good neighbours
- Good school safety (road + security), being a village not just housing estates
- Having a good community and a safe environment
- I feel at home here and appreciate being among friends and family & yet having easy means of communication with other areas
- It is a village
- It's very friendly very supportive, well equipped with a shop, garden centre and parks
- Its convenient location and facilities in comparison to other villages
- Keep it green.
- Keeping it a safe, friendly village
- Keeping it as a village
- Location, access to Gloucester or Bristol, countryside
- Location, its rural setting
- Maintaining a village environment
- Maintains small village atmosphere, not too many housing developments
- Mini roundabout + A38 crossroads, parking on the corner by the lagger is a problem

- Nice friendly village, excellent shop and P.O.
- Nice people, very quiet location
- No more new houses
- Not to over develop
- Peace and quiet, safe, local environment, to live and raise family.
- Peaceful
- Peaceful and quiet!
- Peaceful quiet
- Quiet
- Quiet life but easy access to motorway
- Quiet open countryside
- Quiet rural life - hope it does not change with anti-social behaviour of youngsters which is why we had to move in the first place
- Quiet, rural, not too large - as yet
- Retaining the village character and opposing any massive development
- Safety, cleanness, green space
- Safety, friendliness, quiet environment to live in
- School
- School, play areas
- Sense of community
- Stop petty crime and youths hanging out
- That everyone feels welcome and can enjoy the village and that the village caters for everyone
- That it is a pleasant place to live
- That it is a village
- That it remains a village, crime prevention and safety
- That it remains small
- That it remains small
- That it remains a country village
- That the community is caring towards each other and crime rate is low. Local to good motorway routes and other areas and towns
- The A38 cross roads, parking at shop and pub
- The countryside and peacefulness
- The location and the village feeling
- The neatness of the village although very easy access to M5
- The people
- The people
- The quiet. Closeness to larger towns and motorway.
- The relaxed way of life and the people
- The whole village
- To keep about the same size without major expansion
- Very friendly people
- Village facilities keeping the village going
- Village hall facilities, shop, post office, village hall, playing field

Q10. Is there anything in the village you would like to see changed or removed? (O)

- ♦ 55 households (47%) answered this question.
- ♦ The comments are all listed in full in Box 10 where they have been arranged alphabetically.
- ♦ No single issue dominated, but the most common answers can be summarised as follows:

– Safer crossing on A38	4 households
– Lower speed on A38	4
– Problem with parking	3
– Park / play equipment for children	3
– Less litter	3
– Remove Grove Lane left-turn restriction	2
– Grove Lane junction	2
– Skateboard ramp an issue	2
– Move shops to village hall site	2

Box 10: What would you like changed or removed?

- A better/safer crossing over A38 to reach the shop etc.
- A cycle path between Whitminster and Frampton
- A proper crossing for A38
- A roundabout added at the junction on the A38 where School Lane crosses over to Grove Lane, this would help slow down traffic down and prevent congestion
- A38!!!
- As Q7
- As village is split by A38 it is divided so easier access across road
- Basketball net in playing field further from houses
- Bringing back the village bobby
- Car stereos that affect the peace and quiet, also speed bumps down School Lane
- Cars parked on School Lane
- Continued development (with amenities)
- Crossroads improved
- Crowds of youth in the evening
- Dangerous parking within the close
- Decision to maximise either village hall or playing fields
- Grease the noisy sign!!!
- Have some sort of church service in the village hall or more encouragement to go to the village church
- "Left turn only" restriction on Grove Lane removed
- Local gym. Crossing close to school.
- More houses for first time buyers
- More playing areas for the children, better facilities for children i.e. parks
- Move local shops to village hall site.
- Move shop to village hall site. Therefore safer for children to walk to, it would have better parking and you could have benches to sit on.
- Move the skateboard ramp from where it is
- Park for our young children (by memorial statue)
- Pavements could do with more regular sweeping & litter collection
- Public footpaths cleared - often overgrown along School Lane, especially difficult for pushchairs and unsafe for children (nettles/brambles)
- Razor wire adjacent to public roads and path at garden centre removed
- Remove the left-only restriction from lane to A38
- Remove the tall metal post structure at the rear of the playing field

- Rubbish on public area
- Services to help disabled
- Skateboard ramp to close to school can be quite intimidating at times
- Speed on A38 – better management & enforcement
- Swings. Add playgroup to school. do more with building at school sports field. 20 mph speed limit on School Lane.
- The chip shop and takeaway
- The Hyde Lane access out the A38 - at the moment it is a joke!!! No one takes any notice of the road signs.
- The junction from Grove Lane
- The obstacle course of the entrance to Paynes Meadow
- The problem with parking and amount of council houses
- The shop on the village side of the A38
- The ugly new houses
- The village shop/PO. A more village-like shop with bits and pieces for emergencies and forgotten birthdays.
- There's segregation between estates. More effort on uniting them would bring the village together.
- Told that a site is being made for quad bikes near garden centre - don't want the noise and yobs it might attract.
- Traffic calming introduced. Derelict buildings demolished or removed.
- Village hall - either replace or refurbish
- Waste ground centre A38 off village hall and shop
- We would like the A38 road reduced in speed and an appropriate crossing put at the end of School Lane
- Young people should show respect not dropping litter
- Youngsters hanging around
- Youth, antisocial behaviour/vandalism, less litter
- Youths around bus stop etc. Cars racing up and down A38 from Whitminster housing.
- Youths hanging about at night

Q11. Is there anything that you feel would be detrimental to the village or would not like to see? (O)

- ♦ 62 households (53%) answered this question.
- ♦ The comments are all listed in full in Box 11, where they have been arranged by theme. Comments covering more than one issue have been split.
- ♦ The most common issue was housing development. 39 households (33% of 118) said they would not like to see any more housing (or too much new housing).

Box 11: What would be detrimental to the village?

Too much housing development

- Additional development of green areas
- An increase in houses versus private dwellings
- Any further housing developments
- Any further large housing development
- Any more housing
- Any more new houses, we are losing the village feel
- Any more residential building or cause of heavier traffic
- Excessive development
- Expansion
- Expansion
- Further building
- Further housing
- Further building - village could not take it
- Further housing developments
- Increased housing
- Keep any new housing to very small developments. Uptons Garden has enough cars driving fast where small children are playing, would like to limit any further developments here.

- Large housing estates
- Major new housing plots
- More houses
- More houses
- More housing
- More housing development
- More housing developments
- More housing estates
- More housing like Parklands site destroying trees
- More housing - unless more facilities for them i.e. youth club, sports facilities anything to keep them off the streets / village car park
- More large scale development
- Much more housing
- Large housing build
- No large scale housing estates
- No more buildings for 4 years at least
- Not too much more housing
- Over development
- Residential development of more than 10 houses
- Residential development on a large scale
- Too many houses
- Too many houses could be detrimental
- Too much more development
- Too much new housing

Certain types of housing

- Another segregated housing estate with limited access to the rest of the village
- Rabbit hutch housing
- Social housing
- The village (with its new houses) seems to be developing into several small villages within in larger ones
- Too many houses being built for the upper end of the market

Traffic calming

- Speed bumps
- Speed bumps - too noisy for lorries and tractors
- Traffic calming

Urbanisation

- If Whitminster became a suburb of Gloucester
- Urbanisation
- Would you like the village to become town like?

More traffic

- More traffic
- Too many cars

Speeding traffic

- Cars going too fast or too noisy
- Teenagers speeding through village, teenagers driving in public

Industry

- Industrial premises
- Industry

Night club

- Night club
- Night club

Other

- Anything that spoils the character of the village
- Big lorries parking anywhere
- Do not move the phone box, keep it the same style

- Erection of a radio mast
- Noise & light pollution
- Excessive litter and rubbish
- Holiday chalets at Whitminster hotel
- More pubs!
- Quad bike track & have already seen people/young drivers in cars down tracks behind hedges up to no good - drugs?
- Retail development
- Touring caravan park
- Stagnation
- Telephone masts, electric pylons
- Travellers on the site next to Parklands
- Untidy state of some gardens & outside garden boundaries

Q12. If residential development was to take place in the village, what type of building material or external finish do you feel is most appropriate for the look of the village or is most pleasing to the eye? (C)

- ♦ The most commonly ticked items were red brick (39% of households) and Cotswold stone (31%).

Table 12: What material is most appropriate for new residential development?

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Red brick	46	39%
Cotswold stone	36	31%
Solar panels	13	11%
Sandstone	11	9%
Eco-friendly	11	9%
Render	9	8%
Wood	7	6%
Pebble dash	3	3%
Two-tone	3	3%
Grey brick	2	2%
Glass**	0	0%
Other*	6	5%

* Variety (3), Stone (1), To follow existing buildings (1), Cream as the new houses in Upton Gardens (1)

** This option appeared in the questionnaire but was missing from the data counts. This is probably because no respondents ticked it.

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

Q13. Which surgery do you use? (O)

- ♦ 75% of the 118 households indicated that they use Frampton surgery.
- ♦ Other answers included Beeches Green, Dursley, High Street Stonehouse, Regent Street Stonehouse and St James.

Q14a. Are you satisfied with the current provision of health and social care offered by your surgery? (C)

- ♦ The majority of respondents are satisfied with the provision of G.P. and pharmacy services (Table 14a). However, beyond the above statement it is not possible to give definitive or meaningful results for this question for the reasons explained in Box 14a.

Table 14a: Proportion of households who ticked 'Yes' for each service

(N.B. proportion of 'No' and non-responses unknown – see Box 14a)

	Yes	
	No. of households	% of 118 households
G.P.	106	90%
Pharmacy	86	73%
District nurse	52	44%
Health visitor	32	27%
Midwives	21	18%
Social services	21	18%

Box 14a: Explanatory notes

For Q14a, respondents were provided with an answer grid as follows:

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
G.P.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Health visitor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Midwives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
District nurse	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pharmacy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

They therefore had three options: Yes, No, or leave blank. It is probable that some respondents would have left some of the items blank as they would not have used these services (e.g. midwives, social services, health visitor or district nurse).

However, the data counts imply that all 118 respondents ticked either 'Yes' or 'No' for each of the 6 services. This seems unlikely.

A possible explanation is provided by the following information which appears alongside the data counts:

"select case when 1 then 'Yes' else 'No' end, count(*)"

This appears to be the command that was used to extract the data from its original source. It appears to indicate that any answers (or non-answers) other than 'Yes' were counted as 'No'. This would explain why the data incorrectly indicates that all respondents either answered 'Yes' or 'No'.

Based on the data counts as they stand it appears, for example, that 82% of all 118 households are dissatisfied with midwives and 82% are dissatisfied with social services. This seems unlikely. It is more

likely that a sizeable proportion of these 82% left the item blank as they had no experience of these services.

In summary, it is possible to state what proportion of the 118 respondents ticked 'Yes' but not what proportion ticked 'No'. In order to obtain the proportion who ticked 'No' the data will need to be re-extracted from the original source. In the meantime it is suggested that the answers to Q14b are used to give an indication of respondents' views.

Q14b. If you are not satisfied, please explain why (O)

- ♦ There were 14 comments in response to this question. These are all provided in full below, grouped by service.

Box 14b: Comments on health provision

G.P.

- GP - trying to get an appointment is very hard
- GP and pharmacy - difficult to get an appointment
- GP - appointments allowed to run over time of 50 mins
- Without transport impossible to get to any surgery
- Some find reaching this surgery a problem if unable to drive
- As I am disabled the Dr has to call here

Pharmacy

- Frampton surgery is great for prescriptions but we do need a general pharmacy
- Pharmacy – no, there needs to be more experience in their staff
- GP and pharmacy - difficult to get an appointment *[repeated because falls into two categories]*

District nurse

[There were no comments about this service]

Health visitor

[There were no comments about this service]

Midwives

- Midwife - based toward Stroud maternity unit regardless of individual needs/health history
- A large number of midwives during time in Stroud all have no time, community or care/advice

Social services

- Social services are a nightmare to access and ineffective where you do

Other comments

- No comment as not used it yet
- Haven't used any of these since - don't know
- Have no experience of others

EDUCATION

15a. How satisfied are you with the following provision for under 5's? (C)

In relation to provision for under 5s:

- ♦ 2 of the 27 households who expressed an opinion are not satisfied with service
- ♦ 9 of the 26 households who expressed an opinion are not satisfied with facilities
- ♦ 12 of the 29 households who expressed an opinion are not satisfied with location

Table 15a: Satisfaction with provision for under 5s

	Number of households		
	Service	Facilities	Location
Very satisfied	8	3	7
Satisfied	17	14	10
Not satisfied	2	9	12
Total	27	26	29

Q15b. If you are not satisfied, please explain why (O)

- ♦ There were 17 comments in response to this question. These are all provided in full below, grouped by theme. (Comments relating to more than one theme have been split.)

Box 15b: Provision for under 5s

Facilities

- As a result of space & restrictions that are added, the building facilities are unsuitable for young children
- Current village hall has affected decision of some villagers and sent their children to Frampton playschool (has new facilities) new / refurb hall or own building would help boost numbers. Tots could share new facilities. Playschool.
- Facilities, purpose built room would be much better so we don't have to set up and clear every day
- Playgroup inconvenient in village hall, lack of swings in park
- The hall can be very dirty and it is ridiculous that every session all (heavy) equipment has to be dragged out of the shed!
- Toilet facilities at the village hall are not suitable for children
- Village hall dirty maybe due to dog hairs. Setting up each day poses health and safety issues and unsatisfactory for children, staff and parents.
- Village hall facilities are not great for kids schools etc.
- Village hall is not at all suitable, facilities are very poor
- Village hall lovely size for playgroup but it's not very clean, toilets/taps very difficult - storage is dreadful-backache is regular moving equipment, children cannot wash their hands

Location

- I'm not satisfied with location, too close to A38, should be by school or at school so playgroup and school can be linked
- Location - parking of parents is manic, one day someone will get killed if they don't park more sensibly
- Playgroup should ideally be close to school
- The playgroup should be attached to the school
- Too near the A38
- Village hall has to have the security improved, too close to main road

Service

- Playgroup staff are all excellent
- Service is fantastic, I work there

Other

- It would be nice to have activities on the playing field for all ages so you can go and use them at your own leisure
- My children go to Hardwicke school which we feel offers a better education
- Unable to comment / no children / but have only heard good account of school

Q16. If you feel that the provision for under 5's could be improved, please select the improvement/s that you feel would be most beneficial from the choices below (C)

Table 16: Improvements required to under-5s provision

	No. of households
Build a new facility near the school for under 5's activities	19
Use part of the school for under 5's activities	18
Improve the village hall facilities	13
Use the sports club for under 5's activities	6

Additional comments:

- Using part of school for under 5's activities not practical due to the size
- Using village hall facilities only suitable if a designated room is available

Q17a. If you have a child/children under the age of 11, do they attend Whitminster School (C)

- ♦ 32 households answered Q17a, ticking one of the six options provided in the questionnaire.
- ♦ 21 of these 32 households said their children (under 11) attend Whitminster School.

Table 17: Do your children (under 11) attend Whitminster School?

	No. of households
Yes	21
No	5
Have registered for a place	3
Waiting for a decision*	0
Too young at present, but will apply	2
Do not intend to apply	1

* This option appeared in the questionnaire but was missing from the data counts. This is probably because no respondents ticked it.

Q17b. If your child does not attend Whitminster School, please explain why (O)

- ◆ There were 7 comments in response to this question. These are provided in full below.

Box 17b: Reasons non-attendance at Whitminster School

- All 3 of my children attend Hardwicke & Severnvale
- Already attending Longley prior to moving
- Combining older and younger children in one class is not an ideal situation
- Have registered a place for 2007 and other child goes to the school
- One child not attending - unhappy with a minority of children's behaviour in class
- Poor reputation - few admissions to Marling
- Starting in September 2005

Q18. Would you like the school to offer:

a) Pre-breakfast childcare (C)

b) After school childcare (C)

- ◆ 14 households would like the school to offer pre-breakfast childcare
- ◆ 21 households would like the school to offer after school childcare

(Due to the format of the data provided, it is not possible to link the above results – or any others – with the household profiles given in 1b to ascertain the ages of the children involved.)

Q19. Do you think the school would benefit from more permanent buildings? (C)

- ◆ 38 households think the school would benefit from more permanent buildings.

Table 19: Would the school benefit from more permanent buildings?

	No. of households
Yes	38
No	5

Q20. Do you think that Whitminster School is large enough for the village? (C)

- ◆ 17 households do not think that Whitminster School is large enough for the village.

Table 20: Is Whitminster School large enough?

	No. of households
Yes	23
No	17

Q21. Which secondary school was or would be your preferred choice? (O)

- ♦ 34 households answered this question, some naming more than one school. The results are summarised below.
- ♦ The most common answer was Stroud High School.

Table 21: Preferred secondary school

	No. of households
Stroud High School	8
High School	3
Stroud	1
Stroud grammar schools	2
Marling	7
Rednock	7
Severnvale	5
Maiden hill	2
Berkeley Vale	1
Crypt	1
Downfields	1
Private	1

Other comments

- Don't know x 2
- Lots of good schools available
- Mixed grammar school - none available

Q22a. Does transport availability affect your choice of secondary school? (C)

- ♦ 17 households indicated that transport availability affects their choice of secondary school.

Table 22a: Does transport affect choice of secondary school?

	No. of households
Yes	17
No	15

Q22b. If 'Yes', please explain (O)

- ◆ There were 18 comments in response to this question. These are provided in full below.

Box 22b: Transport to secondary school

- Although Maiden Hill is the nearest school, we cannot get a place for our daughter
- Bus fair to Rednock, Severnvale
- Convenient
- Cost
- Do not want children to travel too far
- Having younger children still at primary school could cause problems with transport
- If transport to preferred schools not available we may have to reconsider
- Need a bus to take child to school
- Public transport access
- Public transport to school
- School bus route
- Severnvale seems to have available transport, seems to be local school
- The children need to be able to get to school
- There are no buses to Maiden Hill
- There are not many buses anywhere else
- Transport a factor living in Whitminster
- Travelling time
- Would not want a school if it's too far away

LOCAL SERVICES AND AMENITIES

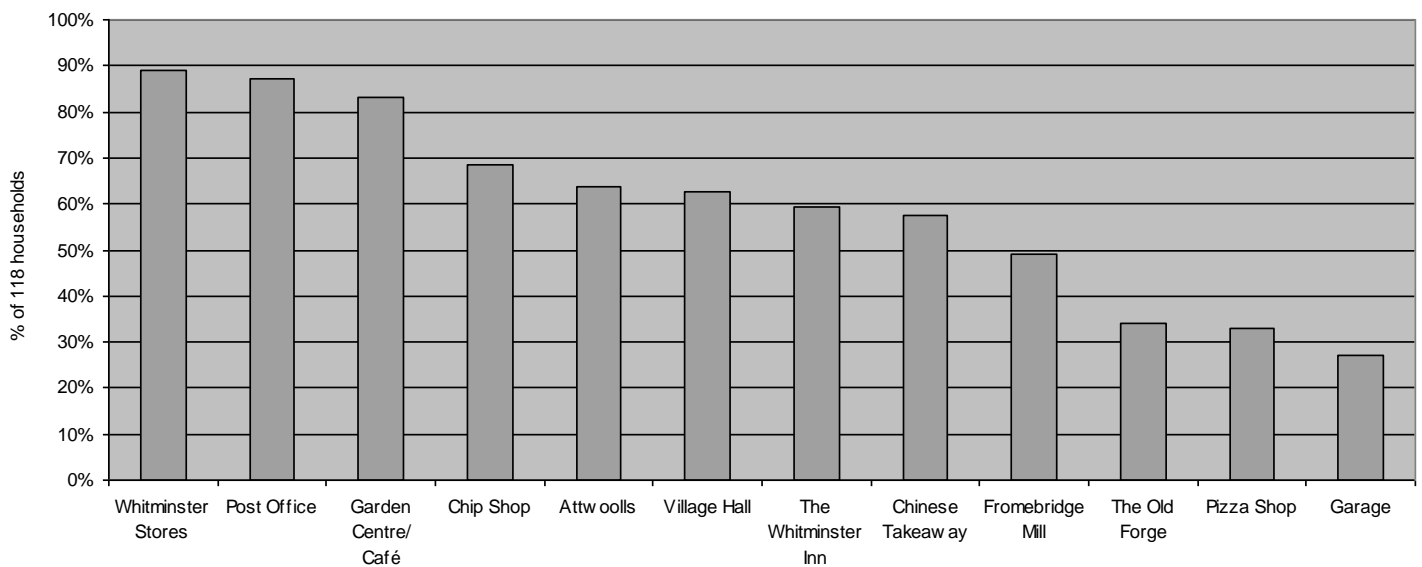
Q23. Do you use any of the following? (C)

- ♦ Over 80% of households use Whitminster Stores, the Post Office and the Garden Centre/Café.

Table 23: Do you use the following?

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Whitminster Stores	105	89%
Post Office	103	87%
Garden Centre/Café	98	83%
Chip Shop	81	69%
Attwoolls	75	64%
Village Hall	74	63%
The Whitminster Inn	70	59%
Chinese Takeaway	68	58%
Fromebridge Mill	58	49%
The Old Forge	40	34%
Pizza Shop	39	33%
Garage	32	27%

Chart 23: Do you use the following?



Q24a. How satisfied are you with the local services that you use? (C)

- ◆ Only 4 households said they were dissatisfied with local services.

Table 24a: Satisfaction with local services

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Very satisfied	37	31%
Satisfied	64	54%
Not satisfied	4	3%
Do not use	1	1%
No opinion / No response	12	10%

Q24b. If you are not satisfied, please explain why (O)

- ◆ There were 6 comments in response to this question. These are provided in full below.

Box 24b: Reasons for dissatisfaction with local services

- Busy small shop across A38
- Fruit and veg
- Lack of organisation
- Shop has become dirty and untidy
- Stores could be changed to reach potential
- The above services have improved recently but the village hall needs improvement

Q24c. What other services would you like? (O)

- ◆ 34 respondents named at least one additional service or facility they would like to see. These are summarised below, roughly arranged by theme.
- ◆ The most common request was a gym (9 households).

Box 24c: Additional services required (1 household each unless specified)

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gym (9)• Sports centre (3)• Swimming pool (3)• Health club (2)• Dance (2)• Tennis courts• Football• Pool• Greengrocer (4)• Butchers (3)• Bakers (2)• Grocery (2)• Hairdressers (2)• Tesco Express• Farm shop• Chemist	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indian restaurant/takeaway (2)• Coffee shop (2)• Tea room (2)• Family pub• Bus to Stonehouse• Buses improved• Cycle path• Adequate parking• Traffic lights at crossroads	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Police station (2)• Internet café• Free cashpoint• Newspaper delivery• Parcel collection• Allotments• Disabled facilities• Entertainment plaza
--	--	---

Q25. If the school was available for evening activities/courses/classes, would you use it? (C)

- ♦ 61 households (52% of 118) said they would use the school for evening activities, courses or classes.

Q26. What evening activities/courses/classes would you like? (O)

- ♦ 53 respondents (45%) named at least one evening activity, course or class they would like. Those mentioned by two or more respondents are listed below.
- ♦ The most common suggestion (17 households) was aerobics or keep fit.

Table 26: Activities, courses or classes requested by more than one household

	Number of households
Aerobics / keep fit	17
Yoga	12
Computers	8
Art & craft	7
Art	6
Languages	5
Flower arranging	4
Dance	3
Creative writing	2
Pilates	2
Practical courses	2
T'ai Chi	2
Sport	2
Local	2

Q27a. Is there suitable disabled access to the services and facilities above? (C)

- ♦ 26 households (22% of 118) said there is not suitable disabled access to the services and facilities above. See Q27b for comments on this issue.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	14	12%
No	26	22%

Q27b. If not, please explain (O)

- ◆ There were 27 comments in response to this question. These are provided in full below, arranged by venue. (Those relating to more than one venue have been split.)
- ◆ 19 respondents mentioned the shop, 12 the village hall, 3 the post office, 1 the forge and 1 the Chinese takeaway.

Box 27b: Disabled access

Shop

- No wheelchair access to village shop
- No access at shop for wheelchairs
- People in wheelchairs have limited access to some places & no access to the shop
- Shop not disabled friendly
- Whitminster stores layout prevents access for wheelchair
- Stores - too small for disabled access
- Shop too small to get wheelchair around
- Shop not easily accessible or big enough
- Shop is too small
- The shop is a hazard for cars let alone wheelchairs
- Shop - steps up/boxes on the floor etc.
- The shop has always got things on the floor
- Stores not pushchair friendly
- It is very difficult to get a pushchair around out of Whitminster Stores
- No ramps, lots of kerbs and narrow spaces (esp. Whitminster stores) + pushchair unfriendly
- No width for even buggy in the shop
- Shop
- Shop
- Shops

Village Hall

- Hall not disabled friendly
- Village hall disabled unfriendly
- No access at village hall for wheelchairs
- Village hall access is difficult
- Villages hall not very accessible
- No ramps into village hall
- Village hall - no
- No disabled facilities at the village hall
- No disabled toilets in village hall
- Village hall toilets - understand that refurbished
- Village hall - older property - yet to be converted
- Village Hall

Post office

- Post office - too small for disabled access
- Not sure if room for wheelchair in Post Office
- PO

Forge

- No ramps into forge.
- Forge

Other

- Not sure if room for wheelchair in Chinese
- I'd say rather unsuitable - Whitminster Inn excepted
- It varies
- Most are on the far side of A38
- Need to be more disabled friendly
- Steps, rough terrain, pavements are narrow and sloping with high drives.
- No one calls only occupational therapist. As I am housebound I have to rely on my neighbours.

SPORT AND LEISURE

Q29. Do you use or attend any of the following? (C)

- ◆ 19% of households (around 1 in 5) use the playing field, with smaller numbers ticking the other items.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Playing Field	23	19%
Quiz night	15	13%
W.I.	14	12%
Play Group	13	11%
Skateboard ramp	7	6%
Sports club	3	3%
Youth club	2	2%
Dog club	1	1%
Badminton	1	1%
Dance classes*	0	0%

* This option appeared in the questionnaire but was missing from the data counts. This is probably because no respondents ticked it.

Q29a. How satisfied are you with the sports and leisure facilities/opportunities in the village? (C)

- ◆ 17 respondents are dissatisfied with the sports and leisure facilities/opportunities in the village.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Very satisfied*	0	0%
Satisfied	25	21%
Not satisfied	17	14%
Do not use	24	20%
No opinion / No response	52	44%

* This option appeared in the questionnaire but was missing from the data counts. This is probably because no respondents ticked it.

Q29b. If you are not satisfied, please explain why (O)

- ◆ There were 18 comments in response to this question. These are provided in full below, with similar comments grouped together.

Box 29b: Reasons for dissatisfaction with sports & leisure in the village

- Don't know what is available
- Unknown because not advertised
- No classes I like at present
- Not much choice
- Restricted
- The classes that I am interested in not available at present that I am aware of
- Nothing we would use for age group
- Need more for teenagers
- Not a lot available for younger people
- Not enough for adults or children
- Doesn't cater for the up coming sports children in the village
- More sports activities to suit all
- Requires sports and fitness centre
- Little sport - could do with a gym
- Need a local gym
- Perhaps a few seats so that if people walk around they can rest if necessary
- Smoking - should be no smoking
- Too much rubbish and dog mess

Q29c. What other facilities would you like? (O)

- ◆ 23 households responded to this question, some mentioning more than one facility. The answers are summarised below. Each relates to one household unless specified otherwise.
- ◆ The most common requests were a gym (5 households) and keep fit (5 households).

Box 29c: Additional facilities required

- Gym (5)
- Sports and fitness centre
- Keep fit (3)
- Keep fit for ladies
- Keep fit for over 50s
- Tennis court (4)
- Swimming pool (2)
- Bowls club
- Golf driving range
- More play areas
- Play areas for school children
- Swings

- More for 8-14s
- Children's football/cricket
- Coffee bar for youth, somewhere to get off the streets
- Cotswold Way walks to Frampton/Whitminster church
- New village hall
- Social club
- More modern facilities

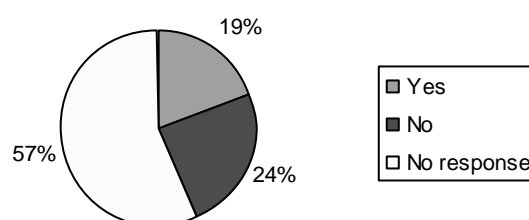
Q30a. Are the needs of people aged 11 or under met within the village? (C)

- ♦ 24% of households do not think the needs of those aged 11 or under are met within the village.

Table 30a: Are the needs of people aged 11 or under met within the village?

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	23	19%
No	28	24%
No response	67	57%

Chart 30a: Are the needs of people Aged 11 or under met within the village?



Q30b. If you answered 'No', what can you suggest to improve this? (O)

- ♦ 26 households made one or more suggestion. The answers are summarised below. Each relates to one household unless specified otherwise.
- ♦ The most common suggestions were a youth club (9 households) and swings (3).

Box 30b: Suggestions for meeting the needs of those under 11 in the village

- Youth club (9)
- Clubs (2)
- Classes
- Swings (3)
- Play area (2)
- Football club (2)
- More sports
- Cubs/scouts (2)
- Brownies/guides
- Cycle areas
- Improved toddler/playgroup facilities
- Dangerous for children to cross school lane - needs 20 mph speed limit down entire road in Whitminster

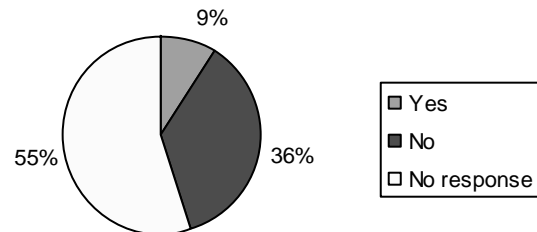
Q31a. Are the needs of people aged between 12 and 18 met within the village? (C)

- ♦ 36% of households do not think the needs of 12-18 year olds are met within the village.

Table 31a: Are the needs of 12-18s met within the village?

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	11	9%
No	42	36%
No response	65	55%

Chart 31a: Are the needs of 12-18s met within the village?



Q31b. If you answered 'No', what can you suggest to improve this? (O)

- ♦ 26 households made one or more suggestion. The answers are summarised below. Each relates to one household unless specified otherwise.
- ♦ The most common suggestions were a youth club (9 households) and somewhere to meet (4).

Box 31b: Suggestions for meeting the needs of 12-18 year olds in the village

- Youth club (9)
- Clubs
- Recreational clubs/activities
- Organised activities and social events. Perhaps arranged trips to concerts, sports activities.
- Something to do at evenings and weekends
- Somewhere to meet/hang out (4)
- Late night coffee bar/café
- Access to wall
- Community centre like Frampton
- Sports and fitness centre with reduced rates for teenagers
- Leisure centre
- Football (2)
- Cricket
- More adult/female focused sports groups
- More sports facilities for boys
- Discos (2)
- Over 15s parties
- Improved public transport to city
- Ask children what they want

Q32a. Do you think that the recreational space (playing field) should be extended?

(C)

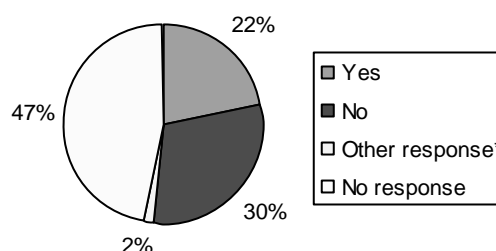
- ♦ 22% of households think the playing field should be extended, 30% of households disagree, while the remainder did not express an opinion.

Table 32a: Should the playing field be extended?

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	26	22%
No	35	30%
Other response*	2	2%
No response	55	47%

* "Unsure"; "Don't know"

Chart 32a: Should the playing field be extended?



Q32b. If so, please explain why? (O)

- ♦ 21 households gave a reason why they thought the playing field should be extended. These are provided in full below, with similar comments grouped together. (Comments which included more than one reason have been split.)

Box 32b: Reasons why playing field should be extended

- When teams play no spare space
- No space for kids to play when cricket team uses and the safety from the cricket balls
- During cricket matches not much room to kick a ball about
- It's no go when cricket is on
- All sports merged together
- So that it can be used for more than sport at one time and become a village green
- To include other sports – tennis and basketball
- Tennis would be nice
- Could have a park
- Give them a shelter to gather
- Might help the above [children & young people]
- Too small
- Always good to have more space
- It would create a vast and useful space
- To offer more activities, maybe indoor space
- Some more things can be included
- That it can cover all ages
- Push bike track
- Attract more local sporting events fixtures
- To save it from being built on
- We need to move village hall to sports field & extend sports field
- It has potential

Q33a. Would you be interested in having access to a public internet facility? (C)

- ♦ 11 households would be interested in having access to a public internet facility.

Q33b. If 'Yes', where would you like it to be? (O)

- ♦ 9 households suggested one or more location. The answers are summarised below. Each relates to one household unless specified otherwise.
- ♦ The most common suggestions were the school (5 households) and village hall (5 households)

Box 33b: Suggested locations for public internet facility

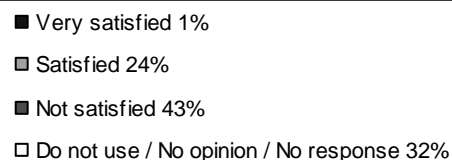
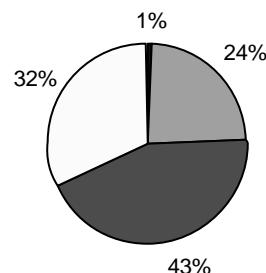
- School (5)
- Village hall (5)
- The Old Forge
- Whitminster Inn
- Coffee shop
- Building on playing field
- A38

CRIME, POLICING AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

Q34a. How satisfied are you with the level of policing in the village? (C)

- ♦ 43% of households are dissatisfied with the level of policing in the village. 25% are satisfied or very satisfied, while the remainder did not express an opinion.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Very satisfied	1	1%
Satisfied	28	24%
Not satisfied	51	43%
Do not use / No opinion / No response	38	32%



Q34b. If you are not satisfied, please explain why (O)

- ♦ 53 respondents made comments. Most of these said they never see the police in the village.
- ♦ A summary of the comments is provided in Box 34b.

Box 34b. Reasons for dissatisfaction with level of policing in village

Most common themes (*summarised; number of households in brackets*)

- Never see them / lack of presence (34)
- No regular / local police officer (5)
- Need more visible policing (3)

Other (*the remainder of the comments in full; alphabetical order; 1 household each*)

- To see a policeman in a car driving around
- Too few police to cover areas
- Too much noise at weekends from youths, not enough police patrols to stop them
- We have been victims of crime almost annually
- Activities in village hall car park / cars speed through village
- It took the police 2 weeks to answer a call last year
- They don't contact parish council at their meetings
- Noise and vandalism in village
- Not enough police presence, not Sunday afternoon ones
- Parking mobile stations outside the shop doesn't encourage people - police need to walk in village and talk to them
- Police slow to respond to anti-social behaviour

Q34c. What other policing would you like? (O)

- ◆ 46 respondents made comments.
- ◆ The full comments are all listed in Box 34c where they have been arranged in categories. Those which contain more than one request (e.g. “Speed monitoring and foot patrol”) have been split.
- ◆ The most common requests are summarised below:
 - Bobby on the beat 8
 - Foot patrols 5
 - Evening patrols 6
 - Patrols (unspecified) 6
 - Visible policing 8
 - Local police officer 4
 - Monitor car speed 3
 - More responsive 2

Box 34c. What other policing would you like?

Bobby on the beat

- A beat bobby once a week
- Bobbies on the beat
- Bobby on the beat
- Bobby on the beat
- Local bobby
- 'On the beat'
- Bobby on beat
- The community 'bobby' to visit

Foot patrols

- A policeman to walk through the village
- Foot patrols
- Foot patrols
- Foot patrol
- To see police patrols on foot would be nice

Evening patrols

- Attendance at times (evenings) when youths antisocial behaviour takes place
- Evening patrols
- Foot or car patrol some evenings near playing field
- In the evenings when groups of children collect on School Lane
- Officers on foot patrol afternoon/evening
- Regular evening patrol between 7:30pm-11:30pm when the noise is on

Patrols (unspecified)

- Patrolling like we used to have
- Patrolling
- Regular patrols
- Regular patrol at least once a day
- Regular patrols
- Regular police patrols

Visible policing

- Awareness of presence
- Visibility

- More sight of policing
- More visible presence especially around playing field
- More visible
- See local presence
- To see police officers walking around
- Visual presence occasionally

Local police officer

- Local PC
- Local PC walking around
- Local police in village
- Local resident policeman

Monitor car speed

- Speed cameras on A38
- Speed monitoring
- Stop cars speeding and being noisy

More responsive

- Responsive
- More responsiveness

Other

- A police station
- Advertisement of police and community officer contact details
- Easier contact with police station
- More active policing
- Neighbourhood watch scheme
- Police person on bike!
- Regular contact
- Regular car patrol
- To feel totally comfortable walking around Gloucester in the evenings & where I need to catch a bus

Q35a. Have you been a victim of crime in the past 12 months? (C)

- ♦ 9 respondents have been victims of crime in the past 12 months.

Table 35a: Have you been a victim of crime in past 12 months?

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	9	8%
No	80	68%
No response	29	25%

Q35b. If 'Yes' did you report it? (C)

- ♦ Of the 9 respondents who had been victims of crime in the last 12 months:
 - 7 said 'Yes'
 - 2 said 'No'

Q36a. Have you used any other emergency services? (C)

- ◆ 17 households have used the ambulance service, 7 the police and 5 the fire service.

Table 36a. Emergency services used by respondents

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Ambulance	17	14%
Police	7	6%
Fire	5	4%

*It is not known whether any of these households have used more than one of the above services, or whether there are 29 households (17+7+5) who have each used one of the services.

Q36b. How satisfied were you with the response? (C)

- ◆ 22 households gave an opinion. Their answers are shown in Table 36b.
- ◆ The figures show that 19 of the 22 respondents were satisfied or very satisfied, while 3 were not satisfied.
- ◆ From the available data it is not known which of the three services these responses refer to.

Table 36b. Satisfaction with emergency services

	No. of households
Very satisfied	10
Satisfied	9
Not satisfied	3

Q36c. If you were not satisfied, please explain why (O)

- ◆ There were 4 comments in response to this question. These are listed in full in Box 36c. Apart from where it is specified in the comment, it is not known which service each relates to. (This information could presumably be found out from the original data source.)

Table 36c. Reasons for dissatisfaction with ambulance, police or fire services

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Didn't arrive soon enough• No one to follow up when investigating officer on rest days. Ambulance crews too afraid of getting sued – official.• Complaint made - outcome unsatisfactory• Unable to obtain personal attention for 12 hrs
--

TRANSPORT

Q37a. How satisfied are you with the village link bus service within the village? (C)

- ♦ 10 households gave an opinion on the village link bus service. 8 of these said they were not satisfied.

Table 37a. Satisfaction with village link bus

	No. of households
Very satisfied*	0
Satisfied	2
Not satisfied	8

* This option appeared in the questionnaire but was missing from the data counts. This is presumably because no respondents ticked it.

Q37b. If you are not satisfied, please explain why (O)

- ♦ 13 respondents commented on the village link bus service.
- ♦ The most common complaint (4 respondents) was that they did not understand how it works or that it was complicated to use.
- ♦ The comments are all listed in full in Box 37b.

Box 37b. Reasons for dissatisfaction with village link bus

- Complicated to use
- Do not really understand it
- I don't know how it works or where it goes
- I don't understand how it works as they don't run very often
- Insufficient number
- Not readily available
- Advance booking is not always possible
- Too expensive as OAP
- Not able to use
- The new timetable may be a big improvement
- Do not use the bus, would if the need arose
- Never heard of it
- Waste of money

Q37c. What other services would you like? (O)

- ♦ 15 respondents stated other services they would like to see.
- ♦ The most common requests were:
 - Bus to Stonehouse 7
 - Bus to Stroud 6
- ♦ The comments are all listed in full in Box 37c. They have been arranged into two categories. (One comment fell into both categories and has therefore been split.)

Box 37c. Transport services required by respondents

Bus to Stonehouse/Stroud

- A bus to Stroud and Stonehouse
- A service between Whitminster and Stroud and Whitminster to Stonehouse
- Bus service to Stonehouse
- Bus service to Stonehouse
- Bus to Stonehouse return
- Bus to Stroud
- Buses to Stroud/Stonehouse
- Link to Stonehouse/Stroud
- Regular bus to Stroud

Other

- A bus service through the village
- Bus to Cheltenham
- Late night Friday/Sat buses
- Link to Eastington, Tesco bus
- Local taxi
- More frequent bus service
- Organised vehicle share, school, shops etc.

Q38a. How satisfied are you with the level of bus services beyond the village? (C)

- ♦ 34 households gave an opinion on the level of bus services beyond the village. Of these, 20 were satisfied and 14 were not.

Table 38a. Satisfaction with bus services beyond the village

	No. of households
Very satisfied*	0
Satisfied	20
Not satisfied	14

* This option appeared in the questionnaire but was missing from the data counts. This is presumably because no respondents ticked it.

Q38b. If you are not satisfied, please explain why (O)

- ♦ 22 respondents made comments. Many were similar to those made in response to Q37c (e.g. buses to Stroud and Stonehouse), but it is not known whether it was the same respondents who requested these services in both questions.
- ♦ The most common reasons for dissatisfaction were:
 - No buses to Stroud 8
 - No buses to Stonehouse 4
 - Too few buses 4
 - No evening buses 3
- ♦ The comments are all listed in full in Box 38b.

Box 38b. Reasons for dissatisfaction with village link bus

No bus to Stonehouse/Stroud

- Bus link to Stonehouse/Stroud
- Bus to Stroud
- Glos/Dursley OK, none to Stroud/Stonehouse
- Is there a bus to Stonehouse/Stroud?
- Need a bus to Stroud
- No easy access to Stroud
- No service to Stroud or Stonehouse
- Not good links to Stroud and surrounding areas

Too few buses

- Insufficient number to get to and from work
- More frequent services, more destinations direct
- Not enough
- Not enough buses

No evening buses

- Needs later buses to/from Gloucester
- No late night service
- Please can we have no 12 buses reinstated for the evening (as far as Whitminster)

Other

- As cheap to drive if you know where to park without having to pay
- Disabled so cannot get to the buses or shops
- I was told there was no bus that goes from Whitminster past Frampton surgery.
- Keep changing timetable and some stopping some services
- Lack of destination choice
- Not aware of routes
- When are we to get modern comfortable buses on 91 service?

Q38c. What other services would you like? (O)

- ♦ 13 respondents made comments. Many were similar to those made in response to Q37c and Q38b (e.g. buses to Stroud and Stonehouse), but it is not known whether it was the same respondents who requested these services in each question.
- ♦ The most common requests were:
 - Bus to Stroud 9
 - Bus to Stonehouse 6
- ♦ The comments are all listed in full in Box 38c.

Box 38c. Services required

Bus to Stroud/Stonehouse

- A bus to Stroud and Stonehouse
- Bus service to Stonehouse and Stroud
- Bus to Stroud
- Direct link to Stroud or Stonehouse
- More access to Stroud by buses
- Regular service to Stroud
- Stonehouse/Stroud
- Stonehouse/Stroud
- Stroud, Stonehouse

Other

- Bus to Bristol
- Direct bus up A38 to docks
- Increased bus service
- Some public transport between Frampton & Stonehouse

Q39. Do you have any other transport needs that are not currently met? (O)

- ♦ 12 respondents made comments. Again, these included requests for buses to Stroud and Stonehouse:
 - Bus to Stroud 3
 - Bus to Stonehouse 3
- ♦ The comments are all listed in full in Box 39. (One comment included two destinations and has therefore been split.)

Box 39: Other transport needs

Bus to Stroud/Stonehouse

- Bus to Stroud
- Buses from Whitminster to Stroud
- More regular village link between Whitminster and Stonehouse at present
- Bus goes to Stonehouse & does not return for a few hours too long!
- Services by public transport to Stroud?
- Stonehouse

Bus to Bristol

- Buses from Whitminster to Bristol
- Direct travel to Bristol

Evening services

- Evening
- Evening buses to Gloucester, the 8, 9, 10 and 11pm were curtailed this 9am practically

Other

- Cycle paths
- No warning, now only travel as far as Quedgeley (as per daytime)
- If I didn't have a car I wouldn't be able to get to work bus would not be able to get me to work

TRAFFIC

Q40. Within the village, how satisfied are you with the following? (C)

- ◆ 62% of households are dissatisfied with speed control measures within the village
- ◆ 42% of households are dissatisfied with pedestrian/cyclist safety within the village
- ◆ 42% of households are dissatisfied with parking facilities within the village

Table 40a. Satisfaction with speed control measures within village

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Very satisfied*	0	0%
Satisfied	29	25%
Not satisfied	73	62%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	16	14%

* This option does not appear in the data counts and it is therefore assumed that no respondents selected it

Table 40b. Satisfaction with pedestrian/cyclist safety within village

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Very satisfied*	0	0%
Satisfied	44	37%
Not satisfied	50	42%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	24	20%

* This option does not appear in the data counts and it is therefore assumed that no respondents selected it

**Table 40c. Satisfaction with parking facilities within village
(Roads and estates, Village Hall)**

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Very satisfied	1	1%
Satisfied	47	40%
Not satisfied	50	42%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	20	17%

Box 40: All comments made in response to this question

- I think it is wrong to park on the road especially School Lane
- Parking near roundabout on School Lane dangerous
- Would like a cycle track between Whitminster and Frampton

Q41. On the A38, how satisfied are you with the following? (C)

- ♦ 47% of households are dissatisfied with speed control measures on the A38
- ♦ 50% of households are dissatisfied with pedestrian/cyclist safety on the A38
- ♦ 58% of households are dissatisfied with parking facilities on the A38 (Whitminster Stores, Pizza and Chip Shop, Public House)

Table 40a. Satisfaction with speed control measures on A38

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Very satisfied	1	1%
Satisfied	45	38%
Not satisfied	55	47%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	17	14%

Table 40b. Satisfaction with pedestrian/cyclist safety on A38

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Very satisfied	2	2%
Satisfied	33	28%
Not satisfied	59	50%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	24	20%

**Table 40c. Satisfaction with parking facilities on A38
(Whitminster Stores, Pizza and Chip Shop, Public House)**

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Very satisfied	0	0%
Satisfied	32	27%
Not satisfied	69	58%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	17	14%

Box 41: All comments

- Chicanes on School Lane
- Since the new Forge owners have taken over, I feel uncomfortable about parking near the pub. There is now only enough spaces for 4 cars outside.
- The shop this is very dangerous!

N.B. DUE TO TIME CONSTRAINTS, FROM THIS POINT ON THE RESULTS WILL BE GIVEN WITH LESS FORMATTING – E.G. NO TABLE HEADINGS, NO BOXES AROUND COMMENTS. COMMENTS ARE SHOWN IN THEIR ORIGINAL FORM – E.G. THE CASE (UPPER OR LOWER) HAS NOT BEEN CHANGED. IN ADDITION, THE COMMENTS HAVE, IN GENERAL, NOT BEEN CATEGORISED AS PREVIOUSLY.

Q42. What improvements can you suggest? (O)

Suggestions included traffic lights, pedestrian crossings, parking restrictions (including lorries), more off-road parking, police checks, speed bumps and lower speed limits. See full comments below.

All comments

Parking

- BETTER ORGANISATION OR BANNING OF PARKING IN FRONT OF GENERAL STORES / PIZZA CHIP
- better parking at shop
- BETTER PARKING FACILITIES OUTSIDE THE SHOP AND CHIP SHOP
- Clarification of what area can be used e.g. up to 9.30 use Whitminster Inn / Old forge car park when visiting stores
- DOUBLE YELLOW LINES TO STOP PARKING ON THE SIDE OF THE ROADS AND SHOP ON A38
- Get pub/shop to sort out parking problem.,.
- the close no parking on roads
- LORRIES NOT TO PARK IN FRONT OF THE CHIP SHOP
- MORE OFF ROAD PARKING AT SHOP
- mothers parking outside school is a nightmare
- parking opposite gardeners cottage very dangerous
- need more parking spaces
- PROVIDE PLENTY OF PARKING.
- stop cars parking on the blind bends e.g. school lane
- stop parking on pavements in school lane
- stopping lorries blocking shop
- if we put painted spaces in the shop this will put off lorries and larger passing trade
- organised parking outside village shop and pub
- EXTRA PARKING IN VILLAGE & NO PARKING ON PAVEMENTS
- improving parking
- MORE OFF ROAD PARKING

Pelican Crossing

- A38 pedestrian crossing, operational speed cameras
- CONTROLLED CROSSING ACROSS THE A38
- Current crossing ok. Very difficult at times but no obvious solution/improvement.
- ZEBRA CROSSING/ TRAFFIC LIGHTS
- traffic light controlled pedestrian crossing
- making it easier to cross a 38
- pedestrian crossing definitely needed on a38 (near shop) and school lane (near school) children at play sign needed
- PEDESTRIAN CROSSING BY THE SCHOOL AS IT IS DANGEROUS TO CROSS THE ROAD
- PEDESTRIAN CROSSING WITH LIGHTS ON A38
- still waiting for controlled pedestrian crossing
- double yellow lines to prevent parking on bends in road
- pedestrian crossing on a38

Road layout

- large roundabout or traffic lights on a38 crossroad junction
- lights at junction school lane a 38 lower speed in school lane more parking at shop double yellow lines throughout
- ON THE A38 A SET OF TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT THE JUNCTION CROSS ROADS AND FOR THE PROPER
- RE-DESIGN CROSSROADS
- sort the crossroads stop people u turning install pedestrian crossing provide pedestrain crossing
- stop problems at junction
- TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT JUNCTION
- traffic lights at junction a38 /school lane
- TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT THE ROAD
- TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON 138 AND SCHOOL LANE AND PEDESTRIAN CROSSING
- TRAFFIC FLOW FROM GROVE LANE EITHER TO BE ENFORCED OR RE-INSTATED
- roundabout at top of Uptons garden- traffic does not give way to the right proceed straight over Frampton/ Whitminster
- completely rethink on A38 junction at the forge
- full set of traffic lights on a38. one way at the top of grove lane

Speed control

- 20 mph speed limit in school lane- 40 mph speed limit a38 stop cars lorries parking unsafely outside chip
- A38through Whitminster to be laid out with positive single carriage ways to stop overtake cycle lane and speed
- control it is a race track
- ENFORCEMENT OF 40MPH LIMIT ON THE A 38 (NOT 60/70) RUMBLE STRIPS
- enforcement of speed in lanes on a38
- extend and lower speed limit on a38 to 40mph
- A38 ENFORCEMENTS OF SPEED LIMITS
- perhaps police speed checks on the a38 past the Whitminster Inn going toward Gloucester
- SHOP. SPEED HUMPS BY SCHOOL
- speed bumps required
- speed control measures in school lane without excessive road defacing with paint
- traffic calming by school pedestrian crossing to shop on a 38
- traffic calming speed reduction on school lane - speed limit signs crossing facilities on a38
- traffic speed control
- yellow lines on Whitminster Lane, speed ramps, cross roads instead of mini roundabout + traffic lights on A38
- SCHOOL LANE TRAFFIC CALMING

Other

- A38 northbound- just before school lane- big dip in the road. Lorries make terrible dips at all hours when they
- Far too many lorries on the a38
- safer roads
- CYCLE LANE
- cycle lane through village Frampton
- cycle tracks
- defined cycle lanes on A38 traffic calming measures
- NEVER SEEN POLICE ON A38 SOUTH
- police to occasionally enforce illegal night turns and speeding fines
- more police presence
- IMPROVEMENT IN CONDITION OF THE PAVEMENT/FOOTPATHS WITHIN THE VILLAGE -SOME ARE VERY UNEVEN AND DAMAGED
- MOVE THE VILLAGE HALL AND MOVE THE SHOP TO THE VILLAGE HALL SITE.
- whatever is implemented needs to be strictly reinforced

Q43a. Would you like more parking restrictions (e.g. traffic calming, double yellow lines)? (C)

41% of respondents would like more parking restrictions. 31% would not.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	48	41%
No	36	31%
No response	34	29%

Q43b. If 'Yes', please describe your ideas (O)

Suggestions included double yellow lines, parking restricted to one side of road and no parking near school at school times.

All comments

- DOUBLE YELLOW LINES ON SCHOOL LANE
- DOUBLE YELLOW LINES RESTRICTED PARKING BETWEEN VILLAGE HALL AND HYDE LANE.
- double yellow lines
- double yellow lines all through the close
- blanket 20 mph limit and speed bumps
- CALMING MEASURES OUTSIDE SCHOOL
- traffic calming just beyond the school
- PARKING BY SCHOOL
- SPEED HUMPS BY SCHOOL
- near school no parking at school times
- traffic calming/slowng on school lane is an essential as cars speed up and down road
- no parking on school lane
- school lane
- traffic calming at the bottom of school lane double yellow lines from mini roundabout to village hall
- traffic calming on school lane
- traffic calming restrictions through village
- MAINLY ON SCHOOL LANE
- just on school lane
- speed ramps in school lane - Uptons garden
- in school lane restrict parking to one side of the road only
- through the close
- the close
- parking in the close must be sorted
- STRUCTURED PARKING AT STORES USE OF PARKING BY WHITMINSTER INN
- CURB SIDE PARKING IN THE CLOSE RESTRICTED
- SCHOOL LANE & A38 & THE CLOSE
- the through traffic to Frampton and Saul is excessive
- traffic calming
- traffic calming throughout village
- traffic lights a38- calming traffic in village
- close lay-by on a38 off Attwoolls
- JUST SENSIBLE PARKING
- PEOPLE TO USE PARKING FACILITES PROVIDED
- slower traffic not allowed to stop shop blocking parking
- How are restrictions going to help develop this already struggling range of shops?
- warning flashing lights indicating speed no speed camera doesn't work
- only if they are enforced- the locals are the worst for not obeying current restrictions

Q44. Would you like to see? (C)

78% of respondents would like to see a pedestrian crossing near the shop. This was the most commonly ticked option of the four provided. (Respondents could tick more than one.)

A pedestrian crossing near the shop

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	92	78%
No	8	7%
No response	18	15%

Traffic lights where School Lane meets the A38

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	56	47%
No	38	32%
No response	24	20%

A roundabout where School Lane meets the A38

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	38	32%
No	45	38%
No response	35	30%

An alternative to the mini roundabout on School Lane

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	25	21%
No	51	43%
No response	42	36%

Q44 contained the option "Other" where respondents could write their own suggestions.

All comments

- "RUMBLE STRIPS" OR A38 TO BE CALM FOR TRAFFIC BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH 30MPH
- 20 mile limit school lane through past sand furlong (just past Highfield nursery)
- slow the traffic for children's sake
- get rid of speed camera it's a money making scheme
- GREATER EXTENT OF SPEED RESTRICTIONS SCHOOL LANE
- it worries me that the way cars cut through the forge to avoid the no right turn and straight ahead at grove lane - I'm sure someone will end up being ran over; probably a child
- no parking on blind bend of school lane
- PEDESTRIAN CROSSING BY SCHOOL SO THAT CHILDREN ARE NOT AT RISK
- pedestrian crossing opposite shop
- restriction on left turn on a38 should apply to goods vehicles
- school signs closer to the school + speed limit signs perhaps flashing speed signs during school runs
- speed humps on school lane
- SPEED RESTRICTION THROUGH VILLAGE FROM MORTON VALANCE TO FROMBRIDGE
- THE HEDGES BORDERING SCHOOL LANE TO BE CUT DOWN
- traffic calming for school system proposed but seems delay in implementing it
- yellow lines between mini roundabout and school lane until after bend as it is difficult to see oncoming traffic with cars parked there

EMPLOYMENT

Q45. Are you: (C)

58% of respondents are employed, 11% self-employed, 22% retired. Some ticked more than one option.

Q46. What distance do you travel to work? (C)

Of the 81 households who ticked either employed or self-employed in Q45:

- 3 work from home
- 41 (about half) work within 10 miles of Whitminster
- 38 work further afield

Q47. How do you travel to and from work? (C)

Of the 81 households who ticked either employed or self-employed in Q45:

- 73 (most) travel by car
- 2 by van
- 2 by car share
- 1 by motorcycle
- 1 by bus & taxi
- 3 walk
- 1 cycles

Q48. Would you be interested in a car share scheme? (C)

12 households would be interested in a car share scheme. A further 2 said “possibly”.

COUNTRYSIDE AND ENVIRONMENT

Q49. Do you use local footpaths or rights of way? (C)

Around half the households (47%) said they use the local footpaths or rights of way.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	56	47%
No	2	2%
No response	60	51%

Q50a. Within Whitminster, how satisfied are you with the condition of each of the following: (C)

- The results are arranged in descending order of dissatisfaction.
- The greatest dissatisfaction is with the condition of the footpaths, with 41% not satisfied.
- Roadside footpaths is the only item in Q50a where the number of “Not satisfied” is greater than the number of “Satisfied/very satisfied”.

Roadside footpaths	No. of households	% of 118 households
Satisfied or very satisfied	45	38%
Not satisfied	48	41%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	25	21%

Provision of litter bins	No. of households	% of 118 households
Satisfied or very satisfied	59	50%
Not satisfied	31	26%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	28	24%

Hedges	No. of households	% of 118 households
Satisfied or very satisfied	68	58%
Not satisfied	27	23%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	23	19%

Public footpaths/rights of way	No. of households	% of 118 households
Satisfied or very satisfied	67	57%
Not satisfied	27	23%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	23	19%
Other response ("Vary")	1	1%

Ditches	No. of households	% of 118 households
Satisfied or very satisfied	57	48%
Not satisfied	20	17%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	41	35%

Amenity Areas	No. of households	% of 118 households
Satisfied or very satisfied	63	53%
Not satisfied	12	10%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	43	36%

Bridleways	No. of households	% of 118 households
Satisfied or very satisfied	48	41%
Not satisfied	9	8%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	60	51%
Other response ("Vary")	1	1%

Canal	No. of households	% of 118 households
Satisfied or very satisfied	84	71%
Not satisfied	10	8%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	24	20%

Q50a. If you are not satisfied, please explain why

Common reasons included overgrown roadside hedges and overflowing litter bins (either due to lack of emptying or insufficient number).

All comments

Roadside Footpaths

- cycling or walking to Frampton is very dangerous
- DIFFICULT AS IT IS MOSTLY LANES
- Footpaths on school lane to village hall to narrow has parked cars on it & is in terrible condition. Got lost on public footpath behind Holbury crescent
- more footpaths along Whitminster lane
- no footpath or lighting beyond the school
- no sufficient footpaths to the lower end of the village and church very dangerous walking or cycling to and past the church
- not enough pavements on school lane and around village
- Payne's Meadow needs attention to footpaths
- R/SIDE FOOTPATHS HEDGES OVERGROWN, BAD SURFACE
- roadside footpaths need repair
- footpaths dangerous
- FOOTPATH ALLEY BETWEEN KIDNAMS WALK AND SCHOOL LANE IS DARK, UNEVEN, OVERGROWN AND NEEDS FENCING REPAIRED OR REPLACED.
- school lane - Frampton surgery extremely dangerous as not foot path
- FOOTPATHS/ROADSIDES NEED RESURFACING ALONG SCHOOL LANE
- need a pathway to Frampton
- ROADSIDE PATH BETWEEN SCHOOL AND HYDE LANE NOT LEVEL AND COULD BE WIDER.
- ON A38 PATHS ARE IN POOR CONDITION TOO CLOSE TO A BUSY ROAD
- people are still parking on pavements all around village

Bins

- bins are vandalised
- COULD BE MORE BINS AROUND AREA
- empty litter bins show rubbish lying about spoils look of village
- by little Holbury is often messy and full of rubbish
- LACK OF LITTER BINS ON PLAYING FIELD
- litter a disgrace we pick it up everyday
- litter bins are inadequate in size positioned in the wrong places and in frequently used.
- litter bins- but not always emptied by council
- more litter bins needed
- not enough bins on footpaths
- not enough bins for footpaths along Whitminster lane to Frampton
- more litter bins needed
- Persuading people to use either bins is a problem rather than lack of them. The roads are full of rubbish
- Provision of more litter bins specially in amenity areas could help lessen the large amount of litter
- LITTER BINS NOT ENOUGH OR NOT USED AMENITY AREAS NO PROVISION
- too few litter bins around,
- vandalised litter bins
- INSUFFICIENT LITTER BINS

Dog Poo Bins

- NOT ENOUGH BINS FOR DOG MESS ETC...
- problem with litter dog mess etc...
- THE FOOTPATH DOWN TO THE CANAL IS ALWAYS COVERED IN DOG POO.
- too much litter about no provisions to control- ditches are dumping grounds

Public footpaths

- DON'T KNOW WHERE FOOTPATHS ARE
- footpaths ploughed over in winter, dumping grounds for rubbish
- GRASS VERY OVER GROWN OVER FOOTPATHS IN FIELDS,
- IN SUMMER SOME FOOTPATHS BECOME VERY OVERGROWN
- OVERGROWN WITH NETTLES / BRAMBLES SO NARROW AND UNSAFE
- partly blocked - flood road after heavy rain
- rights of way all need cutting
- Footpaths overgrown
- Footpaths overgrown and badly maintained

Hedges

- hedges unkempt
- hedges need to be kept neat and tidy no overgrown onto the pavements
- hedges on footpaths are overgrown and need cutting back (son had a bramble in his eye on a public footpath)
- hedges on roadside and on bend after mini roundabout block view of any oncoming traffic when cars are parked on the left hand side of the road
- hedges overgrown paths more litter bins needed by chip shop parking on pavements/ grass over
- hedges overgrown roadside footpaths through village being eroded away, this does not affect us but have proven a problem for mothers with pushchairs
- hedges visibility & views footpaths show neglect (weeds and uneven)
- Some hedges make visibility on school lane poor also bad on a38
- OVERGROWN HEDGES AT THE BOTTOM OF THE HILL CANT GET PAST WITH PUSHCHAIR
- paths are interrupted by overgrowing bushes
- SOME HEDGES NEED MORE TENDING,
- the hedges on Kidnams walk are overgrown. They are not maintained,
- untidy and overgrown
- hedges not controlled over path ways
- too many hedges over grown road side footpaths difficult with pushchair / toddler walking
- roadside of footpaths hedges overhang
- UNKEMPT

Ditches

- Ditches are too overgrown - and never cleared
- ditches full of rubbish
- the ditch opposite out house has not seen any maintenance other than what my husband does
- ditches full of litter

Amenity

- no good amenity area
- NO WHERE FOR OUR KIDS TO PLAY
- PLAYGROUNDS ARE FAIRLY POOR.

Bridleways

- not enough bridle ways

Canal

- canal needs cleaning of weeds
- canal needs cleaning up
- canal needs footpaths opened so we can use it with a push chair and wheel chair
- NEEDS TO BE RESTORED

Other

- all want more maintenance
- NEED BETTER MAINTENANCE
- more buses needed and McDonalds and other take aways need to get people not chuck rubbish on the roads and hedges etc..

Q50c. What else would you like?

All comments

- a village clean up day regularly
- people to care for the area
- people to use the litter bin facilities
- SOME SORT IF CAMPAIGN TO REDUCING LITTERING
- tiding up
- bigger post boxes
- pavements/ cycle path to Frampton (from whit)

- PEDESTRIAN ACCESS BETWEEN CUL-DE-SACS.
- wider pavements
- WIDER BETTER KEPT PATHS
- more footpaths right of way + roadsides no parking on public footpaths on school lane
- more POO bins + clear foot paths
- people to keep off out parkland at the end of Uptons garden
- that people be aware that the parklands is private and not right of way
- swings
- SWINGS MORE STIMULATIVE PLAY AREAS FOR ALL AGES

Q51. If there was a 'handy' pocket sized plan of the village showing the public footpaths or rights of way, would you use it? (C)

80% of households would use a pocket sized plan of the village.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	94	80%
No	10	8%
No response	14	12%

Q52. Do you think it is important to retain farmland/green spaces in the village? (C)

89% of households think it is important to retain farmland/green spaces in the village.

Only one respondent said no, with the remainder leaving the question blank.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	105	89%
No	1	1%
No response	12	10%

Q53. Would you like to see a wooded area within the village? (C)

Two thirds of households would like to see a wooded area within the village.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	78	66%
No	21	18%
No response	19	16%

Q54. Do you think it is important to protect wildlife within the village? (C)

90% of households think it is important to protect wildlife within the village.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	106	90%
No	2	2%
No response	10	8%

Q55. Would you like to see further development of the canal or canal areas? (C)

69% of households would like to see further development of the canal or canal areas.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	81	69%
No	22	19%
No response	14	12%
Other response ("Depends")	1	1%

Q56. What type of development can you suggest? (O)

All comments

- a working canal
- BOATING FACILITES
- canal open up- Saul
- clear walkways + boats using the canal tea room on the canal or shop
- CLEARANCE AND USE OF CANAL
- cycle paths/ suitable for buggies/ wheel chair/ teashop
- cycle track and linear parking to walk along and enjoy
- ENOUGH AT SAUL
- farm animals to visit and feed
- full restoration to working order
- GENERAL CLEAN UP ON REGULAR BASES
- I would like to see the canal reopened but would not like lots of new buildings -hence more traffic
- just managed as it is keeping rubbish
- JUST TO GET THE CANAL BACK IN USE. NO FURTHER DEVELOPMENT WANTED
- keep it a village
- leisure area/park
- leisure uses if canal sides
- maintain and not over develop- cycle paths
- marina with coffee/tea shop
- more seating around canal junction- marina developed
- nature reserve/village pond
- no large development
- only for boating etc... not housing/industry
- OPEN FOOTPATHS TO BICYCLES AND CREATE A NATURE TRAIL
- OPENING OF CANAL & TOWPATHS , WALKING & CYCLING
- opening up of all canal routes picnic areas and parking
- PICNINC AREAS NEAR CANAL
- place to walk and picnic
- recreational area - none have made a good start
- reinstatement of Stroud water canal through the lechlate from junction y
- RESTORATION CONSTRUCTION OF TOW PATHS, LITTER BINS
- RESTORATION OF FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS TO BRING THEM BACK INTO USE.
- signs suggesting walking areas
- SOMETHING FAMILIES COULD USE PICNIC AREA
- sport
- sympathetic development to create local employment
- that is be cleared of rubbish/ protect wildlife/ conservancy of a peaceful place
- THE OPENING UP OF THE OLD STROUD-WATER CANAL FROM WALK BRIDGE TO BLUNDER LOCK AT EASTINGTON
- TO MAKE IT MORE ENVIORMENTLY FRIENDLY
- we thought development was happening at the canal
- WOULD LIKE TO SEE CANAL JOINED UP

Q57a. How satisfied are you with general services in Whitminster? Please tick the services that you are dissatisfied with. (C)

The 3 services with which the greatest number of respondents are dissatisfied are:

1. Cable TV 22% dissatisfied
2. Digital services 15% dissatisfied
3. Electric 14% dissatisfied

Fewer than 10% are dissatisfied with any of the other services. The full list of results is provided below.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Cable TV	26	22%
Digital services	18	15%
Electric	16	14%
Lighting	9	8%
Recycling Services	9	8%
Broadband	6	5%
Sewerage	5	4%
Storm water drainage	5	4%
General council services	4	3%
Mobile library	3	3%
Post	3	3%
Refuse services	3	3%
Telephone	2	2%
Gas	1	1%
Water	1	1%

Q57b. If you are not satisfied with any of the above, please explain why

All comments (arranged into subject areas):

Cable TV / Digital services / Broadband

- CANNOT GET BROADBAND OR CABLE TV WHERE WE LIVE
- no cable
- NO CABLE ACCESS
- no cable TV and BT is very poor and broadband
- NO CABLE TV IN THE VILLAGE
- no choice of cable
- NOT CABLE ACCESS IN WHITMINSTER
- WE CAN'T GET CABLE TV
- What cable TV?
- couldn't pick up cable
- DIGITAL TV CAN'T BE RECIVED
- no freeview reception
- not available in foreseeable future
- this area doesn't receive digital service
- NON EXISTENT DIGITAL SERVICES FOR BBC SET TOP AND LIGHTING POUR IN SCHOOL LANE
- NOT IN A GOOD RECEPTION AREA FOR TV & CABLE

Electricity

- after digging up paths following power cuts do not correctly repair should be once weekly
- electric goes off regularly recycling people fussy about what they take
- electric- too many short breaks in power
- for a good number of year we have had too many power cuts seems to have improved
- frequent electric power cuts although less since road fully developed
- have had quite a few power cuts
- MORE POWER CUTS THAN WANT
- power cuts appear to be the norm when storms are about
- POWER CUTS ARE FREQUENT
- TOO MANY POWER CUTS FOR KNOWN REASON POOR LIGHTING ON SOUTH SIDE A38
- too many power cuts never lived anywhere that power goes off as much
- TOO MANY POWER CUTS, INSUFFICIENT LIGHTING IN HOLBURY CRESCENT.
- WE SEEM TO HAVE A LOT OF DIPS IN POWER (ELEC)
- we seem to suffer quite regularly with power cuts

Lighting

- LIGHTING NONE AVAILABLE
- Much too bright at the end of Uptons garden (e.g. parklands) don't need lights on in the house!!
- our garden flooded by light

Recycling

- bigger recycling bins needed
- have green boxes- bins would be better for recycling stuff
- no garden waste collection
- no recycling facility for cardboard at the village hall
- not had any information reference recycling
- Recycling cardboard please

Sewerage

- SEWAGE NEEDS UPDATING
- SEWAGE NOT AVAILABLE
- the sewage disposal outside the village
- THE USE OF SEWAGE SLURRY FROM BRISTOL IN FIELDS
- unable to get on to mains sewerage

Storm water drainage

- STORM WATER FILLS OUR WATER METER

Mobile library

- how do you know times of the mobile library
- mobile library an call all useful line use collection point

Post

- cannot deliver to the right house
- we have post disappearing

Refuse services

- REFUSE COLLECTION

Other / unidentified

- badly maintained
- DOESN'T EXIST
- GAS NOT AVAILABLE
- Grass cutting is not up to standard
- I cant get any of them
- LEAVING OUT LAND TO ANIMALS
- weeds growing along all kerbs and pathways
- wrong area!!!

Q57c. What other services would you like? (O)

All comments

- 8MB BROADBAND
- better TV and phone reception especially TV
- CABLE TV
- CLEAR GUIDELINES ON WHAT CAN BE RECYCLED AND HOW
- faster broadband access
- garden waste collection
- newspaper delivered
- none
- STREET LIGHTS IN HOLBURY CRESCENT

Q58a. Do you recycle? (C)

90% of the households recycle.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	106	90%
No	5	4%
No response	7	6%

Q58b. What would encourage you to do it more? (O)

Suggestions included cardboard collection, plastic collection, garden waste collection, bigger bins and weekly collection.

All comments

Cardboard

- cardboard facility
- cardboard
- cardboard collection
- CARDBOARD COLLECTION PLASTIC BOXES
- cardboard
- cardboard collection
- cardboard recycling from home
- CARDBOARD RECYCLING IN VILLAGE
- cardboard recycling service
- CARDBOARD FACILITY
- they do not collect cardboard

Plastic

- all plastics to be taken
- facilities for plastics not just bottles
- plastic recycling expanded
- recycle plastic bottles
- SOMEWHERE TO RECYCLE PLASTIC BAGS

Garden waste

- garden waste collection
- compost bins
- a skip for garden waste

Bigger bins or more facilities

- bigger and more practical bins
- bigger bins
- bigger boxes
- dedicated household recycling bigger bins than green boxes
- greater capacity in boxes which are segregated also
- Larger recycling containers (wheelie bins) for households & local recycling facilities
- more bins to separate
- hate silly green bins useless
- more facilities
- more facilities for recycling
- a shredder for use occasionally and sometimes
- bins for green waste
- green bins for personal use
- if everything that is recyclable would be taken
- increase the items to recycle
- if more items were collected

Weekly collection

- more frequent collections
- weekly collection
- weekly collections

Other

- a clothes/shoes bin at village hall
- Disappointed that neighbours do not recycle. If knocked on doors with containers it might encourage them
- AND PICK UP GREEN WASTE.
- SPLITTING OF RUBBISH GREEN & SLACK WHEELIE BUS
- SUPERMARKET PLASTIC CONTAINERS
- BOXES PROVIDED
- CANT DO MORE
- sufficient already
- recycle as much as possible
- we already have a good collection service
- we already do more

Q59. Should the village consider using the following sources of power? (C)

- 60% of respondents think the village should consider using solar panels (with 13% in disagreement)
- 27% think the village should consider using a wind turbine, with 35% in disagreement.

Solar Panels	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	71	60%
No	15	13%
No response	32	27%

Wind Turbine	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	32	27%
No	41	35%
No response	45	38%

Other (all comments)

- ALREADY USE SOLAR PANELS NOT THAT SATISFIED
- nuclear

***N.B. THIS SECTION HAS BEEN TREATED AS THE FIRST HALF OF THE REPORT
(I.E. MORE FORMATTING, COMMENTS ORGANISED BY THEME ETC.)***

HOUSING/DEVELOPMENT

Q60a. Would you be happy to see further development in the village? (C)

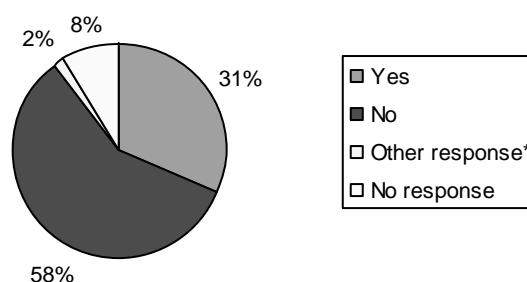
- ♦ 58% of households would not be happy to see further development in the village.
- ♦ Also see answers to Q11.

Table 60a. Further development in village?

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	37	31%
No	69	58%
Other response*	2	2%
No response	10	8%

* "Maybe"; "Yes and no"

Chart 60a. Further development in village?



Q60b. If no, please explain why (O)

- ♦ 70 households (59%) made comments. These are listed in full below. They have been separated into two categories ('Limited development' and 'No development').
- ♦ Reasons for being against further development included
 - Village is big enough already
 - Village would lose its character
 - Loss of green land
 - Services couldn't cope (sewerage, school, roads etc.)

Box 60b. Reasons for being against further development

Limited development

- As long as it remains a village concept
- But not too much
- If sympathetic and of limited size
- Not a lot
- Not much more because otherwise residents may then expect all the attributes of an urban area
- Only additions I would like to see is the field at rear of Paynes Meadow turned totally to leisure
- Only sheltered accommodation. Village not big enough. Lack parking space, activities.
- Only small units sympathetic to local area. Recent estates are truly awful.
- Well maybe a few houses but not massive

No development

- Already about right - expect a gym!
- Any further development will ruin green village

- Bought new house and want no more development
- Can't see how school, shop etc. would cope with further people
- Capacity is now taken for such a small villages
- Difficult to leave school lane at peace times
- Don't think the sewage system could cope with more development
- Don't want village enlarged any more
- Enough houses for village
- Enough is enough
- Enough new development
- Enough - too many satellite areas already
- Facilities couldn't cope, keep countryside
- Greedy developers, poor agriculture of modern building
- Grown so much in the last 30 years already!!
- I'd like it remain a village size
- Increase traffic
- It is already losing the village character
- It is just the right size now and I feel any further development would make it too big and take away the "village" feel and sense of community
- It would lose the village character
- It would lose the 'village' feel
- It would reduce green areas
- It would take away the village character
- It's a village not a town
- Keep it a village
- Lack of infrastructure services and health care
- Loss of green land
- More than enough housing on green fields
- Nice to keep it as a rural village and friendly
- No room for the school to enlarge. Village atmosphere at the moment - do not want to lose it.
- Not enough facilities. It would spoil character of village/noisy.
- Not enough room for facilities
- Not enough suitable land outside of green belt zone
- Over-development would alter the status of Whitminster as a village community
- Pleasant as it is - maintain village life
- Preservations of countryside. No evidence exists to indicate further demand for housing.
- School too small. Spoil nature of village.
- Services are at maximum capacity
- Sewerage facilities
- Spoil character of village
- The school isn't big enough as it is 21 children after 15 spaces this year for reception
- The village is in danger of being swamped
- The village is large enough for its amenities
- There are too many houses as it is
- There has been quite a lot recently and I feel it has grown enough for now. School is not big enough.
- This village is not a mini town
- To avoid the village becoming a town + preserve farm land etc.
- Too many new houses already
- Too much already
- Too much development too quick in the past
- Village has already lost its character
- Village has now expanded enough
- Village is too big
- Village made up enough
- Village would lose rural feel
- Want to keep village small
- We do not feel that the village could take it
- Whitminster will lose its village feel
- Whitminster would lose its village atmosphere
- Would become suburbia not village
- Would spoil the small village feeling

Q60c. If 'Yes', would you prefer (tick all that apply) (C)

- ♦ 27% of households would like to see starter homes and 25% would like to see family homes. These were the most common options selected.

N.B. The percentages add to more than 100 because respondents were able to tick more than one option.

Table 60a. Further development in village?

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Starter Homes	32	27%
Family Homes	30	25%
Leisure	19	16%
Bungalows	18	15%
Sheltered Accommodation	18	15%
Rented/Housing Association	11	9%
Commercial	4	3%
Flats	4	3%
Industrial	2	2%

Q61. Development at any one time of: (C)

- ♦ 42% of households ticked one of the four options. The most common option selected was "Up to 10 properties".

Table 61. Development at any one time of:

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Up to 10 properties	25	21%
10-30 properties	19	16%
30-40 properties	2	2%
Over 40 properties	4	3%
No response	68	58%

Q62. Please refer to the map attached and using a) b) or c), identify and mark on it areas where you feel strongly that you would prefer:

- a) To see an area developed for residential housing - use a)
- b) To see an area developed for industrial/commercial/leisure – use b)
- c) To see an area remain undeveloped – use c)

In areas you do not mark with a) b) or c), it will be assumed that you have no strong feelings either way.

Due to the complexity of the analysis of the data for this question - no data is available in this document. (Whitminster Parish Plan steering group)

Q63. In the future, would you like to be able to access a map of the village showing

e) Areas that have been developed

f) Areas to be developed

g) Areas that could be developed

h) Areas that are not appropriate for development (C)

- ◆ Each option a-d was accompanied by a single tick box for respondents to indicate what they would like to see on a map of the village. Respondents were able to tick more than one box. The answers are arranged in numerical order in Table 63.
- ◆ Over half the households would like to be able to access a map showing areas that could be developed and areas to be developed, while almost half would like it to show areas that are not appropriate for development.

Table 63. Would you like to access a map showing:

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Areas that could be developed	67	57%
Areas to be developed	65	55%
Areas that are not appropriate for development	55	47%
Areas that have been developed	43	36%

(N.B. FROM THIS POINT ONWARDS – BACK TO LESS FORMATTING, UNTREATED COMMENTS ETC.)

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION

Q64. Would you use or encourage visitors to use a “Welcome to Whitminster Village” Information Pack? (C)

Around half the respondents (53%) would use or encourage visitors to use a “Welcome to Whitminster Village” Information Pack.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	62	53%
No	16	14%
No response	40	34%

All comments

- NOT ENOUGH FOR TOURISTS. ONLY HIGHFIELD - ATTWOOLS
- the village is not ready for this
- YES IT COULD INCLUDE DISCOUNT VOUCHERS FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES AND ADVERTS
- FOR THE LOCAL SCHOOL, PLAYGROUP AND TODDLERS.

Q65a. How satisfied are you with the following? (C)

- No more than 9 of the 118 households (8%) are dissatisfied with any of the items in Q65a. (See Q65b for respondents' reasons for dissatisfaction.)
- In all cases, the number who are satisfied is far greater than the number who are dissatisfied.

SPAN	No. of households	% of 118 households
Satisfied or very satisfied	100	85%
Not Satisfied	4	3%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	14	12%

Village Notice Boards	No. of households	% of 118 households
Satisfied or very satisfied	77	65%
Not Satisfied	9	8%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	32	27%

Post Box	No. of households	% of 118 households
Satisfied or very satisfied	98	83%
Not Satisfied	6	5%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	14	12%

Library Services	No. of households	% of 118 households
Satisfied or very satisfied	29	25%
Not Satisfied	7	6%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	82	69%

Telephone kiosk	No. of households	% of 118 households
Satisfied or very satisfied	21	18%
Not Satisfied	6	5%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	91	77%

School website	No. of households	% of 118 households
Satisfied or very satisfied	21	18%
Not Satisfied	6	5%
No opinion / Do not use / No response	91	77%

Q65b. If you are not satisfied, please explain why (O)

All comments

- Badly cared for and maintained notice boards condition of glass dangerous
- Boards need to be made more noticeable
- Village notice boards allowed to deteriorate
- Cannot walk to them
- Library service doesn't catch for employed person
- No post box at shop (po)
- No real choice
- Not accessible outside office hours
- Not comprehensive enough
- Not very much local detail
- Post box opposite old police house in school lane could be sited better - always a car parked opposite
- Post boxes not safe-too many acts of vandalism
- Took me a while to find the post box
- Span- change of format all muddled- less jokes and copied items just what effects the villages
- Span- up till may was well organised but now not interesting
- Telephone box broken not much on the village notice boards
- Telephone kiosk is filthy and gets damaged
- Telephone vandalised
- They do not cover all areas
- Unsure where the library is?

Q66. What would improve communication within the village?

Answers included a notice board, village website and village/community meetings.

All comments

- A notice board for general use at the shop (see the one at Frampton)
- Noticed board in shop
- Let us know which events take place
- List of classes and clubs on what day at the village hall.
- Meeting point / notice board at the shop for what's on in the village.
- Direct telephones to a licensed taxi company
- Focal point for all
- Community meeting.
- Meetings between old and new young and old perhaps at social gatherings
- Village meetings
- People actually speaking to each other
- More input from residents at local council meetings
- More participation of public within the parish council meetings
- People do not communicate within the village full stop!
- People reading notice boards and span
- Post boxes only big enough to take post cards nothing else
- Span provides sufficient info
- Span is very informative maybe a Whitminster website
- Village newsletter rather than parish magazine
- Village virtual website/bulletin board
- Village website
- A website
- Village website and email address
- Ok as it is
- Green wooded area
- More bus routes

Q67a. Would you use a village website? (C)

Around half the households (49%) would use a village website.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	58	49%
No	37	31%
No response	23	19%

Q67b. What would you like to see on a village website? (C)

Between 25 and 44 respondents ticked each of the listed items. The figures are quite close, but the top three are:

1. Events
2. Regular activities
3. Welcome to Whitminster

The full list is shown in descending order below.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Events	44	37%
Regular Activities	44	37%
Welcome to Whitminster	43	36%
Village Hall	39	33%
Parish Council	38	32%
Public Footpaths	37	31%
Notice boards	36	31%
Canal	34	29%
Parish Plan	34	29%
Post Office & shop	34	29%
Links to other villages	32	27%
Primary School	29	25%
Village Pubs	29	25%
Church	26	22%
Playing Fields	25	21%

Other suggestions (all comments)

- 4 sale
- all above
- all of above
- all of above - and vehicle share, mother to mother , oap to oap and items for sale
- all of above and news about people
- all of above- as much as possible otherwise not worth having
- all of the above
- all of them
- all should be on the website
- everything
- everything listed above
- for sale classified - we would not be interested in everything but this would
- make a village communication
- PLAYSCHOOL
- VILLAGE BUSINESSES, PICTURES AND HOUSES FOR SALE.

COMMUNITY & PARISH COUNCIL

Q68a. Do you think Whitminster is a friendly village? (C)

64% of respondents think Whitminster is a friendly village. 19% are unsure. 10% disagree.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	75	64%
No	12	10%
Not sure	22	19%
Other response ("used to be")	1	1%
No response	8	7%

Q68b. Is there a sense of community in Whitminster?

Although 64% of respondents think Whitminster is a friendly village (Q68a), only 40% think there is a sense of community.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	47	40%
No	27	23%
Not sure	29	25%
Other response ("used to be")	1	1%
No response	14	12%

Q68c. Is a sense of community important to you?

Three quarters of respondents said a sense of community is important to them.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	89	75%
No	6	5%
Not sure / No response	23	19%

Q68d. Please describe the reasons for the answers that you have given above.

Other suggestions (all comments)

- 68b- too many social levels of residents, which cause disparity, social division and competitiveness
- A community feel drives caring and ownership of your surroundings and community members - gives a sense of belonging
- A community that looks out for each other
- After 17 years i know quite a lot of people but not in the newer developments
- Although friendly it takes a lot of people to contribute in many numbers
- As i work i do not get to know many people other than immediate neighbours
- As new people come /go so often relationships to school village disappears
- At a disadvantage with no primary school ages children
- Both work no kids so little interaction
- Despite having initially tried to be involved in the village activities i found people un-welcoming and rude
- Each estate keeps to itself
- Experience through school / tots / playgroup and church
- Family member hit to the floor someone tried to break in my house i don't really socialise within the village
- Friendship made within playgroup and school invaluable especially when no other families nearby
- Good mix of people in Whitminster
- Growing too big to really be a village community yet
- Have a wonderful environment in Uptons garden
- Have not had time to become part of the community yet
- I made lots of friends at the playgroup. There are pockets of people especially in the cul-de-sacs with a sense of community. Who wants to live in a place where no one gives a damn about anything - i don't.
- I like living- playgroup is excellent
- I like to feel part of a community i live in if i can't help I'd like to
- It is a dormitory village
- Made when we moved here
- Most people seem friendly and helpful
- My family and i have settled very well into the village since we moved just 4 and a half years ago.
- Need to pull together should outside influences decide to do things against us
- No general meeting place to pass time of day
- Not long moved here
- Only been living here 11 months
- People don't support local events/doesn't seem interested in village life
- Pub owner does not want you to pass through his car park shop is not friendly or communatice
- Safe close community for our family to feel safe & welcome
- Since moving in September we have already spoken to immediate and established friends
- The community within Uptons garden is strong but short of span we have not contact
- The sense of community is declining - no one's fault just changing times
- The village has become a place for commuters - people pass you in the street & ignore you - you might as well live in the city.
- The village has many little sub-groups
- The village seems to consist of a number of smaller units which may be friendly within themselves. The village itself is not united as a community
- There are a few segregated communities depending on age/activities but they all don't join up as one
- There are too many communities who have little time for anything in the village
- There needs to be unity for a village to survive
- Today's lifestyle is difficult to define as community orientated
- Too big, too quickly lost cohesiveness
- Too many new residents who treat village like a town
- Used to be friendly but with influx of new houses its them & us at present no way to cross the divide
- Very happy to be in the village
- Village life is virtually non-existent due to the fact that majority of newcomers use it just as a portimary
- We enjoy living in the village
- We get on well with neighbours and friends but without children the sense of community does not go much further
- We live on the edge of the village with no feeling of involvement
- Whitminster has several separate areas which individually have community spirit but little contrast
- Whitminster i friendly and feels safe
- Within my group of friends i would say very friendly but generally it's ok

Q69. Do you think that the school is an essential part of community life (C)

80% of respondents think the school is an essential part of community life.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	94	80%
No	4	3%
No response	20	17%

Q70. Have you attended any of the following? (C)

The results are provided below in descending numerical order. The most commonly attended are general fundraisers and fetes.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
General fundraisers	54	46%
Fetes	53	45%
Flower festival	44	37%
Local church events	43	36%
Quiz nights	34	29%
Charity events	34	29%
School functions/PTA	32	27%
Parish council meetings	30	25%
Fashion shows	28	24%
Coffee mornings	23	19%
Treasure hunt	13	11%
Youth club	9	8%

Q71. Are you satisfied with what the parish council spends money raised from local council tax on?

The majority of those who expressed an opinion are satisfied with what the parish council spends the money on:

- 38% are satisfied or very satisfied
- 8% are not satisfied.
- 55% did not express an opinion

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Very satisfied	8	7%
Satisfied	36	31%
Not satisfied	9	8%
Do not know	38	32%
No opinion	10	8%
No response	17	14%

Comments

- At present
- I would not object to paying more money to the parish for the good of the parish. No way of knowing what they spend money on. Not published in span and not available at parish meetings
- What do they spend it on
- What they spend money on?
- Where do villages find out what money has been spent on?
- With council tax being so expensive- cuts should be made on local parish spending

CULTURE

Q72. Please describe your culture/ethnicity (O)

All comments (numbers indicate duplicated comments)

- Asian
- British (14)
- British Christian
- British church of England (3)
- British white (3)
- British white church of England
- British/welsh
- British/white
- C of e (4)
- Christian
- Church of England
- English (19)
- European white
- Non practicing Christians
- Protestant
- Uk white
- Was
- White (2)
- White Anglo Saxons protestants
- White British (4)
- White c of e (3)
- White Caucasian
- White Christian
- White English
- White European (2)
- White/Anglo-Indian
- White/British (9)
- White/British/Australian
- White/English (3)

Q73. Are your spiritual needs currently met within the village? (C)

7 respondents said their spiritual needs are not currently met within the village.

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	71	60%
No	7	6%
No response	40	34%

All comments

- No, R/C
- We are members of a Baptist church in Minchinhampton

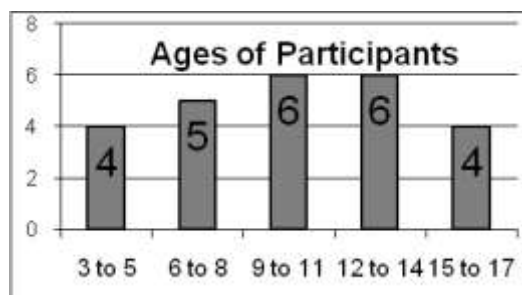
ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Q74. You have answered questions about many significant topics, which are relevant to the future of Whitminster Village; however, there may be something you wish to add. Please write your comments here. (O)

All comments

- A community spirit is required but how to achieve this we don't know. A place for children to gather (under supervision) is required. A good old village fete!
- A more modern approach to village life would beneficial solar panels wind turbines starter homes and youngsters in the village keep the village alive- it's not detrimental. I hope Whitminster does not become an 'old village like Elmore & Saul with no youngsters or facilities.
- Although we don't use all the facilities we are very happy with Whitminster. Nice to have an excellent shop, pubs and takeaway.
- As there are more children in the village pavements should be extended to the lower end of school lane
- Development of facilities for children and traffic calming urgently required on school lane
- I don't think many residents are interested in village affairs there is a great deal of apathy as probably responded to this survey will show
- I feel that the church needs more family friendly services the play facilities could be better i.e. Highfield child splay have excellent play equipment why can't the villages play area be better let MCGoldrick have a gym at Whitminster inn with pool and spa!!!
- I like living in Whitminster i think the village hall needs to be more child friendly. Without families here much of the lively community would disappear why can't children have taps they can use?!! Why can't we store some of the bulkier items in the hall during the week. All parents would like to do that. Our needs are not being met, but we are part of the community & regular hall users.
- I really would like to see a gym within the village , a fruit and veg shop, more interest in primary school and playgroup
- Living in by the village hall i often feel intimidated by the youths that hang around in and around the village hall car park and corners living alone i am uncomfortable about contacting the police. Why do we have so many power cuts here? Noise from lorries on northbound a38 - dip in road. Speed restrictions on school lane to stop the cars driving so fast towards & from the a38
- My main concern is that i have 3 daughters and my 5 & 10 year olds are only allowed to play outside their house. They either get moaned at if they play by the war memorial. Something should be done about this
- My wish is that one day i could walk from Highfield garden centre to Attwoolls without being worried by speed and closeness of Smiths/Downtons/boy racers white van man and everybody else who uses the a 38 through Whitminster as a race track.
- Please keep people off the private parklands we at Uptons garden pay for it and it is not a public place to let their dogs use it as a toilet
- Restoration of the canal would bring tangible benefits to the village enhance the area and put the village on the national map
- Thank you for taking interest in what the community want
- The church is too far out of the village can services be held in the village hall
- The close is disgusting, dirty. It's all due to people joining the community just to be re-housed. Too much traffic its only time before serious accident is going to occur.
- The roundabout in Holbury crescent is a wasted space. As it is opposite the school and is seen by all newcomers to the village, perhaps it could be planted up / reduced in size / turned into residents parking and parents collecting children from school.
- There seems to be no serious mention of religious belief (maybe question 73 is the answer) however there is one church within in Whitminster (Wheatenhurst) and this is c of e. Perhaps there should be some move towards combined buildings as there are many other villages and districts of towns & cities.
- This is a residential area, Payne's Meadow is for access only not for huge lorries to park on pavements one that comes in 'Christian Salvessen' he parks outside my bungalow for 1 hour people have to walk on the road haven't taken up
- Village hall is an eyesore and stops should be taken to close car parks at night as it attracts sons and daughters
- We moved to the village in august 2004 and are very happy without situation however the village has not provided any 'community' spirit for us probably because our children are grown
- Where are the questions checking out the needs of pensioners
- Why can't things be left alone and concentrate on making it a pleasant and attractive village to live in - questionnaire is too long and covers too many aspects lost interest way before the end
- With any new development to make sure that there is plenty of parking spaces and chance we can have extra parking in 'the close' a few iron seating around the village.
- Would like basket ball net (games wall) put with skateboard ramp, understand people need somewhere to play, but no reason for it to be so close to residential areas it is very noisy at times

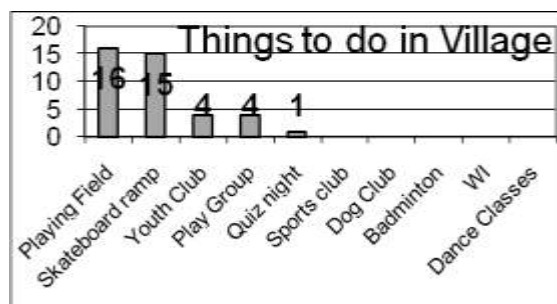
Under 18's Questionnaire Results



Things To Do

Do you use or attend any of the following?

Playing Field	16
Skateboard ramp	15
Youth Club	4
Play Group	4
Quiz night	1
Sports club	
Dog Club	
Badminton	
WI	
Dance Classes	



What do you think about the amount of things to do in the village?

Excellent	3
OK	2
Not Bad	8
No Good	7
Don't go/ Use it	2



If you put 'No good', please explain why

Lack of information
Not enough to do
No activities
Nothing for 17 year olds
Nothing for under 5's
Better Communication

What can you suggest to improve this?

More notices
Put swings in park
Somewhere safe to ride
Sports club (Football Club)
More shops
Youth club
Cycle Track
More Skate board ramps
Better facilities for play group
Bike Ramps
Tennis Courts
Adventure Playground

What else would you like?

Football club for girls
Children's disco
Cycle track

Would you like a bigger playing field

Yes	12
No	4
Not Sure	6

If there was a public Internet computer available in Whitminster, would you use it?

Yes	9
No	12

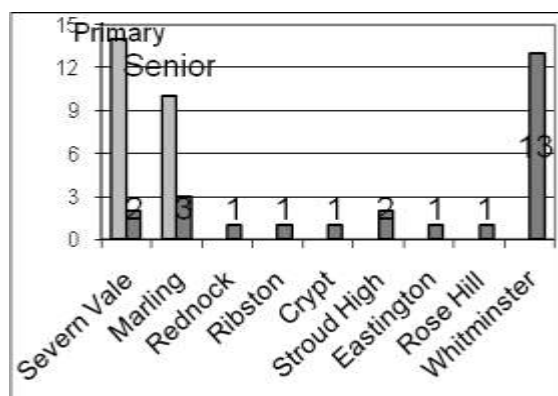
If 'Yes', where would you like it to be?

Village Hall	4
School	2

Education

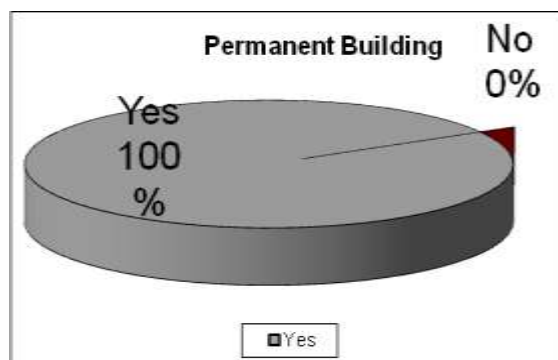
Which school do you go to?

School they attend		
Attended School	Severn Vale	2
	Marling	3
	Rednock	1
	Ribston	1
	Crypt	1
	Stroud High	2
	Eastington	1
	Rose Hill	1
	Whitminster	13
School Type	Primary	14
	Senior	10



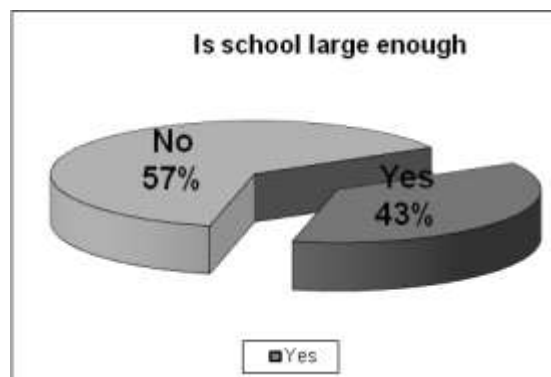
Do you think Whitminster School would benefit from more permanent buildings?

Permanent buildings	
Yes	18
No	0



Do you attend Whitminster School	
Yes	3
No	6

Is Whitminster School large enough	
Yes	7
No	12



Are you attending your Senior School of choice?

Yes	9
No	0

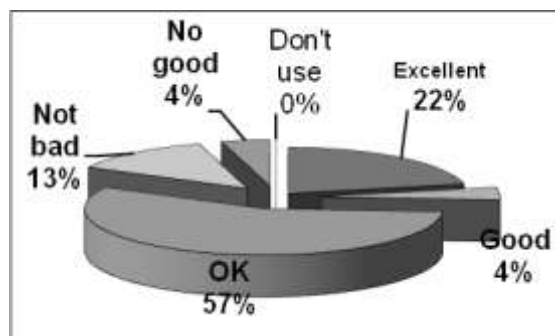
Places to Go

Do you use any of the following?

Places to go	Number who use it
Whitminster Stores	22
Chip Shop	22
Garden Centre	19
Village Hall	17
Post Office	14
Chinese Takeaway	14
Attwools	13
Pizza Shop	13
Fromebridge Mill	11
Whitminster Inn	5
The Old Forge	3
Garage	2

What do you think of the places you use?

Excellent	5
Good	1
OK	13
Not bad	3
No good	1



Suggestions for improvements

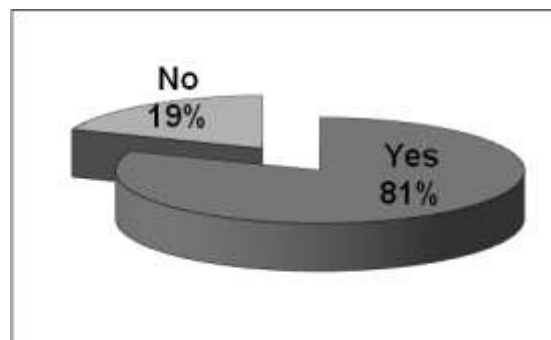
Friendlier service at Whitminster stores
Café for children
Larger or new shop
Cloth shop
Village hall needs cleaning up (dogs hair)
Improve quality of products
Play area in pub

Other Suggestions

A park with swings & roundabouts
A small swimming pool
More exciting activities
An Arcade
More facilities for young people
Italian Restaurant
A place where they could hang out and get drinks and snacks

If the school held activities/courses/classes out of school hours, would you use it?

Yes	17	
No	4	



What activities/courses/classes would you like?

School activities

Football for Girls
Dance Classes Modern & Ballet
Art & Craft Club
Rugby Club
Sport classes
Rounders
After school club
First Aid
Football
Computer Club
Drama and Music

Getting Around

If you have used the village link bus service within the village, what do you think about it?

Excellent	
OK	0
Not bad	1
No good	1
Don't use	15

If you put 'No good', please explain why

To much hassle ringing up
To complicated to use

What can you suggest to improve this?

More regular services
Needs local inter village service

What do you think about the level of bus services beyond the village?

Excellent	2
OK	2
Not bad	4
No good	4
Don't use	10

If you put 'No good', please explain why

Don't run often enough

What can you suggest to improve this?

More buses and a router for timetable
Reduced prices
Buses to run up Cole Avenue
More evening buses

Do you have any other transport needs that are not currently met?

Buses to Stonehouse
Taxi service
Buses to Stroud

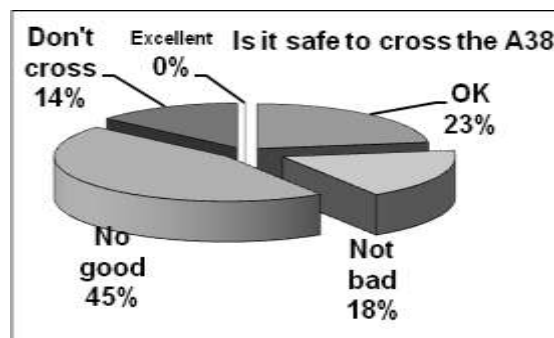
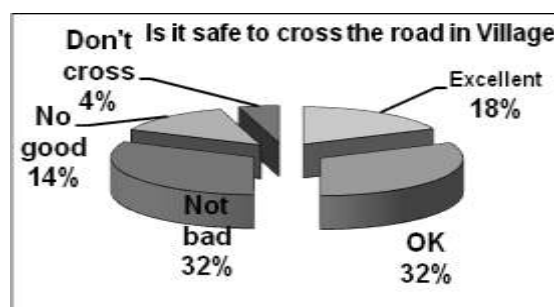
Traffic

Do you think that cars travel too fast through the village?

Yes	18
No	3

What do you think about safety when you are crossing the road or cycling?

	In Village	A38
Excellent	4	0
OK	7	5
Not bad	7	4
No good	3	10
Don't cross	1	3



What improvements can you suggest?

Have crossing on A38
Have bridge crossing on A38
Speed bumps in village

Would you like to see:

	Yes	No
A Roundabout at A38	1	
Traffic Lights at A38		1
Alternative to mini roundabout		1

Things Around You

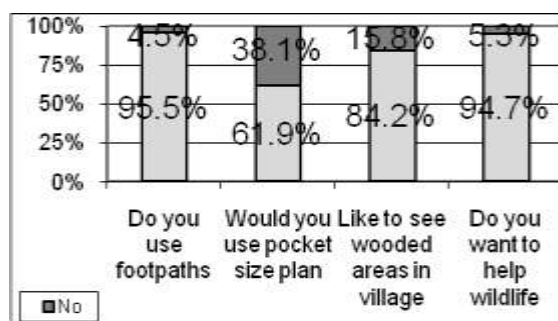
Do you use local public footpaths or rights of way?

If there was a 'handy' pocket sized plan of the village showing the public footpaths or rights of way, would you use it?

Would you like to see a wooded area within the village?

Do you want to help to protect wildlife within the village?

	Yes	No	Yes	No
Do you use footpaths	21	1	95.5%	4.5%
Would you use pocket size plan	13	8	61.9%	38.1%
Wooded areas in village	16	3	84.2%	15.8%
Do you want to help wildlife	18	1	94.7%	5.3%



Information & Communication

If you use any of the following, what do you think?

	Excellent	OK	Not bad	No good	Don't use
Span	1	5	4	1	9
Village notice board		4	5	1	9
Post box	3	13	3		1
Library services	1	2	1	2	14
Telephone kiosk			4		14
School web site	3	2	1	1	12

If you put 'No good', please explain why
No reasons given

What would improve communication in the

Have a notice board nearer the playing field
A village newspaper
Funky notice boards, flyers and leaflets.

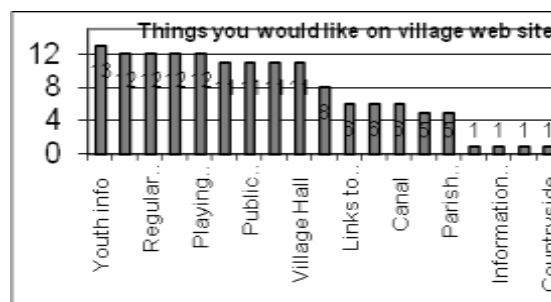
village?

Would you use a village web site?

Yes	8
No	10

What information would you like to see on a village web site?

Youth info	13
Post Office & Shop	12
Regular Activities	12
Primary School	12
Playing Fields	12
Welcome to Whitminster	11
Public Footpaths	11
Events	11
Village Hall	11
Message Board	8
Links to other villages	6
Notice Boards	6
Canal	6
Church	5
Parish Plan	5
Village Hall	5
Complaints section	1
Information about library service	1
Sports fixtures	1
Countryside	1



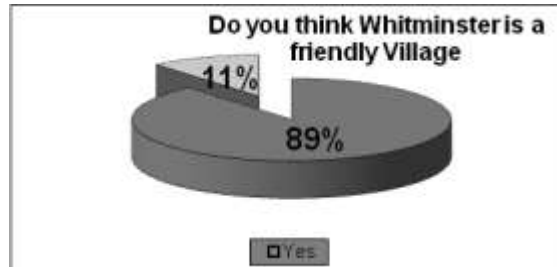
How can you make your views heard?

Put it on the web site
Attend the village meetings
Put it in a newspaper
School council

The People in the Village, and other things...

Do you think Whitminster is a friendly village?

Yes	No
16	2

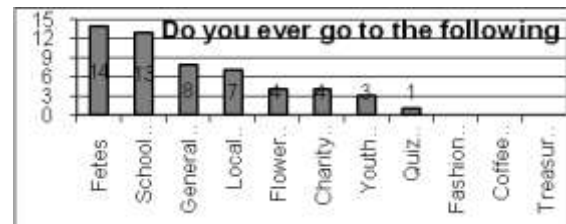


Reasons for answers

Made new friends but there are some bullies
Because people talk to you
Older teenagers hogging the skate ramp
Nearly everyone says hello
Because everybody knows each other
Because if it wasn't nice people wouldn't want to live here
Unsociable youths
Because you know most people in the village
Because there are lots of friendly people
Because people are nice
Lots of friends to play with
Because everybody is kind
Because it is a small village and you can get on with people

Do you ever go to any of the following?

Fetes	14
School Functions	13
General Fundraisers	8
Local Church events	7
Flower Festivals	4
Charity Events	4
Youth Clubs	3
Quiz Nights	1
Fashion shows	0
Coffee Mornings	0
Treasure Hunt	0



Do you have any comments that you would like to make about the village hall?

Would attend youth club if run in hall
Separate room for play group
It is a bit small and needs to be open all day
Needs new toilets
Paper towels too high for little ones to reach
The stage is nice
Keep the music volume down
Hire charge is very good
Dirty dog hairs in the hall
Its great but wish it was closer to school
Its very good because there are a lot of things going on in it

More of Your Ideas...

Make village better	What would you change in the village	Anything bad for village	What do you like about Whitminster
More skate ramps	Move the village hall	Bullies and teenage gangs	Its facilities
A youth football club	The view of the skate board ramp from the school	No more pubs because of noise and drunken teenagers	Lots of children to play with.
Better play areas for under 5's	Like to see a bigger park and swings. Also the drive up to the playing field tarmaced.	If it becomes too big it will lose its friendliness.	The village school and friends close by
Youth Clubs	A special place for tots and tigers	No more houses	Its quiet
Water fountain, more shops and a youth café	Move village shop to north side of A38	Too much development in the village	The skate ramp
A little climbing frame for small children	Space out parklands trees	Crime and vandalism	Everyone communicates and its not busy
ASBO's on the youths	The park in Kidnams is a waste of land	Double yellow lines through village	You can walk to school
Slides, swings and rope swings. Something to occupy the teenagers as the intimidate the little ones	The squeaky village sign	No big takeaways like Burger King etc	It is friendly
Free view reception	Buses to and from Stonehouse		It's a nice place to live
Brownies and Cubs, Drama and Ballet			It is easy to get around and the large playing field.
Somewhere safe to ride a bike			Central location
			Community spirit
			A bigger house
			The countryside

APPENDIX 2

Over 18's Questionnaire

WHITMINSTER PARISH PLAN QUESTIONNAIRE

Your Vision...

WHY? :

The aim of the questionnaire is to gather information about Whitminster from the people of all ages who live in Whitminster to help identify what you want, need or wouldn't like to see happen within Whitminster in the future.

WHAT NEXT? :

The information that you give will be evaluated and the outcome will be published. Issues, wants or needs that are identified by significant percentages of the people who live in the village will be given particular consideration and may be used to initiate changes and any improvements that you might suggest.

HOW? :

You are invited to contribute your views and suggestions in this questionnaire. Your contributions could help to shape the future of Whitminster village.

There are questions for people aged 18 and over and there are questions for people who are under 18 years of age.

Please take a moment to look at the questions.

Where there are tick boxes, please tick the one that is most appropriate to you ☒



ABOUT YOU (you do not have to write your name and address if you prefer not to)

Name of the person/people aged **18 or over**, who are contributing to the questionnaire

Person 1		Person 2	
----------	--	----------	--

Address	
---------	--

Ages of the people living in your household

Person 1	Person 2	Person 2	Person 4	Person 5
Age:	Age:	Age:	Age:	Age:

How long have you lived in the village?

Under 5 years ☐ 5 to 15 years ☐ over 15 years ☐

Why did you move to the village?

Born in the parish ☐ Work in the area ☐ Marriage ☐

Retired to the parish ☐ Love village life ☐ Relatives near by ☐

For the village school ☐ Love country life ☐ Available housing ☐

Other.....

Do you intend to stay in Whitminster? Yes ☐ No ☐

If not why might you move?.....

(The information that you give is for Parish Plan use only and will not be passed to any other party)

CHARACTER & VILLAGE DESIGN...

Within the village, do you think the following are being cherished and cared for?

Local architecture	<input type="checkbox"/>	General character	<input type="checkbox"/>	Historical landscapes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Buildings and memorial	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	Areas of beauty	<input type="checkbox"/>

In response to the village hall survey that was conducted throughout the parish in 2002, the majority indicated their preference to re-furbish the village hall on its existing site and not to rebuild the facility on the playing field.

Do you have any comments that you would like to make about the village hall?.....

.....

What do you think would enhance the village? (E.G. public green spaces/other service or facility.)

.....

Where do you think the focal point or 'hub' of the village is?

.....

Where do you think it should be?.....

What is important to you about Whitminster?.....

.....

Is there anything in the village you would like to see changed or be removed?

.....

Is there anything that you feel would be detrimental to the village or would not like to see?

.....

If residential development was to take place in the village, what type of building material or external finish do you feel is most appropriate for the look of the village or is most pleasing to the eye?

Red brick	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sand stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cotswold stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Render	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pebble dash	<input type="checkbox"/>	Grey brick	<input type="checkbox"/>	Two-tone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wood	<input type="checkbox"/>
Glass	<input type="checkbox"/>	Eco-friendly	<input type="checkbox"/>	Solar panels	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other.....	

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

Which surgery do you use?

Are you satisfied with the current provision of health and social care offered by your surgery?

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
G.P.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Health visitor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Midwives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
District nurse	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pharmacy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If you are not satisfied, please explain why

EDUCATION

How satisfied are you with the following provision for under 5's

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Not Satisfied	Do Not Use	No Opinion
Location	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Service	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If you are not satisfied, please explain why

If you feel that the provision for under 5's could be improved, please select the improvement/s that you feel would be most beneficial from the choices below

Improve the village hall facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Use part of the school for under 5's activities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Use the sports club for under 5's activities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Build a new facility near the school for under 5's activities	<input type="checkbox"/>

If you have a child/children under the age of 11, do they attend Whitminster School?

Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	Waiting for a decision <input type="checkbox"/>	Do not intend to apply <input type="checkbox"/>
No <input type="checkbox"/>	Have registered for a place <input type="checkbox"/>	Too young at present, but will apply <input type="checkbox"/>

If your child does not attend Whitminster School, please explain why.

Would you like the school to offer;

a) Pre-breakfast childcare Yes ☐ No ☐ b) After school childcare Yes ☐ No ☐

Do you think that the school would benefit from more permanent buildings? Yes ☐ No ☐

Do you think that Whitminster School is large enough for the village? Yes ☐ No ☐

Which secondary school was or would be your preferred choice?

Has or will transport availability affect your choice of secondary school? Yes ☐ No ☐

If 'Yes', please explain.....

LOCAL SERVICES AND AMENITIES

Do you use any of the following?

Whitminster Stores	<input type="checkbox"/>	Post Office	<input type="checkbox"/>	Garage	<input type="checkbox"/>	Attwools	<input type="checkbox"/>
Garden Centre/café	<input type="checkbox"/>	The Old Forge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Chip Shop	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pizza Shop	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Whitminster Inn	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fromebridge Mill	<input type="checkbox"/>	Chinese takeaway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village Hall	<input type="checkbox"/>

How satisfied are you with the local services that you use?

Very Satisfied ☐ Satisfied ☐ Not Satisfied ☐ Do Not Use ☐ No Opinion ☐

If you are not satisfied, please explain why

What else would you like?

If the school was available for evening activities/courses/classes, would you use it?

Yes ☐ No ☐

What evening activities/courses/classes would you like?

Is there suitable disabled access to the services and facilities above? Yes ☐ No ☐

If not, please explain why.....

SPORT AND LEISURE

Do you use or attend any of the following?

Skateboard ramp	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quiz night	<input type="checkbox"/>	Badminton	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dance classes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth club	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dog club	<input type="checkbox"/>	W.I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Playing Field	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sports club	<input type="checkbox"/>	Play Group	<input type="checkbox"/>				

How satisfied are you with the sport and leisure facilities/opportunities in the village?

Very Satisfied ☐ Satisfied ☐ Not Satisfied ☐ Do Not Use ☐ No Opinion ☐

If you are not satisfied, please explain why

What else would you like?

Are the needs of people aged 11 or under met within the village? Yes ☐ No ☐

If you answered 'No', what can you suggest to improve this?

Are the needs of people aged between 11 and 18 met within the village? Yes ☐ No ☐

If you answered 'No', what can you suggest to improve this?

Do you think that the recreational space (playing field) should be extended? Yes ☐ No ☐

Would you be interested in having access to a public Internet facility? Yes ☐ No ☐

If 'Yes', where would you like it to be?.....

CRIME, POLICING AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

How satisfied are you with the level of policing in the village?

Very Satisfied ☐ Satisfied ☐ Not Satisfied ☐ Do Not Use ☐ No Opinion ☐

If you are not satisfied, please explain why

What else would you like?

Have you experienced crime in past 12 months? Yes ☐ No ☐

If 'Yes' did you report it? Yes ☐ No ☐

Have you used any other emergency services?

Fire ☐ Ambulance ☐ Police ☐

How satisfied were you with the response?

Very Satisfied ☐ Satisfied ☐ Not Satisfied ☐ Do Not Use ☐ No Opinion ☐

If you were not satisfied, please explain why

TRANSPORT

How satisfied are you with the village link bus service within the village?

Very Satisfied ☐ Satisfied ☐ Not Satisfied ☐ Do Not Use ☐ No Opinion ☐

If you are not satisfied, please explain why

What else would you like?

How satisfied are you with the level of bus services beyond the village?

Very Satisfied ☐ Satisfied ☐ Not Satisfied ☐ Do Not Use ☐ No Opinion ☐

If you are not satisfied, please explain why

What else would you like?

Do you have any other transport needs that are not currently met?

TRAFFIC

Within the village, how satisfied are you with the following

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Not Satisfied	Do Not Use	No Opinion
Pedestrian/cyclist safety	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Speed control measures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parking facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(Roads and Estates, Village Hall)

On the A38, how satisfied are you with the following

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Not Satisfied	Do Not Use	No Opinion
Pedestrian/cyclist safety	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Speed control measures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parking facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(Whitminster Stores, Pizza and Chip Shop, Public House)

What improvements can you suggest?

.....
.....

Would you like more parking restrictions? (E.G. traffic calming measures, double yellow lines) Yes ☐ No ☐

If 'Yes', please describe your ideas.....

Would you like to see?

a) A Pedestrian crossing near the shop Yes ☐ No ☐

b) A Roundabout where School Lane meets the A38 Yes ☐ No ☐

c) Traffic lights where School Lane meets the A38 Yes ☐ No ☐

d) An alternative to the mini roundabouts on School Lane Yes ☐ No ☐

e) Other.

EMPLOYMENT

Are you: employed ☐ self-employed ☐ retired ☐ homemaker ☐ volunteer ☐

seeking employment ☐ student ☐ other

What distance do you travel to work?

Work from home ☐ Up to 10 miles ☐ 10-30 miles ☐ over 30miles ☐

How do you travel to & from work?

Walk ☐ Car ☐ Bus ☐ Taxi ☐ Cycle ☐ Other.....

Would you be interested in a car share scheme? Yes ☐ No ☐

COUNTRYSIDE AND ENVIRONMENT

Do you use local public footpaths or rights of way?

Within Whitminster, how satisfied are you with the condition of each of the following;

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Not Satisfied	Do Not Use	No Opinion
Provision of litter bins	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Amenity Areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Canal	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hedges	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Roadside footpaths	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ditches	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public footpaths/rights of way	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bridle ways	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If you are not satisfied, please explain why

.....

What else would you like?

If there was a 'handy' pocket sized plan of the village showing the public footpaths or rights of way, would you use it? Yes ☐ No ☐

Do you think it is important to retain farmland/green spaces in the village? Yes ☐ No ☐

Would you like to see a wooded area within the village? Yes ☐ No ☐

Do you think it is important to protect wildlife within the village? Yes ☐ No ☐

Would you like to see further development of the canal or canal areas? Yes ☐ No ☐

What type of development can you suggest?

How satisfied are you with general services in Whitminster?

Please tick the service/s that you are dissatisfied with.

Electric	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gas	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sewerage	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lighting	<input type="checkbox"/>	Digital services	<input type="checkbox"/>	Storm water drainage	<input type="checkbox"/>	Post	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cable TV	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broadband	<input type="checkbox"/>	Re-cycling services	<input type="checkbox"/>	Telephone	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mobile library	<input type="checkbox"/>	Refuse services	<input type="checkbox"/>	General council services	<input type="checkbox"/>		

If you are not satisfied with any of the above, please explain why

What else would you like?

Do you re-cycle? Yes ☐ No ☐

What would encourage you to do it more?

Should the village consider using the following sources of power;

Wind turbine Yes ☐ No ☐

Solar panels Yes ☐ No ☐

Other

HOUSING / DEVELOPMENT

Would you be happy to see further development in the village? Yes ☐ No ☐

If 'No', please explain why

If 'Yes', would you prefer (tick all that apply)?

Leisure	<input type="checkbox"/>	Family homes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bungalows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sheltered accommodation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/>	Starter homes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flats	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rented/Housing association	<input type="checkbox"/>
Industrial		Other				

Development at any one time of:

Up to 10 properties ☐ 10-30 properties ☐ 30-40 properties ☐ Over 40 properties ☐

Please refer to the map attached and using a) b) or c), identify and mark on it areas where you feel strongly that you would prefer:

a) To see an area developed for residential housing - use a)

b) To see an area developed for industrial/commercial/leisure – use b)

b) To see an area remain undeveloped – use c)

In areas you do not mark with a) b) or c), it will be assumed that you have no strong feelings either way.

In the future, would you like to be able to access a map of the village showing

- a) Areas that have been developed ☐
- b) Areas to be developed ☐
- c) Areas that could be developed ☐
- d) Areas that are not appropriate for development ☐

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION

Would you use or encourage visitors to use a

"Welcome to Whitminster Village" Information Pack? Yes ☐ No ☐

How satisfied are you with the following

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Not Satisfied	Do Not Use	No Opinion
SPAN	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Village notice boards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Post Box	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Library services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Telephone kiosk	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
School web site	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If you are not satisfied, please explain why

What would improve communication within the village?.....

Would you use a village web site? Yes ☐ No ☐

What would you like to see on a village web site?

Welcome to Whitminster	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parish Council	<input type="checkbox"/>	Events	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	
Links to other villages	<input type="checkbox"/>	Primary School	<input type="checkbox"/>	Church	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Post Office & shop	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village Pubs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Canal	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Public Footpaths	<input type="checkbox"/>	Notice boards	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parish Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Regular Activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	Playing Fields	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village Hall	<input type="checkbox"/>	

COMMUNITY & PARISH COUNCIL

Do you think Whitminster is a friendly village? Yes ☐ No ☐

Is there a sense of community in Whitminster? Yes ☐ No ☐

Is a sense of community important to you? Yes ☐ No ☐

Please describe the reasons for the answers that you have given above.....

Do you think that the school is an essential part of community life? Yes ☐ No ☐

Have you attended any of the following?

Fashion shows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Coffee mornings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quiz nights	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fetes	<input type="checkbox"/>
General fundraisers	<input type="checkbox"/>	School functions/PTA	<input type="checkbox"/>	Treasure hunt	<input type="checkbox"/>	Youth club	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parish council meetings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Local church events	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flower festival	<input type="checkbox"/>	Charity events	<input type="checkbox"/>

Are you satisfied with what the parish council spends money raised from local council tax on?

Very Satisfied ☐ Satisfied ☐ Not Satisfied ☐ Do Not Know ☐ No Opinion ☐

CULTURE

Please describe your culture/ethnicity.....

Are your spiritual needs currently met within the village? Yes ☐ No ☐

Thank You

You have answered questions about many significant topics, which are relevant to the future of Whitminster Village; however, there may be something you wish to add.

Please write your comments here.

.....

.....

.....

.....

.....

- We would like to invite you to enclose your photographs of Whitminster, either of days gone by or of areas that are important to you now. They may be included in the parish plan and will be returned to you. Please label them clearly with your name and address.

EXPERTISE

If you have expertise in any of the following and are willing to donate your skills and a little of your time to assist with the production of the Whitminster Parish Plan, please indicate below;

- The collection of the questionnaire and other associated documents ☐
- The evaluation of the information contained in the completed questionnaires ☐
- The analysis of the results ☐
- The printing of the results ☐
- Web Design ☐
- The design of the final document containing the Parish Plan ☐
- The printing of the Parish Plan ☐
- Other.....

COLLECTION OF YOUR QUESTIONNAIRE;

Someone will call at your house to collect your completed questionnaire –please leave it on your doorstep in the resealable bag provided

or

You can leave it for collection at the Whitminster stores, the school, or playgroup

or

You can drop it in to 'La Paloma' or 'Orchard View' (opposite), both on School Lane (100 yards from A38)

If you would like additional questionnaires, please telephone 01452 740679

WHITMINSTER PARISH PLAN ...IT'S YOUR VISION

APPENDIX 3

Under 18's Questionnaire

WHITMINSTER PARISH PLAN UNDER 18'S QUESTIONNAIRE

Your Vision...

WHY? : The aim of the questionnaire is to gather information about Whitminster from the people of all ages who live in Whitminster to help identify what you want, need or wouldn't like to see happen within Whitminster in the future.

HOW? : You tell us what you want.

Where there are tick boxes, please tick the one that is most appropriate to you



ABOUT YOU (you do not have to write your name and address if you prefer not to)

Name of person/people **aged 18 or under**, who are contributing to the questionnaire

Person 1		Person 2	
----------	--	----------	--

Address	
---------	--

Ages of all the people living in your house

Person 1	Person 2	Person 2	Person 4	Person 5
Age:	Age:	Age:	Age:	Age:

THINGS TO DO

Do you use or attend any of the following?

Skateboard ramp	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quiz night	<input type="checkbox"/>	Badminton	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dance classes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth club	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dog club	<input type="checkbox"/>	W.I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Playing Field	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sports club	<input type="checkbox"/>	Play Group	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other			

What do you think about the amount of things to do in the village?

Excellent ☐ OK ☐ Not bad ☐ No good ☐ I don't go/use it ☐

If you put 'No good', please explain why

What can you suggest to improve this?

.....

What else would you like?

How old are you?

Would you like a bigger playing field Yes ☐ No ☐

If there was a public Internet computer available in Whitminster, would you use it?

Yes ☐ No ☐

If 'Yes', where would you like it to be?.....

WHAT ABOUT SCHOOL?

Which school do you go to?

Do you think that the school would benefit from more permanent buildings? Yes ☐ No ☐

Do you think that Whitminster School is large enough for the village? Yes ☐ No ☐

If you used to go to Whitminster School and are now going to senior school, which school is it?

Was this the school that you wanted to go to? Yes ☐ No ☐

THINGS TO DO, PLACES TO GO...

Do you use any of the following?

Whitminster Stores	<input type="checkbox"/>	Post Office	<input type="checkbox"/>	Garage	<input type="checkbox"/>	Attwools	<input type="checkbox"/>
Garden Centre/café	<input type="checkbox"/>	The Old Forge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Chip Shop	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pizza Shop	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Whitminster Inn	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fromebridge Mill	<input type="checkbox"/>	Chinese takeaway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Village Hall	<input type="checkbox"/>

What do you think of the places you use?

Excellent ☐ OK ☐ Not bad ☐ No good ☐ I don't go/use it ☐

If you put 'No good', please explain why

What can you suggest to improve this?

.....

What else would you like?

If the school held activities/courses/classes out of school hours, would you use it?

Yes ☐ No ☐

What activities/courses/classes would you like?

GETTING AROUND

If you have used the village link bus service within the village, what do you think about it?

Excellent ☐ OK ☐ Not bad ☐ No good ☐ I don't go/use it ☐

If you put 'No good', please explain why

What can you suggest to improve this?

.....

What do you think about the level of bus services beyond the village?

Excellent ☐ OK ☐ Not bad ☐ No good ☐ I don't go/use it ☐

If you put 'No good', please explain why

What can you suggest to improve this?

.....

Do you have any other transport needs that are not currently met?

.....

TRAFFIC

Do you think that cars travel too fast through the village? Yes ☐ No ☐

What do you think about safety when you are crossing the road or cycling

	Excellent	OK	Not bad	No good	I don't cross
Within the village	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
On the A38	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

What improvements can you suggest?

.....

Would you like to see?

f) A Pedestrian crossing near the shop Yes ☐ No ☐

If you are a driver would you like to see?

a) A Roundabout where School Lane meets the A38 ☐ ☐

Yes No

g) Traffic lights where School Lane meets the A38 Yes ☐ No ☐

h) An alternative to the mini roundabouts on School Lane Yes ☐ No ☐

i) Other.

THINGS AROUND YOU...

Do you use local public footpaths or rights of way? Yes ☐ No ☐

If there was a 'handy' pocket sized plan of the village showing the public footpaths or rights of way, would you use it? Yes ☐ No ☐

Would you like to see a wooded area within the village? Yes ☐ No ☐

Do you want to help to protect wildlife within the village? Yes ☐ No ☐

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION

If you use any of the following, what do you think?

	Excellent	OK	Not bad	No good	I don't use it
SPAN	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Village notice boards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Post Box	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Library services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Telephone kiosk	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
School web site	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If you put 'No good', please explain why

.....

What would improve communication in the village?.....

.....

Would you use a village web site? Yes ☐ No ☐

What information would you like to see on a village web site?

Welcome to Whitminster <input type="checkbox"/>	Message board <input type="checkbox"/>	Events <input type="checkbox"/>	Other ideas ↓
Links to other villages <input type="checkbox"/>	Primary School <input type="checkbox"/>	Church <input type="checkbox"/>
Post Office & shop <input type="checkbox"/>	Youth info. <input type="checkbox"/>	Canal <input type="checkbox"/>
Public Footpaths <input type="checkbox"/>	Notice boards <input type="checkbox"/>	Parish Plan <input type="checkbox"/>
Regular Activities <input type="checkbox"/>	Playing Fields <input type="checkbox"/>	Village Hall <input type="checkbox"/>

How can you make your views heard?.....

THE PEOPLE IN THE VILLAGE and other things...

Do you think Whitminster is a friendly village? Yes ☐ No ☐

Please explain the reason for your answer

Do you ever go to any of the following?

Fashion shows	<input type="checkbox"/>	Coffee mornings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quiz nights	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fetes	<input type="checkbox"/>
General fundraisers	<input type="checkbox"/>	School functions	<input type="checkbox"/>	Treasure hunt	<input type="checkbox"/>	Youth club	<input type="checkbox"/>
Local church events	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flower festival	<input type="checkbox"/>	Charity events	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Other.....							

Do you have any comments that you would like to make about the village hall?.....

.....

.....

MORE OF YOUR IDEAS...

What do you think would make the village better? Can you describe your ideas?

.....

.....

Is there anything in the village you would like to see change or be removed?

.....

.....

Is there anything that you feel would be bad for the village or would not like to see?

.....

.....

What do you like about living in Whitminster?

.....

Thank You

You have answered questions about many things to do with the future of Whitminster

Village, but there may be something you wish to add.

Please write your comments here.

.....

.....

.....

WHITMINSTER PARISH PLAN ...IT'S YOUR VISION

APPENDIX 4

Data for reference to Stroud District Council

This data has been copied from the 2005 questionnaire and from the 2008 Interactive Event data.

The data below relates only to issues that the parish plan steering group believes that Stroud District Council is best placed to advise on, manage and lead change.

There are issues relating to three council departments; Planning, Transport and Environment.

Planning Department

Q50c. What else would you like?

The options given were taken from the top answers from the questionnaire in 2005.

Village clean up day	13
Bigger post boxes	2
More footpaths	7
More dog waste bins	9
Pavements / cycle path to Frampton	16
Campaign to reduce litter	7
Swings for play areas	
Wider pavements	6
Pedestrian access between Cul-de-sacs	5
Other	
No opinion	1

HOUSING/DEVELOPMENT

Q11. Is there anything that you feel would be detrimental to the village or would not like to see? (O)

- ♦ The most common issue was housing development. 39 households (33% of 118) said they would not like to see any more housing (or too much new housing).

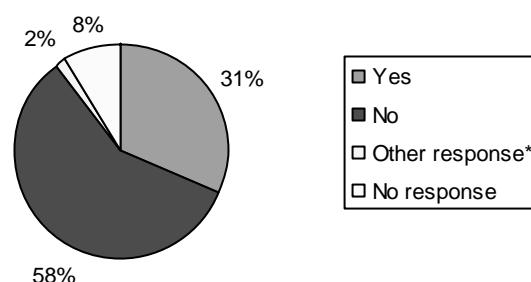
Q60a. Would you be happy to see further development in the village? (C)

- ♦ 58% of households would not be happy to see further development in the village.

Table 60a. Further development in village?

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Yes	37	31%
No	69	58%
Other response*	2	2%
No response	10	8%

Chart 60a. Further development in village?



* "Maybe"; "Yes and no"

Q60b. If no, please explain why (O)

- ◆ 70 households (59%) made comments. These are listed in full below. They have been separated into two categories ('Limited development' and 'No development')
- ◆ Reasons for being against further development included
 - Village is big enough already
 - Village would lose its character
 - Loss of green land
 - Services couldn't cope (sewerage, school, roads etc.)

Box 60b. Reasons for being against further development

Limited development

- As long as it remains a village concept
- But not too much
- If sympathetic and of limited size
- Not a lot
- Not much more because otherwise residents may then expect all the attributes of an urban area
- Only additions I would like to see is the field at rear of Paynes meadow turned totally to leisure
- Only sheltered accommodation. Village not big enough. Lack parking space, activities.
- Only small units sympathetic to local area. Recent estates are truly awful.
- Well maybe a few houses but not massive

No development

- Already about right - expect a gym!
- Any further development will ruin green village
- Bought new house and want no more development
- Can't see how school, shop etc. would cope with further people
- Capacity is now taken for such a small villages
- Difficult to leave school lane at peace times
- Don't think the sewage system could cope with more development
- Don't want village enlarged any more
- Enough houses for village
- Enough is enough
- Enough new development
- Enough - too many satellite areas already
- Facilities couldn't cope, keep countryside
- Greedy developers, poor agriculture of modern building
- Grown so much in the last 30 years already!!
- I'd like it remain a village size
- Increase traffic
- It is already losing the village character
- It is just the right size now and I feel any further development would make it too big and take away the "village" feel and sense of community
- It would lose the village character
- It would lose the 'village' feel
- It would reduce green areas
- It would take away the village character
- It's a village not a town

- Keep it a village
- Lack of infrastructure services and health care
- Loss of green land
- More than enough housing on green fields
- Nice to keep it as a rural village and friendly
- No room for the school to enlarge. Village atmosphere at the moment - do not want to lose it.
- Not enough facilities. It would spoil character of village/noisy.
- Not enough room for facilities
- Not enough suitable land outside of green belt zone
- Over-development would alter the status of Whitminster as a village community
- Pleasant as it is - maintain village life
- Preservations of countryside. No evidence exists to indicate further demand for housing.
- School too small. Spoil nature of village.
- Services are at maximum capacity
- Sewerage facilities
- Spoil character of village
- The school isn't big enough as it is 21 children after 15 spaces this year for reception
- The village is in danger of being swamped
- The village is large enough for its amenities
- There are too many houses as it is
- There has been quite a lot recently and I feel it has grown enough for now. School is not big enough.
- This village is not a mini town
- To avoid the village becoming a town + preserve farm land etc.
- Too many new houses already
- Too much already
- Too much development too quick in the past
- Village has already lost its character
- Village has now expanded enough
- Village is too big
- Village made up enough
- Village would lose rural feel
- Want to keep village small
- We do not feel that the village could take it
- Whitminster will lose its village feel
- Whitminster would lose its village atmosphere
- Would become suburbia not village
- Would spoil the small village feeling

Q60c. If 'Yes', would you prefer (tick all that apply) (C)

- ♦ 27% of households would like to see starter homes and 25% would like to see family homes. These were the most common options selected.

N.B. The percentages add to more than 100 because respondents were able to tick more than one option.

Table 60a. Further development in village?

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Starter Homes	32	27%
Family Homes	30	25%
Leisure	19	16%
Bungalows	18	15%
Sheltered Accommodation	18	15%
Rented/Housing Association	11	9%
Commercial	4	3%
Flats	4	3%
Industrial	2	2%

Q61. Development at any one time of: (C)

- ♦ 42% of households ticked one of the four options. The most common option selected was “Up to 10 properties”.

Table 61. Development at any one time of:

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Up to 10 properties	25	21%
10-30 properties	19	16%
30-40 properties	2	2%
Over 40 properties	4	3%
No response	68	58%

Q63. In the future, would you like to be able to access a map of the village showing

- i) Areas that have been developed
- j) Areas to be developed
- k) Areas that could be developed
- l) Areas that are not appropriate for development

- ♦ Each option a-d was accompanied by a single tick box for respondents to indicate what they would like to see on a map of the village. Respondents were able to tick more than one box. The answers are arranged in numerical order in Table 63.
- ♦ Over half the households would like to be able to access a map showing areas that could be developed and areas to be developed, while almost half would like it to show areas that are not appropriate for development.

Table 63. Would you like to access a map showing:

	No. of households	% of 118 households
Areas that could be developed	67	57%
Areas to be developed	65	55%
Areas that are not appropriate for development	55	47%
Areas that have been developed	43	36%

AH (Affordable Housing)

Summary of the 'post-it notes' comments regarding thoughts on the need established through a recent Housing Needs Survey for 42 new 'affordable' houses in Whitminster and surrounding parishes

- If it's 42 council houses (affordable) then 'no' as we don't want a large council estate in the village.
- A mix of small houses and association part rent etc would not be good
- If we had to but prefer not
- No opinion
- If we can spread this around all the villages & within each village then good.
- Doesn't need to be part of a bigger development
- New developments should have direct access to A38 and not depend on use of existing roads
- We think the village is big enough all ready
- I would be very happy as I am trying to find somewhere to live at present and I want to stay in Whitminster as I work here, and have lived here nearly 10 years now.
- Don't believe the general services, water; sewerage etc can handle any more development
- I would like to see Whitminster remaining as a village - it is big enough already – school finding it difficult to accommodate children at present.
- We paid more for our house to live in a village same house in Quedgeley is cheaper!!
- I would like to see it remain a village atmosphere

Q24c. What other services would you like? (O)

- ♦ The most common request was a gym (9 households).

Q24c. IE What other services would you like?

85% of households answering the 2005 questionnaire said that they were either satisfied or very satisfied with local services. When asked what others they would like, 34 respondents named at least one additional service or facility they would like to see. The suggestions are listed below and further comments made at the Interactive Event in 2008.

	Every day	2 or 3 times a week	Once a week	Occasionally
Health & fitness facilities (Gym, sports centre,	1	14	5	2
Independent shops (Butcher, baker,		2	5	
Multi-chain shop (Tesco Express)				
Hairdresser				2
Café		2		
Internet café	1	1		2
Allotments	3			

Transport Department

Q37a. How satisfied are you with the village link bus service within the village? (C)

- ♦ 10 households gave an opinion on the village link bus service. 8 of these said they were not satisfied.

Table 37a. Satisfaction with village link bus

	No. of households
Very satisfied*	0
Satisfied	2
Not satisfied	8

* This option appeared in the questionnaire but was missing from the data counts. This is presumably because no respondents ticked it.

Q37b. If you are not satisfied, please explain why (O)

- ♦ 13 respondents commented on the village link bus service.
- ♦ The most common complaint (4 respondents) was that they did not understand how it works or that it was complicated to use.
- ♦ The comments are all listed in full in Box 37b.

Box 37b. Reasons for dissatisfaction with village link bus

- Complicated to use
- Do not really understand it
- I don't know how it works or where it goes
- I don't understand how it works as they don't run very often
- Insufficient number
- Not readily available
- Advance booking is not always possible
- Too expensive as OAP
- Not able to use
- The new timetable may be a big improvement
- Do not use the bus, would if the need arose
- Never heard of it
- Waste of money

Q37c. What other services would you like? (O)

- ♦ 15 respondents stated other services they would like to see.
- ♦ The most common requests were:
 - Bus to Stonehouse 7
 - Bus to Stroud 6
- ♦ The comments are all listed in full in Box 37c. They have been arranged into two categories. (One comment fell into both categories and has therefore been split.)

Box 37c. Transport services required by respondents

Bus to Stonehouse/Stroud

- A bus to Stroud and Stonehouse
- A service between Whitminster and Stroud and Whitminster to Stonehouse
- Bus service to Stonehouse
- Bus service to Stonehouse
- Bus to Stonehouse return
- Bus to Stroud
- Buses to Stroud/Stonehouse
- Link to Stonehouse/Stroud
- Regular bus to Stroud

Other

- A bus service through the village
- Bus to Cheltenham
- Late night Friday/Sat buses
- Link to Eastington, Tesco bus
- Local taxi
- More frequent bus service
- Organised vehicle share, school, shops etc.

Q38b. If you are not satisfied, please explain why (O)

- ♦ 22 respondents made comments. Many were similar to those made in response to Q37c (e.g. buses to Stroud and Stonehouse), but it is not known whether it was the same respondents who requested these services in both questions.
- ♦ The most common reasons for dissatisfaction were:
 - No buses to Stroud 8
 - No buses to Stonehouse 4
 - Too few buses 4
 - No evening buses 3
- ♦ The comments are all listed in full in Box 38b.

Box 38b. Reasons for dissatisfaction with village link bus

No bus to Stonehouse/Stroud

- Bus link to Stonehouse/Stroud
- Bus to Stroud
- Glos/Dursley OK, none to Stroud/Stonehouse
- Is there a bus to Stonehouse/Stroud?
- Need a bus to Stroud
- No easy access to Stroud
- No service to Stroud or Stonehouse
- Not good links to Stroud and surrounding areas

Too few buses

- Insufficient number to get to and from work
- More frequent services, more destinations direct
- Not enough
- Not enough buses
- No evening buses
- Needs later buses to/from Gloucester

- No late night service
 - Please can we have no 12 buses reinstated for the evening (as far as Whitminster)
- Other**
- As cheap to drive if you know where to park without having to pay
 - Disabled so cannot get to the buses or shops
 - I was told there was no bus that goes from Whitminster past Frampton surgery.
 - Keep changing timetable and some stopping some services
 - Lack of destination choice
 - Not aware of routes
 - When are we to get modern comfortable buses on 91 service?

Q38c. What other services would you like? (O)

- ♦ 13 respondents made comments. Many were similar to those made in response to Q37c and Q38b (e.g. buses to Stroud and Stonehouse), but it is not known whether it was the same respondents who requested these services in each question.
- ♦ The most common requests were:
 - Bus to Stroud 9
 - Bus to Stonehouse 6
- ♦ The comments are all listed in full in Box 38c.

Box 38c. Services required

Bus to Stroud/Stonehouse

- A bus to Stroud and Stonehouse
- Bus service to Stonehouse and Stroud
- Bus to Stroud
- Direct link to Stroud or Stonehouse
- More access to Stroud by buses
- Regular service to Stroud
- Stonehouse/Stroud
- Stonehouse/Stroud
- Stroud, Stonehouse

Other

- Bus to Bristol
- Direct bus up A38 to docks
- Increased bus service
- Some public transport between Frampton & Stonehouse

Q39. Do you have any other transport needs that are not currently met? (O)

- ♦ 12 respondents made comments. Again, these included requests for buses to Stroud and Stonehouse:
 - Bus to Stroud 3
 - Bus to Stonehouse 3
- ♦ The comments are all listed in full in Box 39. (One comment included two destinations and has therefore been split.)

Box 39: Other transport needs

Bus to Stroud/Stonehouse

- Bus to Stroud
- Buses from Whitminster to Stroud
- More regular village link between Whitminster and Stonehouse at present
- Bus goes to Stonehouse & does not return for a few hours too long!
- Services by public transport to Stroud?
- Stonehouse

Q14a. Are you satisfied with the current provision of health and social care offered by your surgery? (C)

Q14b. If you are not satisfied, please explain why (O)

- GP - trying to get an appointment is very hard
- GP and pharmacy - difficult to get an appointment
- GP - appointments allowed to run over time of 50 mins
- Without transport impossible to get to any surgery
- Some find reaching this surgery a problem if unable to drive
- As I am disabled the Dr has to call here

14. IE

Please comment on any issues under Health and Social Care that you feel strongly about.

- really pleased with our surgery (a bus service that linked with the surgery would be good) (2 dots)
- a bus service would be great going to the surgery (3 dots)

Environment Department

Q58a. Do you recycle? (C) Q58b. What would encourage you to do it more? (O)
Suggestions included cardboard collection, plastic collection, garden waste collection, bigger bins and weekly collection.

All comments

Cardboard

- Cardboard facility
- Cardboard
- Cardboard collection
- Cardboard collection plastic boxes
- Cardboard
- Cardboard collection
- Cardboard recycling from home
- Cardboard recycling in village
- Cardboard recycling service
- Cardboard facility
- They do not collect cardboard

Plastic

- All plastics to be taken
- Facilities for plastics not just bottles
- Plastic recycling expanded
- Recycle plastic bottles
- Somewhere to recycle plastic bags

Garden waste

- Garden waste collection
- Compost bins
- A skip for garden waste

Bigger bins or more facilities

- Bigger and more practical bins
- Bigger bins
- Bigger boxes
- Dedicated household recycling bigger bins than green boxes
- Greater capacity in boxes which are segregated also
- Larger recycling containers (wheelie bins) for households & local recycling facilities
- More bins to separate
- Hate silly green bins useless
- More facilities
- More facilities for recycling
- A shredder for use occasionally and sometimes
- Bins for green waste
- Green bins for personal use
- If everything that is recyclable would be taken
- Increase the items to recycle
- If more items were collected

Weekly collection

- More frequent collections
- Weekly collection
- Weekly collections

Other

- A clothes/shoes bin at village hall
- Disappointed that neighbours do not recycle. If knocked on doors with containers it might encourage them
- And pick up green waste.
- Splitting of rubbish green & slack wheelie bus
- Supermarket plastic containers
- Boxes provided
- Cant do more
- Sufficient already
- Recycle as much as possible
- We already have a good collection service
- We already do more

Parish Emergency Response Plan

This topic arose as a result of consultation with the public at a parish council meeting.