

Dear Chieveley Parish Resident

1<sup>st</sup> April 2009

Thank you for showing interest in the Parish Plan initiative by completing the questionnaire and hope we do not cause offence by using the email information provided by you to make contact.

Firstly, thank you for taking the time to complete the Parish Plan Questionnaire. The questionnaire response rate was fantastic with 80% completed and returned. This has provided excellent feedback. An overview of the results will be presented by the Parish Plan Steering Committee at the Parish Assembly 14 April 2009 at the Curridge W I Hall, Curridge from 8pm. You are most welcome to attend.

#### Action Planning Time

The plan is now moving into a new exciting phase which will involve prioritising the issues raised through the questionnaire consultation. This will be done through various consultations with stakeholders (e.g. West Berkshire Council, Parish Council, Thames Water), businesses and small groups within the community. It is necessary to engage possible partners, investigate resources and funds, the impact they will have, their feasibility and how easy it will be to achieve the targets. Through the prioritising and planning stage the community will move to the next stage of drafting an action plan. To do this new skills and ideas are required which brings us to the matters below.

#### Search for a New Chairman

In this email we would like to thank Chris Carter-Keall, the PPSC Chairman, for taking the team through to the questionnaire feedback stage. Sadly Chris has had to resign due to work commitments and the team are looking for a new Chairman to lead us through the Action Planning stage. If you would like to be considered for the role of Chairman, please contact me on 01635 247507 for a chat or email me at [chieveley.pc@btinternet.com](mailto:chieveley.pc@btinternet.com). You will have a strong and supportive team working with you.

#### New Committee and Working Group Members

We are looking for additional Committee members or working party members with various skills who have the energy and commitment to become involved and to concentrate on the identified issues with the highest priority in Community (how to provide a Burial Ground), Highways and Transport (initiatives to stop those speeders and HGV's), Youth and Leisure (sports field and resurface the old tennis courts), Education and Development and Housing (provide the housing need of our community).

Please contact me by phone or email if you wish to become involved. We will be pleased to welcome you to the team at the level of involvement you feel comfortable.

Local communities who have produced a Parish Plan will have highlighted actions that can be taken by community members, be used to influence service providers such as their Local Authority and act as evidence of need when applying for funding or grants. The plan can help prioritise resources and can provide important information to help influence the policies, decisions and actions of others. We live

in a beautiful area, the plan can help keep it that way and guide planning and conservation efforts.

Tracy Snook, Secretary of the Parish Plan Steering Committee.