

Woolavington 2009/10 Plan

Woolavington Council Plan represents the village priorities for 2009/10 based on knowledge and experience of Council Members, feedback from residents and previous consultation. For some of the actions the Council will not necessarily have the resource, or at present powers, to completely deliver the required outcome. In these circumstances we will seek partnership with our community and other appropriate agencies.

PRIORITY	OBJECTIVE	ACTION	PARTNERS	COMMENTS
1. Feeling Safe in our Community	1.1 Reducing fear of crime & antisocial behaviour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Encourage residents to attend 'Partners & Communities together (PACT) events. > Promote membership of 'Neighbourhood Watch' and 'WatchOut' communications. > Establish a rapport with our police neighbourhood team and provide support when required. > Seek a multi-agency approach to address under-age drinking 	Neighbourhood Watch A&S P SDC	<p>Monitor attendance of Woolavington community.</p> <p>Open invite to PCSO and Beat manager to brief Council and offer support when appropriate</p>
	1.2 Safer Roads in Woolavington	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Monitor compliance with the B3141 weight limit and report transgressions to the enforcement agency. > Monitor parking issues outside the school in Higher Road and raise any safety concerns with appropriate authorities. > Highlight other village parking problems e.g. Windmill Crescent & Darkfield Way and seek a partnership solution. 	SCC A&S P HiS	Some of these issues are notoriously difficult, nevertheless continued pressure together with evidence does produce results e.g. the HGV issue
2. A Cleaner Village	2.1 Addressing litter issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Focus on litter 'Hot spots' promote a 'Clean Woolavington'. > Encourage community participation to report fly tipping to the appropriate agency together with any known offender > Consider the need for additional or relocation of litter bins > Promote responsible dog ownership and seek enforcement against persistent offenders 	SDC HiS A&S P	Set out clear expectations for a 'clean Woolavington' and set an example
3. Improving our Village Environment	3.1 Enhancement Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Consider locations for bulb planting and encourage community involvement in the scheme > Consider creating some 'pic-nic' areas in appropriate locations > Consider tree planting and locations 	SDC SCC	Carefull siting and robustness is essention for <i>sustainability</i>
	3.2 Facility Maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Refurbish Council Notice Boards > Refurbish the park benches in our ownership > Ensure that village footpaths are kept clear and accessible > Consider requirements from Play Area Health & Safety checks 	SCC our PPLO Sedgemoor Ramblers	Taking responsibility for our own equipment and ensure of suitable quality

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4. Supporting Community Life	4.1 Support activities to help develop skills of our young people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Retain services of a project worker to develop activities for young people and where appropriate provide activity grants > Support and help Woolavington Playing Fields Association develop new facilities eg. Multi-use games area (MUGA), lighting & footpath 	WRAP SDC WPFA	An environment that encourages a healthy lifestyle and enables young people to develop new skills
	4.2 Provide grants to local organisations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Communicate to residents availability of grants > Consider grant fund applications in accordance with criteria policy 		Better publicity is required for this action. 'Power of wellbeing' will address 'ultra vires' issues
	4.3 Provide 'core' grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Village hall grant (running cost) > Village hall grant (project grant) > Sports Pavilion (running cost) 		Central to local activities. It should be kept fit for purpose
	4.4 Communication & consultation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Regular communication with residents with feedback opportunities > Respond to community concerns/requirements and seek to resolve issues > Carry out a survey of residents to advise the 2010 'Plan' 		An area for improvement. A sheet of A4 / 3mths Up to date survey will help facilitate 'grants'
	4.5 Digital Switchover support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Provide reputable information to our community in preparation for the digital switch over and facilitate support for more vulnerable members 		Probably partners are required. Trustworthy advice and no-one has unreasonable costs.
	4.6 Affordable housing project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Work with partners/agencies to consider need and deliver required affordable housing 	SALC SDC Housing Assoc.	Good factual communication to address unfounded rumour
5. Ensuring Good Governance	5.1 Effective Budget monitoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Council will regularly monitor our budget and current spend and take action as required to keep spending on track 		
	5.2 Value for money services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Council will clearly specify work > Council will tender for services to obtain good value > Council will monitor service to ensure appropriate quality is maintained 		Expectations and tasks need to be clearly spelt out, in order to resolve any difficulty.
	5.3 Council Adopts the 'Power of Wellbeing'	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Receive briefing on 'Power of Wellbeing' > Members and Clerk receive the necessary training > 'Power of Wellbeing' is granted 	SALC	Essential part of our tasks this year
	5.4 Achieve 'Quality Council' standard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Identify any 'gap' preventing 'Quality Standard' achievement > Implement actions to close the 'gap' > Apply for 'Quality Status' 	SALC	May not be achievable this year but if not need to be in position for early next