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## LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

As a basis for debate the Parish Council drew up a brief options paper. This was not intended to encompass all issues, but for consultation. The paper was placed on the village website and its existence published.

Residents were notified of the Village Meeting of 29<sup>th</sup> January where about fifty residents debated the ideas in the options paper.

All householders were informed of the major themes of the meeting, and invited to give an e-mailed or written response. There were nineteen replies. Combining attendance at the meeting plus the e-mails, we estimate there has been an **input from around 50 households, about 20-25% of the total.**

Despite the wide range of opinions on specifics, the PC trusts that it has encapsulated the sentiments expressed in as balanced a way as possible.

## Response to be submitted to SCDC:

We **endorse the overall approach of SCDC** in that major new housing be concentrated in New communities and the large sustainable villages, and The Chishills should retain their attractive rural character.

Specifically, that there should be **no "large development"** viz 20-25 units or more, e.g. similar

to a version of the Colts Croft, Hall Lane development built in 1976.

There was **no support** for the possibility of **entirely removing the village envelope.**

There was, predictably, a **diversity of views on the current village envelope:** no change or limited flexibility (majority opinion).

There is full agreement that the highly desirable **character of village environment must be preserved.** Yet a balance between zero development and limited scope for new build is sought.

Any proposal for **new build would have to conform to existing planning guidelines** re aspect, aesthetics, highways, etc. We would suggest a maximum of two dwellings on a site, with a strong preference for 2-3 bedrooms max. We believe this may provide some scope (to encourage younger entrants and facilitate downsizing) to **avoid a static community** in the future.

Each **application** should be treated on its **own merits**, with the envelope adjusted post hoc if necessary.

Incorporating the **totality of private gardens within the envelope** is a less preferred alternative because of rural village character but a likely max of ten builds over twenty years should not lead to any detriment.

There was **no support** for the **suggestion for 5-6 dwellings abutting the south side of Barley Road.** The PC concurs.

## Important Countryside

**Frontages:** Residents and PC are very keen to protect the vistas that befit "The Village on the Hill"

Importance of **local green space and playing field.**

**Next PC Meeting 14<sup>th</sup> March**  
*Great & Little Chishill Parish Council*

## HOME START CHARITY LUNCH in HEYDON

A thank you to all the ladies who supported the lunch held at Margaret Wynne's in Heydon. The grand total of £402 was raised for Home Start due to everyone's generosity.

## LOGS FOR SALE

There are still some logs available to buy from the felling of the horse chestnut tree in Heydon churchyard.

**Please contact Barbara Shaw on 838190 for details.**



## SLOE GIN COMPETITION RESULTS

**Nouveau:** 1<sup>st</sup> Chris Martin; 2<sup>nd</sup> Robin Dibblee; 3<sup>rd</sup> Peter Wiseman.

**Vintage:** 1<sup>st</sup> Neil Heywood; 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Marlene Bates.

**Ringers' Delight:** 1<sup>st</sup> Angela Patrick; 2<sup>nd</sup> Stella Russell; 3<sup>rd</sup> Neil Heywood.

**Presentation:** 1<sup>st</sup> Stella Russell; 2<sup>nd</sup> Don Leitch; 3<sup>rd</sup> Bob Hatt

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RED NOSE DAY

FUNDRAISING FOR RED NOSE DAY

**COMIC RELIEF COFFEE MORNING**

Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> March  
10.00 - 11.30am

Great Chishill Village Hall

Everyone welcome. Tea/coffee, cakes and children's snacks being served.

Includes children's fancy dress competition, raffle and book stall.

For more info, or to get involved, contact Emily

[07900243491](tel:07900243491) Comic Relief, registered charity 326568 (England/Wales:SCO39790 (Scotland))

**WOMEN'S INSTITUTE MEETING**

Great Chishill Village Hall  
19:30 19<sup>th</sup> March

**Annual Meeting**



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2<sup>nd</sup> Friday in the month

8 March, 12 April



**POLICE REPORTS**

In February two vans were broken into in Melbourn. It is believed that the vehicles were searched for tools and electrical items.

To prevent your van from being targeted: -

Empty the vehicle of anything that is of any value.

Leave the glove box open to show there is nothing worth stealing.

Park close to obstacles such as fences and hedges.

Park in a well-lit area.

Use stickers stating that 'no tools are left in the vehicle overnight'.

Mark your property with your name or postcode.

Following a number of **thefts of catalytic converters** in South Cambridgeshire please find below website for details of a

catalytic converter security device.

<http://www.catsafe.org.uk/>

Ford Rangers and other 4x4 style vehicles have been targeted recently.

If you see any suspicious activity, call 101, the non-emergency number for Cambridgeshire Constabulary. Alternatively you can contact Crimestoppers anonymously on [0800 555111](tel:0800555111).

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Barkway Village Hall

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1st Sunday of month

10:00 - 16:00

Entrance £1

March - December



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