

The Action Plan

<i>The Need</i>	<i>The Action</i>	<i>Priority</i>	<i>Partners</i>	<i>Timescale</i>	<i>Lead Agency</i>	<i>Resource Implications</i>	<i>Comments</i>
<p>Housing: There was a clear need for more affordable housing both to rent and to buy.</p>	Partnership work be continued with Eden Housing Association to identify ways and means of meeting the need	Low See note 1	EDC, PC, Eden Housing Association, Cumbria Rural Housing Trust	Long term	PC	Will require time input from PC, possibly a working group. Funding requirement for the provision in the future.	In future reviews of the Parish Plan, there may be an opportunity to change the Lead Agency to the Eden Housing Association as they take on board our aspirations.
Potential development sites for affordable housing were needed.	Eden District Council to be advised and potential sites to be identified for inclusion in evolving Local Development Plans.	Low	EDC, PC	Medium Term	PC	Time input from the PC; possible resources needed for further consultation	The PC will need to think about working with residents on this
Affordable housing needed to be within sustainable communities.	Request agencies to treat Culgaith as the prime target for affordable housing – the village having a school and more potential for developing sustainable new facilities and services.	Low	EDC, PC, Eden Housing Association	Short Term	PC	Letter only	
Residents wished to protect existing village characteristics.	All future developments to be closely scrutinised against the strong desire to protect existing village characteristics.	High	PC, EDC	Ongoing	PC	Ongoing PC work; potential for a Village Design Statement in future?	Perhaps a working group of interested parties might be interested in producing a Village Design Statement for the settlements.
It was felt that planning conditions were not adequately enforced.	The Local Planning Authority to be encouraged to enforce planning conditions.	Medium	PC, EDC	Ongoing	PC	Time input from PC	

Transport: Significant numbers of potential supporters and users of voluntary car schemes were identified.	Cumbria County Council be appraised of this potential support. (The Steering Group especially wishes to ensure that future developments, if any, do not compromise existing voluntary transport schemes and especially the Fellrunner Bus Services.)	Medium	PC, CCC, Fellrunner	Short term	PC	Letter only	
There was a lack of knowledge of existing bus services and wishes for changes to the services.	The Fellrunner Village Bus Company be encouraged and supported to further develop services to meet identified needs and to improve general knowledge of existing routine timetables and other services.	Medium	PC, Fellrunner	Medium term	PC	Time input from PC	
The community wish to see Culgaith Railway Station reopened with available car parking for potential users.	Cumbria County Council and the Friends of the Settle Carlisle Railway to be advised	Medium	PC, Friends of Settle Carlisle Railway, CCC	Long term	PC	Letter only	
The community wishes to see enhanced access to public transport.	Cumbria County Council be advised and asked to assist.	Medium	PC, CCC	Medium term	PC	Time input from PC	
Highways and Footpaths: The community expressed concern over speeding traffic through villages.	Cumbria Safety Partnership to be asked to undertake random speed checks where speeding traffic is a problem.	High	PC, Cumbria Safety Partnership, Cumbria Constabulary	Short term	PC	Time input from PC; volunteer input from residents	
The community expressed concern at inappropriate use of local roads by HGVs	Cumbria County Council be asked to find ways and means of restricting use of local roads by HGVs especially transit via The Pea, Culgaith.	High	PC, CCC	Short term	PC	Time input from PC and support from residents	
The community complained about un-neighbourly parking	Residents to be encouraged through repeat reminders in newsletters of the need for neighbourly parking.	Medium	PC, newsletter, PCC	Short term	PC	Time input from PC and newsletter	
Residents asked for car parking on the Flodder to be tidied. Off road parking provision was considered essential.	The proposed parking scheme on the Flodder to be completed.	High	PC	Ongoing	PC	Time input from PC and funding for planning and build	

Concerns were expressed over the damage to roadside verges	Residents and especially local farmers to be encouraged to protect local grass verges and only to drive on them when absolutely necessary.	Low	PC, Cumbria Wildlife Trust, CCC	Medium Term	PC	Time input from PC; volunteers, potential 'verges' project	
Concerns were raised over the lack of gritting near to the primary school	Effort to be made to convince Cumbria County Council of the community wish to add the road near to Culgaith Primary School to the gritting programme.	High	PC, CCC	Short term	PC	Letter only	
Some parish paths were found to be difficult to use.	A forum to be considered to oversee regular inspection of and reporting problems associated with the parish path network.	Medium	PC, East Cumbria Countryside Project	Medium term	PC	PC time, working group time, funding for footpaths work (figure unknown)	
Some residents required more grit bins to aid more self-help.	A review of the siting be undertaken and additional bins provided.	Medium	PC, CCC	Medium term	PC	PC time	
Environment: Residents complained that recycling centres were often full.	Eden District Council to be advised of the need to improve the maintenance of the services.	Medium	PC, EDC	Short term	PC	Letter only	
Residents asked for the recycling bin types to be reviewed. Plastic recycling was a significant need. Clothes recycling was not well supported.	A review of the recycling bin numbers and types be undertaken; plastic recycling facilities being required by many and clothing bins of questionable need.	Medium	PC, EDC	Medium term	PC	PC and/or working group time	
Street lights were reported to be defective for lengthy periods.	Eden District Council to be advised and asked to improve the inspection frequency of streetlights.	Medium	PC, EDC	Short term	PC	Letter only	
Dog fouling was of significant nuisance.	Eden District Council to be asked to advise on ways and means minimising the nuisance of dog fouling.	Medium	PC, EDC	Short term	PC	Letter and PC time	

Waste black plastic was of concern.	Liaison with local farmers to be carried out to minimise the nuisance.	Low	PC, Farming and Wildlife Advisory Group, Farm Plastics Recycling Scheme	Long term	PC	PC time	
Existing maintenance of village greens was supported with the exception of the parking situation at the Flodder, Culgaith	Existing maintenance and grass cutting plans for village greens be continued.	Low	PC	Ongoing	PC	PC time and ongoing funding of management options	
Conflicting views were found concerning the use of the Tarn field.	A long-term maintenance plan be developed for the Tarn, Culgaith that is acceptable to the majority of Culgaith residents.	Medium	PC	Long term	PC	PC time, working group time, potentially funding needed for management options	
Communication: Many residents felt poorly informed on village activities and opportunities.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An annual information booklet to be produced for distribution to every household and business within the parish. 2. Parish Council meeting reports continue to be published in the Herald newspaper. 3. Meeting reports and other articles to be submitted for use by the Memo newsletter. 4. Ways and means of attracting more public attendance at Parish Council meetings be considered, and especially means of increasing the involvement by young people. 	High High High High	PC, Newsletter PC, Newsletter PC, Newsletter PC and EYWP	Medium term	PC	PC time, working group, potential funding for village activities, funding for information booklet PC time	

Significant value had been experienced through working with external partners. This partnership approach must continue.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Existing partnerships be continued with external members of the Steering Group (Eden Housing Association, Eden Youth Work Partnership and Voluntary Action Cumbria). Consideration to be given to joint involvement and action with other potential partners including the Penrith Market Town Initiative, neighbouring Parishes, District and County Councils. 	Medium	PC, EHA, EYWP, VAC, Penrith MTI, EDC, CCC	Ongoing	PC	PC time, working group input	
Business: A need was identified for improved post office services at Culgaith and Skirwith	Work to be continued with the Post Office to identify appropriate ways to improve services in Culgaith and Skirwith.	Medium	PC, Post Office Limited, VAC	Medium term	PC	PC time, potentially funding need for improvements	
Many respondents did not know of the Post Office at Blencarn.	Blencarn Post Office to be appraised of the lack of knowledge of the facility and its location.	Low	PC	Short term	PC	Letter only	
Various locations were suggested as possible sites for a Post Office at Culgaith.	The Black Swan Inn, Hazledene Nursery and the Culgaith and Skirwith Village Hall Trustees to be appraised of suggestions that they provide potential locations for a shop, community shop and Post Office.	Low	PC	Short term	PC	Letter or meeting only	
Many – especially young people – identified a need for a local shop.	Help to be sought from Voluntary Action Cumbria to explore possibilities for promoting and providing increased shopping facilities.	Low	PC, VAC, Penrith MTI	Medium term	PC	PC time, working group input, funding required for improvement	I've put Penrith MTI in this one, as they are working on a Marketing Strategy for the area, which fits in with the

						s and promotion	promotion side of things.
The surveys identified a significant and previously unmeasured business base within the parish	Consideration to be given to the production of a business directory for parish businesses. This might form part of the suggested Parish Information booklet.	High	PC	Medium term	PC	PC time, booklet production	
Businesses sought improved communication and support from the Parish Council.	A review to be undertaken of ways of communicating with businesses to pass on funding opportunities and other appropriate information.	Medium	PC	Medium term	PC	PC time, potential funding requirement for actions arising from review	
Community facilities: The surveys identified a wide variety of needs for improved social activities and opportunities.	Work to be undertaken to consider ways and means of meeting the many suggestions to develop improved social activities and opportunities.	High	PC Village Hall Committees	Medium term	PC	PC time, funding for activities.	Use identified volunteers
Comments and suggestions were offered about the Culgaith Recreation Ground and especially the concerns raised about safety and cleanliness of the swimming pool.	Culgaith Recreation Ground Committee to be appraised of the comments.	High	PC, Culgaith Recreation Ground Committee	Short term	PC	Letter only	
Comments and suggestions concerning possible alternative use of Church premises were collected.	The Church Authorities to be appraised of the findings.	Medium	PC, Parochial Church Council	Short term	PC	Letter only	
A wide variety of local educational needs were identified.	Village Hall Committees and Education providers to be appraised of identified educational needs and suggestions.	Medium	PC, Village Hall Committee Local Education providers	Short term	PC	Letter only	

<p>Young People: Young people identified a wide array of potential needs.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The findings of the Young People Survey be quickly followed up and work initiated to actively engage with the young people so supportive of the project. 2. Partnership work be continued with the Eden Youth Work Partnership and its member youth organisations. 3. Partnership with neighbouring communities be considered given that some of the identified needs might best be satisfied by joint action. 4. An early open meeting to move youth matters forward and especially to engage with the 21 volunteers willing to become involved with youth needs. 	<p>High</p> <p>High</p> <p>High</p> <p>High</p>	<p>PC, EYWP, Other PCs/communities</p>	<p>Short term</p>	<p>PC</p>	<p>PC time, working group input, funding requirement for actions identified</p>	<p>Use identified volunteers.</p>

Note:

1. Although provision of Affordable Housing is a high priority need, no immediate action is possible at this time and until the Eden District Planning Policy is significantly revised. Hence associated actions are at this stage given only a low priority for action.