



BOURTONS' COMMUNITY PLAN QUESTIONNAIRE

DO YOU WANT TO HAVE A SAY ABOUT HOW THE VILLAGES WE LIVE IN WILL CHANGE OVER THE NEXT 10 YEARS?

CHERWELL DISTRICT COUNCIL IS IN THE PROCESS OF WRITING A NEW LOCAL PLAN FOR THE WHOLE DISTRICT, WHICH WILL BE PUBLISHED LATER THIS YEAR, AND WILL SHAPE THE DISTRICT COUNCIL'S DECISIONS - AND THEREFORE, THE SHAPE OF GREAT AND LITTLE BOURTON - FOR THE FOLLOWING TEN YEARS.

THE PARISH COUNCIL WANTS TO ENSURE OUR VILLAGERS' VIEWS ARE HEARD IN THIS PROCESS AND THAT THE RESULTING PLAN REFLECTS OUR VIEWS. WE WILL BE RESPONDING TO CDC BEFORE THEY FINALISE THEIR BIGGER PLAN.

PLEASE, WE RESPECTFULLY ASK ALL RESIDENTS, COMPLETE THIS QUESTIONNAIRE, TO ENSURE THAT OUR VISION FAITHFULLY REPRESENTS WHAT YOU, OUR LOCAL RESIDENTS, THINK.

WE THEREFORE THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR TAKING THE TIME TO COMPLETE AND RETURN IT. WE VALUE YOUR VIEWS, WHICH WILL HELP TO SHAPE THE FUTURE OF THE BOURTONS UNTIL 2032.

FURTHER COPIES CAN BE DOWNLOADED FROM
www.bourtons-cherwell-pc.gov.uk

Responses from Great Bourton' residents should be returned in the envelope provided, to the Parish Post Box at the Community Hall, Mainstreet please. Little Bourton residents' questionnaires will be collected by Cllrs Gilly Duckworth and Jo Beales from between the 20th and the 27th May.

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN YOUR QUESTIONNAIRE BY FRIDAY 27th MAY 2022

WE HAVE NOT ASKED FOR YOUR PERSONAL DETAILS BUT IT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL IF YOU COULD COMPLETE THE POSTCODE BOX (Part 9) SO WE CAN UNDERSTAND MORE FULLY TO WHICH PARTS OF THE PARISH THE RESPONSES RELATE.

No individual will be identified in the report on this questionnaire. All residents will have an opportunity to see the results and will be consulted on the issues and options that emerge from it. For more information and to keep up-to-date with Bourtons' Community Plan - go to our website: www.bourtons-cherwell-pc.gov.uk

IF THIS IS A REPLACEMENT QUESTIONNAIRE FOR THE ONE WHICH WAS DELIVERED TO YOU, PLEASE PUT THE NUMBER IN THE BOTTOM RIGHT HAND CORNER.

If you are submitting further copies from the same household please add a, b, or c and so on to any further copies.

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Introduction:

Community planning involves communities influencing decisions about their own locality – in particular, how local land and buildings should be used, and where new development should be located.

A Community Plan sets out a vision of how the community wants to develop and identifies the actions needed to achieve it. The principal aims of a Community Plan are to:

- Generate a shared vision for the future of the community and initiate new projects towards that vision;
- Develop a greater sense of community spirit, and provide opportunities for everyone to contribute towards the projects; and
- Highlight issues of concern and suggest ways to address them.

Our plan must take account of Cherwell's District Council's view of housing and other needs in the period up to 2032, and you can view the existing CDC plan at: rb.gv/jajjfd but Bourton residents will determine the content of Bourton's Community plan.

If the Bourtons can successfully develop a Community Plan, Cherwell District Council would be required to take account of it in planning decisions affecting the parish.

Over 130 residents responded to our Housing survey in 2021 and commented on a range of subjects. Those comments helped shape this questionnaire.

Please complete it and help shape Bourton's future.

Part 1 – Housing

The Bourtons currently has 336 homes. Predicted housing growth in Cherwell District means additional housing in the North of Oxfordshire is inevitable, although at present we do not know how much. The CDC local plan has identified several possible sites for development in our parish which altogether could add a further 250 houses or more. Although we cannot be insulated from change – "no development here" is not a realistic option, we can influence the location of new development in the parish so that we can do the following:

- Try to meet the needs of local people;
- Minimise the adverse impact on local roads and facilities;
- and Maintain the general character and shape of the parish.

Reasons for New Housing

Q.1.1. What importance do you attach to the following reasons for new housing in the Bourtons in the period up to 2032? Please tick as appropriate.

Reason	Important	Not Important	No Opinion
To enable young people to remain in the Parish			
To meet the wider need for more housing			
To enable older people to move to accommodation suitable to their needs			
To support existing amenities			
To enhance services and facilities			
To add to the social mix of the parish			

Types of New Housing

Q.1.2. What types of housing do you think will be most needed in the Bourtons in the period to 2032?

	Strong Need	Moderate Need	Low Need	No Need	No Opinion
Starter/affordable homes					
Social housing e.g. shared ownership					
Rental through a Housing Association					
Private rented accommodation					
Homes for 'downsizers'					
Family homes - Luxury					
Executive homes					
Retirement housing					
Sheltered housing					
Care home					
Specific Housing Needs					

Purchased or Rented

Q.1.3. If in the previous question you indicated a strong or moderate need for starter, social, retirement, or sheltered housing please tick the appropriate boxes in the table below.

	Purchase	Rent	No Preference
Starter/affordable homes			
Social housing			
Retirement housing			
Sheltered housing			

Specific Housing Needs - If you, someone in your family, or someone you know, is experiencing or has experienced difficulty in securing appropriate housing, or you may have a need for alternative housing in the future, we would urge you to contact housing register enquiries by email: housingregister@cherwell-dc.gov.uk or telephone: 01295 227004

The character of the parish can be influenced by the style of housing and plot size.

Q.1.4. What style of housing do you think is best suited to Bourtons?

	Strongly suited	Moderately suited	Not suited	No opinion
Flats/Apartments				
Bungalows				
Terraced houses				
Semi-detached houses				
Detached houses				

Location of Housing Development

Cherwell District Council has asked for sites that landowners would release for housing development. Not all of these sites will necessarily be allocated for development. Specific sites may attract objections or support for a range of reasons, including the varying impact of different sites on traffic, green spaces or the character of specific parts of the parish.

A map of these sites is shown on the Bourtons website here: <https://tinyurl.com/59dyezs7>

Q.1.5. If there is further new housing in the Bourtons, which if any of the sites identified do you think would be acceptable or otherwise?

Rep No.	Site Name	Possible Housing number	Area Size (ha)	Acceptable Yes or No
LPR-A-044	Land parcel 2783 between Great Bourton and Cropredy	37	1.5	
LPR-A-088	Land off School Lane, Great Bourton	25	1.01	
LPR-A-090	Land off South View, Great Bourton	121	4.86	
LPR-A-114	Land South of Crow Lane, Great Bourton	20	0.82	
LPR-A-133	Land West of School Lane, Great Bourton	6	0.24	
LPR-A-133	Land West of Foxden Way, Great Bourton	30	1.21	
LPR-A-134	Land North of Chapel Lane, Little Bourton	11	0.47	

To view individual 'Call for Sites' information on Cherwell District Council's website go to: <http://bitly.ws/qfvp>

Consequences of new development:

Q.1.6. How concerned are you about the consequences of new housing development set out below? Please tick as appropriate.

	Very	Quite	Neutral	Not very	Not at all
Environmental impact (flooding, drainage, air quality etc)					
Access and safety problems associated with additional traffic and/or Construction traffic					
Adequacy of existing facilities and services					
Pressure on school places/doctors' surgery					
Loss of our villages' identity – swallowed by Banbury or merged with other villages					

Q.1.7 CDC have included some statements in their draft plan which we need to answer directly:

	YES	NO
Defining village boundaries: Do you think that CDC should clearly define the boundaries of small ('Category B') villages like Great and Little Bourton?		
Areas for major development: CDC asks which area or areas of the District should be a focus for major housing development and includes 'villages to the north of Banbury' as one option. Do you think Gt and Lt Bourton should be areas for major housing development?		
Do you think that development in such villages should be confined - as in theory it is currently - to infill development, within those boundaries?		
'Coalescence': One possibility explicitly raised by CDC in its current consultation is that development north of Banbury results in the villages of Lt Bourton and Hanwell 'coalescing' with Banbury - in other words, future housing development would mean that Banbury would absorb Little Bourton. Do you think this is a good plan?		

Part 2 - Getting About

New housing development will inevitably increase traffic in the parish. The Parish Council regularly receive comments about speeding, parking, bus services and the safety of other road users. There is general concern about speeding in the parish, and we are taking measures to improve the situation with our newly launched 'Speedwatch' programme and our application for 20mph restrictions and our intention to secure a 'Quiet Lane' status for Foxden Way.

Comments are also regularly received about parking on verges and pavements and the damage caused to verges and property by agricultural and construction vehicles.

The need for frequent bus services in Great Bourton is also raised, particularly for morning and evening services to and from Banbury and Leamington Spa with suitable connections to the Railway Station.

Q.2.1. Are you currently concerned about any of the following? Please tick the appropriate box in relation to each issue and add any further comments if you wish, regarding specific areas of concern.

Issue	YES	NO	Specific Comments
Speeding in the parish generally			
Speeding in specific areas. If so, list your top two sites of concern here (street/road name only)			
Should there be 20 mph speed controls in worst affected areas?			

Issue	YES	NO	Specific Comments
Parking on verges and pavements			
Cyclist safety Pushchair/Pram walkers			
Pedestrian safety (including dog walkers)			
Horse Riders safety			
Mobility Scooter safety			

Q.2.3. Do you agree that a Quiet Lane status would be appropriate/beneficial for Foxden Way (the current speed limit of which is 60mph)?

Yes	No

Q.2.4. Would a weight limit for through traffic be a good idea?

Yes	No

Q.2.5. Do you currently use any of the available public transport services? Please tick any which apply:

	Regularly	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
Free School transport provision				
Taxi Services				
Agility Bookable Service				
Johnsons				
Train Service				

Q.2.6. Would you use buses more if:

Service	Yes	No
(a) Services were more frequent?		
(b) Services ran earlier and later to and from Banbury or Leamington Spa.		
(c) The Johnsons service stopped at Great Bourton		
(d) There were services to and from different destinations		
If so, please list your top (two) destination(s).		
1		
2		

Q.2.7. If the Bourtons are required to absorb substantial new housing, which of the following would be needed in your opinion? Tick any which apply.

	YES	NO
Traffic calming measures		
Pedestrian crossings on the A423		
Designated cycles lanes		

Part 3 - Green Spaces and Environment

Bourtons Parish encompasses a number of green spaces which contribute to its rural character. There are also public footpaths and bridleways providing access to these green spaces and the surrounding countryside. As the Community Plan develops, it will be important to know which green spaces you value most.

Q.3.1. Which green spaces do you value most? Please number the boxes in your order of preference with 1 being the most preferable.

	Order of Preference	Comments
The walk between LB & GB via Foxden Way		
The public footpaths and bridleways that connect green spaces to each other and the Bourtons to other villages.		
Agricultural land accessed by the public footpaths		
The walk to Banbury via the Footway from Little Bourton		
The walk to Cropredy via the Main Street pathway.		

Q.3.2. Do you consider that new developments in the Bourtons should contain some green or open spaces?

YES	NO
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Q.3.3 In terms of enhancing our natural environment, how important are the following:

	Very Important	Quite Important	Not important
Protecting our green spaces			
Maintaining our parish boundaries			
Identifying sites for the planting of trees			
Introducing wildlife areas			
Reducing our carbon footprint			

Q.3.4 Which of the following applies to your household energy supply: Please tick whichever apply.

	Tick	Comments
All Electric		
LPG		
Electric with Solar Assistance		
Electric with Oil Fired		
Electric with Heat Pump		
Home Generator		
Solid Fuel		

Q.3.5 Would you be interested in joining a bulk buying scheme for your energy supplies?

Energy type	Yes	No

Part 4 – Parish Facilities

As a category B village, our facilities are limited but we do have some facilities: a range of clubs and societies and there are many more available in neighbouring Cropredy. To create the Community Plan it is important to understand the need for facilities, both now and in the future.

Q.4.1. How important are the current facilities/clubs or organisations to you?

	YES	NO	NO INTEREST
The Village Hall			
The Community Hall			
All Saints Church			
The Bell Inn in GB			
The Dirt House in LB			
LB Play area			
LB Outdoor Gym			
Garners Field Play area			
GB Play area			
The Gardening Club			
The Music Society			
Allotments			
The Art Group			
Zumba/Pilates/Yoga Classes			
Mother & Toddler Groups			
Friends of the Church			
Wildlife Community Group			

Q. 4.2 Do you use any of the amenities/clubs or groups in Cropredy?

	YES	NO	NOT AWARE	NO INTEREST
The Doctors Surgery				
The School				
The Shop				
Cluster Care				
Women’s Institute				
The Firs Over 60s Club				
The Canoe Club				
The Bell Ringers				
The Handbell Ringers				
Cropredy Lunch Club				
The Film Society				
The Historic Society				
The Harlequins Am Dram Group				
The Short Mat Bowls Group				
Cropredy Jazz Group				
The Cricket Club				
The Football Club				
The Tennis Club				
Visiting Butcher’s Van				
Post Office				

Q.4.3. Of the following, which would you consider to be an important addition to village life?
Please tick all those you consider to be important.

	YES	NO
Independent Youth Club		
Library		
Adult education centre		
Internet cafe		
Mobile or community shop		
A cinema club		
Over 60s Group		
Visiting Chiropodist		
Other – please specify		

Part 5 – Shopping Preferences

Q.5.1. How do you usually do the household shop? Please tick as many as are applicable.

	Always	Once a Month	Once a Week	Never
On line				
Supermarket				
Cropredy Shop				
Other Local Shops				
Someone else does my shopping for me				
Other – please specify:				

Part 6 - Employment

Q.6.1 As part of potential future development in the Bourtons, employment is key so we need to understand residents' thoughts about employment opportunities and the current opportunities. Please respond to the following:

	YES	NO	COMMENTS
New businesses and start-ups should be encouraged in the Parish			
Does the proximity of Cropredy mean that further employment in the Bourtons is not necessary?			
Does the proximity of Banbury mean that employment in the Bourtons is not necessary?			

Q.6.2. How would you best describe your current employment status?

	Tick whichever applies please
Employed or self-employed full time	
Temporary or seasonal employment	
Employed or self-employed part-time	
Unemployed or unable to work	
Looking after home/carer	
Retired or semi-retired	

Q.6.3. What are your current work arrangements:

	YES	NO	SPECIFY
Are you in full time or part time employment?			
Do you work from home?			
*What percentage of your time is working from home?			*
*Do you work in the private or public sector?			*
Would you work more hours at home if possible?			
*How do you normally travel to work?			*

Q.6.4 When you are not working at home, where is your usual employment location?
Please tick one or more which apply to your household.

Banbury	Southam	Leamington Spa	Coventry	London	Other

Q.6.5 How many people in your household fall into the following categories?

Full time employment	
Part time employment	
Full time education	
Part time education	
Retired	
Semi-retired	
Carer	

Part 7 – Communications:

Q.7.1. How do you stay connected with local news, events and general information about the community?
Tick any which apply please.

Bourtons Broadsheet	Bourtons Facebook page	Local Press	Notice Boards	Bourtons Website	Word of Mouth	Other – please specify

Q.7.2. How happy are you with your internet provider?

*Name of provider	*	*Considering a change of provider to:>	*	
Very Happy with current service				
Service is inconsistent				
Regular incidents of downtime				
Slow upload and download speeds				
Use a mobile phone				
Use a landline telephone				
Use What's App, Skype or others for calling				

Part 8 – How Safe is our Community?

Recently we have seen an increase in petty thefts and property damage in the parish and in the wider community. What is your experience and your concern about your personal safety and property?

	In the last 12 months	In the last 3 years	Never
Have you suffered from any personal safety issues?			
Has anything been stolen from your house or garden?			
Has a vehicle you own been damaged either accidentally or deliberately?			
Have you increased your home's security measures?			
Have you seen our local PSCO in your area?			

	In the last 12 months	In the last 3 years	Never
Have you received any information from Neighbourhood Watch?			
Is the street lighting nearest to you out of action?			
*PLEASE COMMENT ON ANY OTHER SECURITY ISSUES YOU ARE CONCERNED ABOUT	*		

Part 9 – About You

It would also be helpful if you would provide the details requested below so we can see whether we have a good cross-section of responses.

Q.9.1. How would you describe your household?

	Tick whichever applies please
Adult living alone	
Family with school-age or pre-school age children	
Family with grown-up children living at home	
Couple	
Adult living with other adults	

Q.9.2 How many people in your household fit into the following age groups?

	Insert number for each category
Pre-schoolers	
In Primary School	
In Secondary School	
In Further Education	
18 – 40	
40-65	
Over 65	

Q.9.3. How long have you lived in the Bourtons?

	Tick whichever applies please
0 – 5 years	
6 – 10 years	
11 – 15 years	
16 – 20 years	
Over 20 years	

Q.9.4. We are not seeking your name and address but please provide your postcode in the box below so we can see which part of the parish responses are from.

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Part 10 - Is there anything else about living here that you would like to tell us?

Q.10.1. What do you appreciate most about living in the Bourtons?

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3.

Q.10.2. What if anything, would you like to change about living here?

1.
2.
3.

Q.10.3 What else would you like to see available here?

1.
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3.

Thank You for your valuable time in completing this questionnaire.