

Free Text Response – Shaftesbury, Melbury Abbas & Cann Questionnaire

	Q43a Do we have adequate transport service to Shaftesbury and surrounds
1	(Improved Coach Parking) - this might be tricky if the bus 'station' was moved to car park. Would there be space for buses and coaches?
2	20mph speed limit
3	A need to be able to cross the high street safely
4	A regular and reliable direct bus service to Salisbury (town centre and hospital).
5	a regular bus from gillingham station to shaftesbury would be excellent.
6	A shuttle service from Shaftesbury to Gill railway station.
7	A Sunday bus service would be good.
8	all adequate
9	All bus services are helpful.
10	All day car parking is required for people to travel by bus to salisbury hospital or a bus trip south to the sea
11	All these houses are built without enough parking spaces. Most people in Shaftesbury need a car because buses just aren't good enough
12	and lavatories
13	Are two coach parking slots enough for tourist buses in Bell St? Perhaps Tesco to have two slots & carrier specific
14	Before you think about transport services the roads need to be in place. This need is fundamental to all "nice to have" services.
15	Bring back the Shaftesbury/Sweetmans Road bus to Gillingham Rail Station early morning, returns, late say 6.30 to 07.00.
16	Build a train station at Semley, build a shuttle bus service road and cycle route to the station. Park and ride for Shaftesbury would also be good from the station, this would give plenty of options.
17	Bus service inadequate. There is a link to Gillingham already. Lack of bus stops - none at Eastern development on A30
18	Bus service is absolute necessity. Currently it links to Gillingham station very badly.
19	Bus Services - Warminster seems to be non-existent - links to railway - Bus serves to Gillingham - more frequent/late in the evening.
20	Bus services are not good at present, especially weekends and evenings.
21	Bus services to fairly major local towns, such as Yeovil, Sherborne & Sturminster Newton are almost non-existent. This is appalling in this day & age.
22	BUS SERVICES UPGRADED FROM THE SURROUNDING VILLAGES - MORE FREQUENT ON A DAILY BASIS
23	Bus stops need seats and shelter - always.
24	Buses to outlying areas - eg Guys Marsh!
25	Bypass around Shaftesbury.
26	Bypasses A350 Shaftesbury - Poole and beyond
27	Car parking and control of moving transport
28	Car-share schemes, car rentals services, minibus services for outlying villages.
29	can't comment on existing bus services in town. we get one bus a week.
30	Connection to Bristol for coach services going N West S West England and to the Midlands to avoid going to travel via London or Heathrow
31	Cycle path from Shaftesbury to Gillingham station, making it safe to cycle there and back. More regular buses to Salisbury, Yeovil and Dorchester.
32	Cycle tracks, cycle parking spaces
33	Definite link to train station in Gill
34	dial a ride bus to town hall
35	Direct bus to Salisbury and back, shorter journey times for those wishing to find employment further afield.
36	direct link needed to Bournemouth

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37	Do in depth survey to establish transport needs (ie door to door) research using vouchers. Shared car system for web site
38	DO NOT CHARGE DISABLED FOR PARKING. This will mean more cars on double yellow lines and will mean I am less inclined to shop in Shaftesbury due to the increased time and difficulty - getting out of car to get a ticket and walking back to it is not a trivial thing.
39	Don't increase the population
40	Don't know
41	Don't know about the above
42	'Dropped' pavement edges to help those disabled people with electric buggies
43	Encourage more bus companies to put a route to Shaftesbury; especially in winter months (not just for the summer tourists)
44	Encourage people to use train station at Gillingham with regular link to Shaftesbury bus/shuttle
45	Enforce double yellow lines.
46	Ensure bus timetable is compatible to arrival and departure of trains to both London and Exeter
47	facilitate car sharing schemes.
48	FAST BUS TO SALISBURY FROM SHAFTESBURY TOWN CENTRE EVEN IF ONLY TWICE A WEEK WOULD BE LOVELY
49	G'ham station needs more parking
50	Gillingham train station nearby could bring more people to Shaftesbury. it also having a lot more to offer people and tourists.
51	Half-Hourly buses between Shaftesbury and Gillingham, from early until late, also to and from near villages, eg. Motcombe
52	have a town shuttle bus to keep buses and coaches out of the town.
53	How about re-opening the station at Semley and constructing a tramway to link it to the town and outlying areas.
54	i do not feel qualified to have an opinion, but know that traffic management must be top priority.
55	I do not use the bus so it is difficult to comment but I read that the bus service is not frequent enough. Again, not sure what coach parking is currently available, have not noticed any! But clearly if the town wishes to attract tourists there should be sufficient spaces for them to park (maybe there are....)
56	I don't know what you mean by a "town bus". Dropped curbs for mobility scooters, prams and shopping trolleys,
57	I hate to see large empty buses roaring through town. I would prefer to see a system of small, single price, frequent, regular shuttle buses serving & linking the local towns & communities.
58	I never use public transport, but if there is a continued housing development in town, better connections would be required otherwise it only encourages more car use.
59	I use the buses constantly, & rely on them. I also appreciate the financial challenges, I would like to see a gradual shift to smaller, more manoeuvrable & energy efficient buses linking at key places (eg. Wilton) where demand gets heavier, with current size of bus. Weekend access to Gillingham station is hopeless. I do appreciate what we already have, however.
60	I was surprised there is no direct bus to Wimborne the only way is to go to Poole and catch a bus there
61	If we have say 200 more homes, can we assume there will be an average of 3 people in each unit. One working away from home, one working part-time and one child or elderly relative. There for we need more school places, a satellite surgery & so on.
62	improved access to the "Jurassic Coast" North/South divide is insurmountable with current public transport.
63	improved Car Parking (not just coaches)
64	Include rail station in Tisbury. Consider using smaller buses for Town Bus and other routes where only few passengers.

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65	Infrastructure a problem - e.g. doctors, schools, facilities.
66	Introduce more 'Traffic Calming'
67	Introduced as part of town bus, services using several 12 to 15 seater minibuses.
68	It is essential that public transport is improved, so people can get to work and to other facilities. I tried to manage without a car and it is impossible to access many facilities/places using public transport alone
69	It is no longer possible to park at Gillingham Station after 9:00am - every space is full. Shuttle service needed to/from Gillingham
70	It would be good to have public transport to get to Wimborne & a more adequate service to Poole & Sherborne
71	Its particularly important to be able to access the main towns (Yeovil, Salisbury, Poole) for employment and education. Shaftsbury to have its own lift share scheme
72	link to gillingham station required, especially as it is often impossible to get a parking space at gillingham station
73	Make it easier for coaches and more likely to come. Spoken to lots of coach drivers about this in the shop where I work. Coaches have a huge effect on our shop.
74	Make provision for cyclists.
75	More frequent bus services to outlying areas. A lot of non drivers have to rely on expensive taxis.
76	More parking at Gillingham St or nearby
77	More people will mean far more traffic.
78	More regular buses
79	Much as I would like to use a bus service to, say, Salisbury or London, There is very little opportunity to leave a car by a pick up point and I cannot walk from my home. A shuttle bus around the town including St James and Enmore Green would be a help. Perhaps a minibus?
80	N/A
81	No opinion
82	No provision of bus service through Melbury Abbas so, surprise surprise, we use our cars.
83	No wd don't. This does not affect me at this moment. I can drive, I can ride a bike and I can walk. I do not use public transport only the train.
84	No we do not have adequate services.
85	none of the above
86	not able to cycle or walk due to poor health
87	Not able to give this question any justice! Don't know enough about the current services
88	not enough taxi ranks
89	One way system with one hour parking all the way from Salisbury Street to Salisbury Road!
90	park and ride to west - may cause combine service with gillingham and railway station
91	Park and ride would be good between Shaftesbury /Gillingham
92	Parking for parents - cars with children
93	People in Wincanton can go to Yeovil, see a film and get bus back after 10! Shaftesbury buses give 7 o clock curfew which means you need a car for cinema/bic big shows at local bigger towns.
94	People need the bus service to be timed to enable them to get to work in gillingham and blandford
95	Phone up minibus for Enmore Green
96	please ensure bus and train timetables are better coordinated.
97	Proper taxi services; it's extremely difficult to book a taxi after 9pm. Don't they have to fulfil certain criteria to obtain registration?
98	Quite adequate for a rural location
99	Quite frankly it is rubbish and hard to know who goes where and when. More buses with more information please.
100	Railway station car parking capacity Make cycle and footpaths part of the transport solution/plan

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101	Rationalise Town Centre parking and reduce parking charges. Unfortunately the Towns best car park was given away to Tesco.
102	Re-open Semley Station! - with car park.
103	Residents in Enmore Green as they age are stranded down here, we need a shuttle bus up and back to town or we take cars.
104	Residents living in Long Cross/Enmore Green would appreciate a daily bus service to the Town Centre - walking Tout Hill is not easy when the weather is bad or as we get older.
105	Road/rail link to Gillingham needs long stay car parking in Shaftesbury. "Shaftesbury" train station at Semley? More and cheaper car parking.
106	Road/Rail link to Gillingham Station needs serious re-organisation - it has a great potential for employment opportunities. This will require bus early in the morning and later in the evening.
107	Roads to nearby major towns as alone need to be improved.
108	safe cycle and walk to school fac.
109	See Q 24a.
110	See Q42a!
111	Shaftesbury cannot cope with an increased population - it will destroy the very nature of the town. As I am at the age of 87, I am the only member of my family to remain in Shaftesbury - and obviously not for much longer, so we will not be affected by your vandalism.
112	Shaftesbury is a tourist and all effort should be made to make it more accessible.
113	Shaftesbury needs a shuttle service to major towns - Poole / Yeovil / Salisbury and to the railway station
114	Shaftesbury to Bristol bus via Frome & Shaftesbury to Bath
115	Single comprehensive clear timetable of all buses through Shaftesbury and which buses stop where. Journey planner on website like they have in London?
116	Some buses arrive as the train is pulling out of the station. I can imagine the hour long wait in winter months being less than ideal.
117	Some integration of bus services with railway- i have seen the bus pull away just as the train arrived.
118	SOME SERVICES ARE MAYBE UNDERUSED THE BUS COMPANY COULD AXE THESE A REVISED TIMETABLE FOR CERTAIN ROUTES AT BUSY PERIODS WOULD BE BETTER
119	Speed trap cameras on the By-pass
120	Suggest smaller 'postal' buses
121	The buses DO NOT link with the trains AT ALL. Even when they're supposed to, increased traffic between station and Shaftesbury means that they don't.
122	The bus provision for Gillingham station is terrible. I have often seen the Shaftesbury bus leave the station a couple of minutes before a train arrival.
123	The bus service to/from Salisbury takes too long there should be a direct bus from Salisbury to Shaftesbury via A30 more regularly
124	The railway line between Yeovil and Salisbury needs doubling, and all the local MPs should be campaigning for this to happen to improve rail services
125	The whole bus thing is good, if only they turned up!
126	there are no buses from Gillingham railway station to Shaftesbury or motcombe after about 6 o clock in the evening.
127	There are no pavements around Cann Common making it dangerous to try and attempt to walk anywhere.
128	There is not enough bus services, you have to wait for a long time for a bus.
129	Town 'hop on' bus to include Layton Lane & St James would be wonderful - especially for OAP's
130	Unfortunately existing subsidised services are under used. Much of Q43 would have been more relevant in the 1950's/1960's
131	Unsure why Shaftesbury population needs to increase beyond current population having families
132	use of the cattle market for coach parking

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133	Very poor compared to other towns. We need sports facilities because unless parents get in free and have transport, children cannot get to any facilities to play sport. We want these facilities in our town.
134	Volunteers driving those without cars to the town, improved community cohesion.
135	Walking or cycling would reduced need
136	We could do with a later bus service at night
137	We don't have adequate anything. Schools are too small, GPs not able to cope, roads no way, supermarket is not great now etc etc.
138	We need a taxi company that still operates after it's done the school run! No local taxis after 7pm generally!
139	We need an integrated transport system, and convenient bus routes that do not end before most finish their working day.
140	We need Sunday buses as it is impossible to get to the station by public transport on a Sunday and quite difficult even on a Saturday.
141	We use Gillingham station twice a week so a minibus shuttle into town would be a good idea - although probably cost-prohibitive
142	Would like to see nil pavement parking introduced to shaftesbury including housing estates.