

Barcombe Action Plan: the Way Forward.

WHAT DO WE WANT?? WHEN DO WE WANT IT??

A list of Actions has emerged from the Action Plan survey after consulting the people of Barcombe at a well attended community workshop on 8th March. These will form a vital point of reference for the community and Parish Council for the immediate future.

The Actions fall into five key categories which respond directly to the consultation documents and meetings and were agreed at the Annual Meeting of Electors on 20th April.

The Parish Council will update the community on progress. As you see from item 1, we have already made improvements to our website. Further detail and copies of the village survey results can be found there: **WWW.BARCOMBE.NET**

ITEM 1: THE PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

ACTION	Who/approach	Priority/Timetable/Cost
Barcombe parish council website - improvements	Parish council	Immediate / ongoing
Add Barcombe history and "Treasure Map" from the survey	Contextual pages to be written and added / treasure map to be added	Immediate / ongoing
Add clubs and society info	Info gathered and new page with links to be added	Immediate / ongoing
Promote it better	Advertise in Barcombe News / Sussex Express and notice board	Immediate / ongoing
'Mash-up' / link with other social networking platforms	Create 'Facebook' group and link to existing Barcombe groups (inc youth)	Immediate / ongoing
Create blog for open dialogue with community	Set-up and monitor use	Immediate / ongoing / £150

ITEM 2: COMMUNITY SPACES

ACTION	Who / approach	Priority / Timetable / Cost
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Engage youth in projects in a way that reflects individual personality / needs	'Wild About Barcombe' Group Den – building / planting / 'wild canteen' / fire –lighting / cubs etc	Lottery application May – start Sept if awarded £50,000
Development of lower Tennis Court Field.	Parish Council	Biffa award – immediate start if awarded £50,000
Promote a wildlife area at St Mary's Churchyard	Church and volunteers	6 -12 months / ongoing
Consider path to new amenities alongside cricket pitch	Parish Council / Sports Council Research implications and cost with groups and relevant parties	On agenda for next meetings

ITEM 3: TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

ACTION	Who / approach	Priority / Timetable
Transport strategy development forum with relevant agencies for this regional problem	Parish Council to engage with District and County Council / Action in Rural Sussex to devise a forum for strategic development	Immediate (request) 12-36 months
Suggested sticker scheme to enable users to offer and receive lifts from subscribers	Volunteers for trial	Discuss trial
Better display of bus timetable	Place on BPC – on website	Immediate
Speeding – gateway improvements	BPC / Village Hall – improvements and move of gateway planned PCSO – use speed gun	Immediate / ongoing 12-18 months Immediate
Heavy farm traffic from outside village	BPC – write to relevant farms	Immediate

ITEM 4: HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT

ACTION	Who / approach	Priority / Timetable
Develop a strategy to cope with rising demand for housing for older people	BPC to work with Action in Rural Sussex to promote a forum for regional response	Immediate (request) Long-term

Research / audit current provision in village – look for opportunities for improvement	BPC to promote the development of a team of volunteers	12-18 months
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ITEM 5: LIFESTYLE AND ENVIRONMENT

ACTION	Who / approach	Priority / Timetable
Research and map alternate fuel potentials for Barcombe Form long term strategy for post oil Barcombe	BPC to contact OVESCO	IMMEDIATE (request) 12mths - ongoing
Sustainability Action Group	Consider new committee for Parish Council and / or volunteer group.	IMMEDIATE / Ongoing
Wildlife Initiatives	- 'Wild About Barcombe' - Church site(s) - Approach Sussex Ouse Conservation Society for Bevern Stream	12-18 months
Cardboard Recycling	BPC to contact District Council to organise possible site in village	Immediate / 12 mths
Add wildlife section to website Tie in with Wild About Barcombe	BPC and WAB	IMMEDIATE / ongoing

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