

Shepton Beauchamp Parish Plan Questionnaire 2004

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A About You

A1 What gender are you

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Male		252	48.9%
Female		263	51.1%
No of answers to this question =		515	

A2 Which age group do you belong to

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
7 years or under		30	5.8%
8 - 15		56	10.8%
16 - 24		32	6.2%
25 - 44		128	24.8%
45 - 60		111	21.5%
61 - 80		122	23.6%
81 years or older		38	7.4%
No of answers to this question =		517	

A3 Are you

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Employed		169	34.8%
Self-employed		61	12.6%
Retired		134	27.6%
Student		74	15.2%
Housewife/husband		30	6.2%
Unemployed		6	1.2%
Other (please give details)		12	2.5%
No of answers to this question =		486	

A4 How long have you lived in Shepton Beauchamp

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Less than a year		16	3.2%
1 - 5 years		121	24.4%
6 - 10 years		89	18.0%
11 - 15 years		71	14.3%
over 15 years		198	40.0%
No of answers to this question =		495	

* percentage based on total number of answers to each question

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A5 How would you like to see Shepton Beauchamp change in the future

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
No significant change		286	65.1%
More work and employment in the village		59	13.4%
More retired people		7	1.6%
More families with children		76	17.3%
Other (please give details)		11	2.5%
No of answers to this question =		439	

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B Leisure and Amenities

B1 Do you feel there are adequate sports and leisure facilities FOR YOU in Shepton Beauchamp

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Yes		175	38.3%
No		204	44.6%
No opinion		78	17.1%
No of answers to this question =		457	

B2 Do you take part in any of the following activities that already take place in Shepton Beauchamp?

Participants could select more than one option		Count	%age*
Art Group		17	6.1%
Brownies		11	3.9%
Beavers/Cubs		13	4.6%
Bell Ringing		15	5.4%
Computer training		2	0.7%
Darts Team		6	2.1%
Football Club		20	7.1%
Gardening Society		38	13.6%
Golf Society		11	3.9%
Ramblers		12	4.3%
Reading Group		15	5.4%
St Michaels Guild		14	5.0%
St Michaels Cleaning Club		18	6.4%
Seniors Club		19	6.8%
Table Tennis Club		15	5.4%
Other (please give details)		54	19.3%
No of answers to this question =		280	

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B3 If you do not take part in any leisure/sport activity is it because

Participants could select more than one option	Count	%age*
You don't want to	149	41.3%
Unsuitable times	49	13.6%
Access problems (physical)	8	2.2%
Lack of facilities	67	18.6%
No transport	5	1.4%
Poor publicity	36	10.0%
Lack of baby sitters	13	3.6%
Other (please give details)	34	9.4%
No of answers to this question =	361	

B4 Would you use any of the following if they were provided in Shepton Beauchamp

Participants could select more than one option	Count	%age*
Tennis court	165	32.0%
Badminton court	134	26.0%
Squash court	58	11.2%
Skateboard park	43	8.3%
Mountain bike track	86	16.7%
Other (please give details)	30	5.8%
No of answers to this question =	516	

B5 Would you be interested in taking part in

Participants could select more than one option	Count	%age*
Whist drive	17	4.1%
Annual fun run	94	22.8%
Theatre group	61	14.8%
Bingo	53	12.9%
Farmers market	76	18.4%
Musical group	35	8.5%
Dance classes	64	15.5%
Other (please give details)	12	2.9%
No of answers to this question =	412	

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B Leisure and Amenities

B6 Do you feel that the Village Hall is adequate for the needs of Shepton Beauchamp

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Yes		283	65.7%
No (please give reasons)		88	20.4%
No opinion		60	13.9%
No of answers to this question =		431	

B7 How important do you feel the church is to the community

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Very important		152	33.0%
Important		227	49.3%
Not very important		37	8.0%
No opinion		44	9.6%
No of answers to this question =		460	

B8a How often do you use the Shepton Beauchamp shop/post office

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Daily		168	35.7%
Weekly		204	43.4%
Monthly		18	3.8%
Occasionally		74	15.7%
Never		6	1.3%
No of answers to this question =		470	

B8b How often do you visit the Duke of York pub (bar/restaurant)

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Daily		11	2.4%
Weekly		81	17.6%
Monthly		66	14.3%
Occasionally		223	48.4%
Never		80	17.4%
No of answers to this question =		461	

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B8c How often do you use the butchers

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Daily		16	3.7%
Weekly		108	25.1%
Monthly		44	10.2%
Occasionally		132	30.6%
Never		131	30.4%
No of answers to this question =		431	

B8d How often do you use the farm shops

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Daily		2	0.5%
Weekly		64	15.3%
Monthly		37	8.8%
Occasionally		197	47.0%
Never		119	28.4%
No of answers to this question =		419	

B8e How often do you use any other shops in Shepton Beauchamp (please list)

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Daily		10	2.5%
Weekly		19	4.8%
Monthly		4	1.0%
Occasionally		221	56.1%
Never		140	35.5%
No of answers to this question =		394	

B8f Do you use the mobile library

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Yes		45	9.9%
No		389	85.5%
Didn't know there was one		21	4.6%
No of answers to this question =		455	

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C Communication in our Village

C1 How well informed do you feel about what is going on in Shepton Beauchamp

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
	Well informed	58	13.1%
	Reasonably informed	286	64.6%
	Badly informed	65	14.7%
	No opinion	34	7.7%
No of answers to this question =		443	

C2 Where do you usually get information about what is going on in Shepton Beauchamp

Participants could select more than one option		Count	%age*
	Shop windows	286	21.3%
	The Web	235	17.5%
	Local Paper	60	4.5%
	Parish notice board (near church)	144	10.7%
	Village Hall notice board	83	6.2%
	Lamp post notices	241	17.9%
	Word of mouth	284	21.1%
	Other (please give details)	11	0.8%
No of answers to this question =		1344	

C3 Which of these do you find most useful

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
	Shop windows	144	36.4%
	The Web	81	20.5%
	Local paper	14	3.5%
	Parish notice board (near church)	14	3.5%
	Village Hall notice board	8	2.0%
	Lamp post notices	40	10.1%
	Word of mouth	91	23.0%
	Other (please give details)	4	1.0%
No of answers to this question =		396	

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C Communication in our Village

C4 If it were possible, would you like to have a Shepton Beauchamp website with events and information

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Yes		202	47.2%
No		98	22.9%
No opinion		128	29.9%
No of answers to this question =		428	

C5 If it were possible, would you like to be made aware of local activities by email

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Yes		159	37.7%
No		170	40.3%
Don't have access to emails		93	22.0%
No of answers to this question =		422	

C6 If it were possible, would you like to have a Shepton Beauchamp newsletter

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Yes		299	69.1%
No		49	11.3%
No opinion		85	19.6%
No of answers to this question =		433	

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D Community Safety

D1 Do any of the following worry you in Shepton Beauchamp

Participants could select more than one option		Count	%age*
	Theft	153	26.6%
	Car crime	76	13.2%
	Mugging	10	1.7%
	Vandalism	104	18.1%
	Drunkenness	24	4.2%
	Harassment	12	2.1%
	Other (please give details)	24	4.2%
	Not worried	172	29.9%
No of answers to this question =		575	

D2 Are there any areas in Shepton Beauchamp where you feel unsafe

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
	Yes (please state where and when below)	25	5.9%
	No	354	83.7%
	No opinion	44	10.4%
No of answers to this question =		423	

D3 Would you like to see any changes to the street lighting in Shepton Beauchamp

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
	Yes (please state where below)	68	16.3%
	No	269	64.4%
	Don't know	81	19.4%
No of answers to this question =		418	

D4 Is your home within a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
	Yes	150	35.7%
	No	80	19.0%
	Don't know	190	45.2%
No of answers to this question =		420	

D5 Would you be interested in joining a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
	Yes	172	45.4%
	No	130	34.3%
	Already belong to one	77	20.3%
No of answers to this question =		379	

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D Community Safety

D6 What do you feel about the police coverage of Shepton Beachamp

Participants could select only one option	Count	%age*
Good	6	1.4%
Reasonable	52	12.5%
Poor	289	69.5%
No opinion	69	16.6%
No of answers to this question =	416	

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E Health, Social Needs and Access to Services

E1 Do you have a health problem or disability that affects your day-to-day living

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Yes		49	11.1%
No		391	88.9%
No of answers to this question =		440	

E2 Do you have any difficulty accessing any of the following services

Participants could select more than one option		Count	%age*
Hospital		17	3.7%
Doctor		29	6.4%
Chemist		10	2.2%
Chiropodist		11	2.4%
Optician		9	2.0%
Dentist		16	3.5%
District Nurse		2	0.4%
Domestic care		1	0.2%
No problems		359	79.1%
No of answers to this question =		454	

E3 If you have mobility problems, do you use any of the following

Participants could select more than one option		Count	%age*
Wheelchair		9	17.3%
Mobility scooter		6	11.5%
Walking frame		4	7.7%
Walking stick(s)		30	57.7%
Guide dog		1	1.9%
Other (please give details)		2	3.8%
No of answers to this question =		52	

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E Health, Social Needs and Access to Services

E4 Do you have any problems with the following

Participants could select more than one option		Count	%age*
Pavements and crossings		61	15.0%
Access to the Village Hall		7	1.7%
Access to the school		15	3.7%
Access to the shops and pub		6	1.5%
Access to the countryside		24	5.9%
Access to your home		19	4.7%
Other access problems		6	1.5%
No access problems		270	66.2%
No of answers to this question =		408	

E5 Are there any changes that could be made to local services that would allow you to participate

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Yes (please state)		7	2.2%
No		313	97.8%
No of answers to this question =		320	

E6 Are you an informal carer for someone with a disability or ill health

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Yes		26	6.8%
No		355	93.2%
No of answers to this question =		381	

E7 Do you feel you have enough support in your role as a carer

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Yes		13	3.8%
No		11	3.2%
Not applicable		319	93.0%
No of answers to this question =		343	

E8 Is there a need for a Good Neighbour scheme in Shepton Beauchamp

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Yes		101	25.2%
No		33	8.2%
Already in a similar scheme		10	2.5%
Don't know what it is		155	38.7%
No opinion		102	25.4%
No of answers to this question =		401	

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F Public Transport

F1 What is your main mode of transport within the local area

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Private car		362	84.0%
Bus		19	4.4%
Bicycle		10	2.3%
Motorbike/moped		3	0.7%
Wheelchair/mobility scooter		3	0.7%
Walking		34	7.9%
No of answers to this question =		431	

F2 How often do you use the bus to/from Shepton Beauchamp

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Daily		5	1.2%
Weekly		16	3.7%
Monthly		9	2.1%
Occasionally		42	9.7%
Never		362	83.4%
No of answers to this question =		434	

F3 How do you rate the bus routes

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Good		15	3.5%
Reasonable		49	11.6%
Poor		52	12.3%
Don't use the bus		307	72.6%
No of answers to this question =		423	

F4 How do you rate the frequency of buses

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Good		9	2.1%
Reasonable		48	11.3%
Poor		61	14.3%
Don't use the bus		308	72.3%
No of answers to this question =		426	

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F5 How do you rate the reliability of the bus service

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Good		24	5.7%
Reasonable		51	12.1%
Poor		18	4.3%
Don't use the bus		329	78.0%
No of answers to this question =		422	

F6 How do you rate the cost of the bus service

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Good value		18	4.3%
About right		40	9.5%
Too expensive		25	5.9%
Don't use the bus		340	80.4%
No of answers to this question =		423	

F7 How do you rate the access of the buses provided (for disabled, elderly and babies/young children)

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Good		8	1.9%
Reasonable		39	9.4%
Poor		30	7.3%
Don't use the bus		336	81.4%
No of answers to this question =		413	

F8 If you have transport difficulties, which places are a problem to get to

Participants could select more than one option		Count	%age*
Chard		17	3.7%
Crewkerne		23	4.9%
Ilminster		8	1.7%
South Petherton		11	2.4%
Street		10	2.2%
Taunton		11	2.4%
Yeovil		28	6.0%
Other location (please state)		5	1.1%
No problems		352	75.7%
No of answers to this question =		465	

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F Public Transport

F9 How often do you use the Voluntary Car Service

Participants could select only one option	Count	%age*
Occasionally	6	1.4%
Never	281	67.9%
Didn't know there was one	127	30.7%
No of answers to this question =	414	

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G Cars and Traffic

G1 What do you think of the roads in Shepton Beauchamp

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
	Good	13	3.1%
	Reasonable	171	40.5%
	Poor	227	53.8%
	No opinion	11	2.6%
No of answers to this question =		422	

G2 What do you think of the pavements in Shepton Beauchamp

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
	Good	15	3.6%
	Reasonable	223	53.0%
	Poor	168	39.9%
	No opinion	15	3.6%
No of answers to this question =		421	

G3 Where do you usually park your vehicle(s)

Participants could select more than one option		Count	%age*
	Own drive/garage	203	47.1%
	Residents car park	25	5.8%
	On the road	79	18.3%
	Off the road	49	11.4%
	Don't have a car	75	17.4%
No of answers to this question =		431	

G4 Do you have a problem parking

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
	Frequently	24	5.9%
	Occasionally	82	20.3%
	Never	227	56.2%
	Don't have a car	71	17.6%
No of answers to this question =		404	

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G Cars and Traffic

G5 Do you think that Shepton Beauchamp could be improved by any of the following

Participants could select more than one option	Count	%age*
One-way traffic system	62	7.2%
Speed bumps	86	10.0%
20mph speed limit	170	19.8%
Road narrowings (as in Merriott)	43	5.0%
New road markings	42	4.9%
More off-road parking	278	32.3%
More pavements	34	4.0%
Weight restrictions on certain roads	116	13.5%
Other (please give details)	29	3.4%
No of answers to this question =	860	

G6 Do you think that a Walking Bus Scheme should be introduced for children attending the village school

Participants could select only one option	Count	%age*
Yes	147	36.3%
No	30	7.4%
Don't know what this is	105	25.9%
No opinion	123	30.4%
No of answers to this question =	405	

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H Housing

H1 How do you feel about more houses being built in Shepton Beauchamp

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
	Do not want it	163	39.0%
	Would welcome limited development	195	46.7%
	Would welcome substantial development	16	3.8%
	No opinion	44	10.5%
No of answers to this question =		418	

H2 If houses were to be built, what kind of accommodation should be provided

Participants could select more than one option		Count	%age*
	Homes for young people	221	32.7%
	Homes for elderly people	47	7.0%
	Larger family homes	53	7.9%
	Small family homes	125	18.5%
	Shared equity homes	66	9.8%
	Executive houses	5	0.7%
	Homes for people with disabilities	29	4.3%
	Homes for single people	36	5.3%
	No further homes are needed	86	12.7%
	Other (please give details)	7	1.0%
No of answers to this question =		675	

H3 Would you support new houses being built for sale or rent at affordable prices for Shepton Beachamp parishoners

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
	Yes	262	63.1%
	No	46	11.1%
	No new houses should be built	60	14.5%
	No opinion	47	11.3%
No of answers to this question =		415	

H4 Are you concerned about flooding in the village

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
	Yes	210	51.1%
	No	156	38.0%
	No opinion	45	10.9%
No of answers to this question =		411	

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I The Environment and the Countryside

I1 How often do you use the footpaths around Shepton Beauchamp

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
	Daily	119	28.2%
	Weekly	84	19.9%
	Occasionally	132	31.3%
	Hardly ever	87	20.6%
No of answers to this question =		422	

I2 In relation to footpaths - would you like to see any of the following

Participants could select more than one option		Count	%age*
	Path maps readily available	216	24.9%
	Better maintenance of stiles, gates & paths	157	18.1%
	Paths suitable for those with disabilities	124	14.3%
	Better signing	190	21.9%
	Gates which the elderly can use easily	164	18.9%
	Other (please give details)	17	2.0%
No of answers to this question =		868	

I3 Are you interested in any of the following activities

Participants could select more than one option		Count	%age*
	Horse riding	65	40.1%
	Off-road cycling	97	59.9%
No of answers to this question =		162	

I4 Do you feel that it would be a good idea to create bridle paths around Shepton Beauchamp?

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
	Yes	190	47.5%
	No	80	20.0%
	No opinion	130	32.5%
No of answers to this question =		400	

I5 Do you think that more could be done to preserve and encourage wildlife around Shepton Beauchamp

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
	Yes	247	60.0%
	No	34	8.3%
	No opinion	131	31.8%
No of answers to this question =		412	

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J Young People

J1 How often do you use the children's playground (at the recreation ground)

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Daily		4	1.0%
Weekly		35	9.1%
Occasionally		123	32.0%
Hardly ever		44	11.5%
Don't use it		178	46.4%
No of answers to this question =		384	

J2 How do you rate the facilities provided at the playground

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Good		44	11.7%
Reasonable		135	35.8%
Poor		72	19.1%
No opinion		126	33.4%
No of answers to this question =		377	

J3 If you are 18 OR UNDER, do you attend any of the following in Shepton Beauchamp

Participants could select more than one option		Count	%age*
Table tennis		6	2.3%
Brownies		8	3.0%
Cubs/Beavers		12	4.5%
Music		3	1.1%
Art		1	0.4%
Football		9	3.4%
Drop-in/Drop-out centre		21	7.9%
Other (please give details)		7	2.6%
I am over 18		198	74.7%
No of answers to this question =		265	

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J Young People

J4 If you are 18 OR UNDER, would you use any of the following if they were provided

Participants could select more than one option		Count	%age*
Internet café		15	4.4%
Off road mountain bike area		40	11.7%
Skateboard park		25	7.3%
Hard kick-about area & basketball net		40	11.7%
Youth theatre group		21	6.2%
Other (please give details)		7	2.1%
I am over 18		193	56.6%
No of answers to this question =		341	

J5 What do you think about the new youth club (Drop-in/Drop-out Centre) for 8 - 18 year olds in Shepton Beauchamp

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Good		60	17.8%
Reasonable		11	3.3%
Poor		9	2.7%
Didn't know there was one		33	9.8%
Haven't used it yet but would like to		9	2.7%
Not interested		30	8.9%
Not applicable		186	55.0%
No of answers to this question =		338	

* percentage based on total number of answers to each question

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K1 How important do you feel the village school is to the community

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Very important		388	90.4%
Important		33	7.7%
Not very important		2	0.5%
No opinion		6	1.4%
No of answers to this question =		429	

K2 How important do you feel the playgroup is to Shepton Beauchamp

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Very important		332	78.7%
Important		58	13.7%
Not very important		6	1.4%
No opinion		26	6.2%
No of answers to this question =		422	

K3 Do you feel that there is a need for adult education in Shepton Beauchamp

Participants could select only one option		Count	%age*
Yes		153	39.4%
No		78	20.1%
No opinion		157	40.5%
No of answers to this question =		388	

K4 If provided, would you participate in any of the following classes

Participants could select more than one option		Count	%age*
Computing		87	15.6%
Flower arranging		32	5.7%
Crafts		65	11.7%
Health and fitness		114	20.5%
Languages		68	12.2%
Cake decorating		24	4.3%
Arts		39	7.0%
Job retraining		8	1.4%
Home maintenance		36	6.5%
Yoga		68	12.2%
Parenting classes		9	1.6%
Other (please give details)		7	1.3%
No of answers to this question =		557	

* percentage based on total number of answers to each question

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K5 What would the best time(s) for you to attend these classes

Participants could select more than one option	Count	%age*
Morning	60	15.1%
Afternoon	61	15.3%
Evening	191	48.0%
Weekends	86	21.6%
No of answers to this question =	398	

* percentage based on total number of answers to each question