

Report of the Strategic Director – Environment and Sport to the meeting of Keighley Area Committee on 22 April 2015

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Subject:

Craven Ward Plan 2015/16

Summary statement:

This report presents the Craven Ward Plan for 2015/16 for consideration and adoption by Keighley Area Committee.

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1. SUMMARY

1.1 This report presents the Craven Ward Plan for 2015/16 for consideration and adoption by Keighley Area Committee.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 All six Ward Plans for the Keighley Area were presented to the meeting of Keighley Area Committee held on 26 March 2015 for consideration and adoption.
- 2.2 Five of the Ward Plans were approved, but in the case of the Craven Ward Plan the following resolution was made:
 "That amendments to the Craven Ward Plan, as discussed at the meeting and in consultation with the Ward Councillor who had requested those amendments, be presented for approval and adoption at the earliest opportunity."
- 2.3 This report presents an amended Craven Ward Plan 2015/16 for consideration and adoption which is attached as Appendix A of this report.

3. **OTHER CONSIDERATIONS**

3.1 No other considerations.

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

- 4.1 The priorities contained in the Ward Plans may be used to assist the Area Committee in its Local Area Management role and to inform the allocation of existing Area Committee budgets.
- 4.2 Officer support for the co-ordination of action to address the priorities in the Ward Plans is provided by the Area Co-ordinator's Office.
- 4.3 The Ward Plans will be forwarded to other key service-providers such as the Police, Public Health and Clinical Commissioning Groups and community organisations to request that they be used to inform their own priority-planning processes.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT

5.1 There may be a risk that due to reduced service budgets some priorities in the plans may not be met.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

6.1 There are no legal implications arising from this report.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 EQUALITY & DIVERSITY

7.1.1 Ward Plans seek to address concerns that have arisen from all sections of the community.

7.2 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

7.2.1 Sustainability considerations should be a constant element in any actions taken to address the Ward Plan.

7.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

7.3.1 Community safety priorities have been included in the six Ward Plans.

7.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

7.4.1 There are no Human Rights implications arising from this report.

7.5 TRADE UNION

7.5.1 There are no Trade Union implications arising from this report.

7.6 WARD IMPLICATIONS

7.6.1 Priorities identified in the Craven Ward Plan will only directly affect the Craven Ward.

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

8.1 None.

9. **OPTIONS**

- 9.1 That Keighley Area Committee adopts the recommendations outlined in this report.
- 9.2 That Keighley Area Committee adopts the recommendations outlined in this report, with amendments.
- 9.3 That Keighley Area Committee decides not to accept the recommendations outlined in this report.

10. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

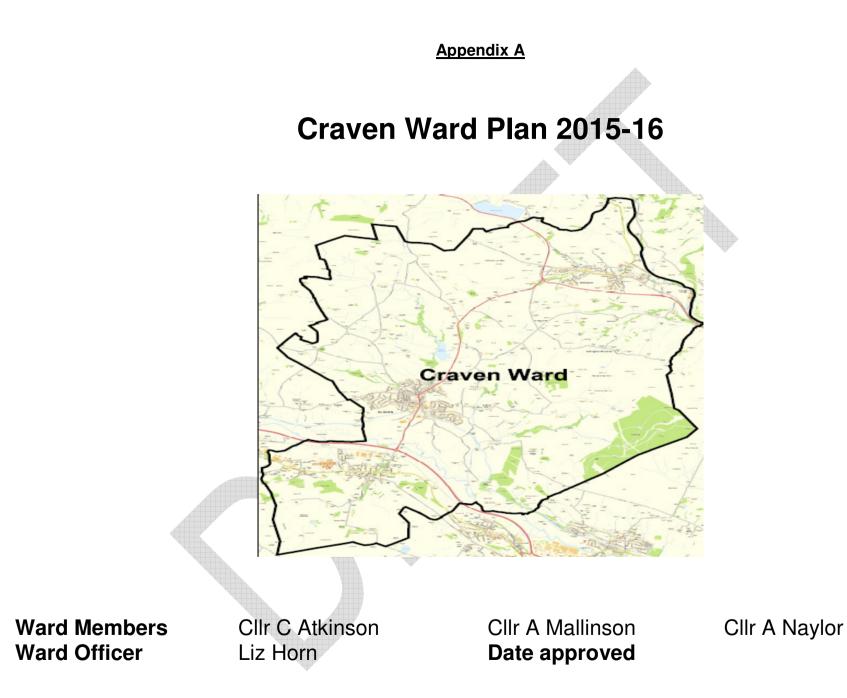
10.1 That Keighley Area Committee approves and adopts the Craven Ward Plan for 2105/16 as set out in Appendix A of this report.

11. APPENDICES

11.1 Appendix A – Craven Ward Plan 2015/16

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

12.1 KEIGHLEY AREA WARD PLANS 2015-16, Document 'AU', Keighley Area Committee, 26 March 2015



Ward Assessments and Plans:

The Ward Assessment and plan is designed to inform ward working, including action planning and decision making. The document summarises the prevalent strengths and issues within the Ward. This evidence base includes both statistical information as well as qualitative information gained from consultation; partnerships and ward officer team meetings. The Council Ward Officers play a critical role in digesting this information and summarising findings into the most pertinent issues which are presented in the ward plan. Ward plans are approved annually by elected members at the Area Committee and outcomes reported against.

Coordination of local services and devolution of decision making.

The ward plan provides an opportunity for the coordination of services at the lowest decision making level. This ensures that problem solving is effective, utilising local networks to identify concerns and solutions early resulting in efficiency savings and improved local outcomes. Central to an effective ward plan is the coordination by ward officers of public sector services such as neighbourhood policing teams, cleansing, social landlords, public health and youth service to ensure services are tailored to meet local need. In addition ward officers actively support local networks and partnership involving the public, private and third sector as well as the community to build on local assets, improve community cohesion and increase social capital.

Engaging communities

The ward plan is based on several community conversations throughout the year at neighbourhood and ward forums, community events, single issues forums and partnerships. The process does not revolve around what agencies can do alone but what communities, VCS partners and public sector agencies can collectively achieve if they work closely together. By working with the community to define local priorities the service can begin to enable and empower communities to support preventative approaches and behavioural change which reduce the demand on public service and produce improved outcomes for people at a local level. The ward plan process aims to draw the community into solution thinking and begin to reflect on their own contribution to the community and broker a relationship of civic responsibility. The key is to establish a partnership process that will not be overly demanding on resources to deliver it whilst at the same time maximising the important contributions that communities, voluntary organisations and public bodies can make to delivering better outcomes.

Section 1: Introduction to Craven Ward Plan

Ward	Craven Ward
Ward Officer	Liz Horn
Partners involved	District Councillors
	<u>Services</u> - Area Co-ordinator's Office (Ward Officer, Warden Manager, Youth Service Manager, Street Cleaning Manager), Neighbourhood Police Team, Incommunities Housing Manager, BMDC Traffic & Highways Manager, BMDC Parks & Landscapes Manager, BMDC Children's Service, Public Health team, Fire service, Alzheimer's Society,
	<u>Community</u> - Steeton with Eastburn Parish Council, Silsden Town Council, Addingham Parish Council, KIVCA (others as identified).
How does the ward plan work	The ward plans throughout the district engage with the communities identified in the boundary of each ward. The assessment summaries the strengths using both statistical and qualitative information. Each year the plan sets out agreed action in each ward with the support of a ward officer to work with others to seek solutions. Ward plans are agreed and accountable to the Area committees in each constituency.
How to get involved	If you would like to get involved please contact Liz Horn, Ward Officer on 01535 618008 or email: liz.horn@bradford.gov.uk

Section 2: Summary of the Craven Ward Assessment

Population	The district Ward of Craven is made up of 3 distinct areas: The Village of Steeton with Eastburn
	situated in the Aire Valley between Keighley and Skipton and forms a gateway from East
	Lancashire, North and West Yorkshire. Silsden a rural town situated on A629 in Airedale and is
	located 10 miles from the Yorkshire Dales National Park. Addingham Village on the A65 is located
	8 Miles North of Keighley, in the valley of the River Wharf and can be described as a commuter
	village with a growing number of retired residents. The population trend for this ward is white
	97.2%. (Area 83.6% Bradford 67.4%). The Ward has an older population structure with those
	aged 25 – 59 yrs making up 45.2% (Área 45.1 Bradford 45.9); 60-69 yrs 14.3% (Area 11.5%

	District 8.9%); Age 70-79ys 9.4% (Area 7.4% District 5.8%); Age 80+ 6.6% (Area 5.4% District 3.9%). Therefore there is a demand for services to support the 'older population'. In contrast younger people within the ward make up a most lower % of the population - age group 20 - 24yrs is 4.2% (Area 5.2 District 6.7%); age group 15 – 19yrs 5.2% (Area 6.0% District 6.7%) 10 – 14yrs 5.3% (Area 6.3% District 6.95); population 5 9 yrs 4.6% (Area 6.5% District 7.3%); age group 0 - 4yrs 5.3% (Area 6.8% District 7.9%). However, local knowledge suggests emerging new housing developments proposed for village areas may have an impact on population change in the future.
Community Strengths	The three key localities of Steeton with Eastburn, Silsden and Addingham all have the benefit of active Parish and Town Councils who work on community and civic matters to support local residents and projects relevant to their localities. Also, in 2014 / 2015 Steeton with Eastburn Parish Council linked with Silsden Town Council to develop a joint Neighbourhood Development Plan.
	Across the Ward in each of the localities there are a number of local active community groups and organisations supporting a range of community activities for all ages. Church Groups, Friends of Groups and Village Organisation's organise galas, events and encourage local involvement and participation in all things community. These independent organisations work together to support the wider community and communities of interest and engage in sourcing funding to deliver a diverse range of activities. However, in some instances local groups' do require support and guidance to move forward with local ideas and projects. Youth Services CBMDC also provide a range of activities and support for young people in 13-19yr age group across the ward. Overall, the ward can be described as having an active community sector.
	Each of the localities has a range of local shops and businesses with key employers being Airedale NHS Trust, Cinetic Landis Grinding, Echostar Europe, Warehousing, and Nursing Homes. ALDI has recently been added to existing larger employers in the area.
	A good bus service links Steeton with Eastburn, Silsden, and Addingham with Keighley, Ilkley and Skipton. Local train stations can be accessed at Ilkley and Steeton and Silsden - Airedale line affording access to the larger towns of Leeds and Bradford.
	People living in the local area have access to the following schools Steeton with Eastburn - Steeton Primary School and Eastburn Junior and Infant School. Addingham Primary School, Aire View Infant School Silsden and Hothfield Junior School in Silsden.

Cleaner Greener	Recycling across the Ward is 68.0% compared to (Area 59.8%, Bradford60.8%). Recycling banks are available for use at Wesley Street Car Park facility. However, there is still a need to establish other larger communal recycling facilities in other localities of Steeton with Eastburn and Addingham. Dog Fouling remains an issue and often Council Warden Patrols need to be implemented to deal with the problem in given 'hot spot areas' throughout the ward. Residents remain in some instances reluctant to report those letting their animals foul. Residents in the area take pride to preserve and improve Silsden and the village environments of Addingham and Steeton with Eastburn. Reports received relate to litter and detritus on privately owned pieces of land, in alleyways / ginnels, or over grown vegetation in various localities requiring removal or maintenance. To address these issues Addingham Parish Council and Silsden Town Council have employed a 'Lengthsmen' to assist with these types of concern. The 'Lengthsmen' will also work closely with Cleansing Services Teams Bradford Council. Overgrown vegetation across the ward is 67.7% which is higher than (Area 59.2% Bradford 59.7%). Overall satisfaction with the local area remains high at 95.3%.
Safer Communities	Crime remains low across the Ward and 85% of residents across the ward are happy with issues relating to safer communities. Key points of concern across the ward relate to inconsiderate parking in and around schools especially at peak drop off and pick up times; teenagers hanging around; unsecure domestic property; car theft and theft of goods from local shops / businesses in particular the Co-op in Silsden, Co-op in Addingham and Morrison's Store at Steeton. The Police and NPT Teams continue to work with the public and have also introduced the 'The Shop Exclusion Notice Scheme' to assist businesses across the ward. People who feel unsafe across the area after dark in their neighbourhoods is 6% (Area 10.9% Bradford 19.1%)
Inequalities Health and wellbeing	The higher percentage of older people living in the Craven Ward catchment may have an impact and put an increase need on various services Health, Benefits, Transport and Housing acknowledging alongside the rural aspects of the area. To assist with these issues it is essential relevant information is available for 'support criteria' for this community of interest as many may be living alone or be isolated with no immediate family members to call on. People living in the Ward though the majority may be in employment still have concerns about
	amounts of debt which equates to 18.0% higher than the (Area 9.5% Bradford of 17.4%). Fewer residents across the ward claim benefits.
Incomes employment and housing	New proposed housing schemes / plans for village areas would be of concern to local Town and Parish Councils along with local residents as those living in the area would want to keep and maintain the existing rural aspects of the ward along with village communities. Any development

	of the local infrastructure will be of key importance as change would have a major impact on existing village areas and volumes of traffic across the ward. The new Bradford District Local Development Framework allows for a growth of at least 1000 new dwellings in the Ward. Employment across the ward appears to be good and higher than the district average as Household income is 16.9% compared to the area of 9.9% overall.
Children and young people	 Within the ward there are a number of local schools, Steeton with Eastburn has Steeton Primary School and Eastburn Junior and Infant School with some of the children feeding into South Craven School located in North Yorkshire. Addingham Primary School, Aire View Infant School Silsden, Hothfield Junior School Silsden with some of the children feeding into Ilkley Grammar School. However, if new families are encouraged to move into the area this may have an impact on school places. Also young people from the ward do well with achieving 5+ A C Grade qualifications 73.7% (Area 52.5% Bradford 47.5%). Incidents of ASB are low across the ward with respect to young people and Youth Services CBMDC deliver support sessions and activities from local venues. Local groups also raise and target funding to support young people of all ages to take part in additional activities such as sport and dance.
Stronger Communities	Across the ward many local residents play a part in village and community life through volunteering some volunteering on a more formal basis. There are a variety of volunteer-led sporting groups, environmental groups and church-led activity including gatherings and luncheon clubs et al. Volunteers also organise larger events such as galas and gatherings at local War Memorials in partnership with the Town and Parish Councils. The volunteer work undertake across the ward covers all age ranges. Volunteers also undertake an active role in publicising local buildings and amenities on offer. Local schools link in with local volunteer groups and are well supported via PTA's in undertaking and organising additional out of school activities and events by arrangement.
Further information	 District Councillors meet with local residents at regular intervals and Neighbourhood Forums take place as ongoing on an annual period. Craven Ward Assessment Document 2013 – 2014.

1.0 Cle	.0 Cleaner Greener				
Code	Priority	What can Services contribute?	What can the Community Contribute? Individual residents, local groups	Named person responsible	
1.1	Address incidents of fly- tipping, dog fouling and littering throughout the year.	 Cleansing – assistance with removal and reporting. Environmental Protection – following up on environmental offences and implementing legal legislation and actions. Council Warden Service – to monitor localities when on patrol and report incidents as appropriate. Ward Officers / Council Warden Services to support local campaigns. Housing associations – to liaise and work closely with Council Departments and undertake estate walk - a - bouts and report issues. Voluntary Sector Service Provider / CD Worker to promote Green Dog Walkers Scheme and support littering picking initiatives. 	 Individuals to report incidents of fly-tipping and related facts and information. Community to support local campaigns. Local groups and organisations to report issues and support local initiatives. 	Liz Horn Geoff Dudman Peter Cotton Dominic Butler Ward Councillors Community Maggie Keating – Incommunities CD Worker Town and Parish Councils	

1.2	Improvement of local parks and green spaces within the ward. • Addingham • Steeton with Eastburn • Silsden	 Police to assist with safety patrols. Council Warden Service to undertake patrols and support local communities. Ward Officers and Parks Services to assist with maintenance issues and lend support to Friends of Groups. Tree Services Section to offer advice and assistance as necessary. Voluntary Sector Service Provider / CD Worker to support local planning and initiatives. Environmental Protection legislation and appropriate actions to be taken. 	 Community groups to lead on local initiatives – Friends of Groups. Residents to support local initiatives. Friends of Groups to lead on fund raising bids and activities. Residents and community groups to organise litter picks and local action days. Local environmental groups to lend support as necessary. Town and Parish Councils to lead on local developments. 	Liz Horn Geoff Dudman Mel Smith Bob Thorp Sgt S Hanson Sgt S Buckley CD Worker Dominic Butler
1.3	Improve recycling rates across the Ward.	 Voluntary Sector Service Provider CD Worker to promote recycling and support local initiatives. Incommunities Housing Association to contact and involve their tenants in local initiatives. Ward Officer / Council Wardens / Recycling Service to promote the benefits of recycling across the Ward. Ward Officer / Recycling Services to encourage local businesses to recycle. 	 Businesses to play an active role in recycling initiatives Town and Parish Councils to encourage recycling in their localities. Community Groups and Organisations to support local campaigns and initiatives. Residents groups to disseminate information in their local areas. Community Centre's and groups to address and support change – recycling behaviours and education. 	Liz Horn Geoff Dudman Edith Grooby Kate Smallwood CD Worker Incommunities Town and Parish Councils Businesses

		 Recycling Services CBMDC – provision of information and assistance. Ward Officer and Recycling Services to support local campaigns and initiatives. Council Warden Services to undertake door to door initiatives in agreed localities. 		
2.0 Saf	er Communities	Ι		
Code	Priority	What can Services contribute?	What can the Community Contribute? Individual residents, local groups	Named person responsible
2.1	Address issues relating to illegal parking, speeding vehicles and road safety issues.	 Ward Officer / Council Warden Services to follow up on incidents reported and distribute educational materials. Council Warden Services to deploy CCTV Camera Car as required. Highways Section to carry out speed watch and inspections as necessary. Police to address issues of vehicle obstructions. Schools to provide information to parents. Council Wardens to undertake enforcement and regular patrols at local schools / sites. 	 Community to report local hot spot areas and provide intelligence. Local groups and organisations to report hot spot areas and provide additional intelligence as appropriate. 	Geoff Dudman Liz Horn Bruce Andrews Andy Fisher Head of Local Schools NPT – Police Team Ward Councillors
2.2	Work with communities to address crime issues,	 Police to deploy patrols in given localities, attend Neighbourhood 	Local groups and organisations to publicise events and provide	NPT Ward Officer

	promote crime and reassurance initiatives.	 Forums and local events. Ward Officer / Voluntary Sector Service Provider - CD Worker to organise days of action. Council Wardens and PCSO patrols carried out in defined localities. Ward Officer / Police to reassure residents through local engagement meetings / events. 	 intelligence and information. Community Centres, Town Halls and Schools to offer facilities for meetings and publicise events. 	Council Wardens Councillors CD Worker
2.3	Reduce crime relating to local businesses across the ward.	 Ward Office / Police open a dialogue with business owners. Ward Officer / Police look at constructive ways of supporting private businesses. Police to organise crime safety days / training for staff and employees. Police to target work where higher levels of enforcement and visibility will have a desired outcome. Ward Officer via WPT process to negotiate joint working protocols. 	 Support of the business community to develop a business partnership to discuss issues of concern. Businesses to share information and engage in joint self-help initiatives. 	NPT Police Teams Individual Businesses
3.0 Ine	qualities, health and Wellbe	ing		•
Code	Priority	What can Services contribute?	What can the Community Contribute? Individual residents, local groups	Named person responsible
3.1	Promote activities available for older people / groups to address social isolation.	 Ward Officer / Voluntary Sector Service Provider - CD Worker to promote existing provision. Ward Officer / Voluntary Sector Service Provider - CD Worker 	 Community Halls / Centres and Organisations to assist in promoting events. Town and Parish Councils to assist in promoting events and 	Liz Horn Incommunities Police Ward Councillors

		 promote initiatives which bring older residents / groups together. Ward Officer / Voluntary Sector Service Provider - CD Worker strengthen and develop older people's hub and community engagement activities programme. Incommunities to work with partners to support older tenants. 	 offer safe meeting spaces in community settings. Local organisations to target funding to deliver self help activities for this community of interest. Incommunities to assist with tenants issues and needs. 	Town and Parish Councils CD Worker
4.0 Inc	omes Skills and Housing			
Code	Priority	What can Services contribute?	What can the Community Contribute? Individual residents, local groups	Named person responsible
4.1	Promote training and volunteering opportunities in community settings across the ward.	 Ward Officer to signpost individuals to volunteering and training opportunities. Voluntary Sector Service Provider - CD Worker to support individuals and groups to access training and volunteering opportunities in local settings. 	 Local community centre's and groups to provide volunteer opportunities. Local groups and organisations to provide opportunities for volunteering. 	Liz Horn Ward Councillors Town and Parish Councils CD Worker
4.2	Support residents to address issues relating to new Housing developments / proposals for village areas.	 Ward Officer organise local consultation events. Planning Section to provide detailed information of proposed developments. Contractors to contribute to local communities via approved Housing Schemes. Ward Councillors to support local communities. 	 Steeton with Eastburn and Silsden Neighbourhood Development Plan is being developed. Local groups and organisations to publicise information. 	Liz Horn Ward Councillors Town and Parish Councils Planning Section Contractors

5.0 Chi	Idren and Young People	Town and Parish Councils to support local communities		
Code	Priority	What can Services contribute?	What can the Community Contribute? Individual residents, local groups	Named person responsible
5.1	Encourage young people, schools and children to input into local decision making processes.	 Ward Officer / Voluntary Sector Service Provider - CD Worker to link with local Parish and Town Councils reference to young people's thoughts, views and actions. Ward Officer / Voluntary Sector Service Provider - CD Worker to link in with Youth Service to encourage young people's involvement in local activity programmes. Ward Officer / Voluntary Sector Service Provider - CD Worker to raise young people's profile in their area with other local organisations. 	 Local groups and organisations to support and apply for funding to support young people's activities programme. Schools could be encouraged to establish additional activities and programmes for young people in village areas. 	Youth Service Ward Councillors Schools Parish and Town Councils Local Groups and Organisations. CD Worker

5.2	Develop programs for young people to take a sense of ownership and pride for public spaces and amenities.	 Ward Officer / Voluntary Sector Service Provider - CD Worker to involve young people in their area when providing activities in local public spaces. Youth Worker support young people and encourage their involvement and participation. 	 Local groups and organisations to support and apply for funding to develop young people's involvement in their activity programmes 	Youth Service Ward Councillors Parish and Town Councils Local Groups and Organisations Ward Officer CD Worker
5.3	Encourage young people to start volunteering in their local area.	 Ward Officer / Voluntary Sector Service Provider - CD Worker / Youth Worker to raise young people's profile in their area with other local organisations. Ward Officer / Voluntary Sector Service Provider - CD Worker / Youth Worker to actively encourage young people to take social responsibility and offer their time freely to local organisations or events within the area. 	 Local groups and organisations to recruit 2 or more young people as volunteers for their activity or event. 	Youth Service Ward Councillors Schools Parish and Town Councils Local Groups and Organisations. Ward Officer CD Worker
5.4	Create opportunities for children and young people to engage in positive activities to broaden their world view.	 Youth Service / Voluntary Sector Service Providers to provide varied and fun activities for young people to participate in – in and out of the local area. 	 Local groups and organisations to support and apply for funding to create a variety of activities for young people. 	Youth Service Ward Councillors Schools Parish and Town Councils Local Groups and Organisations.

5.5	Develop programs that address personal safety, sexual health and health and wellbeing issues for young people.	 Ward Officer / Voluntary Sector Service Provider - CD Worker / Youth Worker to create programs that target young people at risk of personal injury, becoming a young parent, anti social behaviour or social isolation. 	 Local groups and organisations to support and apply for funding to implement programs that focus on these issues facing young people. 	Youth Service Ward Councillors Schools Parish and Town Councils Local Groups and Organisations. CD Worker Ward Officer			
6. Stronger Communities (Community Support)							
Code	Priority	What can Services contribute?	What can the Community Contribute? Individual residents, local groups	Named person responsible			
6.1	Support productive governance and community participation in decision making processes – village areas • Addingham • Silsden • Steeton with Eastburn	 Ward Officer to maintain and improve relationships with community partners, organisations and Town and Parish Councils. Ward Officer to facilitate partnership working in village settings. Ward Officer and other Council Departments to provide relevant information that keep communities informed. Ward Officer to link in with Steeton with Eastburn and Silsden Parish and Town Council approved – Neighbourhood Development Plan. Ward Officer to engage with 	 Community Centres, Halls, Groups provide safe spaces for public meetings. District and Town and Parish Councillors to promote and engage with local communities proposals for infrastructure developments short, medium and long term. Local groups and organisations to target resources and funding to undertake local developments and projects. 	Liz Horn Ward Councillors Town and Parish Councils Council Departments – Planning, Asset Management, Highways.			

		Planning, Asset Management, Highways and other Council Departments as appropriate.		
6.2	 Promote full use of local facilities in village settings. Addingham Silsden Steeton with Eastburn 	 Ward Officer / Voluntary Sector Service Provider – CD Worker to work with local communities to energise environments. Ward Officer to promote the use of local facilities for the benefit of the wider community. Ward Officer / Voluntary Sector Service Provider – CD Worker to work with groups and organisations to promote the use of local amenities for events and festivals indoors / out doors. 	 Community groups to access funding to provide a range of community initiatives in local settings. Town and Parish Councils to support the use of local amenities in their village areas. Encourage local residents / groups / organisations to make use of buildings available in their local area. Work and liaise with the Council for the benefit of the wider community. Community groups and Town and Parish Councils to forge links with local business communities to support local initiatives and programmes. 	Liz Horn Ward Councillors Groups and organisations Businesses Town and Parish Councils CD Worker