



BUSHLEY 2014 SURVEY - QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS

(Edited version)

117 questionnaires issued, 54 responses (46%)
(Not all questions answered.)

A1/A2: Age/Gender

Age	Female	Male	Total	%age
12 to 17		2	2	4%
18 to 29		2	2	4%
30 to 39		1	1	2%
40 to 49	5	3	8	15%
50 to 70	12	17	29	54%
70+	5	7	12	22%
Total	22	32	54	
%age	41%	59%		

A3: Occupation or School/College attended

	12 to 17	18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 70	70+	Grand Total
Accountant			1	1	1		3
Architect					1		1
Area Manager				1			1
author						1	1
carer						1	1
Durham University		1					1
Electronics engineer					1		1
employment specialist mental health					1		1
garage proprietor						1	1
Manager					1		1
Marketing Executive				1			1
MOD					1		1
Property developer				1			1
Researcher					1		1
Retired					6	3	9
Retired Architect					1		1
Retired professional						1	1
Retired/farming					1		1
retired/self employed						1	1
school teacher					1		1
secretary					1		1
self employed					1		1
stonemason				1			1
Student		1					1
Surveyor				1			1
teacher				1	1		2
Tewkesbury school	1						1
The King's School, Gloucester	1						1
webmaster				1			1
Grand Total	2	2	1	8	19	8	40

A4: How many people live in your household?

	No.	%
1	10	22
2	21	46
3	3	7
4	3	7
5	5	11
6	3	7
	45	

A5: How long have you lived in the Parish?

	Age						Grand Total	
	12 to 17	18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 70	70+		
less than 1yr					3		3	6%
1 - 4yrs	1		1	2	1		5	9%
5 - 10 yrs				3	4	1	8	15%
11+ years	1	2		3	21	11	38	70%
Grand Total	2	2	1	8	29	12	54	

B1: Do you work in the village?

	Age						Grand Total	
	12 to 17	18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 70	70+		
Yes - based at home				3	4	4	11	22%
Yes - other					2		2	4%
No	2	2	1	5	21	7	38	75%
Grand Total	2	2	1	8	27	11	51	

B2: Is Broadband speed an issue for you?

	Age						Grand Total	
	12 to 17	18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 70	70+		
No		1		4	10	7	22	42%
Yes	2	1	1	4	18	4	30	58%
Grand Total	2	2	1	8	28	11	52	

B3: If 'yes' above, please provide further details, including provider and download speed

Response	Details
1	BT - speed unknown
2	BT Broadband for business Speed 1. (often less)
3	BT Broadband ~1.3Mbps Tried to precipitate widespread completion of the Worcestershire survey for roll out of fibre via Bushley News, but judging by published map very few people did complete this!
4	BT circa 2.8 mbts/s
5	BT, painfully slow (0.2 mbps)
6	BT, 1.3Mb
7	BT, slow download speed
8	BT, under 0.2 Mbps TERRIBLE!!

9	Current provider talk talk. Can be slow for download speeds and sometimes intermittent
10	Download 3.33 mb/s. Upload 0.786 mb/s
11	Download speed of 1.31Mbps, provider is Tesco.
12	I do often work at home
13	Its quite slow but it may be my old computer.
14	Link-Connect 1.4Mb. BT 1.4 Mb
15	Not sure of the speed, but it's sometimes too slow for streaming. EE is the provider. Our household would really appreciate anything that the Parish Council could do to help improve the service.
16	Occasionally, Equate Group 3.5 as tested on wifi on speedtest.net
17	Provider is OrangeHome. Download speed 7.8
18	Provider is plusnet. no idea of actual speed: varies so much. sometimes it's ok, sometimes awful and I give up
19	Require fast reliable service for online banking, shopping, information uploading and downloading, digital mapping. ISP: Talk Talk. Speed: 3.6Mps (approx.)
20	Sky - Slow download speed. Some service interruption.
21	Sky is my provider via wireless not sure of my speed
22	Sky, 3mps. Sometimes unable to work from home
23	Speed is not bad for everyday work but one realises what speed can be achieved when using laptops etc in London
24	Tesco
25	Tesco broad band: upload speed: 0.76mbps, download speed: 1.32mbps
26	Too slow and we need fibre optic cable from BT to provide for the village
27	Unable to access features such as I-Player because of slow speed
28	Useless

B4: Are there any issues in the village that should be addressed to enhance its appearance and/or quality of living?

Response	Details
1	1. Maintain/enhance structural tree planting to main village roads. 2. Discourage on street car parking. 3. Soften (if not obliterate) the impact of the Village Hall and it's car park. 4. Implement campaign against dog owners for removal of dog mess AND dog mess bags.
2	1. Faster Broadband (see above). 2. Measures to reduce speeding traffic. 3. Timely repair of potholes. 4. Regular provision of a skip to save trips to the dump. Perhaps this could be synchronised with volunteer clean-ups of the verges.
3	A community shop might be a useful addition, even if open only for a few hours each day. However, where this could be located is totally different - the village hall/church to my mind are unsuitable because of having to pack it away each day. Maybe all those who have excess eggs/produce could sell from the same location at certain times. A list could be made of skill sets that could be "traded" just for time with no money changing hands, eg mowing lawns, putting up a shelf etc.
4	Cut the hedges coming into the village after the Mythe Bridge. Build some affordable homes to bring some younger life into the village
5	Difficulties in obtaining planning permission for housing has meant that no new younger generations with families have moved into the village. Due to this denial, the village has slowly died - hence you could apply this view of mine to many of the other questions in this survey, ie cricket pavilion, church and village hall!!
6	Dog excrement in the lane to Moss Green, pot holes generally,
7	Further road maintenance.
8	Going 'green' as an entire village.
9	Group purchasing of heating oil?
10	I liked Bushley as it always used to be, everyone knew one another and was more friendly than it is now.

11	I love living in Bushley and think many good things go on in the village but we are not always aware of them. I would like Bushley to have a website that incorporates news from the Parish Council, Bushley News, Cricket Club, Greenwood's Therapeutic Garden and Village Hall in one. I would be happy to help in setting one up.
12	I think it is very good at present; quiet, friendly and a lot of people seem to take pride in its appearance, eg cutting common up at the Green, litter picking, etc
13	I wish every one got along and were willing to help when asked as this is what I imagine they came into a village for.
14	I would like to see more people taking part in village activities in an active way. I hope that everyone who walks around the village picks up litter left by unthinking motorists.
15	Less traffic going through the village at speed to Bredon School.
16	More benches.
17	Pot holes.
18	Pot holes desperately needs filling in, hedge needs cutting back from footpath between nursing home and Mythe bridge. Stokes lane! mud in middle of road needs taking off and hedges cut right back so signs are once again visible
19	Pot holes. Stokes lane - middle of road and cutting back hedges. Hedges from nursing home to Mythe bridge.
20	Pot holes, dog mess, speeding through village.
21	Potholes and road surfaces.
22	Potholes and road surfaces. Broad band speed. Hedge maintenance. Broadband speed
23	Potholes through village and poor quality on road surface on Green Street. Speeding traffic on Green Street particularly School traffic, mini-buses and taxis.
24	Raise level of lane between Church and Moss Green to help access during flooding.
25	Roads in appalling states. Speed bumps would help.
26	Roads, Verges, Drains.
27	Speeding, pot holes.
28	The PC should be seen as a safe pair of hands reflecting the needs of the majority and providing the glue that brings the various interests of the village together.
29	The speed of the traffic travelling through the village is excessive and we should employ more speed calming measures in addition to the reactive road sign. Furthermore, once Green Street has been resurfaced the parents of children at Bredon School should be strongly encouraged by the Headmaster to use that route as they make up a significant percentage of people who are speeding. The main road through the village needs resurfacing in some areas.
30	Village Hall car park should be open during day light hours. If oil/gas tank security the problem, the tank should be surrounded by a security fence, This would free up roadway. A rumble strip or traffic calmers to be installed on road at Bushley to slow down traffic.
31	Village hall should have solar panels.
32	Would prefer telephone box on green to be painted red not grey.
33	Yes, the village should have a comprehensive 'Village Plan', which should discuss such issues as land-use, buildings use, landscape and views, historic and/or modern architecture, recreational facilities, ecology and a wish list for the future - bus, shop, new village hall etc.

B5: Would you be happy for the Precept (the Parish Council element of Council Tax) to be increased by more than inflation to fund projects (such as building/environmental projects) that improve the village?

Yes	25
No	20
N/A	7

B6: Do you think that there should be any new building development in the village?

Response	Count	%age
Residential - Single dwellings	19	36%
No	16	30%
Residential - Multiple dwellings	5	9%
Residential - Single dwellings, Residential - Multiple dwellings	5	9%
limited low cost housing but lack of public transport would be an issue	1	2%
pub	1	2%
Residential - Multiple dwellings, I wanted to say "multiple, but affordable" dwellings	1	2%
Residential - Single dwellings, Infill only	1	2%
Residential - Single dwellings, limited development	1	2%
Residential - Single dwellings, Residential - Multiple dwellings, Affordable housing/Local Families	1	2%
Residential - Single dwellings, Residential - Multiple dwellings, village pub/upgraded cricket club,.	1	2%
Residential - Single dwellings, small shop	1	2%
Grand Total	53	

B7: Do you have any skills (e.g. first aid, mechanical etc) or equipment (e.g. boat, generator, pumps etc) that would be useful in an emergency situation (flooding, power cuts, etc)?

4x4 car, tools.
Canoes
Driving
First aid Engineering.
First aid and defib trained, small inflatable tender boat, happy to help with anything.
First aid, boating.
First Responder qualification and significant experience in emergency situations.
General catering.
Generator.
Generator (1000kW).Small 'dirty water' pump. Availability to assist.
I am a lifeguard and have the Emergency First Aid at Work qualification.
I am a qualified first aider. I also have a health and hygiene cert
It would depend on the emergency - probably not, but I have a pump, Road closed signs etc, which might be usefully recorded on an emergency equipment register.
Location for emergency at Bredon school
Making and serving teas and coffee.
No, apart from driving.
Retired GP and no longer registered to do medical things but allowed to do 'Good Samaritan' work if necessary. I am allowed to offer non-targeted advice (as in Bushley News)
Retired SRN.
Waders and Lifejackets.

B8: Are you interested in helping in the production of a Bushley Neighbourhood Plan (outlining possible long term future development strategies for the village)?

Yes	23	48%
No	25	52%
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B9: What is your 'vision' for the future of Bushley?

A good mix of people
A place fit for the old and the young, not just middle aged, middle class people who can afford to buy property here.
A quiet backwater.
A sustainable village, looking confidently to the future, with the younger generation engaged in village activities. More employment in the village would prevent it from becoming a dormitory and would encourage a sense of community.
A village where everyone says good morning to each other, and takes the time to chat A very modest increase in population with a mixture of domestic units, away from the current flood plain which is likely to be extended.
Affordable living for youth.
Answer to B8 possibly
As it is now.
Bushley is a very happy village, we are lucky that it is not a rat run so it is safe for dogs, horses and of course children. I would love there to be a village shop. I would love the village hall to support the running of craft courses for children and of course cooking for men I would like to see some affordable housing so the young and also some of the children of existing villagers could move into and live in the village
Bushley is fine as it is and needs nothing to enhance or improve it.
Bushley needs to remain a place where people want to live and that requires limited development that is affordable to young families.
Conservation of the status quo
Eco-sustainable village with new buildings and new affordable housing for young residents to get started on the housing ladder.
For it to become a young and thriving village as it obviously once was. New younger people need to be encouraged to move in - perhaps there could be development of redundant barns into relatively small, environmentally friendly homes as the village is quite well served with larger homes but the occupiers have no where to move to in old age within the village so staying with their support networks for independence.
Getting the community together ! A running club (based on the park run idea) regular runs for all ages and abilities. Cafe at the cricket club!
Grim, considering current individual independence.
I believe that the village will evolve as it has to and we should be careful of trying to manipulate this process too much.
I hope it retains its charm and that the 'community spirit' is revived
I think Bushley is wonderful and I always have and loads of people wish they lived here as I said before wish that everyone wanted to take part if needed, you can of course say no !
I would like a few more houses built but only in areas where there is a logical plot already. I do not think Bushley could cater with large scale development because we do not have adequate services available to cope ie. no regular bus service, no shops schools etc.
I would like to see more affordable housing in the village that would enable the younger people to take the first step on the housing ladder and whilst still remaining in the community.
I'm not sure any sort of planning at this level would have any effective voice
Maintain current ambience, limited additional housing, pub!
Maintain a peaceful safe environment
I would like the village to continue to be a friendly, supportive community. In reality, and as individuals and families face increasing economic/time pressures, I suspect that households will need to concentrate more on their own priorities rather than on community projects.
Pleasant picturesque village it is already.

Possible addition of a few new houses and making more use of the village hall, cricket club and maybe the addition of a small shop.
Remaining a quite village with a good community spirit.
Small friendly village, pretty much as is
That it remains as a village and not enlarged too much but caters for single people or young families
To encourage and provide housing for younger families, to prevent the VILLAGE DYING !!!!! See my response in B4 above.
To maintain and enhance it's current appeal, but not to freeze the village in aspic whereby it will wither in time. It should grow slowly and organically to increase it's availability to others with a more flexible housing stock which would potentially increase participation in community life.
To retain its village character
To stay much as it is but with modest development on individual basis
We are very fortunate to live in this beautiful village - what we have is the result of an evolutionary process. This should continue in a low key - low impact way.

C1: Would you be interested in taking part as a player for the men's or women's cricket team or joining as a Cricket Club social member?

	Age							
	12 to 17	18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 70	70+	Grand Total	
No	2			4	16	8	30	58%
Yes		2	1	4	12	3	22	42%
Grand Total	2	2	1	8	28	11	52	

C2: If the Cricket Club organised social events which ones would you be interested in?

Event	Count
Curry	25
Pudding nights	22
Music	15
Bingo	4
Wine & Cheese	27
Murder Mystery	8
BBQs	32
Cocktail nights	13
Poker nights	7
Quizzes	29

C3: If the Cricket Club organised sports events which ones would you be interested in?

Events	Count
Football	7
Hockey	9
Tennis	15
Rounders	10
Croquet	14

C4: Would you be interested in a Colts Cricket Team (u16s)?

No	39	85 %
Yes	7	15 %
	46	

C5: Would you support the bar if it opened one evening in the week or on a Friday or Saturday night?

	Age							
	12 to 17	18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 70	70+	Grand Total	
No	1			1	11	6	19	37%
Yes	1	2	1	7	16	6	33	63%
Grand Total	2	2	1	8	27	12	52	

C6: Would you be interested in using the pavilion more often if it was refurbished?

	Age							
	12 to 17	18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 70	70+	Grand Total	
No	1			2	17	7	27	53%
Yes	1	2	1	6	11	3	24	47%
Grand Total	2	2	1	8	28	10	51	

C7: If yes above, what refurbishments would encourage you to use it more?

A little warmer in the winter - especially the loos!
Add an additional room to the side of the pavilion where the existing players room take a large chunk out of the room (left hand side as you walk towards the bar). This would allow you to remove the internal walls in that area and give you a significantly larger function area.
BCC is a wonderful venue for summer activities ie. sports related, b-b-q's and curry nights and it could really benefit with a tidy up and removal of smelly carpets. However I think Quiz nights, Murder Mystery events etc. should be held in a revamped Village Hall which has far more space, toilet facilities etc.
Better loos
Better toilets, cleaner environment, warmer.
Bigger with more modern feel.
Happy as it is.
Heating in the kitchen and loos!!
heating, trophy cabinets and lighting inside & outside when parking.
I think the ideas of incorporating the visitors changing room into the bar area when not in use is a good idea (if not prohibitively expensive).
I think the pavilion is fit for purpose. It will always be a small space, eg not suited to say a larger musical event, so a lot of "investment" is probably not appropriate as it wouldn't allow any more usage. Happy to help with a bit of painting or similar, as time allows, to keep it tidy !
Improved kitchen facilities.
Improvements in the toilets.
More space by removing changing room when not playing cricket.
More space, better cloakrooms
New chairs and tables.
New furniture and outdoor picnic tables. Permanent BBQ. Big screen for rugby internationals
New interior and better toilets.
See my response in B4 above.
Total rebuild to form a pub "The Cricketers Arms" along the lines of The Inn at Welland.
Total refurbishment which would necessitate substantial funding but could be aided by involving the community, eg. In the renovation, the design, the vision.
Warmer, better toilets, kitchen.
Whole new building with more space for events would be great. Needs to be warmer and bigger.

D1: The Church is unlocked each day. Have you ever visited St Peter's Church, Bushley?

No	5	10%
Yes	47	90%
Grand Total	52	

D2: If you have been in the Church, what was the reason?

Events	Count
Christening	21
Wedding	27
Funeral	37
Festival service (Christmas/Harvest)	31
Regular service	15
Personal reflection	10
Fund raising event	28
Interest	2

D3: Do the times of the regular services suit you and your family?

	Age							
	12 to 17	18 to 29	30 to 39	40 to 49	50 to 70	70+	Grand Total	
N/A	2	2	1	8	21	4	38	73%
No						2	2	4%
Yes					7	5	12	23%
Grand Total	2	2	1	8	28	11	52	

D4: If no above, please provide alternative suggestions:

For personal reasons, 11.15 am doesn't fit in very well Sunday family/ other, activities/ commitments. An earlier time might encourage a larger congregation.
I do not feel the need to go to church every week.
I would like a 9.30 communion. I would like a 6.30 evensong
The 11.15 service eats into the middle of the morning. A 9 or 9.30 service might be preferable
We are all involved in sports on a Sunday morning....wife is deputy at a church school and is involved in collective services on a daily basis...attending church does not play a part in our lives at the moment.

D5: Do you attend a church outside the village?

No	46	87%
Yes	7	13%
Grand Total	53	

D6: St Peter's Church Bushley requires a minimum of £17,000 (2013 finances) to cover annual general running costs. This amount has to be raised by the village and does not cover any major repair costs. Would you consider:-

	Count
A regular financial gift?	9
A donation through your will?	6
Organise a fundraising event?	9
already donate regularly and organize events	1
Already give regularly	1
Attend/help with events	1
donation during the service collection	1
i have helped organise a fundraising event	1
no i am happy to assist at fund raising events	1
Occasional donation	1
Occasional gift	1
Occasional gift	1
Option 4 I am very involved in all fund raising activities and give as my finances allow	1
Practical assistance	1
Sponsorship?	1
Support events to raise funds	1
supporting events	1
supporting fund raising event	1

D7: Please suggest activities that the Church building could be used for:

<p>I would like to see the church and a revamped village hall advertised further a field as a suitable wedding and Christening venue and advertised on a Bushley website.</p> <p>I think the church has to become more commercial ie. sell the idea of getting married in a beautiful country village. Advertise with loads of photographs of both inside and outside. Many people who marry nowadays do not mind if they marry in a church or not so the whole package is the most important part. Therefore advertising it with Hans Haverkamp's wedding flowers, and possibly a caterer may be useful.</p> <p>Wine/cheese tasting evening – February.</p> <p>This was run in the past as a ladies only affair, it was very tastefully done with an expert who came in to talk to us.</p> <p>Easter egg hunt/spring walk with refreshments available which are always a good fundraiser - April.</p> <p>Open gardens/Summer Fete - June.</p> <p>Harvest lunch - October.</p> <p>Christmas market (held early November) – invite in quality stands with Christmas Cards, hampers and present ideas.</p> <p>I do not wish to see all the pews taken out of the church because it will take away much of the character of the building and it will never be a suitable venue for meetings or Zumba classes.</p>
<p>There are few alternative uses whilst it is subject to Church of England legal and institutional restrictions. The site has been a place of worship for 1000 years? Roman Catholics used it. Forms of worship and religious beliefs may alter in future as they have in the past. It should retain its spiritual and educational ethos.</p> <p>It is fundamentally unsuited to be a shop.</p>
<p>If we managed to move some pews we would have space for all sorts of activities, meetings, art classes, yoga, all sorts of things and then we would have a little money to help with the fabric of the church.</p>
<p>Anything that requires a venue. I don't think the space should necessarily be thought of as a "church" but as a large area with wonderful acoustics. However, if you do this I realise that public loos might be an issue and have to be addressed. Maybe chairs could be used for sitting instead of pews which can get uncomfortable after a while.</p>
<p>Music events.</p>
<p>Concerts, lectures.</p>
<p>Exhibitions, art displays, concerts etc. have all been tried with varying degrees of success!</p>

1. Coffee mornings 2. Other social events 3. Musical events 4. Talks/presentations 5. Cinema shows 6. Craft meetings (e.g. sewing sessions)
I wonder if the church or hall could be used for a visiting shop e.g. fruit/veg./fish/bread once a week. It could be a meeting place, provide tea/coffee to buy, bring people into the church more. What about a community shop/post office allied to the church buildings.
We are not a religious family but have been happy to support fundraising over the years for the church and are prepared to continue to do so depending upon the activity involved.
Could be used for lots of things but the village hall serves these purposes so no need to use the church except for religious purposes
Enhanced use as venue for weddings, concerts, visiting lecturers, exhibitions, flower festivals.
Music presentations/concerts.
We attended the wine tasting and "dessert island discs". Both were good; either or similar social event could be repeated. It's a nice social setting as well as its primary purpose. Music events work particularly well. The recorded music system is very good and acoustics good for live events - we went to the recent youth choir event.
Reading evenings or events as the church has good acoustics and this lends itself to this type of activity.
Could look at the possibility of running the alpha course
Village choir! Now that would be fun! Cafe.
Gospel singing.
Café, pub, post office, crafts fair, activity fair.
Concerts of all sorts.
Concerts, exhibitions.
No other, only use for church. Have concerts to raise money for the upkeep of the church. We have a village hall and a cricket pavilion for use for other things.
Exhibitions, concerts.

D8: The Church is at risk due to low numbers and financial challenges. Where do you see the future of Bushley Church in 10 years time?

Still struggling, being maintained by a handful who care about it.
Closed. It cannot continue through the next generation.
Closed down.
I suspect it won't be used as regularly for church services. I think if it doesn't take a commercial route to self-generate cash it will end up being sold off. I would not like to see a levy on houses in the village to pay for work to the church because this is not fair to people of other religions or atheists.
I see a building from which The Church of England has retired, loved and admired by its increased number of users serving a variety of spiritual needs from differing faiths, controlled by a committee drawn from its users with a chair person elected by the committee, working in harmony. It will work in conjunction with the village hall which will supply the base for social events in conjunction with the church.
I'm very sorry to say that if we can't raise the money I imagine the Church will close.
Tottering on as now but possibly with less worshippers.
Much as it is.
A community resource for events, local shop/post office and meeting place. but would rather it remained a place of active worship.
I think it needs a revamp that will reduce the running costs. When I'm back from university, if I have time, I would like to try and help out on the financial side.
Bleak unless we can interest more worshipers.
Whilst a beautiful building, it no longer really serves contemporary life styles whereby spirituality takes on different forms of reflection. Unfortunately, I see little future of the church in upcoming years
Like many rural churches there is no magical answer to this question. The population of Bushley has probably not altered for many years. The demographics of the village does alter cyclically however unless there is a vast increase in the population little will change in the use of the church. Funding of all churches in the countryside is a national issue not just Bushley's.

Probably closed.
Without more enthusiastic support for the regular services and organised events to raise funds, I feel the church maybe forced to close.
This is a difficult question for me to answer as I don't attend the church but I realise the importance of a village church
This depends on how receptive the Church is to change. If things remain the same, its future looks a bit bleak.
Unsure, surely that is a bigger question for the church as a whole throughout the country to work on, as numbers decline.
The way things are currently and as far as the future can be anticipated it is difficult to see a way forward in 10 years time.
In trouble, unless it is made commercially viable so that it's upkeep can be maintained. This would have to be in addition to local fund raising and to this end fund raising within the village should be co-ordinated and focussed on the Church (there are not enough residents to fund more than one institution). The Church should be the cultural 'hub' of the village (as well as occasional religious use as required). In this respect it needs to be used in tandem with appropriate Village Hall facilities. I would not like to see the building architecturally compromised by inappropriate conversion works. I am presuming that the current freehold of the vicar will not be in place in 10 years time.
A very nice house; possibly split into several while maintaining the facade.
I feel strongly that a large amount of potential funding has been squandered by the higher echelons of the C of E with investments in land, properties and shares. This money should have been used to support parish priests and churches and may have allowed them to weather the poor economic climate and this may have helped to retain more parishioners. Unfortunately I think that this continuing decline in numbers and the financial challenges that remain may well lead to the closure of many parish churches and Bushley may be one of them.
Really not sure. Restaurant?
Sadly the church may have to be closed. See my response in B4 above.
Its an asset that the village should not lose but then the costs may make it unsustainable.
It would be tragic to lose such a wonderful church but it is hard to see how we can possibly afford to maintain it
Bushley church will always be part of the village because of the commitment of its vicar and church wardens.
Not in use.
As a concert and wedding venue, with a secular, as well as religious purpose. Some of the larger activities currently catered for by the village hall would work well there. We don't need both, and only one has any architectural merit - the church.
Gone.
Hopefully struggling on.
At the heart of the village.
Hopefully still up and running.
Closed.
If it has ceased to be used as a church due to low attendance, it could be turned into a village pub.

E1: How many in your household read Bushley News?

		Number of people in household							Grand Total
		1	2	3	4	5	6	Already answered in another submission	
Number of people reading Bushley News in household	1	10	2						12
	2		19	3	1	2		5	30
	3					2		1	3
	4				1		3	1	5
	5					1			1
		10	21	3	2	5	3	7	51

Bushley News is read by 94% of respondents.

E2: Do you read each edition?

No	4	8%
Yes	48	92%
Grand Total	52	

E3: Do you access it via the village web site?

No	46	88%
Yes	6	12%
Grand Total	52	

E4: Do you think Bushley News serves a need in the village?

No	1	2%
Yes	51	98%
Grand Total	52	

F1: The Village Hall Committee are undertaking a programme of improvements to the Hall, details of which were outlined in the Bushley News. What improvements would you like to see?

Lighter, it's quite a dark space
Better use of available space.
Improve external appearance.
I would like to see a change in the village hall's appearance ie. Large windows, colour render the outside of the building and have a large welcoming (possibly oak framed) entrance where the current kitchen is. I would like to see bookable conference room (with broadband) so home workers could have meetings close to home where they can meet clients. Whiteboards, projector, high quality printer, fax, photocopier facilities could be available to hire. Our current village hall is uninspiring but nevertheless a great asset. I think if we could improve the looks both inside and out then it would help the church's to become a venue for events. Without the village hall I think the church will only serve it's current community. In the village where my parents have lived for the last 25 years their village hall was built using lottery funding. Could we not look at the same route?
More generous provision for car parking for all during day light hours. Protect the oil/gas tank by a security fence. Giant screen for national/sporting occasions to be screened live, + one off pop concerts, operas, theatre performances. Enough seats and good clean up to date toilets. Ability to subdivide to host more than 1 meeting simultaneously
I quite like the plans that have been put forward, I really think that a conservatory would be extremely hot unless every door and window opens which would make it very expensive. Why not a lovely blind.
Windows and light let in. Even for local events the tables/chairs are very basic and if wanting to encourage greater use of the hall maybe an upgrade of these would be useful to make it more of a proper venue than "just the village hall". The kitchen could be upgraded to make it easier to use - if catering for numbers it is small.
A facility to enable the showing of documentary films, i.e. natural history, environmental, local history, etc
Solar panels on the roof to supplement the running costs of the building. The energy rating certificate for the building needs to be improved
More friendly appearance inside.
General refurb.
Total rebuild or extensive modernisation, exterior and interior.
Modernised kitchen facilities, contemporary decoration.
The building is not best suited for many usages - big, ugly, cold and dark. Assuming there is not enough in the kitty for a rebuild, anything to address the above issues would be welcome.

A smaller sectioned off area for smaller events and gatherings. More natural light by way of larger windows and possibly a lower suspended ceiling. Better and softer lighting.
Dividers to enable you to hire half the hall. Doors into a garden area. Seating outside
The kitchen needs an upgrade. The current improvements look very promising.
Better; Kitchen facilities, seating, tabling. Installation of Wi Fi. Enhanced internal appearance with local artwork, photos, etc. Some effort made to improve it's external appearance with planting screening (it is a goddam awful building). Secure the oil tank so that the car park can be kept open for community use and use by visitors.
I think the hall is good as it is as it provides a large unencumbered space allowing larger events such as barn dance, etc. This is a distinct difference to the Cricket Club and Church so has a USP.
More natural light.
A refurbishment of the kitchen, new tables and chairs, better signage for the hall and maybe a sign by the Ledbury cross roads. A defibrillator mounted on the outside of the hall for the use of anyone who may need it.
Better storage of equipment/furniture.
Better lighting (natural light) and heating
Somehow improve the atmosphere. Is there a way the Hall can reflect the village?
It's a great facility.
Advertise its facilities - not every week, but maybe occasionally
I think it is a good idea to make the hall more flexible and I think the current Village Hall Committee are doing an excellent job
Windows.
Demolition and rebuilding a smaller, more modern hall, to complement the greater public use of the Church for some of the larger functions.
Lighting, heating, kitchen/bar area
Windows
Quieter, heating
I'm not keen on turning the recessed area into a separate room as it will make the main hall smaller. It has a good view of the stage and when there is a dance 2 or 3 tables go in there. I would only feel happy about this if it were just separated by a partition that could be re-opened.
Larger windows
Improved heating, bar.

F2: Currently we have Bowls, Pilates, Step Aerobics, Zumba, Cookery, Greenwoods Therapeutic Gardens and a variety of private functions. Please list below other activities you would like to see take place in the Hall e.g. table tennis:

Many people within the community of Bushley now work away during the week and when at home use a home office. This means we rarely see each other and can feel isolated at times, a new village hall could become a useful hub within the community in many ways. Networking morning. Once a month open up the village hall for anyone local to come and have a cup of coffee/cake and chat to other locals about their businesses. This could be anyone looking to recruit/be recruited, a decorator, gardener or someone based from home who just wants to get out of the office and have a chat. This also includes the older members of our community who could simply use it as a regular meeting point. Friday Evening Drop In. Open the bar area between 7 and 10 on a Friday so people returning from work can pop in, have a drink and chat with other members of the village. A back room for conference facilities could be setup for children to watch tv so baby-sitters aren't required. I don't think this would encroach on the business at places like The Hunters if dinner wasn't provided. Cinema Evening. If money is raised for a quality projector facilities it would be nice to run the occasional cinema evening. As the films would only be available after they have done the usual circuit at The Roses Theatre and others and would not be run weekly I don't think this would affect The Roses. (I know Castlemorton already do this but if I have to get in my car and travel I may as well go to Tewkesbury, Cheltenham or Gloucester.) A regular slot to draw the village population in, by providing something (say 3 times a year)that amap can identify with, at a subsidised rate for villagers.
Table tennis would be lovely I have played in Forthampton.
Badminton.

Circuits.
School holiday club for the children. Activities for children (sports)
Bridge classes.
Table tennis.
cooking evenings and children's craft days. Tai chi. Bushley Choir it is so good to sing. Film nights.
Table tennis. Art/craft classes/sessions. Language classes. Bridge classes. Cinema.
I have always been involved in producing/directing and acting in amateur dramatic productions. Is there a demand for a local amdram group that could also do light entertainment evenings? Is there the potential for a block stage?
I would love to see more but I am unsure if the population of Bushley can sustain more activities and it ends up being organised by the same people.
Any activities that are appropriate so that the hall can be used by non residents should be encouraged as this is what will have to primarily fund the hall. Village use is a great asset but not the main driver in keeping the Village Hall.
Table tennis would be good.
Art exhibitions, First Aid Training.
Table tennis would be good.
Table tennis and dodge ball for the youth, fitness/circuit training (rowing machines.etc).
Cooking evenings. Wine tasting.
Cosy circle, youth club, community choir, BUT see my response in B4 above.
Cookery for women.
Cinema nights, bingo, jumble sales.
Shop, small business centre, day centre, increased use by Greenwoods, starter units, walking centre, film club, cycling centre etc At the moment it is a white elephant, and ugly. It fulfils the useful functions you have listed, which cater for the village's health, but these could equally be catered for in a more open access Church building. A village hall of some sort could then provide employment and other local facilities, but the village as presently constituted is not large enough to support it as well as the church. If the church were able to modify its interior - move the pews, it could be made into a much more attractive village hall, leaving the Village Hall site available for housing, which would increase the number of people in the village and make the public buildings more viable and enjoyable.
Cinema nights, bingo, jumble sales.
Table tennis.
Concerts, folk evenings.
A village get together like it used to be a few years ago.
I would like to start a table tennis club.

F3: Would you like to help organise any activity in the Hall?

No	28	58%
Yes	20	42%
Grand Total	48	

F4: Would you like to help as a volunteer in fundraising towards our refurbishment projects?

No	22	45%
Yes	27	55%
Grand Total	49	