

GREAT BOWDEN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN TRANSPORT EMERGING INSSUES WORKING DRAFT

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Chapter on Transport: Key points for the narrative introducing the item will be based on the description of issues + other text giving context.	Bill, Natalie and Isabel - What Policies would you like to see: Parking: Car parking in village centre needs enhancing – support for proposals. Parking expectations of number of places provided in new development, no tandem parking. Minimum 2 if up to 3 bedrooms and 3 for 4 bedroom +. Traffic management: - Volume, speed, traffic calming. Birdham policy 9 as starting point. Plus impact of reserve site on mitigation measures required needs referring to. List of suggested measures that need implementing that can be used in negotiations with LCC and the developer. Close Welham Lane to 4 wheel vehicles. On grounds car parking, rather than rat run. Promoting walking and cycling: -Enhancing Sustrans route 64 on Welham Lane, need path on Leicester Road, Travel packs include details of cycle route and signage from new developments to the route. Encourage people not to use cars. Public Transport.	Bullet points for context for the chapter not covered under issues: e.g. road connectivity, station KJE Get accident data for Great Bowden

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1. Traffic management (volume, speed, safety, environment) – 2. Footpaths and pavements come in to safety. 3. Parking 4. Public transport (include safety in all relevant elements)	•	•
5. Parking Lack of properties with off street parking. Separate issues casual (people using facilities in the centre of the village) and resident's parking.	• Road structure makes it difficult to build in new car parking spaces. • The parked cars do act as a traffic calming measure (LCC view?). • Different views in the village regarding way to deal with car parking. Due to traffic calming impact of current situation. • There is car parking at the Recreation Ground but this is too far from the centre of the village so not used. • There is no central car park. • Double yellow lines – but in survey people are against their introduction? Is this accurate? • On Main Street there are different views on how to solve the problem, some want parking created on the verge, so don't. • Define parking expected in new developments. Tandem parking spaces should be discouraged, would want parallel parking. With tandem spaces one car usually parks on the road so the other car can get out of the drive easily. • Central parking for 14 cars is planned as part of new development on Dingley Road, in the centre of the village. There are concerns that residents of the new development will use the spaces rather than casual visitors to the village.	• NP Survey results

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6. Volume of traffic and lack of safe places to cross the road. The village gets used as a rat run to avoid the bypass. HGV's Dingley Road narrow in places need to slow the traffic down.	- Safe crossing for the school. There are a lot of potential crossing points. Need safe crossing point on each of the main routes in to the village. - Natalie has done a traffic calming report and analysis which highlights potential solutions, about £5k per measure e.g. marked crossing points with different colour/ texture of tarmac. But no funding available from LCC. 20mph zone in the centre of the village. - There is 300k from Airfield Farm for traffic calming, but how this should be spent has already been defined. Is there any room for renegotiation? - Welham Road, closed to 4 wheel vehicles, bollard system to allow bus access, supported in the survey. Possibly do as part of developer contribution towards cost. - Road in to Cromer with traffic calming – narrowing road. - One way circuit round the village would kill the rat run, but how would traffic within the village move around?	- Natalie's report on traffic - Traffic survey – being carried out routinely. Recording all vehicles in certain categories of speed. – would want number of cars and goods vehicles. - Station Road, Dingley Road, Leicester Road, Main Street all need monitoring both ways. - Need to see what format the data is in – so can see what we can use. To see if need to do further work. - NP Survey results
7. Pavements and footpaths Dropped kerbs, people park over them and cars regularly park on the pavement causing problems for wheelchairs and prams. At one point on Main Street the pavement disappears and you need to cross the road where it isn't safe to cross.	Parking hump coming out, near shop so narrowing the road but retaining depth of the pavement.	
8. Public Transport – Poor and has impact on older people.		

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Chapter on Community Facilities: Key points for the narrative introducing the item will be based on the description of issues + other text giving context. Leisure Community meeting venues Community Assets Education	What Policies would you like to see – John and Peter interested in that: • Change of use - resist • Community assets – list • Support applications for new community facilities • Support proposals to enhance and develop the use of the village hall or community pavilion. • New Leisure facilities – enhance existing play facilities, play hub and create a bowling green. • Would not support extension of the existing school due to location and traffic problems, site restrictions. • Would support a new school on an easily accessible new development or an easily accessible brown field site.	Bullet points for context for the chapter not covered under issues: Eg. List of key community assets.
9. Education	• The school is full and there is no means to expand it. There has already been money spent on making it larger to cope with existing pupils. There is a small playing field and play ground. • Another school would need building. • No site for a nursery/ infant school.	• Need evidence from the school • Kibworth recent planning appeal – school only considered full if full of children within the parish. • Isabel – • How many children at school are from out of the parish, 2 mile catchment. Or where resided at enrolment. • Recent developments mean 173 pupils for the school when only room for 140. • Used to be intake of 15 per year, can now take 20 per year. The first year of 20 are in year 2. • Pre school – figures 54 at pre school 24 will go to GB, 15 are in catchment, but 7 others have siblings. • LCC projection is 170 in 3 to 4 years, not sure

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		if it includes new houses as well. Think this is based on existing dwellings but being checked how up to date the figures are and if new planning permissions included.
10. Community facilities Need leisure facilities including those for older people. Suggestions include a bowling green with club house	• Feast or famine at the community pavilion, it can get very busy with cars over spilling on to Station Road. Is there room to extend the car park? The Parish Council owns the building and the recreation ground. • Is there land available for new leisure facilities, possibly use some of land at Recreation Ground. • Would rather have one good play area rather than 2 small ones. Therefore rather than have new small play areas on new developments ask for investment to improve existing play area and possibly to develop a bowling green at the Recreation Ground.	•
11. Village Hall – need to expand as full to capacity, hard to book in the evenings. Also need a venue that can accommodate larger events/performances. Many existing facilities are under provision and need to ensure there are facilities for new people coming in to the village.	• How expand the village hall? • Possibly a new hall as part of one of the new developments. But is this needed as some facilities e.g. Community Pavilion are not used fully.	

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12. Community Assets	- Register assets list - Policies for change of use being resisted unless can be demonstrated not viable. - School, 2 pubs, Weltons (shop and Post Office), Recreation Ground, Church, cemetery, village halls, church hall, community pavilion, toilets, allotments, Bowden stores. – Use list from survey - Support applications for new community facilities e.g. convenience shop – not want things like antique shops.	
Chapter on Employment and Business: Key points for the narrative introducing the item will be based on the description of issues + other text giving context.	Tony What Policies would you like to see: Support home working therefore ideas are: Business hub Broadband provision Car parking for new employment developments Support for small scale development of business units on the edge of the village.	Bullet points for context for the chapter not covered under issues:
13. Employment and business	- Central meeting room/ internet café so people working from home have somewhere to come. Strong support for that idea using an existing building. For example the Community Pavilion has parking and the cricket club don't use it during the day. Could be a business hub and it has car parking. - High quality broadband in new developments and where feasible to connect existing dwellings where they don't have fibre optic	NP Survey results – Of 50 comments on business and employment 30 were wanting a central hub/ broadband. The Business Innovation Centre is oversubscribed. Not strong view for new employment in the survey. More support for people working at home using existing facilities.

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	- broadband to any new network. - Facilities for people setting up small businesses and home working. - Possibly new business facilities on brownfield sites that are coming available, support development in NW and NE of village. - Car parking in association with new employment.	

Additional notes:

Add column re: objectives

Next meeting concentrate on options want and start drafting our own policies – can lift from samples Gary sent.

To try writing. Need to identify who will be writing what. Start writing after next meeting. Contact Tony with your preference on section you would like to have a go at – transport needs splitting up.

Want to agree policies to include in the NP.

Date to send a draft around – third week in November and meet around w/c 21st November to check got what we need.

Karen send any comments to Tony. She will be copied in to each section as written.