

**Bloxham Parish Council – Community Benefits List
March 2025**

Reasons for Requests in Respect of New Housing Developments in Bloxham:

The anticipated arrival of additional residents of all ages who, if the current trend continues, tend to remain within Bloxham.

In the Parish Council's opinion, all residents of Bloxham need to have suitable facilities available to them to ensure that living in the village is an enjoyable and rewarding experience.

To accommodate the anticipated needs of the increase in population, the Parish Council would need to drastically increase its precept to an unrealistic level to ensure that these needs are met.

It is felt that monies need to be requested from Developers to support the additional requirements of both the young and old coming to the village.

Cherwell District Council

1. Contribution and land for a new Burial Ground and Allotments.
2. Play and Sports and Recreation to include:-
 - Equipment or facilities to be used by older children
 - Outdoor Adult gym/trim trail
 - Play equipment for disabled children
3. Improvements to the pitch and pavilion at the Recreation Ground. Better access for disabled users and possible parking
4. Support (financial) in securing land for additional football and cricket pitches
5. Support (financial) to acquire land for parking solution for Bloxham Grove Road
6. Astroturf pitch(es) at the Jubilee Park and/or the Bloxham Recreation Ground
7. Contributions to biodiversity projects such The Slade Nature Reserve and wildflower areas in the village

Oxfordshire County Council

Transport, including footpaths:

1. Highways solution to the bottleneck on the High Street, to enable safe parking
2. Pedestrian crossings near to Bloxham Primary School across Tadmarton Road and on the A361 near Strawberry Terrace. Both of these are for child safety
3. Mini Roundabout provide a solution to the traffic congestion and pollution both of noise and air
4. Contributions to provision for the elderly of the village. Both in the form of transport provision and financial support for the existing services provided in the village and to allow for expansion of these services
5. Incorporate improvements recommended in the Sustrans Report

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6. Improvements to footpaths to allow access for all throughout the village
7. Improvements to Public Rights of Way, to enable wider use
8. Pedestrian crossing in the vicinity of St Mary's Church
9. Additional Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS) and traffic calming measures
10. Improved transport support for attendance for hospital appointments at Banbury and Oxford.
11. Widening the road towards the Primary School by utilising the grass verge for parking spaces to address the bottleneck on Tadmarton Road, to enable safe parking

Library and other amenities

1. Village library - provision of a static library and support for running costs
2. Support for Bloxham Museum

Education

1. If an expansion at Bloxham Primary School is necessary, funds are also allocated for practical elements such as funds for classroom equipment eg, tables, chairs, books, pens etc etc. The School cannot be expected to cover these costs if an expansion is planned by the Local Authority

Climate Change

1. Support for climate measures such as electric car charging points

Flooding

1. Support with measures to alleviate flooding issues in the village

If it is felt by Oxfordshire County Council, Cherwell District Council (or any other party involved with the Section 106 agreement) that Section 106 funds from a development in Bloxham cannot/should not be spent in Bloxham, the Parish Council be consulted on where those funds are directed.