

Our Village - Our Future

What do you like
about living here?

What would make it better?

What needs to be done
to maintain or improve life here?

Stroud District Council are prepared to give the
community a grant to produce a
Parish Plan for the future.

What is a Parish Plan?

A record of the strengths, hopes and
needs of the whole community.

This becomes the basis of an action plan for the future
which makes the best use of the resources available

Who can be involved?

Everyone!

Read on for more information

and at

www.stroud.gov.uk/hillesleyandtresham

How having a Parish Plan can help a community

**Gives everyone a chance to voice
what is important to them**

Provides evidence of community needs

Increases local authority support

Targets the best use of resources

Some Background Information

Parish Plans are being used as evidence to influence policies, decisions, grants and actions by local authorities and other agencies.(80% of parishes in Stroud area have, or are developing, parish plans).

The Parish Council receive part of your Council Tax and need to know how best to use for the benefit of the whole community.

**How the Plan develops will be in the hands of the
community not the Parish Council - although the Council will
assist where possible.**

*The Parish Council is initiating the Parish Plan process with
help from Gloucestershire Rural Community Council
and Stroud District Council.*

The Process of Producing a Parish Plan

1. Gather information, opinions and ideas through:

drop-in events
(*look out for posters!*)
questionnaires
talking to each other ...

2. Record and analyse information

3. Produce and adopt Parish Plan

4. Use plan for informing future action

How can you help?

Get talking!

**Let everyone know what *you* think
about living here**

Come to drop-in events

**Volunteers are going to be needed
to help in the process**

Might you be able to help in some way?

examples

*provide a skill or just some time
serve refreshments at drop-in events
give someone a lift to events
host an event
deliver or collect questionnaires*

*represent the needs of different interests on a steering group
(eg leisure activities, young children, teenagers, pensioners, dog
walkers, road safety, bus users, a particular part of the village,
local businesses ...)*

*display or design posters
baby sit so someone else can get involved
anything else you can think of!*

How to offer help or ideas

talk to a parish councillor or the parish clerk
or

drop a note into:

The Folly, Kilcott Road, Hillesley

or

phone:

01453 842833

or

email:

heather@cooke4148.freeserve.co.uk