

**Action Plan**

**2021 - 2022**

The following Action Plan summarises the Town Council’s activities and projects it will commence or complete during 2021 and 2022.

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| **1.** | **A town-wide 20mph scheme**   1. Deliver a town-wide 20mph scheme |
| **2.** | **Improve cycling and walking**   1. Deliver a Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) 2. Enhance walking routes with signage to aid connectivity 3. Continue to encourage cycling and walking through community engagement and events |
| **3.** | **Climate and biodiversity**   1. Encourage biodiversity in areas of local authority ownership 2. Work with Faversham residents to increase biodiversity in their back gardens 3. Promote climate emergency awareness through activities and events |
| **4.** | **Engaging with all youth, particularly those who are harder to reach**   1. Identify potential partnerships 2. Develop a youth engagement plan |
| **5.** | **Diversity and equality**   1. Support a fairer Faversham by making equality and diversity issues a priority at all levels of the Council as a key part of the decision-making process 2. Ensure that facilities and events are accessible and welcoming to all communities 3. Foster greater community cohesion by creating a town where difference and diversity is understood, celebrated and valued 4. Seek to implement, where possible, recommendations made by the Electoral Commission or other independent bodies aimed at reducing barriers to standing for election to this council |
| **6.** | **Neighbourhood plan**   1. Continue to develop a neighbourhood plan 2. Carry out extensive consultation through community engagement 3. Present a neighbourhood plan which will be successful at referendum |
| **7.** | **Homelessness**   1. Develop ways to assist the homeless in Faversham 2. Support the Faversham Community Land Trust 3. Ensure *truly affordable* housing is included in the developing neighbourhood plan |
| **8.** | **Sports Council**   1. Identify local groups and provide a networking hub 2. Ensuring sport and physical activity is included in the developing neighbourhood plan 3. Develop Active Faversham, encouraging the community through events and activities |
| **9.** | **Lobby both public and private bodies to gain the best for Faversham, within whose responsibility lies the following**   1. An opening Creek bridge 2. Better engagement with Kent Police, British Transport Police and Swale Borough Council, around the occurrences and perception of anti-social behaviour |
| **10.** | **Community Groups, Spaces and Events**   1. Enhance the cultural offer by developing a permanent exhibition of the town’s Magna Carta 2. Encourage community creativity and cohesion by enabling local groups to meet or exhibit for free in the Guildhall and 12 Market Place 3. Provide grants for local community events and groups |

The Town Council will continue to review its Action Plan during the coming months to ensure it is still appropriate.