

FAVERSHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Annual Action Plan 2022 to 2023

1. Active Transport and Road Safety

- a. Deliver, and develop further, a town-wide 20mph scheme
- b. Deliver a Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP)
- c. Continue to encourage cycling and walking through community engagement and events

2. Climate and biodiversity

- a. Encourage biodiversity in areas of local authority ownership, including increasing street planting
- b. Work with Faversham residents to increase biodiversity in their gardens
- c. Continue to promote climate emergency awareness through activities and events
- d. Identify areas for an additional living bus stop and green walls
- e. Continue to work to become a Pesticide Free Town
- f. To identify an area to create a community orchard

3. Neighbourhood Plan and Housing

- a. Continue to develop a neighbourhood plan
- b. Carry out extensive consultation through community engagement
- c. Present a neighbourhood plan which will be successful at referendum
- d. Encourage *truly affordable* housing to be included in the Local Plan

4. Youth, Sport and Communities

- a. Develop partnerships with those already identified
- b. Develop a youth engagement plan
- c. Provision of support directly supplied by a youth worker
- d. Support Swale Borough Council's Healthier Action Plan
- e. Provide grants for local community events and groups

5. Diversity and Equality

- a. 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

- b. Ensure that facilities and events are accessible and welcoming to all communities
- c. Foster greater community cohesion by creating a town where difference and diversity is understood, celebrated and valued.
- d. Seek ways to ensure integration with new residents
- e. 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 by introducing councillors' allowance.

6. Lobby both public and private bodies to gain the best for Faversham, within whose responsibility lies the following

- a. Supporting the development of an opening Creek Bridge and working sluice gates
- b. Supporting the regeneration of the Creek for maritime activities for work and pleasure
- c. Continue engagement with Kent Police, British Transport Police and Swale Borough Council, around the occurrences and perception of anti-social behaviour

7. Tourism and Events

- a. Enhance the cultural offer by developing a permanent exhibition of the town's Magna Carta
- b. Develop a detailed marketing plan for Faversham, specifically targeted at increasing use of the Town by residents and increasing numbers of all kinds of visitors and tourists.