

CROUGHTON LOCAL PLAN CONSULTATION 2012 / 2013
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This document is a supplement to the CPC Action Plan 2013/2014.

Objective: The purpose of this document is to expand on the CPC Action Plan section “Community Development”, to follow up on the results of the village consultation and detail actions to help deliver improvements to facilities and services in Croughton and / or raise awareness of improvements/developments in progress.

Focus: the actions listed below address issues that have been highlighted as a priority by residents (ie. issues that were rated as important / very important by respondents to the village-wide questionnaire).

1. DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES					
Action Date	Activity	Issues	Actions to be Taken	Responsible Person	Status/Outcome
Ongoing	Roads maintenance	Major potholes in Wheelers Rise and other locations. B4031 – resurfacing Bringing Croughton's roads up to standard and maintaining both quality and appearance of the roads	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to log defects on Street Doctor web-site Continue to lobby NCC Continue to regularly publicise information on the progress of highways repairs and improvements 	Cllr Tomlin Cllr Tomlin Clerk	Resurfaced 10September2013 Patching Feb2014 Charlton Rd – Aynho Corner B4100: chippings surface laid June13 Park End-Blenheim: Resurfaced 14October 2013 Patching Feb2014 September and October Croughton News re. Wheelers Rise and B4031 by Cllr Gelder
Date for completion before April 2014?	Post office	Residents would like a Croughton Post Office reinstated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet with Co-Op management to ascertain current views about having a Post Office within the Co-Op 	Cllrs Bodley-Scott & Bennett	13Jan14 –progress report
Ongoing until 2017	Superfast broadband services	Slow broadband speeds in the village affecting local businesses. Possible lack of awareness of expected SFB implementation for Croughton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regularly publicise information on the progress of implementation of Super Broadband in Northamptonshire and provide web-site link for residents to find bulletins 	Cllr Gelder	Tove Valley Meeting 19Sep13: Report 14Oct13. NCC online survey promoted in Nov13 Newsletter Discussed 27Jan14 Little Brook Ward Meeting CPC11Aug14 NCC advise of interest from Gigaclear now that. Croughton downgraded to grey area- no public funds available.18Aug14: Meeting with Gigaclear. No further progress. CPC 08Sep14: Public Forum with BT& Agenda item – follow up survey costs. 16Oct14: Meeting Croughton/Aynho with Gigaclear

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Ongoing	Clearing and repairing drains	Flooding after heavy rains makes roads impassable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask for input from residents so that we can report defects more quickly – regular publicity in the newsletter and on noticeboards • Continue to log problems on Street Doctor web-site • Lobby NCC if problems are not rectified 	Clerk Cllr Tomlin Cllr Tomlin	
Date for completion before April 2014?	Circular walks – public footpaths	Shortage of circular routes on local public footpaths discourages residents from active walking and enjoying the countryside	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publicise existing Croughton Walks on the web-site and highlight one per month in Croughton News • Discuss with Footpath Warden and relevant NCC staff as to how new walks are devised and implemented 	Cllr Davies	
Ongoing	Traffic calming	Street parking, aggressive driving and speeding traffic through the village cause significant hazards for adults and children wishing to cross the road to the school, the Co-op, the church etc, and also create hazards for cars pulling out of local drive-ways.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to publicise traffic calming measures which CPC is seeking (Bus Stop lay-by, 20 mph zone, etc.) and monitor 	Clerk	SRTS 20 mph scheme on list of Highways works for October 2013. Completed Oct 2013 Bus Stop: Revisited Oct12 decision: Min. 10.2.1CPC11Nov13:Agreed to defer for one year and review once the effect of parking restrictions at Park End were known. Removed from NCC small works programme.
Date for completion before April 2014?	Pocket Park Facilities	Gravel paths in the Environmental Park make the facility potentially difficult to access for all residents. Recreation equipment installed may not be appropriate or adequate for all people who wish to actively use the pocket parks.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liaise and agree a joint approach with the Village Hall Committee (which administers Village Hall Play Area and Environmental Pocket Park) and Portway Residents' Association (supports Portway Pocket Park) • Undertake survey of users of each area to identify what improvements are needed 	Cllrs Coles & Robbins	
On-going	Parking	Roadside parking creates hazards for pedestrians and road users. Lack of parking near the Co-op discourages passing trade.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only 22 residents said this was a problem so there would not appear to be a mandate for CPC to do anything. However, there are practical issues and CPC needs to discuss this topic to decide whether to progress at this point. 	All	Park End Park/Waiting Restrictions proposal public consultation end28Nov13. Min.11.2.CPC10Feb14:Modified to exclude Saturdays. TRO effective 08Aug14. Road markings in place Sep14.

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2. RURAL ECONOMY					
Action Date	Activity	Issues	Actions to be Taken	Responsible Person	Status/Outcome
Date for completion before April 2014?	Provide advertising opportunities for local businesses	Competition from stores and businesses in neighbouring towns and villages potentially affecting retail outlets and small businesses/sole traders in Croughton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepare a list of existing businesses. • Publish list of current services and businesses eg. on the village website • Promote advertising opportunities for local businesses 	Local Plan working group	
Date for completion before April 2014?	Assist residents to access local employment opportunities	<p>Limited number of retail outlets and consumer businesses providing job opportunities for residents.</p> <p>Poor public transport makes commuting to work difficult for residents who don't drive.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify if there is information about nearby employment opportunities that can be publicised through links on our web-site, e.g. Brackley Job Club, Village Networks bus, etc • Discuss with the Co-op opportunities for publicising local employment information 	Local Plan working group	Village Networks: 05Aug13; 02Sep13; 07Oct13

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3. OUR ENVIRONMENT					
Action Date	Activity	Issues	Actions to be Taken	Responsible Person	Status/Outcome
Date for completion before April 2014?	Use of solar panels as a source of renewable energy	89% of respondents agree with the use of solar panels as a source of renewable energy for the village	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to watch developments on renewable energy. Research options for solar energy production at domestic and commercial scale. 	Local Plan working group	
July 13	Changing our street lights to an environmentally friendly alternative	75% of respondents are in favour of changing these streets lights to environmentally friendly white lighting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to make provision in annual budget for environmentally friendly replacements light bulbs and lighting columns Publicise what we have done already and what we intend to do over coming years 	Clerk	<p>08Jul13: Options considered. Keep under review. Budget provision. Oct13: Lamps 30 & 39 replaced. 09Dec13; 13Jan14; reviewed lighting maintenance agreement. Comparison with APC, EPC</p> <p>Aug13Newsletter: Lamp replacements reported Jan14 Newsletter: No plans to add to existing lighting stock.</p>

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