ACT Neighbourhood Plan

Community Projects

# Project Delivery Role

It will be the role of a successor organisation to the ACT Forum to oversee the progress of the Neighbourhood Plan in a range of ways:

* By monitoring and commenting on planning applications to the Local Planning Authority;
* By leading on the delivery of Community Projects outlined in this plan;
* By seeking funding in collaboration with partners including Wigan Council to deliver the projects;
* To review progress and report to the community.

# Project Delivery Framework

The ACT Plan’s Community Projects integrate with policy goals to support the delivery of the Plan’s vision and objectives.

# Community Projects

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| Title of Project | Project Objectives | Lead Partner &Other Potential Partners |
| Abram Ward Circular Walks | * Put up signs and provide downloadable maps
* Make green space visible
* Encourage people to walk and cycle
* Ensure paths are safe and accessible, etc.
* Possible cycle path/cycling related work
* Ongoing work to ensure Public Rights of Way are enhanced/opened up
 | * Lancashire Wildlife Trust
* ACT Forum
* Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles
* Wigan Council
* Carbon Landscape programme
* Nomad Rangers
* Community Residents Groups
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| Abram Ward Circular Walks Phase 2: Art and Eco Trails | * Based on the Victoria Fields in Bickershaw visons of an Eco Art Trail
* Replicate across the 5 villages of the Abram Ward
	+ Abram
	+ Bamfurlong
	+ Bickershaw
	+ Platt Bridge
	+ Spring View
 | * Lancashire Wildlife Trust
* ACT Forum
* Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles
* Wigan Council
* Carbon Landscape programme
* Nomad Rangers
* Community Residents Groups
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| Platt Bridge Community Green  | * Redesign, development and future management of the Platt Bridge Community Green
* Create a safe space for quarterly community markets, regular promotion events and community engagement
 | * WLCC (Lead)
* Platt Bridge Community Forum
* ACT Forum
* Wigan Council
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| General Events Programme | * Quarterly markets
* Fundraising events
* Arts
* Seasonal events
* Community consultation to make sure we’re raising the money we need and providing what the community wants
 | * WLCC (Lead)
* ACT Forum
* Platt Bridge Community Forum
* Abram Tenants and Residents Association
* Bickershaw Tenants and Residents Association
* Bamfurlong Neighbourhood Group
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| Community Business Hubs | * Links to WLCC Business Plan/Made In Wigan
* Protecting the community hubs that exist
	+ Abram Community Centre
	+ Bickershaw Village Club
	+ Platt Bridge Community Zone
	+ St John’s Street recreation ground
* Making best use of the community hubs for the benefit of the community
* Acquiring assets
 | * The 4 Hubs
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| Green Gyms | * Link with Accessible Playgrounds
* Provide free access to gym equipment
* Improve the health and wellbeing of everyone in the community
 | * ACT Forum (Lead)
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| 617 Youth Group | * To provide activities in the ward for young people with a view to reducing Anti-Social Behaviour
 | * 617 Board (Lead)
* Wigan Youth Zone
* Wigan Council
* WLCC
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| Accessible Playgrounds | * Link with Green Gyms
* Provide equipment for people with accessibility issues to ensure they are active and engaged with other people of similar age
 | * ACT Forum (Lead)
* Embrace
* Wigan Council
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| Community Orchards | * Protecting local green space
* Using it to grow apples to feed a potential cider community business
* Replicate across the 5 villages of the Abram Ward
	+ Abram
	+ Bamfurlong
	+ Bickershaw
	+ Platt Bridge
	+ Spring View
 | * Lancashire Wildlife Trust
* ACT Forum
* Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles
* Wigan Council
* Carbon Landscape programme
* Nomad Rangers
* Community Residents Groups
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| Greenheart Centre | * A central hub for outdoor activity within the Abram Ward that stitches together many of the activities in the Community Action Plan
 | * Lancashire Wildlife Trust
* ACT Forum
* Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles
* Wigan Council
* Carbon Landscape programme
* Nomad Rangers
* Community Residents Groups
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| Community Garden | * Develop a community garden to provide locally grown stock to Tastebuds café
* Encourage residents to grow food at home for the cafe
* Reduce social isolation
* Roll out to local schools for education
 | * WLCC
* Tastebuds café
* Community Residents Groups
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| Derelict Buildings | * Ensure that derelict buildings are utilised as assets to work for the Abram Ward
* Put back into service any potential housing or businesses that can be used for the community
 | * WLCC
* ACT Forum
* Wigan Council
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| Bickershaw Arts and Culture | * Develop and deliver an Arts and Culture project within the Bickershaw Community Village Club
* Encourage residents of all ages from youth upwards to be able to have access to the Arts
* Run annual festivals and concerts at Bickershaw
 | * WLCC
* PPP Arts
* Bickershaw Community Village Club
* ACT Forum
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| Community Housing | * Develop a community strategy to negotiate with developers to secure community housing
* Provide a base for community businesses to run out of and provide services to the community
 | * WLCC
* MissPlaces
* Developers
* ACT Forum
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