

Carterton Fast Forward Partnership – Draft Delivery Plan 2009

This Delivery Plan has been developed during the first half of 2009 following a review of the original Plan published in 2003 and a range of events and activities to identify new projects and actions for the Carterton Fast Forward Partnership. Supporting reports on the review and subsequent consultations can be found on the CFF pages on www.carterton-tc.gov.uk

Strategic Objectives

1. Town Centre Vitality/Development
2. Supporting the Local Economy
3. Improving facilities – especially for young people
4. Transport/Highways
5. Planning

1. Town Centre Vitality/Development

Aim

To develop and revitalise the town centre so that it becomes the shopping destination of choice for those living and working in Carterton and the surrounding villages.

Delivery

The Town Centre Working Group, (Brian Crossland, Ashley Farmer, Roger Crapper, Peter Madden, Phil Scott) will have an 'overview ' for this section. It is anticipated smaller working groups will be set up on specific projects as needed.

Project	Description	Potential Partners	Funding Requirements / sources	Timescale	Priority/ Progress	Comments
1.1 Development	Explore with landowners, local councils and others the scope for redeveloping the town centre and work with them to produce a planning application broadly along the lines of the agreed CFF Development Brief for the area	WODC, CTC, OCC, Chamber of Trade, SEEDA, landowners, developers agents, financial institutions	To be determined	2 years	High	Dependant on the outcome of current negotiations, expected to be clearer by the end of the year

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1.2 Public Consultation	Organise community consultation to ensure that the views of the community are taken account of in the drawing up the plans	CTC, WODC, Chamber of Trade, Market Traders, Planning Aid, landowners, developers and community groups and representatives	To be determined. Developers will contribute to the costs	1-3 months	High	As above
1.3 Promoting the market	Improving the appearance of the market and considering how it might be extended and possibly included in plans to develop the town centre	Market traders, landowners, WODC, CTC, Chamber of Trade,	SEEDA, CTC, WODC	1 year	Medium	Ashley Farmer and CC to have initial 'review' with key stallholders
1.4 Shoppers Survey	Carry out or support a shoppers postcode survey or other survey to support the development of the town centre	Chamber of Trade, retailers, WODC, OCC	To be determined WODC	3 months	High (or not at all – as 1.2 and 1.2)	
1.5 Promote Carterton as a Sustainable shopping destination	Promote the advantages of local shopping and investigate, and if appropriate, develop a scheme to make Carterton a plastic bag free community	CTC, OTCN, OCC	OCC Fund, sponsorship, Friends of the Earth	6 months	Medium	CC making initial enquiries with bag providers, other communities and potential funding

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1.6 Town Centre Events	Develop a programme of events for the town centre (possibly including a Founders' Day) to support the promotion of the town centre	CTC,	Arts Council	Annual	Medium	To discuss with market traders, but also to extend to looking at a calendar of events for the whole town such as a produce/craft show

2. Supporting the Local Economy

Aim

To offer more choice of local employment, in particular to attract more prestigious companies and provide opportunities and support, for start-up businesses.

Delivery

The Chamber of Trade is the obvious organisation to be involved, with smaller groups being established as needed.

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2.1 Employment and RAF Brize Norton	Maintain good contacts and up to date information on employment changes at the base, and explore the potential to exploit the connection to promote Carterton as a business destination for aeronautical research and development	WODC, CTC, OCC, SEEDA, Chamber of Trade, RAF BN		1-2 years	High	
2.2 Support local business parks	Work with tenants and owners to improve South Carterton Industrial Park, promote West Oxfordshire Business Park and Ventura Park and ensure any	Chamber of Trade, TBAC, CTC, Business Link, WODC, OCC, OEP,	SEEDA, WODC, TBAC, OEP Business Link	1 year	High	The process has started with input into the WODC report on

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	significant future development includes sufficient employment allocations.	Land owners				future options for the estate.
2.3 Research Employment patterns for new residents	Survey the residents of NE Carterton to identify patterns of work and travel to work and the potential for working from home and start-up businesses	WODC, CTC, OTCN, Chamber of Trade		6 months		Work with WODC already underway with 1 in 3 dwellings of NE development surveyed. Analysis expected late September
2.4 Post 16 education	Support the Community College in its plans to extend post 16 education in Carterton	Chamber of Trade, CTC, OCC, CCC, OTCN	NA	1-5 years		

3. Improving facilities – particularly for young people

Aim

To enhance and develop facilities so that all groups and individuals can have access to, and take part in, a wide range of social, cultural and recreational activities.

Delivery

Some of this work will be within the remit of the Town Council Recreation Committee, which could retain an overview, but it is likely working groups will be set up for individual projects drawing on the wider community

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3.1 Sports Leisure	<p>a) Seek to achieve greater access to sports facilities on the base for the local community.</p> <p>B)Press for the development of Stage 2 for the Leisure Centre</p> <p>c) Explore the potential to refurbish the playing fields adjacent to the Social Centre to provide park and play area potential to relocate the Football Club</p>	RAF Brize Norton, WODC, CTC, Carterton Football Club	Community Foundation Network Gannett Foundation	1-2 years	Low	CFF can support this work, likely to be led by the Town Council
3.2 Community Cinema	Relaunch the Community Cinema at the Carterton Community Centre. Explore the potential for collaborating with the Witney Cinema	CTC, CCC, Witney Cinema, Arts Council	Co-op Community Dividend Scheme Grassroots Grants	1 year	High	Discussions are already taking place with a potential partner

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3.3 Carterton Museum	Explore the feasibility of establishing a museum to display Carterton's archives and stimulate further interest in its heritage	OCC, CTC, Catholic Church, WI		1-5 years	Medium	In principle the Catholic Church wishes to explore whether it could offer a venue. There may be an alternative to explore at the side of the W.I. Hall
3.4 Viewing Area for RAF Brize Norton	Explore the possibility of creating a designated viewing area with facilities for visitors.	RAF Brize Norton, SEEDA, CTC, WODC, OCC,		1 year	Low	Discussions can be reopened, but it depends on significant support from the base

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3.5 Increased facilities for young people	Investigate the possibility of alternative venues for youth activities, possibly linked to new resource centre (see 3.7)	CTC Youth Council, WODC	Oxford Community Foundation Youth Volunteering fund	1-5 years	High	A high priority for the community, likely to be an area where the Town and Youth Councils take the lead.
3.6 New Allotments	Identify sites for new permanent allotments, and possibly temporary ones	CTC, WODC, Allotment holders association		2 years	Medium	A Town Council responsibility
3.7 Resource Centre	Explore the possibility of developing a multipurpose annex to CCC on the adjacent 'nursery site'.	CTC, WODC, OCC, Carterton Community College,	RASP (Rural Access to Services Programme) OCC COMMA Fund Talktalk Innovation in the Community	1-5 years	High	CFF has registered an interest in funding for a feasibility study. This may be a joint project
3.8 NE Residents	Support the setting up of a Residents' Association	CTC		1 year	Medium	

4. Transport/Highways

Aim

To make Carterton accessible and convenient to residents and visitors, users of private and public transport, while becoming a safe and attractive place for pedestrians

Delivery

A Transport working group was set up to liaise with the Traffic Advisory Group and it is possible this could be reactivated to continue to oversee this area of work, with smaller specific groups forming around projects as necessary

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4.1 Dual A40 access	Undertake a properly costed appraisal to provide access to the west	OCC, WODC, CTC	OCC Carterton earmarked fund	2 years	High	
4.2 Upgrading of the B477	Come to a decision about the need and/or priority to upgrade the b477	OCC, WODC, TAC,	None	1 year	High	
4.3 2010 Transport Review	Undertake community consultation in good time to make a comprehensive response to this review	OCC, TAC, ORCC,	Volunteers	1 year	Medium	

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4.4 Mini ITS	Develop a 'mini' Integrated Transport Strategy' along the lines recommended by OCC in order to prioritise 'transport ' funding for the town. To include pedestrian/cyclway plan for the town and working with the schools		Project Manager's time WODC, CTC, OCC	6 months	High	After discussions with OCC, this work delayed until the results of the Halcrow Report are available in September
4.5 North-East development links	Improve links by pressing for bus and possibly other vehicular access via Northwood Crescent and encourage greater use of existing bus services.	CTC, transport providers, OCC	OCC Carterton earmarked fund	1 year	High	Discussions already underway with RAF BN and OCC about initial scheme
4.6 Fire/Ambulance Service	a) Support campaign to have fire and ambulance stations based at Carterton. b) Undertake research to support the case as appropriate	Oxfordshire Fire/Ambulance Services, CTC, OCC		1-5 years	Medium	Supporting role
4.7 Access to the Country Park	Improve access , including parking and signage, to the Country Park and explore the possibility of working with WODC on establishing 'Friends of the	WODC, OCC, CTC	WODC, Lottery funding	1-2 years	Medium	

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	Country Park'					
4.8 Community Transport	Research the need for a community bus and the scope to revive the voluntary drivers' scheme using community college minibuses	Carterton Community College, OCC, ORCC	Community Transport Fund	1 year	Low	
4.7 Carterton to Witney Cycleway	To investigate and if appropriate carry out a feasibility study into establishing a cycleway along the line of the old railway line	CTC, Cycling and Touring Club, WODC, OCC	TOE Places for People Sustrans	6 months	Low	

5 Planning

Aim

To support the case for, and encourage appropriate development and associated infrastructure provision in and around Carterton up to 2026

Delivery

Through working with Planning Aid, WODC, involving CTC Planning Committee as appropriate

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5.1 WODC's LDF and Community Planning	To ensure a proper consideration of sites to the north and east of Carterton for future development To assist the local community to have a better understanding of the planning system being introduced, and to improve its ability to contribute to making policy.	WODC, CTC, Planning Aid	Volunteers from Planning Aid	1 year	High	Initial planning for the October/January WODC consultation underway
5.2 Protecting the Town Centre Policies	Ensure that the existing policies in the Local Plan supporting the development of the Town Centre are protected and rolled forward into the LDF. This may include events and actions to promote these policies and the reasons behind them, to the local community	WODC, CTC, Planning Aid, Chamber of Trade	WODC, CTC	1-3 years	High	Immediate priority to support plans for town centre development

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5.3 Planning Gain	To ensure as far as possible, that the infrastructure requirements for new development takes account of the needs and wishes of the local community	CTC, WODC, Planning Aid	None	1-5 years	Medium	