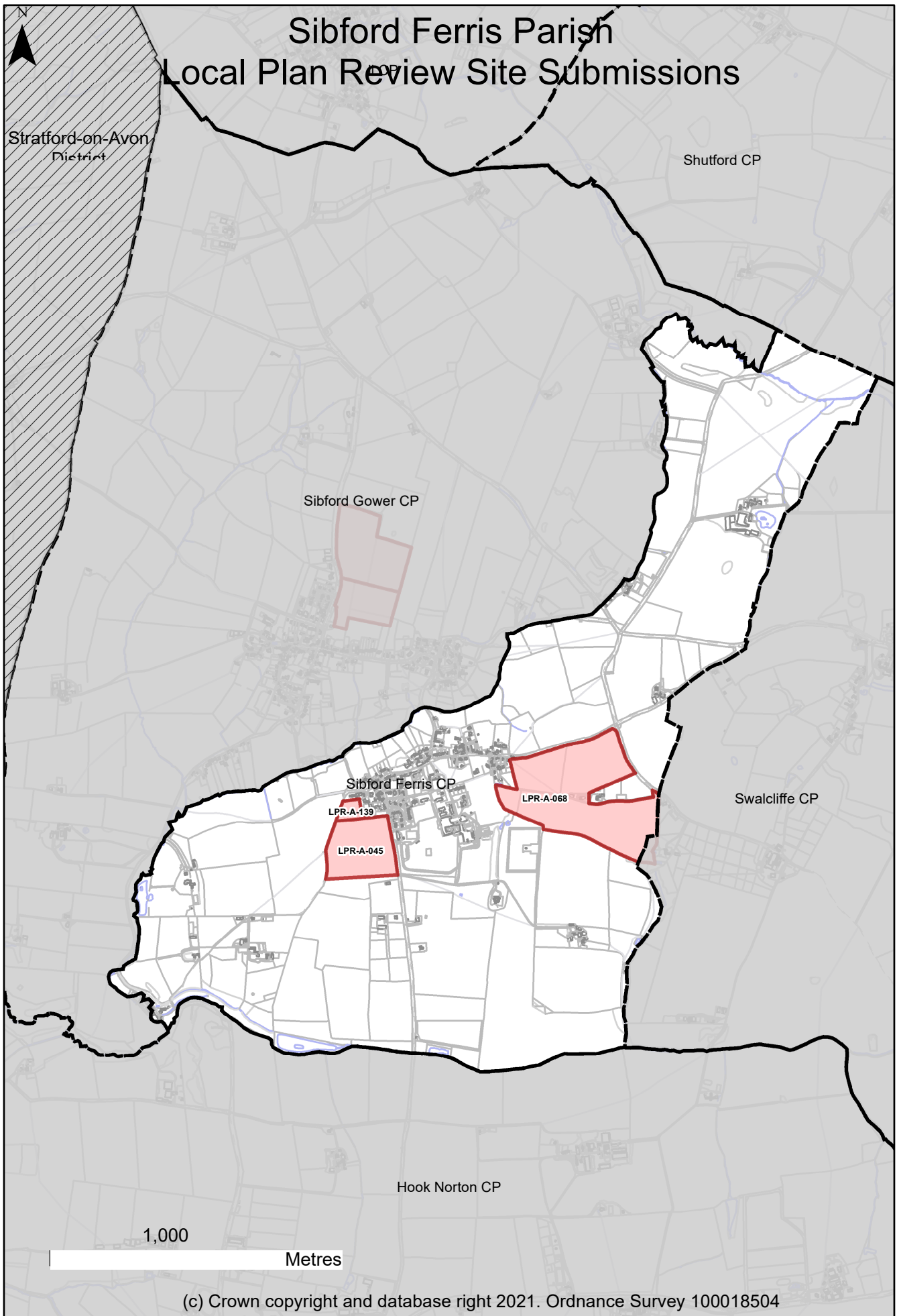


# Sibford Ferris Parish Profile



Rep No.	Site Name	Parish	Area Size (ha)	Promoter	Promoted Use(s)
LPR-A-045	Land to the West of Hook Norton Road, Sibford Ferris	Sibford Ferris	6.8	Jonathan Harbottle - Land & Partners South East Limited / Mr Kevin Bishop and Mrs Emily Bishop	Housing
LPR-A-068	Land at Folly Farm, Sibford Ferris	Sibford Ferris / Swalcliffe	22.11	Tim Humphrey - Brown & Co / Mr & Mrs Bishop	Housing
LPR-A-139	Land East of Woodway Road, Sibford Ferris	Sibford Ferris	0.8	Melissa Balk - Fisher German LLP / Executors of A G Bishop (dec'd)	Housing

## Demographic Information

**Population** (ONS 2019 mid-year estimate): 470

**Housing completions and commitments** Between 2015-2021, there have been 2 housing completions in the parish. At 31 March 2021, there were 26 dwellings with planning permission but not yet built. (Source: CDC monitoring data)

**Active applications on the Housing Register: 1,680** (Source: CDC Housing Register, 7 July 2021)

Bedroom Needs	1 bed	2 bed	3 bed	4 bed	5 bed	6 bed
No. of active applications	772	519	276	92	18	3
Preference of applications for Sibford Ferris	42	18	10	11	1	0

### Census 2011 figures

*NB There will have been changes since 2011; for example, these figures do not allow for the housing completions in the parish, nor recent changes in age structure.*

#### Country of birth (2011)

13% were not born in the UK

### Age structure (2011)

Age group	Parish	Cherwell district	England & Wales
Young people (age 0-17)	27%	23%	21%
Working age (age 18-64)	58%	62%	62%
Older people (age 65+)	14%	15%	16%

### House type (2011)

Dwelling type	Parish	Cherwell district	England & Wales
Detached	43%	30%	23%
Semi-detached	29%	35%	31%
Terraced	19%	23%	25%
Flat or bedsit	9%	11%	22%
Other	0%	0%	0%

### Housing Tenure (2011)

Tenure	Parish	Cherwell district	England & Wales
Owned	74%	70%	64%
Social rented	8%	12%	18%
Private rented	13%	16%	17%
Other tenure	5%	2%	1%

## Physical Characteristics

Conservation Areas	2
Flood Zone 2	yes
Flood Zone 3	yes
Green Belt	no

### Landscape & Visual Impact Assessment Village Analysis 2016

Sibford Ferris and Sibford Gower, including Burdrop, are focused around the main streets passing through them with the historic cores focusing on these routes. The historic and often

listed buildings located along the main roads are intermixed with infill development of new residential properties however the historic cohesion of the villages remain. Both villages are located on ridge lines providing connecting views between the villages and west along the valley towards the Cotswolds AONB. There are no designated ecological sites within the villages and the closest DWS is Lamb's Pool woodland located 800m to the south east; there are also a number of NERC Act S41 Habitats of Potential Importance within the study area. There are Conservation Areas associated with Sibford Ferris and Sibford Gower which also cover the intervening agricultural land within the Sib Brook Valley. The valley also forms an integral part of the local character for the character areas reinforcing the rural character and separation of the villages. Whilst the listed buildings make an important contribution to the Conservation Area, there are numerous unlisted buildings which also contribute; all of these are important elements in contributing towards the historic character and its historic sensitivity which should be protected.

## Services & Facilities (2021)

Village Store /shop	Sibford Stores and Post Office - Main Street
Post Office	Sibford Stores and Post Office - Main Street
Petrol station	0
Bank /Building Society	0
Doctor's Surgery /Health Centre	0
Dentist	0
Pharmacy	0
Optician	0
Primary School	0
Secondary School	0
Library	0
Place of worship	0

Recreation ground / playing field	0
Indoor sports centre / leisure centre	0
Equipped play area	Cotswold Close Play Area
Village / community hall	0
Public house /restaurant /takeaway	0
Employment sites	0
Bus services	Johnson's Excelbus - 50A: Stratford to Banbury. Mon-Sat, 2 hourly
Day nursery	Sibford School Nursery - Sibford School, The Hill
Residential care home	0
Access to high speed broadband	Standard Superfast 80 mbps DL / 20 mbps UL
Other	0

## Neighbourhood Plan: NO

## Feedback from Parish Councils & Meetings

### ***Constraints***

- Bus service has more than halved and the condition of the roads have worsened. The bus service is reliant on a limited life subsidy from Warwickshire County Council after OCC removed their contribution. It only has a very limited service to Banbury and Stratford.
- The sewage, water and power are aged and has had issues coping with current volumes in recent years.
- Local facilities are small scale and cannot be easily expanded, and are relatively inaccessible to the elderly and young.

### ***Opportunities***

(none received)

### ***Comments***

- The Sibfords comprises 2 settlements: Sibford Gower with Burdrop and Sibford Ferris. The 2 parishes are separated by a 1:4 Valley, with limited footpaths and accessibility for anyone without transport. Each settlement operates independently.
- The Council treats the 2 parishes as a Category A village and a service centre which the Parish disagrees.
- The combined population is 984, one of the smallest Category A villages and there are no satellite villages that are serviced.
- Village categorisation for the 2 parishes should be reconsidered.

### ***Other Considerations***

- Requested during the last 18 months to be included in the Local Plan Review. This document is the first input we have been asked to make despite constant assurance about engagement and consultation. Hope this is the start and not the end of this process.