



Dorset
Community
Action



Research and Consultancy

Delivering Local Projects



Dorset Community Action have years of experience in working with local communities on identifying needs and developing projects. Our research and consultancy service is the one area of work that we charge for, but our fees are very reasonable and sometimes we are able to help find funding towards the cost. So if you need independent research undertaken, a small grant fund administered or a short term project undertaken, then we can help.

Rural Trends

Each year we produce a freely accessible Rural Trends report which highlights the main issues facing our rural communities. The report provides valuable background information for the development of new services or to provide evidence of need for funding bids.

Independent Research

We can take on short term research projects which in recent years have included:

- Updating the Dorset Community Transport Directory for Dorset County Council Adult & Social Care
- Writing a report on the needs of Bournemouth, Dorset and Poole for the Community Foundation
- Analysing the results of Parish Plan questionnaires and surveys for a variety of Parish Plan Steering Groups, including Leigh, Charlton Marshall, Spetisbury, Sutton Poyntz and Yetminster.
- An audit of existing sources of advice and information for the local delivery of services, commissioned by North Dorset District Council.
- A focus group on housing benefits for North Dorset District Council
- A consultation with the local community on the development of Chiswell Walled Garden on Portland
- Consultation towards the development of a Local Area Action Plan in Beaminster for West Dorset District Council.

Administering Small Grants

We also provide local delivery of various grant funds. For instance over the years we have acted as administrator for amongst others

- COMMA fund
- Community Action Fund for Dorset
- Small transport grants for individuals

Anything else?

We are always happy to discuss any new project, research or fund that you need to get underway, so do get in touch and we will do our best to help.



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Infrastructure Group (3SIG)

Helping community and voluntary groups to achieve their goals
by providing support, inspiration and resources through Dorset.

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