

Appendix A – Council Plan 2012-15 Final Monitoring Report

Council Plan Action	Status 03/2016	Service	Comment
Focus 1. JOBS			
C1.07 - Work in partnership to deliver investment and development that local people value in Chard.	Partially Completed	Economic Development	Negotiations with developers ongoing within the Chard Eastern Development Area to facilitate housing development and bring forward employment land, highway infrastructure and the Stopleveline Way. The project is included in the Somerset Growth Plan with grant funding applications made to LEP Growth Fund in 2015. Discussions also ongoing to establish the future employment land requirements of Chards major employers
C1.08 - Secure land with planning permission for employment use in areas where it is needed.	Partially Completed	Economic Development	Establishment of Strategic Regeneration Board and Area Regeneration Boards to identify and assess new projects from the Areas and refresh the Investing in Infrastructure programme. Currently working with developers to secure land at Chard, Crewkerne, Ilminster, Castle Cary and Yeovil. Work also underway to establish a programme of securing employment land in other market towns and rural areas. The programme is included in the Somerset Growth Plan with applications made to LEP Growth Deal in 2015
C1.11 - Progress the Chard Regeneration Scheme to create a vibrant town centre, by working with a development partner to invest, create new jobs.	Partially Completed	Economic Development	Working with development partner to secure suitable end-users for this element of the regeneration scheme. Project planning the wider elements of the town centre scheme is underway.
C1.12 - Regenerate the former ACI site and the Boden Mill site by 2013.	Behind Target	Economic Development	Negotiations are ongoing with developer delay caused by prevailing market conditions for major retailers and superstores. Development Agreement will expire in April 2017. Further options being considered.
C1.15 - Facilitate a programme for economic growth by assembling land packages for business use in Chard by 2014.	Partially Completed	Economic Development	As per C1.08 above, land packages for business use being negotiated with developer in CEDA. Applications for infrastructure funding made through both Growth Deal 2 and Growth Deal 3 funding rounds
C1.16 - Facilitate a realistic development programme for new employment sites that have been identified in market towns by 2015.	Partially Completed	Economic Development	This target is a key focus of the Investing in Infrastructure programme which has 10 prioritised projects that include employment land in all of the market towns. Further work in identifying sites will be undertaken as part of the Housing and Employment Land Allocation study. The programme is included in the Somerset Growth Plan and LEP funding applications are underway

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C1.17 - Support early delivery of Super-Fast Broadband to rural areas by 2015.	Partially Completed	Economic Development	Phase 1 of the Connecting Devon and Somerset Scheme will draw to a close in 2016/17. This will phase will have enabled connectivity to around 90% of premises, leaving approximately 10% without access to superfast broadband Phase 2 of the project will be put to tender in 2016 and this will seek to enable access to superfast broadband to 95% of all premises. Along with other District Councils, SSDC has made an 'in principle' commitment to help fund the second phase of the programme. This decision will be subject to final confirmation prior to the commencement of the second phase.
Focus 2. ENVIRONMENT			
C2.06 - Promote the Green Deal and similar schemes that enable householders and businesses to make existing buildings more energy efficient.	Not Started	Spatial Policy	Following officer discussion it was decided not to link the council with the Green Deal due to the reputational risk.
Focus 3. HOMES			
C3.05 - Have an adopted Local Plan and Community Infrastructure Levy in place by 2014 that will ensure all new development contributes towards important community infrastructure.	Partially Completed	Spatial Policy	South Somerset Local Plan (2006 - 2028) was adopted March 2015. The Community Infrastructure Levy will be submitted to the Examiner in the summer 2016, and is scheduled to be adopted in autumn 2016.
C3.06 - Identify a temporary stopping point for gypsies and travellers by 2014.	On Hold	Health & Wellbeing	No further progress/action since end of year 14/15: On hold. Decision taken in early 2014 for a site to be identified on a Somerset basis in conjunction with neighbour authorities, rather than proceeding on a stand-alone South Somerset basis (end of year report 14/15).
Focus 4. HEALTH & COMMUNITIES			
C4.06 - Work with and lobby partners to help communities to develop transport schemes and local solutions to reduce rural isolation and inequalities to meet existing needs of those communities.	On-going	Spatial Policy	This is on-going commitment, therefore carried forward.