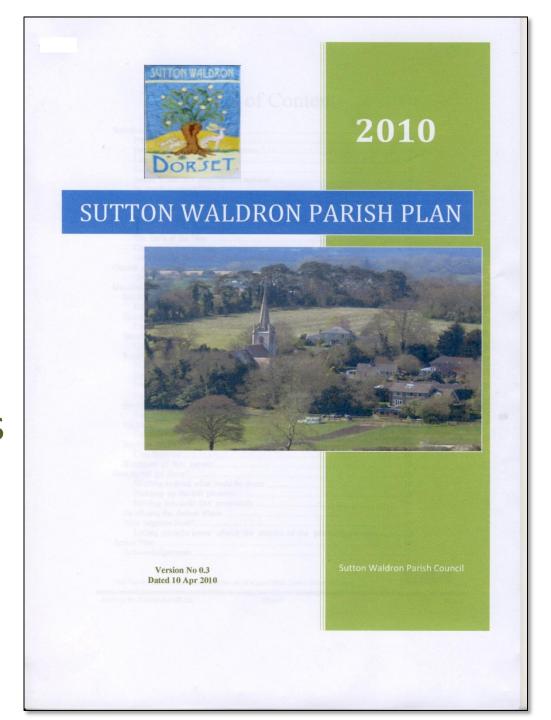
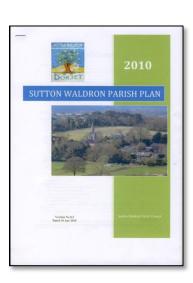
Parish Plan

Update on Progress



A Parish Plan is a statement of how the community sees itself developing over the next few years. It:

- reflects the views of all sections of the community
- identifies which features and local characteristics people value
- identifies local problems and opportunities
- spells out how residents want the community to develop in the future
- prepares a plan of action to achieve this vision



Getting Organised

Steering Group Committee Formed



Martin Jelbart
Fritha Loader
John England
Natalie Evans
Ian Pinder
Ann Boddy
Adrian Delso

Funding Obtained



Dorset County Council £1,220



Sutton Waldron Parish Council £100



Budget (£)	
Dorset Strategic Partnership	1,220
Parish Council or local funding	100
Volunteer Manpower (6.5 days @ £50 a day)	330
	£1,650

Budget & Expenditure

Activities Planned and Completed	Planned (£)	<u>Actual (£)</u>
Hall Hire & expenses, refreshments Survey Print & Distribution	200.00 250.00	50.00
		66.17
		75.00 70.00
		6.00
		30.00
Advertising stage 1	50.00	
		25.00
Advertising Final Work	50.00	20.02
Stationary, & Postage	50.00	20.93 4.93
Data Analysis	100.00	4.00
	000.00	
Creation and Hosting of Web Site	200.00	39.72
		45.95
		24.34
		100.00
Production, Distribution and Consultation of draft		
Action Plan	250.00	320.30
		72.01
Production & Distribution of Action Plan	400.00	130.00
Small contingency for unforeseen circumstances	100.00	
TOTAL BUDGET (GRANT + MANPOWER)	£1,650.00	£1,080.35

Producing the Parish Plan



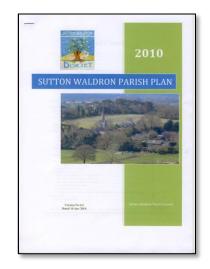
Questionnaire Survey conducted in Nov and Dec

76% completed and returned

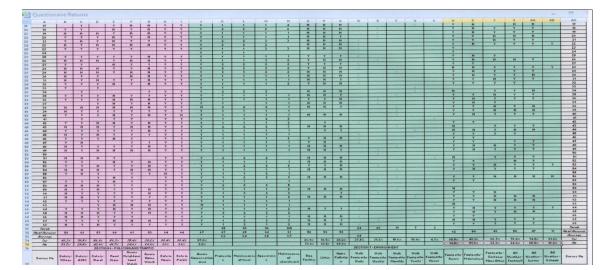
Results consolidated in Jan

Data analysed in Feb

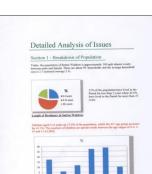
Draft Parish Plan produced in March











People made lots of Suggestions

Parish Council does not seem to have enough power i.e. it seems to be ignored over planning matters.

Green space at the southern end of Church Lane could be play area, car park etc.

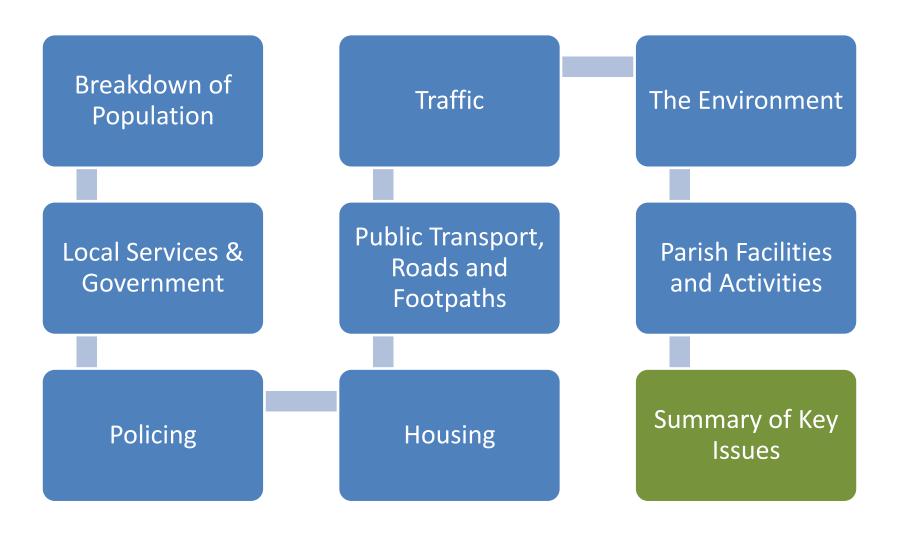


Speeding is a concern: re children and animals and horse riders etc.
Excessive revving of motor bikes





Topic Areas in the Parish Plan



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Breakdown of Population

Local Services & Government

Policing

Section 2 - Local Services & Local Government

Most respondents were generally satisfied with the level of services (such as the primary school, mobile library service, Fontmell Magna medical centre, refuse collection etc.). The main areas where a majority were dissatisfied were the storm drains, which frequently flood, and the way that planning consents are approved.

Since the survey was carried out, the country was hit by a severe winter with the village iced up for a long period. The lack of any gritting or access to grit for villagers to use left the roads highly dangerous for pedestrians and vehicles for a prolonged period with access difficult in some parts. Many villagers expressed the view that the provision of salt bins at key village locations could have made a big difference.



A major concern is the proposal by BT to remove the telephone kiosk. The kiosk is the iconic K6 model and has been in the centre of the village for over 50 years. As such its presence makes a significant contribution to the sense of community, and its removal would be a very real loss to the ambience of the village.

BT are offering to allow parish councils to 'adopt' and retain their kiosk although they would remove the telephone facilities within the kiosk.

Around 50% of respondents were aware of who the Parish and District councillors were, and over 70% knew when the Parish Council meetings were held. However nearly 60% did not know how the Parish Precept was spent.

Conclusions

A strong theme that emerged from the comments was for the Parish Council to have more control over some of the functions that are currently under the control of the District Council. The Parish Council should follow up on the following items:

- The provision of salt bin(s) to enable the residents to salt the main village roads in icy conditions.
- The adoption of the telephone kiosk from BT

Communications about parish council members, finances and planning applications should also be improved.

Storm Drains — this is an increasing concern about the frequency of flooding following the very wet autumn in 2009

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Conclusions

Analysis – What People Like about The Parish

The Village

There is a strong, community spirit amongst those living in the parish, and a desire amongst its residents to both preserve and enhance the village.

The Village Hall

Significantly refurbished through self-help and with more improvements planned for the future, the village hall provides a lively focal point for village.

Parish Events

In addition to the above the Parish hosts annual events such as the Christmas pageant which attracts visitors from the surrounding area.

St Bartholomew's Church

The Church is greatly valued by the village and its existence and activities are seen as a vital part of village life.



Main Conclusions (1)

Parish Council — need for Parish Council to have more influence on decisions affecting the parish, and communicate those decisions more effectively.

Improve Storm Drains — an increasing concern following the very wet autumn in 2009

Housing Developments — new developments should be in keeping with the character of the village, and fit into the conservation area.

Bus Services — seek to improve timetables, particularly the lack of services in the evenings and at weekends.

Traffic — whether there is a need for a formal speed limit in the village. Also whether there is a need for formal or advisory restrictions of heavy goods vehicles entering the village

Main Conclusions (2)

Need for improved footpaths — pursue options for multi-use footpath to enable cyclist and walkers to access services in adjacent villages (schools, shops and pubs).

The lack of a public open space — this would require identifying and purchasing suitable land close to the village.

Exploit the village hall — following the considerable amount of work that has been carried out to upgrade the village hall, greater use should be encouraged for all types of age groups.

Improve communications — create a parish web site to provide upto-date information to parishioners. Also distribute Sutton's Seasons to all homes in the Parish.

Conclusions

Whilst the concerns identified are important, their significance needs to be related to the importance of the 'priorities'.

For the majority of respondents the preservation of the conservation area, the community and peace & quiet were the key 'priorities' for Sutton Waldron. Many respondents expressed the desire to minimise change in Sutton Waldron.

Thus an important aspect of the Parish Plan must be to seek to protect these valued features of Sutton Waldron whilst trying to address the issues identified.

Next Steps and Action Plan

Letting people know about the results

A number of communication sessions will be held in June to feedback the draft conclusions and recommendations to Sutton Waldron parishioners.

The final report will be reviewed by the Parish Councillors and discussed with local service providers prior to being made available on the Parish Web Site.

A summary of the plan will also be produced for distribution to each Sutton Waldron household.

The Parish Council will consider the recommendations of the plan and will determine which actions should be taken forward and how this should be achieved.

	Community Ideas	Action Plan	Priority	Public Partners	Timescale	Contact	Resource
1	Conservation Area	Continue to maintain	High	Dorset County Council and parish Council	Ongoing	Parish Clerk	Parish Council
2	Improve Parish Communication	Develop Parish Web Site	High	Dorset County Council & Police	By end of March 2010	Parish Clerk	Parish Planning Committee
3	Village Hall	Continue to improve facilities and encourage use for more activities	High	Parish Council W.I., Church	Ongoing	Village Hall Committee Chairman	Village Hall Committee
4	Need for improved footpaths	Continue to lobby for funding for multi-use footpath	Med	Dorset County Council	2-3 years	Parish Clerk	T.B.A.
5	Storm Drains	Continue to lobby for funding for new drainage system	Med	Road agency	2-3 years	Parish Council Chairman	T.B.A.
6a	Traffic	Investigate speed limits and speed sign options Investigate formal and advisory restrictions for HGV's	Med	Transport Department	1-2 years	Parish Council Chairman	T.B.A.
7	Housing Developments	Ensure that new developments are in character with village	Med	North Dorset District Council	Ongoing	Parish Council	Parish Clerk
8	Community Area	Approach local landowners	Low	PC	2-3 years	T.B.A.	T.B.A.
9	Bus Services	Assess potential demand for revised bus timetable	Low	Transport Department	1-2 years	Parish Council Chairman	T.B.A.

Parish Plan Review Sessions

Tuesday 1st June at 7.30pm

Saturday 5th June at 2pm

in the village hall

Any Questions?