**Colston Bassett Parish Council Work Programme May 2022 to April 2024**

**Part 1 Neighbourhood Plan Community Actions**

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| **NP CA** | **PRTY** | **Progress to April2022** | **Action 2022/23** | **Action 2023/24** | **Who****Resource** |
| CF1 The Village Hall and the two adjacent paddocks are considered to be vital to maintaining community spirit, vitality and sustainability of village life. The Parish Council will make every endeavour to maintain the current standard and quality of the Village Hall and to retain use of the two adjacent paddocks. | 1 | * A new management team has been in place since 2021 and several significant improvements have been made. (e.g. Sound insulation, sound system…….) and a programme of further improvements is planned.
* The Events Paddock was designated a Public Open Space in the Neighbourhood Plan which was formally adopted by a YES vote in the referendum. This provides the highest level of protection for the paddock.
* The Parish Council maintains the grass cutting for both paddocks.
 | Agree a lease for the 2 paddocks |  | Clerk |
| CF2 The Martin’s Arms pub is a key village asset that absolutely needs to be supported and kept open. The Parish Council will consider whether to register the pub as an Asset of Community Value. | 2 | Investigations undertaken to clarify actions needed and ongoing implications. | Maintain watching brief | Maintain watching brief | Cllr Jennings |
| CF3 The Parish Council will support the Cricket Club in its quest to obtain a long lease, and also provide support for grant applications in order to secure a sustainable future for the Cricket Pitch and Pavilion. | 2 | No action | Obtain an update from the Cricket Club |  | Cllr Nelken |
| CF4 The Parish Council will facilitate regular training updates to ensure villagers are familiar with use of the defibrillator. | 1 | Delayed due to Covid | Organise training |  | Clerk |
| CF5 The Parish Council will encourage and support the formation of a Neighbourhood Watch initiative within the parish. | 3 | No action |  |  |  |
| TRS1 Traffic management The Parish Council will develop a coherent action plan to address traffic and parking issues that have been identified in the Neighbourhood Plan including:a) Continue to lobby with appropriate authorities for alternative and better-placed speed limit signage within the Parish,b) Develop appropriate traffic management and calming measures for roads within the Parish identified in the Neighbourhood Plan as of high community concern, and lobby appropriate authorities for remedial action. | 1 | * History – detailed traffic survey/analysis carried out 6/8 years ago. A PC approved proposal was made to NCC and agreement reached, but the then PCChairman intervened,telling NCC the scheme was not needed
* Approx 4 years ago NCC were approached again, with a proposal for 30mph to be moved to just before 1st home in village (as all other villages in Notts) plus 20mph in village centre, to address item b above narrow stretch in front of St. John’s . NCC’s previous experience with the PC in the past (Chairman intervention) proved to be a hurdle to recovery of credibility with NCC and suggestion of 20mph ridiculed by the NCC manager. ( many villages in both Norfolk and Northumberland have such a scheme – but we were told 20mph could only be used in urban areas). NCC agreed to look at a 40mph buffer zone.
* Raised again 2 years ago, we were informed that Harby Lane change could not be considered however Colston Rd was ‘in the sausage machine’ where is still churns away. (aside – Well Cottage, Harby Lane would benefit at times of flooding from a lower speed limit).
* NCC announced recently that they may consider 20mph limits.
 | Continue to lobby NCC |  | Cllr McGuirk |
| TRS2 HGV’s The Parish Council will engage transport authorities and, where necessary, the police:1. To improve visibility of signage for the 7.5tonne HGV limit, particularly for the two bridge entries into the village,
2. To improve enforcement of the HGV limit by identifying regular offenders and communicating with haulage companies in breach of the weight restrictions and causing traffic problems within the Parish.
 | 2 | No action | Undertake traffic survey (October 2022)Letters to be send to offending company owners of HGV vehicles |  | Clerk |
| TRS3 Public Transport The Parish Council will lobby the County Council to make realistic and economic changes to the service to better match the needs of residents. | 2 | * Discussions between bus users and NCC were facilitated
* Just prior to the Covid lockdown, a new timetable was agreed for trial which included 3 days of the regular service plus 3 days of a dial a ride taxi bus, destinations West Bridgford, Morrisons, Bingham Market
* Not implemented, buses continue as before, generally empty
* Service erratic, passengers have been abandoned in Radcliffe and needed to pay for a taxi home.
 | As the normal service continues in place, monitor and approach NCC when any change is planned.Continue promotion of mixed taxi/bus service in the event of changes.  |  | Cllr McGuirk |
| TRS4 Parking The Parish Council will endeavour:(a) To secure ongoing use of the Village Hall left-hand paddock to provide car parking for events and daily throughout the year. (b) To undertake an ongoing awareness exercise to make explicit the negative impact on residents of inconsiderate on-road parking. | 1 | * (a) Paddock grass cutting maintained by the Parish Council, used by the Village Hall for event parking. No agreement yet with the Estate regards a lease.
* (b) On road parking on Church Gate continues to be dangerous. Recent letter placed on offending car parked on the corner.
 | Agree leaseSet up standard letter to be placed on offending vehicles |  | Clerk |
| ENV1 biodiversity a) The Parish Council will seek to encourage community groups, landowners, funders and other organisations to enhance the biodiversity of the Parish. b) The Parish Council will seek to preserve and enhance local wildlife sites or potential wildlife sites, including protection of the River Smite corridor and its tributaries. c) The Parish Council will encourage initiatives to record wildlife and identification of potential Local Wildlife Sites | 2 | No Action to date | Explore and identify tasks needed to undertake the action. |  | Cllr Jennings |
| ENV2 Tree planting programme The Parish Council will explore the most effective way of maintaining a tree planting programme, exploiting available grants and working with local landowners, as well as encourage local participation in recording and monitoring trees. | 1 | Free tress supplied by RBC planted each year | Continue free tree planting programme |  | Clerk |
| Env3 Footpath and Bridleway maintenance The Parish Council will work with the Local Authority and local landowners to ensure footpaths and bridleways are properly maintained and marked**.** | 3 | Clerk has carried out some maintenance work although the responsibility and budget lies with NCC. | Encourage walkers to report issues to NCC |  | Clerk |
| ENV4 Managing current flood risk The Parish Council will work with the relevant Authorities to address the current flooding problems in the village, particularly the area in proximity to the junction of Church Gate and Bunnison Lane. | 1 | * River levels and flood levels monitored – fed to Environment agency who instigated a flood alert warning system
* Meeting held with all agencies and local MP who maintains a watching brief on this issue.
* 3 volunteers received training from the environment agency
* Traffic diversions agreed and signs are due to be delivered.
* More volunteers to be trained
* Loughborough University project to identify potential nature based solutions is underway
* (Note – monitor ELMS proposals which include paying farmers for new ponds – need to monitor this)
 | Continue L’boro project and consider findingsMaintain contact with bodies responsible for flood preventionRecruit flood warden teamArrange follow up meeting with all agencies to review progress (May/June?) |  | Cllr McGuirkClerkCllr Jennings |
| ENV5 Light pollution For existing developments and housing the Parish Council will encourage action that mitigates light pollution consistent with the policy for new developments*.* | 3 | NP only ‘made’ in May 2021, implications of policy yet to be seen. | Ideas to be developed to encourage those properties already emitting significant light to take remedial action. |  | All |

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**Part 2 Additional Tasks identified February 2022**

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| **Task** | **PRTY** | **Action 2022/23** | **Action 2023/24** | **Who Resource** |
| Develop ideas for a resource to be shared with the VH for general maintenance and management duties  | 1 | Explore ideas, possible options, costings, etc.Prepare tender documents and undertake tender exercise | Appoint Contractor  | Cllr ClarkeCllr Jennings |
| Develop ideas and make proposals for a ‘memorial tree/area’ in honour of past residents who have contributed to village life  | 1 | Explore ideas, possible options, costings, etc.Implement |  | Cllr Clarke |
| Replace defibrillator signage | 2 | Identify costs and implement |  | Clerk |
| Install signage to indicate dog bin location | 1 | Identify locations, costs, implement |  | Clerk |
| Additional dog bin | 1 | Request extra dog bin, costs and emptying costImplement |  | Clerk |
| A3 printer | 1 | Purchase |  | Clerk |
| Continue to distribute gifts to elderly at Christmas | 1 | Purchase and distribute gifts to elderly at Christmas |  | Cllr ClarkeCllr Nelken |
| Explore possibilities for underground cabling | 3 | Write to relevant body to find out options/possibilities |  | Cllr Goode |