

On Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2016, the Consultant presented an overview of the feasibility study findings, including four options, from which, residents have an opportunity to vote for their preferred option.

Printed copies of the detailed technical feasibility study will be available **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2016** (Village Hall, Shop and School). If you know someone unable to access a copy, please arrange to drop a copy off on their behalf.

If you have a question regarding the presentation or the options, please submit this to [kelly.morris@bidworks.co.uk](mailto:kelly.morris@bidworks.co.uk) or contact a member of BPDC who will email Kelly on your behalf.

The **cut off date for questions is Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at 6pm**. All questions submitted prior to that date will be logged and responses provided (further detail below).

The ballot will close at 6pm on **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2016**. Votes will be counted in public on **11<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at 7pm**, at the Village Hall.

Question	Topic	Response
Who has access to the list of ballot papers that was being cross-referenced at the meeting on Sunday.	Anonymity	The initial listing was completed by BPDC for the purpose of ensuring every resident has a vote. No member of BPDC will have access to completed ballot papers nor will they have an opportunity to cross reference votes cast. Councillor Alec Oates will collect all ballot boxes on Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2016 (after 6pm) Councillor Alec Oates will collect all email and postal votes from Kelly Morris on 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2016. Ballot boxes will be opened and votes counted by Councillor Oates and 1 other (independent Councillor). The count will take place on 11 <sup>th</sup> November 2016 at 7pm during the community council meeting at the village hall. Residents are welcome to attend to view the count.
Can you confirm advice given at the meeting that if we agree with part of an option we are allowed to 'Cross out' the suggestions within that option that we do not want?	Option 2	No. There are four options from which you are required to select one option by adding a single 'X' in the box. Additional notes or crossing out of elements of an option <b>will be deemed a 'spoiled' ballot</b> . The comment was made to a resident who did not wish to vote for any of the options, therefore it would be a protest vote.
Several people have voted but had not realised the options may be amended to reflect their truly preferred option. How do they retrieve their ballot paper and resubmit?	Changed Votes	As with the any vote, there will be <b>no opportunity</b> to resubmit a vote cast.  The options remain as stated at the meeting. For clarification: <b>Option 1</b> – Do Nothing (will appeal to those who prefer the status quo. Community groups are still eligible to apply for available funding) <b>Option 2</b> – Community purchase the shop and pub including marketing support (this means BPDC will either match fund the assets to be run by others, or BPDC will own the assets and lease to others i.e. community groups/commercial businesses or social enterprises). <b>Option 3</b> – Community purchase suitable buildings within the village (may include village hall, shop, pub, domestic properties) to run a hub (food, drink, retail) a business and recreation centre (IT facilities, hot desks, meeting rooms, crèche facilities and visitor information centre), Community Bus, and a small-scale camp site. A full time development officer will be appointed to co-ordinate and a supply chain will be established. BPDC and

		<p>BSSG will be disbanded. A new community group will be established. The group will own the assets and lease to various enterprises (social enterprises will be encouraged by commercial enterprises also welcome)</p> <p><b>Option 4</b> – BPDC will continue with plans to cost and develop Dinmurchie as previously proposed (prior to the change in economic conditions i.e. pub closure, shop at risk).</p>
<p>As you are updating the website every three days, could a paper copy of the updated web page be made available on a daily basis for those that do not have internet access.</p>	<p>Information Sharing</p>	<p>Due to the volume of questions submitted and, the fact that not everyone in the village has access to internet, the process for sharing questions and responses has been reviewed and will be as follows:</p> <p>All questions must be submitted by 24<sup>th</sup> October 2016.</p> <p>Critical ballot-related questions will be answered online. One printed copy of the update will be made available within the shop, village hall and school (notice boards)</p> <p>All study/option related questions will be logged, answered and attached as an appendix to the final technical study. Printed copies of the technical study will be available for collection from the shop, village hall and School on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2016. An electronic version will be available online on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2016.</p>
<p>How will the full time development officer and supply chain be selected? Will the roles be advertised?</p>	<p>Jobs/Supply Chain</p>	<p>There will be a fair and transparent process for the recruitment of the full time development officer (or job share). There will also be a fair and transparent process for the creation of an integrated supply chain. Full details regarding both opportunities can be found within the technical study.</p>
<p>What about other options?</p>	<p>Option Selection</p>	<p>A robust process for the identification, development and sifting of options was undertaken by the consultants. Full details can be found within the technical study which will be made available on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2016. It is important that all information relating to the study and the options is read in the context of the wider study, therefore no further information relating to the study or options will be uploaded until the final report is published.</p>