



Freshford Facilities Group

★ Purpose

- Provide a definition of village needs
 - Input to Parish Plan
 - Underpin BANES Core Strategy (LDF)
 - (LDF – Local Development Framework)

- Enable Local Action Plan(s)





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★ Strategy

- Retain local village character
- Support village life
- Consider Freshford & the wider community
- Village centre
- Consider holistic approach





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★ Retain local village character

- Any change needs to consider
 - Existing buildings
 - Planning Constraints
 - Conservation Area
 - Greenbelt
 - Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
 - SSSI





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★ Support village life

- All age groups
- Engender mixing of age groups
- Diverse needs





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★ Freshford & the wider community

- Facilities used by Freshford
- Facilities used by surrounding villages
 - School
 - Surgery
 - Church
 - Shop / Post Office
 - Village Hall
 - Playing Fields



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★ Village centre

- Core facilities
- Social interaction





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★ Existing Facilities

- School
- Surgery
- Church
- Shop / Post Office
- Village Hall
- Playing Fields
- Pub





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★ Survey Findings

- Keep essential facilities within the village
- Need for support services
- Need for pre-school
- Need services for home workers
- Want to develop with neighbouring villages





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★ BANES Core Strategy

- Development strategy to support rural:
 - Local Employment
 - Local services
 - Shops
 - Post offices
 - Schools
 - Meeting places

- Freshford is a rural parish





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★ School

- Successful
- Children from Hinton & Limpley Stoke use the school
- Children come from further afield
- Increasing number of young in surrounding villages
- Needs full support from the community
- Parking an issue
- The village needs the school





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★ Surgery

- Needed and wanted in the village
- Disabled access?
- Use of area above the surgery?





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★ Church

- Services shared with other churches in turn
- Parking a key issue

★ The Old Bakery

- Church owned
- Capacity for increased use
- Current restrictions due to planning constraints
- Parking a key issue



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★ Shop / Post Office

– See following presentation





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★ Village Hall

- Important resource
- Building needs attention in near future
- Largest village hall in the area
- No parking issue on the same scale as elsewhere





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★ Playing Fields

- Tennis & Football clubs
- Spare capacity





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★ Potential New Facilities

- Young
 - Playgroup, pre-school facility
- Youth
 - Meeting Place – café
 - Youth activities
- Home workers
 - Business services
 - Meeting place - café
 - Crèche
- Retired
 - Meeting place - café





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★ Next Steps

– Strategy

- Formalise to provide a framework
- Obtain approval
- Produce a report for input to BANES Core Strategy
- Build an holistic strategy for the future (next 20 years)

– Local (Tactical)

- Continue development of Action Plans
 - Aim to encourage mix of age groups
- Enhance & develop communications
 - Inter-Village and cross-facility
 - Enhance group to provide Parish Council support?