

Action Plan and Prioritisation Plan

GREEN	Completed
PURPLE	Advanced
AMBER	Actions started
RED	Actions not started or requiring funding
BLUE	Nice to do / wish list

Updated
Sept 2026

PC- Parish Council

SC - Somerset Council

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1. Younger residents	Lack of information re activities available	Encourage wider knowledge of and participation in existing activities offered	Promotion of existing activities via appropriate media		Parish Council YMCA Bishop Henderson School Scouts		Ongoing
2	Lack of engaging activities	Engage wider group of young people into activities within the Parish, promoting community inclusion	Communicate with external providers to organise events for young people, eg zorbing, VR gaming sessions, cinema screenings, cookery classes, laser clay pigeon, using existing facilities		HUB		Needs further work. Winter project?

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3.Community amenities	Audit of Community space	Compile a publicly accessible document which lists all space available for use by community – including size, facilities, costs, contact details for booking	Contact all holders of possible community space to gather together the information required and make available to the community		PC CHCM		
4	Promotion of amenities and events	Encourage wider range of engagement with existing activities.	Event to promote clubs and amenities in the village		PC		Done 16/09/23
5		Many activities requested or suggested in the survey are already in place.	Ongoing promotion of events and clubs via social media, notice boards, newsletters, magazine etc		VW		Done 16/09/23
6	Maintenance of Bridleways	Enable safer riding routes around the Parish	<i>Include bridleway maintenance with footpath maintenance?</i>		SC		
7	Bike track maintenance	Maintenance to encourage young people to use the facility		Now done as part of PC grass cutting contract	PC		Done
8	Update hardcourt facilities	Encourage young people to use	Seek grants to help with upgrade		PC		Phase 1 - Fence erected Needs progressing in 2027

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9	Basketball facilities	Requested by young people	Basketball hoops installed June 2026		PC		Done
10	Outdoor table tennis facilities	Requested by residents	Find out who would use this, cost and site. Level pitch and erect hard court fence before choosing site.		PC		Pitch levelling almost complete & fence in place. Funding required for equipment
11	Make footpaths more accessible to those with mobility issues	Enable less able bodied residents to access the countryside	Replace stiles with gates where possible		PC/SC	Liaise with Somerset RoW, Ramblers & Payback team	
12	Community or commercial café facility	Provide a place for residents of all ages to meet and socialise	Promote to existing businesses and/or attract new business in the village		HUB		Done
13	Children's centre	Exact need to be determined	Look at what would be needed – is this already provisioned for?		Bishop Henderson School		
14	Community orchard at Coleford Playing Field	To provide education regarding food growth and a source of fresh food for the community	Plant orchard at Coleford Playing Field	Planted 2023	Coleford Conservation Group / PC		Done
15	Community orchard Allotment	To provide education regarding	Plant orchard at Coleford Allotments	Planted Spring 2024	PC		Done

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		food growth and a source of fresh food for the community					
16. Post Office	Regular PO counter service in the village	A regular service	Look at getting a more frequent provision on a permanent site	Regular provision Tues AM at The Hub	PC		Done
17	Theatre/cinema club	To provide a social activity for all age ranges	Investigate hiring of equipment and films to show at The Hub		HUB		
18. The Hub	Promotion of facilities	Raise income for the buildings and promote inclusion and community belonging plus facilities for commercial activities	Promote access to and use of The Hub and RBL to local communities and groups – encourage committees to be easier to contact!		HUB		
19. Health & Wellbeing	Mental health support	Residents requested mental health support activities in the survey responses	Look at establishing a community group with external professional support – engage GP surgery		Mendip Country Practice / Caroline deLeeuw – Health Connector		Application put forward for health and well-being grant (2024)
20	Book club	Encourage social interaction	Encourage residents to establish a book club		PC		
21	Gardening club	Encourage social interaction and physical and mental wellbeing	Encourage residents to establish a gardening club		PC		
22	Crafting clubs	Encourage social interaction and	Promote existing crafting clubs and encourage	Coleford Sheddars est Aug 2025	HUB		Ongoing

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		physical and mental wellbeing	establishing others if of interest				
23	Exercise clubs	Encourage social interaction and physical and mental wellbeing	Engage with external providers to promote existing and develop new exercise clubs (Zumba, yoga, running, TIP etc)	Yoga class, walking and running groups all established	PC		Done
24	Brass band	Residents mentioned this in the survey response	Investigate whether or not there are appropriate musicians to form a band		Mark Doman		
25	LGBTQ+ club	Residents mentioned this in the survey response	Encourage residents to form a community club		PC		
26	Singing club	Residents mentioned this in the survey response	Encourage residents to form a community club		PC		
27	Slimming club	Residents mentioned this in the survey response	Engage with external providers		HUB		
28	EV charging	Encourage use of EVs by residents	Share network of existing points – and how to access		PC		
29		Encourage use of EVs by residents and provide charging points for use by visitors	Look into installation of public EV points in the village		PC		
30	Allotments	Physical and mental wellbeing as well as	Look at provision of more allotments	Opened Spring 2023	PC		Done

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		saving costs and eating healthily					
31		Residents who use the allotments would benefit from water supply	Look into provision of tap at Goodeaves allotments	Rainwater harvesting system installed Summer 2024	PC		Done
32	Vets	Residents requested this in the survey	Investigate provision of mobile vet service to Parish				
33	Take away food	Residents requested this in the survey	Promote existing service and advertise to potential new business	Pop up Pizza oven outside King's Head	HUB		Done
34	Adult education	Engage older members of the community	Investigate possibilities		PC		
35	Health and wellbeing sessions	General wellbeing of the community, across the ages	Work with GP surgery to look at running sessions on health issues, also cookery classes etc		PC/ Mendip Country Practice		Application for Health & Wellbeing grant Summer 2024
36	Informal library	Social interaction, access to books and learning resources	Promote mobile library services and also informal book depositories around the Parish	Upgrade of Highbury book depository Summer 2026	PCI		Done
37	Live music	Social interaction	Promote live music events	Colefest and events at RBL	PC		Done
38	Craft sale	Promotion of local crafters and social interaction	Look into organising events for local sales of locally produced crafts		HUB		

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39	Baby clothes bank	Of use to parents of young children – money saving and social aspect	Look at promoting existing bank and provision of space to store/access		HUB		
40	Produce market	Promotion of local producers, access to lower cost food and reduced food miles	Look at provision of regular event for local fresh produce including grocery and fish		HUB		
41	Repair shed/café	Environmental benefits and social interaction/mental health benefits	Encourage community to establish repair shed/café	Coleford Shedders est August 2026 Dagmar's Cafe in operation at The Hub	HUB		Done
42	Online support	Help and support for older and less tech-savvy members of the community	Look at provision of support for accessing online services – volunteers to work with older and less able residents to access online		Talking Café / HUB		
43. Traffic, travel and Transport	Traffic calming	Reduce speeding in the village	Look at Speed Indication Devices for main roads	In process of purchasing two speed indication devices	PC		Ongoing
44		Reduce speeding in the village	Introduce Speedwatch group	Speedwatch established but currently inoperational due to lack of volunteers	PC		
45		Reduce risk to pedestrians by	Investigate 20mph zone for Coleford centre and 30mph		PC		Ongoing dialogue with SC

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		lowering speed limits	zones for outlying areas				
46	Bus service	Create a useable, reliable service – reliable for work/college but also one that doesn't leave people in Frome for hours on end.	Contact local bus providers to consider altering timetables to run later and earlier services and direct routes to Radstock and Bath plus more frequent services on some days		PC		PC sharing information with relevant bus travel agencies and lobby groups. Saturday service reinstalled

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48	Parking	Reduce risk of traffic accidents/ danger to pedestrians	Look at restricting parking in areas where a concern – ie top of Church Street		PC		
49		Provide safer off-street parking	Look at provision of off-street parking for residents without this facility		PC		
50	HGV traffic	Reduce damage to roads and verges and threat to pedestrians	Restrict HGV through traffic by contacting		PC		

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			relevant businesses				
51	Safe routes	Especially for school – look at provision of pavements on main roads	Survey pavements and safe crossing points for pedestrians		PC Consider awarding a grant to improve the path from Mendip Vale to Farley Dell		Awaiting quotes so that funding can be sought (Summer 2024)
52	Community transport	Current service is expensive and not always available	Review/promote current provision especially re cost and access				Being discussed through LCN
53	Car share	Encourage residents to share transport, hopefully reduce car use in the village	Share details of car share apps/sites to encourage local engagement and use		PC		Being discussed through LCN
54	Taxi firm	Use of local firm for residents who don't drive	Encourage establishment of local taxi firm				
55. Community Safety	Street lighting	Create safer streets /better lit areas	Promote number for reporting faulty street lighting	All street Lighting repaired Summer 2023	PC		Done
56	Mobile phone signal	Enable people to access smart meters (and lower utility bills) and also for safety concerns	Work with providers to ensure signal across all Parish – for safety and also for access to smart meters (see cost of living crisis)		PC		

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57	Drainage	Some flooding and waste water drainage issues in parts of the village	Look into drainage issues with regards to damage and flooding		SCC		
58	First Aid	Residents keen to learn first aid	Provide first aid training for residents		Mendip Country Practice		

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59	Defibrillator	Residents keen to learn how to use defibrillators	Provide training sessions for residents		Mendip Country Practice		
60	First responder	To help mitigate distance from services and longer response times	Investigate possibility of training/identifying first responder in the village		Mendip Country Practice		
61, Health and Wellbeing	Feedback survey responses to surgery	To let them know what a great job they are doing!	PC to contact surgery with survey stats and comments		PC		
62	GP surgery	Help residents with using new style booking service	Ask surgery to provide support for residents to use online booking services		Mendip Country Practice		
63		Residents request more face to face appointments	Consult regarding more face to face appointments		Mendip Country Practice		

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64	NHS dentist	Residents requested access to dentist	Investigate possibility of visiting NHS dentist		Mendip Country Practice		
65	Optician	Residents requested access to optician	Investigate possibility of visiting optician		Mendip Country Practice		
66	Walking club	Social interaction and health and wellbeing	Encourage community to develop walking club	Group now active			Done
67	Running club	Social interaction and health and wellbeing	Promote local running club	Time is Precious running club now active			Done
68	Social prescriptions	Social prescriptions expensive to access and don't last long	investigate funding to help with transport costs and ongoing activity after initial prescription phase completed		Mendip Country Practice		
69, Climate Emergency, Environment	Create an Action Group	Community group to take charge of all action relating to environment and climate	Community lead action group to lead on climate and environment topics, liaising with Council for advice and guidance	Coleford Climate Action est July 2023	PC		Done
70	Guidance on home efficiency	Reduce bills and improve carbon footprint of homes in the parish	Look at sources of guidance and funding regarding insulation, improved windows etc	Coleford Climate Action hosted EnergyHelp cafe event July 2024	Climate Action Group		Done but look to repeat?

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71	Recycling/reusing facility	Reuse of goods, access to pre-loved goods	Promote local freecycle networks		PC / Climate Action Group		

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72	Solar energy scheme	Reduce bills and improve carbon footprint of homes in the parish	Investigate community solar projects		Climate Action Group		
73	Electric bike hire	Encourage greener transport and reduce car use	Investigate local scheme	Event to promote e-bikes June 2024	New Climate Action Group		Done but look to repeat?
74	Package free shopping	Reduction of waste, social interaction	Look into bulk buying or community schemes		HUB		
75	Wind turbine	Reduce bills and improve carbon footprint of homes in the parish	Investigate community wind turbine project		Climate Action Group		
76	Tree planting	Improvement of the natural environment in the parish	Encourage community tree planting	Orchards planted. Will do more if land available	PC		Done
77	Green Charter	Make a formal statement that the parish is aware of environmental issues and are making changes	Adopt a green charter/action plan	Green charter adopted by PC August 2023	PC / Climate Action Group		Done

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78	Hydro-electric scheme	Reduce bills and improve carbon footprint of homes in the parish	Investigate community hydro-electric scheme (local rivers)		Climate Action Group		
79	Heat networks	Reduce bills and improve carbon footprint of homes in the parish	Investigate heat networks		Climate Action Group		
80	Geothermal scheme	Reduce bills and improve carbon footprint of homes in the parish	Investigate geothermal scheme (mines)		Climate Action Group		
81	Dog fouling	Health and wellbeing issue	Look at education of residents and engage dog warden		PC		
82	Litter	Untidy village, danger to wildlife	Promote litter picking events and educate residents – engage the school	Litter champions and PC working together	Parish Council Litter Champions		Done
83	Air pollution	Risk to residents of increased respiratory diseases, plus general wellbeing. Also discourages drying of laundry outdoors	Educate residents regarding sweeping of chimneys, burning appropriate fuels, servicing vehicles and being considerate about garden fires		Climate Action Group / PC		
84	Wildflower planting	Improvement to natural biodiversity	Encourage community wildflower planting	Ongoing activity by CCV	Coleford Conservation Volunteers		Done

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85	Jumble sales	Reuse and repurpose of clothing and household items	Promote local jumble sales	Regular events taking place	PC		Done
86. Cost of living	Credit union	Enable lower cost borrowing for eligible residents	Investigate establishing community credit union				
87	Social housing	Enable residents to remain in the community	Encourage social housing in Parish		PC		
88	Broadband	Enable home working and running of local businesses	Encourage development of broadband across the Parish, especially outlying areas		PC		
89	Warm bank/work space	Provide space for people to seek warmth in cold spells and to work if necessary	Look into using community buildings as warm banks/work spaces	Annual arrangements being made	PC		Done
90	Local jobs	Provide local jobs = lower carbon footprint and greater income for the residents	Encourage development of local business and employment		PC		
91	Citizens Advice Bureau	Advice on grants, social applications, legal issues etc	Establish regular CAB sessions in the village		PC		
92	Budgeting advice	Enable residents to manage their money more effectively	Encourage external bodies to set up finance advice workshop		HUB		

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93	Grants	Help residents access grants for themselves, their clubs and businesses	Establish links to providers for grants for social groups and local business support		PC/ SC		
94	Foraging	Free food, connections to nature and each other	Look at external organisation to run local foraging course		HUB / Coleford Conservation Volunteers		
95	Cooking/nutrition	Support for healthier living, lower cost cooking and meal planning	Look at external organisation to run cookery/nutrition classes	Events being hosted by Dagmar in connection with Mendip practice	HUB		Done