NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

 RESULTS OF QUEEN’S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION SURVEY

At the Queen’s birthday celebrations members of the Steering Group attended and encouraged residents to make their views known and to give their comments and suggestions regarding the future of Bigbury and Bigbury on Sea. These comments were made by post-it notes and subsequently e-mails and telephone. 280 comments were made and these will form the basis of the forthcoming Parish Questionnaire. At a Meeting of The Steering Group the post-it notes were read and all the salient points noted. The handwritten results and the original post-it notes will be kept with the Minute Book and are open for inspection. There were 9 categories:- Environment, Community Facilities, Employment, Infrastructure, Heritage, Ecology, Housing, Transport and Recreation/Leisure and are summarised below:

ENVIRONMENT: 29 comments: More litter and dog bins needed, footpaths need maintaining, Tidal Rd. Repairs needed and a Wildlife area suggested for The Warren.

COMMUNITY FACILITIES: 44 comments. Re-open Royal Oak, Cafe with licence needed at Bigbury on Sea, close-in Venus Cafe, possible mobile shop, maintain regular Church services. Shop locally, use Memorial Hall. Traffic calming needed and speed limit enforced.

EMPLOYMENT: 20 comments: home businesses need faster Broadband and a good Mobile phone signal. Give planning consent to sensible businesses. No point in encouraging affordable housing if no employment. Support local businesses.

INFRASTRUCTURE: 40 comments – 23 of which were for better mobile phone access and faster Broadband. Improve Sewage processing plants. More litter bins. Small centre for local recycling and rubbish. NO windfarms , solar panel farms and don’t let developers overload infrastructure.

HERITAGE: 14 comments Re-open Royal Oak, keep Bay View Cafe. List Royal Oak before it is pulled down and list The Pilchard Inn, Burgh Island hotel, Warren, Bigbury Village and Nodden Mill. Restore church bells.

ECOLOGY: 13 comments. More beach cleans, protect hedges and trees and river from pollution. Biodiversity plan for area. Wildlife and green spaces are good. Use local facilities.

HOUSING: 28 comments. Housing and development at St. Ann’s Chapel for and against. Restrict further development. Sheltered and affordable housing needed.

TRANSPORT: 48 comments .More buses needed. Buses to Kingsbridge and Modbury. Traffic calming, speed limit enforcement. Fix potholes on Tidal Rd. Widen Roads. More regular ferry to Bantham.

RECREATION/LEISURE 35 comments. Play area in Bigbury on Sea. More litter bins. Blue Flag status needed. Support local facilities. No overnight camping on car park.