

## **Community Partnership potential Outcome Proposals**

### **1. Flood resilience and prevention**

Expected budget allocation - £10,000

Summary

- Training parish councils and volunteers in good practice for dealing with future incidents and becoming more flood resilient.
- Clearing ditches and ensuring landowners are aware of the responsibilities.
- Community emergency planning training to be delivered via communitiesprepared.co.uk
- Consideration of training via Suffolk Highways self help scheme, similar to Kesgrave.

Further information – Communication is highlighted as an issue requiring more help. Informing people about future proofing their property is considered useful.

Next steps – Identify cost of ditch cleaners, machinery, etc  
Clarify what would people be able to do in terms of the works  
Confirm details of Suffolk Highways self help scheme.  
Confirm cost of emergency planning training  
Is funding required to identify land owners that need to be contacted?  
Are there specialist organisations available to provide advice and support, such as Suffolk Wildlife Trust?

### **2. Community engagement with environment and ecological issues**

Expected budget allocation - £500 per parish wishing to participate

Summary

- Litter picks and neighbourhood tidy weeks, similar to Road Safety Week.
- Parish Councils and supported by ESC to deliver
- Encourages community engagement and responsibility – working with schools preferred
- Funding for banners, litter collecting equipment and other items tbc
- Also focus on reinvigorating community action through engagement

Further information – communication with local residents is important, along with potentially linking such activities with other events and matters in villages. It may be important to highlight the action as part of wider environmental protection in order to gain interest.

Next steps - Draft and cost litter picks and sundries  
  
Costs of banners, and levels of interest from schools. Perhaps the use of Rock Paper Scissors as per road safety projects recently completed.  
  
Ask Parish Councils if they would be willing to participate in some way.

### **3. Martlesham Recreation Improvements**

Budget allocation – unknown at 11/1/24.

Expected to include accessible space for all people to use and increase their physical activity, with a bus stop nearby and car parking available.

Next steps – Martlesham PC to refine costs and draft a proposal for consideration at the March meeting.

Considerations – is there bike storage available, and would this encourage fewer car journeys to the site?

### **4. Conversion of Bredfield Tennis Court in to MUGA (sports facility)**

Budget allocation – unknown at 11/1/24

Plans beginning to convert one of two existing tennis courts into a multi-use game area for Bredfield and surrounding villages. It is in early stages of planning and will be discussed further with Leisure department at ESC as well.

Next steps – Bredfield Parish Council to explore funding and planning options further and provide a cost proposal for consideration in March meeting.

### **Other options**

The following are options that were discussed by the groups at the CP meeting but were not considered urgent or priority choices. However, these may be worth proposing at the March meeting if the anticipated proposals do not use the entire CP allocation.

- Further SPOT Wellbeing sessions across the CP where demand is greatest.
- Free gym passes for specific people within the CP where it will help them increase their physical activity and gym membership is not financially possible for them.
- A central reference point to share projects delivered by the Community Partnerships in order to replicate where possible.
- Bottle banks and clothes banks in more villages around the CP at a central and accessible point.
- Improve community participation and subsequent communication amongst villages, including a way of contacting people in key situations.