

Swanage2027 – Plan for 2019/20

Strategic objective	Project	Link person	Key partner organisations – update
H1	Explore Community Land Trust to provide social, local housing	MA	<p>Fiona Astin has been completing excellent work in the background including developing a draft brief for architects to assess the site suitability of a number of options.</p> <p>Dorset Council has allocated the embryonic Swanage Community Land Trust (CLT) £50,000 of funding to take a community housing project through its early stages.</p> <p>A public meeting has been scheduled for 22nd April 2020 at 7 p.m. at Emmanuel Baptist Church to encourage public involvement in the project.</p>
N1	Create Town Centre Sea Defence Strategy	MA	<p>Swanage Coastal Change Forum, STC, Dorset Council, EA, S&PDT - Given that a significant amount of funding has been acquired, general agreement that scheme for sea defence and restoration of Stone Quay will be developed.</p> <p>Three strands to the strategy:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Temporary: this measure is in place with concrete sea defences. Environment Agency should remove the temporary defence before Easter. 2. Interim: Repairs to the sea defences before the start of the 2020 season. Sea wall by the Square/Museum/Stone Quay/Parade Railings. Planned prior to the start of the 2020 season but may be delayed. 3. Long term: Partnership headed by Dorset Coastal Forum. Working up draft proposals for the Steering Group meeting in January 2020. The report regarding overtopping has been completed however a design of the defences is needed to move the project forward. The Shore Road survey results were also a consideration as this could impact the design for long term flood defence e.g. flood gates.
H2	Develop transport links and traffic flow improvements with enhancements to the seafront and town centre.	MW	<p>STC/Dorset Council - Institute Road Improvements: Meeting held with Dorset Highways on 18th November. Objection received from Fire service regarding the type of traffic calming hump in the road which has been amended to a more visual</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Institute Road • Shore Road – September Roads and Transport Committee • Station forecourt 		<p>type.</p> <p>The improvements are underway and on schedule. The telephone number for the public liaison officer from Dorset Highways, Tyran Pryer, has been advertised on STC Facebook and STC website. Dorset Highways are holding a drop-in session at The Town Hall on 12th March for public to discuss any highway issues.</p> <p>Shore Road: Working Party has been formed and ‘Swanage Matters’ newsletter with a short survey on the back as a form of public consultation. An online survey would be the preferred way of response.</p> <p>The closing date to reply to the survey is 20th March and the results will be reviewed and shared in due course.</p> <p>Station forecourt – STC Sub Committee to hold a workshop on the matter.</p>
S2	Wellbeing Swanage Health & Wellbeing in the community	BF/KG	<p>STC/S&PDT/Dorset Council - The intention continues to be joint working with Children’s and Adult Services – protecting existing services and bringing in additional services. There have been talks about potential respite care at the Day Centre.</p> <p>As a result of a recent Draft Transformation Plan presented to DC Cabinet in November it has been decided to relook at the Business Case previously submitted by STC and SPDT and consider presenting a Chapel Lane “Transformation” Plan following the same lines as the DC Plan. STC approved proposals February 2020 and joint submission sent to Dorset Council. Awaiting next steps.</p>
S4	Improve and expand Museum/Heritage Centre ¹	MN	<p>STC are now the owners of the museum building following the asset transfer completion. Some improvements are required to the building, but the museum will fund this.</p> <p>The museum has allocated £10,000 to update the museum with a refurbishment to include re-wiring, redecoration and re-fitting of exhibits. Scheduled to be re-open at Easter. Future plans include the installation of interactive displays and providing adequate space for schools to offer field visits in line with the curriculum. A working party has been established to examine the possibility of expansion and met in early March.</p>

	Explore options for Multi-Function Centre, Enterprise Hub/Incubation Units, and develop sporting facilities at Days Park	BF	S&PDT/STC/S&HFC – During the public exhibitions in October members of the public had given feedback which consisted of 133 feedback forms and ‘post-it’ notes, the majority with positive comments. The financial viability and business plan report is being prepared in December. STC will commission a survey of the existing sports hall to determine the life expectancy prior to redevelopment. Quotes are being obtained for architects, engineers and consultants which will be needed before the planning application can be submitted. STC to fund this work, subject to cost. Progress will be reported at a future meeting.
H2	Explore provision of community bus/transport	KG/MN	Partners continuing to work on proposals and currently awaiting information regarding costings and potential grants that may be able to assist funding. The Durlston bus will be running a service during 2020 with the potential to stop at Swanage hospital. Dorset Council were looking into the current issues regarding parking around the hospital that prevented buses turning into Bon Accord Road. When confirmed that the bus could stop at the hospital other areas of funding may become available.
H3	Review Conservation Areas and create Local Listing	MA	Purbeck Society/STC/Dorset Council Conservation Officer – Purbeck Society members have made significant progress in preparing a register of buildings of historic merit outside of the existing conservation areas. It was noted that this will be a useful tool in adding weight to planning committee representations. Work in finalising the register is in progress.
N2	Co-ordinate work of environmental organisations in Swanage, deliver agreed actions from the Swanage Green Infrastructure Strategy and take steps to address the climate crisis.	TC/AH	STC/Dorset Council/National Trust - Sustainable Swanage have taken a lead and coordinated the formation of a new group around ‘Greening Swanage’. This group are likely to take on a lot of the community greening projects identified in the GIS – but also deliver more. They are looking at tree planting initially. Around 100 trees have been given away to residents of Swanage. The Victoria Avenue replanting in partnership with Trees for Dorset has commenced. A tree planting scheme in conjunction with local schools has also begun. Further schemes identified in the Greening Infrastructure plan were being investigated. STC adopted draft Environmental Policy February 2020.

