

Sutton Benger NDP 'SWOT' Analysis Meeting 30th September 2015.

Verbatim Comments captured from each of the Four Groups.

Weaknesses Sheet 1

- General untidiness, maintenance of the village, scruffy
- Broadband rubbish
- What is done is done
- Rubbish in Rec and on High Street
- Beware management speak, keep it simple
- Broadband very poor
- Housing demand, very high supply very low demand
- Traffic, danger of increased parking on the street, large houses, lack of footpaths
- Weakness in stopping over-development
- Lack of civic pride
- Roads all need resurfacing
- Lack of amenities, drive to shops
- Local flooding and poor drainage
- Infrastructure not up to an expanding village
- Lack of shop
- Average house price very high
- Rat run, traffic density, speed / type
- Council ignoring their duty of care by not providing crossing on High Street
- River flooding
- High Street holds water at side of road and pedestrians get splashed because the traffic speeds through
- Lorries too large. Our old houses weren't built to withstand tremors from traffic, cut the big lorries
- Pedestrian safety, footpaths, traffic speed

Weaknesses Sheet 2

- Dangerous main road and fast cars / trucks
- Traffic speed and volume along main road - needs safe crossings and pavements
- Poor footpath links
- Broadband speed poor
- Dreadful bus and transport for young people

- Facilities for teenagers to get together
- What is happening to the farm opposite the Wellesley?
- First homes for sale there are none at the moment
- Not enough safe cycle routes
- High Street and Chestnut Road Traffic speed
- No village shop
- Poor condition of the roads and pavements
- Not enough footpaths and not enough ramps in the footpaths for pushchairs and wheelchairs
- Not enough [to do] for older children in village
- Poor mobile [phone] reception and slow Internet
- Poor broadband speeds and intermittent weak mobile signal
- More transport needed to Chippenham and Swindon just to get out of the village
- School community SEN intolerance
- Too much heavy traffic on the main road through the village
- Not enough safe footpaths
- Very slow broadband prohibits small business growth
- Not enough single-storey accommodation
- Intolerance and social isolation of villagers with additional needs plus the families

Weaknesses Sheet 3

- Divert large vehicles away from Sutton Benger
- Flooding on Seagry Road
- Drains over worked by heavy rain
- Traffic calming, adequate crossing, 30 mph further back and warning
- Poor/lack of footpaths
- No small houses apartments flats for over 55 to downsize
- Older people have to move out of village if they want to downsize
- Would like a local convenience store to be able to buy a pint of milk, loaf of bread bottle of wine without getting in the car
- Make footpath from corner of Chestnut Road to houses on right, we have to cross the road to get to Gate Farm
- Lack of shops
- Verges full of weeds especially down bottom of Cowley Way
- Litter
- Children who grew up here cannot afford to buy houses here
- Proper road crossings in the High Street

- Local shop will prevent need to drive to buy essentials
- Consider relocating position of pedestrian crossing
- Proper pedestrian crossing opposite entrance to Chestnut Drive
- Wasteful streetlights

Weaknesses Sheet 4

- Lack of youth consultation, lack of housing
- More development could put prospective residents off, no shop catering for general provisions, prices of houses and types of houses not suitable for first-time buyers. Flooding of roads both sides of Sutton Benger.
- Proximity to Chippenham
- Development Creep
- Traffic non-local volume
- Council override
- I would leave if there was very much more developments in the village. Infrastructure needs improving first. Limitations of the plot that the school is on. If school has to go then I will lose my business.
- Poor street lighting
- Pavements, lorries through village, speed through village, no shops.
- Heavy traffic speeding, bad roads & pavements, no shop, no starter homes.
- Drains, road access, B4069 condition, B4122 speed, Draycott Lane & B4069 junction, Internet speed in Draycott.
- No shopping facilities, narrow footpaths, elderly facilities for retirement interests, finding work without a car
- Lack of shops, poor bus service, rubbish on roads, weed growth on roads and footpaths, people ignore you, stones and other debris on pavements, dog fouling in public areas especially footpaths, speed of traffic
- More social housing
- More power to the Parish Council
- Footpaths needed especially in Seagry Road
- Just having a white line is very dangerous
- Zebra crossing outside the Bell for children crossing safely
- Too many large houses
- Unable to downsize in retirement
- No shop in village
- Shop and post office, affordable housing, footpaths, foot access to Seagry Hill and Sutton Lane.
- No shop, condition of main road

- Not a youth group or club, not enough little bins.