

1. Young Persons

- We need entertainment for our children and to have a social point for them, with a meeting point for parents of younger children. To encourage them to use this resource it needs to have some further development (new items) plus work to keep the other items in best repair.
- Play Area is a meeting point for the children. It brings into the village. A Social point leads to using the pub.
- I have a 10 month old child and so availability of local facilities is important

2. Adults

3. Seniors

- Day centre for the lonely old
- Am ok now but we all get older and live alone.

4. Transport

- The elderly and young adults can't get out of the village
- Would be nice to have a Saturday return bus to Aylesbury or Oxford which teenagers could use.
- A regular and reliable bus service to and from Bicester would benefit all and reduce isolation of residents without access to private transport.
- I am concerned about school transport because of having to pay for the bus to the local catchment school while the bus to another local school (non catchment) is free. This is madness.
- Concerned about lack of transport
- It's proving difficult for young people to get to work.
- No bus service to Bicester if you haven't got a car it's at least £16 for a taxi
- Isolation of people who cannot drive and stratification of village community.
- There isn't really any public transport in the village, especially would affect the elderly.
- With an ageing population on the increase, the need for a bus service is also on the increase. This is in addition to the increase in the number of people that are unable to drive themselves to main facilities. It's surprising how many villages to Ludgershall do have this important facility. Why not us!!!
- The lack of buses we have in the village – 2 each week is NOT enough!! We need weekend buses too.
- Very difficult for non-drivers to get anywhere. Would be great to have an even better transport in and out of the village.

5. Roads/footpaths/bridlepaths

- Rat runs are an environmental and safety nightmare so more should be done to discourage them.
- The state of roads around and in Ludgershall is shocking and potentially dangerous. Improvement to the main access route (Bicester Road) is a priority.

- Accidents on the A41 often result in traffic being diverted through Ludgershall where the roads are not suitable for the resulting heavy traffic (volume and size). Possible alternatives should be sought.
- Too many potholes, which keep being refilled. Surely it must be cost-effective to re-surface the road, especially the Bicester road.
- It would be nice a couple of street lights along High Street and other main roads in Ludgershall.
- We live on High Street and often play on the village green to the front of our house and cars / tractors / vans often drive far too fast down high street.
- The roads leading to Ludgershall are very poorly maintained, particularly Bicester Road and Long Lane.
This can cause damage to vehicles and could give rise to accidents.
- Pot holes.
Verges are now hard to see for us horse riders.
- The approach roads including those which run through the village are in and continue to be in a very poor state of repair. This is both dangerous for pedestrians/pets/cyclists and vehicular traffic particularly at this time of year, dark mornings/evenings.
- the main road into the village from the A41 has too many potholes appearing even after being repaired.
- The two main roads in and out of the village are currently in an appalling state of repair and little seems to be done to maintain or improve them. On many occasions these roads have been used as diversions to the A41 when it has had problems or closed.
- Potholes and irregular surface is prevalent throughout the village especially on the two roads leading to the A41. Patching is not the answer and possibly in the long run more expensive in the long term than resurfacing properly.
- The old footpaths are slowly being moved or made difficult to use — where they used to run across a field, walkers have to walk round the edge or negotiate electric fencing as a result. The paths do not appear to be used as much and would fall into disuse and disappear altogether.
- Accidents could be caused by road damage.
- Pot holes
- Although we now have 30mph signs these are basically ignored by many motorists as I find out when walking the dog. Some other form of speed restriction should be implemented.
- It is common knowledge about the state of Ludgershall's roads. Something must be done to solve the pothole problem and stop everybody driving down the middle of the road. Accidents will happen.
- Potholes have always been a problem. They are just patched and then appear again. Vehicles often drive in the centre of the road to avoid tyre damage.
- The roads into the village from all aspects are in serious disrepair and are causing harm to both vehicles and cyclists
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- Especially the road out of the village to Kingswood and Wotton End. This road needs to be maintained due to amount of traffic and uneven surface

- Cars travel too fast. There was a 30mph sign but its gone.
- Grass verges where no footpath exists should be cut regularly & enable pedestrians to walk safely.
- Link road from village onto A41 need to have all pot holes repaired. These are impossible to see in the dark/wet.
- Speed limits: They are not observed and many vehicles go too fast through the village. 30mph signs should be further out - eg on Piddington Road.
- Speed limits – always a problem for rural communities especially if a dog walker, runner, cyclist.
- Speed limits – Bicester Road 30mph sign should be further back before any housing. Enforcement needed. Piddington Road is derestricted and should be 30mph.
- Maintenance is too low a priority, both roads and footpaths.
- The state of the roads. (Especially Long Lane – kids on school buses must feel seasick.)
- Too many potholes which keep being refilled. Surely it must be cost effective to resurface the road especially the Bicester Road.
- The roads in and outside our village are unbelievably bad – we need our road surfaces sorting out!!
- Our road is so bad you can only drive along one side of the road or the other to avoid grounding the car's sump in the middle of the road. It has been reported many times but it is not a priority for the LA.
- The road is in a terrible state of repair.
- The lack of road maintenance makes it dangerous for the many cyclists who use our roads.
- Roads – Condition and upkeep which locally is poor.
- Footpaths – Several blocked off and made difficult to use.
- The footpath which crosses the railway is extremely dangerous. The train whistle allows 9 seconds warning (sometimes no whistle is given) I takes 14 seconds to cross! I use it regularly (daily basis) I am not aware and take great care — casual walkers might not. There could be a fatality here as it is a public crossing. I would like to see a system with a warning light showing a train is approaching at least one minute before it arrives. In high winds, snow conditions you cannot hear a train approach — in fog you can't see it either. This is a danger – if extra measures cannot be taken it should either be closed or re-routed to one of the bridges.
- Footpaths – Closure of footpaths around Tetchwick and Tittershall Wood – for shooting – Unclear where the footpaths now run.
- Footpaths- They need constant maintenance.

6. Health

- We have a very good surgery in Brill but the waiting times to see a doctor are getting longer and longer.
- Medication: Delivery
- GP Surgery – Availability of appointments is already challenging.

7. Environment

- Renewable energy – Overuse of fossil fuels.
- More rubbish bins needed. A wildflower area. More green facilities (eg wind turbine)

- More frequent recycling collections.
- More frequent bin collections.
- Dog bins Long Lane, Wotton End.
- Flooding. The ditches and brooks are no longer looked after by the farmers and villagers like they used to be years ago. Newcomers to the village do not realise how important it is to dig out their ditches and maintain their ponds. The ponds, ditches, soak aways and brooks are all part of a finely balanced drainage system that when it is ignored flooding results.
- The drainage at the Green is very poor. The road tends to flood in several places. One property has been flooded twice.
- Over the years our village and some of its properties have been subject to a number of floodings and the amount of water that can come down off of Brill hill can be quite concerning. Again, any large development within the village will replace grassland with concrete and even if extra engineering is used to overcome this will, in my view, not be substantial enough in removing any water.
- in heavy rain the sewer overflows between Piddington Rd and Bicester Rd.
- Ditches/waterways maintenance.
- Flooding. Lived here 16 years never felt Duck Lane is supported by the Parish Council. The ditch is full of weeds/seeds
- Flooding – The stream running down Duck and Bitt Lanes is in serious need of maintenance. Last year the roads mentioned were frequently flooded, making access/egress to homes impossible. The Environmental Department are not carrying out their responsibilities to residents as they should! Cutting back the vegetation is not enough. THE BED NEEDS TO BE DUG OUT!!!
- Flooding – Brook has not been cleared for over a year. Not wide enough, urgently needs attention.
- Flooding – The main brooks draining the village used to be cleaned out regularly, they haven't been touched for about 15 years. It's no good building houses that may flood.
- Flooding – overflow and maintenance of ditches.
- Flood prone areas of the village need the drains and ditches cleared out to reduce the risk of flooding.
- Houses in the village that have been flooded in the past, drains & ditches should be maintained.
- Our house was flooded in 2007 and 2008, due to ingress of surface water. Other properties have also been flooded. Any development close to such houses is likely to exacerbate the position. Also, many of the village roads are liable to regular flooding.
- The tenants of the Bull and Butcher appear to have annexed part of the Green for their own use and the Parish Council have allowed this. The Village Green is not for commercial use. It is for recreation.
- When the village lost its elm trees an opportunity was lost in not replacing with oaks.
- Village Green. It's totally unique. V.important to maintain it.
- it is a treasure to be protected. The law restricts any granting of additional access across it. Our council should keep this in mind.
- Village Green – Would like it kept as it is for future generations.
- Ludgershall is a beautiful, historic and unique village and it should be protected for future generations. The Village Green, medieval fields and buildings, ancient monuments and the conservation area should all be protected. There has been a year on year eroding of the natural environment. With so much infilling wildlife cannot use the natural routes/areas resulting in less

sightings of butterflies, bats, deer, badgers, bees and great crested newts. We need an eco protection policy and more wildlife areas.

- There are some parts of the village where the village green is being used to park cars. This is a particular problem near the pub but is happening elsewhere. It is evident that the pub is thriving but the issue of patrons using the village green needs to be addressed.
- parking: a sensible & reasonable agreement needs to be made about parking on the green.

8.Communication

- Notice boards are very poor and no useful information on them.
- No effective communication about issues and events.
- lack of regular events where young and old can come together (sense of community)
- As the last property in Piddington we are often overlooked — some people are unaware Ludgershall continues beyond the railway. I would like every property in the Parish to be treated equally in terms of communication/ leaflets etc.
- Gigaclear does not come everywhere (extra cost of £500 + to take it up from track). I would like to see BT upgraded or alternatives like village networks considered.
- All villages in the UK should be pushing for competitive high speed fibre broadband. There will be a high Percentage of home owners that run Part of their business from home and Gigaclear are charging double.
- Mobile signal is now existent.
- Across all the major networks there is little to no mobile signal, totally unacceptable in this technological age.
- BT broadband slow.
- It is becoming absolutely essential that good broadband is needed.
- Very poor mobile signal.
- Broadband is poor, good broadband costs a lot of money. I would appreciate a fairer system.
- Mobile signal are very varied depending on provider.
- Broadband speeds are inadequate as email attachment & software downloads continue to increase in size.
- Mobile signal – They just don't work – texts or calls are hit and miss. (More often miss.)
- Broadband - BT signal is a farce! Do not want Gigaclear as we?
- It is difficult to work form home due to poor mobile signal availability.
- We can't afford Gigaclear and we have very poor internet which makes it difficult when working from home.
- The mobile signal can be appalling at times

9.Shops/Trades

- I am aware there are a few businesses in the village already, perhaps a community shop on th
- Need a shop that sells all necessities
- Facilities – Its important with a large older population to keep the travelling tradesmen ie grocers, fishmonger, milk and paper deliveries.
- This village is unique and it should remain so although I think a shop perhaps run by villagers would be an asset.

10. Housing

- More affordable housing.
- We should also consider the future of the village with the building of affordable houses for future generations
- Currently renting, would love to be able to buy a property in Ludgershall as love it here but can't afford to do so. Affordable property would be great.
- Property for own profit being built without any consideration for affordable housing.
- I do not want large houses, I want to see affordable housing for local people.
- All that gets built is larger homes by incomers wanting to make money and them moving on. Nothing for young people starting out has been built for years.
- Type of developments – would like village to remain a small rural community which could be affordable for future generations.
- We need to identify where new houses could be built but equally important is the fact that we need small, affordable houses for the youngsters and those wishing to downsize. We do not need more large executive homes.
- For the village to be sustainable long term and for us to have a strong church, village hall and pub, the village needs to grow in a sustainable way. The view of 'no developments at any cost' is short sighted and will end up with us having a housing estate tagged on to the outskirts of the village
- A more pragmatic approach from planners when dealing with applications from individuals rather than developers. Look & find ways to pass applications - rather than "reasons" to refuse. Can Parish Councils play a more active role in supporting individual applications - if it considers such applications to enhance the local community / landscape ?
- If new housing was to be built, modern affordable houses would not be in keeping with the look and feel of the village.
- The character of the village needs to be maintained, including its historical layout. Any development should not encroach on this, nor on the historic properties in the conservation area.
The AVDC area plan does not require further housing in Ludgershall, The neighbourhood plan should reflect this.
- Type of developments, e.g. developments which are not in keeping with the village and are crammed in, like a mini estate. I'm not against development per se.
- I feel that preferential sites should be on the outskirts of the village and not infill or garden grabbing which just over intensifies Ludgershall to the detriment of existing occupiers.
- Whilst we appreciate the governments directive to build and provide more housing. This should be constrained to a sensible level in areas such as Ludgershall in order to keep the character, style and history of the village intact. As mentioned the current road infrastructure cannot even support existing housing.
- We need to have building but limited building to enable this village to grow and support the local amenities so they can survive (i.e.: pub/church /hall . Without new life blood/housing this village will die on its feet and be an enclave of retired people.
- There is too much garden grabbing going on without thought for how this affects others nearby or the village community. Proposed new-builds should only be allowed if there is sufficient space for them, they fit in with the existing housing styles and do not tower above existing rooflines. There should be priority given to small bungalows and cottages so that the young of the village

can buy and the elderly downsize without moving away. Projects that reflect the needs of the community rather than the property developers should be a priority. Bury Court was a good example of what we need.

- Ludgershall is one of the last true villages left. Building must be in the correct place so as not to upset the balance of existing properties. Control is vital.
- Any future housing should be carefully considered. The 'horseshoe' shape should be protected. Tandem dwelling / infilling will result in an unsatisfactory environment for existing dwellings.
- This is good for the continued growth and development of the village. We must encourage this whilst maintaining and increasing the desire to live in Ludgershall. The housing should be of a standard in keeping with the current desirability!
- Our village should not be subject to any developments which would change the character of the village where I chose to live. Our village is fairly unique in its horseshoe shape and I believe development should be totally away from the centre of our village. I believe any building requests should be a maximum of one dwelling per request, this is to avoid any "small estates" being developed.
- Village is perfect size to maintain village status and feel. Great size community and expansion would only harm that. Attraction of Ludgershall is green spacious areas which will be built if developments happen
- Insensitive development could destroy the nature of the village.
- There seems to be an upsurge in 'infill' housing. Residents making money with disregard to their neighbours, the Village Green and the community. A housing policy is much needed.
- Control of development must be strictly maintained to ensure that over development doesn't occur. Also the development must be in keeping with the houses that are in the vicinity. This has not been the policy before and is seen, particularly, in the High Street.
- I know people are pushing for more housing and as a desirable village we are a prime target, But it's no good spoiling the very village that people want to live in.
- There is a general lack of enforcing planning rules, as a lot of developments get constructed and then obtain retrospective planning. Also these developments tend to increase gradually using the same process, a little at a time and then start to change the permitted use. Currently one local development is resulting in increased noise, as it is being used for clay pigeon shooting at alternate weekends and they want to extend this into evening shoots next year.
- Housing – if any is to be built in the area it's really important that volumes are managed carefully.
- Any new housing will destroy the unique character of the village.
- we have a good balanced community and we DO NOT NEED more housing for a few to make money from. Roads and infrastructure generally are not up to it.
- No more housing!

11.Security

- I have been here over two years and not once have I been contacted from Neighbourhood Watch.
- Street lighting – It is very dangerous for anyone going out at night! Street lighting should be a normal thing – we have very little.
- Neighbourhood Watch – Limited co-ordination and assistance.

12. Employment

13. Facilities

- Parking: village hall, pub, etc provide much needed entertainment to the village and surrounding are, e.g. comedy nights etc. I think we should promote them and provide allowable parking to all concerned, alleviate any risk of injury/damage by clogging up our narrow village roads.
- I would not want to lose the pub as it is a good community asset.
- Help for the church with the next generation stage so that the space opened up can be used for more village activities.

Other issues

- Very happy, no concerns
- In the short time we have lived here we feel the village has lots of offer and the community feel is wonderful. We wouldn't say we are 'particularly concerned' about anything above other than those small points noted, some of the above we have no input as it does not affect us currently (Seniors, Transport, Housing) we feel the village pulls together well and likeminded people help each other out a lot. The pub is fantastic, we love it, but a small shop might do well or even a coffee shop somewhere? It would be nice if AVDC reduced the brown bin cost as fortnightly I fill half my brown bin with parish / village green grass cuttings.
- Tetchwick is part of the Parish but feels left out — footpath from Ludgershall is often waterlogged so even that link can't be used (not that it is used that often).
- A very nice village with a good community spirit.
- This is a small village and we have a large village green that is more than capable of having a few cars on it, just look at bike night, 3,000 bikes and i have never complained about them being right outside my house, cig butts on my drive and the noise going on until late, so if you start this one it might never end!! Choose your battles is what I would say
- Always available if you would like extra comments. This is a village that must both protect the history whilst at the same time allow progression for the future that create a welcoming, family, friendly welcome, not an old can't move forward feeling.
- Play Area, Pub, Village Hall. They are the central point & heart of the village and they should be supported fully by all in the village.
- Well done for trying to improve the sense of village community.
- All three things above (*bus service, street lighting and road surfaces*) are things any village should have, as the normal!!
- In my opinion the last thing we need to waste time and money on is a village plan.
- Very much enjoy living in Ludgershall, great sense of community, very friendly village, also very beautiful location.
- I am not overly concerned about any of the ticked items, but would like to be informed of any changes that are likely to be made to them.
- Specific concern regarding the dual carriageway on A41 at Kingswood. Unnecessary? acts as an overtaking Zone