

Bishops Cleeve Parish Council Newsletter

There have been articles in the local Press regarding possible housing developments in Bishop's Cleeve. Bishop's Cleeve Parish Council remains opposed to any future unsustainable development in the Village. Residents who wish to respond to large housing development proposals may like to consider the following points:

What will be the Impact on the surrounding area?

Does the style and layout of the development seem appropriate to the size and scale of local housing?

Are 2.5 storey buildings too near to areas of bungalows or 1.5 storey housing?
How will the development look when approaching the village

Is there enough Green space provision?

Has the developer made provision for play areas, green spaces etc? Should there be provision for community facilities?

Will the development be part of the village?

Is there enough provision for pedestrian access and from the village centre? Are there safe routes to and from local schools and community facilities to encourage people to walk?

Drainage

Has adequate provision been made for drainage, given the area's history of flooding.

<u>Is there social housing included in the plans?</u>

There is a shortage of affordable housing for local people in Bishop's Cleeve.

Does the plan provide for affordable housing? Is it enough? This could include

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How will the development impact on the local road infrastructure?

Village roads are already congested at peak times

Is there adequate access on and off the site? Is there provision for adequate traffic management on existing roads eg roundabouts or traffic lights?
Will it create more parking problems in and around the village?

How will local community facilities be effected?

Have they provide education and community facilities?

If they haven't is there a need to contribute to expansion/improvement of current facilities?

Will the development impact on local GP/health care provision?

Will there be opportunities for local employment?

There is a limited amount of local employment for villagers.

Is there anything in the development that might help with this?

It is not helpful to make comments about non planning issues such as:-

- The purchase price of your house
- future value once the development takes place.
- The type of people who might move in.
- Where prospective tenants come from.

You can get involved in fighting any future unsustainable developments by:

- Signing the petition circulated by Bishop's Cleeve Parish Council, available in local shops and the parish office:
- Write to the planning officers at Tewkesbury Borough Council once a formal planning application has been submitted
- Respond through the planning portal of Tewkesbury borough Council website at www.tewkesbury.gov.uk
- If you wish to discuss the matter with your local Parish Councillor please see the contact details to the right.

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