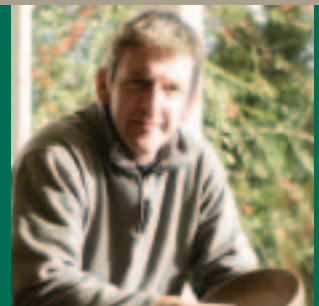
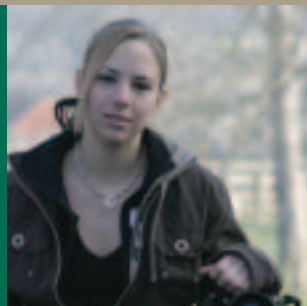


# Long Compton Parish Plan 2006

Your village, your future, your say





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## 1. Background to the Plan

The production of the Long Compton Parish Plan is part of a national initiative for villages and small towns, being driven and part funded by the Countryside Agency.

Long Compton has a successful history of community involvement in village development. The Long Compton Village Design Statement (VDS), published in 1998, set out wide ranging aspirations for any future development within the village to be in keeping with its development over the past hundreds of years. It set architectural standards for both layout and design that remain relevant today and called for the maintenance of discrete open spaces within the village. Even today these remain under threat from development pressure. It was very important therefore that the Parish Plan addressed the imperatives of the VDS and brought them up to date with the villager's current views. Furthermore, the Parish Council was keen to see that the VDS remains as relevant supplementary planning guidance within Stratford District Council.

Likewise the Village Appraisal (VA) undertaken in 1999 engaged much of the village community. It recognised the need to continue housing development within the village but its projections of housing development were beyond those appropriate to a Local Centre Village within the context of the Stratford District 2002 Local Plan Review. This matter has been addressed by the housing needs survey carried out as part of the development of the current Long Compton Parish Plan.

The VA also raised issues of speeding, public transport, local shopping, village maintenance (including verge cutting and tree planting) and the need to maintain a vital business community within the village through homeworking.

This history of consultation has provided a vital link to the development of the current Parish Plan. It has been used to identify issues and has provided the background to the preparation of the Parish Plan Questionnaire.

## 2. Long Compton's Location

Long Compton lies at the northern edge of the Cotswold escarpment in south Warwickshire. The A3400 winds through the village linking Oxford to the south and Stratford-on-Avon to the north. The smaller market towns of Chipping Norton, Moreton-in-Marsh and Shipston-on-Stour, 6 or 7 miles distant, provide local services while Stratford, Banbury and Cheltenham are major centres.

The village nestles in the valley of a tributary to the river Stour. As its name suggests, it is linear in form stretching for almost a mile along the main road with spurs of development on either side. Long Compton is known for its pretty thatched cottages, warm Cotswold stone walls, ancient church with an unusual lych gate and above all for its glorious countryside.

### Background – history

Long Compton is an ancient settlement dating back to at least Saxon times. The land has been farmed for centuries and some of the open fields and strips, which were replaced by individually owned fields under the 1812 Enclosure Act, are still clearly visible. Lord Northampton owned and preserved the village – its farms, houses, school, shop and public house as well as its lands – until 1919, and it is only in the last 50 years that new housing has been built.

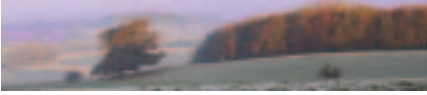


**Lisa Phipps**  
Joint Manager  
The Red Lion

*Your views on The Countryside . . .*

*“Idyllic pastoral views . . .*

*open spaces should be protected for future our generations”*



**Rev. Richard Smith**  
Vicar

*Your views on The Community . . .*

*“A friendly village  
with wide ranging  
social and commercial  
facilities . . .  
where we live  
everyone is willing to  
help each other”*

Long Compton remained an agricultural community based on thirteen working farms and, although in recent years these have reduced to five, farming probably remains the greatest influence on the character of the village and its surroundings.

**Today**

While Long Compton remains essentially a farming community it now supports a few small businesses including a bespoke furniture maker and a graphic design business. There are also a significant number of self-employed people living in the village. The community thrives, thanks in part to a number of village clubs and societies, the active church community and the busy shops and pub. All these institutions are valued by villagers, as is the environment in which we all live. The countryside and landscapes are highly valued by all who are lucky enough to live here. Today there are over 300 households with a total population of some 750 people.

**3. Executive Summary**

The development of the Long Compton Parish Plan has taken some two years. The Long Compton Plan is one of many such plans being developed by villages and small towns across the country. This Plan is produced by Long Compton village residents and is for the benefit of the village. It set out to find what is needed and then to address these needs. The process has been one of consultation and involvement of Long Comptonians, followed by analysis, production and finally publication of this Plan.

It has been adopted by both the Parish Council and Stratford on Avon District Council as supplementary planning guidance.

Work has already begun on some of the action points with the road traffic survey having been undertaken, consultation with younger residents with a view to setting up community projects, and affordable housing needs being partly addressed on the College Lane development with further new housing in the pipeline at Weston Court.

This Plan could not have been created without the help of many people within Long Compton and others outside. Grateful thanks to all those that have been involved.

**4. Long Compton’s Parish Plan Process**

Following the election of a the Parish Council in May 2003 and against the background of the need to improve community involvement in parish activities, the Parish Council revisited previous planning and village perspectives contained in the Village Design Statement (1998) and the Village Appraisal (1999). It was felt that both these documents, excellent as they are, needed a fresh mandate and possibly revision in the light of changes over the past five years. The Council concluded that the opportunity for fresh endorsement and new perspectives would be catered for if the Parish embarked on the development of a Parish Plan, building on the excellence of previous work and endorsing it where appropriate. The Plan was intended to provide a vision for Long Compton over the next 10 years and beyond and was expected to include significant challenges to the Parish through improved facilities and services.

The Parish Council gave very careful consideration to the establishment of a Parish Plan Working Party (PPWP). It was felt that representation on the Working Party should reflect the widest possible interests in the village. It was also agreed that the Working Party should not be seen as representative of the Parish Council (although the Council would be informed through two (subsequently three) of its members being on the Working Party). James Walton, a local farmer and chartered surveyor, accepted the Parish Council Chairman’s invitation to undertake the role of Chairman. Through his drive and leadership the Parish Plan process is drawn to a close with the publication of this Report and Action Plan.

Guidance and publications from a number of Authorities have been essential in completing the Parish Plan process. In particular, that provided by the Countryside Agency (and its officials), the Warwickshire Rural Community Council (WRCC) and its Housing Advisor and encouragement from the Parish's District and County Councillors has been vital in undertaking our work. Our work has also relied heavily on previous village publications and guidance provided by the Cotswold Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) management team.

Community involvement has been at the heart of the PPWP work. All Working Party meetings have been open to all, many were held in the village pub and formal events have been held to engage villagers in the Parish Plan process. Three village meetings (the first and third in the village hall, the second in the school) were arranged. The first was to help identify issues that needed to be included in the Parish Plan Questionnaire, the second to discuss the outcomes of the Questionnaire and the third to launch the Plan and its Actions. The village meetings were supported by distribution of a number of newsletters reporting progress and outcomes of the work.

The Questionnaire provided the majority of the data from which the Plan and its Actions were derived. Prepared with help from WRCC it was distributed to all households in the Long Compton Parish, with members comprising the household invited to provide individual answers and comments. Distributed at the same time was a housing needs survey prepared by WRCC. Around 60% of the Questionnaires were completed. Analysis was undertaken professionally and the results were presented to Long Compton villagers at an open meeting held at the The Compton District Primary School (now renamed Acorns Primary School). The consultations provided by this meeting further improved the findings of the Questionnaire and the PPWP agreed that sufficient information had been gathered to prepare an authoritative Parish Plan.

Close consultation was held with the Chairman of Long Compton Parish Council throughout the drafting of the Plan, the results of which were presented to a full Parish Council meeting prior to consultation with the District and County Councils. The Plan was launched at a further Village meeting when Parish, District, County Councillors endorsed the Plan which was also commended by the local MP.

#### Parish Plan Timetable

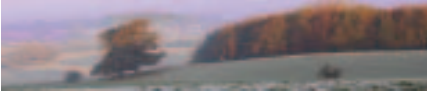
Action	Date
Parish Council agreement to undertake a Parish Plan	Oct 2003
Working Party appointed and grant submission to Countryside Agency prepared	Nov 2003
Countryside Agency grant award	Feb 2004
1st Village Meeting to identify issues to be addressed by the Plan	Feb 2004
Draft Questionnaire testing	Aug/Sep 2004
Questionnaire distribution and return	Oct/Nov 2004
Questionnaire analysis	Dec 2004/Jan 2005
2nd Village Meeting	Mar 2005
Preparation of draft Plan and Action statement	Apr/Jul 2005
Presentation to the Parish Council	Aug 2005
Final draft Parish Plan presentation to District and County Councils	Sep 2005
Parish Plan and Action Statement launch, presentation to the Village	March 2006



**Mark Hutchinson**  
Furniture Designer

*Your views on The Pavilion . . .*

*“The Pavilion is an embarrassment to the village . . . everything needs improvement”*



**Lindsay Faulkner**  
Student photographer

Your views on Housing . . .

*“Affordable housing for Long Compton people . . . too many expensive houses at present”*

## 5. Summary of the Results

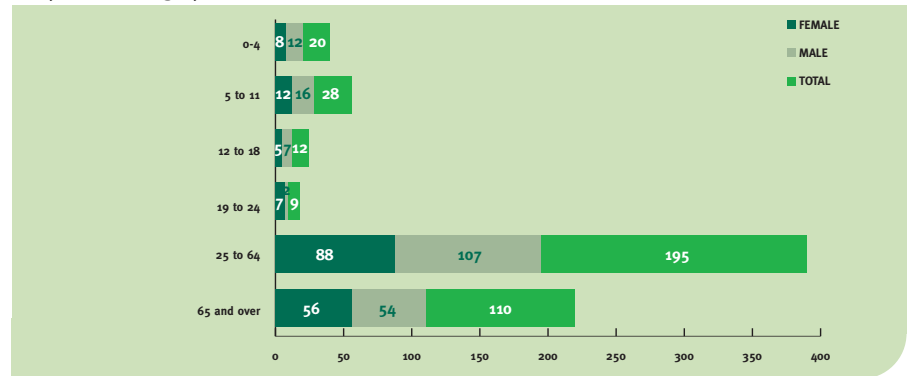
### a) General

Since the Parish Plan process is intended to reflect the views of the village at large it was important that all sections of our community were represented. With 374 villagers responding through the 160 Questionnaires returned over 50% of the village replied, a satisfactory number on which to argue our case.

The age profile of respondents corresponds to that of a village of our make up with a significant percentage of villagers retired, but also with a majority of adults in the age range 25-64 participating.

Importantly 98% of households responding had their main residence in Long Compton.

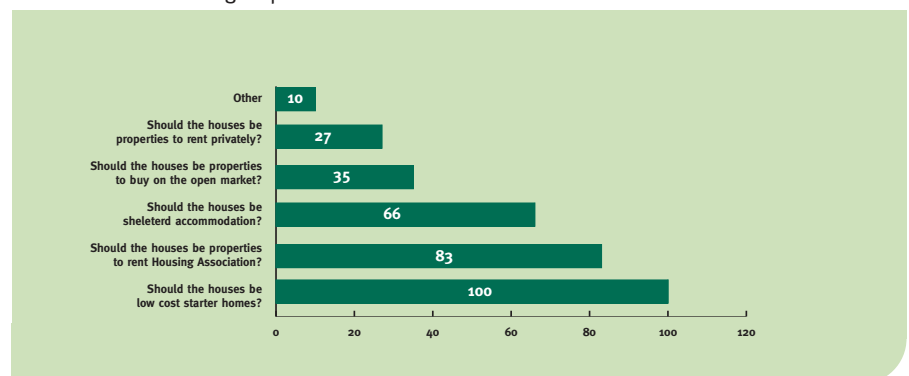
#### Respondents age profile



### b) Housing

The majority (53%) of respondents did not believe that more housing was needed in Long Compton but when questioned further, responses indicated that any new housing should be low cost. This was confirmed in the Housing Needs Survey undertaken in conjunction with the Parish Plan survey that identified a need for a number of housing units larger than those already under construction at College Lane.

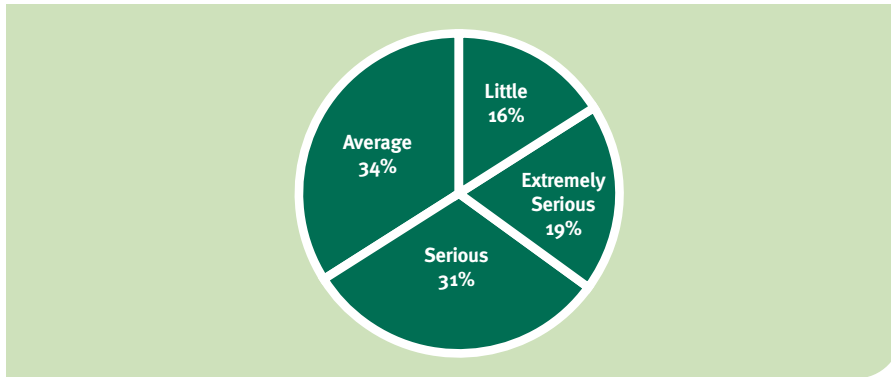
#### Views on new housing required



### c) Transport and Traffic

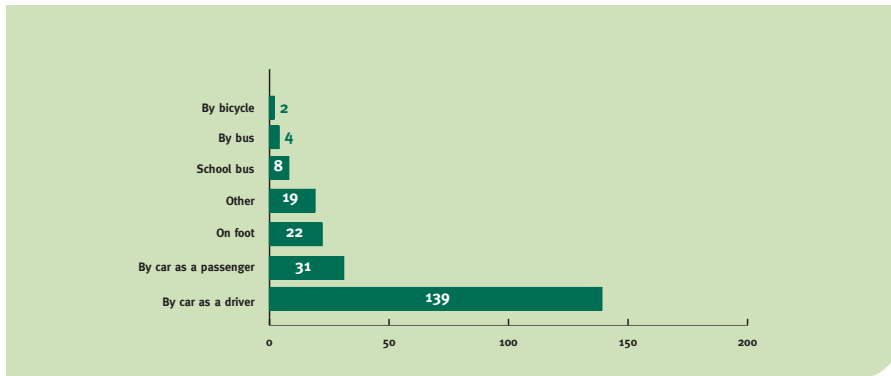
Many villagers expressed concern about the traffic on the main road through the village, mainly in respect of speeding but also in relation to noise and vibration and (especially with children) the difficulties of crossing Main Street at peak times.

Concerns regarding traffic on Main Street



At the same time the car was the dominant form of transport for the great majority of villagers (69% of whom never use buses) for getting to and from places of work and education. Having said that, those without cars indicated a concern that public transport could be more flexible in accommodating their needs for shopping, and there was some demand for personal services such as access to medical services, grocery and prescription collection. The Acorns Primary School is adjacent to the A3400 and it introduces potentially dangerous traffic situations at the beginning and end of the school day. Encouragement to walk to school along safe routes should be given.

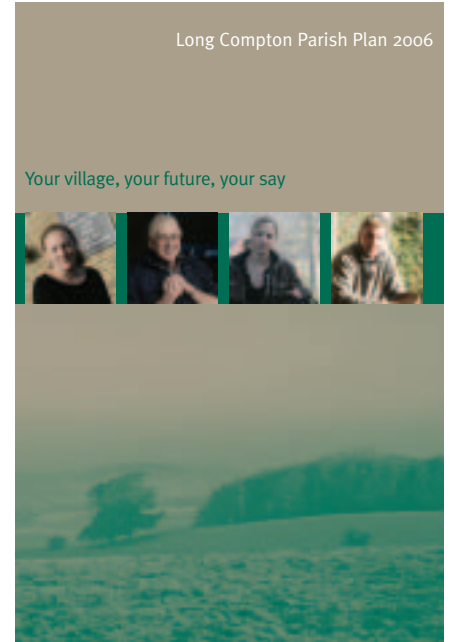
How people travel to work



Parking within the village was also raised as a problem both for access to amenities and also in terms of complaints about parking on verges and footpaths.

d) Business and Employment

With 35% of respondees working from home or in the village, business services, specifically access to the Internet and particularly broadband was identified as a priority. Broadband was activated in late June 2005 and its availability needs to be publicised within the village. Beyond this employers had some concern about the lack of availability of low cost housing within the village deterring potential employees. Additional comment was made during public meetings on the adverse impact on business if the range of Post Office facilities was curtailed or, worse, the Post Office was closed.



*Your views on The Village Hall . . .*  
**“Village Hall as a centre for information, administration for the village . . . facilities for cinema films”**



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**Herrick Salmon**  
Parish Clerk

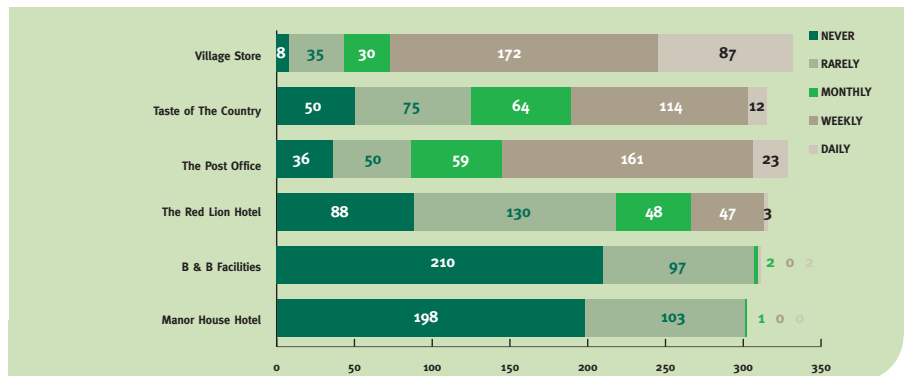
Your views on The Recreation Ground . . .  
*“Needs developing for wider use . . .  
 bowling green, tennis courts and more”*

### Distance travelled to work/occupation



The importance of local business was emphasised by the villagers. The village shops and Post Office were seen as central to the community and the pub also played a role which has been growing over recent months. Loss of any of these services would be seen as a blow to the community.

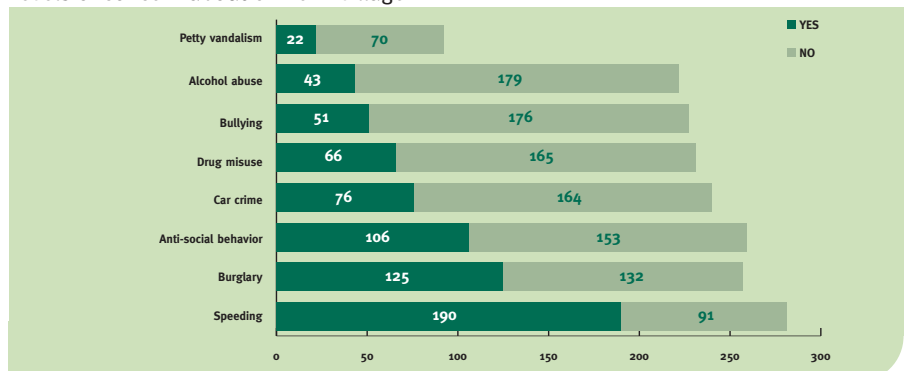
### Frequency of use of local pub/shops/hotel



### e) Crime and Disorder

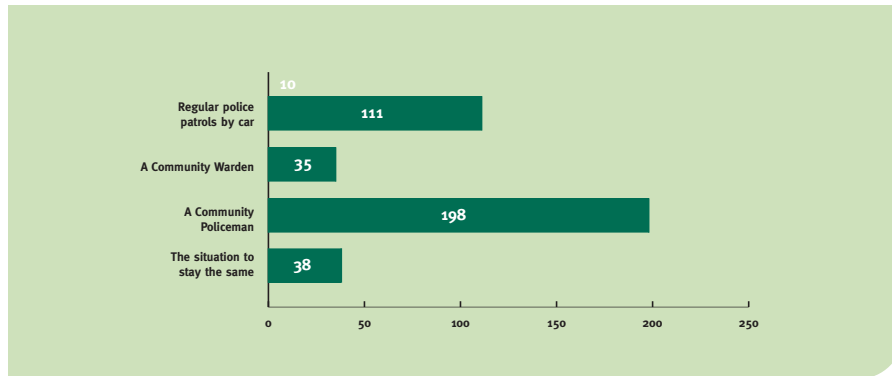
While there were minor concerns about petty vandalism, alcohol and drug misuse and car crime the most pressing problems were seen as anti-social behaviour, burglary and above all traffic speeding through the village. This despite recent speed surveys that indicate the vast majority of drivers travel within the 30-33 mph speed bracket through the village. Some travel much faster and it is probably these that raise the impression of high speeds. In any case, the current position is unsatisfactory and the active speed signs (recently modernised) need reinforcement by regular policing.

### Levels of concern about crime in village



The absence of visible policing within the village was recognised by a call for a community police officer and more regular patrolling of the village.

Measures to improve law enforcement

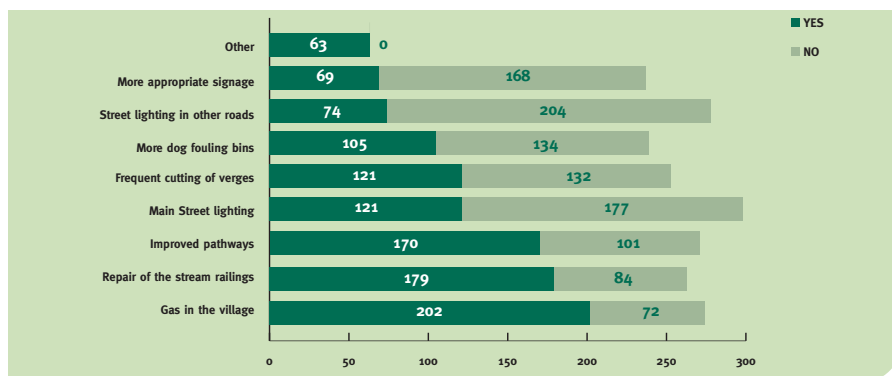


At the same time many residents indicated a willingness to sign up to the Neighbourhood Watch scheme and a few were prepared to act as coordinators.

f) Countryside and the Environment

The peace, tranquillity and delightful local views around Long Compton were cited by most residents as being essential to the character of our village. Many residents enjoyed the intimate relationship between village and farms and while a small minority called for improvements in the farms the vast majority enjoyed the presence of active farming within the village. There was some concern that changes in farm subsidies might alter the methods of farming and in particular lead to a reduction in livestock production.

Possible improvements to the environment



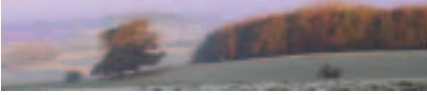
There was some disagreement on the level of maintenance of verges, etc. within the village, some wanted more maintenance, particularly verge grass cutting, whilst others were opposed. Current levels are probably about right except in areas like the Millennium Chronolog where more structured maintenance should be considered. Many responses were concerned about the proliferation of road and traffic signs and also their inappropriate design for a rural community such as ours. A new approach is required to traffic control and calming in the village although physical measures such as road humps, gates, chicanes etc. are unlikely to be the answer for a main road as busy as ours with tourist/recreation/commuter traffic, heavy goods vehicles, and agricultural traffic.



**Debbie Clarke & Georgie**  
Village residents

Your views on The Roads . . .

*“Traffic exceeding speed limits . . . main road, large trucks”*



**Edwin Rose**  
Parish Councillor

Your views on Verges and Streams . . .

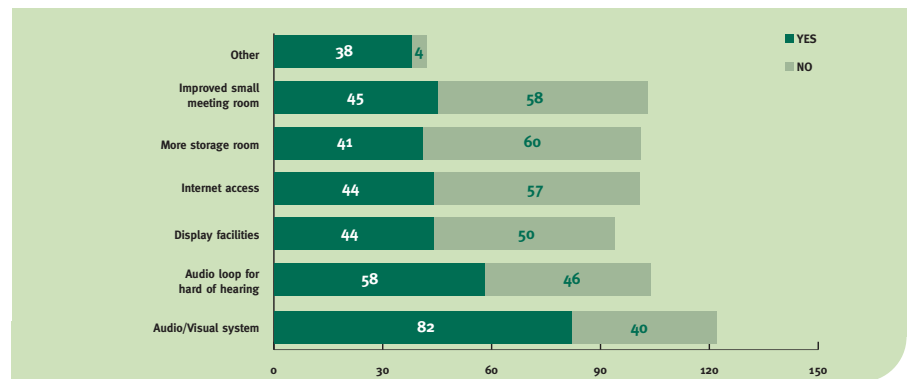
*“More planting on verges . . . verges should reflect the rural nature of the village”*

Most residents called for the relationship between open and developed space to remain as at present and were opposed to any significant development of current open space within the village (save for very limited development of social housing for the village). This endorses the recommendations of the Village Design Statement which also lays down design standards for future development within the village. Confirmation of the Village Design Statement as supplementary planning guidance is endorsed, as part of the Parish Plan.

**g) Village Amenities**

Long Compton supports a number of clubs and societies many of which hold their meetings in the recently refurbished Village Hall. While its facilities, particularly for the physically disabled, have been significantly improved, the necessity for further work has been identified by the Parish Plan Questionnaire. In particular more display facilities, Internet access, an improved audio/visual system and an audio loop for the hard of hearing have been called for. Comments have also been made about incorporating Village Hall facilities with those of the sports changing rooms and pavilion to create an integrated facility for the whole of the village.

**Improvements to the Village Hall**



Work on the Sports Pavilion is of high priority. Vandalism and inappropriateness of this facility have rendered it almost unusable and as some villagers have identified it as, ‘a blot on the landscape’!

There has also been a strong call for some tennis courts.

**h) Education**

The Compton District Primary School went through a period of transition following a poor OFSTED report. The improvements have given rise both to the lifting of the ‘special measures’ imposed and an increase in the proportion of those pre-school Long Compton children who parents intend them to be registered at Long Compton rather than an alternative primary school. The school has been renamed Acorns Primary School.

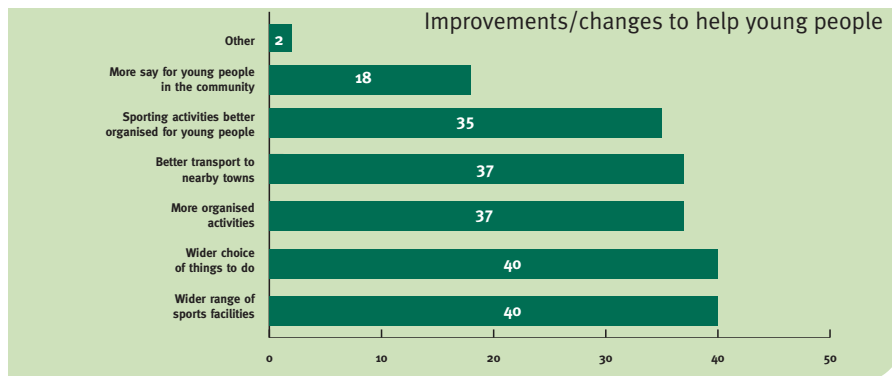
Twice as many students from Long Compton attend Chipping Norton Secondary School than Shipston High School. Inadequate transport is considered a problem for half of those surveyed.

Some are seeking a range of adult evening classes which could be based at Acorns Primary School, but viability is questioned.

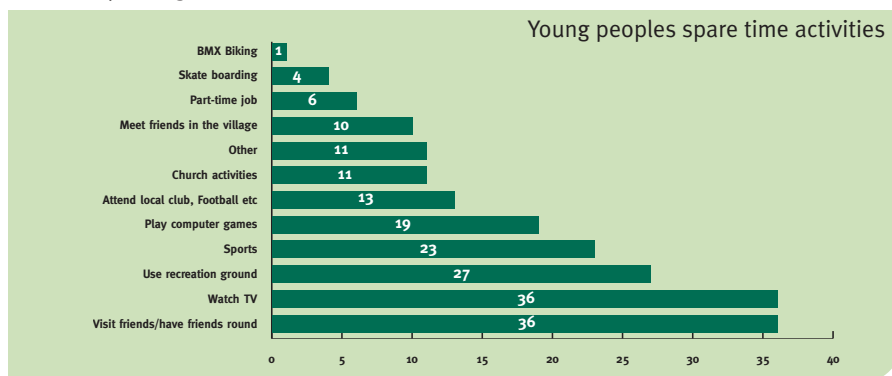
**i) Young People**

Though only a small proportion of this survey, the views of young people of the village are as important as those of our older residents in that they form the future and the type of community in which they will live.

Like their parents, the young people of the village enjoy the countryside, the views and the general peace of the village. They do complain, however, of having little to do and little to occupy them in their leisure time. The community needs to address this and to improve mechanisms of incorporating our young peoples views into developing Long Compton.



The facilities for the young are very limited and those that are available (the BMX track, etc.) are under used. Clearly changing fashions and interests require a more flexible approach to the young and this might be a significant challenge without help from outside the village. Initiatives like Vision for Shipston and Drug Action in Shipston (DASH) are tackling these on an area wide basis, linking with these initiatives is seen as the best way of accessing resources of expertise and finance that are needed to provide young people with the impetus to help themselves to develop activities that satisfy them and the community at large.



## 6. Acknowledgments

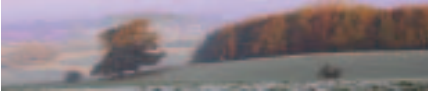
Without doubt, none of the Parish Plan process would have been possible without the enthusiastic support of members of the Village, young and old and their contribution has been crucial. The Parish Plan Working Party would also like to thank all those who have helped and supported the village meetings (the Youth Club, the Acorns School Parent/Teachers Association, Mayby's Catering and the Village Hall Committee), those who distributed the Questionnaire (see list below) and all members of the Parish Council and its Clerk. Special thanks goes to Charles Barlow (Rural Housing Coordinator) and to Linda Ridgley (Warwickshire Rural Community Council) for all the commitment, help and encouragement they have given, and to Cllr Chris Saint for his continuing support and liaison with Warwickshire County Council. Our Stratford District Councillors, Richard Adams (until May 2005) and Stephen Gray (from May 2005) have been strongly supportive of our work and for this, our thanks. Richard Guy of Arapaho Communications Limited has been tireless in the preparation and publication of the newsletters and the final report and generous in his contribution of time and service to their publication. Finally, thanks must be given to the Countryside Agency for the grant provided to support the development of this Plan.



**Andy Carty**  
Proprietor  
Long Compton Stores

*Your views on Street Lighting . . .*

*“No lighting when you go out at night . . . control of outside lighting”*



## 7. Long Compton's Action Plan

### HOUSING ACTION

#### Facts

- 98 % of the properties in Long Compton are occupied as a main residence.
- According to the Housing Needs Survey, affordable housing is required to provide the following:
  - 3 x 3 bedroom houses for shared ownership
  - 1 x 2 bedroom house for shared ownership
  - 1 x bungalow for shared ownership
  - N.B. this need is additional to the 4 x 2 bedroom houses being built at the College Lane development.

#### Opinions

The majority are not keen on further residential development. The view of our community is that where development may be permitted, it should be for affordable housing only with the preference for such development on land in public ownership.

#### Action Plan for Housing

Action	Partner	Timing
Engage with the owners of the land at Weston Court to complete a development strategy	Gloucester Housing Association Stratford upon Avon District Council Warwickshire Rural Community Council Long Compton Parish Council	2005/06
Establish the post of Long Compton Housing Liaison Officer co-opted on to the Parish Council	Long Compton Parish Council Warwickshire Rural Housing Association	Sep 2005
Engage with the housing association in connection with the College Lane development affordable housing to ensure that the new housing will be used to meet the housing needs of local residents.	South Warks Housing Association Housing Liaison Officer WRCC	Sep/Oct 2005 and ongoing
Establish agreement with the housing association of Weston Court to ensure that new housing will be used to meet needs of local residents	Housing Association, Stratford District Council Long Compton Parish Council Warwickshire Rural Community Council	2005/06
The construction phase of the new development to be undertaken to include the Housing Liaison Officer representing the Parish Council as partner to the development to confirm suitable housing types and terms for occupation	Housing Association, Long Compton Housing Liaison Officer Warwickshire Rural Community Council	2006/07
Undertake regular reviews of The Housing Needs Survey	Warwickshire Rural Community Council	2005 onwards

Extracts from current Planning Policy that affects this Parish Plan are at Annex 2

### EMPLOYMENT ACTION

#### Facts

- 25.1% work at home or within the village.
- 83.4% consider the Village Stores and Post Office to be very important everyday life.

#### Opinions

- In order to promote local businesses, Business Rate Relief should be sought.
- An absence of affordable housing has been identified by local businesses to provide accommodation for employees required for their specialist skills unavailable locally.

### Aims

The rural employment opportunities should be encouraged through the provision of facilities, housing and a healthy economic environment. Long Compton is, and should be encouraged to be, a place in which to live and to work.

### Action plan for Business

Action	Partner	Timing
Undertake a Housing Needs survey from those employers running businesses in the Long Compton Parish, and employees of those businesses	Warwickshire Rural Community Council Check wording of Supplementary Planning Guidance on affordable housing	Immediately
Publicise broadband availability	Broadband service providers Long Compton Parish Council	Immediately
Examine opportunities for full-time childcare facilities within Long Compton	WCC Surestart Programme	2005/06
Encourage networking of existing businesses and consider the use of the following	Business Link Chamber of Commerce Warwickshire Net  Long Compton Parish Council	2006
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Website</li> <li>• Newsletters</li> <li>• Development of database</li> <li>• Set up business development group</li> <li>• Encourage use of the Post Office and other village amenities</li> <li>• Develop good central meeting facilities for business and community</li> <li>• Lobby for Business Rate Relief for the benefit of local businesses</li> </ul>		

### TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT ACTION

#### Facts

- 35% residents are affected by traffic noise or vibration
- 84.5% of those travelling to work or school do so by car.
- 67.6% are concerned about speeding

#### Opinions

“We value light and dark and have no wish to be illuminated like a town . . .”

“Remove some of the road signs which blight our village from end to end . . .”

“Cars everywhere – mostly where they should not . . .”

“Long Compton should ensure that it is more than a collection of houses either side of a busy highway.”

#### Aims

- Improved road traffic safety for the benefit of pedestrians and road users.
- Reduce importance of the status of the main road and its effect on the village
- Continue to investigate means by which speed may be reduced
- Develop safe crossing point.
- Review and recommend methods to control on street parking
- Review traffic signage



## Action Plan

Action	Partner	Timing
Seek reinstatement of Oxford/Stratford bus service	Stratford District Council/ Warwickshire County Council	2006/07
Develop flexible transport solutions	Vision for Shipston Warwickshire County Council	2006/07
Develop further speed control measures and build in new environmental and passive traffic calming features	Warwickshire County Council	
Seek low noise road surfacing for A3400	Warwickshire County Council	At next major carriageway rebuild
Reduce impact to signage along main highway	Warwickshire County Council	2006/07
Consider providing additional facilities for village parking	Long Compton Parish Council Stratford District Council	2006 - 2008

## COMMUNITY ACTION

### Facts

- 85 people have offered to volunteer to help senior citizens and 37.3% offered to help if a village volunteer group were formed.
- There are many existing clubs and societies open to new members.
- Acorns Primary School has emerged from the 'special needs' measures. An increasing number of parents are intending to place their children at the local school
- 42.3% of Long Compton youth feel there is insufficient for them to do in Long Compton, and there is a stated need for a wider range of sports and more organised activities.
- 191 people wish to join a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme

### Opinions

"The school has really picked itself up, and is turning into a great little school."

"We should preserve the rural, traditional atmosphere and appearance of the village."

"Views from both outside and inside the village are a delight to us all."

"We value the beautiful countryside, the woods around the village also the church and our village shop."

"Our biggest worry is flooding."

"Pretty views are all very well, but they don't give the village its life."

"The village is not welcoming to young people."

## Aims

Long Comptonians should develop a greater sense of community, for the benefit of all residents from the youngest to the oldest.

### Action Plan for Community

Action	Partner	Timing
Refurbish the Sports Pavilion	Long Compton Parish Council Stratford District Council Warwickshire CC	2006/07
Improve news and information management, for example website and use a Parish room	Long Compton Parish Council	2006
Establish working party to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review all recreation facilities</li> <li>• Liaise with village school to establish needs</li> <li>• Identify further recreation/sports needs</li> <li>• Liaise with Village Hall Committee to establish long term objectives and requirements for the Village Hall</li> <li>• Explore optimisation and consolidation of village hall and sports pavilion, make recommendations for improvement</li> </ul>	Long Compton Parish Council	2006
Publicise services already provided within Long Compton including local shops and post office	Long Compton Parish Council	2006/07
Establish Internet café in school and Village Hall	Long Compton Parish Council, Acorns School	2006/07
Work with existing coordinators to publicise and improve the Neighbourhood Watch Service	Long Compton Parish Council	2006
Consider use of IT, expanding volunteer network through integrating role of co-ordinator (Parish Clerk?)	Long Compton Parish Council	2006 - 2008
Lobby for further visible policing as a deterrent to crime and anti-social behaviour	Long Compton Parish Council Warwickshire Police	2006 - 2008

### Action Plan for the Environment

Action	Partner	Timing
Continue liaison with County Council for footpath maintenance	WCC Parish Paths Partnership	2006
Establish a rational verge and public space maintenance policy	Long Compton Parish Council Stratford District Council Warwickshire County Council	2006/07
Investigate means of flood alleviation and ensure regular stream maintenance is carried out	Warwickshire County Council Stratford District Council	2006

### Action for Volunteers

Action	Partner	Timing
Establish action group to co-ordinate volunteers	Long Compton Parish Council	2006
Establish and expand existing volunteer groups for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prescription collection</li> <li>• Shopping</li> <li>• Neighbourhood Watch</li> </ul>	Long Compton Parish Council	2006/07



### Action Plan for Youth

Action	Partner	Timing
Consider re-establishment of youth club	Long Compton Parish Council DASH Youth Group Leaders	2005
Establish a series of community projects in consultation with under-18 years old living within Long Compton parish	Long Compton Parish Council DASH Youth Group Leaders Youth Group Members	2006/07
All community groups to be encouraged to make opportunities for younger members	DASH Vision for Shipston Long Compton Parish Council	2006/07
Consider mechanisms to include young people in village decision making	Long Compton Parish Council DASH Long Compton Youth Group	2006/07

### Action Plan for Education

Action	Partner	Timing
Celebrate success of school in emerging from special measures	Acorns Primary School School Governors PTA	2005/06
Support school activities and thereby encourage new pupils	Acorns Primary School School Governors PTA Long Compton Parish Council	2006 -
Support claims for improvements in facilities and resources	WCC	2006 -
Extend care facilities for 3 year olds	WCC SureStart	2006 -
Develop after-school care to meet working parents needs	Acorns Primary School WCC SureStart	2006
Establish school holiday activity club	Acorns Primary School Vision for Shipston	2006

### Action Plan for Community Officer

Action	Partner	Timing
Establish roles and responsibilities of Parish Clerk and Community Liaison Officer	Long Compton Parish Council WRCC	2005/2006
Determine specific requirements for IT management (e.g. website and database, co-ordination of publicity and information, co-ordination of volunteer network)	Vision for Shipston Long Compton Parish Council Community Liaison Officer	2006
Recruit Community Liaison Officer	Long Compton Parish Council Vision for Shipston	2006/07

## Annex 1

### Parish Plan Working Party – Membership

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## Annex 2

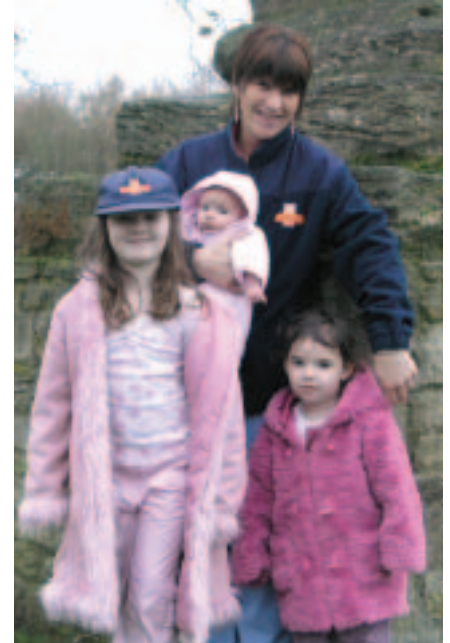
### Stratford upon Avon District Council Local Plan 2001-2011 – Extracts

#### Policy COM.1. – Local Choice

“The views of local communities reflected in Parish Plans adopted by the District Council will be fully assessed in the planning process. In particular they will be used:

- To help assess the merits of schemes promoted by communities to meet needs they have identified.
- As a material consideration in the determination of planning applications and to assist in identifying the scope and nature of associated planning obligations which might be sought; and
- To identify opportunities for environmental and other forms of enhancement.”

In the case of Main Rural Centres and Local Centre Villages only, as defined in Policy STR.1, small-scale schemes which meet housing (particularly affordable housing) and employment needs identified by a local community will be considered . . .”



**Michelle Watkins (& family)**  
 Post Lady  
 Long Compton

*Your views on Farming . . .*

*“Farms should take precedence over up market housing... . . . I value the work of the farmers . . .”*



**Stephen Woods**  
Local employee

*Your views on The Community . . .*

*“Its rural ways, mud  
tractors, bales and  
farm smells . . .  
. . . a resident, caring  
vicar . . .”*

**Policy STR.1 – Settlement Hierarchy**

Long Compton is included in the third tier of four for settlement hierarchy as a “Local Centre Village” which is defined as a “settlement with a basic range of facilities including, as a minimum, a general store, primary school and regular public transport.”

**Policy CTY.10 – Rural Recreation**

“Proposals which seek to provide and extend the benefits of small-scale recreation and leisure facilities in the countryside will generally be supported . . .”

**Policy COM.2 – Local Shops and Services**

“Existing shops and services which serve the needs of local communities should be retained . . .”

**Policy COM.11 – Traffic Management**

“The following forms of traffic-related measures will be supported where they would achieve environmental, social or economic benefits to the local area:

- Traffic management and calming schemes to improve road safety and conditions for pedestrians and cyclists . . .”

**Policy COM.17 – Rural Employment**

“The provision of new employment opportunities will be encouraged in rural parts of the District through the following means:

- Small-scale schemes supported by a community to provide local jobs in accordance with Policy COM.1
- The conversion of rural buildings in accordance with Policy CTY.2 and
- The expansion of existing groups of rural buildings in accordance with Policy CTY.3”

**Policy IMP.2 – Supplementary Planning Guidance**

“When determining planning applications, the District Planning Authority will have regard to adopted supplementary planning guidance which is applicable...”

**Policy EF.13 – Conservation Areas**

“Development proposals which do not preserve or enhance the Conservation Area or its setting will not be permitted . . .”

**Long Compton Supplementary Planning Policy**

LC.1 Long Compton Parish Plan endorses the policies of the Stratford on Avon District Local Plan, including those referred to above

LC.2 Long Compton Parish Plan endorses the existing Village Design Statement, and new development including extension of existing property should have regard to this design statement

LC.3 Affordable housing should be constructed to address local needs to be based on the Housing Needs Survey. Current housing needs to be addressed on the following sites:

- College Lane development – 4 units (existing site allocation)
- Weston Court development – 5 units.



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Your village, your future, your say

*“Our vision for Long Compton is for a vibrant living and working village, where existing facilities remain viable, within an environment which is enhanced, and where a true sense of community is enjoyed”. . .Parish Plan Working Party 2006*