

Willington Parish Council Action Plan 2025-26 - Projects - updated July 2025

4	Objective	Lead Person	By When	Funded From	Notes	Status
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT / COMMUNICATION						
To update the newsletter format into Canva and assess the extent to which the newsletter is 'opened'. Assess requirement for a newsletter.	To effectively communicate with and to engage with the local community	Lead required following the resignation of Janet Smethurst from the PC.	May 2025 newsletter	2025-26 Subscriptions budget for basic Mailchimp subscription	07/25 Analytics reviewed at July 2025 meeting. 'Revisits' data requested. 03/25 New format version issued via MailChimp in February 2025. 02/25 Residents issued with flyers requesting preference for delivery channel.	In progress
TASK FORCE :						
Procure and install a 'Produce Exchange' on the Green	Provide a managed facility for residents to exchange produce and other items	Councillor John Lindsay	April 2025	2024-25 Projects Budget	05/25 Installed and in use 03/25 Awaiting installation	Complete
Procure and install a bench at the top of Little Switzerland	Provide a rest place for walkers on Little Switzerland	Councillor John Lindsay	July 2025	2025-26 Projects Budget & Members Budgets	07/25 Members budget funding received. Bench ordered and received. Installation plan drafted, target end of August 2025. 05/25 Members budget applied for (£300 x 2). Kelsall PC will not fund. Bench ordered from Amberol @ circa £750.00 for July delivery. Site surveyed. 03/25 Partly funded by Kelsall PC?	In progress
Provision of Grit Bin on Tirley Lane	Provide nearby residents with access to salt/grit to spread at the 90 degree bend on Tirley lane by Dial house.	Councillor Stuart Ingram	Autumn 2025	2025-26 Projects budget	07/25 - 200 litre yellow bin purchased from Roadware @ £114.95 plus VAT. Stored at Dial House. Grit needs to be purchased for winter 2025/26 and bin filled.	In progress.
ROAD SAFETY :						
Deliver New 20mph Speed Limit Chapel Lane, Rough Low Gooseberry Lane	Improve community safety	Councillor Andrew Nicholas	Await CWaC timescales	2025-26 (?) Projects Budget	03/25 - likely to be 2026 before any work started. 03/25 - CWaC have agreed to implement the revised speed restrictions. Await update from CWaC Highways.	In progress
Support Tarvin PC attaining reduction of speed limits on Willington Road 50 mph & 40 mph	Improve community safety	The Clerk	Await CWaC timescales	tbc	07/25 - Await update from CWaC Highways via Tarvin Clerk - wrote 20.7.25 to chase.	In progress
Select, procure and install a Speed Indicator Device (SID/VAS)	Improve community safety	The Clerk	30th April 2025. Place order for device by 1st March 2025	Borough Councillors budget and 2024-25 Projects line.	07/25 - SID built and configured. It has been deployed in 2 locations and 3 directions. 05/25 - ordered from Elan City. Received 23.5.25. Stored in Cllr Abbott's garage for now. 03/25 - supplier ceased trading. Working with new supplier (Elan City); not	In progress
CLIMATE AND NATURE						
Identify and communicate climate change actions	Aiming to reduce individual impact	Councillor Matt Bloxham	Ongoing	Nil Cost	First two meeting of working held.	In progress
Declare a Climate Emergency	Improve awareness of Climate Change	All Councillors	By ?????	Nil Cost	03/25 - to be covered by CAN working party. Nothing done.	Nothing done.
Install bat and bird boxes in the village	Biodiversity	Councillor John Lindsay	?????	2025-26 budget	07/25 - new 'installer' identified. WhatsApp group of interested residents set up; box options presented 05/25 - publicised in newsletter	In progress
Build a Bee Hotel on The Green	Biodiversity	?	?????	????	05/25 - Open Gardens will not build a Bee Hotel for the Green; they will help attendees build their own. 03/25 - Open Gardens 2025 plan to build a Bee Hotel	No progress
Raise awareness of the impact of the use of pesticides & herbicides and publicise alternatives.	Biodiversity	Councillor James Abbott	None	None	03/25 - to be covered by CAN working party.	In progress
Investigate the installation of a EVC point on Willington Corner	Potential revenue	Councillor Andrew Nicholas	Unknown	Reserves/Grant?	07/25 PC agreed to not progress this. 05/25 Nothing done recently. Option for CWaC Funding?	Will not proceed
INVESTIGATE TAKING OWNERSHIP OF THE GREEN AT WILLINGTON CORNER	To preserve and maintain this asset	Councillor Andrew Nicholas	Unknown	Unknown	07/25 PC agreed to not progress this. The Green is registered as a 'green, open space' with DEFRA. Ongoing.	Will not proceed
ACQUIRE FAST FIBRE BROADBAND FOR WILLINGTON	Improve internet speed and reliability	Councillor Stuart Ingram	By ?????	Cost ?????	07/25 - BDUK are to provide a plan by November 2025. Open Reach may be an option. 05/25 - BDUK cancelled their contract with Freedom Fibre to deliver FF in Willington. 03/25 - Ongoing - likely to be 2026 via Gigabit scheme or OpenReach.	Next steps not known
ADDITIONAL IDEAS						
Planter located on the Green					07/25 - maybe cancel this due to ownership of the Green.	Nothing done
Electric 13 amp socket, Meter and power supply to the Green						Will not proceed
Improve street lighting at the bottom of Chapel Lane		Councillor Stuart Ingram				Cancelled
Manage the trees on the Green	To reduce the number of trees and branches on the Green to improve the light to the grass, reduce risk of falling branches, make the Green more usable	?	?	Projects. CWaC unlikely to fund.	07/25 - Cllr Tom Cooper provided contacts in CWaC (Tree Officers). Clerk to contact them about a visit to the Green.	

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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT / COMMUNICATION :					
To issue at least 2 newsletters (Contributions from The Clerk, all Councillors and the local community)	To communicate with and to engage with the local community	All individual Councillors & the Clerk / Editor	Half Yearly:- May & November Quarterly:- Feb, May, August, November	Budget	2 x editions published so far in 2025. Next one scheduled for August/September 2025.
Encourage delivery of newsletters via email	Reduce cost and deliver enhanced content.	All Councillors	Ongoing	Nil Cost	34 paper newsletters issued in May 2025. MailChimp data available
EVENTS :					
VE-Day Commemorations (Fish & Chip Supper)	Village Event	Events Team	8th May 2025	Budget for 2024-25 and 2025-26	Complete
Picnic on The Green - VE Day Themed	Village Event	Events Team	11th May 2025	Budget for 2024-25 and 2025-26	Complete
Open Gardens 2025	Village Event	Events Team	8th June 2025	Budget for 2024-25 and 2025-26	Complete
Christmas Lights / Carols on The Green	Family Event	Councillor Andrew Nicholas	December 2025	Budget for 2025-26	To be held on Sunday 14th December 2025
AED MANAGEMENT :					
Manage and Report Status of AED's & Replace Batteries / Pads	Community Safety	Councillor Andrew Nicholas	Monthly	Budget	Ongoing
TASK FORCE :					
Manage the 'Task Force' volunteers and to organise work parties	Maintain the Village Green and the assets. To keep them in a tidy and in clean condition	???	Twice yearly and / or as needed	Budget	Many works complete including produce exchange, car park spaces, new notice board and surrounds for benches and info board.
Manage Village litter picks	To keep the Parish free of litter	????	Ongoing	Budget	Not being actively managed.
Ensure our footpaths and Public Rights of Way are kept and maintained to a good and safe standard	For the betterment of the local environment	???	Ongoing	Budget	Little Switzerland walls and steps fixed. Footpath and gutter cleaning to be scheduled.