



Business Plan for Bradwell Parish Council, 2023-2024

Introduction

This 2023-24 Business Plan contains the activities for the Parish Council for the financial year commencing 1st April 2023. This Business Plan will list the areas of work of the Parish which demonstrates how the needs of the community are met. All activities are subject to further consideration by the Parish Council as to the precise terms of implementation and if appropriate some items may not be proceeded with, or altered, as the Council considers appropriate. These are categorised below as either 'Parish Council Services', or 'Planned Projects'.

Parish Council Services:

- A. Provide allotments for local residents and ensure these are efficiently and effectively managed.
- B. Ensure core administrative functions such as protecting finances, maintaining insurance, preparing budgets, accounts and records are conducted to a good standard.
- C. Ensure all external and internal audit recommendations are dealt with and to ensure financial regulations, policies, an asset register and risk assessments are reviewed annually.
- D. Consider planning applications in the Parish and make representations to the planning authority.
- E. Provide a dog hygiene bin service to keep the environment safe and pleasant.
- F. Sponsor opportunities for local children to play outdoors in supported activities during holidays.
- G. Sponsor opportunities for elderly residents to attend excursions out of the Parish.
- H. Provide a location and financially support the Citizen's Advice Bureau to help residents of the Parish.
- I. Provide sports grounds in Heelands and Bradwell for football, cricket, tennis and bowls.
- J. Engage with residents through social media channels, newsletters, and conduct community consultations when projects merit surveys where residents can provide feedback.
- K. Sponsor local groups and associations within the Parish through a grants programme.
- L. Maintain membership of the National Association of Local Councils, the Society of Local Council Clerks, and the Buckinghamshire Association of Local Councils.
- M. To maintain Parish Council owned land, with the aim of helping preserve and enhance biodiversity in the Parish.

N. Provide the Heelands Meeting Place as a community centre for a pre-school and for community use.

O. To Commit to biodiversity enhancement on Parish land for example the wildflower meadow and riparian area in Bradwell near the Brook.

Planned Projects for 2023-2024

A. To assume management and legal ownership responsibilities of the Bradwell Common Community Centre.

B. To deliver a new Community Centre at the site of the Suffolk Punch public house in Heelands.