

Bleasby Village Signs

Survey Results – October 2023

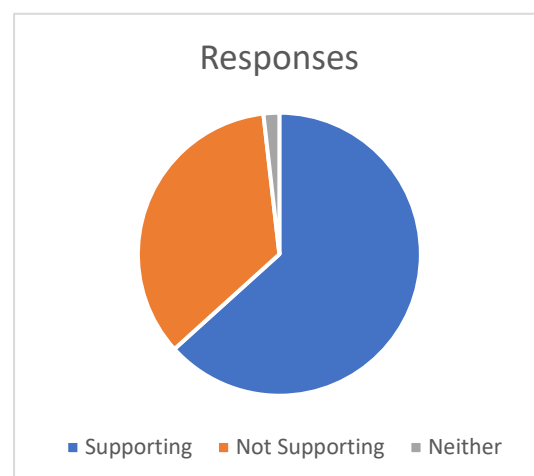


Bleasby Parish Council are delighted to note that we received 78 responses to the survey.

Please see the breakdown below.

Would you support the renewal of Entry and exit signs into Bleasby Village?

- Supporting = 49
- Not Supporting = 27
- Neither = 2



How many signs would you prefer?

2 Signs = 36

3 Signs = 6

7 Signs = 11

(2 people voted more than one choice)

What style of sign would you prefer?

No Pictorial = 12

Simple Pictorial = 29

Intermediate Pictorial = 7

High Level Pictorial = 6

(3 people voted more than one choice)

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Suggestions/Comments from the Survey

Grouped for ease of reading.

Positive

- May help with speeding
- Would be lovely to have improved signs
- A very good idea
- A 'must-do'
- Existing entry signs are a disgrace
- Will look fabulous
- Lovely signs would benefit the parish
- Essential as we look like the 'poor relations' of other Trent Valley villages.
- New sign would be an improvement.
- pleased that we are to have new signs
- Could put a Lancaster bomber on the sign pictorial.
- Could put parish church on signs as it is the centre of the village.
- Cost could be spread over several years
- Could be phased over 4-5 years.
- Can purchase be spread over 2 years?
- Perhaps you could replace them gradually over 3 years
- Perhaps a sign purchased every financial year?
- Extra signs could be purchased in future years
- Don't be put off by the cost
- I'm sure most would donate to this
- We should set up a fund to help finance this
- Fiskerton's is nicer than East Bridgford's sign.
- Fiskerton sign is simple and effective
- No pictorial would be more welcoming.
- The simpler the better
- Same as Caunton sign
- We prefer the East Bridgford sign with gold balls
- East Bridgford example is better than Fiskerton
- We like the Hockerton one
- Choice B or C depending on the incremental cost
- More colourful ones look tacky
- Replace old signs in similar places
- Represent our Salvation Army connections

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- Signs will need replacing but spend the minimum
- Very happy the Parish Council is doing this
- Rolleston has nice signs
- Need Gibsmere signs too - don't do half a job!
- 1 sign each for Bleasby, Goverton and Gibsmere
- Not fair if signs are only for Bleasby
- 'All or none' most equitable outcome
- Bleasby, Gibsmere and Goverton Welcomes Careful Drivers'
- A combined sign to include Bleasby, Goverton and Gibsmere
- Could 'Goverton and Gibsmere' be incorporated into the signs instead of 'Careful Drivers' as is it even taken notice of on other signs?
- It makes much more sense to erect three, or Goverton and Gibsmere will look like the poor relatives. Otherwise don't bother and the whole area will look like the poor relatives.
- We consider it important to unite Bleasby, Goverton and Gibsmere in one sign 'Parish of Bleasby'
- Goverton deserves inclusion and more council spending.
- Do it over several years and have 7 signs to include Government and Gibsmere
- It doesn't feel right to only replace Bleasby signs
- One sign approaching Goverton saying 'Goverton in the Parish of Bleasby Welcomes Careful Drivers'
- One at entrance to Gibsmere saying 'Gibsmere in the Parish of Bleasby – Welcomes Careful Drivers
- One at entrance to Bleasby from Fiskerton end just before the 7 hornbeams and on the left-hand side
'The Parish of Bleasby – Including Goverton and Gibsmere with Hazelford near the Ancient Crossing of the Trent- Welcomes Considerate Drivers'

Neutral

- Where would funds otherwise be spent?
- Seems we have no choice as everyone else has them.
- As well as present signs?
- 'No Speed Limit' signs should be repositioned on Goverton Hill or a new 30 sign to stop confusion.
- New signs would be nice but not at the expense of more necessary improvements.
- Remove erroneous Goverton/Bleasby sign as Goverton continues to the railway.

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- Should only encourage replies to this survey once matching grant is a certainty.
- Would support additional signs if funding is available
- Keep present signs clean
- Can someone local make/design one cheaper?
- Need a plan to keep them clean
- Additional signs – more speeding signs on Main Street
- Ask Network Rail to tidy their area near the railway as it looks so untidy

Negative

- Current signs are acceptable
- Seems a lot of money
- £4,000 per sign seems a lot
- Lovely but too expensive
- Huge waste of money
- At £4000 per sign no!
- £4000 for a sign that doesn't need replacing???
- Why would it ever be considered spending so much money?
- Would expect signs engraved in gold for this money!
- Purchasing signs would be a ridiculous waste of money
- In these straightened economic time it would be wrong to spend tax payers' money on frivolous items like signs
- Why do we need to fritter the funds away?
- Based on precept this is a huge cost
- Please don't waste hard earned cash
- In these hard times spending money replacing signs is silly
- The signs are fine as they are
- Complete waste of funds
- This is not a priority!
- Seems an unnecessary expense.
- Not necessary to spend money renewing signs.
- Signs are perfectly adequate.
- Keep existing plain ones to distinguish each area separately
- We already have signs – just not fancy ones.
- Signs are ok already.
- No need to pay to keep signs clean and tidy

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- PC should take account of inflation and family economics.
- PC should also advise on present Reserves as well as 2023/24 precept
- No need for fussy motto or picture
- Put the money into the village.
- Spend money instead on more frequent verge cutting, more flowerboxes, more tree planting, bulb planting e.g daffodils which could have a much better impact
- Use spare funds caring for green spaces which give pleasure to everyone
- Expense could be spent on more important things
- We don't need to advertise Bleasby - it's nice enough
- Money could be better spent on a children's park
- Play equipment instead?
- A play area would be good
- Would support children's play equipment.
- No village facilities which isn't right
- Provide play equipment
- Funds would be better spent on the Glebe Field, installing play equipment, keeping grass and hedges tidy
- Disgraceful it is being considered given lack of family facilities
- The village needs a park, picnic benches, and things for people to do
- Seats/benches and more frequent bin emptying to reduce bad smell
- We would like a play area
- A small play area in the Glebe Field 'orchard'
- Village in dire need of play equipment
- Improve facilities to bring much needed foot traffic to the centre of the village - the Waggon and Horses
- Spend money getting a bridleway and cycle track from Shale Lane to Morton
- Save money for when real investments are necessary such as flood defences
- Could be spent on trees/churchyard/Jubilee Ponds/paint benches/planters/high cost events
- The Coronation/Jubilee teas were a great success you could do 20 of them for the cost for the cost of 1 sign...
- Support events
- Improve the appearance of Bleasby crossing and Railway station
- Support local groups with the funds instead
- Rather you spent the money on clearing the ditches out
- Use funds to improve the roads
- Prioritise potholes, road resurfacing and park

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- Leave the signs as they are and use the cash to fix the road surfaces properly – not just ‘filling’ holes
- Repair the roads - properly!
- If you have money to spend, invest it in the people
- You could pay off that loan
- How about expanding footpaths and reinstating old ones?
- Create a wood on the fallow land at the back of manor close/by the station
- A station car park
- Small car park by station on the school, for parents dropping children off at school
- Money could be spent on something that other villages have
- Improve support for Grasshoppers e.g equipment, contractor budgets etc.
- More defibrillators (Gibsmere, Goverton, Village Hall)
- There are often young children about as the school is a big part of the village and the speed at which some cars drive is a concern
- Replace the duck sign – I’ve never seen a duck in my 5 years here
- Trees for the end of Orchard Close
- We would like a dog poo bin at the bridge near the railway crossing as lots of dog poo is left on that footpath
- Would love to see a wrought iron village sign on the Glebe field
- Still fundraising for bench in church graveyard £250 still needed!