HENNOCK PARISH PLAN 2020













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HENNOCK PARISH COUNCIL PARISH PLAN STEERING GROUP

Background and purpose of the Parish Plan

The previous Parish Plan was published in 2010 meaning the Parish Council wanted to update it and review it to create a Parish Plan for the next decade. The Parish Plan is the working plan of the Parish Council, guiding its decisions and setting strategic goals for the Parish Council to work towards.

To do this, the Parish Council set up the Parish Plan Steering Group to oversee and formulate the review and creation of the new Parish Plan. The Steering Group was open to not just Parish Councillors to sit on, but for any member of the community to sit on and shape the Plan.

The Parish Plan was funded by a range of sources: £1636 was received Teignbridge District Council's Communities Together Fund & £614 was received from Chudleigh Town Council to fund the consultation with children & young people conducted by Clarity CIC. £2000 was received from Devon County Councillor Jerry Brook's locality budget.

Producing the Plan

- The Hennock Parish Community Plan was adopted in May 2010.
- The previous parish plan was due to expire in 2020 so a new Parish Plan Steering Group was formed to create a new plan. It included councillors and members of the public.
- In order to find out the opinions and view of local residents we carried out a number of data gathering exercises which included: an initial launch/consultation events in Chudleigh Knighton & Hennock Village Halls,
- An initial survey, the results from which helped shape the main questionnaire which followed,
- A consultation by Clarity CIC with young people and a follow up consultation at the 2019 Hennock Fayre.
- The Steering Group drafted and agreed on the Plan and it's action points
- Hennock Parish Council formally adopted the Parish Plan on 14th January 2020.
- The Parish Plan was presented to parishioners at the 2020 Annual Parish Meeting.





What you told us and Action Plan (more overleaf)

From the results collected, the overall feeling was that parishioners were happy living where they lived. They made good use of the road links and accessed many services across South Devon. Children overall enjoyed where they live and like the rural, close community nature of their local area.

Based on the Steering Group's ideas and from what you told us, we created an action plan on what we want to achieve in the next 10 years in the life of this plan. We categorised the action plan in sections so they relate to what you told us and so we can set realistic aims. The sections are:

- Children and Youth Services
- Health and Care
- Transport and Highways
- Leisure and Social Activities
- Infrastructure
- Communication with Parishioners
- Local Projects



The full action plan including the aims, justifications, how we hope to achieve the aim and who would be involved in the aim, is printed overleaf.

Thanks

The Parish Council wishes to thank:

- all the respondents to the questionnaires and consultation events.
- the volunteers who helped deliver questionnaires across the Parish.
- Clarity CIC for their consultation with young people in the Parish
- Devon County Councillor Jerry Brook, Teignbridge District Council's Communities Together Fund and Chudleigh Town Council.
- Councillors and members of the public who volunteered their own time to be part of the Parish Plan Steering Group who created, conducted the research and wrote this plan.

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The Parish of Hennock is situated in Teignbridge District Council, Devon on the edge of Dartmoor and the A38. It covers an area of about 1,600 hectares. The Parish has a population of approximately 1,800. Almost all of this population is concentrated in the three main villages - Chudleigh Knighton, Hennock and Teign Village.



Hennock Parish Council

Hennock Parish Council is the tier of local government closest to the people. It represents the concerns and aspirations of a genuine local community. Hennock Parish Council provides and maintains a range of services including allotments, play parks, car parks and bus shelters.

Hennock Parish Council includes eleven councillors from across the parish who give up their time to improve the local community.

For more information on Hennock Parish Council or the Parish Plan please visit our website www.hennockpc.org.uk or contact clerk@hennockpc.org.uk



What?

How?

Why?

Who will be involved?

Children and Youth Services			
Hold regular/annual feedback sessions with the primary schools or hold a Parish Council meeting with the schools.	Parish Council to liaise with the primary schools, potentially hold these meetings around September when the new school year starts, and the Parish Council starts to discuss the next budget.	Young children wanted to be involved in decisions the Parish Council makes so it would give them an opportunity to ask the council about things which matter to them.	Parish Council, Head Teachers of the Schools, young people.
Consider funding for access to youth services or transport to local services.	Parish Council to consider supporting and supporting access to local services within its budget. Investigate feasibility and recruit potential providers.	Young people wanted access to youth groups and to be able to get outside and do things both inside and outside of their villages.	Parish Council, other local councils, service providers – transport, activities, village halls.
Continue to maintain play parks but consider improvements to play spaces in Chudleigh Knighton, Hennock and Teign Village.	Continue to fund maintenance from the Parish Council's budget. Consider and liaise with children and communities on improvements and consider the feasibility of any suggestions.	Overall, young people enjoy the play parks but wanted to see some feasible improvements made.	Parish Council, local community and children, maintenance contractors.
Consider how local children can access the local schools	Investigate where local children go to school and why? Investigate the changing demographics of the parish.	Many of the school's places are taken up by children outside the parish and many children in the parish go to other schools.	Parish Council, Local schools.
Health and Care			
Look into ways to signpost support for care and carers.	Investigate, potentially with a survey, who needs care and what extra support they could need. Signpost carers to services they could access.	Local carers say do not receive a large amount of support, if any.	Parish Council, local healthcare facilities, GPs. Village halls, activity providers, charities, local businesses
Defibrillator	Investigate the costs, feasibility and location of potential defibrillators in the Parish.	Local people requested we should have at least one each of the villages within the parish.	Parish Council, local sponsors, district councillors.
Transport and Highways			
Continue to lobby for speeding reductions, repairs to potholes and other traffic issues.	Continue to pressure Devon County Council and MP for Central Devon to keep our roads, pavements, pathways and hedgerows repaired and safe	Many people and local children told us they were concerned with the volume and speed of traffic through their villages.	Parish Council, Devon County Council, Devon County Councilior for Chudleigh and Teign Valley, MP for Central Devon
Continue to lobby Devon County Council for the upkeep of the Hennock – Teign Village road.	Continue to lobby Devon County Council and MP to keep the vital link road safe.	Many people told us the importance of the route and Devon County Council's under- maintenance of the road.	Parish Council, Devon County Council, Devon County Councillor for Chudleigh and Teign Valley, MP for Central Devon.
Support Heathfield railway line re-opening	Support for re-opening of the railway line between Newton Abbot and Heathfield. Support measures to	Overall, parishioners told us in the questionnaire they would use it if it opened.	Teignbrige District Council, Devon County Council, Department for Transport
Lobby for improvements to public transport.	make it accessible for parishioners. Lobby for improvements in local buses, cycle routes and community transport – also ensure the times of public transport are included and extended	Many local people complained that local transport was not good enough and they wanted to be able to travel without using their cars.	Devon County Council, Teignbridge District Council.
Continue to support Footpath Wardens walking the local paths to report issues to the Clerk	Continue to organise and support local volunteers.	Play a good role in keeping footpaths maintained so parishioners can use them.	Parish Clerk, Volunteers, Devon County Council.
Leisure and Social Activities			
Cycle/Walking routes in and around the parish.	Continue upkeep of local walking/cycling routes including opening more e.g. Hennock to Teign Village or Chudleigh Knighton to Bovey Tracey.	To enable people to use them, use their car less and avoid unsafe roads.	Devon County Council, Teignbridge District Council.
Football area for Hennock's children	Consider how to provide a grass area for young people in Hennock to play in.	Children routinely request a large grass area to play football in as the current play area does not allow this.	Parish Council, School, local landowners and community.
Consider facilitating activities for local people	Help facilitate the provision of activities or exercise classes. Signpost events in connection to healthy lifestyles.	Older people told us they would like more activities to be put on in their villages such as keep fit classes.	PC, local providers, village halls, charities.
Infrastructure			
Community action to improve broadband speeds.	Lobby for faster and better broadband speeds	Local people in the questionnaire told us they would support this.	Parish Council, local community group(s), broadband providers
Safe crossings places and foot and cycle access in Chudleigh Knighton.	Lobby Devon County Council and housing developers to ensure parishioners can walk and cycle safely around Chudleigh Knighton.	Many young people were concerned with the lack of a safe crossing place in Chudleigh Knighton.	Devon County Council, Teignbridge District Council, developers, local community.
Communication with Parishioners			
Continue to support the Knighton News and Hennock & Teign Village Newsletter.	Continue to ensure the local newsletters are supported – include a contribution in the budget for Knighton News. Ensure the Parish Council continue to send items for the newsletter	This is one of the best ways parishioners are able to find out local news about their villages and the PC's work.	Parish Clerk, Parish Council, local newsletters.
Continue to ensure the noticeboards across the parish are well maintained and kept up to date.	Ensure noticeboards have up to date information	Likewise, another good way to inform the local people about what is going on.	Parish Clerk, Parish Council, local volunteers who maintain boards.
Continue to use Facebook and the Website to inform parishioners.	Continued use of platforms.	Continue to inform local people and engage in discussions about local issues.	Parish Clerk and Chairperson as Webmasters
Publish headline budget figures and expenditures.	Publish the headline figures and key expenditure the Parish Council spends. Continue to consult parishioners on what they want the Parish Council to spend.	In order to be open and transparent but also to encourage discussion amongst parishioners on how the Parish Council spends their precept.	Parish Clerk, Parish Council, parishioners.
Local Projects			
Consult parishioner's views on local projects that may require a rise in the parish precept.	Consider other ways to consult local people on potential projects.	Parishioners told us they may support paying more in their precept if there were details on what the project(s) were.	Parish Council, local community, schools, consultation providers
Support a shop or similar facility is being opened.	Facilitate the development of local shopping opportunities.	Most of the feedback around how to improve their village was to have a shop or similar facility.	Parish Council, local community, local businesses
Local clean up days involving young people	Organise local litter picking, clearing or cleaning days organised to help keep the villages looking pretty.	Young people were concerned with litter, dog poo and the overall look of their villages.	Parish Council, schools, parents.