

Somerton Town Council Business Plan 2016 - 2017

Objective:	Key Activities	Funding and
Measure of success		resources
Administration		
Edgar Hall Development Achieve sales of £36K	 Open day June 2016 Appointment of Marketing / sales support Create marketing plan by 30/09/16 Refurbish toilet areas Refurbish bar area 	 L&P Budget. Repairs £7000 Marketing £3500 Achieved sales from Edgar Hall. Grant Funding. Deputy Clerk to develop project specifications with L&P Chair. Work within Financial Terms of Reference for the Committee.

Recreation Ground Development	 Achieve feasibility objectives as defined by the Trustees / RGPG New changing rooms Additional car parking Define the role of the RGMC 	 Grant Request from S.T.C. Changing Rooms £35K Feasibility Study £10K Grant funding from other sources. Viridor £44K 106 Contribuition £22K Feasibility Specialist Professional. Implementation of a Working Party to investigate Car Parking options. Time to report and implement decisions made regarding RGMC Role for the Clerk. Work within Financial Terms of Reference for the Committee and Trust.
Local Council Award Scheme - Achieve Quality award July 2016 - Achieve Gold award July 2017	 Achieve Quality Council award July 2016 Achieve Gold award July 2017 	 Close working partnership between the Clerks office and P&C Committee. Produce an annual report to include Councillor Profiles and be published for distribution in August 2016. Provide a full update via the website on the

Town Council Administration	 Disaster recovery plan Operating Manual for the office JR training on all functions to Clerk level, inc CilCA completion Aug 16. Office set up - review layout and hours 	action plan and progress made by the Town Plan Working Party. • Managed Study Time Table from JR. • Manage Wednesday office closures for Office Set following review outcomes. • Gain permissions where necessary from S.T.C • Review of Disaster recovery plan in July 2016.
		 Review Operating Manual for the Office in November 2016.

Objective: Measure of success Accessibility and Highways	Key Activities	Funding and resources
Development of the Surgery Site	 Review Bat mitigation Survey results and recommendations to provide suitable structure to safe guard local bat populations linked with the surgery site. Liaise with SSDC regarding the implementation dates for demolishing of the surgery building and construction of the car park as per approved plans. Ensure suitable parking signage in installed after construction working closely with Gary Green of SSDC. Review Car Park Enforcement Officer role and responsibility regarding the additional management of the new car parking spaces. Inform the Community Open the car park and implement the Car Parking Strategy in Somerton 	 Funds received from SSDC in the purchase of the Surgery Site land will cover the development costs and Bat Mitigation costs including all legal costs. £175K income from the sale will fund the development work with the balance allocated Councillors. Marketing material will be produced via the Clerks office. Notification of all stages will go out in the Viaduct (Parish News Letter) Staffing review and implications will be reflected within the A&H Budget

Half Moon Car Park resurfaced with extra bays included.	 Complete a full survey of drainage systems within the Half Moon Car Park prior to the hand over from SSDC Complete all legal documentation regarding the management of Obtain 3 quotes for the resurfacing work Appoint a contractor to carry out the work. Inform all local businesses and community of the planned works Review Car Park Enforcement Officer role and responsibility regarding the additional management of the new car parking spaces. Re-open the car park 	 A&H Budget Resurfacing £37K A&H Committee will approve a specification for Tender and appoint suitable contractor. All administrative work will be completed by the Clerks office. Staffing review and implications will be reflected within the A&H Budget
Introduction of pay and display parking in Paddock House car park	 Machine to be installed but remain covered and not in use during June 2016 by SSDC. This was agreed as part of the Somerton Car Parking Strategy. On completion of the development of the surgery site to create additional car parking for Somerton the Pay and Display Parking for Paddock House will be opened and enforced. Review Car Park Enforcement Officer role and responsibility regarding the additional management of the new car parking spaces. Inform the Community of the commencement date. 	 Funds received from SSDC in the purchase of the Surgery Site land will cover the purchase of the Pay and Display Meter and installation costs. Pay and Display Meter service costs will be reflected in the A&H budget. All administrative work will be completed by the Clerks office including

Priority System by the Railway Bridge, Behind Berry	 Liaise with SCC Highways department regarding their findings Update all Councillors and Community of the schedule of works once received from SCC of an approved scheme. 	use of Website and Social Media. Staffing review and implications will be reflected within the A&H Budget. SCC Small Highways Improvement Scheme Use of Website and Social Media to inform the Community. Use of the Viaduct to impart information the Community of Somerton.
In-depth survey to be completed for possible On-Way-System for West Street	 Liaise with SCC Highways department regarding their findings regarding the Small Highways Improvement Scheme request for this area. Update all Councillors and Community of the findings. Complete a Public Consultation regarding the On-Way-System in West Street following a similar format to the Public Consultation completed in September 2014. 	 SCC Small Highways Improvement Scheme Use of Website and Social Media to inform the Community. Use of the Viaduct to impart information the Community of Somerton. Use of A&H budget to host a Public Consultation at the Parish Rooms and all publicity material to include leaflets, posters, banners and venue hire. Working Parting of A&H Committee members to compose a questionnaire that collects quantative data as well as qualitative data. Councillor Volunteers to man a Public Consultation.

		 Administration time to complete data analysis and report writing.
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Land & Properties		
Edgar Hall business development	 Open day June 2016 Appointment of Marketing / sales support Create marketing plan by 30/09/16 Refurbish toilet areas Refurbish bar area 	 L&P Budget. Achieved sales from Edgar Hall. Grant Funding. Deputy Clerk to develop project specifications with L&P Chair. Work within Financial Terms of Reference for the Committee.
Cemetery Shed Project	 Identify the purpose of the shed for the future: Storage Shed Refurbished Covered Seating Area for reflection Half Covered Seating Area for Reflection Refurbishment of the Storage Shed with the creation of a covered outside area for reflection Creation of a design drawing to reflect chosen option Creation of a Tender Specification Go out to Tender Review of quotations received Appoint chosen contractor Commence and oversee the specified works Inform community of the completion of the project 	 L&P Budget. Cemetery Store £5K Deputy Clerk to develop project specifications with L&P Chair for approval working with H&S guidelines. Work within Financial Terms of Reference for the Committee.

Re-mapping areas in the main cemetery and additional roadway.	 Consult with the Somerton Burial Authority (Clerks Office) regarding the areas of land to be developed for Cemetery use. Appoint a consultant to produce a plan and suitable reference document for use of the Somerton Burial Authority to record burial activity. Consult with Forsey and Son regarding road needs for Funeral activity. On production of maps and road network plans taking into account Consultant recommendations, produce a specification for roadway construction. Creation of a Tender Specification Go out to Tender Review of quotations received Appoint chosen contractor Commence and oversee the specified works Inform community of the completion of the project 	 L&P Budget. Mapping / Layout £5K L&P Committee to appoint Clerk to find a suitable consultant to create plans for Cemetery development including roadway development. Deputy Clerk to develop project specifications with L&P Chair for approval working with H&S guidelines. Work within Financial Terms of Reference for the Committee.
Recreation Ground feasibility study (working with the Recreation Ground Trust)	 Achieve feasibility objectives as defined by the Trustees / RGPG New changing rooms Additional car parking Define the role of the RGMC 	 Grant Request from S.T.C. Grant funding from other sources. For Example: Virador Feasibility Specialist Professional. Implementation of a Working Party to investigate Car Parking options. Time to report and

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Promotions & Communications		
Tourism- Putting Somerton on the map	 Review of Visit England / Visit Somerset organisation offer for online resources to put Somerton on the map. Research the possibility to extend the offer to Langport and work in Partnership relationship to get both towns on the map as a place to visit. Build links with Somerton Tourism and Heritage Group Investigate the possibility of the a Somerton Map Creation of a report to show value for money and scheduling of the activity to implement the Tourist Somerton Map. 	 P&C Budget. Tourism £2.5K Marketing £1K Grant funding from other sources. For Example: MTIG Tourist Map production Specialist. Clerks office to assist with administrative duties as required and production of marketing literature as needed. Work within Financial Terms of Reference for the Committee.
Update the Town Plan	 Creation of a Working Party Review of the 2005 and 2011 Town Plans Creation of a 2016/2017 Town Plan Action Plan for the Working Party Create a publication of an updated town plan for 2016 / 2017 	 P&C Budget. P&C Town Plan Working Party. Deputy Clerk to develop project specifications with P&C Chair for approval as appropriate. For Example: Printing of

Oak Tree Planting scheme	 Creation of a Working Party Research the possible suitable locations to plant Oak Trees within Somerton Consultation with Phil Poulton of SSDC for Advice and Guidance regarding Oak Tree suppliers and recommendations for planting areas Creation of a report to take to committee outlining costs, planting areas, and implementation dates for approval 	the Town Plan. Clerks office to assist with administrative duties as required and production of marketing literature as needed. Work within Financial Terms of Reference for the Committee. P&C Budget. P&C Working Party Members. Grant funding / subsidised Oak Trees for purchase from other sources. Clerks office to assist with administrative duties as required and production of marketing literature as needed. Work within Financial Terms of Reference for the Committee.
Link Transport	 Promotion of the service which is a self financed organisation with an offer to provide a transport service available to anyone who is unable to access normal bus or taxi services in the locality of Langport and Somerton. Attraction of local Volunteers to deliver the service Build community links and network with Organisation Leaders Consideration to Grant Support 	 P&C Budget. Clerks office to assist with administrative duties as required. Work within Financial Terms of Reference for the Committee.
Promoting Citizens Advice in Somerton	 CA in Somerton set up and operational every Tuesday from 10am - 12pm Actively market the sessions to attract clients Continue to develop the skills of trained volunteers 	P&C Budget.Grant funding.Clerks office to assist

	 Create Marketing Material to promote the Somerton Service to residents in surrounding villages and towns that do not have CA services in place. Complete regular editorials of the positive outcomes of the service being provided in the Viaduct. 	with administrative duties as required and production of marketing literature as required. • Work within Financial Terms of Reference for the Committee.
Improved Communication with the Community	 Review the Community Engagement policy Investigate the need for a community network link to investigate how to share community activity and council business. Review if the creation of a Community Network system is viable Need to investigate and build on Social Network of platforms if the project is deemed viable. Investigation regarding Social Media Policy / Permission Form Data Sharing Policy specific to Community Networking 	 P&C Budget. Clerks office to assist with administrative duties as required and production of contact database. Policy writing Work within Financial Terms of Reference for the Committee.