



Parish Plan 2014



Introduction

A Parish Plan reflects the local vision of how residents would like to see the area in which they live change in coming years. The Plan is more community-led and can reflect the needs of an individual town or village and surrounding countryside.

Our Parish Plan gives you, as a resident, an opportunity to get involved in planning in Adderley and our surrounding countryside. Parish Plans can be used to make sure local concerns and characteristics are taken into account before any planning decisions are made.

A Parish Plan is a document that tackles important issues that will influence our Parish in the future. This could be anything from ensuring building projects fit in with local character to supporting alternatives to improving facilities and reviewing traffic using our roads.

The development of this Plan has been led by the village and Parish Council but has taken into account the views of the whole community following distribution of a simple questionnaire to obtain people's views back in 2012.

This Plan will identify key facilities and services, set out the problems that need to be tackled and how our parish should develop in the future.

Key Areas

The following key areas were agreed following consultation with the community.

4. Communicating in the village

- ❖ Broadband
- ❖ Mobile Phones
- ❖ Web site
- ❖ Social media - Facebook
- ❖ Promote ongoing use of village facilities i.e. church, village hall including bowling club, play area

2. Environment

- ❖ Road Use
- ❖ Speed of all vehicles and ways to reduce
- ❖ Conserve and improve environment including flower beds and other greenery
- ❖ Dog fouling, litter, fly tipping

3. Housing

4. Activities and Community

- ❖ Cycling groups,
- ❖ Quiz nights
- ❖ Security - Police drop ins
- ❖ Toddler group
- ❖ Prescription collections
- ❖ Community walks

Communicating in the village

Broadband -

It is becoming more important for everyone in Adderley Parish to have access to broadband. Recent press reports have stated 'Rural homes without superfast internet broadband connections are becoming unsellable with some estate agents refusing to put them on their books.'

Broadband is available in Adderley, some households have successfully connected to ADSL broadband but download speeds are inadequate. Satellite broadband is available for anyone but costs can be prohibitive.

Broadband UK is a programme bringing fibre based broadband to areas where it is not economically viable for commercial companies to provide broadband. The programme is centered on a contract with BT plc, to work in partnership with Shropshire Council and Broadband UK to build a faster broadband network in the Shropshire Council area; once built it will enable residents and businesses to buy competitive broadband services from a range of different Internet Service Providers (ISPs).

The Parish and its representative should continue to promote superfast broadband for Adderley and the Parish as a whole.

Mobile Signal -

Mobile telephone connection in and around Adderley is patchy, however, service is available from most mobile phone providers.

The Parish and its representative will, wherever possible, promote the lack of mobile communication with both the council and providers.

Web Site / Social Medial (Facebook) -

Following provision of broadband to the village the Parish Council will be encouraged to provide a village website as well as an up-to-date Facebook page for two-way communications. We would like to help provide content on a regular basis and comments and additions will be encouraged through the Parish Council

Future events will be promoted as well as information being displayed such as minutes of village meetings etc.

Website address - www.adderleyparish.co.uk

Promoting use of village facilities -

Adderley is proud of its community and the facilities that we currently have. It is recognized that the village should continue to support Adderley Church of England Primary School, Adderley Village Hall and St Peter's Church. There are also many other businesses and facilities that are also present in the Parish. Activities run throughout the calendar year to raise funds to support our facilities as well as bringing the community together on a social basis.

We will continue to organize a variety of events to stimulate and will encourage all residents to take part.

Environment

Road Use -

At the writing of this document the road surface in and around Adderley is fair. Pressure should be kept on Shropshire Council to ensure that road surfaces are kept in good order, clear of mud and debris as well as identifying any accident black-spots and taking the necessary action to make all roads safe for our residents and those people travelling through the Parish.

Speed Limit -

The current speed limit on the A529 going through the village of 30 mph is not always adhered to.

In order for a community to address concerns about speeding long term, there is a programme run by the West Mercia Safer Roads partnership (SRP) called 'Community Concern'. A concern can be raised to the SRP via the Parish Council. They will then carry out data collection of the site and if an identified problem exists, then application made to site mobile speed enforcement vans subject to planning, highways issues being met.

Members of the Parish Council have volunteered themselves in the use of speed detection devices and, when this training has been undertaken, it is likely that speed hot spots will be monitored on an ongoing basis.

Conserve and improve environment including flowers -

The Parish is eternally grateful to those members of the community who undertake community planting in the village as well as around the church on a voluntary basis. The Parish will continue to support this and offer funding where necessary and where this is accepted.

If funds permit it is the intension of the community to acquire planters for the small island across from the village postbox.

Dog fouling, litter/fly tipping -

The Parish promotes safe disposal of all litter and animal waste and will, wherever necessary, ensure appropriate receptacles are in place for residents to use for their litter; this will include on and around the canal as it has been demonstrated that canal users (passing through the Parish) sometimes dispose of their waste inappropriately.

Residents are asked to remain vigilant with regards to fly tipping issues and alert the appropriate authority so that we can keep our village and surrounding area clean and tidy and free from abuse.

Housing

The questionnaire results identified there was reasonable support from the Parish residents for additional housing in the village. The type of housing is varied and includes family homes as well as low cost and sheltered accommodation.

This information has been included in the Parish Council development plans and the SCC Sam Dev:

“Adderley Parish Council has indicated that it would like Adderley to be identified as a community hub to allow for a modest amount of housing development to take place in the village. There is some potential for limited infilling development within the existing development boundary and at this stage no further housing allocations are proposed. However the local community is undertaking an update to its Parish Plan and further priorities may come forward as a result of this work, which could be reflected in the SAMDev Plan if appropriate.”

The parish council will support the completion of numerous housing sites in and around the village currently under construction within an extended building time.

Activities and Communities

Cycling groups -

Although Adderley do not have a Cycling Club of our own, there is a well established club in Audlem.



For further details about the club and membership residents can visit www.audlemcyclingclub.co.uk

Quiz nights -

The questionnaire identified that residents would like more quiz nights to be held in the village. These could be organized but would need volunteers to help arrange and promote them.

Security -

Residents do not feel that security is a big problem but prevention is key to keeping crime rates low. West Mercia Police runs a number of campaigns and initiatives designed to boost public awareness of policing and crime prevention measures.

With this in mind the Parish Council is promoting membership of Neighbourhood Watch funded, in its entirety, by the Parish Council.



Toddler Group -

Adderley Tots is now well established in the village and runs from the Village Hall. This group provides children with the opportunity to play with different equipment and interact with other children. It also gives parents and carers an opportunity to meet others in a similar position to themselves. The group caters for children under fives but can also welcome expectant mums.

Carers at the group are volunteers and so the group depends on these volunteers to run.

Prescription Collection -

We would very much like to start offering a volunteer service for prescription collection and transport to and from Festival Drayton. This would be for those members of our community who are elderly and have limited support from other family members.

In order to do this we would first need a register of volunteers who would be prepared to give up some of their spare time and have use of their own car. We would unfortunately be unable to reimburse for fuel costs but each volunteer would be able to decide how much/how little they wish to help.

Good Neighbour Scheme -

The aim of a Good Neighbour scheme is to involve people within the local community to offer practical support to resident neighbours, who through age or disability may feel isolated.

Improving a person's health and wellbeing can lead to an independent life for longer whilst living in their own home. Social contact helps to keep people safe and well and can succeed in bringing the community together to help a person feel safe. It is difficult to imagine that someone may go for days without speaking to or seeing anybody. It can, therefore mean that a small offer of help can make a big difference to someone who is lonely.

A Good Neighbour Scheme will introduce people by creating connections of support, and share people's skills and abilities. A volunteer of the scheme could offer as much or as little time they can give to offer practical help such as help with shopping, befriending, transport to medical appointments.

Community Walks -

The village is very lucky to have a good walking environment and public footpaths but we are not particularly good at publicizing these.

It would be good to have a small collection of graded walks for use by all physical abilities. These could be publicized on the website when available.