

COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN				ODPC = Oakley and Deane Parish Council		
		Start Date: 2011	BDBC = Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council			
Name of Parish: Oakley & Deane		Review Period: 12 months (financial cycle)	HCC = Hampshire County Council			
Plan id	Objective	Actions	Quest section N°	Lead Partner	Responsible Bodies and Other Partners	Justification / comments (refer to community support from consultation)
Stronger (e.g. including everyone, fostering a sense of belonging and participation in community life, similar life opportunities - including accessible services for all).						
AP001	Village Association	Formation of an association of volunteers with the aim of co-ordinating activities of Village groups and overseeing implementation of this action plan.	2	ODPC and BDBC	Community Development & Learning initially then form own organisation	17% people were interested in local groups and 83% thought some of the suggestions were great (e.g. market)
AP002	Community meeting place	Support possibility of some combination of community coffee shop, Internet café, local produce market etc.	2	ODPC	Initially Oakley & Deane Community group; then form own organisation	17% people were interested in local groups and 83% thought some of the suggestions were great (e.g. market)
Safer (e.g. Reducing anti-social behaviour, reducing speed on roads, emergency planning)						
AP003	Improve safety of Fox Lane / Pack Lane cross road.	Contact Transport authorities. Involve Council discuss in more detail. Ask to look at all possible workable solutions, bearing in mind the already protracted consultations over proposed roundabout.	3	ODPC	HCC Highways / BDBC Engineering Landscape & Parking (ELP) Team	Needed as a matter of priority given that this is an action derived from the issues with highest number of requests from the questionnaire (52% of respondents)
AP004	Consider pedestrian / pelican crossing in Oakley Lane close to school and shops to increase safety outside school patrol time.	Consider construction of pedestrian crossing in Oakley Lane.	3	ODPC	HCC Highways / BDBC ELP Team	Needed as a matter of priority given that this is an action derived from the issues with highest number of requests from the questionnaire (52% of respondents). <i>Issue also raised by youth project.</i>
AP005	Design and deploy a more proactive and efficient plan for maintaining the roads and pavements on the Parish	The Parish Council could develop an outline of the regular type of maintenance that is expected for the roads on the neighbourhood.	3	ODPC	HCC Highways / BDBC ELP Team	Issue with 4th highest number of comments on the responses received from the Community during the Consultation period (44% of respondents)

AP006		Design a co-ordinated way of informing HCC about where work on pot-holes or pavements needs to be done.	3	ODPC	HCC Highways / BDBC ELP Team	Various comments were included as part of the responses on level of satisfaction to road and pavement maintenance activities
AP007		More local grit bins with procedure for ensuring that grit is available when needed. Lobby for gritting secondary roads.	3	ODPC	HCC Highways / BDBC ELP Team	(as above)
AP008		Design local contingency plan for clearing the snow from pavements over the winter period if the walking becomes hazardous.	3	ODPC	HCC Highways / BDBC ELP Team	(as above)
AP009	Review speed management in Oakley.	Consider reducing speed limits in some areas. Explore traffic calming measures and vehicle activated signs. Flashing speed limit signs by school.	3	ODPC	HCC Highways / BDBC ELP Team	52% support (2nd most worrying issue brought up by the residents)
AP010	Pedestrian safety	Investigate the feasibility of putting a footpath along Rectory Road to address the current concerns of the Community.	3	ODPC	HCC Highways / BDBC ELP Team	31% of the community raised concerns regarding pedestrian safety
AP011	Pedestrian safety-II	Liaise with the ODPC and the BDBC regarding the appropriate distribution of lighting in the public and/or residential areas, taking special care not to contribute to the "light pollution" problem that affects many of the larger towns/cities in this and other countries.	3	ODPC	HCC Streetlighting Team	
AP012	Prevent pavement parking	Continuing to look at how to minimise pavement parking in the village.	3	ODPC	BDBC ELP Team & Hampshire Constabulary	30% support. <i>Issue also raised by the youth project</i>
AP013	Increase police presence in the Parish	Look into the feasibility of increasing the Police presence in the area.	2	ODPC	Hampshire Constabulary. Basingstoke & Deane Country Watch. Basingstoke & Deane Rural Sector	40 concerns were raised by residents on the subject of Police absence in the area

Prosperous (e.g. Supporting economy of villages, Tourism, Supporting employment in rural areas)

AP014	Improve the performance of the broadband service in the area	Talk with BT and other service providers???	2	Village Association	BT-broadband other service providers	40% of respondents raised the poor quality of broadband speed as a concern in the consultation process
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AP015	Promote small business / home worker networking	Publicise and support local Business Groups. Consider ways to encourage Businesses to locate in Oakley.	2	Village Association	The Link, BDBC, Federation for Small Businesses. Business link	30% of respondents raised the lack of diversity of the businesses (shops) in the Parish as a matter of concern. The need for better quality eating places
AP016	Improve the Postal services where possible to support the growth of a thriving local business	Discuss with the Royal Mail and relevant bodies the possibility of increasing the number of postal collections, and ensuring that the existing PO boxes are collected on a regular basis	2	ODPC	Royal Mail	Even though the "Postal Service" rated the highest level of satisfaction in the Consultation process; the 4% that expressed concerns with regards to the absence of more collections should be heard specially as these concerns were mostly raised by residents that run a local business
AP017	More part time jobs for senior pupils	Encourage local businesses, shops, service providers, farms etc to consider employing older pupils	YP	Village Association	Local commercial concerns.	<i>Issue raised by youth project</i>
AP018	Improve the availability and quality of the public transport that covers the route in/out of the Parish	Hold discussions with the Transport department and BDBC regarding the time tables and routes that are currently available. It should include provision of better access for all, i.e. elderly/disable residents, mums with pushchairs, etc	3	ODPC	Service Provider & BDBC Transport Team	21% of the respondents raised concerns on the poor choice of route. Additional concerns were expressed with regards to accessibility when the bus is busy (e.g. too many pushchairs).

Healthy (e.g. fostering a sense of place and belonging, improving health and well-being of local people and young people, promoting independence of vulnerable people)

AP019	Improve the availability / visibility of the signs to places of special public interest including rural footpaths and walking routes	Liaise with the ODPC and BDBC to identify signs that might be needed to inform people going through the area on the location of places of special public interest	4	ODPC	HCC Rights of Way Team	18% of the community expressed concerns on the absence of signs to places of special interest (e.g. PO, churches), and also the absence of good maps, and the general quality of the public footpaths
AP020	To improve outdoor public spaces	Continue to look at the feasibility and practicality of improving outdoor recreational spaces so that they cater for ALL ages	4	ODPC	Business proprietors. Shop owners	85% of the responses were in favour of improving the look of all the public areas with things such as flowers or shrubs. See youth project: requests for playing field equipment suitable for 11+ age group.
AP021		Consider the practicality of providing more seats for people to rest throughout the Parish at focal points, e.g. bus stop	4	ODPC	Parish council & village initiative	

AP022	To improve appearance of areas around shops and pubs	Ensure proprietors take care of the immediate surroundings. Enforce relevant bye-laws.	4	ODPC	Parish Council	35% of the comments included demonstrated the interest there is to ensure that the Parish looks at its best at all times
AP023	To promote a healthier lifestyle by providing better means for people to get around without the need of a car	To hold discussions with the HCC to see how the pavements and footpaths might be improved to facilitate the movement of people around the Parish. Step up consultations to regularise footpath usage.	3	ODPC	HCC Highways	31% of responses referred to the problems pedestrians have when getting around the Parish
AP024	To improve the Health Services available on the Parish	Hold discussions with the local GP regarding the poor availability of appointments at the Oakley surgery	2	ODPC	Oakley & Overton Partnership	47% of the Community raised concerns on the difficulty of getting themselves to Overton and the reduced number of appointments at the local Surgery
AP025		Hold discussions with local GP on the lack of pre-natal and reduced post natal care available in Oakley.	2	Oakley & Overton Partnership	Friends of Oakley Surgery	
AP026	Improve the availability and efficiency of the basic services to all the residential areas located in the Parish	Hold discussions with the relevant bodies on the best way to improve and/or increase the level of basic services such as gas and sewage for those sectors of the Parish that are not currently supplied	2	ODPC	BDBC & Utility Providers	10% of the responses received expressed concerns on the absence of gas and sewage services in certain areas of the Parish, i.e. Pardown. No other sector was named but it is important to assess whether any more residents are affected by this
AP027	To promote the healthy and rural feeling of the Parish ensuring that all the plants, trees, hedges that give the place its distinctive natural feelings are well kept throughout the year	Draw an appropriate maintenance plan with the relevant groups responsible for trimming and maintaining the greenery growing in all the public places, including paths, lanes, walking areas.	4	ODPC	Environmental Groups/ local interest groups e.g. Ramblers	around 18% of the community explained their resistance to walk and enjoy the local neighbourhood through grumblings on the poor maintenance of this aspect of the Parish
AP028	Play equipment in parks suitable for older children e.g. climbing equipment, assault course	Identify play/ green areas in the Parish which might be suitable for this use. Research equipment, consult with other communities already where these areas already exist.	YP	ODPC	Local interest groups e.g. scouts guides etc	<i>Issue raised by youth project</i>
AP029	Better facilities for sports in parks or unused land e.g. basket ball nets, rugby posts, football goals	As above.	YP	ODPC	as above	<i>Issue raised by youth project</i>

AP030	Adventure & orienteering trails in local woodland		YP	ODPC/ Village Association	ODPC, local land owners, environmental groups / local interest groups	<i>Issue raised by youth project</i>
AP031	More activities for pre-teens e.g. clubs: nature & environment, science, sewing cooking, crafts, book/ writers' group	Consult with already existing similar adult groups with a view to setting up groups for younger people. U3A (University of the Third Age) a group which could help and a model to follow.	YP	Village Association	School, village interest & hobby groups. U3A	<i>Issue raised by youth project</i>

Greener (e.g. reducing carbon footprint in the community, reducing waste and increasing recycling, encourage consumption of local produce, **increase efficiency in use of resources**; increasing diversity of local wildlife).

AP032	To promote the use and enjoyment of green public areas through a better maintenance plan to ensure the parks, plants and equipment look at their best all the time	Liaise with the ODPC, the BDBC and relevant local bodies responsible for the maintenance of the green areas including the equipment in the parks	4	Environment group on the Parish Council	Village Association / local interest groups	10% of respondents made unhappy comments regarding the general look & feel of the public green areas. Overgrown footpaths, grass in need of more regular mowing, were some of the comments expressed in the completed questionnaires
AP033	Improve and maintain the pond located on Rectory road	This project is already underway and may be nearing completion or complete when this Plan is published.	4	Environment group on the Parish Council	Oakley Manor; expert on pond clearance and general maintenance of wildlife areas	61% of the responses (881 residents) raised concerns on the poor state of this pond, for example "The pond is a mess- generally completely dry"
AP034		Design a regular maintenance plan to help extend the Rectory pond's new healthy appearance	4	Environment group on the Parish Council	Agree on a maintenance plan maybe with the H&IoW wildlife group / village volunteers	90% of the community (1297 residents) value the surrounding countryside and are keen to ensure it is properly maintained
AP035	Improve and extend the type of recycling services provided to the residents	Include curb side glass recycling collection in addition to the existing services	4	Environment group on the Parish Council	BDBC and waste collection services	25% of the people (328 residents) expressed interest in improving the current recycling facilities
AP036		Battery disposal point is needed in the Parish	4	Environment group on the Parish Council	Talk with local businesses who might be willing to serve as point of collection. Liaise with waste services	(as above)
AP037		Look into the feasibility of setting up a local garden rubbish recycling scheme. Provide the Community with Compost making facilities	4	Environment group on the Parish Council	Talk to people in charge of running the allotments; local farmers might be interested in setting some waste management system on their land	(as above) <i>Issue also raised by youth project</i>

AP038		Look at the feasibility of transferring the current location of the recycling facilities to a more central location	4	Environment group on the Parish Council	Talk to BDBC about this matter	
AP039	Anti-litter and dog fouling	Continue to promote anti dog-fouling and anti litter	4	ODPC	Village initiative to educate on dangers of mess and litter	42 comments in the consultation process raised this point.
AP040		Look into increasing the number of dog waste bins in the Parish. The study should include a plan for a regular emptying task otherwise they will not be fit for purpose.	4	ODPC and BDBC	Look at the possibility of increasing the number of bins and review the best locations for them. Enforce bye-laws	28% of the responses collected (403 responses) expressed dissatisfaction with the number of dog bins that are currently available
AP041	Organise annual clean-up campaign	Annual organised litter-picking days with picnic	4	ODPC	Village initiative/ educational campaign	86% of the respondents (1206 residents) were willing to take part in a regular cleanup operation
AP042	Encourage cycling/reduce driving	To examine the provision of an adequate cycle path linking the Parish to Basingstoke. This is actively under consideration by the ODPC and may well have progressed at the time of publication.	4	ODPC	BDBC Transport Team	32% of the Community (451 residents) is in favour of this type of cycle path. ONE PERSON suggested this was a waste of money
AP043		Discuss with shop owners installing cycle racks in front of the shops	4	ODPC	Shop owners & BDBC Transport Team	32% of the Community is in favour of using bikes as a better alternative for getting around
AP044	Construct cycle lanes where possible to encourage cycling to school.	Consider feasibility of cycle lanes / accompanied group cycling to school. Cycle Training for school.	YP	Village Association	Village initiative to encourage young people to cycle or volunteer to accompany groups of cyclists	<i>Issue raised by youth project</i>
AP045	More varied habitats in parks and open spaces to encourage wildlife	Obtain expert advise on what are the best forms of habitat for the area and where planting would be most successful	YP	ODPC	ODPC environment group. Village initiative to undertake planting. Schools to engage pupil interest.	<i>Issue raised by youth project</i>