

APPENDIX C Training

Name	Submission/suggestion	Name	Submission/suggestion
Atworth	The issue of planning appeals has always been a grey area at least for this parish. Training in this area would be helpful in meeting the concerns of residents.	Berwick St James	A seminar should be held so that planning officers and conservation officers can explain how they make their decisions – particularly when they overrule the decisions of the villages.
Biddestone & Slaughterford	We support this training – could it be run within clusters of parishes (Castle Combe, Yatton Keynell, Grittleton, Biddestone.)	Bishopstone	We support and attend the seminars that have been educating us in Salisbury for a long time now. It is good if the rest of the county are now going to catch up.
Box	As the composition of the town and parish councils obviously changes it if felt that training on all issues should be repeated at regular intervals.	Bradford on Avon	Training on the planning process is always welcome and very valuable for members and officers.
Broughton Gifford	Training is a worthwhile exercise, especially when regulations are changed.	Castle Combe	The training courses previously set up by Sally Canter were excellent. All of the subjects identified should be the subject of annual training courses at locations easily reached by local councillors.
Charlton & Wishford	A brief and succinct two hour seminar on planning department roles and responsibilities and procedures should be made available for all interested parties.	Codford	Training is particularly useful for councillors who are unfamiliar with the planning process. After a decision is made in council it is usually the clerk & chairman who deal with it. This might also help with the issue of councillors unfamiliar with the planning process who repeat comments by previous speakers.
Collingbourne Ducis	All of my members are fully up to speed on the process, but attend training events as they arise.	Corsham	More information on all areas of planning would be useful.
Cricklade	These have been helpful in the past and should be continued.	Dilton Marsh (also Semington, Westwood and Wingfield)	Training on material planning considerations would be very useful.
Grafton	The seminar on enforcement is in Trowbridge and Salisbury, neither particularly close to East Wiltshire.	Ham	Much of the concerns outlined above could be resolved or minimised by periodic training sessions for members of parish councils with particular responsibilities for planning matters.
Heytesbury, Imber and Knook	More planning training would be very welcome, especially if at a more local venue than Trowbridge! All planning subjects are of interest.	Hilperton	Where new strategies are introduced or changes in policy made for any reason, town and parish councils should be updated.

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Idmiston	The website for south applications has several times not been available. Given that the move is to abolish hard copy applications & plans, your website must be speedily updated and always available otherwise we parish & town councils cannot respond.	Kingston St Michael	The council would like to have more training, particularly on the legal framework of the Planning Act, and how planning works in conservation areas.
Laverstock and Ford	The last training session on enforcement, using actual examples, was very helpful. It's not always knowing the answers so much as the questions to be asked.	Lea and Cleverton	Greater notice of these types of events and perhaps organised more locally to save on travelling.
Limpley Stoke	Senior planning officers have previously attended the Parish Council Open Forum to advise on what is looked for from the Parish members, and this has been useful. However, more in depth training on policy and what to look for would be considered useful.	Mere	Members are always interested in any training seminars on offer but would prefer them to be held during the evening as all our members work during the day.
Minety	More information on current legislation recently introduced by the Government would be useful, particularly with regard to extensions – is planning permission now technically required or not? <u>Local</u> training sessions would be useful. Trowbridge is <u>not</u> convenient for everyone.	Potterne	Central Government regularly issue variations to planning guidance, which does not normally filter down to parish level. Such advice should be regularly passed on.
Purton	Yes the parish council always welcomes training opportunities. The problem we have now is that the training is being offered in Trowbridge and Salisbury such as the invitation to attend a session on enforcement. These locations are too far to travel for a couple of hours evening training hence we have not taken up the offer. We ask that these training sessions are spread out across the county and from our point of view Chippenham or Devizes are reasonable venues in terms of travelling distances.	Redlynch	We do not necessarily need training but updated info on enforcement and listed building would be good.

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Salisbury City	Training at a basic level for elected members could be useful on planning matters.		
Stanton St Bernard	It seems like drumming up work.	Stanton St Quinton	As the composition of the town and parish councils obviously changes it is felt that training on all issues should be repeated at regular intervals.
St Paul Malmesbury Without	Additional training is always useful if nothing else than it helps to strip away the 'black magic' of some of the decisions made by officers - material planning considerations and planning appeals are areas that I would welcome some more background.	Teffont	Find the training seminars useful and constructive. Also a chance to meet development staff. Meeting in October in Salisbury was excellent.
Urchfont	Conservation area/listed buildings. Areas of minimum change.	Warminster	We would like to see in depth seminars on how to respond to planning applications in a way that is acceptable to the planning officers.
Westbury	Could a "general" topic evening rather than specific be arranged – may encourage more to attend?	Winsley	Yes. Training opportunities must be desirable, preferably delivered by independent trainers who acknowledge the value and purpose of the statutory local consultee status. The value of the parish council consultee role is not dependent on parish councillors become experts on planning law.
Woodborough	Training on all aspects of the planning process as it affects parish councils is welcome. These should include development plans, material planning considerations.		
Allison Bucknell	I do think that a bit more info about the relationship between Lbc AND Planning would be useful, also explanation about the way the conservation officers make their decisions.	Richard Gamble	I find that I am often the only member of the committee who has a copy of the current local plan to which I can refer during meetings. All members should have a copy. I often lack easy access to PPSs. Copies could be available to those who want one.
Chris Humphries	Basic planning rules and policies should be explained to the newer members who are rather cavalier in their decision making.	Carole Soden	I have been asked by parish councils whether it is possible to organise training for them on development control matters - particularly for new councillors.
Roy While	As a committee member I welcome training seminars particularly the forthcoming enforcement session.	Enforcement Team	Training for members on the use of conditions would be useful. Some of the conditions imposed in the heat of the moment at committee can cause problems later.

