



Milton Parish Community Plan



Final Report & Action Plan March 2016



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1. The Plan Process

On the initiative of Milton Parish Council, residents of Milton were invited to attend a meeting at The Innovation Centre on Milton Park in late April 2013. The meeting was well attended, and a representative of Community First Oxfordshire (formally Oxfordshire Rural Community Council) facilitated an activity to ask participants which aspects of life in Milton they liked and which they disliked. Many ideas were gathered and the idea of developing a *Community Led Plan* (CLP) was introduced to formalise ideas into an Action Plan for making life better in Milton.

The meeting concluded by inviting parishioners to form a Steering Group to develop the CLP. Five people volunteered, and 3 more volunteers were co-opted sometime later. The steering group first met on 22nd May 2013, to formulate the CLP constitution, establish a strategy and allocate roles. The Steering Group organised a number of information gathering events. To raise awareness of the CLP, we ran a stall at the Milton fete at the end of June 2013 and followed this up with 2 public meetings in November 2013. In early 2014 we used all of this information to design a questionnaire, with help from Community First Oxfordshire and the Vale of White Horse District Council (VWHDC). We also composed a **Young Person's Questionnaire**, age 9-17, in order to gain the views of young people in the Parish

The questionnaire was completed and ready for printing (courtesy of **MEPC**) by August 2014. The distribution and collection phase occurred in November 2014 with the help of nearly 40 local volunteers. The table below summarises the Questionnaire distribution and collection statistics (Adult questionnaires only)

	No. Houses	No. Q's Delivered	No Q's Collected
Village	233	413	346 (84%)
Heights/Hill	207	144	113 (78%)
Total	440	557	459 (82%)

A total of 557 adult questionnaires were distributed and 459 returned, which giving an overall parish response rate of 82% giving us a significant database from which to work.

The District Council carried out the data capture and analysis, and the results were made available to the Steering Group in early 2015. Interpretation of the results of the questionnaire began in February 2015. A summary of the results of both adult & young person's questionnaires are included in this document. The full results will be made available on the Parish website (www.milton-abingdonpc.org). The penultimate draft of the plan was circulated to Community First Oxfordshire, County & District Councils and Milton PC in early December 2015 and their responses have been taken into account in the production of this report. The final version of the CLP was adopted by Milton PC in March 2016 and was launched shortly after.

Some of the benefits and potential uses of the CLP process is to provide a mandate for the Parish council, improve quality of life in the Parish, encouraging residents to take part in local democracy, getting people involved in working groups, influencing decision makers and applying for grant funding. Through our CLP process, Milton has identified a number of amenity and community infrastructure projects that are needed: St Blaise Church community centre: Safe cycling routes: Recreational space for 12-17 year olds: Pavement improvements: Work on footpaths. It is envisaged that *Lead Volunteers* will work on feasibility studies (scope, costs, evidence etc) with a view to establishing compliant proposals for securing Section 106 funding. (See Milton Infrastructure Project Plan)

Milton's CLP is published at a time of unprecedented commercial and residential development within our community. A CLP has limited formal significance and should not be seen as a panacea for addressing all the challenges which face our community. However, it is never-the-less a valuable vehicle for informing local authorities of the views of our community and inspiring individuals to participate and make a difference.

2. Acknowledgements.

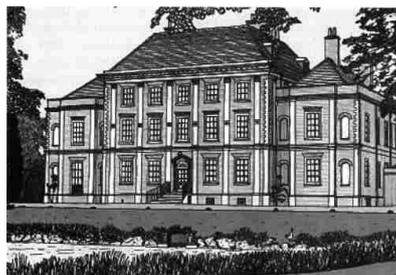
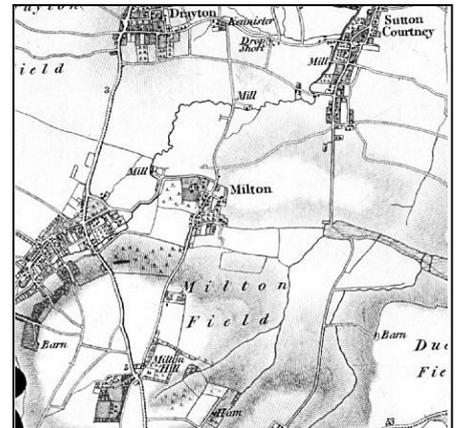
More than 40 residents of Milton parish volunteered their time and effort to help deliver this plan; without this input it would not have happened. The members of the Steering Group were guided through the CLP process by Anton Nath, Fiona Mullins and Anne Richardson of VWHDC. We are grateful to the District Council and the County Council for their assistance in delivering this plan. To all the above, and to Milton CLP Steering group (Joy Browning, Lisa Shoesmith, Hayley Priscott, Larry Kavanagh, Eddie Priscott, Paul Browning) and to Sarah Keogh who helped concentrate our minds, we extend our appreciation and gratitude. Lastly we are indebted to **MEPC (Milton Park)** for their generosity in contributing to the printing costs, not only of this report, but also the 2014 Questionnaire.

3. Milton Parish – A little History.

The village of Milton, originally known as *Middletune*, was first mentioned in documents over 1000 years ago during the reign of Edgar, king of Wessex. From the Norman Conquest until the reign of Henry 8th, Milton was the property of Abingdon Abbey; in 1536 Henry dissolved the Abbey and the land was sold by the crown into private ownership.

Prior to the early 19th century, as indicated by the map to the right (ca 1830), Milton was a tranquil, mainly agricultural, community surrounded by a large field system and centred around the Parish Church, the Village Pub and Milton Manor.

Over the centuries the Parish of Milton has been associated with a number of *celebrities*. In 1688, William of Orange spent a night at Milton Manor on his march to London to claim the crown and become King William III of England.

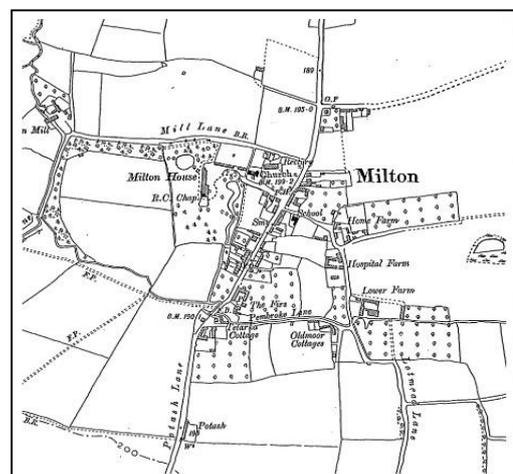


Peter the Great, Czar of Russia, came to England in 1697 to gather information on our Navy. He visited Milton to consult the famous Admiral Benbow, an expert on naval tactics, who was living next to the pub at the time. A daughter of his married into the Calton family, then owners of Milton Manor, and the Admiral's sword is still in possession of the Mockler-Barrett family, the current owners.

Admiral Benbow's association with Milton saw the pub take his name, which it held for many years. Previous names were *The Lion* and also *The Red Lion*. The pub is now called *The Plum Pudding*, named after one of Oxfordshire's oldest pig breeds yielding the finest sausages, a speciality of the pub.

Milton Hill House was built about 1800 by the Bowles family, prominent 19th/20th Milton residents. In 1912 it became the property of Sir Mortimer Singer, of *Singer Sewing Machine* fame, and after whom a terrace of houses are named on Sutton Road. The House was used as a military hospital during World War I, and since World War II it has been variously owned by The Esso Oil Company, W H Smiths and the WVS. Today it is a Hotel & Spa complex.

St Blaise Church dates from the 14th century, but what we see now is a largely Victorian church rebuilt and extended through the generosity of the Bowles family in the mid-19th Century. Milton was once at the centre of a great wool producing area and the church was dedicated to St Blaise, the patron saint of *wool-combers*, who was cruelly martyred in the 4th century. St Blaise Church 'hosted' the body of Richard Challoner, a Roman Catholic Archbishop, from his death in 1781 until his reinterment in Westminster Cathedral in 1946.



Many changes have occurred in the Parish over the past 150 years. The mid-19th century saw the coming of the GWR railway from London to Bristol. The Great War of 1914-18 and proximity of the railway saw Milton chosen as the site of an RAF ordnance depot, giving rise to the development of Milton Heights.

The latter part of the 20th century saw the coming of Atomic Energy research at AERE Harwell, the construction of Didcot power station & the A34 dual carriageway and latterly the development of Milton depot into Milton Park Business Centre, one of the largest in the UK.

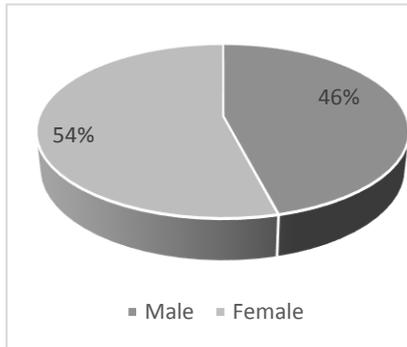
Today the Parish of Milton is still composed of 3 distinct residential areas: Milton Village, Milton Heights & Milton Hill. Our Parish now finds itself at the centre of a vibrant economic area, which brings both benefits and challenges, and it is within this context that the *Milton Community Led Plan (CLP)* has been drawn up.

4. About Us – A Few Statistics

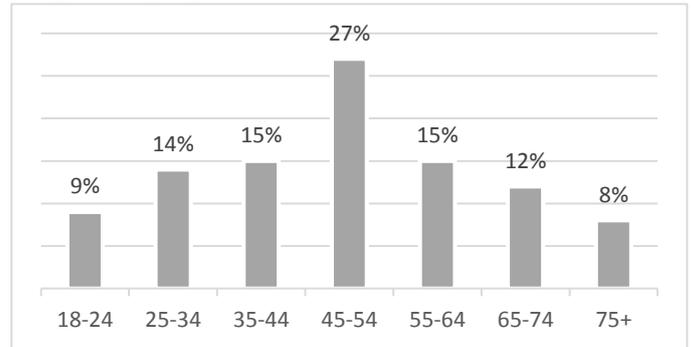
The questionnaire included a section entitled *About You*, which endeavoured to capture a snapshot of the demographics of those who responded. When the questionnaires were delivered a copy was offered to every adult (18 or over) in the household so as to give an individual feedback, however some households preferred to complete a single questionnaire.

A total of 459(82%) questionnaires were collected and below we present a summary of the results obtained. The numerical data given in the charts below represent the percentages for each of the categories shown.

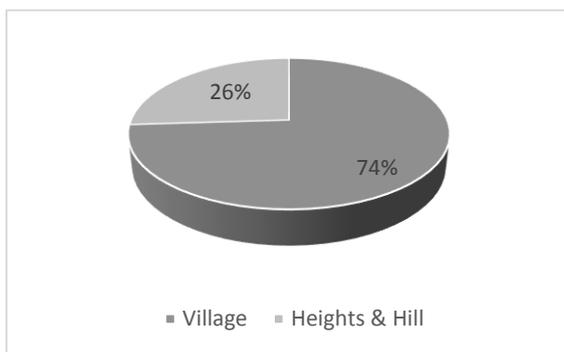
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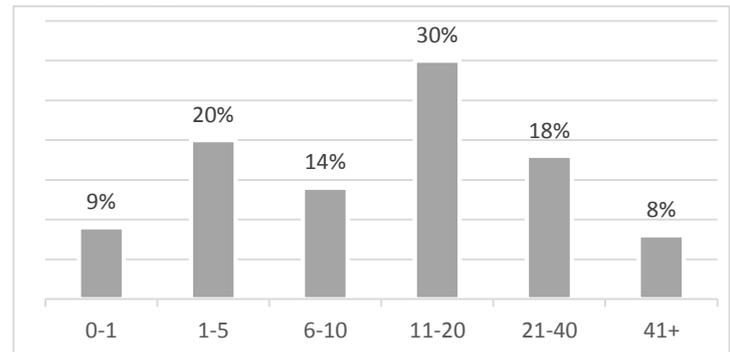
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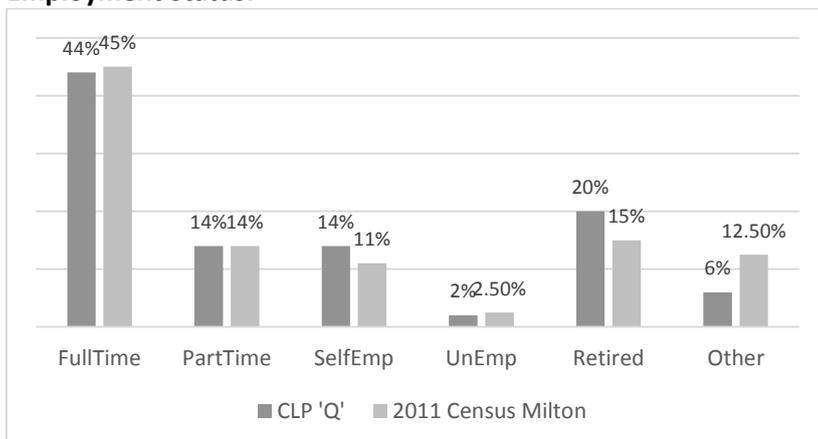
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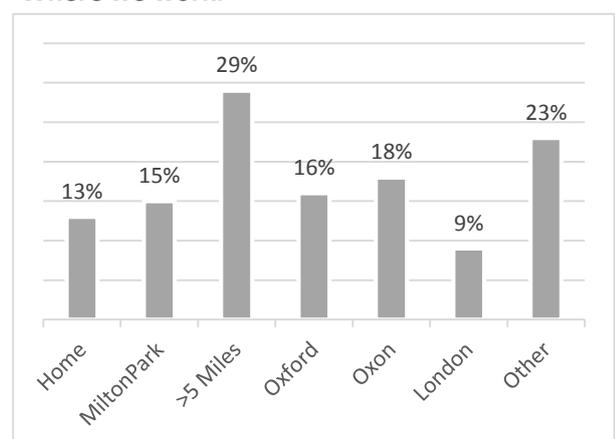
Years Lived in Milton:



Employment Status:



Where we work:



The Employment Status graph shows that the data collected from the CLP questionnaire compares well with the equivalent data for Milton in the 2011 national census although with a higher proportion of retired people responding. For Milton, full time and part-time working is almost unchanged from to 2011 census, however there is noticeable rise in self-employment & retirement. Happily, unemployment remains well below half of the national average (data not shown in table).

5. Young People's Responses – A Summary

As well as distributing an 'adult' questionnaire we also included a Young Persons version, as we felt it important to gather the views of the younger age group. A total of 80 young people responded aged 9-17, with a good spread across the age range.

Over 50% go to school or college in Abingdon or Didcot, and slightly more boys than girls completed the questionnaire (55%:45%). There was a significantly higher response from the village, than from the Heights and Hill (56:24). The profile of the questionnaire respondent is a 13-year-old boy, living in Milton village, and going to school or college in Didcot.



THINGS TO DO Concerning things to do, over 50% were interested in cooking and a movie night. Over 30% were interested in and Air Rifle/Shooting club, football, fitness classes and archery.

LIVING IN MILTON There were more likes, than dislikes expressed about living in Milton, the key things being the quiet rural settling, friendly people, safety and activities. Dislikes centred on isolated, transport links, traffic and speed of traffic, lack of shops, and the park facilities. In their free time, young people of Milton enjoy seeing friends, playing sport, especially football, playing outdoors, and internet and gaming. They meet in the park, or in people's homes, at school, or in Didcot, Abingdon or Oxford.

YOUTH CENTRES Nearly 75% of young people felt it was important to have a space to meet up, the other 25% were unsure about the idea. There was a strong view that if there was a youth centre, it could provide activities, drinks, snacks, and should be open to different age groups at different times. Activities they would like to see are ball games, music, puzzles, and board games, arts and crafts, and technology based games.

LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT Over 50% of young people would like help in finding a part-time job.



Approximately 40% were also interested in job interviews, babysitting, First Aid and managing money.

INVOLVING YOUNG PEOPLE Over 75% felt it important for them to be able to influence village life. Preferably through their youth groups, though over half liked the idea of having a dedicated section in Milton Matters.

THINGS OF CONCERN TO YOUNG PEOPLE. When asked to choose from a list of things they think are a problem in Milton, there was a very strong, majority response to: not enough to do, nowhere to go, and lack of transport.

It was encouraging that a strong majority of young people felt that the following issues were **NOT** a problem: bullying, drugs, alcohol, other abuse, gangs and vandalism.

Comment: There was a strong response from the Young People of Milton, and an indication that they would like to be involved in increasing the activities available and improving the facilities in Milton, giving rise to the action below.

For Action Plan	Suggest formation of a 'Young Persons' group, to work alongside volunteers from the wider community.
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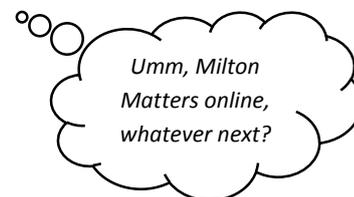
6. Facilities, Amenities & Activities

This section of the questionnaire asked for views on the facilities, amenities and activities in the parish.

Allotments: A total of 27(6%) residents would like to rent an allotment but only 4 of these were on the waiting list.

Milton Matters & Communication: 90% of residents read the parish magazine regularly and 81% are happy with the content. 50% of residents would like to access Milton Matters online. The table below indicates the sorts of information people would like to see included in the magazine.

Local News	65 (80%)	Business adverts	15 (19%)
Crosswords / Sudoku / cartoons	15 (19%)	Small ads	28 (35%)
Parish Information	47 (58%)	Freecycle type scheme	45 (56%)
Photos & images	32 (40%)	Skill sharing	32 (40%)



79% of respondents requested a parish website as a way for sharing community information. Email (63%) and Facebook (47%) were the next most popular with Twitter (18%) being the least favoured method.

For Action Plan	Contact relevant volunteers for improved Internet communication
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CLP Success: Parish Facebook page already up and running.

St Blaise School: 64 respondents (14%) have primary school aged children. One third of these attend St Blaise School and two thirds attend other local schools. Reasons for children not attending St Blaise include other local schools being preferred due to size, facilities, friends, siblings & mixed ages in classes, inspection results, ease of getting to school due to jobs & location within Parish. The main reasons for parents choosing St Blaise include friendly staff, small classes and lovely atmosphere as well as being within the parish and a part of the community. Only 54% of respondents were aware that there is a minibus to carry children from Milton Village to St Blaise and only 32% of respondents were aware that there is a sport holiday club run at St Blaise School.

Parish Facilities & Amenities: The most regularly used of these are the footpaths, The Post Office and bridleways, all of which are used at least once a month (usually more) by over 50% of respondents. Milton Park Stores, The Plum Pudding and Millbrook Farm Shop are also used on a regular basis are. The least used facilities are the Milton Heights toddler play area & adventure playground, Mobile Greengrocer, Milton Football Club & Social Club & Milton Methodist Church & Hall. The table below summarises the usage of existing facilities & amenities within the parish.

	More than once a week	About once a week	About once a fortnight	About once a month	Less often	Never	Don't use but still value it
Milton Heights Community Centre	0 (0%)	5 (1%)	1 (0%)	5 (1%)	43 (10%)	216 (49%)	170 (39%)
Milton Park Stores	35 (8%)	36 (8%)	29 (6%)	89 (20%)	150 (33%)	61 (14%)	49 (11%)
Milton Park Post Office	15 (3%)	60 (13%)	69 (15%)	132 (29%)	112 (25%)	34 (7%)	33 (7%)
Millbrook Farm Shop	12 (3%)	40 (9%)	29 (6%)	49 (11%)	103 (23%)	139 (31%)	75 (17%)
St Blaise Church	2 (0%)	2 (0%)	2 (0%)	16 (4%)	128 (29%)	172 (38%)	125 (28%)
Milton Methodist Church	0 (0%)	3 (1%)	1 (0%)	2 (0%)	37 (8%)	265 (60%)	136 (31%)
Milton Methodist Church Hall	1 (0%)	1 (0%)	0 (0%)	5 (1%)	58 (13%)	246 (55%)	133 (30%)
Squire Barrett Playing Field	20 (4%)	32 (7%)	17 (4%)	39 (9%)	69 (15%)	153 (34%)	120 (27%)
Milton Heights Adventure Playground	5 (1%)	11 (2%)	4 (1%)	8 (2%)	28 (6%)	262 (58%)	131 (29%)
Milton Heights Toddler Play Area	6 (1%)	6 (1%)	5 (1%)	6 (1%)	14 (3%)	281 (63%)	129 (29%)
Milton Football Club	5 (1%)	5 (1%)	5 (1%)	7 (2%)	35 (8%)	259 (58%)	131 (29%)
Milton Football Club Social Club	2 (0%)	2 (0%)	4 (1%)	1 (0%)	43 (10%)	261 (59%)	131 (30%)
Footpaths	152 (33%)	72 (16%)	35 (8%)	63 (14%)	68 (15%)	33 (7%)	34 (7%)
Bridleways	91 (21%)	53 (12%)	37 (8%)	55 (12%)	73 (17%)	80 (18%)	52 (12%)
Bus Service	28 (6%)	18 (4%)	24 (5%)	45 (10%)	98 (22%)	126 (28%)	113 (25%)
Plum Pudding Pub	23 (5%)	36 (8%)	44 (10%)	68 (15%)	122 (27%)	109 (24%)	54 (12%)
Mobile Greengrocer	2 (0%)	5 (1%)	2 (0%)	2 (0%)	9 (2%)	281 (63%)	142 (32%)
Mobile Fish and Chip Van	3 (1%)	13 (3%)	22 (5%)	43 (10%)	77 (17%)	203 (45%)	90 (20%)
Milton Manor (Open Days)	3 (1%)	0 (0%)	1 (0%)	6 (1%)	119 (27%)	195 (44%)	121 (27%)

Community Activities: The Plum Pudding was the most popular place to hold a community gathering followed by the Community Centre at Milton Heights, though from our data above, Over 90% of the parish do not use this space. Despite the popularity of the Plum Pudding, 27% of respondents felt that Milton Village lacked adequate community meeting space, and the majority of respondents (75% Village & 59% Heights) indicated support for the creation of a community space within the Parish church.

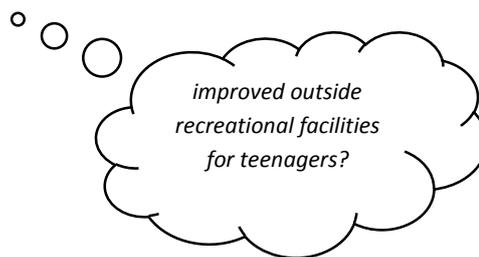
At the time of writing this report there are preliminary discussions taking place about providing enhanced community & sports facilities up at Milton Heights. This has been prompted by the proposed development of around 400 houses on the land adjacent to St Blaise School and Milton United football field. This development will make available monies from the developers (*Section 106* contributions) for funding community projects.

There are natural geographic divisions made by the A34 and the railway, acknowledged by the fact that the two areas of the Parish are separate electoral wards. The support for the proposed provision of a community space in St Blaise Church, indicates that such a facility is needed and would be used. It would therefore seem sensible to have a comprehensive debate within the Parish about the whole question of provision of facilities, and allocation of funds.

For Action Plan	Discussion of Community Space provision within the Parish
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Outside space: Residents were asked about the adequacy of recreational facilities for particular age groups. The majority of respondents had no opinion, but of those that did respond, it was generally felt that the areas in both Milton Heights & Milton Village catered for children aged 0 – 11 years but was lacking for those aged 12 – 18 years. Some suggestions for improving these included outdoor gym equipment, picnic tables and regular cleaning of the swings. The response to the above question are given in the table below.

	Yes	No	No opinion
Milton Heights			
0-3 years	63 (16%)	31 (8%)	292 (76%)
4-7 years	80 (21%)	22 (6%)	280 (73%)
8-11 years	68 (18%)	27 (7%)	287 (75%)
12-15 years	25 (7%)	63 (16%)	294 (77%)
16 and over	13 (3%)	77 (20%)	290 (76%)
Milton Village			
0-3 years	80 (20%)	64 (16%)	251 (64%)
4-7 years	120 (30%)	36 (9%)	242 (61%)
8-11 years	102 (26%)	59 (15%)	239 (60%)
12-15 years	44 (11%)	99 (25%)	256 (64%)
16 and over	21 (5%)	123 (31%)	257 (64%)



Parish Clubs & Societies

The majority of respondents were unaware of a number of the clubs or societies that exist in the parish. Those that had good awareness were Milton Football Club, Mums & Toddlers, The Parish Council, MICE and Damascus Youth Group. The suggestions for further clubs and societies were both numerous and varied and included gardening club, sewing/knitting club, dancing and dog walking.

Existing Parish Club / Society	Knew it existed	Didn't know it existed	Attend	Member	Information requested
Art Club (Methodist Hall)	130 (30%)	301 (70%)	2 (1%)	1 (0%)	28 (9%)
Lunch Club (Methodist Hall)	186 (44%)	238 (56%)	7 (2%)	4 (1%)	7 (2%)
Community Choir	97 (23%)	322 (77%)	13 (4%)	8 (3%)	32 (10%)
Book club	182 (43%)	237 (56%)	8 (2%)	7 (2%)	40 (12%)
Clog Dancing	49 (12%)	367 (88%)	1 (0%)	1 (0%)	13 (4%)
Football club	307 (73%)	112 (27%)	22 (6%)	9 (3%)	28 (8%)
Mums & Toddlers	235 (57%)	179 (43%)	8 (2%)	3 (1%)	18 (16%)
Aunt Sally / Darts	175 (42%)	241 (58%)	6 (2%)	3 (1%)	19 (6%)
Coffee Mornings	132 (32%)	283 (68%)	1 (0%)	1 (0%)	24 (7%)
Allotment Association	143 (35%)	271 (65%)	6 (2%)	6 (2%)	27 (8%)
Crusaders Youth Club	114 (27%)	303 (73%)	2 (1%)	2 (1%)	24 (8%)

Bowls Club	130 (31%)	288 (69%)	4 (1%)	4 (1%)	19 (6%)
Parish Council	339 (82%)	76 (18%)	21 (6%)	6 (2%)	40 (12%)
MICE (<i>Miltonians In Community Events</i>)	202 (49%)	211 (51%)	31 (9%)	22 (7%)	41 (13%)
Damascus Youth Group	242 (58%)	175 (42%)	3 (1%)	1 (0%)	20 (6%)

There was a good response to some of the suggestions made for the following activities if they were available: such as an annual fireworks event (now happening!), cinema club, health walk group, table top sales, concerts and arts & craft sessions.

Suggested Club or Society	Take advantage of	Willing to help
Arts and Crafts Classes/Sessions	74 (93%)	21 (26%)
Annual firework party	209 (93%)	72 (32%)
Cinema Club	99 (94%)	30 (29%)
Over 60's Fitness classes	31 (84%)	8 (22%)
Recreational jogging group	58 (95%)	15 (25%)
Health walk group	85 (94%)	20 (22%)
Dog walking group	51 (96%)	18 (34%)
Table top sales	82 (98%)	20 (24%)
Quiz nights	127 (98%)	20 (16%)
Holiday play scheme	27 (93%)	6 (21%)
Amateur dramatics	43 (93%)	16 (35%)
Concerts	80 (100%)	9 (11%)
Book library	52 (96%)	12 (22%)
Activities for teenagers/young adults	41 (84%)	17 (35%)
Lectures	60 (97%)	5 (8%)
Pub sports	60 (98%)	9 (15%)
Food bank	21 (50%)	31 (74%)
Languages/conversation	29 (97%)	6 (20%)
IT/computer	32 (82%)	14 (36%)
History	48 (100%)	3 (6%)
Art	36 (100%)	6 (17%)
Literature	21 (100%)	1 (5%)
Creative Writing	15 (94%)	1 (6%)
Music	53 (98%)	7 (13%)
Other	5 (83%)	1 (17%)

General Volunteering in the Community.

The questionnaire included a section for people to sign up for general volunteering in the community. The parish now has a database of 66 people willing to help with a variety of activities, such as picking up shopping, prescriptions, providing lifts to appointments, dog walking, and house-sitting. (Heights 13, Village 53)

For Action Plan	Create general volunteering database
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Emergency Call - 66 people also signed up to be called on in an emergency

For Action Plan	Create emergency contact database
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Information Dispersal – 89 people gave their contact details, and wished to be kept up to date with events and news associated with Milton Parish.

For Action Plan	Create information dispersal database
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7. Roads, Transport & Footpaths

Milton Parish spans a major interchange of the A34 trunk road which serves a wide area of South Oxfordshire containing industry, commerce, research and housing. This proximity brings with it both advantages and disadvantages, namely traffic! The moderation of traffic issues is outside the scope of this CLP, but this document provides relevant and up-to-date information as to the concerns of the residents of Milton.

Traffic Volume: The major thoroughfares in Milton Parish are the High Street and the A4130 west from the A34 up to Milton Hill. The questionnaire asked if traffic volume was an issue and the table below summarises the responses. The figures are presented as a function of 'where you live' and show the number of respondents who considered traffic volume was an issue together with the corresponding percentage for all respondents to each question.

	High Street (All Res)	High Street (Village Res)	High Street (Heights Res)	A4130 (All Res)	A4130 (Village Res)	A4130 (Heights Res)
Morning Peak	336 (86%)	278 (97%)	48 (53%)	212 (56%)	132 (46%)	80 (89%)
Evening Peak	291 (83%)	248 (94%)	43 (49%)	208 (59%)	132 (50%)	76 (87%)
Outside Peak	55	44	11	47	29	18

From the above it is clear that traffic volume is indeed an issue at peak times for the majority of respondents, regardless of where they live, but Village residents are primarily concerned with High Street volumes, and Heights residents with A4130 volumes.

Issue	Traffic volumes in High Street and A4130 at peak times
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Road Junction Congestion: Excluding the A34 interchange, there are 3 major road junctions in the Parish and the questionnaire asked if residents were affected by congestion at these junctions. The table below is again presented as a function of 'where you live' as this gives a more detailed picture than the overall parish figures. The figures indicate that between 80-90% of respondents' experience traffic congestion issues at all 3 junctions within the Parish, particularly *Heights* residents when accessing the A4130 from Trenchard Ave.

Junction	Frequently	Occasionally	Never
High Street & Park Drive (High Street Res)	172 (52%)	138 (42%)	19 (6%)
Trenchard Ave & A4130 (Heights Res)	76 (70%)	22 (20%)	12 (11%)
Milton Hill & A4130 (Heights Res)	41 (39%)	43 (41%)	20 (19%)

Two future developments will have an impact upon traffic congestion at junctions in the parish. The junction of High Street & Milton Park is due to be altered, and the proposed house building program by the District Council at Milton Heights will inevitably have an impact upon traffic egress from Trenchard Ave and Milton Hill on to the A4130.

Issue	Traffic congestion at junction of High St/Park Drive and Trenchard Ave/A4130
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Traffic Speed: The table below summarises the equivalent figures for traffic speed, giving the number of respondents who considered traffic speed was an issue together with the corresponding percentage of all respondents to each question. The figures indicate that there is general concern about traffic speed within the parish, but it is a particular issue in the High Street for Village residents. A speed indicator, similar to that in Drayton, was suggested.

	High Street (All Res)	High Street (Village Res)	High Street (Heights Res)	A4130 (All Res)	A4130 (Village Res)	A4130 (Heights Res)
Morning Peak	190 (83%)	162 (93%)	28 (55%)	103 (46%)	58 (33%)	45 (88%)
Evening Peak	198 (83%)	168 (93%)	30 (58%)	106 (45%)	61 (34%)	45 (87%)
Outside Peak	178	158	20	96	58	38

Issue	Traffic speed in High Street
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Traffic Noise from A34: Despite its proximity to Milton, 300 (66%) of respondents do not consider the A34 traffic noise to be an issue, however 70% of respondents would welcome noise reduction measures if possible.

Traffic Calming High Street: 217 (58%) of respondents consider NO additional traffic calming (in addition to parked cars) is required.

Weight Restriction High Street: 228 (56%) of respondents consider the current weight restriction (7.5t) is failing to deter inappropriate vehicles.

Traffic volume, speed & road junction congestion are clearly significant issues for the majority of residents of Milton. Traffic noise is not considered to be a major issue. The majority of residents consider the introduction of traffic calming measures in the High Street unnecessary, however there is concern surrounding oversized vehicles using the High Street. It would seem sensible to form a working Group to inform & liaise with Milton Parish Council and relevant authorities to ensure that the residents of Milton are both consulted and their views represented in the appropriate forums, particularly when changes are proposed.

For Action Plan	Form a Roads & Traffic Working Group - 35 volunteers identified from questionnaire.
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Road & Pavement Surfaces: 293 (70%) of respondents considered that Road and Pavement surfaces were in need of maintenance. The general comments section did highlight the condition of the road surface on Trenchard Avenue, and the “ever decreasing” useable pavement width on the west side of the High Street owing to vegetation overgrowth. Responsibility for Roads & Pavements lies with OCC and respondents were directed to report specific issues via the OCC website <http://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk>



Issue	Vegetation overgrowth restricting useable width on western side to the High Street.
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Footpaths & Bridleways: 390 (87%) of respondents indicated that they use the footpaths & bridleways in the Parish and 204 (49%) indicated that there were issues with footpaths & bridleways. The questionnaire invited respondents to identify particular issues with footpaths & bridleways and a total of 187 comments were received, summarised in the issues listed below.

Issue	Lack of maintenance & flooding
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Footpaths & Bridleways are well used in the Parish but there are a significant number of specific issues surrounding their condition. Again, it would seem sensible to form a working Group to tackle these issues to improve a well-used local resource.

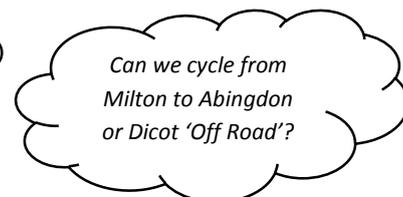
For Action Plan	Form a Footpaths & Bridleways Working Group - 38 volunteers identified from questionnaire.
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Cycling: About 33% of respondents (168) indicated that they cycle within the Parish for pleasure, travelling to work or other purposes. The questionnaire identified one route, from Milton to Drayton, where there is no option when cycling or walking but to use a busy, winding roadway. The speed limit has recently been reduced from 60mph to 40mph, acknowledging the dangerous nature of this road. The questionnaire asked if Parishioners would welcome the creation (if possible) of an alternative ‘multipurpose’ pathway and 352 (84%) of respondents were in favour.

Issue	Lack of safe cycling route out of north towards Drayton
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The questionnaire asked for comments on general cycling issues within the Parish. 74 comments were received, and these are summarised in the table below. General safety, traffic issues were top of the list.

Cycling Comments	No.
General Safety	17
Issues about Traffic	17
Extend Cycle Paths/lanes	15
Condition of Roads & paths	12
Issues about Cyclists	8
Other	5



Cycling is seen as a sustainable mode of transport, and is frequently encouraged as a mitigating factor in traffic impact assessments for new developments (housing & commercial) within the Vale. Again, it would seem sensible to form a working Group to further the interests of cycling within the Parish.

For Action Plan	Form a Cycling Working Group - 18 volunteers identified from questionnaire.
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Bus Services: Again, about 33% of respondents (151) indicated that they use the local bus services for either, shopping, leisure or travelling to work or school. The questionnaire invited Parishioners to comment on the Bus Service and 70 comments were received with routing, timetabling and reliability at the top of the list.

We are increasingly encouraged to use public transport as both a ‘green option’ to help reduce road congestion however it must be an attractive option. The questionnaire did not specifically ask for volunteers to form some kind of bus service liaison group, but if there is sufficient interest from parishioners, the one could be established to liaise with local service providers to tackle some of the issues raised by Milton Parishioners.

For Action Plan	Gauge support for setting up bus service working group
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8. St Blaise Church – Proposed Community Space



This section of the questionnaire asked for views on the Parish Church of St Blaise, its use by the community at present, and how much support there might be for re-ordering (a term used by the Diocese to describe altering the layout within the Church) the interior to create an open space with kitchen and toilet facilities, for a wider use both by the church and the community as a whole.

379(87%) of residents indicated that St Blaise was important in the Parish, listing its heritage, weddings, baptisms and funerals, helping those in need, and its preservation, as the main aspects of importance from a personal point of view.

Heritage	192 (58%)	Christian teaching	103 (31%)
Help those in need locally	180 (55%)	A sense of belonging	102 (31%)
Baptisms, weddings funeral	180 (55%)	Quiet prayer and contemplation	99 (30%)
Preservation	150 (45%)	Social event	95 (29%)
Help for others in need	130 (39%)	Community Choir	88 (27%)
Bell ringing	126 (38%)	Foodbank, & other charitable initiatives	85 (26%)
Opportunities for worship	125 (38%)	Someone to turn to	73 (22%)
Church fete	121 (37%)	Personal growth	33 (10%)
		Other	7 (2%)

For Action Plan | **Set up 'Friends of St Blaise' to promote general funding for the Church.**

There was 71% support for the proposed re-ordering ie 75% in the village, 59% amongst the Heights and Hill residents. Comments both for and against this plan have been recorded. The positives being mainly associated with aiding community growth, utilizing an under used building, and widening the possibilities of future use of the building. Negative comments dwelt with opinions that churches should not change or be spoilt, dissatisfaction with reordering in other churches, and the expense of the project.

There was support for various proposed events and activities in the reordered St Blaise.

Christmas Craft Fair	170 (60%)	Mother and Toddlers	56 (20%)
Concerts	122 (43%)	Craft tuition	56 (20%)
Exercise classes	105 (37%)	Meetings	54 (19%)
Film club	90 (32%)	Coffee mornings	53 (19%)
Wine-tasting	88 (31%)	Community Choir	48 (17%)
Quizzes	86 (31%)	Bingo	47 (17%)
Dance classes	71 (25%)	Afternoon tea	45 (16%)
Parties	70 (25%)	Youth group	38 (14%)
Guest speakers	69 (25%)	Knitting group	25 (9%)
Sales – table top	67 (24%)	Whist/bridge club	24 (9%)



Other ideas were introduced such as children's activities, music classes, after school tutoring: Training events, exhibitions and displays: Young WI group, free-cycle, clothes swap: Bible study, local history and Investment club.

106 residents said they would be willing to financially support, and/or fund-raise to enable the creation of a community space within St Blaise Church, and 31 people said they would be prepared to be part of the organizing committee for the project.

For Action Plan | **Create a combined PCC/Community Project team to manage the re-ordering project**

CLP Success: The data from this questionnaire has been used to support the Parochial Church Council's (PCC) *Statements of Need and of Significance* in its application to the Church Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC) for these works to proceed. The PCC has been led to understand that approval is imminent.

9. Parish Council

This section of the questionnaire asked for parishioners' views on Milton Parish Council. Where presented, the numerical results represent the number & percentage of responses actually received to any particular question. Respondents did not necessarily answer every question.



The questionnaire asked about general awareness of PC organisation; the results are summarised in the table below:

Question 62	Yes	No
A - I am aware of the dates of PC meetings	199(46%)	234(54%)
B - I look at the agenda for these meetings	92(23%)	314(77%)
C - I am aware of the roles and responsibilities of the PC	222(53%)	197(47%)
D - I read PC meeting notes published in <i>Milton Matters</i>	314(73%)	115(27%)
E - I know who the Parish Councillors and the Parish clerk are	164(40%)	251(60%)

The low responses to the questions about awareness of parish council meetings suggests that efforts need to be made to have all the relevant information available in all 'platforms', ie Milton Matters (MM's), the Parish Website and Parish Facebook page? Currently, the date of the next meeting and the names & contact details of current Parish councillors and Parish clerk are published in MM's. The agenda for the next meeting is published on parish notice boards. Reports of the previous meeting are published in MM's, but not in every edition. The Parish Clerk is currently in the process of uploading minutes of previous meetings on the Parish website. The meeting reports are read by many respondents, 314(73%).

For Action Plan	Arrange for Parish Council Agenda & Minutes to be available on-line
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The Parish Council is primarily responsible for a number of local services and the questionnaire sought to gauge how satisfied parishioners are with their provision. The results are summarised in the table below:

Question 63	Yes (Satisfied)	No (Not satisfied)	No Opinion
A - Maintenance of Cemetery	176(41%)	20(5%)	233(54%)
B - Maintenance of Squire Barret play area	220(51%)	26(6%)	183(43%)
C - Maintenance of Milton Heights play areas	93(23%)	22(5%)	295(72%)
D - Verges & Grass Cutting	212(49%)	142(33%)	77(18%)
E - Litter	277(68%)	56(14%)	75(18%)

The low percentages in the 'No' column should be seen as a positive response for maintenance of the Cemetery & Play areas. The parish council's work in dealing with litter also seems to be generally well received. Verges & grass cutting have the highest level of dissatisfaction, a view supported by the responses to *the Roads, Transport & Footpaths* section, where actions have been identified. Please Note, since composing the questionnaire, we have been informed that responsibility for *verges and grass cutting* lies with OCC, and NOT the Parish Council, and so the Footpaths & Bridleways Working Group will be made aware of this.

The PC liaises with other authorities and agencies to meet the needs of the Parish and the questionnaire sought to gauge the level of satisfaction in the provision of those services; the results are summarised in the table below:

Question 64	Yes (Satisfied)	No (Not satisfied)	No Opinion
A - Mains Water & Sewerage (Thames Water)	288(67%)	56(13%)	83(19%)
B - Highways & Road Signage (OCC Highways)	257(60%)	96(23%)	72(17%)
C - Waste Collections & Recycling (VWHDC)	328(76%)	40(9%)	63(15%)
D - Planning (VWHDC)	176(43%)	72(18%)	161(39%)
E - Maintenance of Pavements & Gullies (OCC)	185(44%)	135(32%)	101(24%)
F - Policing (Thames Valley Police)	279(66%)	32(8%)	110(26%)
G - HGV Limit enforcement (OCC Highways)	162(38%)	152(36%)	111(26%)

From these figures, the highest level of dissatisfaction is in enforcement of heavy vehicle (HGV) limits, closely followed by the maintenance of footpaths. Satisfaction is higher for the remaining services

The final question in this section (Q65) asked for suggestions as to what other activities/services the parish council could facilitate or support. There were 34 responses, which are too varied to summarise, so a list will be presented to Milton parish council for their consideration. One suggestion worthy of note is an application for funding for a village defibrillator. [Note: Funding is available for this from the District Council grant fund and British Heart Foundation]

For Action Plan	Provide Parish Council with a list of other services/facilities parishioners would like have
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10. Environment

This section of the questionnaire asked for views on the local environment including noise pollution, a solar farm and the impact of flooding in Milton Parish.

Noise Pollution: Some residents suffer with noise pollution from a variety of different sources.

Neighbours	56 (26%)	Animals	45 (21%)
Railway	14 (6%)	Social Events	27 (12%)
Milton Park	37 (17%)	Aircraft	66 (30%)
Local traffic	99 (46%)	Other	15 (7%)

No action on noise are suggested, but this may be a topic which can be addressed by roads and traffic group (see section 7)

Solar Farm: 51% of residents indicated they would be favour of a local Solar Farm if there was a community benefit and a suitable site.

For Action Plan	Contact volunteers to form Solar Farm Feasibility Group
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Flooding: Almost half of residents are, in one way or another, affected by flooding in Milton but only 129 (29%) are aware of an existing flood action group called MAFIA (Milton Against Flooding In Action) *Editor's Note: We have been advised that there are grants available from the Scottish & Southern Electricity (SSE) fund for weather related equipment such as flood barriers, snow plough, shovels, sandbags etc.*

Affected by flooding	184 (42%)	Not affected by flooding	258 (58%)
Aware of MAFIA	128 (29%)	Not aware of MAFIA	316 (71%)



For Action Plan	Raise awareness of MAFIA in the parish
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Floral Displays: There was a positive response with 71% of residents wanting to see more floral & planting displays in the Parish.

For Action Plan	Contact volunteers to form a Floral Display Working Group
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11. Business & Economy

Milton Park occupies a significant area of Milton Parish and makes a considerable contribution to the local economy. Although more than 50% of Milton residents who responded to the CLP questionnaire believe that further expansion of the Park would provide more employment, currently only 10% of Milton & Milton Heights' residents work there. It is encouraging that 70% of the respondents have a positive opinion of Milton Park with negative views held by just 7%.



More employment brings more people and by far the biggest concern over further expansion of the Park is the increase in traffic noise and congestion. There are also concerns about the reduction of green space and almost a quarter of respondents believe it will spoil their view or cause increased light pollution. Some respondents also feel they will see their houses drop in value, but evidence supports the majority view that in fact property prices will increase in value.

Here is a summary of how Milton parishioners feel they will be affected;			
Provide more employment	234 (54%)	Spoil your view	52 (12%)
Improve village economy	105 (24%)	Increase light pollution	87 (20%)
Will increase traffic noise	264 (60%)	Bring new people into the village	157 (36%)
Will increase traffic congestion	375 (86%)	Increase house prices	100 (23%)
Reduce house prices	61 (14%)	Other	14 (3%)
Reduce access to green space	144 (33%)		

Milton Matters is read by around 95% of the parishioners making it a very effective way of communicating with the village. 394 (87%) respondents felt it would be useful to have a directory of trades people and small business located within the Parish.

It was suggested the information should be presented as follows;			
Milton Matters	229 (59%)	Booklet	191 (49%)
Online	204 (52%)	Other	3 (1%)
Advertising / Notice board	36 (9%)		

For Action Plan	Create database of small business & local tradespeople
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12. Crime & Safety

This section of the questionnaire asked for views on Crime & Safety in Milton Parish. Milton Parish has a low crime rate with only 10% of residents indicating that they had been a victim of crime in the past 5 years and of these 79% were reported to the police.

Victim of crime	44 (10%)	Not a victim of crime	418 (90%)
Reported to police	33 (79%)	Not reported to police	11 (21%)

Milton also has little anti-social behaviour with only 11% of residents feeling threatened by anti-social behaviour in the past 5 years and of these 53% was reported to the police.

Threatened by anti-social behaviour	49 (11%)	Not threatened by anti-social behaviour	409 (89%)
Reported to police	25 (53%)	Not reported to police	22 (47%)

There was some interest in a Neighbourhood Watch scheme with more interest being expressed in Milton Village than in Milton Heights. There was moderate interest in a 'Have your Say' meeting offered by the Police.

Interest in Neighbourhood Watch scheme		No interest in Neighbourhood Watch scheme	
Milton Heights	40 (14%)	Milton Heights	255 (86%)
Milton Village	98 (27%)	Milton Village	267 (73%)
Interest in a 'Have your Say' meeting	149 (39%)	No interest in a 'Have your Say' meeting	229 (61%)

For Action Plan	Contact volunteers about setting up Neighbourhood Watch scheme
	Arrange 'Have your say' meeting with TVP.
	Encourage residents to sign up for Police Thames Valley Alert: http://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/thames-valley-alert

13. Housing

Where we live and the type of homes we buy are some of the biggest decisions and greatest investments in our lives, so it's no wonder we are so passionate about the subject of housing. This section in the CLP questionnaire led to a huge amount of additional comments.



With an ever growing population there is a huge demand for additional housing with the Vale of White Horse District Council identifying a demand for around 1000 new homes per year to support population and economic growth, 39% of the villagers that responded agreed more houses are needed although an almost equal number 41% don't want to see an increase.

Parishioners feel these are the most appropriate types of housing for this community;	
Affordable housing for rent	136 (35%)
Affordable housing for shared ownership	124 (32%)
Sheltered housing for the elderly	109 (28%)
Flats/apartments	56 (14%)
Houses built specifically for people with a strong local connection to the Parish	148 (38%)
Houses with less than 3 bedrooms	132 (34%)
Houses with more than three bedrooms	99 (25%)
High quality large house (4 bedrooms plus)	68 (17%)
Allocation of sites for self-build house	75 (19%)
None	95 (24%)

The questionnaire responses showed that the most important factors in the design of new houses in the village are that they must be in keeping with current design and streetscapes whilst maintaining its 'country' character. Houses should be energy efficient, have adequate parking and be close to shops and amenities with considerable emphasis on ensuring the infrastructure can cope. Flood prevention is considered important as are private gardens and communal greens & play areas.

Opinion on the design of new housing in the village;			
In keeping with current housing design and street-scapes	274 (66%)	Communal greens and play areas	146 (35%)
Modern innovative structures	53 (13%)	Landscaping	109 (26%)
Sustainability	120 (29%)	Flood prevention	250 (60%)
Energy-efficiency	227 (55%)	Shops	203 (49%)
Adequate parking	331 (80%)	Other	26 (6%)
Private gardens	195 (47%)		

Of the people who completed the questionnaire, 65% feel that they would not find another suitable home in the Parish while 35% thought they would.

Additional comments discussed the threat of villages merging into one and their individual characters changing forever, the road infrastructure, facilities, schools, flooding, Milton Parks' possible encroachment on the village, traffic and more traffic. Affordability was the most commented upon topic.

In summary, the population expansion within the Parish seems inevitable and so the number of houses will increase. Parishioners are concerned that growth and expansion will have a negative effect on their quality of life, that the skyline will be dramatically altered or that we will lose valuable green space. The solution could be a working group dedicated to contributing to the debate on housing within our Parish. This might best be done by using our community plan as a foundation to progress with a neighbourhood plan to address spatial development issues in a formal document that carries legal weight in planning decisions.

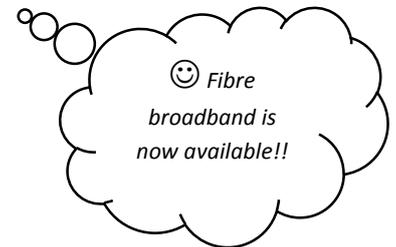


For Action Plan	Consider possibility of creating a Neighbourhood Plan
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14. Internet and Computing

A broadband connection is now an important part of life in Milton, with 418 people (91%) using the internet for home use, and 161(35%) for business use. There were 51(11%) people who responded that they did not use the internet, of whom 33(7%) were not likely to do so in the future. The table below summarises the feedback from the questionnaire, and speed of internet connection seems to be the greatest problem. Please note that **fibres-optic** broadband is now available in Milton; you should check with your internet service provider for availability.

No Problem	418 (29%)
Slow speed	242 (66%)
Interruptions to connection/poor signal	75 (20%)
Need of training/support	16 (4%)



On the whole there was fair satisfaction using the internet at home at present. There are no actions from this section

15. Comments received from District Council concerning this plan.

A draft of this document was circulated to various departments within the District Council, and below is a summary of the comments received at the end of December 2015. These are included in the report as they contain useful information and web links which may be of help to working groups.

Grant Funding

From Team Leader Carole Cumming: carole.cummings@southandvale.gov.uk

Web link: <http://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/services-and-advice/community-advice-and-support/grants>

Carole offered her help, and suggested that there may be a number of potential sources of funding for e.g. website development: community space within the church: additional equipment to give older children play/recreational space.

Planning and Housing

From Neighbourhood Planning Officer: Charlotte Colver: charlotte.colver@southandvale.gov.uk

Charlotte offered her help with this, should we wish to proceed with a Neighbourhood Plan.

Community Infrastructure

From Support Officer: Beth Elkins: beth.elkins@southandval.gov.uk

Beth suggests we should have a link to the Council website so our 'wish list' based on the evidence from our survey can be noted by local developers concerning section 106 contributions to the community.

Young People

From Co-ordinator Karen Tolley: karen.tolley@southandvale.gov.uk

Karen offered help in the form of workshops in schools, or talking to youth groups, in response to our young people survey, requesting help with getting a job, interviews etc.

Emergency Planning

From Emergency Planning Officer: Amy Palmer: amy.palmer@southandvale.gov.uk

Though this wasn't a section in our questionnaire, we did ask for volunteers prepared to be called upon in an emergency, and we do have a Flood Action Group. Amy suggested we contact her to discuss these matters further.

Energy Saving

From Energy Officer Cynthia Sullivan: Cynthia.sullivan@southandvale.gov.uk

Our questionnaire asked for opinions on new housing, but not for energy efficiency of existing properties. Cynthia has pointed out that Milton has 7% level of fuel poverty according to government statistics 2013. There may therefore be a number of households who might benefit from advice and/or grants to improve energy efficiency within the home. Contact: The Oxfordshire Affordable Warmth Helpline **0800 107 0044** email: awn@nef.org.uk Also, the council owns a thermal imaging camera, which it lends to community groups. This might complement a renewable energy installation on a community building.

16. Monitoring Delivery of the Action Plan

Once this Plan is adopted by the parish council, the steering group will take responsibility for encouraging groups to form. The various groups will then take forward the actions in this plan and assume responsibility for the progress and success of the projects. It is suggested that a **Continuation Committee** be formed comprising representatives from the Steering Group, the Working Groups and the Parish Council to maintain an overview of progress to ensure that this plan makes a positive difference for the residents of Milton.

17. Parish Action Plan. (Key: ◆◆◆ High ◆◆ Medium ◆ Low)

Young People's Responses (5)

Subject	Action - How it will be tackled	Priority	Current Progress	Responsibility
Young people wanting to have their say	Advertise formation of a 'Young Person' group	◆◆	In hand	MICE

Facilities, Amenities, and Activities (6)

Subject	Action - How it will be tackled	Priority	Current Progress	Responsibility
Improve Communication in Milton	1. Find Webmaster from listed volunteers	◆◆◆	Volunteers Identified	Steering Group & Parish Council
	2. Create Community activity link on Village website			
	3. Milton Facebook		Done	Facebook Editor
	4. Milton Matters On-line	◆		Webmaster & Milton Matters
Community Space provision within the Parish	Set up discussion with Parish council and residents	◆◆◆		PCC, Steering Group & Parish Council
Improvement of outside recreational space for 12-18 year olds	Inform Parish Council	◆◆		Parish Council
Increase number of Clubs and Societies in Milton	Contact volunteers and have regular entries in Milton Matters	◆◆		Working Groups
Community Volunteering Group	Create database for General volunteering	◆◆		Working Group
	Create database for contacting in emergency	◆◆		Working Group
	Create database for information dispersal	◆◆		Working Group

Roads, Transport, Footpaths, Cycling (7)

Subject	Action - How it will be tackled	Priority	Current Progress	Responsibility
Traffic volume in High Street and A4130 at peak times	Roads & Traffic Working Group	◆◆	Contacting Volunteers	Working Group
Traffic Congestion at junction of High St/Park Drive, and Trenchard Ave/A4130	Roads & Traffic Working Group	◆◆	Contacting Volunteers	Working Group
Traffic Speed in High Street	Roads & Traffic Working Group	◆◆	Contacting Volunteers	Working Group
Pavement condition in High Street	Pavement & Bridleway and Footpath Working Group	◆◆	Contacting Volunteers	Working Group
Footpath condition and flooding	Pavement & Bridleway and Footpath Working Group, liaise with MAFA	◆◆	Contacting Volunteers	Working Group
Safe Cycling Routes	Cycling Working Group	◆◆◆	Contacting Volunteers	Working Group
Bus Services	Gauge support for working group	◆		Steering Group

St Blaise Church Community Centre Project (8)

Subject	Action - How it will be tackled	Priority	Current Progress	Responsibility
Increase Support for St Blaise Church	Set up 'Friends of St Blaise'	◆◆◆	In Hand	PCC
Progress Community Space project	1. Gain approval from Diocese	◆◆◆	Application Submitted	PCC
	2. Create combined project team when approval granted	◆◆◆	Volunteers Contacted	PCC & Project Team

Parish Council (9)

Subject	Action - How it will be tackled	Priority	Current Progress	Responsibility
Improve communication	1. CLP/MICE to have regular item on PC agenda	◆	In Hand	Working Groups & Parish Council
	2. Publish PC minutes in Milton Matters & Website/Facebook	◆	In Hand	Parish Council
<i>Wish List</i> of additional facilities	Provide PC of <i>wish-list</i> suggestions from Questionnaire	◆		Steering Group

Environment (10)

Subject	Action How it will be tackled	Priority	Current Progress	Responsibility
Support for Solar energy	Contact listed volunteers to form working group	◆	In Hand	Working Group
Flooding Support	Suggest to MAFIA to Raise awareness in Milton Matters	◆	In Hand	MAFIA
Village Floral Displays	Contact listed volunteers to form working group	◆	In Hand	Working Group

Business and Economy (11)

Subject	Action - How it will be tackled	Priority	Current Progress	Responsibility
Database of local small businesses and tradespeople	Contact listed volunteers	◆	In Hand	Steering Group

Crime and Safety (12)

Subject	Action - How it will be tackled	Priority	Current Progress	Responsibility
Popular support for neighbourhood watch scheme	Contact volunteers to form working group	◆	In Hand	Working Group
Have <i>Your Say</i> meeting	Arrange with local police	◆		Working Group
Police Thames Valley Alert	Encourage residents to sign up for http://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/thames-valley-alert	◆		Working Group

Housing (13)

Subject	Action - How it will be tackled	Priority	Current Progress	Responsibility
Housing Growth	Present possibility of progressing to Neighbourhood Plan. Discuss with Parish Council, publicise in Milton Matters	◆◆		Parish Council

Plan Monitoring

Subject	Action - How it will be tackled	Priority	Current Progress	Responsibility
Ensuring success of the plan	Set up Continuation Committee with representatives of Working Groups and Parish Council	◆◆◆		Parish Council

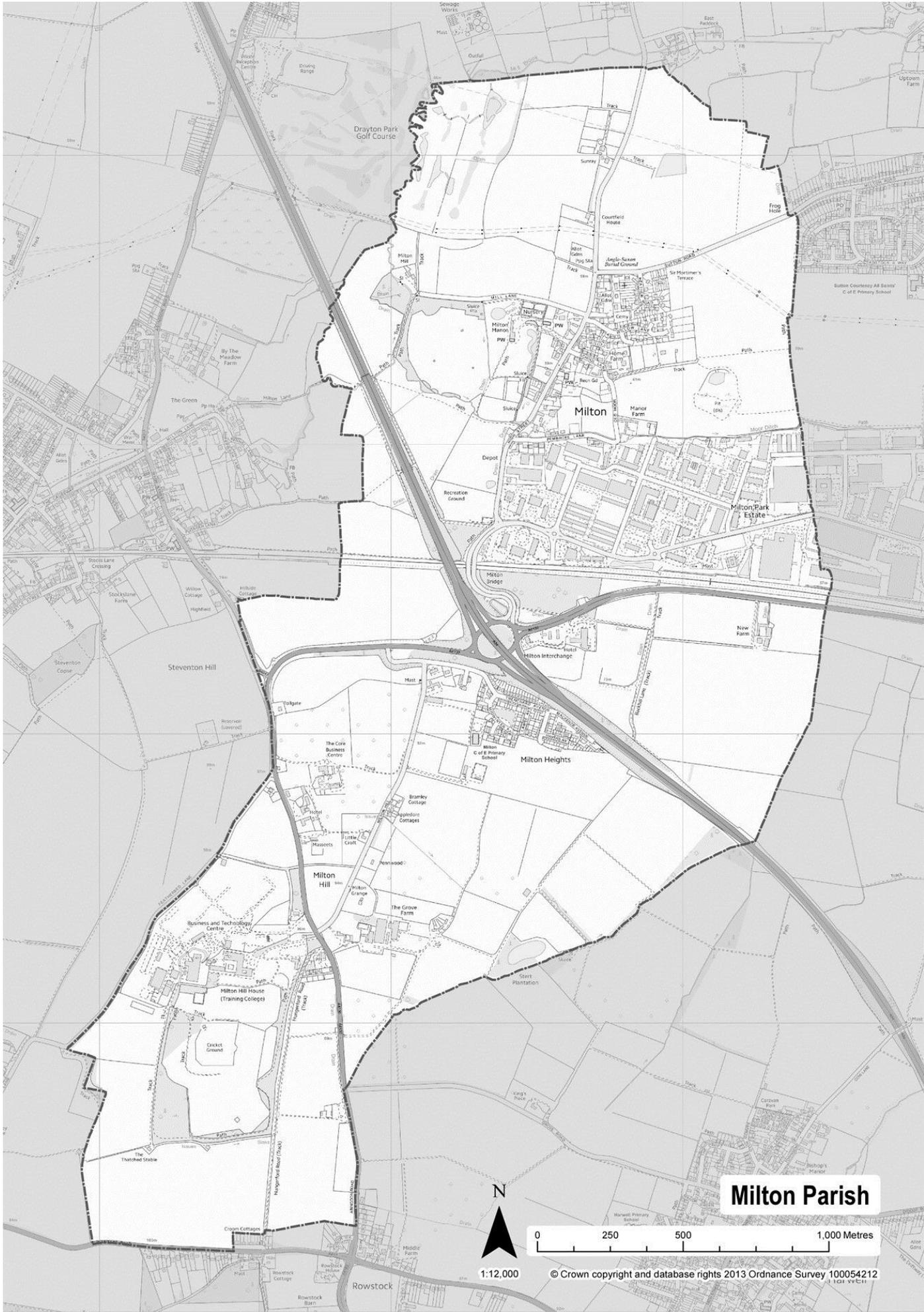
Milton Infrastructure Project Plan

The following items have been identified from our Community Led Plan process which will be impacted by the demands placed on our parish with the present housing development plans. All would benefit from Developer Contributions (S106/CIL)

Project description	Delivery body and partners	Evidence and justification	Priority (High, Medium, Low)	Estimated project cost	Funding secured and in kind support	Funding gap/sourcing	Project delivery risks and mitigation
1. St Blaise Church community space project	PCC PC Community group	Parish survey Nov '14 Compliance (toilet, kitchen, access for the disabled)	High	£150,000?	PCC building fund Donations Community volunteers	Community grants Church grants Community fundraising	Needs of community groups/users
2. Safe cycling routes esp to Drayton	Community group MEPC PC OCC	Parish survey Nov '14 Basic safety	High	?			Suitable route
3. Recreational space for 12-17 years olds	PC – already researching costs for play equipment.	Parish survey Nov '14	High	?			
4. Pavement Improvement esp. High St	OCC Community Group	Parish survey Nov '14	High	?	Community volunteers		
5. Footpath work	PC Community Group	Parish survey Nov '14	High	?	Community volunteers		

Working groups within the community¹ are being set up to work on the costing and feasibility of the different projects

OCC – Oxford city Council	PCC – Parochial Church Council	MEPC – Milton Park
PC – Parish Council	CLP - Community–Led Plan	CIL – Community Infrastructure Levy.



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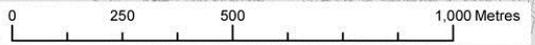
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