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Coberley Housing Need Survey – 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. Housing Need Surveys were sent to 110 households and 46 (37%) replies were returned to GRCC. Analysis of the data revealed that:

- 96% of respondents owned their own home, 3% were in private rented housing, and 1% did not reply.
- 1 respondent revealed that a member of their family had moved away in the last 5 years because they could not afford the accommodation available within the parish.
- **There is currently 1 household within the parish who have self-identified themselves as being in need of affordable housing, and who can afford shared ownership (part buy/ part rent).**
- 61% of respondents were in favour of a small development of affordable homes, 22% said they may support such a development, 9% said no, and 9% did not respond.
- House prices in Coberley are currently more than 19 x local median annual incomes. The median gross income for employees in Stroud District was £18,099 in 2013 according to Government's Office for National Statistics whilst the average price of the 11 properties sold in Coberley for the 5 year period ending November 2014 was £358,127.

The responses form the basis of a full report, a copy of which is available from your Parish Clerk, Verna Spires Tel: 01242 821096 Email: info@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.

Don't forget:

Anyone wishing to apply for affordable housing must register on Gloucestershire Homeseeker website www.gloshomeseeker.co.uk or contact Cotswold District Council Housing Advice Team on tel 01285 623300.