

OVING PARISH PLAN

Action Point Template

Subject investigated: POST-BOXES

Survey question numbers: Q19, Q47, Q48

Description of the perceived need:

There appears to be little urgent need for action here. It may be courteous for OPC to make a call on behalf of residents to ask Royal Mail to prioritise/consider replacement/installation of postboxes within the Parish.

There were six mentions of postboxes/office over three questions, all requesting better access. Specifically, postboxes on Shopwhyke Road and Drayton Lane.

Summary of relevant survey data:

Q19 Do you have any other suggestions for new community facilities in Oving Parish or improvements to existing ones?

(three comments out of 77 total responses = 3.9%):

Village shop, post office, bus shelters.

Please can we have our post box back?!

A shop, a bigger post box.

Q47 Please tell us if you have any suggestions for improvements to any of these services

(one comment out of 63 total responses = 1.6%):

I would also like to say that the post office have taken away our post box which was in Oving/Shopwhyke Road and will not replace it.

Q48 Please tell us if there is anything else you would like to say about Oving Parish or any of the issues raised in the questionnaire.

(two comments out of 42 total responses = 4.8%):

A Royal Mail posting box would be advantageous in the proximity of Silver Lakes, Drayton.

I am really very upset about the fact our post box was taken away and will not be replaced.

Description of response proposed:

Phone call or letter of support from OPC to Royal Mail to urge replacement of post box on Shopwhyke Road and installation of new box at Drayton Lane.

Feasibility of response:

Feasible.

The agency which is ultimately responsible:

West Sussex County Council Highways.

Those who will benefit among the community:

Localised benefit.

Time frame and estimated costs if known:

Should not take long, but at no cost to OPC.

Plans already in process or proposed which may be relevant:

Shopwhyke Lakes development likely to have post box(es). St Andrews Church is already investigating having a mobile post office there for two days a week.