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I have attached responses from the three individual Wards within Bisley-With-Lypiatt Parish Council as requested.

The full Parish Council will consider each of these at our meeting on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December and I will forward any amendments following that meeting.

Regards

**Clerk Bisley-With-Lypiatt Parish Council** 

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#### **BISLEY Ward**

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### Consultation response form PART B:

We ask a series of questions (highlighted in pink boxes) throughout the consultation paper. Each of

the questions is numbered. Please can you reference the question number(s) and/or the topic here:

Question number: 1.0a- Top 5 Issues

7, 11,19,27, 32,35

Question number: 1.ob: Ideas and suggestions for tackling particular issues? Need to facilitate community led housing schemes for appropriate housing for the elderly and the young in Bisley; suggest appropriate housing might have limited number of bedrooms, be for local people, would have exceptional energy efficient (solar roofs and high insulation) plus transport incentives such as provision of electric bikes and / or integrated car share scheme. We object to developer led executive style large residential projects.

To conserve and enhance green infrastructure and biodiversity (that is of interest to visitors) enhance the understanding (education programmes) and increased support by working with other partners such as farmers, Wildlife Trust, for wildlife connected corridors in Bisley, and develop well kept footpath network for walking / gentler health and wellbeing activities for local people (and also maintain and enhance walking connections to local shops such as Stancombe Farm Shop, and tourism.

To ensure villages are sustainable do not lose employment sites to house building. Seek opportunities for more combined work/ living sites. activites

We believe it is important that light pollution is strictly controlled in our rural environment. Light pollution is not mentioned at all throughout this consultation and it is a serious, and increasing problem.

#### Question 2.1a - Biggest challenges facing local economy

Out-commuting
Brexit
Fewer younger people coming into agriculture
Loss of agricultural land
Through traffic speeding through the village

#### Lack of public transport

Access to GP surgery and hospitals for those who are unable to drive Potential loss of village amenities; shops, pubs etc.

Support for elderly and disabled people in villages

#### Question 2.1b- further employment land opportunities?

Recognise and value home working in the digital economy and employment such as crafts, and live-work units in villages. Do not lose agricultural land to housing.

# Question 2.1c — support further growth along M<sub>5</sub> or expansion of existing sites alongside settlements

Continue the current mix; add more live-work units in villages

#### Q 2.1.d - job flexibility question/thresholds of unit floor space

Encourage home working / cooperative shared spaces / live work units

#### Q 2.1e: Encourage home working? Live- work spaces?

Yes – already appropriate to Bisley

#### Q 2.1f: Further farm diversification, or more control?

Bisley would welcome small, one-off opportunities for farms to add additional accommodation so that young farming families can start up on their family farm, or support elderly parents, but ensure sufficient controls that agricultural land is not reduced, biodiversity not affected and this is not a long term opening up of farmland to housing development

#### Q 2.3a: Housing issues

There are few if any opportunities for local people to access housing in Bisley, there are very few low rent properties available, there are no opportunities for younger people to access housing without moving elsewhere and older people cannot down size as there are no appropriate properties available, there are difficulties for farming families to ensure their families can stay together, there is little land available that we are aware of for self build projects although we recognize merit in self build, these are all unmet housing needs.

### Q 2.3b housing surveys

Good idea

#### Q 2.3c Know of local land for development?

No

#### Q. 2.4a

Use of our Sports Pavilion is declining because the building needs refurbishment (poorly insulated, out of date etc) and we are debating how to address this when there are few grants available to do a major overhaul

#### Q 2.4b Places essential for protection

Our village Hall

Our children's Play Spaces.

Our Allotment Field: We have a vibrant allotment community, community orchard and an award winning exemplar community composting scheme on the Chestergate Allotments field owned by the Charity of the Ancient Parish of Bilsey and leased to the Parish Council. This field is used by a lot of villagers, ffrom walking their dog, to sitting enjoying the skies, to growing their own fresh fruit and vegetables. It is a significant contributor to the local environment (orchids, moths, slow worms etc) and an important resource for local people's health and wellbeing.

We request that Allotments are recognized overall in your review as of special importance for community Health and Well-Being. Public Health England recognizes growing your own and gardening as of significant benefit to public health, and this is not always possible without Allotments

#### Q 3.1 Future development needs?

We support Option 3 (disperse with most villages allocated to small /medium needs)

#### Q3.2 a/b/c/ and Q 3.3 a,b,c,d

Not able to comment fully but believe Stroud District must resist strongly any extension of the Gloucester/Cheltenham/Tewkesbury fringe encroaching into Stroud and diminishing the very special rural and 'green' qualities of the District. We also feel any encroachment northwards in to Stroud from South Gloucestershire must be firmly resisted for the same reason.

### Q3.4 agree with current hierarchy of village settlements?

## **Q3.5a Manage development edges?** Option 2

# Q 3.5 Changes to development limits? Only as per Option 2

#### Q3.6 Options for Growth?

We are interested in p62- Bisley

Bis A: This includes an employment site (Graduate Gardeners) and we would oppose the loss of an employment site for housing only. However there may be some merit in considering appropriate affordable housing adjacent to that site as roughly indicated on your map

Bis B: This is a much valued community amenity of special interest owned by a local charity - it is our community orchard adjacent to a well patronised and lively allotment community essential for health and wellbeing, (and allotments should be an integral part of SDC's Health and Well Being Strategy) and the award winning Bisley community composting scheme This site is entirely

inappropriate for employment and we would oppose this.

From: The Clerk - Bisley-With-Lypiatt Parish Council [admin@bisley-with-lypiatt.gov.uk]

<u>08 February 20</u>18 11:21

Sent: To: Cc:

**Subject:** Bisley settlement boundary

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The following statement was submitted for approval by Councillor Lesley Greene at last night's Bisley-With-Lypiatt Parish Council meeting and was approved unanimously.

Further to our conversation with Conrad Moore and my email of last week requesting an addition to Bisley Parish Council's Settlement Boundary in the Local Plan,

We therefore request an extension of Bisley Village's settlement boundary to include Mugswell Nursery. Mugswell Nursery is a working horticultural nursery site, is a brownfield site, and is currently adjacent to the village boundary. It has been worked as a nursery for three decades.

I attach a jpeg of our suggested extension. We would not wish the requested extension to go any further up Hay Hedge Lane into the adjacent field that has wild orchids.

I would be grateful for receipt of this request. I would further be grateful for an indication from you as to the process and programme for assessment of this request, and timing as when a decision will be taken on it.

Yours sincerely

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