

Appendix A - Area Development (North) Plan – Update November 2013

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AN contact	Ward	Parish	Action / Project (what is planned to be done this year)	Current position / update (November 2013)
CJ	Area North	Area North	Promote positive engagement with Area North Town & Parish Councils.	The Annual Town & Parish Council meeting held in October and was attended by 37 councillors representing 19 Town & Parish Councils. Frequent requests made for guidance on 'community right to bid', parish plans, Neighbourhood Plans, funding advice and contact with other services / agencies. Guidance offered, plus contact with relevant services arranged as required.
TO	Area North	Area North	Support Community Youth project steering group (local employment of community youth workers)	Continuing to be successful supporting parishes of Somerton, Martock, the Hamdons, Tintinhull, Kingsbury Episcopi and the Charltons. Steering group considering setting up as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation - with trustees.
SK	Area North	Area North	Support 2013 programme of holiday play schemes.	Around 240 children attended a range of community led schemes arranged with SSDC support. See report to November ANC for further information.
PB	Area North	Area North	Implement Area North marketing and signage programme.	£20,000 allocated from Area North capital programme. Initial stage to encourage locally led initiatives and clarify / explain complex rules and procedures to erect / display signage. Members steering group to meet to agree criteria, review issues raised and consider initial applications to the scheme.
TO	Area North	Area North	Support creation and launch of South Somerset market towns "app"	Now launched in 9 Market Towns (including Langport, Somerton & Martock) with an aim to promote businesses and local facilities within the towns. The app is free to download in Android & Apple formats. Planned handover to local groups for managing updates in the autumn. South Petherton encouraged to join when ready

CJ	Area North	Area North	Support progress of Devon & Somerset Broadband Programme and local access to ICT	Presentation made by Cosmic at the Area North Community Event in May. More details of planned 'roll-out' are becoming available, but limited. SSDC / East Devon undertaking some joint scrutiny.
CJ	Area North	Area North	Support progress of joint review of flood/water management in Somerset and promote local involvement to address and mitigate the effects of flooding	£1,000 funding agreed to Levels & Moors Task Force for support towards administration costs of the group. Cllr Sue Steele appointed to the Executive Board. A 'vision' has been drafted and the task force will soon establish under the Somerset Water Management Partnership.
TO / CJ	Area North	Area North	Support local access to advice for housing & welfare benefits	Additional day per week funded by ANC for 2013-14. Report due in early 2014. Regular surgeries by housing advisors held in Langport and Somerton. Customer advisor to attend Martock job club to learn more about their needs for support / advice to volunteers and residents using the service. Ad hoc appointments and home visits can be arranged on request.
Programme of local projects – by ward and parish				
<i>tbc</i>	Burrow Hill	Kingsbury Episcopi	Support Kingsbury recreation ground to make improvements to community facilities	Following the upgrade to the MUGA, the community have now installed an outdoor 'gym'. A planning application recently submitted for new pavilion combining community shop & café, community hall and changing rooms.
SK	Curry Rivel	Curry Rivel	Support delivery of Curry Rivel community facilities investment programme at Westfield and SSDC play areas	Funding available from recent s106 developer obligations. Parish Council are likely commission professional design work due to the size of the project. SSDC have completed work to the Abby play area.
SK	Curry Rivel	Curry Rivel	Support Robert Sewers Village Hall, Curry Rivel to carry out programme of improvements.	3 phases of the programme identified. Phase 1 almost completed-including complete re-decoration. Grant awarded for £8,000 at October Area North towards new entrance/extension. Further work to consider recent access review on-going.
CJ	Curry Rivel	Curry Rivel	Support completion of Housing Needs Survey for Curry Rivel	Housing needs survey carried out in June/July 13. Large response! Results analysed and are published.

SK	Curry Rivel	Drayton	Support Drayton Village Hall to make improvements to entrance/porchway	Project underway, £750 grant awarded.
TO	Hamdon	Stoke Sub Hamdon	Support Stoke Sub Hamdon Recreation Trust to implement five year plan	Supported recent local consultation to help update 5 year plan - printing and analysis. £750 community grant awarded towards additional facilities for informal recreation. Hosted summer play day – successful.
TO	Hamdon	Norton Sub Hamdon	Work in partnership with Norton Parish Council to improve local pathway at Minchington Close.	Plans drawn up by SSDC Engineering and SCC Highways consulted. Norton PC have agreed a contribution towards costs, and design work is in hand.
CJ	Hamdon	Norton Sub Hamdon	Support Norton Community Land Trust to deliver local housing scheme.	Land ownership and planning agreements all in place. Construction work has commenced on site.
TO	Hamdon	Norton Sub Hamdon	Support further development of The Hamdons youth group (in association with the Community Youth Project)	Good progress. Summer activities held based at Norton village hall & playing field.
TO	Islemoor	Ilton	Support delivery of Ilton community facilities investment programme.	Project includes refurbishment of play facilities at Copse Lane recreation ground. S106 and other grants in place. Limited recent progress due to review by landowner of plan to provide additional open space / playing pitch.
TO	Islemoor	Hambridge	Support improvements to access and facilities at Hambridge Village Hall	£750 community grant awarded to help complete refurbishment of kitchen.
PB	Langport & Huish	Langport & Huish	Support the development of ideas to promote rowing / boating on the Parrett at Langport	Support available if this project can be led by the community. No further progress on idea to start rowing club.
PB	Langport & Huish	Langport & Huish	Support Langport Town Council and local businesses to make improvements to Westover business estate signage and install gateway signage (MTIG)	Signage for Westover estate designed, and submitted for planning consent. New signs installed at town entrances.

PB	Langport & Huish	Langport & Huish	Support Langport Town Council to deliver "Walk Langport" including new and improved pathways and access improvements.	Projects include pathways on Common Moor (complete) and Cocklemoor (current). Improved signage and marketing also under design
CJ	Langport & Huish	Langport & Huish	Support to Memorial Playing Field Trust to create Multi-Use Court and complete improvements to open space.	MUGA now installed and project completed. Support to help promote increased use to be considered
TO	Langport & Huish	Langport & Huish	Support development of community facilities at Huish Leisure Centre including Artificial Grass Pitch (AGP)	Feasibility completed. Local consultation / planning application expected Autumn 2013.
PB	Langport & Huish	Langport & Huish	Support operation of Langport Information Centre through service level agreement	2013-14 service level agreement in place. LIC helped promote local information during recent road closures
PB	Langport & Huish	Langport & Huish	Support Langport Town Council review of options for use of Langport town square for markets and other community events	Agreed plan and timescale with SSDC Engineering to make adjustments to the 'island'. SSDC helping to develop a service level agreement for town council and markets co-ordinator
TO	Langport & Huish	Langport & Huish	Support Somerset Advice Network to trial "Info Hubs" project in Langport.	Staff / volunteer representatives from the Library, Information Centre, SSDC, Children's Centre and the Angel received training on advice & signposting services. Raised awareness of local sources of advice, and promoted networking between the groups involved. 'Info Hub' branding offered to each location
SK	Langport & Huish	Langport & Huish	Support Ridgway Hall Management Committee to implement actions from access review	Limited contact, but support offered
TO	Langport & Huish	Langport & Huish	Support operation of SSVCA - Links Community Transport service	£5,000 grant awarded in April by the Area North Committee towards a new community vehicle. Currently looking for suitable replacement vehicle.

PB	Martock	Martock	Support to Martock Parish Council to complete lighting scheme and precinct enhancement project and support to Producers Market (MTIG)	Agreed schedule with SSDC Engineers. MTIG funding released for first stage of grant (purchase of gazebos and trailer).
TO	Martock	Martock	Support operation of Martock Information Centre through service level agreement	£500 grant to support costs through service level agreement. Currently working with the LIC on new local walks leaflet.
CJ	Martock	Martock	Support M3 to develop Martock Growing Business programme	Martock Business Forum - includes presentations from local businesses and other items of interest. SSDC Chief Executive attending January meeting to discuss use of business rates income for services. New signage planned for business park
CJ	Martock	Martock	Support further development of Martock Job Club and local employment, training and skills programme	Local community have arranged classes for ICT – wish to trial a new location - currently seeking support for equipment. Job Club: 114 job seekers have visited between Sept 2012 and end of August 2013. 40 are known to have found work including 18 working locally. An average of 8 new job seekers and 12 returning ones are visiting the Club each week.
CJ	Martock	Martock	Support Martock Youth Centre and Martock Parish Council to new youth centre and pavilion at Martock Recreation Ground	Steering group established with terms of reference. Project manager to be appointed. Land agreed with planning consent (outline). Further housing development has agreements for contributions.
PB	Martock	Martock	Support progress of economic re-use of redundant buildings at Parrett Works	Owners guided to help themselves develop a viable plan for the re-use. Support from Architectural Heritage Foundation for feasibility secured. Martock community partnership supporting.
CJ	Martock	Martock	Support Martock Parish Council to secure highways improvements to Stoke Road / Water Street junction	Main benefit is greater pedestrian safety and access around Martock Recreation Ground. Feasibility study (stage 1 design) and local consultation completed by SCC / MPC (£750 towards costs on partnership basis).
TO	Martock	Martock	Support towards Archie's Extra refurbishment of trailer and purchase of additional equipment	Grant of £500 awarded. Project completed.

TO	Martock	Long Load	Support Long Load Parish Council to secure additional land for community use.	The parish council have undertaken local discussions and a planning application has been submitted which includes land for community use.
CJ	Martock	Ash	Support progress of local affordable housing scheme for Ash	Hastoe Housing Association is preparing a planning application for a site, final feasibility to be completed in October / November. (This project is managed by the Strategic Housing team).
PB	South Petherton	South Petherton	Support operation of South Petherton Community Office through service level agreement.	The information centre moved into the library earlier this year on a trial basis.
SK	South Petherton	South Petherton	Support the Blake Hall Management Committee, South Petherton to make improvements.	Project includes support to the committee / parish council to consider recent access review.
CJ	South Petherton	South Petherton	Secure reuse for former Public Toilets at Prigg Lane car park	Toilets currently marketed by SSDC commercial agent. Limited interest. SPPC have expressed interest but no proposal received.
TO	South Petherton	South Petherton	Support completion of memorial garden in South Petherton (MTIG)	Limited progress due to recent changes at the parish council.
SK	South Petherton	Seavington St Michael	Support Seavington playing field committee to make pathways and access improvements at playing field / village halls	Guidance provided, project progressing well.
SK	South Petherton	Seavington St Michael	Support The Seavingtons community shop and café to continue to develop business plan	After a period of review - the revised business plan is going well. The committee have re-formed with new members and obtaining business support. Various improvements made to the shop / café environment
TO	St Michaels	Montacute	Support completion of feasibility and business plan for new village hall in Montacute	A steering group established to ensure a full options appraisal is completed with in principle support from the community and various regulatory bodies (eg planning, highways, English Heritage). An agreed site not yet identified, and this is the steering group's top priority

JD	St Michaels	Tintinhull	Support Tintinhull Parish Council to progress funding and design for new village hall	Not heard anything recently though I periodically remind them we are here.
JD	St Michaels	Tintinhull	Support Tintinhull Parish Council to secure further investment at recreation ground	Improvements to SSDC play area at nearby Thurlocks planned in this financial year – designs being finalised. Further consultation with parish council required to consider improvements to MUGA.
TO	St Michaels	Tintinhull	Support Tintinhull youth club to be part of the Community Youth Project	Going well!
SK	St Michaels	Chilthorne Domer	Support Chilthorne Domer to continue to improve facilities at recreation ground	Guidance provided, various projects (new pathways, further work to pavilion) progressing well.
CJ	Turn Hill	Long Sutton	Monitor and support progress of two affordable housing schemes at Long Sutton	YHG scheme at Parsons Close completed. Scheme at Martock Road not started
SK	Turn Hill	Long Sutton	Support Long Sutton Village Hall to make improvements to access and facilities	Access review completed. £750 grant award towards hall improvements. Advice given on project planning and budgets. Some design help from SSDC Property Services - re-modelled disabled toilets and kitchen alterations completed.
TO	Wessex	Somerton	Support operation of Somerton Information Centre through service level agreement	New location in Library settling down. SLA in place for 13-14
CJ	Wessex	Somerton	Support to the Edgar Hall to develop management and marketing plans	Support provided to consider alternative management arrangements and ways to increase marketing activity. STC have agreed way forward.
CJ / SK	Wessex	Somerton	Work with Somerton Town Council to support SSDC car parking strategy.	Feasibility of additional supply being considered.

PB	Wessex	Somerton	Support Somerton Historic Buildings Preservation Trust to acquire and operate the Old Town Hall business/community use.	Recent grant application to Heritage Lottery Fund unsuccessful.
TO	Wessex	Somerton	Support completion of Jubilee Garden in Somerton (MTIG)	Advice provided by Conservation team. Project has been simplified and is underway.
PB / TO	Wessex	Somerton	Support completion of car parking and gateway signage scheme for Somerton (MTIG)	Underway, although in part under review – details of project to be agreed by STC.
TO	Wessex	Somerton	Support Roundabout Pre-School with new building.	£10,000 grant awarded at September Area North Committee. Project underway, to be completed March 2014.
CJ	Wessex	Compton Dundon	Support Compton Dundon Parish Council to complete local consultation for community plan.	Guidance and resources provided for consultation events.