

Parish Consultation—Phase Three

Members of the Steering Group for the Ulnes Walton Parish Plan were gratified by the interest shown when the questionnaire was sent out in March of this year. We had a 45% return, a very high response, and many offers of help in the future. Now is the time for us to take people up on their offers.

Members of the committee have contacted all the people who promised support and a good proportion are still able and willing to help, initially in the formation of Focus Groups, and hopefully later in positive action for the good of the Parish.

Four main areas will be considered in a series of meetings in September and early October: These are shown in the notice below

If you are interested in an evening of brain-storming about any of these subjects (light refreshments provided!), you will be most welcome to come to any or all of the meetings. Times and dates are as shown. We all look forward to meeting more friends and neighbours in the cause of making Ulnes Walton a Quality Parish and a better place to live.

Focus Group Meetings

7.30 pm in the Old School, Ulnes Walton Lane

Refreshments provided

Date	Topic
Monday September 29th.	The built environment eg: <i>planning issues, agricultural commercial and domestic development, advertising etc.</i>
Tuesday September 30th.	Social issues eg: <i>meeting places, transport, telecommunications, postal services, crime and policing, the elderly etc.</i>
Thursday October 2nd.	Traffic eg: <i>speed limits and traffic calming, parking, pedestrian safety etc.</i>
Friday October 3rd.	The natural environment eg: <i>tree and wildflower planting, ponds, hedgerows, birds and mammals, footpaths and bridleways etc.</i>



The Parish Plan

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Parish Plan on Course—and we're getting on the map!

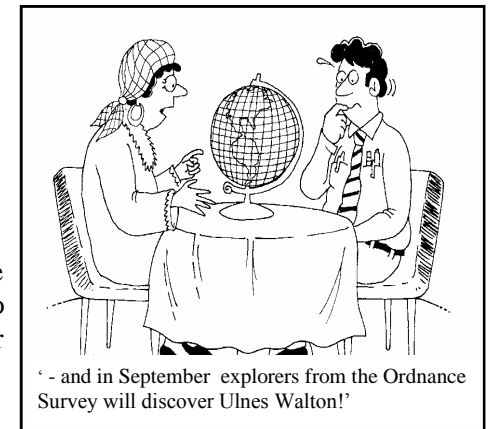
Work on the Parish Plan continues on schedule with the completion date planned for the end of February, 2004.

We were very pleased with the level of response to the Parish Questionnaire. Over 45% of residents returned a completed form. This is an unusually high figure and will add real force to the final document.

The 'Past Present and Future' event on Midsummer's Day, (Phase Two of our consultation process) was a great success and provided the Steering Group with many new ideas to incorporate in the final document. You can read more about this event overleaf.

The third stage in our consultation involves a series of 'focus groups' to look at key issues already identified. Details are included on the last page of this Newsletter. Please come along and make your voice heard on these important topics.

We already have one success to report. Following much concern in the Parish, the Ordnance Survey has at last been persuaded that Ulnes Walton exists and deserves a place on the map. Our sincere thanks go to Lyndsay Hoyle MP, Cllr Margaret Iddon
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Ulnes Walton Parish Council

Did you win a prize on June 21st?

Three prizes awarded on the basis of lucky programme numbers remain unclaimed
If you had Programme Number **33, 55 or 56** please contact any member of the Steering Group

(continued) and all those residents and others who wrote to support our campaign. The chance of visitors getting lost or of the Police and Ambulance services not being able to find us will be significantly reduced in the future.

With Regional Government and the re-organisation of local authorities now a real possibility, it is more than ever essential that the interests of voters at local level are properly represented. This is the essence of what the Parish Plan and our concern to be a 'Quality' Parish' is all about.

A final and important point. We are not convinced that we have fully heard the voices of the young people of the Parish, surely the very ones for whom forward planning holds the most significance. To make sure that their voices are heard we are holding a special meeting for 11-17 year olds on October, 4th. Details are shown on the facing page.

Members of the Steering Group thank you for your continuing support.
Yours sincerely,

Derek Ormerod
Chair, Steering Group

Past Present and Future

Day—June 21st. A day to remember

June 21st 2003 was a good day in Ulnes Walton. The weather more than fulfilled the expectations of early Summer and the Old School was a hive of activity that reminded many of Summer days gone by. More than 400 visitors, most of them residents but a few from as far afield as the United States of America came together to celebrate our past, present and future

The mix was happy and traditional. Beekeepers mixed with cakemakers. Ju-jitsu experts weighed up their chances in a possible confrontation with a set of fierce Vikings. Morris dancers from foreign parts - well Leyland actually, pounded the former playground with their clogs, local artists displayed their creations and a poet from Eccleston regaled visitors with epic sagas. The Elderberries amazed with their local history display and

Lyndsay Hoyle our local MP and his wife joined in the festivities with

great gusto. It was a day of huge enjoyment and not a little nostalgia, but it had some serious purposes. First and most important, it was a display of local community spirit and awareness. A feeling too easily lost in the pressure who live on the increasingly frenetic fringe of

Can you decipher the hidden message?
Clues elsewhere in this Newsletter.

**RU11-17? IS UW GR8?
Meeting October 4
RUCMNG? NOPOS**

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of urban society. Secondly it was an informal occasion to discover how residents felt about Ulnes Walton, the village's current strengths and problems and its future potential. In this connection it was interesting to see how much interest centred on the Parish map and the photographs which surrounded it.

The Vikings were great story tellers



Judged by the reaction of visitors the day was a great success. From the point of view of the Parish Plan Steering Group, the day more than met its objectives in terms of the large amount of useful information gained to guide the plan's development.

Lancashire Lass—owned by Mr and Mrs B Halton made a welcome visit



**Not yet 18?
No Vote?
No say?**
Yes you have!
tell us what you want for Ulnes
Walton
come to the
YOUTH FORUM
at the
Wymott Community
Centre

**11.00 am
Saturday 4th October**

led by
Andrew Suter of
The Green Centre
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