# Norton Parish Council

## Business Plan Matrix 2021-2023

**Importance Level:**

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| | **High** |
| | **Medium** |
| | **Low** |

| Strategic Priorities | Key actions | Projected target date |
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| **Address historic flooding issues** | ***** Complete a "flood walk" with parishioners and document the findings<br>***** Review local roadways with parishioners to identify those areas where proper drainage is lacking. Map and report findings to GCC as Highway Authority<br>***** Open discussions on historic flooding issues and weaknesses in the local drainage systems with Severn Trent and the GCC<br>***** Using evidence of historic flooding and failings in the local drainage systems prepare a comprehensive dossier for submission to Severn Trent and GCC<br>***** Pressure Severn Trent and GCC to make all the necessary improvements within the village. | 31/01/2022<br>28/02/2022<br>28/02/2022<br>31/03/2022<br>Ongoing |
| **Norton Nurturing Nature** | ***** Encourage community involvement by seeking local volunteers to lead and/or participate in Nurturing Nature activities, including running a Seed Exchange scheme, Rights of Way projects, and maintenance of open spaces including The Green and Village Pond<br>* Continue oversight of the maintenance of The Green and Village Pond<br>***** Continue to work with parishioners on litter picking initiatives<br>***** Encourage the planting of native species in the village and on highway verges<br>***** Plant up the triangle of land at the entrance to the village adjacent to the school<br>***** Identify any trees in the parish which should be made the subject of Tree Preservation Orders and apply to TBC for them to be included in a TPO<br>***** Organise a "Keep Norton Tidy" campaign for the village<br>***** Register the Village Pond as (a) common land, and (b) with the Freshwater Habitats Trust<br>***** In conjunction with parishioners and local walking groups, conduct a survey of parish footpaths to identify (a) paths and/or stiles in need of maintenance, and (b) any ancient paths not shown on the Ordnance Survey map which need to be registered as public rights of way. | Ongoing<br>Ongoing<br>Ongoing<br>Ongoing<br>31/03/2022<br>31/03/2022<br>31/03/2022<br>30/06/2022<br>31/09/2022 |

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| **Neighbourhood Development Plan** | * Discuss the implications of revising the NDP with Down Hatherley and Twigworth parishes<br>***** Defer a decision on whether or not to produce a revised NDP until after Tewkesbury BC's Borough Plan has been approved and adopted. | 28/02/2022<br>30/06/2022 |
| **Responding to planning applications** | * Devise and adopt a policy for timely responses to planning applications submitted to the Parish Council for comment. | 31/03/2022 |
| **Highways and Traffic matters** | ***** Discuss a joint approach with Down Hatherley and Twigworth parishes to push for effective enforcement of the speed limits on the A38<br>* Explore options for improved traffic management and speed reduction on the village's roads with the Highway Authority, Police and Gloucestershire Road Safety Partnership<br>***** Investigate the feasibility of traffic calming measures, including gateway schemes at entry points to the village, road markings, and the use of ANPR cameras.<br>***** Devise and implement a plan to promote a local road safety awareness and speed reduction campaign<br>***** Replace the current bus shelter on the Old Tewkesbury Road and investigate the feasibility of installing another bus shelter opposite the Village Hall. | Ongoing<br>31/01/2022<br>31/01/2022<br>30/03/2022<br>30/06/2022 |
| **Developing key partnerships** | ***** Maintain existing and develop new relationships with Tewkesbury BC and the County Council, particularly on planning and highways-related matters<br>***** Seek opportunities for partnership working across all parish functions and encourage community groups to become actively involved in protecting and enhancing the environment of the parish. | Ongoing<br>Ongoing |