

WEMBURY PARISH PLAN 2009

THE NEXT STEPS



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THE 2000/1 APPRAISAL AND THE PARISH PLAN

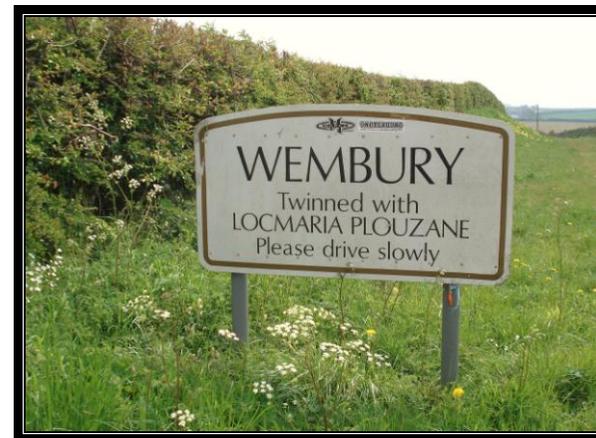
In 2000/2001 the Parish, supported by WPC, carried out an ‘Appraisal’ in accordance with guidance from District and County Councils to look at what was going on in Wembury Parish and what people felt was good and what should be changed. This has since guided the workings of the WPC. In 2008 a brief update on the Plan was produced that commented on the progress that had been achieved in the intervening years.

Taking that update as a starting point, and taking into account the views of many Parishioners, a Parish Working Group, under the direction of WPC, has produced the document, **THE WEMBURY PARISH PLAN 2009**, which provides a background to the issues raised and the actions now proposed. The PLAN will be reviewed on a four yearly basis. Issues are identified in the PLAN in the various sections under the collective headings.

THE NEXT STEPS.

These are all brought together in this document. **THE NEXT STEPS** is a dynamic action plan for future activities. It will be reviewed annually and monitored regularly by WPC.

The issues have been raised by members of our community and the resolution to them will be dependent upon the engagement by the community as a whole. This is especially relevant should it come to any fundraising required.



Further copies of this document can be obtained from the Parish Clerk. It can also be viewed at www.wemburyparishcouncil.info, where the original Parish Plan of 2001, the 2008 update and parishioners’ comments can also be seen.

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OUR POPULATION and OUR HOMES

THE NEXT STEP	ACTION	PARTNERS	PRIORITY	TIMESCALE
Depending on the Secretary of State's decision following the Boundary Commission's recommendations, take any appropriate action.	Prior to decision, make opinions known. Make appropriate amendments to plan	All parishioners, WPC, SHDC		
Wembury Parish Council (WPC) should publish their policy and strategy in support of local need housing.	Publish	WPC		
It is important for the Parish to retain its rural feel and nature. Continue the proactive monitoring of planning proposals, particularly with regard to creeping development, retrospective applications and designs not suitable for the location.	Proactive monitoring of planning applications	SHCD, WPC & Amenity Socy		

OUR EMPLOYMENT

THE NEXT STEP	ACTION	PARTNERS	PRIORITY	TIMESCALE
Local businesses would benefit by being encouraged and supported by parishioners where possible. Equally, local job opportunities receiving local publicity would be helpful.	Use notice boards for local job vacancies, but not for advertising Support local businesses.	Local businesses, WPC, parishioners		
Encourage the local businesses to take an active role in the Parish, and to promote the look and the feel of the Parish	Encourage attendance at local functions and fairs.			
Keep the directory of local businesses up to date		Local businesses Webmaster		
Some promotional/advertising signs are not of a good visual or physical standard and should be looked at to retain the good local ambience.	Apply for funding Discuss with relevant businesses			

OUR COMMUNITY

THE NEXT STEP	ACTION	PARTNERS	PRIORITY	TIMESCALE
Every effort should be made in the bringing together of the two parts of our community,				
Investigate availability of using Wembury school more for community meetings and events.		Headteacher		
Continue investigations on the future of Church Room and it's land.		PCC, WPC, Diocese		
A careful watch must be maintained on any further contraction of Post Office services: the loss of either PO would have a major impact on the Parish.				
Limited play facilities exist at the Wembury sports field, and the Down Thomas Village Hall field. Continue discussions with local young people about improving skateboarding and other facilities. Such as a MUGA				
Actively encourage ownership of facilities by clubs and organizations.				
Support the newly formed Allotment Society.				

OUR ENVIRONMENT

THE NEXT STEP	ACTION	PARTNERS	PRIORITY	TIMESCALE
Be vigilant in maintaining the quality of existing footpaths and monitoring of improper use, e.g. by cyclists, and actively pursue footpath expansion – e.g. Down Thomas to Heybrook Bay.	Next Meeting March 2009			Ongoing
Maintain the beach liaison group.				
Encourage dialogue with the local dog warden and review placement and maintenance of dog litter bins.				
Continue, and where relevant develop, active liaison between WPC and the Police.				
A review of the local Neighbourhood Watch schemes is advocated, with an emphasis on reviving or setting up schemes where there are gaps.				

OUR HIGHWAYS and TRANSPORT

THE NEXT STEP	ACTION	PARTNERS	PRIORITY	TIMESCALE
Continue the Traffic Committee of WPC, to report on the 20mph Knighton proposal and to consider other traffic-calming measures.	Pursue the 20mph Knighton proposal. Consider a clear priority sign in the narrows at th bottom of Knighton Hill;			
Monitor on- and off-street parking and the enforcement of restrictions, particularly in the summer.				
Review the availability of cycle paths within the Parish, and assess interest in a cycle track to Plymstock.	Discourage cycling along the narrow access road to Staddiscombe by providing alternative provision allied with a penalty for NOT using it.			
Maintain pressure on bus companies to provide adequate and suitable service(s) and to consider the possibility of feeder buses.				

OUR COMMUNICATIONS

THE NEXT STEP	ACTION	PARTNERS	PRIORITY	TIMESCALE
WPC should be more proactive in monitoring the state of notice boards around the Parish, particularly those around the beach area, to ensure that the look of the Parish is maintained to a high standard.	Review all existing notice boards and state of repair. BLG to consider improvement to beach notice boards	WPC, BLG		
Consideration should be given to providing information boards such as those seen in other local villages.	Design layout and content of information boards, and install.			
Ensure that the website is kept up-to-date.		Webmaster, all parishioners		
Maintain strategic telephone boxes.				
Look to improve digital radio, mobile and broadband services.	digital radio works all over the country, but not in Wembury.			