

CONDOVER PARISH COUNCIL Appendix C

RYTON VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT

The following summary is based on questionnaires returned following a Consultation on Shropshire Council's Core Strategy Document at Ryton Village Hall on 17th April 2010. This was advertised in both the Parish Newsletter and Village Newsletter delivered to each household. Over 30 residents attended the Consultation and 13 questionnaires were returned.

B1: **An almost unanimous response identified Ryton as 'Countryside'**, with just one resident describing the village as a 'cluster of residential houses'. Reference is made to the separate settlements of Great and Little Ryton, and the lack of services, such as sewerage, pavements. The importance of the rural setting and extensive views, a Green Belt between Condover & Dorrington (also stressed in Question B8)

B2: **As regards the number of new homes**, the responses varied from nil/extremely limited to a maximum of 10 over the next 16 years, with several suggesting 4 to 6. Some commented that they should be individual buildings, not group developments, and carefully sited. Several recommended starter homes/small houses only and for purchase rather than renting.

A particular request was made that housing for the elderly and vulnerable should be considered.

B3: **More infrastructure requirements** were not wanted by the majority, but IT, shop, gas and local woodchip supply mentioned individually, as well as support for Pub.

B5: **Development boundaries** seen as desirable by the great majority, separating Gt and Little Ryton, but not promoting dense infill

B7: **The majority saw no need to develop employment in Ryton**, narrow roads not suitable; a few suggested some in association with farming or conversion of farm buildings to other businesses. Sheltered/supported employment for those with learning difficulties suggested as desirable within Condover Parish.

B8: **Open spaces/green spaces.** Surrounding farmland greatly valued for views and hence tourism, as well as food production. Views to south and west noted particularly by some (see maps).

Network of paths and rights of way particularly valued by some; Millennium Green and Donkey Pound triangle at entrance also cited.

B9: **Recreational needs:** Majority do not see a need to develop more recreational facilities in Ryton, some citing Dorrington nearby. Some requests for bridleway network to be improved/extended; others more play space near new Village Hall.

B11: **Affordable Housing:** None supported the need for affordable housing specifically, unless for people with Ryton links. Several cited the need for small houses for purchase by people with Ryton or Condover Parish connections.

B12: **Gypsy site:** Most had no suggestion to make, with a couple of references to existing gypsy family settled within the community.

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