

Willington Parish Council Action Plan 2025-26 - Projects - updated November 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	10/25 SI attended basic Canva course; December 2025 newsletter will be published w/b 15th December. 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	09/25 Well used during the summer. A success. 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	11/25 Bench installed. Good feedback from residents. 'No Litter' sign ordered. Delivery expected mid December 09/25 Groundworks complete. Installation process agreed; to be completed in September. The PC agreed that: 1) - a 'no litter sign' will be installed. 2) - the bench will be installed as planned but noise, litter and nuisance will be monitored, and the bench removed if there are serious issues. 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.	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	11/25 - the bin has been installed (as agreed with Dial House resident) and filled with 75kg of grit. Cllr Lindsay has grit he can provide in the future. 09/25 - The clerk will arrange for a grit delivery and the bin to be filled. 07/25 - 200 litre yellow bin purchased from Roadware @ £114.95 plus VAT. Stored at Dial House.	Complete
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	11/25 - CWaC Highways confirmed with Borough Councillor Tom Cooper that '... <i>Chapel Lane will not be progressed through the (speed restriction change) process until the 26-27 financial year</i> '. 09/25 - Cllr Tom Cooper will request details of the implementation plan 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	11/25 - the speed on Willington Road will be discussed at Tarvin PC on 15th Dec; Cllr Lindsay will attend. The Tarvin PC Clerk has stated that 'in July Highways told us that they were reviewing their speed limit policy so all new requests would be put on hold. This was confirmed again recently.' 09/25 - Tarvin Clerk reported that CWaC Highways had said that they will	In progress but unlikely to succeed.
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.	11/25 - deployments continue. PCSO to get tru-cam codes for 2 new locations in the village. 09/25 - multiple deployments completed. Data gathering and reporting is in place. Tarvin may wish to see what we have done. 07/25 - SID built and configured. It has been deployed in 2 locations and 3	Complete
CLIMATE AND NATURE						
Identify and communicate climate change actions	Aiming to reduce individual impact	Councillor Matt Bloxham	Ongoing	Nil Cost	11/25 - CAN will hold a Willington Climate and Nature Event for village residents (and anyone else!) at the Boot Inn on Sunday 17th May 2026. 09/25 - meeting planned for Thurs 2nd October First two meetings of working party 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.	Complete
Install bat and bird boxes in the village	Biodiversity	Councillor John Lindsay	?????	2025-26 budget	09/25 - 12 boxes installed. Re-run the initiative in the early Spring orf Autumn 2026? 07/25 - new 'installer' identified. WhatsApp group of interested residents set up; box options presented 05/25 - publicised in newsletter	Complete.
Build a Bee Hotel on The Green	Biodiversity	?	?????	????	09/25 - CAN working party have put this on hold. 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	Will not proceed
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 WILLNGTON	Improve internet speed and reliability	Councillor Stuart Ingram	By ?????	Cost ????	11/25 - BDUK are directly negotiating with Openreach to cover our area as part of Cheshire Lot 17 - latest reply from CWaC. 07/25 - BDUK are to provide a plan by November 2025. Open Reach may be a very good option. 05/25 - BDUK cancelled their contract with Freedom Fibre to deliver FF in	Next steps not known.
ADDITIONAL IDEAS						
Planter located on the Green					09/25 - PC agreed not to progress this due to the lack of clarity regarding ownership of the Green 07/25 - maybe cancel this due to ownership of the Green.	Will not proceed
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				Will not proceed
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.	11/25 - CWaC Tree Officer visited the Green; two trees require attention, others should be monitored. CWaC will fund the remedial works. £2000 included in the draft 2026-27 budget for other work on the trees. 09/25 - Clerk contacted CWaC Tree Officer (Ruth Tothill) on 3rd September. A tree officer will inspect the trees with regard to safety. No funding is available for fixing other issues e.g. shading of grassy areas.	In progress