

Char Valley Parish Council – Residents Survey 2016 Please complete and return by **xxxxx** at the latest

We are inviting all home/business owners in the Char Valley Parish Council area to complete this questionnaire. The purpose is to seek your views about the area, identifying your concerns and aspirations for the future.

The results of this survey will be used to guide Char Valley Parish Council in deciding whether to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan, and / or update the 2003 Parish Plan.

Neighbourhood Plans focus on the use and development of land along with the allocation of key sites for specific kinds of development, e.g. housing.

- Communities are able to allocate particular sites for new homes and indicate design features they would like to see
- They have legal status as part of the adopted West Dorset, Weymouth & Portland Local Plan
- They can also cover other areas of interest to the local community,

Please note all policies must conform with the local plan.

To find out more go to : <http://locality.org.uk/resources/neighbourhood-planning-roadmap-guide/>

Parish Plans are broader, aspirational without legal status.

- The format is not prescribed
- The Parish has freedom of approach; working with the community to put the plan together.
- They are less focussed on housing development and land use and can cover a range of topics including social and environmentally related issues.
- A Parish Plan can be the focal point for an effective and positive role for the community in helping to guide proposals, manage change and address local needs.
- Char Valley produced a Parish Plan in 2003, which can be found on our website;
<https://www.hugofox.com/community/char-valley-parish-council-7937/parish-plan-2003/>

Either approach will see the Parish Council working closely with the local community in the development process, identifying, prioritising and influencing the outcome of issues facing Char Valley Parish Council in the coming years.

The outcome of the questionnaire will be presented at a series of meetings around our area.

Residential properties and businesses will have insight to collective responses and be able to make further contributions.

This questionnaire can also be downloaded or completed online at **XXXX**.

1. Householder Information

1.1 Your postcode

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1.2 Is this your household's main residence ?

Yes		No	
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1.3 How many people normally live in your house in the following age groups

Age	No.	Age	No.	Age	No.	Age	No.	Age	No.	Age	No.	Age	No.
0-4		5-15		16-24		25-44		45-65		66-84		85+	

1.4 Time resident in Char Valley area

0-5	<input type="checkbox"/>	Over 5	<input type="checkbox"/>
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 (years)

2. Housing

Current local plan housing policies limit any new housing in the Char Valley area to replacement buildings, sub-division, rural (agricultural) workers housing and any affordable housing schemes on “exception sites” – all of which are subject to the usual planning consents for each individual application that arises.

2.1 What is your view therefore, about housing growth, in the local area over the next ten years :

The level of housing permitted by the above policy is satisfactory and should continue	<input type="checkbox"/>
I would be prepared to support more housing growth than is currently permitted if needed	<input type="checkbox"/>

2.2 New housing

If you feel that there should be new housing are there any locations that you think are particularly suitable for new homes ? Please write the location (s), if any.	
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2.3 If you answered yes to question 2.1, what type of home is needed, mark all those that apply :

Type of home	
Small home (1 or 2 bed)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Family home (3 or 4 bed)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adaptable home (e.g. for disabled or elderly)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Social/affordable housing*	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other e.g. self-build (please describe)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sheltered housing scheme	<input type="checkbox"/>

* e.g. housing to rent or for sale below market value including shared-ownership

2.4 Second Homes in your area – what is your perception/ thoughts, please mark one box ?

There are too many	<input type="checkbox"/>	The numbers are not currently a concern to me	<input type="checkbox"/>	Don't know/no opinion	<input type="checkbox"/>
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2.5 Do you own land within Char Valley on which it would be possible – in terms of size and access – to build new housing, even though this would not be permitted under current planning policy? YES / NO

If 'YES' would you like to see planning policy changed through a Neighbourhood Plan to make such development possible in principle? YES / NO

If you could develop the land what number of houses would you like to build?

If wanting to build new business premises please describe

3. Transport

3.1 Approximately how many miles in total does your household drive each week ?

0	<input type="checkbox"/>	1-30	<input type="checkbox"/>	31-100	<input type="checkbox"/>	101-250	<input type="checkbox"/>	Over 250	<input type="checkbox"/>
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3.2 How often do you use local buses (village and A35 routes) ?

Daily	<input type="checkbox"/>	Weekly	<input type="checkbox"/>	Monthly	<input type="checkbox"/>	Less often	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Never	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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3.3 How would you rate the following in your local area ?

	Excellent	Good	Average	Poor	Inadequate	Don't know
Maintenance of the main A35	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Maintenance of other (local) roads	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maintenance of verges, drains, etc.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Road safety generally	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Safety of pedestrians	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Speed of vehicles in your area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Direction signs, i.e. fingerposts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Availability of public transport	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parking provision	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rights of way (footpaths)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

3.4 For any items that you rated poor or inadequate above, do you have any further comments ?

3.5 If a free car park was provided at Morcombelake for bus users, would you use it and catch the bus?

Daily	<input type="checkbox"/>	Weekly	<input type="checkbox"/>	Monthly	<input type="checkbox"/>	Less often	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Never	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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3.6 Concerning appointments for health services, hospitals and doctors have you ever cancelled an appointment due to lack of transport ?

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
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4. Economy

4.1 Employment status - Please enter the numbers for each person over 18 years old in your household :

Business owner (employing others)	<input type="text"/>	Business Owner	<input type="text"/>	Self-employed	<input type="text"/>	Employed	<input type="text"/>	Retired	<input type="text"/>
Permanently sick or disabled	<input type="text"/>	Full-time education	<input type="text"/>	Paid Government scheme	<input type="text"/>	Not in paid employment	<input type="text"/>		

4.2 What are the main places of paid employment for your household ? Please enter a number against each location.

At home		Within the Char Valley area		Bridport		Lyme Regis	
Dorchester		Axminster		Further away		mobile	

4.3 What are the main businesses of your employment (business or self-employment) ?

Local Government/NHS/Public Sector		Private care and support sector		Agriculture/Forestry		Tourism	
Service industries, e.g. hairdressing, cleaning, etc.		Financial/professional services		Manufacturing		Arts and creative	
Retail		IT related		Other			

4.4 How would you rate the following in the Char Valley area :

	Excellent	Good	Average	Poor	Inadequate	Don't know
Availability of business premises in local area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Support for businesses in local area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4.5 Is there anything more that could be done to support farming in the Char Valley?

4.6 Is there anything more that can be done to support the tourist industry in the Char Valley ?

4.7 Is there anything more that can be done to support other employment in, or adjacent to the Char Valley ?

5. Environment

5.1 How do you rate :

	Excellent	Good	Average	Poor	unsatisfactory
General appearance of your area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

5.2 How important do you think the following renewable energy initiatives should be within the Parish?

	Very Important	Important	Neutral	Not important	Not at all important
Domestic solar power	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Solar power on agricultural buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Field scale solar power	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Individual small/medium wind turbines	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Anaerobic digestion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parish Council initiatives to promote renewable energy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parish Council initiatives to promote energy efficiency	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

5.4 Would you support the installation of a mains sewerage system in your area ?

Already have it	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Possibly	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	No opinion	<input type="checkbox"/>
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6. Communication

In your area how do you currently rate :

	Excellent	Good	Average	Poor	Inadequate	No opinion
Mobile phone coverage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Internet connections	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

7. Leisure and recreation

7.1 How often do you or your family use or visit :

	weekly	monthly	Less often	Never	n/a
Children's play areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Local playing fields	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Village Hall facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Local pub	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Entertainment outside the Char Valley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

7.2 Is there anything that could be done to improve leisure and recreation in your area ?

For adults	
For young people	

8. Overall how satisfied are you with your local area as a place to live ?

Very satisfied	<input type="checkbox"/>	Satisfied	<input type="checkbox"/>	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dissatisfied	<input type="checkbox"/>	Very dissatisfied	<input type="checkbox"/>
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9. What one thing, if any, would you most like to see improved in your local area ?

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When completed your survey can be returned at the following points :

If you require further information, please contact Chris Everidge, Stanton St Gabriel chriseveridge@ymail.com

Thank you very much for your participation.