QUALITY OF LIFE

2. Transport

THE PRESENT SITUATION

The eastern part of the parish is on the Kidderminster-Bridgnorth bus route, which serves Shatterford and Arley. Pound Green has almost no buses.

The level of car ownership in the parish is high.

The parish is served by the SVR, with the station at Arley.

Cycling is a popular form of transport among visitors to the area, but some roads (and other traffic using them) present hazards to cyclists.

Issues

- Lack of bus service to Pound Green;
- Buses cause some problems through size of vehicles and occasionally excessive speed;
- High level of car ownership;
- Lack of public transport late in the evening and at weekends;
- Bus fares;
- · Reducing capacity of County Council to subsidise bus services;
- Pedestrians from Arley SVR Station to the river;
- Sustrans proposals for cycle route;
- Pedestrian/cycle/vehicle conflicts.

<u>Actions</u>	Stakeholders	<u>Timescale</u>
Maintain pressure to have the footway constructed from the SVR station to the car park.	PC, Highways Partnership	Short term
Press for a better bus service to Pound Green.	PC, WCC, OB	Medium term
Request Bus Company to travel more slowly through Arley Village, and to use smaller vehicles.	PC	Short term
Introduce bus services at evenings and weekends.	PC, WCC, OB	Medium term
Investigate locally responsive alternatives to scheduled bus services in the parish.	PC, WCC, OB	Short and medium term
Seek a satisfactory route for Sustrans Route 45 through the parish.	WFDC, WCC	Short term

Policy Statement

The Parish Council aims to achieve transport solutions that best serve the Parish.