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Traffic & Transport

- Survey and create action plan to improve road safety, particularly on Exeter, Totnes and Plymouth Roads, including safe crossings and speed control to benefit all road users and residents.
- Survey and create a parking action plan, examining needs of residents, shoppers, workers and visitors and associated parking options.
- Maintain, and where possible lobby to improve, public transport, local ring-and-ride services and develop community transport options.
- Improve the cycling experience: increase cycle walk lanes; shared use signage, improve SB bike bank project; e-bike charging points.

Employment & Economy

- Create a “Visit South Brent” resource, online and brochure providing information for visitors about Brent facilities accommodation, register of B&B and Air BnB, shops etc. to increase online presence to get footfall and money into the village.
- Encourage groups managing big and coordinated projects to bid for funds together. Consider creation of a local paid part time appointment to facilitate local enterprise development via means of grant application.
- Encourage Community Interest Companies and further not-for-profits that bring social value and employment to the parish.

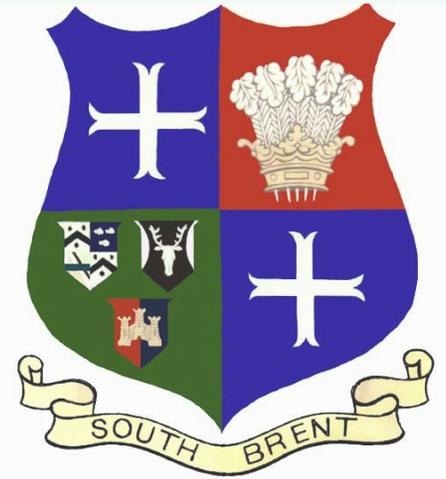
- Encourage use of South Brent Community Land Trust as focal point for providing business starter units, either industrial or office.

Environment & Renewable Energy

- Encourage and commission management plans and surveys to understand species growth and decline and to promote and sustain our natural environment and biodiversity.
- Encourage domestic, agricultural and industrial renewable energy use. Raise awareness of the benefits, and encourage the inclusion of such systems in new buildings. Support for community owned renewable energy generation schemes and social enterprises.
- Encourage and promote energy schemes which reduce the carbon footprint of the parish, including retrofitting, the collection of rain and waste water for garden and grey water usage. Support local micro-hydro schemes where appropriate.

Rural & Moorland Environment

- Support and inform farming methods that aid environment protection, and tree preservation, including woodland management for flood defence.
- Support sensitive diversification which maintains our rural heritage and encourage eco-tourism. Maintain hedgerows, footpaths, bridleways and signposts.
- Support preservation and encouragement of natural biodiversity.
- Support local food producers to produce food for South Brent consumers and consider practical ways of helping full and part time food producers.



SOUTH BRENT PARISH PLAN 2016+ Key Points

The Vision for Brent

A vision of the community to which we all aspire was refined by the consultation process:



“a safe and sustainable, diverse and inclusive community which supports a thriving local economy, increasingly adaptable to local and global challenges and with the resources which allow both people and the natural environment around them to flourish ”

Three Big Ideas

Towards Cohesion

Bring together a loose collaboration of key parish organisations and groups in order to achieve more leverage when applying for external grants, to explore opportunities to use joint buying power and for a more coherent approach to tackling parish issues and to coordinate activities to reduce clashes and maximise effectiveness and opportunity.

Towards Inclusion

Achieve the objective of a community in which all ages and abilities have the opportunity to learn, work, live and develop together with equality of access to community facilities and housing.

Towards Carbon Reduction

Work to assess the Parish's carbon footprint and identify and incentivise a programme to reduce it to an agreed series of targets compatible with UK goals and the need to achieve sustainability across the community.

Key Action Points

Safety Wellbeing & Ethos

- Develop a fully inclusive and accessible community, promoting equality and diversity across all socioeconomic, intergenerational and ability groups, including the more vulnerable, fostering a feeling of pride in our community and cultivating effective relationships.
- Achieve a dementia friendly and mental health aware community.
- Increase, encourage and support youth activities within our community, consulting and developing their needs where possible.

Community Facilities

- Improve open space, sports and recreational facilities for all building for the future through a comprehensive development of the Recreation Ground and building to its full potential, and improve creative facilities.
- Develop greater coherence of community facilities and activities; set up a community investment trust or social enterprise to manage a community budget. Coordinate bids for funding to enable value for money and maximisation of opportunity. Scope feasibility of creating a skills and tools swap or library.
- Maintain availability of viable lifelong learning opportunities in the village, working with educational providers to ensure identified local needs can be met. Support existing facilities and extend them where possible.

Village Environment

- Conduct an audit of accessibility for all public access facilities including provision of ramps, further dropped curbs and further safe crossing points.
- Provide more litter & dog bins to encourage and achieve a cleaner environment. Ensure effective street cleaning, working with the waste authority and residents to reduce litter, especially dog fouling and improve recycling facilities throughout the parish. Encourage local groups to participate in activities which will enhance the village environment.
- Provide suitable additional signposting of all village facilities including car parks. Improve the appearance of the public areas in the village centre and beyond in respect of planting, seating, lighting and street furniture, possibly linked to an environment conservation improvement scheme.

Housing

- Campaign for affordable housing where there is a proven local need. Support South Brent Community Land Trust and other housing providers in delivering a range of genuinely affordable housing.
- Conduct a village infrastructure impact survey, examining the healthcare, schooling, parking, traffic implications of current and planned developments.
- Favour planning applications which provide sustainable and energy efficient housing using sustainable materials and