- 1. Comments from Samford community members were gained in the following ways:
- Interviews conducted by community members with their friends and/or neighbours
- Surveys completed by school students
- Surveys completed by individuals
- Surveys completed by family groups
- 2. Comments have not been edited except for spelling errors and in three instances where comments may have been construed to be inappropriately judgemental of individuals. In both cases the essence of the comment has been maintained without the personal reference being included.
- 3. Comments have been loosely grouped into categories so that it is easier to see the quantity of comments relating to particular emerging items. This collation of comments is not claimed to be definitive. There are doubtless times when people will disagree with the categorisation. The essence of what people are saying is seen to be of utmost importance and people will make their own interpretations. Where comments on a range of topics have been provided in a single sentence these have been included in a 'Mixed' category.
- 4. Many of the comments result from interaction with more than one person, in some cases with up to five people in family groups.
- 5. These comments will be discussed at two public workshops to be held on Saturday 30 July (2-4.30pm) and Monday 1 August (7-9.30pm) at the Farmers Hall. Priorities will begin to be formed at these workshops and will be finalised at a 'Wrap Up Workshop' to be held at a date to be set in August or September 2011.
- 6. The intention is to ensure priorities are carried forward into a community driven master plan for the Samford Valley and into the Community Plan of the Moreton Bay Regional Council.

# 1. What are the one or two things you really like about Samford and would want to keep at all costs?

#### Village / rural feel

- The Village and semi rural feel
- Country atmosphere. Mountains, bush etc
- Community / village atmosphere
- Bushland setting. Security. Village atmosphere (fastly disppearing)
- Rural / country feel / safe and secure / easy-paced lifestyle / not crowded / greenery
- Rural atmosphere / Village style and appeal / large green spaces with big shade trees / wonderful range of small local businesses
- Rural feel / Samford Show / close community, safe place, good people / small town feel rather than being just another suburb
- The semi-rural, quiet atmosphere of the valley
- Rural residential living / being able to see the mountain views (ie not too many trees)
- Large residential blocks / green spaces / quiet, calm atmosphere
- Wide open spaces, beautiful view of mountains, quiet lifestyle slower pace. An escape from rat race and high density living
- Quiet rural setting of a village with many basic goods and services available / separation by forest park from Brisbane suburbia
- The rural setting and relaxing lifestyle / keep small business alive and viable
- Maintaining acreage living large blocks rural lifestyle / peace and quietness away from major roads, but within easy access to the city
- Semi-rural, spacious appearance
- The "small town" feel
- The peace and quiet / large acreage / privacy and space to move
- The rural community / not being a suburban area / it's a quiet peaceful town
- Rural community / quiet peaceful

- The village to retain its character / rural zones to stay how they are
- The space and peace and quiet. I would keep block sizes to a minimum of 2 acres to keep the housing density down
- The village appeal / parkland areas to be left as they are at present
- Small country town feel / acreage lifestyle / quiet (was)
- Village atmosphere / open spaces
- The small village feel no traffic lights, no Huntry Jacks, no Woolies! / Big lots, cows, trees, rural lifestyle / the dark night sky it's almost gone!! Aggghhhh!
- Village and semi rural atmosphere / natural bush setting and clean air / low density development leads to more interaction with neighbours and a better quality of life
- Block sizes that allow a country living feel, eg, quiet, good distance between neighbours / Views that
  are largely green, not dominated by man-made structures / separate village centre that does not feel
  like just another suburban centre
- Country living 30 mins from city / rural location with village centre
- The Community village feel / close knit community / local businesses only
- I like it's small size and villagey appeal
- I love the semi rural ambiance the village small Australian country town environment / For Samford not to become just another suburb
- Open space / not many people / lack of development
- The Village atmosphere / the rural properties / the pony trails
- No traffic lights / 80 km speed zones (to be kept)
- Community, low traffic volume, interesting shops, not many franchised shops, shopping strip, community park area, quite attractive with old buildings could be better
- Village atmosphere / convenience of shopping (nearly all facilities are available locally and within easy walking distance
- I like the fact that whichever way you come to Samford it's via rural roads, with trees and views. It's a separate village, not just another suburb. I like shopping here, it's relaxing. You can get almost everthing you NEED but not much of what you just WANT.
- Easy traffic flow at the moment
- Its serenity and beauty. (After about 7pm it's so quiet).
- The Village feel
- Driving through Ferny Grove and then across the mainly undeveloped range to Samford leaving the dreary suburbs behind and entering a privileged 'Brigadoon' world.

#### Natural environment

- Open spaces / parks to play in / lots of trees / recycling station and shed brilliant!
- The forest
- Backyards / quiet and peaceful / lots of green
- Mountain views / space no smaller than 1 acre land
- The rural atmosphere / wide open spaces (out of town) / beautiful birds and fresh air / in the valley it's very peaceful and beautiful
- The country feel / wide open spaces / The wildlife
- Trees / green corridors
- The natural beauty, peace and tranquility in your own backyard and all around you / close proximity to the CBD
- Mountains / rolling hills / acreage living / quiet
- The care for the environment. I love our green neighbourhood although I would like to see more clean up days in our area. Once a year for Clean Up Australia day is not enough.
- It's natural beauty
- That Samford has not yet been turned into suburbia / the remnant of flora and fauna that still exists and the areas that support it / sadly after 22 years here most of what should have been protected has already gone
- Fresh air / Greenery and natural vegetation / Wildlife (unfortunately, fast declining)
- Minimum 5 acre subdivisions to maintain green belt flora/fauna habitat / small village type atmosphere / tranquility

- Quality of rural landscape / low population density (and concequent low traffice activity) / Samford Valley is a healthy 'Green Lung' for Brisbane
- Native vegetation on public lands
- Samford really is a 'green lung' for our region and we need to keep it that way
- Diverse flora and fauna that must be protected.
- People's sensitivity to environmental issues
- The reasonably undeveloped mountain ranges surrounding Samford, which act as a visual and natural buffer from the rest of the world.

#### **Community**

- Friendly people / good food
- Rural / History; railway / Down to earth practical people
- Village atmosphere, small locally owned shops/businesses and community groups / community events, Christmas / music in park etc
- It's safe for my children aged 10 & 16 yrs and my husband and I.
- Community support for things like Green Streets, Samford Solar Neighbourhood and sport and recreation
- The community spirit and knowing people when you walk down the street.
- Sense of community we know many people we bump into around town. More than in any other place we've lived. People seem to be friendly.
- Being part of a special community / being recognised/called by my name in local businesses / the feeling of having space to move/live/enjoy
- The village atmosphere / concerts in the park / creative and artistic community centres and activities
- Small village type community atmosphere
- ViVa's usual practice of making decisions only at well publicised public meetings or workshops needs to be preserved.
- Strong local community / good local businesses
- Strong community, diverse community groups / people identify with Samford as being special / local village with community minded, rural feel
- Village/community atmosphere / the people a community feel / green space
- Community support for ViVa as a community engagement process
- The friendliness of most of the Samford business people and their employees. Many are known on a first name basis.

#### **Mixture**

- Smallish village centered community with good school, shopping and facilities, larger shopping nearby ie we do not need more in Samford.
- Clean village atmosphere, little graffiti and litter
- There are NO fast-food outlets or trappings too often found in other suburbs we must keep it that way. Once we have MacDonalds or similar we will never get rid of it and loose our identity. (It's a bit like cancer, once you have it, you will never shake it and eventually die from it). Current takeaways etc. are sufficient.
- Gap between Brisbane suburbs and Samford while also being within 45 minutes of the CBD
- Local shops, not just big franchises
- A lot of Samford is fairly open, with large blocks, some forest reserves etc. Important to keep this in general – but that's not to say there isn't room for some more small blocks / developments. The Samford Village ones (in which we live) work well. It needs to be done carefully, and with an eye to the overall feel of the valley, the community and the environment
- Generally positive and helping approach by the community
- Coffee shops
- Progressive development from ruralism to urbanism but we need a bigger variety of stores and light industrial
- The rural type lifestyle in a beautiful area, but only 30 minutes away from all the conveniences of the city. The fact that from our house we are surrounded by bush and can't see another residence.
- The large open paddocks between housing / the community events

- There's minimual crime and graffiti (compared to inner Brisbane) / has a country feel, but still close to all city ameneties / more relaxed pace of life
- Samford has great community spirit derived from its rural history and ability to maintain its identity
  independent of Brisbane city. If this identity was lost and it became another suburb of Brisbane, then
  the motive for living in Samford would be lost. Samford is also fortunate to have many recreation
  parks and forest park/national park surrounding it which provides the 'rural' open space living and
  physically separates it from the city. Its importance for outdoor recreation, biodiversity and aesthetic
  appeal should not be taken for granted.
- Its obvious beauty, the monthly market, tennis night, the opportunity for children to grow up with room to move, the Thai takeaway.
- Beautiful country living mountains, bushland, creek, farms, livestock on farms, wallabies and koalas in bush. Myriads of birds, friendly people, village shopping, small township appeal, prices in shops very competitive with Brisbane suburbs, sporting facilitities increasing. No traffic lights or parking metres
- Village atmosphere no traffic lights/big supermarkets / security / low population level
- Minimum 2 ha subdivision rule (ie without town water / no traffic lights / remainder of paddocks from old CSIRO land
- It's not too built up yet
- The football club / the IGA complex / the little cafe in the main street
- Acreage, rural living / No major main roads-traffic / The homeliness (even though it's disapearing)
- The environment / my house! Acreage, peacefulness / local shops close to home
- No traffic lights / being able to cycle without being run off the road / the scenery (mountains)
- Samford Show / The park / no huge supermarket / the Village Pump
- IGA / Museum, John Scott Park, Parks / Samford Hotel
- Green open spaces with large allotments which limit over development / ability to keep livestock and poultry, including pigs / friendly people with a sustainable outlook / Samford Treasure shed
- Semi-rural environment / peace and quiety, large acreages / Village atmosphere and sense of community
- I like the seclusion of Brisbane and schools that are in Samford / I like the friendly people and the warm welcome the neighbours give you in Mt Glorious. I like that there are no traffic lights.
- Community / outer sections of Samford / Central Samford (don't build)
- Really like no traffic lights / the rural setting and country feel / the beautiful mountain backdrops
- Bush, trees, distinguished from regular suburbia / wildlife variety / less pollution than some areas / village, community, peace – great place to raise a family
- The country atmosphere / community activities
- The acreage blocks / Closeburn Hall / Cedar Creek
- Village atmosphere / no major shopping malls / rural low density housing estates, with trees to promote native birds / community spirit, ieg, pride in their area, eco-feel, working together, socialising
- Trees, open spaces, village atmosphere and Samford Community also parks
- Equestrian and pedestrian trail network / rural residential / community activities and public transport (put the train back)
- Rural atmosphere / close enough to the city but far enough away to 'escape' after work / speciality shops and cafes
- Village feel small businesses, family run (locals) / trees, koalas and other native wildlife / Not 'shopping centre'd 'to bits'! No Woolworths (Yay!) – no big concreet block buildings
- The open fields and bush areas the 'country' feel / our low crime rate a safe place to bring up children / village atmosphere

# 2. If you could wave a magic wand over Samford and stop something you don't like about Samford what would it be?

#### <u>Development</u>

- New development (limit) / football, sporting fields
- A cap on development and numbers (current number cap is too high). The development 'crawl'

onto previsouly open farmland and green spaces is really affronting (though I fully understand people wishing to sub-divide their land and people who choose to buy out here). There needs to be a better balance. For example, the Samford Skies development is ugly and does not fit in with Samford. It is more like a major suburb development elsewhere. Developments need to fully consider the rural nature of this area – the Samford Skies signage is obtrusive and over the top; the lighting at the entrance of the development is excessive (I feel like I am on a major highway). The lighting ear the new tennis centre is also excessive – I wonder how it affects people in the nearby houses? All that light, all the time. We don't need roadways that feel like highways..

- Overdevelopment using up land to build on small blocks population
- Too much development / stop the lack of parking
- Restrict the break up of large building blocks. Be mindful of Samford's 'charm' when considering new development
- Variety of building designs and planning
- Breaking up larger blocks into smaller blocks / don't lose the rural residential status out of the village
- Continued sub-division of large acreage / Loss of heritage properties / don't develop CSIRO land with housing
- There is too much development / Too many people moving in who want curbing and street lights in the country.
- Too much development
- Development / Stop it from getting crowded
- Estates! Outlaw development people subdividing and the council turning it into estates. Limit on sub-dividing minimum of approx 10 acre blocks! English people moving into the estates, they're awful
- Other shops and houses that are making Samford into a mini city!
- Don't allow Samford to become and look like every other suburb people that want MacDonald's, bowling alleys, sport fields, shopping centers should move to suburbs where they exist, not change our backyard to suit their desires. We as Samfordians should preserve what we have and makes out community unique through the absence of more shops, fast-food outlets etc rather than aspiring to things that a few want thereby losing our identity.
- Stop the increasing expansion
- High density living such as estates in the middle of town looking like suburbia. That's not what Samford is about in my view.
- No to: further development of small sub-divisions/housing / any commercial retailers and franchises in Samford
- Housing estates / the 'Keperra-isation' of Samford Valley / increasing traffic
- Development / traffic / new estates
- No larger supermarket development
- Development that threatens the preservation of large block sizes outside 'village' boundary. / Inappropriate development within Village boundary, eg, concrete box, ugly commercial development
- Over development of land; there should be zones emanating from Village restricting futher subdivisions
- There seems to be a movement to expand the surrounds of Samford into small residential blocks.
  This would destroy Samford as it is today. People come to visit Samford for its rural atmosphere
  etc, this would all be lost and Samford would become just another suburb. This should not be
  allowed to happen DO NOT DIVIDE THE VILLAGE UP INTO SMALL BLOCKS!
- People who are living in the past and can't see the need for development and change
- Samford must maintain it rural identity and heritage (both cultural and in its built form). As the community of Samford grows, this identity is under continuous pressure from subdivision, 'upgrades' to amenities in the Village, new developments in the Village which may not be in the spirit of its rural identity and from the removal of mature trees and iconic structures. For example the removal of the 'milk cans' and replacement with litter bins that are no different to those in Brisbane CBD are in a small way an erosion of the character of Samford.
- Housing developments.
- High density or medium density housing / urbanisation
- The continuing development involving major land clearing and the resultant loss of biodiversity
- Development

- Over development of land; there should be zones emanating from Village restricting further subdivisions
- Inappropriate development which is turning Samford into suburbia / council not being receptive to the views of the community / poor reuse practises at the Samford Transfer Station
- Sub 5 acre subdivisions (these are a blight!) / developments that don't leave good ........ equestiran and pedestrian easements / keep national fast food franchises out
- Stop major chainstores from coming in to the area / prevent crime, theft, vandalism and graffiti
- Small lot developments as per what has happened Bergman St? 3 houses crushed into one lot, same as Brisbane city.
- No further development. Need to keep Samford population smaller to maintain country fell, quiet lifestyle and less congestion. Definately do no need a Woolworths or similar retail giant in this area
- STOP the development of more sports fields and other developments on CSIRO land that land should have been planted up and turned into parkland/biotope, or perhaps a communal garden/food production area The land is prime farming land and should be used for similar purposes. Instead is will now be covered by parking lots and be sterilized for ever!
- Further housing estates on small building blocks / any further thought of a Coles / Woolies Supermarket
- Smaller house blocks / Woolworths wanting to come
- The building and subdivision of acreage to small housing blocks / Woolworths or another shopping chain coming in to Samford
- I would stop development of big modern houses on estates, any possibility of big chain supermarkets adn any cheap/poor quality shops
- Major chain supermarket development
- Lack of competition for supermarkets / service stations etc / lack of toilet facilities (in park) / signs on the kerb side (looks tacky) and stops visibility (entering traffic to main road).
- No more acceptance by Council of proposals by developers to cut up acreage blocks into blocks smaller than that approved in the town plan
- Keep the Valley free of a large supermarket. The needs of those who would like to shop at a larger supermarket should not take precedence over the need for the Valley to retain its core strengths of semi rural feel, Village precinct, safe roads, relatively low traffic levels and unique local businesses. These strengths would disappear if a large supermarket is built, even if built on the outskirts. Better to advocate for regular daily bus trips to shopping centres which are only 10-15 minutes away.
- Minimise commercial development (ie, no majors such as Woolies, no fast food chains) and no industrial development
- I wonder about the approvals for large sheds eg, 10 bays or more on small rural blocks such as up to 5 acres? I can understand sheds that size on larger land parcels, but 5 acres don't need industrial size sheds. Ugly ... and even worse if the sheds are used to house large machinery I am not talking about just a truck and a slasher, but several large industrial / commercial vehicles

#### **Traffic**

- Too many 4WD/SUVs / lack of rentals (cheap)
- The increasing traffic. I would love to put a bypass in. There are many people who drive through the village and really don't need to; I would also put speed cameras in Main Street because there are many speeding vehicles and my children cross Main Street daily.
- Ban 4 wheel drives unless they are needed for off road.
- Heavy traffic on Main Street
- Too much traffic through the village / build bypass around the village for through traffic (or a tunnel)
- Reduce the amount of traffic that is starting to appear. (E.g. for the first time last week, couldn't find a park at GP in Station St.)
- Reduce speed limit to 60 kph on Wights Mtn Rd, Camp Mountain Rd, Westbourne Drive, ie all roads apart from Mt Glorious and Mt Samson.
- Parking along the street so that you can't see when pulling out of driveways / limit number of cyclists on the road or make them follow the road rules
- People that want to play sports can use sports fields elsewhere
- Through traffic using Main Street needs to be averted via a bypass.

- Cramped IGA carpark would be better to close Kath Fitzgerald Drive to through traffic and add some public space as well as extra car parking.
- Prevent any larger road being built through the valley.
- Cars pulling out in front of you / I don't want it to be an exclusive area and shut people out / low speed limits / wider roads for cyclists or less cyclists
- Speed limit over the range it's ridiculous!
- Through traffic levels on Samford Road and side streets / Pedestrian safety
- Increasing traffic congestion / restore 80 k limit on range / sycronise Ferny Grove traffic lights
- Traffic, limited parking at times / Fast cars threatening wildlife and people (and killing) / Trucks using Greggs Road consistently during developments in Highvale 'No Truck Zone'
- Revert back to 80kph for Samford Road to Ferny Grove / Fuel 'surcharge' at local petrol station / change mindsets from 'stopping things' to 'starting things'
- Difficult of finding a parking space eg, between podiatrist and Heart & Soul and in Station St (commuters?) / Near impossiblity of crossing Main Street on foot because of traffic sometimes / lack of attractiveness in Main Street a similar development to that at Blackwood St, Mitchelton would be a step in the right direction

# **Hoons / Graffiti**

- Hoons!
- Increase in crime theft, graffiti and vandalism, hoons who drive noisy cars on footpaths at night after rain. (much of the graffiti on Mt Glorious Road done 2 months ago is still there!)
- Graffitti around shops
- Hoons down main street / greater crack down on graffitti, particularly as some of those doing it are known to the community and police / Don't let large ugly shopping centre type development take place
- Graffiti / the bullies / all day parking near the park
- Graffiti / Hooning Cars / vandalism (ie, damage John Scott Park gardens)
- Car Hoons gathering in streets on Fri and Sat nights insufficient police presence on those nights

# Smartening Village up

- Untidiness of shop fronts throughout IGA is a case in point outside walls and pavements many untidy bill boards and shop fronts. Caravans parked in the open on village residential properties
- Less advertising signs around the village
- Proliferation of unneccessary road signs
- Stop ugly housing developments with awful name tags like Samford Skies. Take out frog preschool eye sore. Take out awful ugly shop signs.
- The over abundance of signs on footpaths / do we need a 24 hr petrol station (ugly)?
- The childcare centre as you come into Samford near the roundabout and housing estate. The look does nothing for the entrance and for keeping a village feel
- Excessive signage (traffic signs and advertising) and visual pollution / parking on main road in village / definately no more supermarkets (supermarket = traffic)
- Stop increased traffic along main street and Mt Glorious Road. Stop approval of decreasing sizes of lots for building. To improve overall appearance of village centre – gardens, flowers, shrubs, buildings, trees, paths etc

#### **Mixture**

- Before it becomes a major problem: amplified music from commercial premises / gatherings in the village; megaphones will be an increasing problem (for example we live 2 km from the swimming pool and we used to be able to hear the megaphone as though they were 2 house blocks away every Friday night!! It has improved lately.; no more small subdivisions only 5 acres we already have too many people and too much congestion
- Nothing
- The graffiting going on / keep the expansion to a minimum / all the potholes need to be fixed
- Lack of drainage infrastructure. Land being relased for sale has had minimal drainage infrastructure
  put in leaving the residents fighting 'against the tide' and having to pay lots of money to fix
  problems. People sell up leaving issues for others to fix which doesn't make a happy

environment. Has been like that since Samford Downs released.

- Graffiti and rubbish on the ground. Over population and too many cars. The increasing proliferation of businesses being set up on residential blocks, the silly 70kph speed limit over the range now that the road surface has been finally made safe.
- The bike riders, crazy car drivers that ride up Mt Glorious every weekend
- Nothing
- Lack of cultural diversity. I reckon Samford (and particularly the perspectives of our children) would be enriched with some greater diversity in the community.
- Lack of community spirit. I belong to a bushcare group where only myself and another ever turn up consequently it is now in recess due to lack of community interest. A sad state of affairs! Stop people from parking vehicles along the edges of the street through the village (obstructed vision)
- Nothing
- No more developments / slow all traffic and people's pace down / no truck traffice through main street / too busy at IGA sometimes, could be enlarged to cope (parking especially) / not enough solar panels
- Urbanisation should be halted.
- Turn back the clock to before sub-division / Improve traffic on Samford Road giving easy access to persons who live there / more police presence
- No more developments / slow all traffic and people's pace down / no truck traffice through main street / too busy at IGA sometimes, could be enlarged to cope (parking especially) / not enough solar panels
- Nothing, I moved here 46 years ago to experience progressive development of the area along with the changes due to changing land values and zonings introduced in response for the capitalisation of land
- Wider roadways (cars, walkers, cyclists) / fig trees should never have been planted in Westwood Drive
- Clearing around land stricter controls / greater protection of our waterway
- Small subdivisions / Bypass village
- Don't want woolies or coles / people driving to work with 1 person / people not shopping in village
- Stop habitual barking dogs and stop people who ride noisy trail bikes, indulge in rock band practise adn have noisy parties with loud music going on until the early hours of the morning.
- Crime and graffiti! / No more commercial outlets, ie shops / increasing traffic and population
- Traffic increasing on main roads in village / gated 'retirement' community close to village, small
  houses, a few close together with a caretaker to 'look after' things and check on people, many
  people have lived in Samford many, many years, but can no longer manage acreage or manage
  totally alone
- No more subdivisions under 5 acres / No Western bypass / No rail line to Samford / No Woolworths, Coles etc / Council to look after the Creek banks they own
- Remove massive traffic from Main Street / no subdivision less than 2 acres / more trees, stop cutting down our trees for developers to profit
- Littering. People throw their rubbish out of cars as they drive along. The verges are a disgrace also horse trails and walking tracks..
- Better shopping centre and improved pathway and access
- Traffic in Main Street / separate shires, ie have our own Shire / lack of public transport for older people living out of Samford Village / lack of bike paths along main routes
- Subdivisions of less than 5 acres (2 ha) / stop cars/trucks speed through Main Street
- No train lines
- Chopping up land parcels into small lots, eg 1.5 acres, anything under 5 acreas / to change the
  dead look, from all the pesticide and herbicide sprays along the roadsides / no street lights outside
  village
- Highway through Main Street! / Utilise the road corridor for bulk of through traffic / beautify entrance to village dayboro end, Weed infested creek and grubby bridge
- Advertising signs / traffic snarls / mountainside house blocks
- The difficulty getting across the road on Main Street because of the constant traffic / no more housing estates where there should be acreage / grafitti, we are getting more of it
- Through roads in Royal Estates Stage 1 / parking; road congestion on Station Road / ability to get

out of Station Road and turn right at peak times

- Poor planning with no innovative ideas / weed invasion which needs to be tackled on a personal level on each property / loss of farm land to houses are we happy to import everything?
- Unnecesary lights on at night both street lights and at unused sporting venues etc / the volume of
  cars travelling through the village there needs to be a Samford Village by-pass for peole who need
  to travel on to Eaton's Crossing or Dayboro / the restriction on Samford Valley Steiner school's
  access to their school. At present parents, teachers adn community are not allowed on school
  grounds before 8am and after 5pm and aneed to ask permission to use it on weekends!!
- Domestic and feral animals need to be controlled
- Cutting down trees / smallish blocks in new estates, eg, high density housing / new estates with no proviso for a park for children – neglected playgrounds
- Further small acreage estates being developed / manage school traffic exiting school onto Mt Glorious Road a dangerous situation at school peak hour
- Fast traffic in the main street / congestion / proper pedestrian crossings (make crossings at bus stop and bins on both sides) / Graffiti, vandalism and litter / lack of limited public transport
- More awareness of the art and creativity bought to our area through the Steiner School and community instead of ignorance / the fight to stop big co-orporate greed through multi nationals shopping centres / the excessive alcohol sold to some young people on a Fri/Sat night

# 3.If you could use that magic wand again and suggest a new idea, project or way of looking at things that you think could be done in Samford what would it be?

#### **Development**

- Tougher restrictions / limitations on development / the main street needs to have more appeal, rural country feel like Montville; greenery, boutique shops for people to wonder at own pace
- Stop the council from over-developing / suggest the new play areas near the Bowls club has plenty of parking
- Village complexes established at Highvale, Camp Mountain and Closeburn / allowance of smaller building lots down to 1000 sq metres
- Land near Main Street should have been redesigned to allow business to grow, they are strangled by housing on all sides, leaving no growth opportunities, most have to leave here for work and it will stay that way so it seems for a long while. Mary Ring land Drive should have been 'business' as it butted next to church.
- I would not like to see any further commercial development in Samford. Apart from the village area, there should be no subdivision below 2 hectares; and there should be no further subdivision on the sides of the surrounding mountain ranges.
- Enable co-housing or other similar higher density and rural outlook developments / community-based electric metering and a good lets scheme / progressive forms of development that aren't 'Nimby' but don't follow suburban blight patterns / put in the by-pass
- Keeping to the original town plan and preservation of green lands / development being dependant on self-sufficiency on water
- Create clusters of environmental excellence through only allowing certain building styles/materials
  and technologies to be used. The current sprawl of Mac-mansions in the Royal Estate is a bad
  example of town planning.
- Create ECO developments similar to the Currumbin ECO Village instead of thoughtless energy sapping monstrosities.
- I have been a resident for over 20 years in Samford. When we arrived there was a very small grocery shop (near where post office is now) and a cute old petrol garage. Samford and nearby community grew and so to keep up IGA cam and the Petrol Station was modernised. Not everyone wanted to lose the past, BUT then changes did most improve the amenity for the Samford people. Once again now we need to change. We need a much larger grocery outlet and decent parking. Please find a suitable location for a Woolworths/Coles type outlet. When the little ole grocery store was all we had 20 years ago for substantial shopping, most went to K-Mart on Patricks Road. Today little has changed it is either K-Mart or Keperra shopping areas. Too many of us are wasting fuel to go over the mountain for what should be available here.

#### **Village**

- Change the character of the village enhance village feel by remodelling the main street, Redcliffe is a good example (cobblestones, Lanterns etc). Montville is also a good example in terms of the types of shops and eateries
- We would like to see a beautification project for Samford Village improvement of the streetscape with imaginative and colourful planting of trees and gardens. Planter boxes with flowers outside shops and businesses. An art gallery, more arts and crafts.
- Samford needs a focal point in the village maybe a sculpture something that identifies the essence of the area (eg, a big ....?) or a gate or entrance statement (eg, at the roundabout near the garage) large!
- When shops or houses are built close to the village, they should have a federation look and theme.
   This would help keep the village feel and quaintness, which would in turn attract tourists for the businesses on weekends
- Simplified landscape plan to Main Street shade trees one species only / a homogeaeous/unified shopfront architecture and colour scheme with off-street parking concealed by trees
- Scheldt Bridge do it up as an entrance attractions / sitting areas along Main St (eg outside the carpark near PO Box) / pedestrian/bike path along Mt Glorious very dangerous near Gleam O'Dawn have to go along road.
- Develop Main St of Samford into a 'tourist' destination. Over 25 years so many businesses have come and gone. The only people who are 'winning' are the few property owners charging high rents
- Main St to be lined with Jacarandas or some other large, slow growing trees to create a tree-lined avenue
- More street scaping and shade from 1 end to the other so more pleasant to walk / night time outdoor eating precinct
- Streetscaping in Main Street (beautifying) / weekly farmers' markets / a 'focal point' like the Peter Booth proosal between IGA and Jim Ceccato

# <u>Transport/train/bus/traffic</u>

- We have no transport services to the railway, or beyond to Keperra, Brookside shopping precincts. We do need a big shopping centre of our own for our Samford district. Where are the clothing shops? Real clothing! A shopping centre in the main street of samford NO!! Too limited space, but surely there is enough space a little outside of current Samford Village.
- How about setting the ball rolling and setting aside some current acreage NOW to be used for future hospital? It is 25-30 minutes to the nearest big hospital. Like it or not, this district will blossom in the future and could serve to the North and South and East, even the West from Fernvale/Llowood areas. It is only a short trip over the Mt Glorious road.
- Replace the train line to Samford and reduce traffic / crosswalk for Main Street / A better bus service
  if no train
- Speed bumps in main street to slow the buggers down. Replace the yellow 'no parking' lines (which people either ignore or don't understand) and place clearly visible signage.
- Have a trainstation and regular train service
  - Extend the railway line from Ferny Grove to Samford. There is still enough land in the old CSIRO precinct of accommodate a station and car park. In the mornings households out here lock up and travel in convoys to the city; some people hae as many as 5 vehicles leaving their homes. As there are no real footpaths this poses a danger to pedestrians, wildlife and domestic animals, not to mention the impact on air quality etc. Rail would reduce road usage. We also badly need a pedestian walkway to be added to the bridge over the South Pine River near the bowls club.
- Railway through to Samford/Dayboro / Maintenance on Pony Trails not just mowing
- At least one zebra crossing, ig from Hotel to Pharmacy, vets to Patisserie, two would be better
  works well in Malaney / clearing up weeds, old barbed wire etc on LHS Mt Glorious Road going W
  from Village from opp Community Church to School Road corner hides footpath and would be
  safer for school children on foot.
- Pedestrian crossing on Main Street / Village traffic By-Pass
- We really do need a train station back in Samford. Failing that, a bus service connecting a large car park to FG Station. Samford is suffering greatly because most people drive straight through it.
- Divert trucks back along old Northern Road / put speed humps along Main Street to slow traffic right

down / Solar panels on every roof / community gardening / ecological awareness

- Zebra crossings in Main Street / improved parking at School / traffic controller at School Road in peak times
- Ultimately the TRAIN must be connected to Samford while some parking is now being added to Ferny Grove it is only a path up. Peak hours 6-8am/4-7pm car traffic points to unnecessary car use to overload the road so it receives capital extensions. Improve bus shuttle to ½ hour system 6am 6pm is it economic? Library; proper delicatessian; restaurants
- A dedicated parking area for people using bus service to free up parking at John Scott Park
- Introduce speed humps (like Hastings St in Noosa or Ferny Hills Rd) on Main St (outside pub and outside Farmers Hall) with associated crossings
- Roundabout (as promised in the first plan) out of Station St / Re-lay bitumen Station St / Crossing (pedestrian) on Main St / Improve the Pony trails and road crossing and roadside safety
- A railway line to Dayboro / motorcross park
- Railway line out to Dayboror via Samford / motorcross park / botanic gardens
- Train station would be nice / better shops
- Traffic bypass of Samford / Train line through Samford / Dayboro to Petrie from Ferny Grove
- Stop the motorcyclists from being crazy on the Mt Glorious roads
- Railway line to Ferny Grove / Bypass for Samford Village
- Retain the no-railway to Samford status and improve public transport. A railway to Samford will open the development floodgates.
- Bypass around the Village
- Better (more frequent) public transport access to Ferny Grove and Brisbane. (My daughter has found the need to have a car (the third one in the household!!) because she has to get to Uni at various times. I also don't find I can reliably catch the bus because my schedule varies.).
- Hourly buses to Ferny Grove and 2 daily bus runs to a designated shopping centre
- Close Kath Fitzgerald Drive and add some public space (walkways, sitting areas) as well as extra car parking.
- A more frequent and expansive bus service.

#### Paths/tracks/cycle ways

- Designated cycle / walking paths to village and village to Ferny Grove incorporated into planning as in ACT
- A good project for Samford would be to develop a bike rail trail connecting Samford Village to Ferny Grove rail station. The disused rail corridor provides the backbone to this project and having cycled most of this route it provides a great rural setting (rolling hills with cattle grazing, forests and grand homes on acreage), historic buildings (in the form of derelict milking sheds, rustic farmhouses), engineering interests of cuttings/tunnels and bridges and site of SEQ's worst train accident. The diversity of landscape and heritage would highlight many facets of Samford Valley's identity and also highlight in a practical way choices for a more sustainable and healthy lifestyle (i.e. how many of us during the working week drive to Ferny Grove station but would consider cycling if a safe cycling route was available?). The trail also has the potential for being a popular weekend bike ride for Brisbanites accessing the train to Ferny Grove and pedalling to the Village through the countryside in an easy 2-hour ride. :Likewise, it would be a popular ride for Samford residents going the other way
- Ensure network of walking trails through acreage estates and to village from these estates with booklet; good for local health/well being and tourism. Allow more 'medium density' housing within walking distance of village, perhaps within 1 km. Croquet club. Skate park for older kids, bike tracks.
- We need more and better walking/cycling paths that are not on our roads ... a loop from the village
  past the Catholic Church, Samford C&K, Treetops then up Camp Mtn Rd and Upper Camp Mtn Rd
  (the folks from QUT's SERF would probably help with a fairly lengthy section here) then along
  Richards Rd past the Pony Club and Soccer Grounds linking up via Wights Mtn Rd with the Steiner
  School, State School (and pool etc) & Community Church ...
- Separate cycling ways to Ferny Grove
- Lots of bike paths between the Village and nearby areas (eg. Valley, Draper, Yugar, CSIRO land, Camp Mountain, Wights Mountain, etc
- More bike lanes on the roads (eg. To Ferny Grove, up to Dayboro, etc) appreciate this is a big

cost but any road upgrades should factor it i

- Dedicated Cycling lanes covering Samford area at a 5 km radius
- Dedicated bike tracks between Samford and Ferny Grove and within a 5-6 k radius of the Village connecting to outlying bus stops and the Village. This would assist with school transport as well as other travel.

#### **Mixture**

- Fix drainage on Mount Glorious Road at top of Cliff Salisbury Crt (near world of Learning) a huge amount of water gushes through properties in moderate / heavy rain
- Villa style residential in existing Residential A areas close to services, suitable for elderly. Village bipass to reduce traffic in and around village
- Encouraging cut vegetation to be composted and a campaign to teach better ways than burning and how it's not good for air quality and health / organic fruit and veg growing in more backyards – information and photos to inspire the community in local publications – maybe selling organically grown seedlings at schools (heritage types) as fund raising / suitable fruiting trees being planted in parks including bush tucker plants with small cheap labelling on them saying what they are and uses
- Improve our main tourist route roads / organic markets (and other) in the park in the centre of Samford / Xmas in the Village on non-rainy night!
- More bus services to Ferny Grove / cycle and pedestrian paths, particularly on Mt Glorious Road / more business/retail shop spaces for a more synamic and interesting village / golf club back up and running
- Samford is already pushed beyond its limits. Need to protect the country feel and pace as much as possible
- Investigate what other like communities have done, and learn from their mistakes and successes.
- Improve drainage and footpaths
- Build our own police station in Samford. Provide more facilities to help guide the youth of today eg, police youth club
- Mini industrial sector more retail opportunities / rail to Samford with ample parking for commuters / better bus service with parking facilities
- Increase pedestrian areas. Increase public transport access. Develop more outdoor cafes that
  put on music at weekends and at night. Night markets. Increase community substainable
  projects.
- Create permanent outdoor markets for fresh food etc.
- Sell the area as a carbon neutral community. Obviously it would need to become one first ©
- Encourage a wider range of restaurants in the valley! Need to get a more adventurous restaurant culture – chicken and egg, I know.
- Council's input into perhaps improving the boggy drain beside footpath from Burton Lane towards Serendipity, rather unattractive and it is part of the visual entry of the village coming from Eatons
- Major planting and planned parkland with walking paths and bikepaths at the old CSIRO site, between the tennis courts and the old CSIRO buildings
- We need a High School ... it's crazy that a State School with more than 1000 students is just one of many "feeder schools" for Ferny Grove High which is more like a University Campus – this is even more compelling when factoring in other Primary Schools such as Cedar Creek, Mt Samson & Mt Nebo
- Use some of the CSIRO buildings for live art and performance studios and small business incubators in cottage industries
- Connect the two commercial ends of Samford Village in a better way via paths/boardwalks/ connected buildings
- Construct a council/community library in an ultra modern way, utilising reading spaces, refreshment facilities, modern meeting facilities, art gallery style display spaces, small space performance facilities etc.
- There seems to be a lot of money available for sporting facilities (e.g. the development of the CSIRO land) but very little for improving the natural environment. The environment in the valley, particularly the rivers/creeks, is badly degraded by decades of agriculture, development etc. It could really be improved out of sight with a decent injection of funds/attention.
- Friday evening boutique markets at John Scott Park to include locally made produce, local art and

craft, local plants, local organic food, live entertainment, meals provided via local businesses set up on site for the evening, lit up playground,

- Youth services to be established via an in depth consultation with young people at all age levels.
- Bike storage at bus stops / replant all waterways, keep clean / encourage bike tracks, community transport, buses, car pooling, electric buses, cars by-pass around village / use solar and alternative energy in village / community areas for CSIRO land / teenage hubs for CSIRO land, - skatepark / underpass for Samford School access
- Revamp Station St so it can accomodate all visitors to Flyin Nun, Museum, Park, Pub / more
  parking alternatives on Main St / better public transport to the public transport network at Ferny
  Grove, ie regular bus service every hou
- More bike ways / local high school / regular bus service to train station (route around village)
- Need more people in area to support more restaurants and local commerce more vibrant community / small lot subdivisions in village precinct, keeping rural requirements outside village precinct / Fast track skate bowls for the young and young at heart
- I would like to see Samford become a hub for sustainability in the Moreton Shire and SEQ. By making use of the vacant land at the old CSIRO site, and with the expertise of a multitude of like minded environmentally aware people throughout Samford and the shire, we could see this rare parcel of land attract and inspire future generations of people. It could begin simply as a community garden, then foster a revegetation and rehabilitation program for the gullies, creeks and river where native flora, bush-tucker and bush medicines could be displayed with education pathways winding throughout. It would encourage community involvement and local school and tertiary students could also be involved in its direction. Further down the track, a demonstration centre could display the latest technologies in alternate energies and students may have an opportunity to showcase their latest energy experiment. Local indigenous peoples could have interpretative displays and descriptions and uses of various bush-tucker and medicines.
- Create a new Village Zone for Samford shops and houses. Define a boundary for its perimeter.
   Define a Samford Valley Zone with a boundary. Each zone to be marked to allow rules of development to be maintained. 'Principles' developed by Viva to be applied maintain the 'Green Lung' nature of Samford
- Footpaths for walking through neighbourhood / another (more competitive) petrol station / potholes being fixed faster
- A big dog park for dogs to be off leassh and owners and dogs socialise / a good bike path running along Mt Glorious Rd / A well developed and managed motor cross park for all ages
- More walking and cycle paths / local bus service regular service
- A dog park
- Improve what we already have but not drastically alter what we have it is unique what we have in Samford, let's keep it that way. / I would like more/safer walking tracks and bikeways.
- There are Koalas in the region plant a green belt to sustain their habitat / skate park in the park / keep promoting local businesses, local volunteer groups, Samford Show etc to keep Samford from becoming another 'trendy' suburb of Brisbane. Put in place anthing that keeps that rural small town feel, eg wooden streetscape, horse areas, perhaps a large horse arena
- Community farm in Samford / bike trails from Ferny Grove to Samford to Dayboro off the main roads / build a bypass for major traffic to keep Main Street safe to cross
- A local State High School!!! / a larger community kindergarten / a roundabout at the intersection of School Road and Mt Glorious Rd / Sun protection over play equipment in John Scott Park
- Respect and appreciation for natural bush and animals / respect for creeks and rivers / awareness
  of the 'international' quality of the sculpture gardens / more forests, parks, walking tracks, bike paths
   a 'draw card' for outsiders to visit and enjoy
- Artisan workshops and space local specialised small industry / Safe bike paths over to Ferny Grove / Railway out to Highvale or small feeder buses into Samford/Ferny Grove during the day
- If you must have Housing Estates, they should be large blocks and wildlife friendly / Farmers Market and organic produce held at the Showgrounds or in the village
- Linking 'ideas' into one master plan for the future / Embedding ideas into a theme 'Green hub'
- A pedestrian zone/plaza between IGA and Bendigo bank area / a crosswalk in the main street / public botanic gardens/park on CSIRO land
- To keep it the way it was, it's already too populated major blocks of land should be left or sold as one house block not 100! Motorbike/horsetracks

- Fix roads / library / landslides along Samford Road / Train line back to Samford
- Off-street parking / high school
- Full size flying fox through Samford / botanical gardens / small high school (not in central) / transport
- Ice skating rink / adventure park, 4x4 tracks, tree top walks, flying fox, walking tracks, bike tracks, could put in the fruit tree idea, camping / train line
- Manual or mechanical methods for weed control (ref Q2) / waterways to be properly cared for / native preserved / energy sufficient new housing, no town water, solar, tanks
- Weed buster group/clean/renovate bridge / through Council's encouragement set a good example for whole community who are becoming complacent about WEEDS
- Efforts to encourage locals to shop locally
- Improve parking at the IGA complex. Currently a very dangerous and cramped complex to negotiate
- Introduce street festivals community learning centre for adult aducation and workshops/classes
- Adult exercise facilities in the park / a Samford State High School / clearer walking tracts around the village / a real ale pub (small) / better public transport links
- More high density housing in the village, eg townhouses / fresh food markets / bike paths and skate board area for kids
- Bicycle lanes on major roads / pedestrian crossings on Main Street / build a Library
- Acreage subdivisions along creek could be for persons who will join 'Land for Wildlife' so our
  waterways would be protected. Horse properties could be separate areas, also grouped. / Council
  needs to change their attitude to weeds, feral animals (eg foxes) and how they base their response
  to requests (or demands) as the case may be
- Street markets (1 Sunday a month) with lots of local produce, local food, arts, crafts in keeping with a 'country feel' market / Samford Village Bypass road / More gus services or a railway / Locums available to the area for house calls out of normal practice times, who actually answer their phone!!
- Walking, horse and pushbike tracks along all creek frontages / all roads widened to include safe bike lanes / Let's make Samford a model sustainable suburb! / Bring back the train to Dayboro make it high speed and subsidised use carbon tax money to build it!! / create markets gardens communal near Archery field / take all the traffic out of the Village, create a real hub with weekly arts, crafts and fruit & veggie markets, encourage more cultural events plays, music, guest speakers. Art galleries, alternative energy shops, walking paths from 10kms out all the way tot he village through the backs of properties, not on roadways.
- Community use of the old CSIRO lands and buildings / hitching posts in Samford to encourage horse riding in the Village / Samford Valley town plan developed for residents by residents not by MBRC
- Tree planting being done / keep out high rise / more conservation of our natural areas
- Extensive trails network that allowed walking/horses/bikes to connect together isolated pockets
  without going onto main roads value added elements associated with this edible landscape,
  small cafe stops (eg, Gleam O'Dawn precinct), bus stops with bike racks for commuters in outer 5
  acre areas. / Village precinct to develop with laneways and small scale development to promote
  quality destination retail outlets
- Parking off main streets / Main St by-pass for through traffic / that the community all take responsibility for our environment (ie, pick up litter and move bins)
- Always thought Samford could make a lot more of its history and location by using the resources availabe at the Samford Museum and by sensible re-development of the village centre with traditional Queensland architecture. / By-passing Main Street (via Baden Powell Park) and expanding the Village centre into the area lying vacant presently and connecting through to John Scott Park / I believe there are a great number of interconnecting trails in the area, but there is little information/maps available to show where they are / Reinvigorate available Park space for example the good work done in making a great community asset of the park on Mount O'Riley Road (Undamba Park) could easily be repeated at park area such as Orr Park (Camp Mountain/McLean Road Xing) and connect to cycle path from Ferny Grove to Village. All the above will attract visitors and therefore weekend markets, more restaurants adn commerciation opportunities, etc. Would love to see the train come through again with normal services during week and Steam Train at weekends / Cycle path from Fervy Grove to Samford Village.
- There are not enough areas for wildlife; need more wildlife corridors / Village should look more traditional (architecture/signs etc) / Develop council plan for area with restrictions for sub-division

and stick to it / more tracks (bike/walking/horse) to connect throughout the area

# **Library/Community/Cultural Space**

- Samford Village needs a library, to link the surrounding environs of Samsonvale, Highfields, Dayboro etc. To the Moreton Bay Regional Libraries. Our population and cultural needs now require this community facility. Our library should house a collection of books with the opportunity to borrow 'digital' books as well. A good size meeting room must also be included for small public gatherings such as reading and writing groups, author talks, creative writing workshops, poetry reading etc. A simple facility providing water, sinks, a fridge and some bench space could cater for tea/coffee provisions. Public toilets, staff offices and halls and walls, spacious enough to display paintings and photographs by local artists, would provide another important multi-artistic use. Ample parking space and an outdoor covered back veranda for additional group activities would offer another space for activity. A facility such as this would be a dream come true for many of us.
- We are in Draper. We would love a pedestrian bridge across the South Pine River between Oak River Road (the new estate) and the CSIRO land, allowing residents in our area to walk or ride bikes into the village or to the sporting grounds. This would also mean that the kids can ride their bikes safely to sports fixtures (tennis, soccer) without having to go on the main roads. I'm sure there are other similar suggestions for other areas.
- I'd like a regular weekly produce market promoting local food, NOT more gifts and trinkets. I'd like a
  new community centre/hall build using straw bales or similar and comered in solar panels with a
  community garden.
- I would love to see a small cultural centre and cinema. There could be Art house movies, documentaries and exhibitions just to name a few things that would mean I may never have to leave the village at all.
- I would like to see a community centre that incorporated meeting rooms, a library, theatre with stage. Something to centre the community, a hub for everyone
- A library/community centre and a police beat
- A youth centre.... classes that young people will enjoy and advice centres
- Construct a local library / bring back the train line
- A library with community spaces
- Have a tourist information centre promote more summer and winter concerts
- I would love to see the development of the Arts/Crafts with Art Gallerys / Craft shops / more funky cafes / restaurants/ a shop dedicated to local craftsmen/performing arts theatre for live plays / live music / cinema / alternative health centre (we have plenty of talent but nowhere to express it!)

# 4. How do you think is the best way of going about doing the things you've mentioned? (eg: who or what is responsible – self, other people, government, community organisations?)

- Individuals would have no hope. Community and Government organisations seem to be the only option
- Don't know!
- Lobby council / main roads.
- Cap population growth in the area (council). The local school is already way too big, educate the local kids about disposing of rubbish correctly (council to lecture at school).
- Have the community demand that the Government follow through with such measures.
- Govt needs to realise that we are one of the last places in Brisbane that still has the rural feel and needs to preserve and enhance this
- State Govt for road bypass / Local Govt for remodel village roads and footpaths / approvals of new buildings etc needs to be in keeping with village character
- Governments / community groups
- Backyard burning information pages in community newspages such as village pump / local government (& State) requiring all backyard burning (exceptions fro small burns) to obtain a permit. The permit should have a charge also, to encourage less use.
- Local member and Council why aren't we using the main park?
- Community meetings to arrange task forces to galvanise projects / Cap the population of our region

- to stop further developments
- Council / local govt / State Govt
- A progressive Society definitely not The Progress Association as it is and has been with a complete absense of progress agenda such as train service, more road lights
- Government local development legislation and guidelines / community organisations
- Too see more visits by the council street sweeper, growth of fig trees to be monitored on Westwood Drive
- Everyone is responsible in their own way. All work together.
- Community groups
- Local council and government are not listening to what people want, ie no more development
- Mix council planners, community groups (walking, riding cycling etc) and individuals and probably individual land owners to allow 'access' across land. I'd be happy to be part of the group looking at this.
- Government through to local council
- All these governing bodies play their part
- Petition for a police station to alert the government of the need and the want of the people in this community. Police need to also check for drugs when breathalysing drivers in the area.
- Council could provide planter boxes set them up initially for the shopkeepers to maintain and develop. / Individuals and community groups to get involved develop a competition for the best kept premises.
- Council should spend money on developing Samford as it has done along the foreshore at Redcliffe, Shorncliffe, Clontarf. Make it more attractive, more decorative street signs, lighting, outdoor eating, sculptures, bright colours. Make it a place where people want to visit.
- Developers contracts between council should have more geographic studies done on water flows and then impact on each block's development on each other, at draft stage. Council need people who can audit these harder (or gain control back for their area's development).
- Government and community groups
- Government and community groups, private sector, full partnership. Empower community.
- I believe working groups are always a great way to start a project however, utilising grants
- and other types of funding require other levels of involvement.
- Government Assistance needed for both
- Community engagement to see if the community wants to do this and then an action plan with real milestones to implement it.
- Have a few community forums where ideas from this questionnaire are presented. (happy to assist in this/facilitate) Brain storming sessions with people from those forums to kick ideas around. Include in this some research how other like communities have approached their own local issues. Get the forums to select the top 5 ideas, using sound rational rather than emotions (i.e. there has to be an effort on how the selection was done i.e. person to present a mini business case for each) (happy to assist in this/facilitate) Re-present ideas at a follow-up forum with the people that put forward ideas(happy to assist in this/facilitate) Depending on the suggestions outcomes could be inputs/processes for local planning methodologies, local Samford (behavioral) charters, physical projects (gardens, improved waste separation etc)
- To be honest, we don't know. That's the problem. Like everyone, we're busy and we spend a lot of our non-work time helping with the Ferny Grove High and other stuff for the kids. Once that's done, we're stuffed, frankly.
- Government agencies at all levels working with community representatives to ensure broad spectrum of needs is met.
- This ViVa consultation process should include the setting up of Task Groups to see through the delivery of priorities identified during the process.
- Through Viva, Progress Association, local council, community action
- Council, local Government
- State Government and local council
- I do think the state and local governments should do more on the question of the environment but I realize that the community will probably prioritise sports fields etc. First. Difficult to know how to shift that.
- Community groups are extraordinarily valuable and people will assist them to varying degrees

depending on their personality and stage of life.

- Community groups working together / lobby council / viva is fantastic / get discounts in rates if plant trees or install solar etc
- The same old annoyances that I've experienced since moving to Samford in 1970 still continue. Fortunatley, it is now possible to do something about them through Local and State Government. Dog nuisances are handled efficiently through the council; noise nuisances are handled promptly by the police. It is up to the individual to do something about them. Samford residents should be made more aware of how and who to complain to regarding theses nuisances either by notices in local papers like The Village Pump or leaflets from the Council included with rate notices. Years ago, when I made my first complaint to the Council about a neighbour's barking dogs, I felt as though I was the first person to do so, only to be told that the Council received about 350 dog complaints each month. Over the years I have written a number of articles to the local papers about the annoyance of barking dogs. More important, but less immediately annoying issues like Town Planning should be done by community groups and individuals.
- Council need to regulate and govern village building better. Some planting activities could be community activities
- Main Road Dept, Moreton Regional Council and OLD State Government need to attend to the above matters.
- Community groups and local business owners
- Government / Community Groups
- Community groups Government and local council funding
- Consultation with local government
- Council, Main Roads
- Community groups and local businesses
- Other ideas are probably private ventures, though the Council may support (somehow) the art gallery idea, particularly if an income stream can be generated via (reasonable) rent from artists.
- Bike paths part of planning. New developments should factor them in. Council and government. Perhaps some community grants (would have to be reasonable amount)
- Bridge idea probably council, though could be supported by local working bees??
- Community groups liasing with MBRC and Q Gov to clarly define needs unique to Samford; The Jewel in the Crown of Moreton Bay Shire, rurally.
- Rail trail funding is generally provided by the State (as per the Brisbane Valley rail trail) but could also involve Federal funding (RADP) as well as MBRC support and are an opportunity for the community to become involved as volunteers in the design and construction.
- Interest groups, community committees, professional liaisons. Samford & District Progress & Protection Assoc, local business committee, local council, combined school committees etc
- Plant either in ground or in large planter boxes (eg Caloundra) / Encourage local retailers to develop more alfresco dining it would be in their own interest
- Community groups / governemnt reps and councillors
- Community groups / local government
- People pressure / community groups
- Fencing off a public area for dog park council / local gov?
- Existing koala action group plus interested locals / local business, council etc
- Volunteers work this community farm (ref answer 3) / usine profits from a local community farm to build bikeways across this country
- Government for a State High School / Council for Community Kindergarten, sunprotection
- People power. The best way to achieve this is with smaller councils which are more community based.
- Local Government, developers and the community
- Community groups as researchers with opportunity for local input and links to government / informative websites with input opportunity / field days to upgrade local awareness
- Local government (the pedestrian barricades put in are useless) / Local community groups
- Local Council to enforce building guidelines on developers/builders / council to approve use of land and market it to the community – could also raise money for local council to then make improvements
- Community consultation Progress Association funding a master plan for the Valley to provide

governments 'zone' consultation eg, Camp Mountain – upper/lower, Highvale, Wights Mtn, Draper, Cedar Creek etc. Look at your area – link up areas. Visit succes stories around Aust/world. Pay professional to create the study – end rsults for consultation and final submission (feasibility study)

- Effective town planning by local council / community organisations like Viva
- Legislation outlawing housing development in area no compromise
- Restricted developments / get earthmovers in to build a motorcross park (the track to be world class and Ched Reed open it and Travis Pastana)
- Government / community organisations
- Government
- The council is turning Samford into a suburb.... there needs to be a committee of Samford residents making decisions
- Community, money, government
- Don't sell anymore land / get some sponsors
- Government funding for roads / notify public
- Government
- Government and community
- Motorcyclists (in ref to Q4) and government that don't stop the bikers and crazy drivers
- Council participate at meetings
- Self to put ideas to council or community to put to government
- Community consultation / listening to community members / adhering to town plan
- Self and other people / Government and community groups
- Government and community groups with sponsorship/gov't grants
- Government / interested locals and council / council / Gvt to renovate bridge
- Advertisements / incentives
- Extend the carpark out (ref Q3 IGA complex) out to the road this could be jointly funded by the complex owners and government
- Government BniT / community organisations
- A combination of self, other people, government, community groups
- Lobby the council
  - Community campaign to raise funds and work with council
  - Community lobby to council / grants from State/Federal Gov
- Council
- I have tried 'self' and it doesn't work without co-operation. Community groups (unpaid workers) do a great job. Governments diminish the value of their work by a 'no action' policy against those making the mess. What 'other people'? The maority feel its their right to have govt and volunteers clean up the result of their own negligence.
- Community groups / government
- Let's introduce a Mining Tax to fund sustainable development Australia wide. Vote Yes for a
  Carbon Tax and use the funds to boost sustainable community development. Tax all drivers of cars
  of 4 cylinders use money to improve public transport / bring in young, bright, educated, creative
  Town Planners to help create the Plan and the steps necessary to move our whole community
  towards a more sustainble future! I guess pigs could fly too!
- Engage government, community groups and residents
- I think there is a good attitude within govt (local) and interested parties that Samfrod and surrounds must maintain the rural feel, rather than be swallowed up by Brisbane surburbia.
- MBRC to develop 'public commons' policy and have an intergrated strategic map identiying trails and 'weak' links to be rectified in future / Samford Village strategic plan to be done by MBRC in conjunction with community
- Give people incentives to behave responsibly, ie competitions to collect litter/bottles/cans cash prizes/awards / make it fun and free activities (ie, skateboard comps) and involve whole community
- Make a plan and stick to it (Viva) including Development Footprint and restrictions that set Samford apart (Council)
- Community Groups to lobby Council/Local Govt
- Approach Council and Dept Main Roads highlighting increased pedestrian injury risk levels
- Community groups, local and federal reps government. Viva is excellent!

- Work with MBRC to enable co-housing or similar higher density & rural outlook developments and progressing forms of development within IPA and town plan provisions
- All require Gov't support
- Local government with community groups

#### 5. Is there anything else you'd like to add before we finish?

- The proposed Western Bi-pass as designated by State Govt may help ease traffic if it is ever realised.
- Transport services to railway (at a reasonable cost, expecially for pensioners).
- One more thing I believe there should be an hourly shuttle bus from the village and surrounding areas
  to the Ferny Grove Station. One bus that just does the same route every hour. My parents were
  looking at moving into the retirement village here but felt they would be restricted by lack of transport
  as are my children occasionally.
- The road ½ way between Samford and Ferny Grove near Camp Mountain where many accidents are and have occurred must be reviewed and whomever designed it must take full reponsibility and pay to correct it
- I feel Samford is at a point where it could easily be ruined by over-development, we need to do something soon.
- Get-rich estate developers will kill the unique character of the Valley then just move on!
- More sympathetic building styles/less signs
- Please keep Samford safe from developers both housing and commercial
- Thank you the Viva Team!
- No reduction in land block sizes
- No more Samford Skies-type development
- No more Samford skies- type development How about more streetscaping, eg, public art?
- I want to be able to buy a block of land in Samford with at least 10 acres for my family so they have a bit of what I had
- If people want to have smaller residential blocks in Samford, well let them look elsewhere for this. Why should we cut-up Samford to satisfy these people?
- It'd be good if no more developments went ahead in the valley.
- Best place to live but worried about development diminishing its' character and uniqueness
- A united community voice and involvement is essential to bring about positive change or prevent undesirable change
- Local newspaper to keep abreast of initiatives / Stress local responsibility to have a say in community / encourage local food production? Co-op Market.
- 'Green Hub' Awareness walk-about / fun walk Activity Brisbane Samford
- I regret that due to work/family commitments I cannot be more involved would like to join Viva Samford in 2012
- Samford should have various social media grops in place so that information can be shared
- A high school (state) for local children would be valuable.
- We are fast losing our village atmosphere. No so long ago we would know many people in the street

   if not personally, then by sight. There are so many new young families moving into the area with
   both parents working I fear that a spiralling 'hoon' element is inevitable with so many unsupervised
   kids.
- We need competition as IGA is so expensive How about an Aldi?
- I'd love our region (and further!) to become GMO free zones it's easier to bring such legislation before it's here, eg CMO pineapples are being field trialed in Sunshine Coast and sugarcane GMO in Woodford is being trialed.
- Solar panels and enlarging the IGA to cope with our present population and more vegetarian options (in an eco-friendly way) and eco aware grocery items.
- More services, another petrol outlet, takeaway food, light industrial areas another State School
- We have lived here for 10 years and obsolutely love the area. However, this is at risk of being destroyed through development
- We love living in Samford!
- Encourage community grouping
- Community groups form a bond and keep residents in touch and active within the area

- How bad does the crime have to become in an area before the government will act?
- Montville is an example of a community / village which could be used as a model to improve the streetscape and appeal of Samford. We have lived here for 18 years and there has not been enough change and beautification of a village with so much potential.
- A tourist walk / bike trail between the village and Undambi Park along the creek. Partly done, planned by Council a long time ago needs to be competed.
- You could have just put this page into an edition of 'the Pump' and then people could reply themselves. I won't interview people, but will give my opinion. Any changes will cost residents in the hip pocket. They always want your money.
- Please find a suitable location for a shopping centre for Coles/Woolworths rather than just saying 'No'.
- Lack of choice and quality of retail outlets, eg food choices (quality food) and consistancy of choices.
- We think Samford has been a great place to bring up our kids. We enjoy the fairly close knit feel of the community.
- The idea that Samford (or Queensland or any part of the world) should stay exactly as it is, with no more people is both unrealistic and not necessarily healthy anyway. If the world is breeding, people have to live somewhere. We can't expect to cut ourselves off (and in any case, the ideal of the "good old days" is a myth). Instead we have to be constructive in designing the future.
- Any decisions made during this ViVa consultation should only be made at well publicised gatherings
  of the community where everyone has equal opportunity to affect priority setting. No decisions about
  priorities should be made outside of those public gatherings this has been done in the past with
  ViVa and should be continued
- I have lived in Samford for 26 years and have witnessed first hand the development that has occurred during this time. Generally, I think the area has developed in a tasteful, environmentally friendly way to become a preferred place to live and I am lucky to be a resident of the valley. With the increase in population and the much higher density of living compared to 25 years ago, I believe that the speed limits on all roads under control of the local council should be reviewed.
  25 years ago Wights Mtn Road and Camp Mnt Road were the 2 main roads accessing residencies and farms in the samford Valley and given the low density of population and minimal traffic at that time, the current speed limit of 80 kph was quite appropriate. I belive it is now time to reduce this limit
  - on these roads and the ones that run off them to no more than 70 kph but preferably 60 kph to avoid the increased risk of serious accidents due to the following circumstances:
  - Greatly increased usage of these roads by cars and trucks
  - Greatly increased usage of the roads by pedestrians, bicyclest and horse riders often in the dark
  - Increased cross roads and driveways to residencies
  - In the case of Wights Mtn Rd no significant widening of the road over 25 years and no continuous 'footpath'
  - Smaller acreage developments that are accessible via Wights Mtn Road, eg, the new Samford Skies estate at the end of Westbourne Drive which runs off Wights Mtn Rd
  - Please refer to the following table for details of the insignificant extra travel time by reducing the speed limit to 60 kph and decreasing the risk of serious and/or fatal accidents

Distance from	Time taken at 80kph	Time taken at 60	Extra Time
Wights Mtn or Camp		kph	
Mtn Turnoff in kms			
1	45 secs	1 min	15 secs
2	1 min 30 secs	2 mins	30 secs
3	2 mins 15 secs	3 mins	45 secs
4	3 mins	4 mins	1 min
5	3 mins 45 secs	5 mins	1 min 15 sec

- Promote Samford as an Eco-friendly community that is able to have a say in its future development.
   Promote this by making it visible and be proud of it (tree tally board in village and number of solar units).
- One of the best aspects of living in Samford should be the ability to enjoy walks and cycle rides in the local area. Whereas Camp Mountain and Wights Mountain have a number of tracks connecting various cul-de-sacs which allow for circular walks, the Samford Valley / Showgrounds developments do not. With relatively little outlay a number of connections could be made within the estate area to

allow people to get out and exercise off road, both on foot and by bike or horse. It seems ludicrous that we have to put our bikes on the car to drive to Wights Mountain to allow the children to ride on rural paths. Some examples could be adding tracks in the following areas:

- And ideally, a cycle path running the length of the Southpine River from Showgrounds to perhaps Valray Place. With a crossing established across Mt Glorious Road a large number of children would then be able to cycle to school.
- I'm sure that the Samford Hash groups and other walking/cycling/riding groups would be able to offer more suggestions within the Samford area.
- Linking Cosgrove and Reiners Rod
- Putting a track in under the power lines from Showgrounds Road to Reiners Road (currently very boggy grass for most of the year)
- Linking the park at the bottom of Westwood Drive, along the South Pine River, to the Undambi Reserve on Mt O'Reilly Road.
- Likewise, linking the Westwood Drive park to the green strip (currently long thick grass difficult for walking/riding) behind Greenwood Crescent and then back over the river to Mt O'Reilley Road
- Having a foot path run along the river from Showgrounds Road bridge to the Mt O'Reilley Road bridge, on either side (or both) of the river
- I find it sad that so called intelligent people give so little consideration to their neighbours. It depresses me that a few individuals can turn a heaven into a hell for so many people. It's time that these people who are being annoyed, stamp on these annoyances immediately.
- Samford is a fantastic community. The people are great, the current businesses are excellent, we are developing some great sporting facilities, and it has a lovely rural feel (which is slipping just a little...). We have so many talented artists, craft persons, musicians as well. I would love to see Samford provide a facility to support the artists/ crafts people/ musicians as an adjunct to the service provided by the Slab Hut which taps into weekend visitors and which will ultimately help our local businesses. If we could also do this sustainably and energy-efficiently, we can develop a wonderful reputation as a vibrant, interesting, creative and green community!
- As you come into Samford near the Scouts it would be nice to have a row of trees either side of the road as an entrance to the village
- We need more corridors of wildlife friendly veetation to be planted with an emphasis on Koala friendly trees for habitat and fodder. We also need an extensive network of cycle tracks of adequate width to be built along all raods.
- 'Lollipop' colour schemes (eg, Kindergarten) should be removed.
- A great place to live
- Event Notice Board
- Great to see better sporting facilities, ie netball and soccer
- Better maintenance of recreation trail on N. Side Mt Glorious Road between Navillus Pde and Sunset Grove access to park on S. Side Mt Glorious Road has been unmowed all year.
- This survey is a great initiative. I hope no one wants a major supermarket though!
- Continue with public meetings, continue with the 'Village Pump' publicity and a public noticeboard for bulletins etc
- More police patrols at night / evening around public areas
- More noxious weed action through council and education
- Stop thinking like Americans!!! We are Australians, so let's keep those values!!!
- Do something with the village maybe close the road that divides the two shopping centres to bring them together as one
- More entertainment in the village to help draw the community together then there might be more interest in getting things done for Samford. Maybe a special annual event to highlight Samford's community
- Samford is awesome!!
- We need a 4 lane road from Ferny Grove to Dayboro
- Liked being involved in this interview
- Caring for the land should be a vital part of Samford. This means no pesticides as this causes
  degradation of land and waterways, further damaging animal habitiats. One contractor uses 800
  libres of pesticides along our waterway and roadside in one single day. How many Contractors are
  there?
- A main large community noticeboard in a central location, ie Service Station at roundabout with

current local news, updated regularly

- We need a Local Member who fights for what the people want not what the council wants or what makes them look good
- A woolworths supermarket
- Samford is a fantastic place to live
  - The country, peaceful surroundings have to be maintained at all costs. No attractions in residential areas where this will be distrubed
  - Love living in Samford (3km) from village, liked it a lot more 10 years ago! (when there weren't so many people living here)
  - I really hope Samford can become a country town to excel in the arts and crafts. It could be beautiful
     – the situation lends itself. Also the possibility of a Botanical Garden or lovely Parkland with trees to
     sit/walk.