

Parish Council Plan

Objective

To provide an attractive and pleasant village environment in which to live, encompassing environmental and sustainable initiatives.

Activity	Resp	Year	Budget	Explanatory Notes
1 Continue the regular maintenance of verges, green spaces and similar	Cllr Welham	Continuous	£90 per cut	miltiplies by x 'x' number of cuts per annum
2 Encourage the adoption of environmental and green initiatives	All	Continuous		
3 Investigate the provision and funding for an electric charging point in the VH car park	Clerk			Clerk investigating possible funding 4/7/22
5 Assess the need for further dog waste bins and benches as required	Cllr Mountain		Nil	No further dog bins required. A 'Stick 'n Flick' policy to be encouraged as an alternative. The bench at top end of Mill Road is very instable - Cllr Mountain to inspect.
7 Look into either maintaining or replacing the village sign	Cllr Bowe to review			To be included on a mini survey of residents

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To provide facilities to enhance community, sports and leisure activities

Activity	Resp	Year	Budget	Explanatory Notes
1 To continue the support of the Village Hall Get a grant to install a screen and projector/soundsystem		2022/3 2022/3	£5,000	PC earmarked grant
2 To set up a footpaths working party to devlop and promote the footpaths, working with local groups such as the ramblers.	Walking group cut back as necessary			Clerk to approach the local walking group to enlist their help. Email sent 4/7/22
3 Management of Pocket Park - review options to improve the play equipment		2023/4		
4 Development of the land around the village hall into a community space	Work starting spring 2023	2022/3	£1,000	PC grant. Meeting arranged for 5/7 to progress
5 Explore new areas for allotments	Cllr Welham	2023	£4,000	Grant received. Could possibly accomodate some at Pocket Park? c/forward

Objective

To improve road safety, transport and reduce the risk of flooding

Activity	Resp	Year	Budget	Explanatory Notes
1 Appoint a Councillor to liaise with the Environment agency and Suffolk County highways on a regular basis.	Cllr Mountain. Cllr Bowe to speak to a specific resident in this respect			Clerk has put article in Echo re contacts for various Highways incidents and sent to the Chair. Already put on the website.
2 Create a community flood plan - agreed this was not required.				Where does it flood and how often? Maintain a relationship with the local landowner (R Rous) to request all ditches are kept clear and maintained. Flood at the bottom of Mill Road due to blocked drain

Objective

To communicate effectively with all parts of the local community, engaging with different organisations and keeping all informed

Activity	Resp	Year	Budget	
1 Develop a village emergency plan		c/ forward		
2 Develop the website to be a Village website with multi organisation use	Clerk	continuous		Clerk to encourage all groups to feed back info for inclusion, regular requests in the Eccho for website content.
3 Work with other organisations to support and organise events	All	continuous		Agreed we are already achieving this
4 New village notice board		c/forward	£450 PC	

Objective

To be an effective and credible council administration

Activity	Resp	Year	Budget	
1 Publish all agendas on website as well as draft minutes and publicise meetings	Clerk		Nil	All done in accordance with the regulations and on time. Old minutes will be archived at the Archive Hold in Ipswich in 2023. Contact the Clerk if anyone wants a copy of an old minute.
2 Produce report for inclusion in the Echo	Clerk			Done every 2 months
3 Survey residents on council activities for the future	Chair	2022		To be included on the August agenda - maximum of 6 questions to be included in The Echo i.e. a mini survey of residents. New ideas / new councillors required

Objective

To ensure that any village development is in keeping with the village.

Activity	Resp	Year	Budget	
1 Robust , open and transparent review of planning applications	All			Wrote to ESC Planning Dept with complaint re their decisions Feb 23
2 Ensure all Councillors are trained in planning regulations so that they can make informed decisions and recommendations		2022		Agreed that some Cllrs to go on Planning training to enable this. To agree at the next meeting who will be trained on which modules.