

## BLISWORTH PARISH PLAN PROGRESS TEAM

### UPDATE MARCH 2012

We continue to meet monthly, and are currently working on the following three items:-

- 1. Village Churchyards.** There are four village churchyards: one around the Parish Church, the Old Churchyard between Pond Bank and the High Street which is maintained by the Parish Council, the old churchyard belonging to the Baptist Chapel, which is unsafe, and lies to the rear of the Baptist Chapel, and the current Baptist Chapel graveyard to the side of this church. We have arranged for the Wildlife Trust to visit all four churchyards on March 19<sup>th</sup> to advise on conservation of flora and fauna in the village. Bees, butterflies and wild flowers, birds and wild animals are on the decline and our churchyards are some of the places which can encourage them to prosper.
- 2. Best Village Competition.** Following Parish Council approval for our first entry for this competition to be in 2012, a team made of two parish councillors and two progress team members is in the process of preparing our application for our entry, by the end of the month.
- 3. Central Village Feature.** The team is looking at designs for a central feature which have been submitted by the Craft Group. The Tapestry Group may also be involved. Seating, planters, a board and a village sign are being considered. An application for funding, which needs to be submitted by the end of March, will be drawn up after consultation with interested parties.

Sarah Sykes, Chair