



BRV

Bourton Residents Voice Group



Vision

To be a resident group that has 'credibility and weight' within the community as a whole and is seen as an asset by the Parish Council & local govt.

Purpose

To ensure that residents are heard, informed and represented in decisions affecting their community and the future of Bourton.

Objectives

1. To provide an organised and structured communication channel and action group for residents to raise issues affecting the quality of life in the village for the community.
2. To create a focussed viewpoint reflecting the views and ideas of residents.

Strategy

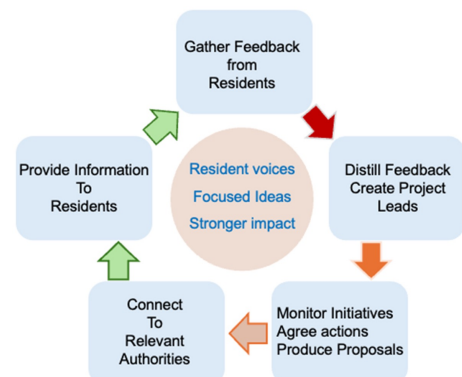
- To gather and collate views, ideas and evidence from residents.
- To compile requests on behalf of residents to appropriate and relevant authorities.
- To input, support and challenge the Parish Council Strategic Plan.

Tactics

- Use BRV Facebook Group to gather & share information, conduct polls and receive feedback.
- Use Bourton Browser for monthly updates and share contact points.
- Use Whatsapp groups per area/street to engage more residents.
- Monthly resident meetings to discuss specific topics.
- Social Media updates on issues and promoting positive village news.
- Organise events to help forge better understandings within the community.
- Attend Parish Council Meetings, including sub committees / surgeries.
- Co-ordinate initiatives (specific campaigns on agreed topics).

Process

- A smaller facilitator group will:
- Collate views and compile requests.
 - Prioritise activities based upon 66% majority interests.
 - Hold face to face meetings held every 4-6 weeks.
 - Explore email voting.



Members

Any resident in Bourton-on-the-water.

Code of Conduct

Listen with an open mind. Be polite and respectful, kind and courteous. Communicate freely without hate speech or bullying. Contribute to the wider community beyond personal agendas.

Clearer Voice, Stronger Community, Better Decisions

Bourton Residents' Voice Group

has had a real impact during the summer in ensuring that residents are heard, informed and represented on many issues affecting our historically significant village.

Our Facebook group now has over 480 members, and we are delighted that BRV is now recognised as a credible and important stakeholder by the Parish Council and other authorities.

Following BRV proposals, the Parish Council agreed to:

✅ Install railings on part of the Green earlier than usual to protect the Green from continuous winter footfall and allow natural growth.

✅ Not spend money on returfing and re-seeding, allowing us instead to consider better long-term management, biodiversity and the feasibility of improving the Green.

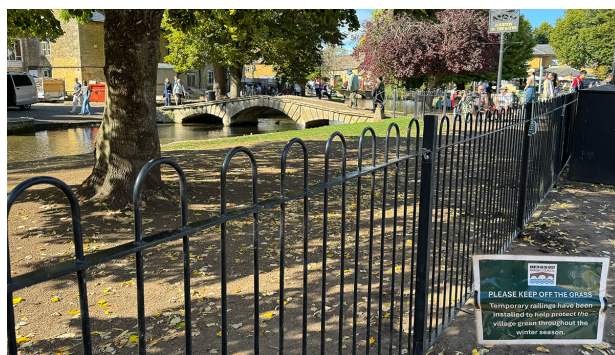
BRV is involved in discussions on:

- 🚌 Coach issues on Meadow Way.
- 🚗 Parking and traffic surveys.
- 👮 Village-wide enforcement concerns, including discussions with Acting Chief Inspector Phillipa Moore.
- 🌳 The future management and protection of our Village Green.

The objective is to ensure resident viewpoints are represented well enough to influence decisions in favour of a balanced approach to community life.

Join us on November 9th at the George Moore Community Centre at 18:30

The Village Green Task and Finish Group will present progress to date on proposed ideas and actions taken.



Keep informed, get involved

Our Facebook group already has 480+ members, but we also want to make sure residents who don't use Facebook can stay informed.

To be added to the Bourton Residents' Voice mailing list, please email:

brvchair@btinternet.com

Every month we will publish an update here in the Browser.

Each meeting will feature a topic. These will be advertised in advance to help you decide on your attendance.

Come along and help shape the future of our village.

#BourtonResidentsVoice #Bourton
#YourVoiceMatters #CommunityAction