

Bures Joint Parish Action Plan 2024-25 Draft				
	Underlying principles			
1	Community spirit and communication – the plan is informed by the Essex and Suffolk strategies for Health and Well-being https://www.livewellcampaign.co.uk/news/about-us/ https://www.babergh.gov.uk/communities/health-and-wellbeing Bures Neighbourhood Plan 2021-2037 (Pre-submission Autumn 2024)			
		Action	Detail	What's involved
i)	Mental Health and Well-being	Promote and Support District Council and Community led Mental Health and Well-being schemes.	Identify relevant schemes & training. This can be all encompassing clubs, sports facilities/ equipment.	Continue initiatives such as Good Neighbour, Rural Coffee Van, and pop-up shop. Identify new initiatives such as Dementia Friends sessions.
ii)	Parish Council Communication with residents	Bures St Mary Community Notice Board. Visible Parish Councils representation at the Bures Common Market. Create Village Community magazine. Compile a brief report of Parish Council business for the village magazine (Snippets) at least every two months	Quotes for free-standing/wall-mounted noticeboard Councillors to attend the monthly market to engage with residents. Amalgamate/supplement the existing Parish magazine. Both Councils to submit an item to the magazine editor by 10 th of the month following the most recent meeting.	CIL funding Establish rota of councillor attendance. One councillor from each parish council per event. Volunteers. Agree Scope and/or content. Volunteer Cllr to liaise with the Clerk and Chair prior to submission.

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i)	Hedge and Tree planting schemes and areas for wildlife encouraged. Wildflower verge planting	Survey of current significant trees and identification and agree planting sites. Identify suitable sites throughout parish boundaries. Community Action 2 Page 33 Apply for Tree Preservation Orders for Locally Important Trees	Continuous action. Agency guidance. Secure grant/ donation of seeds. Select trees from table on pages 144-154 Bures NHP	Tree wardens and volunteers to lead. Volunteer action e.g. working parties Application to Babergh and Braintree District Councils Tree Officers
ii)	Liaise with Bures Transition Group and BCLT for the future development of Jubilee Grove, Bures Hamlet.	Agree programme of future projects and funding for projects for 2024/25.	Tree planting/ replacement/mulching Paths Grass/Wildflowers Seating (installed) Pond Information board Maintenance equipment e.g. grass cutter. (purchased)	Grants Woodland Trust Essex Wildlife Trust Stour Valley and Dedham Vale Project /AONB expertise Volunteer network ECC Forest Initiative tree /hedge planting tom.moat@essex.gov.uk
iii)	Colchester Road Water Meadows.	Safeguarding of water meadows currently being sold off in plots	Policy BP7 Draft NHP Page 36 Local Green Space to be protected from inappropriate development	District and Parish Councillors/ Parish Clerk Enforcement process

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iv)	Public Rights of Way	Essex Service Level Agreement approved.	Annual review to ensure cost effectiveness.	CLlr for PRoW, the Clerk and identified contractor.
v)	Reduce pesticide and weed killer use	Promote/ introduce new weed management products. Increase contractor time to manage the roadside gutters and pavements to control weed growth	Agree/allocate extra funding for product/ contractors' costs.	Monitoring weed growth around village Volunteer working parties to help with weed control.
vi)	Speeding traffic.	Investigate and introduce speed mitigation schemes.	Promote Speed Watch Increased speed signage. Pedestrian crossing on Colchester Road. Community Action 11 NHP page 101 Sustainable Transport Improvements .	Volunteer action. Parish Councils to provide evidence of community support (speed watch), commission traffic surveys District and County Councillor support. BSM to allocate sufficient funding to maintain operation of the SID in conjunction with Sudbury Town Council Services.

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3	Community Assets, services and enterprises – the plan is informed by: https://www.babergh.gov.uk/.../support-and-advice-for-businesses/open-for-business https://www.braintree.gov.uk Bures Neighbourhood Plan 2021-2037 (Pre-submission Autumn 2024)			
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i)	Recreation Ground	Continue to liaise with Essex and Suffolk Police on Design Out Crime. Re-examine sources of income for leisure activities.	Annual Plan produced.	Provision for Dispersal Order/Public Space Protection Order to be activated as required. Revision of CCTV provision Liaise with Babergh ASB Officer
ii)	Lighting and Pavements	Replace three bollards in Eves Orchard ready for transfer to SCC	Currently a community asset	Quotes to be sought when Funding becomes available
iii)	Bus Shelter	Parish Councils or other groups of residents will act to improve community assets.	Replace damaged bus shelter in Church Square.	Quotes obtained. Parochial Church Council and residents consulted. Explore funding options
iv)	Public Transport	To be an active stakeholder within the Suffolk Enhanced Partnership to preserve current services Community Action 12 Bures NHP page 103		