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Coberley Housing Need Survey 2017: Executive Summary

Coberley Parish Council recently commissioned Gloucestershire Rural Community Council to undertake a Housing Need Survey in order to ascertain the affordable housing needs within the Parish. In September questionnaires were issued to 129 dwellings in the parish and to the staff of the National Star College in Ullenwood. The survey achieved a very creditable 45% response rate. Analysis of the data revealed that:

- 71% of respondents own their own home, 2% live in private rented housing, 2% live in accommodation tied to their employment and 24% gave no response.
- 63% of homes have 3 or more bedrooms. Yet 46% of households have only 1 or 2 persons.
- 1 respondent said a member of their family had moved away in the last 5 years because they could not afford the accommodation in the parish.
- **There are currently 6 households within the parish who have self-identified themselves as being in need of affordable housing.**
- 40% of respondents were in favour of a small development of affordable homes, 19% were against, 20% were a 'maybe' and 24% gave no reply.

The responses form the basis of a full report which can be viewed on public notice boards located around the parish or on Coberley Parish Council website <http://www.coberleyparish.co.uk/>

What happens next?

The survey may be used to influence proposals for future residential development in Coberley. A copy of the final report has been passed to Cotswold District Council. Coberley Parish Council is currently considering their options on how to respond to the survey findings.

Don't forget:

Anyone wishing to apply for affordable housing must register on Homeseeker Plus for rented affordable housing website www.homeseekerplus.co.uk and Help to Buy South for low cost home ownership website www.helptobuysouth.co.uk

For further information please contact Cotswold District Council Housing Advice Team on tel 01285 623300.