

Updates on meeting the Action Plans in the 2013 Parish Plan as at August 2022

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Housing

Issue / concern	Action plan	Update
<p>Provision for property to enable downsizing (both open market and affordable)</p> <p>Provision of smaller open market housing</p> <p>Provision of affordable housing for local people</p>	<p>To investigate provision, need and potential sites</p> <p>- Neighbourhood Plan Action</p>	<p>Housing Need Survey completed 2014. Neighbourhood Plan 2015-2030 completed. 6 affordable houses currently being built</p> <p>Other houses being built are subject to no more than 3 bedrooms</p> <p>Parish Council always considers these concerns when providing comments for planning applications.</p> <p>Buckland Newton Community Property Trust – 10 houses completed at Lydden Meadow -mixture of shared ownership and tenancy, plus additional 6 affordable houses currently being built</p>

Employment and Business

Issue/concern	Proposed Actions	Update
Support existing business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a Trade Directory to advertise Services • Nominate a ‘Business and Employment Champion’ to:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Address issues raised by local businesses ○ Encourage joint marketing activities ○ Encourage people to use local services and businesses ○ Lobby for improved signage, public transport, mobile reception and broadband access. • Provision of affordable low-cost housing and accommodation for people working in the area. • Ensure opportunities available for expansion 	<p>Completed and updated</p> <p>No action taken</p> <p>See actions under Housing actions Update 4.1</p> <p>Parish Council always considers these concerns when providing comments for planning applications.</p>
Encourage new businesses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create new trading premises for appropriate small to medium size businesses, preferably from pre-existing redundant buildings 	<p>Parish Council always considers these concerns when providing comments for planning applications.</p>
Encourage employment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage businesses to employ local people by asking them to advertise locally 	<p>Several new businesses in area since 2013 however some local businesses have also left the area many of which are employing local people.</p>
Minimise detrimental effects of increased business and employment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider impact of noise, light and odours of potential new businesses • Consider effect traffic, suitability of road, size and number of vehicles • Consider potential damage to tourism, AONB and environment 	<p>Parish Council always considers these concerns when providing comments for planning applications.</p>

Roads, Traffic and Transportation

Issue/concern	Proposed Actions	Update
Speeding	Monitor highways scheme – B3143 & lobby for completion	Scheme completed
	Investigate further traffic calming measures incl. Community Speed Watch	Planters erected on entry into Buckland Newton on B3143 & Duntish Speed survey completed by Dorset Council Highways in 2021 August 2022 – currently purchasing and erecting Community Speed Indicator Device to be used at several locations around parish which have been funded by donations from public as well as the Buckland Newton fete committee and Parish Council.
	Review current speed limits throughout Parish	Parish Council worked with Dorset Highways / Dorset Police to see how can reduce incidents of speeding
Public Transport	Establish group to examine the possibilities and the issues	Buckland Newton Neighbourhood Car Scheme was set up to support residents to address loss of bus service- journeys have included medical appointments, shopping, hairdressers, keep fit classes amongst others. In 2019-2020 44 journeys were carried out.
	Location of bus shelter	Due to loss of public transport the bus shelter was not moved, however it was refurbished in 2022 and is now used for alternative purposes
Safety (large agricultural vehicles)	Talk to NFU rep. To promote respect and consideration towards other road users	
Road maintenance	Encourage parishioners to report all potholes and surface problems to 'Fix my street' & the Parish Council	Link put on parish council website to Dorset Council to report Highways issues. Also web address included each month in Parish Council Report that is published in Lydden Vale Magazine. Set item on Parish Council agenda to report and address any highways issues. Good relationship with Dorset Highways Community Highways Officer who is responsible for supporting roads in our parish.
Non-vehicular access, pavements, etc Finger posts	Addressed by AONB and the work on the B3143	
	Form a group to co-ordinate the maintenance of highway finger posts	Various finger posts have been replaced and there are still some materials and posts that require updating.

Environment

Issue/concern	Proposed Actions	Update
Rights of way	<p>Create a page on the Community website dedicated to the rights of way.</p> <p>Notices/leaflets for the Lydden Vale, parish notice boards, the pub, shop, church, and B&B and holiday cottage businesses in the parish, including advice to users of the rights of way, and details for contacting Stephen White and the website.</p> <p>Set up a Footpath Fund.</p>	<p>Completed and updated</p> <p>Stephen White's contact details as footpath officer in Lydden Vale.</p> <p>Parish Council and various landowner and parishioners have supported and funded replacement kissing gates around the local footpaths.</p>
Dog fouling	<p>Provide new and clearer notices about bagging and binning.</p> <p>Provide new bins by the Church gate and on the verge of the B3143 by the footpath gate into the Parish Field.</p>	<p>April 2022 new sign on play area saying no dogs. Most recent article in April 2022 Lydden Vale asking individuals to pick up their dog mess however various other articles put in Lydden Vale when particular issue.</p>
Fly tipping and litter	<p>Fly tipping: regular notice in the Lydden Vale asking residents to report any fly tipping, with details of who to contact.</p> <p>Litter: regular notice in the Lydden Vale saying:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rubbish left out overnight should be secured in dustbins. • ask residents to litter-pick along their road • that anyone who bags dog mess and leaves the bag in hedgerow is committing an offence. <p>Appoint a Litter Officer. Organise a Litter-Pick Day twice a year.</p>	<p>Articles put in Lydden Vale magazine when issues have been raised.</p> <p>Parish now registered with Litter Free Dorset and litter pick event took place in July 2022. This will hopefully lead to more regular events happening and encourage individuals to take their litter home.</p>
Recycling	<p>To promote use of the fabric recycling facility at the school.</p> <p>To promote use of paper/cardboard recycling facilities at the Village Hall (and hopefully plastic recycling too)</p>	<p>No action taken</p> <p>Each house now has recycling receptacles for recycling paper, glass, food, batteries etc provided by Dorset council and collected regularly</p>

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Flooding	<p>Engage farming community with regard to the damage done to verges by tractors.</p> <p>Regular notice in Lydden Vale asking people to report flooding to Flood Warden, and encouraging residents to keep any drains near their properties clear of debris.</p>	<p>Letters were sent out to local farmers and NFU.</p> <p>Standard article in monthly Parish Council report in Lydden Vale magazine on reporting any issues with flooding on FORT (Dorset Council Flood Reporting Tool). As at March 2022 Parish Council working with Dorset Council Flood Risk team and FWAG (Farming & Wildlife Advisory Grp) to address some flooding issues and investigate possible funding options.</p>

Community Facilities and Services

Issue / concern	Action plan	Update
Mobile signal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate Network Providers/signals Lobby Network Providers for improvements Identify any alternative technological solutions Identify planning implications (Neighbourhood Plan) 	<p>Ongoing – various schemes have been investigated however signal has improved in the village and individuals able to access via their local internet hub at home. Network providers have provided some improvement – BT Sure Start hubs etc. As at April 2022, Network Providers are moving everyone over to Voice over IP (VOIP) which will connect through local internet hubs to improve mobile service. There are still concerns but this has been raised with internet providers, Dorset Council and local Member of Parliament. Later in April this project was put on hold.</p>
Bus Shelter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate possible combined functions (e.g. could also be entrance to Parish Field or pavilion) Investigate options for location (neighbourhood Plan implications) 	<p>Since 2015 the bus shelter has been used by parishioners waiting to pick up children from school or whilst waiting for food takeaways which use the lay-by. It has also been used as a venue to sell flowers etc. Notice board from play area is now being installed (after refurbishment) in bus shelter.</p> <p>It was investigated whether to move the bus stop as the bus route had changed initially but we no longer have a bus service so agreed to just keep and maintain where it is.</p>
Viability of shop / pub / post office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage support for shop / pub / post office Refer to Business and Employment Action plan 	<p>All are well supported – even more so during and after Covid 19 when public were encouraged to stay local and support local environment. Shop</p>

Internet speed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ring fence shop / pub and register with WDDC list of assets of community value • Continue to lobby Post Office to ensure services maintained 	<p>and pub went above and beyond during pandemic to support the community and provided takeaways and delivery service which were well received.</p> <p>Jan 2022 Parish Council received formal letter advising that the Gaggles of Geese's listing as an asset of community value has expired. Discussed at parish meeting to see if wanted to extend but agreed at this time not to.</p> <p>Ongoing – the parish contribute £150 to have the post office in the village hall throughout the year.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current Superfast Broadband scheme with Dorset County Council and BT • Keep community informed via Lydden Vale News and Community Website 	Ongoing
Toilets at Parish Room	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigate options for improving toilet facility, including extended opening and cleaning • Objective: user and disabled friendly, clean and accessible toilet 	<p>Parish Rooms were updated with improved toilet facilities in 2019 which were open daily. During Covid pandemic toilets were closed due to additional cleaning requirements. Reopened April 2022.</p> <p>Completed. Toilets were cleaned weekly but are checked regularly to see if additional cleaning is required.</p>
Sign posts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refer to Roads, Traffic and Transportation Action Plan 	

Young People's Interests

Issue / concern	Action plan	Update
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lack of transport 2. Nothing much to do / lack of variety / no Scouts or Guides 3. More sport for the young, e.g. tennis 4. More involvement in village activities 5. Safety / crime 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set up a Parish Youth Forum to investigate the major issues identified: • A representative from the Parish Youth Forum to be invited to Parish Council meetings to bring forward youth issues • The Parish Youth Forum to identify possible solutions and work with Parish Council 	<p>Most recently Youth Club leader attended 2022 annual parish meeting updating Parish Council on activities.</p> <p>Currently youth club numbers low following Covid.</p>

Crime and Safety

Issue / concern	Action plan	Update
No Police presence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invite Dorset Police and Dorset Police and Crime Commissioner to Parish Council meeting to lobby for higher Police presence in the area 	Monthly report from our PCSO regarding police issues in parish. Recent issues discussed include parking in area of school, and theft /vandalism of road signs.
Crime		
Speeding / inconsiderate driving	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refer to Roads, Traffic and Transportation Action Plan 	
Neighbourhood Watch not in evidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appoint Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator On-going publicity regarding crime prevention Disseminate Police information / alerts 	Current issues reported on BNPC website
Anti-social behaviour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refer to Environment Action Plan Encourage anti-social behaviour to be reported to appropriate Authority <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Publicise in Lydden Vale News and BN Community Website 	

Health and Care

Issue / concern	Action plan	Update
Transport / distance to Surgery, medical services, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poor access to surgery for Non drivers Distance to medical facilities eg dentist, optician Distance to hospital 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Publicise Friends of Practice Scheme. Encourage volunteers to join FOP Non-emergency hospital transport (eligibility tested) Meeting to investigate complementary village lead Good Neighbour Scheme which could include non-medical journeys 	
Availability of Medical Services (doctor, dentist, optician) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Doctors surgery within village Inadequate footcare Home visits out of hours; Poor doctor service at weekend with only pre-booked surgery on Saturday. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advertise Home Care Community Optician. (HCCO) Investigate mobile dentist. Ask for Outreach Surgery in Buckland Newton. Investigate Agencies Follow up concerns 	

Care in the Community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need for 'carers' • Cost of Care • Lack of local human resources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish which Care Agencies service this area and draw up a list. • Need for dissemination of information. • Personal Budget Scheme now available 	
Response to emergencies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of clear street signage for Emergency vehicles • Retain Air Ambulance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigate First Responder Scheme in village (or Mark 2 version) • Purchase 1 or 2 defibrillators 	Defibrillator purchased and kept at Village Hall – details of runners to assist circulated and on Community website
Need for better information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of information regarding health and care facilities 	Village directory	Completed and updated

Miscellaneous also completed since plan written.

- Refurbished parish rooms including updating insulation and using LED lighting.
- Completed walking/jogging track around the Parish Field (the Parish Council is currently looking into to sorting the problems with the track surface).
- Replaced fencing round parish field -using materials that don't require painting
- Planted trees on parish fields
- Used local suppliers whenever possible to complete parish work eg bark chippings on play area, grass cutting etc
- Reused parish assets rather than replacing – eg old parish room toilets now store salt stock rather than rebuilding new, bus shelter – reroofed so can be used for alternative use, cricket chairs moved to old mower store.
- Councillor /parish clerk training – completed online so reduced travel costs
- Use biodegradable products for cleaning parish rooms and maintaining play equipment
- Parish correspondence – now mainly moved over to electronic as has circulating paperwork for parish meetings.