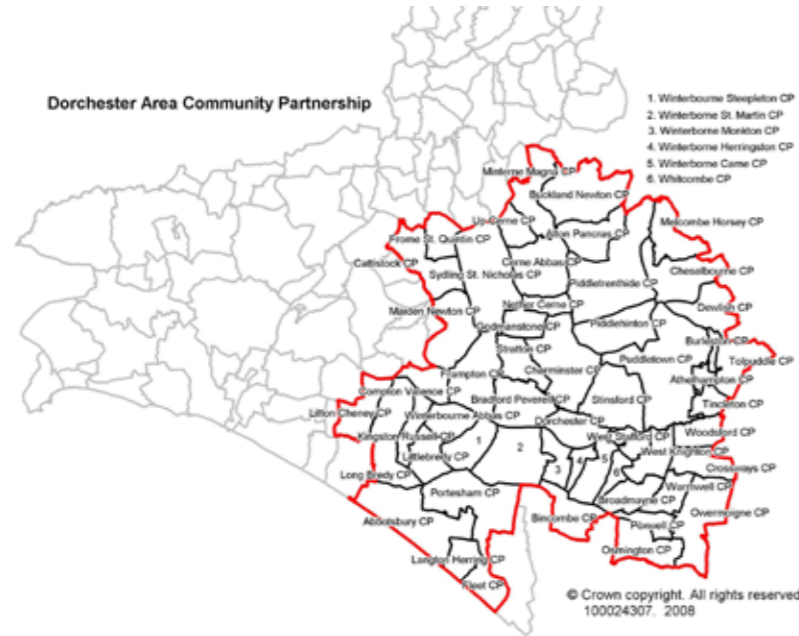


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DACP covers the market town of Dorchester and 49 surrounding villages & parishes. It is our vision that Dorchester should continue to develop as a thriving and vibrant town, which supports the lively and sustainable villages in the surrounding area.



Thank you for taking the time to read this summary of the action plan and thank you to those who responded to the public consultation. The partnership look forward to updating you on progress made.

## Contact DACP

New members of the partnership are always very welcome - If you are interested in this action plan and would like to get involved you can contact DACP's Community Worker Pauline Trimming.

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The action plan brings together in one document, actions that will create a comprehensive forward plan for the area. The role of the community partnership is to

support and oversee the implementation of the action plan and support new projects and campaigns.

This leaflet sets out the key issues to be taken forward by DACP's partners and the wider community. The action plan picks up on issues such as:

- Affordable housing options
- Better transport.
- Improving our environment.
- Better access to facilities.



- Providing and maintaining activities and opportunities for everyone.
- Building safer communities.
- Improving health and well-being.
- Promote understanding and good relationships between all sections of the community.



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Copies of the full version of this action plan are available at Dorchester Town Council Offices or Dorset Community Action Offices, or online at [www.dorchester-tc.gov.uk](http://www.dorchester-tc.gov.uk)



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No	Aim	Action	Time scale
<b>Housing</b>			
1	To increase the supply of affordable homes in the area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Increase the use of sustainable materials and fittings in new build homes in the area</li> </ul>	Short/ Medium
2	Ensure that new housing development in the Dorchester area does not take place unless proper provision of local infrastructure is made	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Work with WDDC in the development of the Local Development Framework</li> </ul>	Long
<b>Transport and Accessibility</b>			
3	Improve regular bus services daytime and evenings to rural villages and Dorchester	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Investigate a wider range of options for transport services in the villages</li> <li>■ Explore options for concessions of bus fares or options for alternative transport for all age groups living in the rural villages</li> </ul>	Medium
4	Encourage more use of Park and Ride services in Dorchester	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Explore options for other park and ride sites specifically outside the A35 belt</li> </ul>	Medium
<b>Environment</b>			
5	Improve appearance of the local area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Support local litter awareness group</li> <li>■ Support educational campaigns</li> </ul>	Short
6	More allotments spaces and 'grow your own' land available for local people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Identify land which could be converted for use as allotments</li> <li>■ Identify land which could be converted for small scale growing</li> <li>■ Investigate the development of a share your garden scheme</li> </ul>	Short/ Medium Short/ Medium Short/ Medium
7	Dorchester and surrounding parishes are seen as a good example of environmentally sustainable living	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Support Transition Town Dorchester</li> <li>■ Raise awareness of all possible actions for sustainable lifestyles.</li> </ul>	Medium Medium
<b>Local Prosperity</b>			
8	Successful development of Business Improvement District (BID)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Support the Chamber of Commerce with the development of the BID</li> </ul>	Medium
9	Keep local post offices / shops / libraries / pubs and other local facilities in the area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Campaign / lobby to retain local facilities</li> <li>■ Support initiatives with regard to alternatives should post offices close</li> </ul>	Medium

No	Aim	Action	Time scale
<b>Safer Communities</b>			
10	Reduce crime and the fear of crime in the area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Support the PACT process</li> <li>■ Introduction Cold Calling Control Zones</li> </ul>	Short /Medium
11	Improve road safety on rural roads in the area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Enforce speed limits on rural roads</li> <li>■ Provide Road Safety Education in schools</li> </ul>	Medium Short/ medium
<b>Health and Well Being</b>			
12	Promote healthy life style changes for all ages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Support the promotion of healthy life style initiatives</li> <li>■ Improve access to healthy living activities for everyone</li> </ul>	Medium Medium
13	Reduce sense of isolation in villages and towns for all vulnerable groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ A cross cutting theme</li> </ul>	Various
<b>Activities and opportunities</b>			
14	To provide new and updated play, recreational and leisure facilities for children and young people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Encourage and support the development of new activities and facilities</li> <li>■ Encourage and support use of skate park</li> </ul>	Medium Short/ Medium
15	Promote the use of existing cultural venues and other local venues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Ensure local people are aware of local facilities</li> </ul>	Medium
16	Identify areas where the legacy of the 2012 Olympics can be of benefit to the local community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Encourage and support partnership working to explore options where local people can benefit</li> </ul>	Long
<b>Equality and Diversity</b>			
17	Improve access for disabled to west side (up side) platform of Dorchester West Station	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Have an active involvement in developments</li> </ul>	Medium
18	Improve access to all areas in Dorchester Town	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Carry out an access audit of the hard landscaping in Dorchester</li> <li>■ Carry out an access audit of buildings</li> </ul>	Medium Medium
19	Support and promote understanding and good relationships between all sections of the community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Organise workshops, training and events to improve understanding of history and culture. Linked into national awareness weeks / months</li> </ul>	Medium

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#### Timescales

Short - 12 months  
Medium - 1-2 years  
Long - 2-5 years

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