

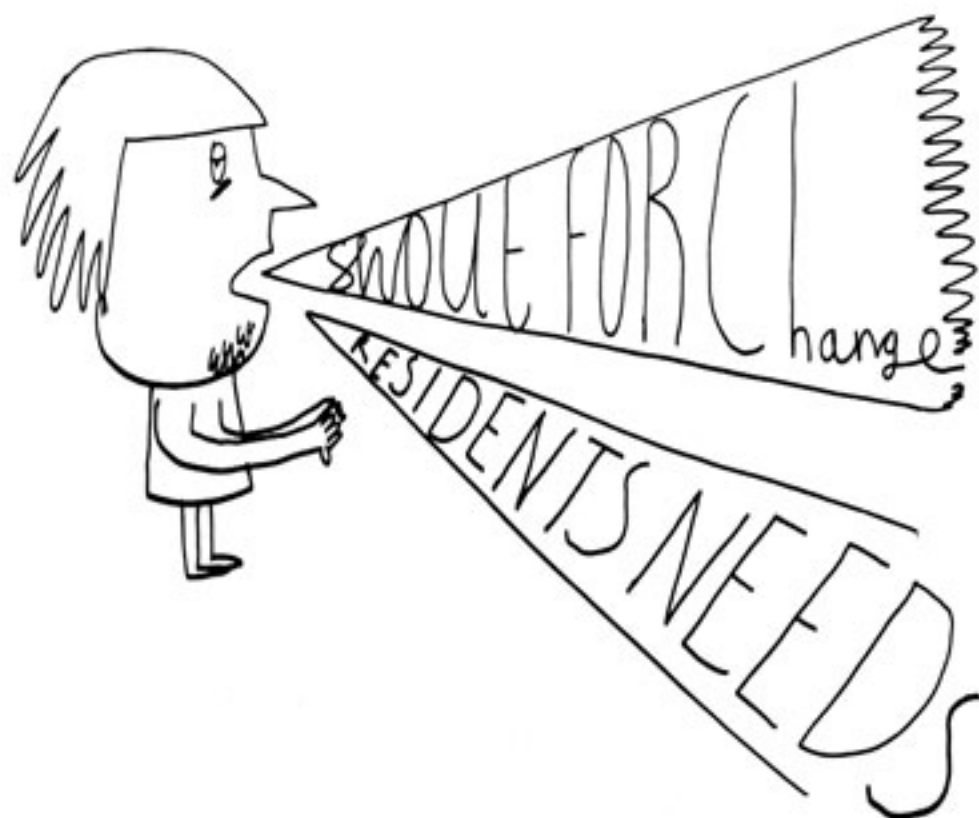


Lawrence Weston Community Plan

The Way Forward 2013 – 2023

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Why did we write this plan?

At the time we started the plan a number of community facilities had either closed or were threatened with closure.

Residents and local partners had become increasingly frustrated at the lack of joined up thinking at a neighbourhood level.

Residents felt that nobody was looking at the estate as a whole or properly planning for its future.

So... we took a leap of faith, and decided to do it ourselves!

What is a Community Plan?

In putting together our community plan we have tried to include everything that is relevant to the people who live and work in Lawrence Weston, from employment and playgrounds to the design of new buildings and new services for job seekers, young people and families. We have worked hard to ensure that our plan:

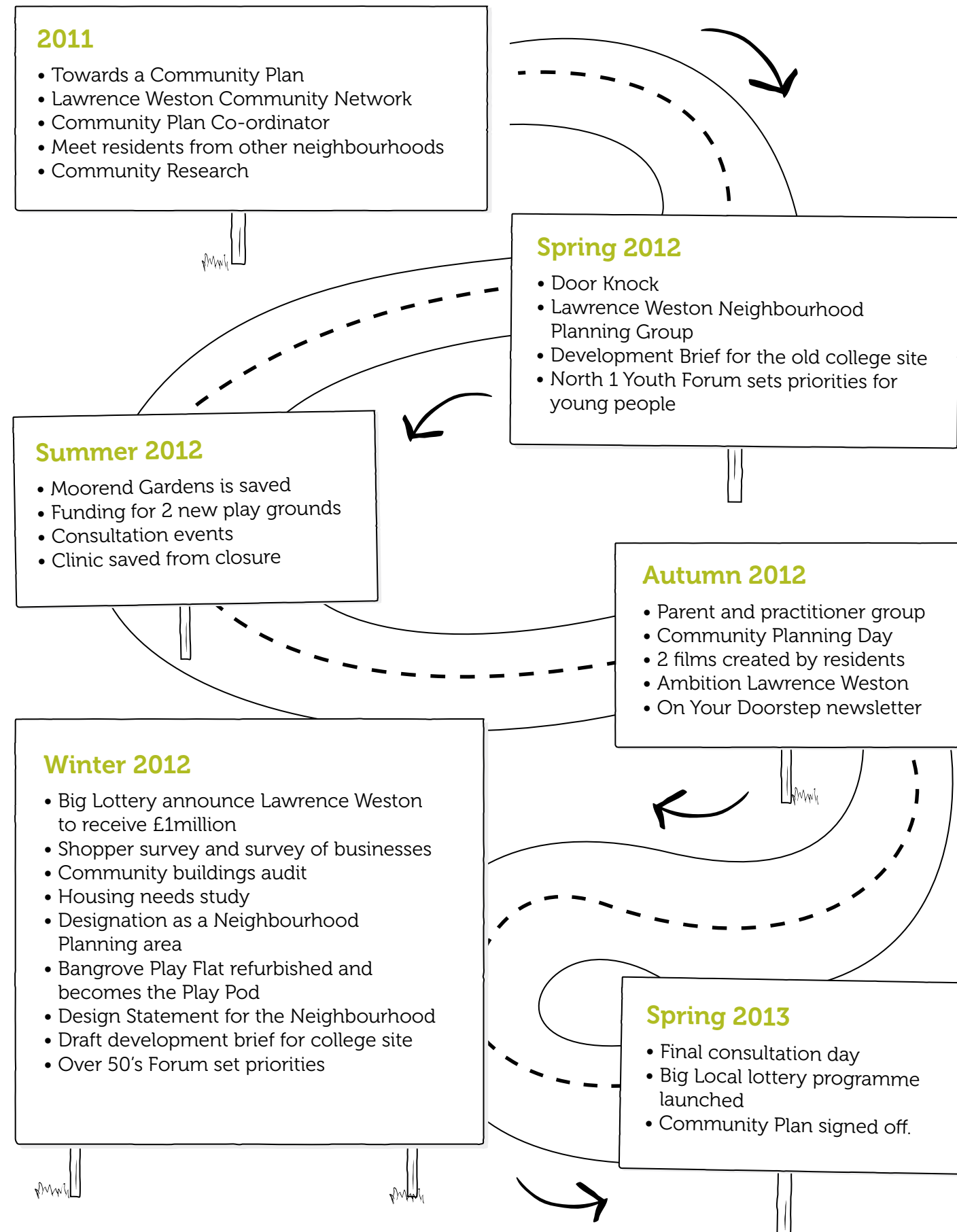
- Includes everybody's views
- Identifies what people like and don't like about Lawrence Weston
- Identifies local problems and opportunities
- Outlines how people in Lawrence Weston want the neighbourhood to develop in the future
- Sets out an action plan to achieve this
- Trains and support residents as community leaders

Lawrence Weston is a great place to live

Whilst there are lots of changes that we want to make, we would like to celebrate and share what is already good about Lawrence Weston. Lawrence Weston is a great place to live because it has:

- A long standing community and newly arrived residents working together to improve the neighbourhood
- A fantastic community farm
- Access to greenspace, wildlife and nature – including Lawrence Weston Moor and the Blaise estate
- Its own Roman Villa!
- The only BMX track of its kind in Bristol
- A Grade 1 listed building "Kingsweston House" designed and built in the 18th Century by Sir John Vanbrugh
- Youth services that are the envy of the rest of the city
- Toddler groups and activities for young families delivered by dedicated and committed early years practitioners
- Active churches delivering fantastic services such as the Lawrence Weston food bank
- Facilities for older residents including lunch clubs, walking groups and health services
- A community newsletter and website
- Its own Community Transport scheme
- Some of the best and most improving schools in the country
- A real sense of community – a place where people look after one another.

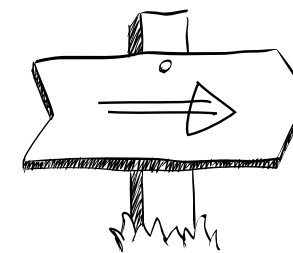
So how did we get to this point? – The journey so far



Our vision for Lawrence Weston in 2023

Lawrence Weston is a friendly and vibrant neighbourhood where the word "community" really matters. A place where ALL residents of today and tomorrow can live happy, healthy and fulfilling lives, from childhood through to old age. We will strive to achieve this through ensuring that residents:

- can access high quality jobs, services and shops
- can benefit from great education and training throughout their life
- can enjoy modern community, leisure and art facilities
- can look after their physical, mental and spiritual wellbeing with access to quality and appropriate services and support
- can access adequate amounts of affordable, safe, nutritious and culturally appropriate food
- understand their rights and are empowered to make choices to improve their own lives
- enjoy an environment which is looked after, safe and clean with well-maintained and well used green spaces
- can access healthy, energy efficient and affordable homes for all stages of life
- can travel safely on well-connected and affordable transport routes
- feel a part of a community which supports and looks after one another and is welcoming and inclusive
- collectively celebrate the heritage and identity of the neighbourhood and plan carefully for its future
- have a strong voice, at the heart of decision making locally



Where do we go from here?

This document sets out a "10 year vision" for the changes residents would like to see and includes a "five year action plan" identifying what needs to change and who needs to be involved.

Ambition Lawrence Weston will work with partners to ensure that the actions in the plan are taken forward.

In 2016 and 2018 we will review progress with the plan, report back to residents and partners, and agree an action plan for the remaining 5 years.

Our approach will continue to be based on the following principles:

- Resident led – residents in the driving seat
- Positive and productive working with partners – working together to make things happen
- Inclusive and respectful of difference – everybody's views are important and should be included
- Transparent and open – anybody can come and find out how we work, how decisions are made and how to get involved.

For more information visit www.ambitionlw.org or www.lawrenceweston.co.uk or e-mail info@ambition-lw.org.uk

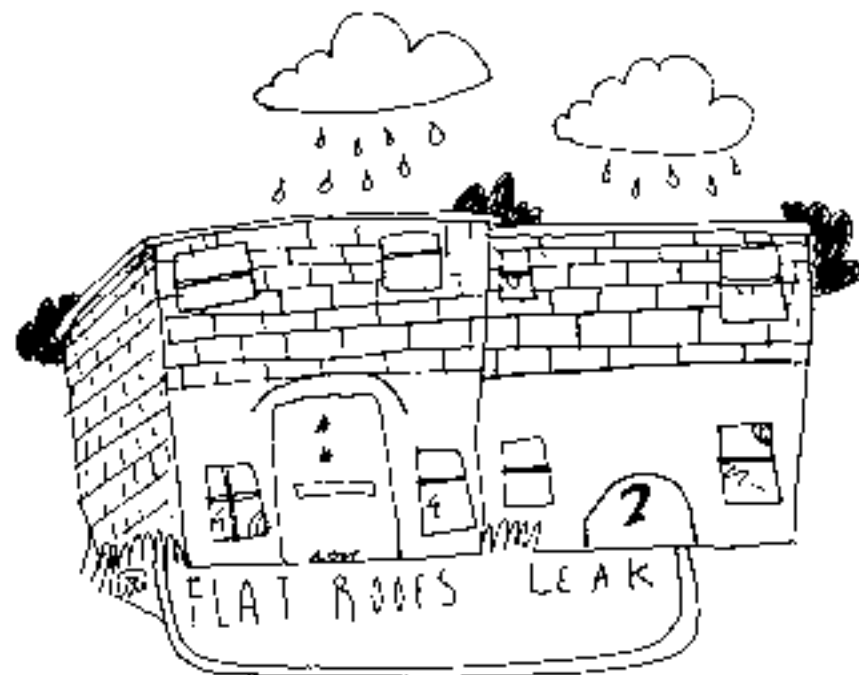
1 Housing

Current Situation – What is it like now?

- 69% residents say the choice of housing is good or OK – 23% say that it is poor and need improving²
- 66% residents say the quality of housing is good or OK – 27% of respondents say it is poor and needs improving²
- 56% say that the housing state of repair is good or OK – 36% of respondents say it is poor and needs improving²
- 2700 properties in Lawrence Weston – 53% of housing stock in LW is social housing, mostly BCC housing (44%) compared to city average of 20% social housing, 15% BCC housing⁶
- 18% of households own their house outright (just below city average)⁶
- Very low levels of vacant properties – less than Bristol average⁶
- Low levels of private renting (7% compared to Bristol average of 23.5%)⁶
- Housing is low density (32 dwellings per hectare, compared to 120 dph in some inner city areas)
- Housing Associations have stock in the area but with small numbers of properties – Knightstone, Hanover (extracare), Solon, Guinness, Curo (supported housing), Sovereign

66%

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- LW has a very high percentage of two bedroom properties and most of these are walk up flats
- There are many families living in the flats with no lifts for buggies or shopping
- LW has a large number of PRC (Pre cast reinforced concrete) homes which have had inherent structural defects, namely the corrosion of the steel frame that was used as the basis of construction – 161 BCC owned - 65 have been demolished (6 streets) which required acquisition of some private housing. Some PRC houses have been refurbished (e.g. Saltmarsh Drive) to extend their life
- LW is becoming more diverse - 8% BME, 5.5% Eastern Europe (Census 2011) – 101 Muslims now living in Lawrence Weston
- House prices are significantly below city average
- BCC tenants – higher numbers of younger tenants and tenants with learning disability/mental and emotional distress
- Anecdotally – quite a lot of older people living in 3 bedroom properties – bought during the 1980's or later – some wishing to downsize but unable to
- Residents in walk up flats complain that the flats are damp and have poor sound insulation
- Grounds around blocks have not always been well maintained and are under used
- No emergency accommodation for families finding themselves homeless

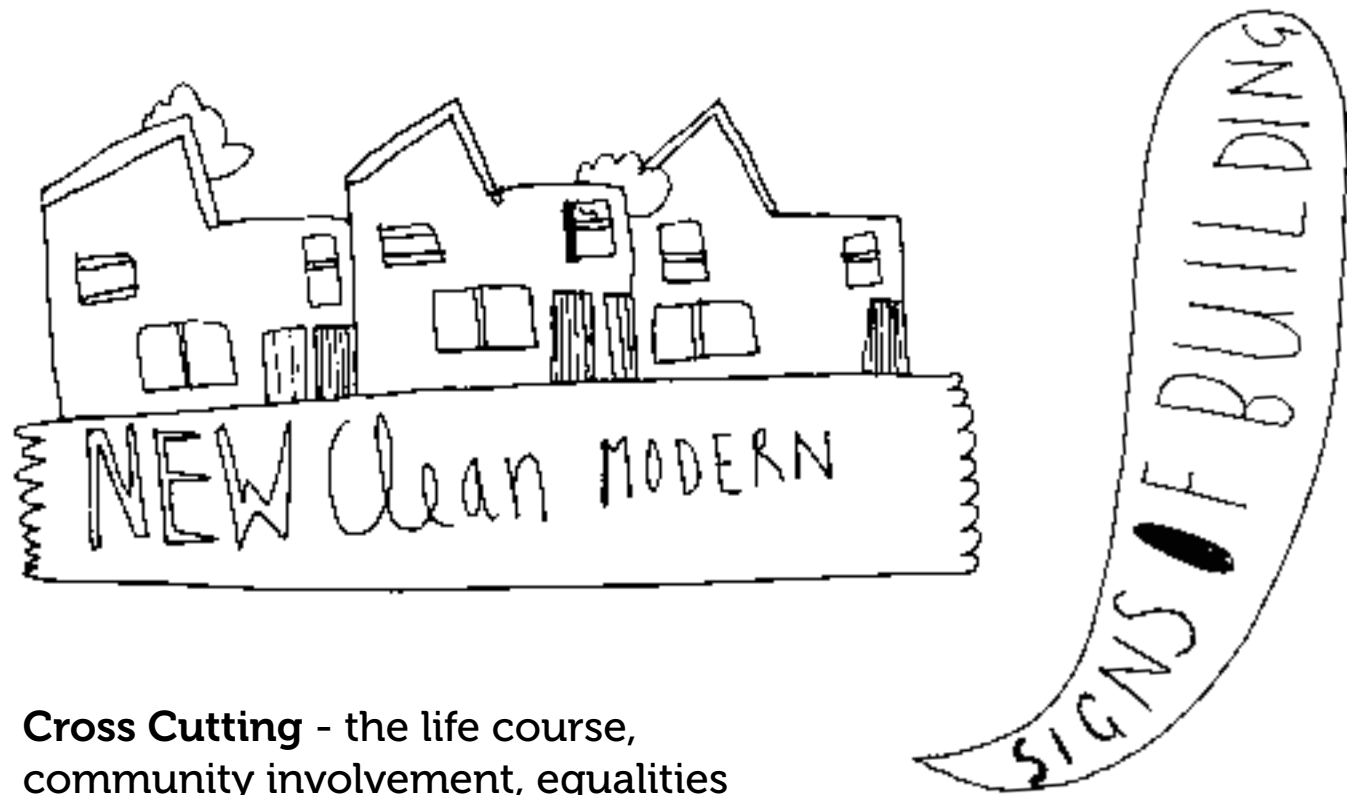


VERY LOW LEVELS OF VACANT PROPERTIES – LESS THAN BRISTOL AVERAGE

What changes are on the horizon?

MORE SHELTERED HOUSING AND EXTRA CARE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

- Sites being brought forward for development – College, PRC sites, Garage Sites, Henacre – see Appendix 3
- “Bedroom tax” will have an impact on households who may be forced to downsize
- Continuing demographic changes
- Pressure for more housing (3,000 across the Northern Arc) and a city wide shortage of four bedroom houses and one bedroom properties for social housing
- Potential closure of community facilities – Youth Centre and Clinic
- Community Right to Build – potential for the community to bring forward developments including community owned housing



Cross Cutting - the life course, community involvement, equalities

- The changing demographics has created some tensions and misunderstandings around housing allocations
- Need for housing for older people and disabled people
- City wide and local need for 1 bed properties



How do residents want it to be?



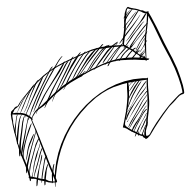
MORE FAMILY HOUSING



- New housing must address the wider issues; lack of community facilities, poor transport links, better retail, parking, maintenance of green spaces, play equipment
- More family accommodation (housing)
- More sheltered housing and extra care for older people so that they don't have to move out of the area and can maintain networks and support
- 1 and 2 bedroom flats for sale – starter homes – but not walk up flats/social housing
- Residents want well designed family housing with dining/kitchen area so that families can sit down and have a meal together
- Residents would like a local lettings policy to ensure a percentage of new houses are allocated to local families
- Change tenure and housing mix – more for sale and private rent – attract people to move to the area for jobs at Avonmouth – raising aspiration and disposable income of residents
- There is still a massive need for affordable housing
- Residents want to be fully consulted on planning applications
- Residents want any new developments to deliver high quality urban design that creates a more positive, colourful and optimistic outlook for the estate – a design statement is being written to influence this
- Some interest in self-build/co-operative/ community ownership model of housing
- Social landlords (BCC and housing associations) could provide a better quality maintenance programme (inside and out) and more outreach/ community development/tenant participation – and this needs to be more joined up across tenure
- Residents need help to reduce their energy bills and make their homes more energy efficient
- Opportunity to look at community owned energy company linked to Avonmouth Severnside to address rising fuel costs

1 Housing

Action	Description	Who leads, who else?	Resources /funding	Timescales	How will we know it has been achieved?
1.1 Complete Housing Needs Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that new housing developments reflect local needs and aspirations, not just city wide priorities. • Ensure future developments reflect the needs for more sheltered and extra care schemes , BCC retirement living model • Ensure future developments reflect the need for more family housing • Ensure future developments increase the diversity of housing stock and tenure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ALW • BCC Landlord Services • Housing Associations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officer time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April 2013 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing needs study completed and used to influence developments and planning decisions • New developments meet local need
1.2 Deliver new houses on key sites alongside a Local Lettings Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bring forward college site and PRC sites. Tenure and size informed by housing needs study above. Work with the affordable housing team to develop a Local Lettings policy to ensure that a percentage of new social housing is allocated to local residents 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BCC Landlord Services • ALW 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officer time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2014 onwards 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • % of local residents allocated or moving into new properties
1.3 Create an investment pack and area pack for potential developers and investors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lawrence Weston is changing and we need to highlight this potential to investors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2014 onwards 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase in interest of developers and home buyers
1.4 Create a long term plan for BCC housing stock	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carry out audit and assessment of existing BCC housing stock and create a long term plan for maintenance, refurbishment, demolition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BCC Landlord Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officer time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action plan agreed and implemented
1.5 Better co-ordinate housing management across all landlords	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set up a landlords forum to meet quarterly. Forum to raise tenant issues, housing and grounds maintenance issues on the estate and problem solve across the neighbourhood. Forum to work on joint projects and initiatives 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BCC Landlord services • Housing Associations • ALW 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officer time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2013 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landlord forum meets • Common issues are identified and addressed



ENSURE THAT NEW HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS REFLECT LOCAL NEEDS AND ASPIRATIONS, NOT JUST CITY WIDE PRIORITIES



MORE

1 Housing

Action	Description	Who leads, who else?	Resources /funding	Timescales	How will we know it has been achieved?
1.6 Raise aspirations by delivering a high quality community owned housing scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply for seedcorn funding • Build partnership • Secure planning permission and asset transfer of site • Develop funding package • Deliver 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ALW • Knightstone • HCA • BCC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HCA (Community Right to Build) • Seedcorn • Housing Associations • Private developers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To 2018 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Community Land Trust or other community housing scheme delivered
1.7 Help residents improve the health and energy efficiency of their homes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engage centre for sustainable energy to advise on rolling a programme of support out across the community. Retrofit of properties and education around energy efficiency measures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Centre for sustainable energy • Severnet • UWE • Filton College • Regen SW • LW Farm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2014-2018 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residents report reduction in energy bills and increase in confidence around energy efficient measures
1.8 Address tensions around housing allocations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that housing management services are engaged in addressing tensions – including resident led approaches • Work with housing officers to myth bust around housing allocation • Ensure that new people in the area feel welcome – asking a longstanding resident to act as a “welcome” or mentor (through Volunteer project) • Develop a “Welcome Pack” for new residents 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BCC Landlord Services • Community cohesion • ALW 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officer time • To be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of complaints • Number of neighbourhood disputes • Quality of life data
1.9 Develop social enterprise, employment and training opportunities within the construction and engineering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a workshop within an underused building • Link to self-employment training and social enterprise • Link to apprenticeship, volunteering and other training opportunities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LCT • COBC • To be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2014 onwards 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residents gaining new skills • Increase in confidence • Residents moving into volunteering • Residents moving into work • Residents starting a business
1.10 Provide appropriate housing advice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engage advice services to support residents to make informed housing choices throughout their life 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NBAC • BCC • Link Age • Age Concern 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residents report that they are confident in making decisions to meet their housing needs



LAWRENCE WESTON IS CHANGING AND WE NEED TO HIGHLIGHT THIS POTENTIAL TO INVESTORS

2 Crime and community safety

Current Situation – What is it like now?

- Levels of policing – 52% of residents think policing is good or OK and 38% say it needs improving².
- Crime and fear of crime – 74% of people say levels of crime are a problem in the area and 78% say ASB is a problem². The Quality of Life survey also shows a disproportionately high fear of crime⁵. Community perceptions of crime levels and community safety do not reflect the reductions in crime and ASB that have been achieved.
- Under reporting – The perceived fear of crime and concern about ASB is not reflected or supported by levels of incidents that are being reported. This means that many solutions or interventions (CCTV, no drinking zones) that are suggested by local people cannot be implemented as the expense cannot be justified.
- Domestic abuse – The BCC Quality of Life survey indicates that an unacceptably high number of local residents perceive that domestic abuse is not an issue that they would concern themselves about. This leaves victims more vulnerable as neighbours, friends and even family members may consider it to be a 'private' matter and not something they can play a part in tackling⁵.
- Community cohesion – The community within Lawrence Weston is developing and has seen a recent increase in migrant workers from Eastern Europe and in particular Poland. Effectively engaging this community is important to ensure they do not become isolated and vulnerable to hate crime / social exclusion.
- Trading in illegal goods – Where opportunities exist for people to trade in stolen goods, offenders are drawn into an area increasing the risk of associated problems including drugs use and dealing, ASB and linked crime. Local businesses and individuals who trade in stolen goods attract offenders into the area and provide an outlet for local offenders who commit acquisitive crime.
- Nuisance motorbikes – There are seasonal increases in reports of nuisance motorcycles in and around Lawrence Weston. Nuisance motorcycles cause danger to footpath users and aggravate residents.

Street Drinking – 66% of shoppers say that street drinking is an issue and 84% of shoppers do not feel safe on Ridingleaze after 8pm³. 59% of residents cite drunk and rowdy behaviour as a problem in the neighbourhood⁵.

Business Environment – 67% of Ridingleaze businesses feel that ASB affects their business and 42% say that shoplifting is a problem. 75% of workers said they feel safe at work⁴.

What changes are on the horizon?

- A Neighbourhood Delivery Team Action Plan being implemented to tackle Domestic abuse
- New play facilities at Ridingleaze and Henacre and new housing developments will bring more people and activity into Lawrence Weston. The planning of housing and public spaces need to "design out" crime and be carefully monitored.
- New motocross being planned nearby
- Welfare reforms could impact on crime rates (needs to be monitored)
- Cuts to youth services (particularly open access provision).

How do residents want it to be?



- A community with low levels of crime and ASB
- A neighbourhood that feels safe, where people are welcoming, inclusive and respect one another
- A cohesive community with low levels of exclusion and hate crime
- More confidence in reporting crime and better feedback after reporting an incident
- Work to address the street drinking on Ridingleaze
- Further action required to tackle substance misuse and selling

Cross Cutting - the life course, community involvement, equalities

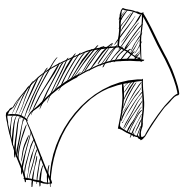
- There is an on-going need for distraction activities for young people particularly during school holidays
- Need to raise awareness of decreasing levels of crime particularly important for reassuring older and disabled residents who may live on their own
- Need for beat manager and PCSO's to continue to reach out to the community to build trust, collect intelligence and report back
- On-going need to reach out to the different sections of the local community and take part in activities that bring communities in the area together
- Hate crime and tension monitoring requirements are on-going
- Need to work with housing management services to jointly address tensions as they arise

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2 Crime and community safety

Action	Description	Who leads, who else?	Resources /funding	Timescales	How will we know it has been achieved?
2.1 Raise awareness of crime and community safety issues, initiatives and successes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contribute to Community newsletter "On Your Doorstep"• Attend community meetings• Raise awareness of the successes achieved and accurately reporting actual crime figures to reduce fear of crime• Produce and circulate to those interested a monthly article on localised Policing issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Police• Safer Bristol• ALW• NP	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lottery• Officer time• Sponsorship• Advertising	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• On-going	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reduced fear of crime and ASB through the BCC Quality of Life survey and local community research
2.2 Update the Police patrol plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review the police patrol plan for Ridingleaze to ensure that visible patrols are maximised at times when local people are around. This will provide engagement opportunities that enable officers to produce action plans and problem solve as a partnership	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Police	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Officer time	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• On-going	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Residents report feeling safer to shop on Ridingleaze during the day and evening
2.3 3 Introduce new ways to report incidents to the police	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reintroduce community based reporting boxes to increase the opportunities local people have to report incidents that cause the concern. This information can then be used to support subsequent bids for resources or interventions to tackle local problems	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Police• Community organisations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community safety funding to be identified	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• On-going.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Number of incidents reported through the reporting boxes
2.4 Deliver police mobile beat surgeries	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduce a monthly Beat Surgery (initially in Ridingleaze) using the mobile police station vehicle. This will provide a highly visible presence for the local community and will be scheduled for when footfall in the area is high. It will also provide engagement and reporting opportunities. The mobile Beat Surgery will be advertised locally but will be deployed in line with demand should it exist at other locations within Lawrence Weston	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Police	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Officer time	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• On-going	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Incidents reported and 'contacts' through the surgeries
2.5 Prioritise Police and community engagement with newly arrived residents through 'surgeries'	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Providing an accessible and welcoming environment within which members of the local Polish Community (and other recently arrived communities) can learn about and access local facilities and services to assist their integration with the local community. It will also enable them to report crime or other incidents where otherwise they may feel unable to do so	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Police• Local Beat manager working with Polish PCSO	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minimal needed, some maybe accessible through NDT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• On-going	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reporting of incidents from within the Polish community, no increase in hate crime



COMMUNITY PERCEPTIONS OF CRIME LEVELS AND COMMUNITY SAFETY DO NOT REFLECT THE REDUCTIONS IN CRIME AND ASB THAT HAVE BEEN ACHIEVED.



MORE

2 Crime and community safety

Action	Description	Who leads, who else?	Resources /funding	Timescales	How will we know it has been achieved?
2.6 Maximise opportunities to raise awareness of domestic abuse as an issue that should be of concern to all members of the community	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The local NDT has an established Action Plan that seeks to tackle DA. It will be important to retain focus and take any opportunity to raise awareness of the issue and in particular the role people can play in breaking the cycle of offending. Need to engage other members of the community to significantly help to raise awareness. Bids to be made for funding specific activity (e.g. Our Glass House event). See also 5.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none">NDTPoliceSafer BristolCYPSNBDAFPublic HealthVCS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No additional costs associated with on-going awareness raisingOne off funds for activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">On-going	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Increasing the reporting of domestic incidentsSubsequent reductions in offending
2.7 Effectively disrupt those who deal in stolen goods	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Raise awareness of this issue and the role local people can play in addressing it through existing police community engagement (beat surgeries, newsletter articles, attending community meetings etc.) and through high profile coordinated days of action at offending premisesTo work closely with existing second hand stores in the community to reduce the ease of selling on stolen items	<ul style="list-style-type: none">PoliceLocal Beat Manager to leadResidents	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No additional costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">On-going	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Increasing community intelligence re stolen property.Monitoring the number of arrests and property recovered
2.8 Raising awareness and delivering enforcement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A 'Problem Solving Plan' was introduced in 2012 to tackle this problem at one specific location. This successful plan will now be rolled out when any increase in reported incidents is anticipated or reported	<ul style="list-style-type: none">PoliceLocal Beat Manager to lead	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Officer timeNDT available to fund specifics needed to block access etc	<ul style="list-style-type: none">As required	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Effective management of any anticipated or reported increases in offending
2.9 Work with young people and elderly	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Re launching the Lawrence Weston Youth PACT (Partners & Community Together)- police & young people's partnership to tackle issues affecting young people & improve the relationship between police & young people. Continue to develop & promote community anti bullying scheme 'L Dub Bully Busters'.Make regular visits to Lawrence Weston groups for the elderly community	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Juicy BlitzPoliceCommunity Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Staff time	<ul style="list-style-type: none">As required	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Priority issues identified and addressed (eg. Drug & alcohol misuse adults and young people, ASB)
2.10 Work with businesses to reduce shop lifting and improve safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Identify problem areas and problem businesses and introduce measures as appropriate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">PoliceSafer Bristol	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Officer time	<ul style="list-style-type: none">2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Businesses report a reduction in shop lifting



74%
of people say
levels of crime
are a problem



3 Traffic and Transport

Current Situation – What is it like now?

Public Transport

- 76% of residents say parking is a problem, 87% agree that the cost of public transport is an issue, 77% say links to the city centre and jobs is a problem, 83% say links to the hospital is a problem, 48% said that poor transport links are a barrier to finding work²
- Bus routes 40 and 41 are long, indirect, slow and unreliable (should take 45 minutes but often take much longer)
- Poor links to other transport (trains, cycle paths) and facilities (jobs at Avonmouth, shops, hospital)
- BCC subsidise Wessex 501/502 with only 1 Southmead Hospital site stop terminating at the main entrance before its return journey – 501/502 only serves one end of the estate and does not go to the centre of LW – residents from the Blaise end of the estate have to take two buses to Southmead Hospital No service to Frenchay
- Frequency and reliability of bus services is poor resulting in long delays and waiting at bus stops (old bus stock often breaks down)
- Not enough raised curbs
- Free for older people with bus pass – keep it up, also 9.am start (UK 9.30am)
- Cost – even under 15s are getting charged near full cost – and it takes 2 hours to get to the South Bristol Skills Academy
- Cost of transport is a barrier for people returning to work



38%

of people have no car/
van compared to 29%
Bristol average

Community Transport

- Funding is being cut and the future of LWCT is uncertain – currently 4 day a week service door to door in LW and one day Henbury/Brentry – 95% users are over 65 and struggle to access main stream service routes (location and geography of LW). Also offer transport to local and city wide groups

Cycling

- Poor infrastructure – cycling on main roads (Longcross and Kingsweston Lane) is dangerous – no separation of cycle paths and roads
- Few places to lock bikes up – low take up of cycling
- Cycle route runs through LW near to the farm and open spaces – used by cyclists

Walking

- Lack of safe crossing places particularly around the schools

Roads

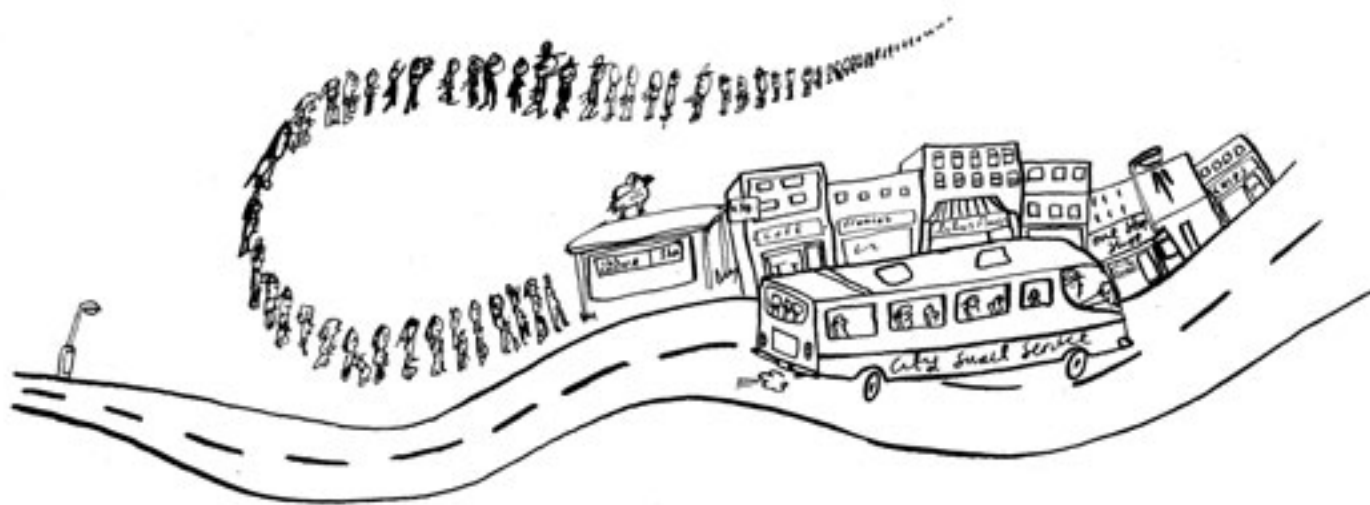
- Too many big lorries on unsuitable roads
- Congestion particularly around St Bede's school
- Many residents are very car dependent even for short distances
- Many people don't have transport (low car ownership - 38% of people have no car/van compared to 29% Bristol average (6)) so are forced to shop in the local co-op where prices are high (LWCT does provide a bus to Cribbs/Southmead/Shire/Westbury)

UNDER 15S ARE GETTING CHARGED NEAR
FULL COST – AND IT TAKES 2 HOURS TO GET
TO THE SOUTH BRISTOL SKILLS ACADEMY

What changes are on the horizon?

**MORE RELIABLE
AFFORDABLE
AND FREQUENT
BUS ROUTES**

- Potential to pilot a new route to jobs at Avonmouth- takes 18 months and about £120k to pilot new route
- In January First Bus began investigating costings of short journeys with the introduction of Smart cards
- Pricing review will take place Jan and be implemented April 2013 –looking into the discounted monthly ticket to replace the yearly pass – as a more flexible option
- Severn Net looking at the possibility of working with demand responsive transport company such as Skybus. Travel survey currently underway.
- North Bristol MP lobbying for a "Henbury Loop Line" rather than a spur for Severn line trains
- Live bus timetable and new stops for 501 and 502



Cross Cutting - the life course, community involvement, equalities

- Community transport is an essential service for older and disabled residents
- Travelling by bus with a push chair and large amounts of shopping is a nightmare and points to the need for a better shopping offer at Ridingleaze
- Access to jobs and training for people is severely hampered by the cost and travel time (particularly for young people)
- Need for new housing schemes to consider the needs of older and disabled residents (space for wheelchairs and mobility scooters)
- Residents need to come together to have a stronger voice around transport issues in the neighbourhood

How do residents want it to be?

Public Transport

- More reliable affordable and frequent bus routes that link to jobs, shops, hospital, college
- Improve bus services through the hospital site
- Need to investigate shuttle buses to other transport hubs - connectivity with Severn Line trains and potential of Henbury loop
- Links to colleges – routes need knitting together – delays in city centre heading out to South Bristol Skills Academy
- Residents would like 57 route reinstated and 501/2 frequencies has been reduced and need reinstating (and needs to go through centre of LW)
- Work needs to take place in the Avonmouth / Severn side areas to look at shift patterns and encourage them to be standardised as much as possible to enable a more focussed bus timetable that includes early starts/late finishers
- Need to link new services with the potential developments in LW – BCC will need to subsidise changes in short term through CIL/S016
- Cost for young people needs reducing - pilot a scheme for young people to continue to get half fares (this is happening in East Bristol)
- Costs for adults needs looking at (cost of going from one side of Longcross to another for example to children's centre – will the smart card help?)
- Social Care - working with vulnerable people – need affordable public transport and buddying scheme to encourage more usage and less isolation
- Bus stop shelters on Long Cross need glass replacing with shatterproof material

Community Transport

- More support needed for LW Community Transport + volunteer drivers "we must not lose a local community transport service"

Cycling and walking

- Need to encourage young people to use a bike for local and longer journeys
- Cycling infrastructure needs improvements – routes, safety, bike lending, safe storage, racks, maps
- Repair and maintenance courses and demonstrations – facilities at LW Farm and BMX track
- Better maintained paths and a more attractive pedestrian area along Ridingleaze

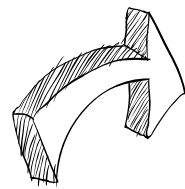
Roads

- LWCT not always able to drive down some streets due to parking in narrow streets especially now garage sites are being decommissioned
- Parking but also consider bikes, bike bays, space for older people's buggies
- There is concern over the level of parking provision, traffic, noise and pollution levels



3 Traffic and Transport

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3.1 Deliver bus stop repairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure early reporting and repair all damaged bus stops with stronger materials 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC Passenger Transport Local reporting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC contract 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As it occurs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Repaired as needed
3.2 Raise kerbs at bus stops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Passenger Transport team to start consultation end of Feb 2013 on 501 route to install several raised kerbs along the route. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NP with BCC Passenger Transport 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summer 2013 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Raised kerbs in situ
3.3 Research shift pattern requirements of employers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work needs to take place in Avonmouth/Sevenside to look at shift patterns and encourage standardisation where possible to enable a more focussed bus timetable that includes early starts/late finishers. Transport survey currently underway 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SevernNet and local businesses NP 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LSTF Other investment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summer 2013 ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Changes to shift patterns
3.4 Investigate public transport Fleet /reliability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Bus to investigate stock (age) and reliability in the area. In discussion with residents this to be an issue with the 40 service in particular 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Bus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Bus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summer 2013 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Newer more reliable stock on this route
3.5 Improve passenger route 501	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate possibility of slightly re-routing 501. Deliver new bus stops and real time information 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NP BCC Passenger Transport Wessex 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2013 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bus travels to city centre New bus stops and real time information.
3.6 Problem solve public transport and young people issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion re the needs for young people to become independent travellers and use buses – the agenda to raise participation in post 16 education next year and the need to ensure that public transport can facilitate this and is affordable. Campaign for improvements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Bus ALW COBC LSTF North 1 Youth Forum 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Bus BCC – to be identified LSTF 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> More cost effective and faster transport service delivered for young people



FREQUENCY AND RELIABILITY OF BUS SERVICES IS POOR

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Action	Description	Who leads, who else?	Resources /funding	Timescales	How will we know it has been achieved?
3.7 Lobby to reduce public transport costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reduce costs to young people• Discuss with JCP discounts for job searchers• Social care - working with vulnerable people – need to explore affordable public transport, to include a buddy scheme for more usage and more independence	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• First Bus• CYPS• Adult Social care• JCP	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awaiting further information	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reduced rates for young people, carers, buddies
3.8 Secure funding to improve public and community transport through new development sites	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Need to link new services with the potential developments in LW– BCC will need to subsidies changes in short term – CIL/S016. The NP need to be involved in making these decisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• NP• BCC• LWCT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CIL	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Improved transport delivered through site development and new housing• LWCT survives
3.9 Map public transport journey time	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Research into proposed routes to UWE, College sites and 6th form. Top 10 places to go poster + bus numbers and how many buses it takes to reach them	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• LSTF• ALW• N1 Youth forum• Juicy Blitz	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To be identified	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Maps developed, promoted and well used. Project evaluated
3.10 Walk the neighbourhood to identify walking, crossing cycling and parking issues	<p>Conduct a general walkabout (annually) to look at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sites for cycle parking• Sites for drop kerbs• Safe routes to school• Other road and pathway issues, ideas, activities and infrastructure (such as rat runs, parking outside of schools)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• NP to coordinate with BCC officers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BCC	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2013• Annually thereafter	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Issues identified and action plan developed and delivered
3.11 Review cycle routes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BCC Cycling Officer to review cycling routes within this area – Kingsweston Lane to Avonmouth in particular• Also involve Cycling campaign, Sustrans etc	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BCC• Sustrans• LS TF	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• LSTF Section 106/CIL	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Action plan for improvements and new cycle routes

ACTION PLAN FOR IMPROVEMENTS AND NEW CYCLE ROUTES



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Action	Description	Who leads, who else?	Resources /funding	Timescales	How will we know it has been achieved?
3.12 Deliver cycling training in schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Run Bike ability in Schools levels 1, 2 and 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BCC• Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• LSTF	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• On-going	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bike ability delivered in all schools
3.13 Develop cycling loan bike scheme and deliver bike maintenance courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Active Travel Officers, Business Engagement team, Active Travel to Schools Officers and Sustainable Transport Field Team to visit LW for events in the spring and summer - Dr Bikes, and bike maintenance workshops can be run. Information given on route planning, loan bikes, taster tickets. Bike Back and Earn a bike schemes• Link in to annual BMX event at Bike Track and activities of the Club• Promote Juicy bikes and maintenance for young people at Youth Centre• Develop a cycle centre at Farm (alongside café) linked to bike track	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BCC transport to co-ordinate with NP and other agencies• L Dub BMX club• Public Health• Juicy• Lifecycle	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• LSTF• To be identified	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2013 and on-going• 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Annual events delivered• New cycle centre developed
3.14 Develop a sustainable travel champions scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sustainable Travel Champions – recruit local volunteers to share knowledge about where to go to find out information, get involved with traffic and transport sub group of ALW to make long term changes. Support and extend walking group initiative at the Rock	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BCC CATO's• NP• ALW, Rock	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• LSTF	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Volunteer scheme successfully developed and delivered
3.15 Raise awareness around potential of Henbury Loop line	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Better understand the potential benefits of the Henbury Loop line. Work with key decision makers to influence this line	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ALW	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Staff time	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Best outcome for LW delivered through extension to Severn Line



DEVELOP CYCLING
LOAN BIKE SCHEME
AND DELIVER BIKE
MAINTENANCE
COURSES



4 Jobs, Skills, Business & Financial Exclusion

Current Situation – What is it like now?

Employment and Training

- Only 2% of residents say that job prospects are good in the area with 60% saying it is poor and needs improving²
- LW has low skills and educational attainment levels – of those who are 16 and over 36% have no qualifications (20% city average) – 11% of residents have qualifications of level 4 and above compared to a city average of 33%⁶
- 9% of working age population of LW have never worked (city average 5%)⁶
- 34% of LW residents of working age (16-74) are economically inactive (city average 29%)⁶
- Unemployment is a particular issue for young people (16-24) – 41% of the unemployed in Lawrence Weston are 16-24 (city average 27%)
- 8% of working age residents in LW are long term sick or disabled compared to a city average of 4%⁶
- 22% of LW households are lone parent households (17% with dependent children) – city average (12% and 9% respectively)⁶
- Lack of public IT access (3 open access computers at Library – only open 4 days) – 24% of residents surveyed had no access to the internet and 28% accessed it through libraries or friends

34%

of LW residents of working age (16-74) are economically inactive (city average 29%)



- Research found that 69% of those asked wanted access to employment, welfare benefits and debt advice² – LW does not have the offices/facilities to house city wide providers (Outset, Pinnacle people, National careers service) – residents have to travel to the city centre to access services
- Difficult to access post 16 education provision and very little adult education happening on the estate – residents generally have to travel out of the area for accredited college courses (South Bristol Skills Academy takes 2 hours on 2 buses)
- Lack of co-ordination of volunteering opportunities on the estate (often a good route into employment - increasing skills and confidence)
- There are a number of providers of community learning in Lawrence Weston (Learning Communities, LW Farm, Rock, Brunel and Gordano) and courses available at Avonmouth and Shirehampton
- Transport issues especially to city centre and Avonmouth/Severnside are a barrier (expensive, time consuming, problem of mixed shift patterns)
- Driving project and job club delivered from LW Baptist Church
- Some good provision of training at the youth centre delivered by Easton Gordano / City of Bristol college

Business

- Very few businesses (Kingsweston ward has the least number of jobs per head of the population of all Bristol wards)¹¹
- Low levels of self-employment – 4.5% against city average of 8.4% (6)
- Small number of businesses on Ridingleaze – 50% were optimistic about their business and 60% thought that redeveloping the college site would increase footfall for their business
- Ideas for college site/clinic site – 57% residents wanted to see arts and craft workshops, 53% wanted to see new start business units, 59% wanted to see community business, 59% wanted to see market stalls², 80% wanted a supermarket

Advice and Financial Exclusion

- High levels of demand for welfare benefits and debt advice (NBAC opened 334 new cases in 2012) – NBAC currently provide 3 advice sessions from Ridingleaze house – NBAC struggle to meet demand and report an increase in clients with mental health problems and domestic abuse cases
- Over the last year NBAC have seen an increase of 138% in people seeking help with Employment Support Allowance



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of households do not have access to the internet

What changes are on the horizon?

- Sale and redevelopment of college site – potential for supermarket, community building and space for small/start-up businesses/social enterprise
- LSTF – opportunities to improve transport accessibility and city wide review of bus prices
- The assumption for the new universal credit is that 85% of all claims will be made on line
- New learning room proposed at Lawrence Weston Community Farm
- Big Local Lottery funding provides an opportunity to tackle skills, training and employment over a 10 year period
- Severn Four Credit union has recently ceased trading

How do residents want it to be?



- A community hub to provide adult learning, employment, debt & benefit advice, space for small businesses and social enterprises
- A training room with IT facilities and crèche space – 50% residents surveyed wanted to attend IT courses, 27% English & Maths, 27% wellbeing and healthy living courses
- Local courses – need for more learning and training for work/employment, non-accredited and accredited IT courses, English, Maths, ESOL, life skills, money management
- Help managing debts with access to credit union services
- 75% of residents said they wanted courses to be free, 27% indicated that transport was an issue/barrier, 24% noted that childcare was a barrier
- Better links with health and GP referrals for community learning
- Better transport to jobs and training
- More hands on work experience for young people

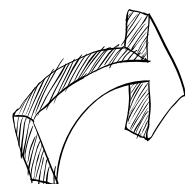
Cross Cutting - the life course, community involvement, equalities

- Demographic change means that there is an increase in number of adults with ESOL needs
- Need for more IT provision for over 55's
- Welfare reforms will impact on families including changes to disability living allowance

NEW LEARNING ROOM
PROPOSED AT LAWRENCE
WESTON COMMUNITY FARM

4 Jobs, Skills, Business and Financial Exclusion

Action	Description	Who leads, who else?	Resources /funding	Timescales	How will we know it has been achieved?
4.1 Launch a local employment, skills and business support programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co-ordination of existing employment and enterprise services • Local delivery of courses • Job club • One-to-one support with residents and businesses • Work experience for young people • Bring forward start up, rehearsal, work shop and art space 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ALW • NP • BCC and city wide partners • Severnet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2013-2018 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New service developed, launched and benefitting local people. • Helping people into work, training and self-employment
4.2 Research and develop social enterprise focussing on opportunities within Avonmouth/Severnside supply chains	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research opportunities • Write business plan (s) • Identify partners • Pilot and roll out 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ALW • NP • Social Enterprise Works • Severnet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2013-2018 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business plans completed and ideas piloted, evaluated and launched
4.3 Deliver a community, health and employment hub as part of college site redevelopment	<p>Ensure development brief includes a high quality community building to ensure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to PCs, library, training, employment support (including apprenticeships), business support, credit union, small business space, social enterprise 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ALW • NP • BCC • COBC other city wide partners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Through planning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2013-2018 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New community building delivered and employment hub created.
4.4 Campaign for supermarket as part of college site redevelopment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supermarket to be included in development brief (with retail impact assessment undertaken). Work with supermarket to secure local recruitment policy and encourage local employment, including part time opportunities and training 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BCC • COBC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$106/CIL 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To 2018 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supermarket employing local people
4.5 Ensure all new developments maximise local labour and training opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include local labour initiatives as part of Development briefs and planning permission. Provide one-to-one support with businesses and residents to overcome barriers, identify training needs etc 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ALW • NP • COBC • On Site Bristol 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take up of jobs and apprenticeships
4.6 Improve access to post 16 education provision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Negotiate with post 16 education providers about the possibility of remote learning, both vocational and academic. Talk to colleges about contributing to room hire costs for local delivery 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ALW • BCC • COBC • LCT • LPW • Local community basis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be identified • BCC • COBC • LCT 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New courses delivered at local venues

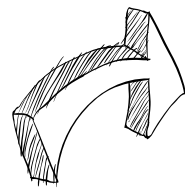


HIGH LEVELS OF DEMAND FOR WELFARE BENEFITS AND DEBT ADVICE

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Action	Description	Who leads, who else?	Resources /funding	Timescales	How will we know it has been achieved?
4.7 Computer course for all	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deliver a new IT training suite in Lawrence Weston (potentially at the Youth Centre and add Farm, Westcott Rooms, Henacre) • Deliver computer courses to cover basic through to accredited – focus on effective use of web, access to services (Housing, BCC, Job Centre plus, learning from Connect Lockleaze) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LCT • Get it together • GIT • JCP • NBAC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2013 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New IT suite and new courses
4.8 Promote Bristol Computer Re-use scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote amongst businesses in Avonmouth for surplus equipment and target Lawrence Weston residents for refurbished computers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BCC, • Businesses • ByteBack 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ByteBack • Business 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase use of computers and IT
4.9 ESOL for Parents and Literacy for Rights Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with schools/children centres to offer an ESOL for schools course – to understand the UK education system and basic language for communicating with school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LCT 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BCC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2013 Ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Courses delivered and evaluated
4.10 Improve financial literacy and support residents to manage debts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deliver financial literacy and money management courses. Promote services of NBAC and credit union. Secure additional funds for advice workers for the area and ensure a local credit union point 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LCT • NBAC • Bristol Credit Union 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BCC • To be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2013 Ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase in confidence • Update of advice services • Numbers joining Credit Union
4.11 Promote Self employment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote self-employment as a viable employment option, providing local courses and advice • Develop incubation space at new community building • Target markets: Cleaning, Construction, Maintenance, Child care, Social care 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outset • BRAVE • Bristol Spaceworks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase levels of self employment



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5 Health, Wellbeing & Social Care

Current Situation – What is it like now?

- Life expectancy is 80 yrs¹²
- 2 SOA in Lawrence Weston rank in the top 10% for health deprivation⁷
- Around 1,500 people in Lawrence Weston live with a long-term limiting illness⁶
- 37% of households include a smoker, compared to 23% across the city¹²
- 2005-2009 LW had a significantly higher all age all cause mortality rates compared to Bristol¹²
- 38.1% of aged 10 children resident in LW are obese⁹
- Teenage conception rates: 1 in 17 girls aged 15 – 17 years in Lawrence Weston per year, versus 1 in 23 in Bristol¹²
- LW has had a significantly higher rate of alcohol-attributable admissions than the Bristol average¹²
- % of respondents who agreed that domestic abuse is a private matter is higher than the city average⁵
- Residents who say they are in good health and are satisfied with health services is average for the city⁵
- LW has a gypsy and travellers transit site and specific health needs for this and other minority communities
- Current provision - 2 GP surgeries, 1 NHS Clinic, 1 pharmacy, 1 dentist
- A number of organisations in Lawrence Weston deliver services to address health and wider determinants of health including Juicy Blitz, LW Farm, 5 Ways Bungalow, Rock, Blaise Weston, and Baptist Church

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What changes are on the horizon?

- Potential closure of the clinic and loss of services or services moving to other areas
- Potential new building from the college site redevelopment and aspirations for a new community hub encompassing health services and services to address the wider determinants of health
- Changes to community transport could impact on residents ability to access services and increase isolation

How do residents want it to be?



- 76% of respondents want to see health facilities as part of a new development at Ridingleaze
- Residents want to see health services retained locally (it is hard to travel)
- Residents can't always get GP appointments when they need to
- Residents sometimes have to wait too long for their prescriptions to be delivered into the pharmacy
- More activities and support for residents with learning disabilities
- Residents want better transport links to Southmead Hospital and help getting their (community transport)
- Housing allocation system are perceived as unfair and contribute to poor health and wellbeing – for example a 4 person family sharing a 2 bedroom with different sex children

Cross Cutting - the life course, community involvement, equalities

- Lawrence Weston has a higher than average % of younger people and older people and a high number of carers (11%) who need support (6). It is essential that services are kept local as these groups of residents are less likely to have their own transport or ability to travel
- There is the need to address specific needs of BME groups
- Community cohesion issues have occurred around a perceived unfairness in access to doctor appointments and other healthcare services. On-going work is needed to understand and respond to these issues. On-going work is needed to help recently arrived families understand how to access health services
- Need for suitable housing for older and disabled people – flats, extra care, residential care (for purchase/shared ownership/rental)

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Action	Description	Who leads, who else?	Resources /funding	Timescales	How will we know it has been achieved?
5.1 Reduction in Teenage pregnancy	Improving emotional health and wellbeing of young people 0-19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage local professionals to attend Level 1 and Level 2 training on sex and relationships Invite the Public Health sexual health team to deliver 'Tea with 4YP' Briefings to agencies across the locality Support local projects as and where necessary Encourage more young people to use Lawrence Weston Under 25 sexual health clinic Targeted work to take place in areas of high teenage pregnancy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The main area the group would look at initially would be targeted work and mapping what already exists in the area and identifying gaps. Two organisations are already willing to start a young women's group and this would be something we would also discuss further at this meeting, and with others attending how young people could be referred in. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reducing teenage pregnancy steering group led by Public Health 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2013 – 2015 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding identified Partnership developed Work plan agreed Pilot work delivered Reduce teenage pregnancy by 2% year on year
5.2 Re-launch services provided by Lawrence Weston Clinic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Services have moved out the clinic, so there is a need to let the community know the clinic is still open and providing services. Open day/event showcasing the services provided at the clinic NHS Bristol estates (PropCo from April 2013) and Public Health to lead a service providers steering group 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lawrence Weston Service Providers Steering Group Public Health 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff time only 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2013 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open day delivered Residents are aware of services and how to access them Steering group meets regularly and day to day issues are identified and reviewed Occupancy of building is monitored and managed.
5.3 Cooking classes and healthy eating advice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide access to cooking classes and food hygiene Advice on healthy eating, eatwell plate and portion size 5-A-Day for all All local primary schools offered sessions on healthy eating and food workshops annually 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Health Children's centre Learning communities LW Community Farm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2013 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of residents trained and courses evaluated. Uptake from primary schools in food workshops delivered.
5.4 Introduce a Volunteer bank	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A co-ordinated 'bank' of volunteers, where volunteers are matched with local organisations who need volunteers Provide training for local volunteers Include a buddying scheme to reduce isolation Work with Volunteer Bristol and RSVP to engage volunteers Make links with Linkage to extend services into LW 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ALW Volunteer Bristol All local VCS organisations RSVP Linkage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BIG Local Public Health RSVP 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project designed Funding secured Worker appointed Volunteer opportunities created Evaluation from volunteers and placement providers Residents feel less isolated/increase in confidence/find employment. Volunteer Bristol, RSVP and Linkage all active in the community.
5.5 Lawrence Weston PHEW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction of a physical health and wellbeing programme to tackle obesity More linked up activities and access to new website, blog and calendar 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Juicy blitz youth project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partnership funding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2013 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum of 60 minutes of physical activity daily on offer to young people Website developed and launched

Action	Description	Who leads, who else?	Resources /funding	Timescales	How will we know it has been achieved?
5.6 Promote wellbeing of older people	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ongoing work with over 50's forum• Links to Blaise Weston /Rock/Farm for leisure/lunch club	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rock• Over 50's forum• Blaise Weston• LW Farm• BCC – Health and Social Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Various	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Project to evaluate wellbeing of older people 2015
5.7 Access to fruit and vegetables and growing spaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continue and expand 'roots and fruits' provision of affordable fruit and vegetables at five-ways bungalow• Work on having a local (farmers) market on Ridingleaze.• Link the Farm, Henacre play flat and Five-ways bungalow's projects• Ongoing support for the Food Bank at Baptist Church• Support Juicy Blitz mobile juice bar youth enterprise scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Public Health.• Lawrence Weston Community Farm• Baptist Church• Juicy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Public Health• Social Enterprise Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Numbers accessing roots and fruit• New lines• Working group for developing market idea• Access to food bank
5.8 Develop a healthy living style community building/hub	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Visit Knowle West Healthy Living Centre , @Symes and Wellspring, to see how different designs work• Introduction of an enabling project to take this forward• In the new hub, activities need to be going on in the day and in the evenings• Vision to have lots of activities at the same time, giving people somewhere safe to come and meet others• Include training space, access to computers and childcare facilities, credit union, debt advice, Library, health eating• Develop a patient support group at Ridingleaze	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Public Health• Neighbourhood Partnership• Ambition Lawrence Weston Planning Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• College site land sale, CIL/Section 106, Lottery	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Number of visits• Business plan for new facility written• Funding secured• Planning agreed• Development partner identified• Anchor tenants sign up
5.9 Reduce Social Isolation – Buddy Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Activities for older people• Travel buddy scheme for young people to support use of public transport, enabling independent living	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rock Over 50's Forum• Linkage• Juicy• ALW	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To be identified	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Progress evaluated 2015

VISION TO HAVE LOTS OF ACTIVITIES AT THE SAME TIME, GIVING PEOPLE SOMEWHERE SAFE TO COME AND MEET OTHERS

MORE



5 Health, Wellbeing & Social Care

Action	Description	Who leads, who else?	Resources /funding	Timescales	How will we know it has been achieved?
5.10 Domestic violence (DV or DA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Avonmouth & Lawrence Weston PSP is encompassed within the North Neighbourhood Delivery Teams action plan as DA was identified and agreed as 1 of the 3 priorities The aims are parallel; to increase reporting and to change people's perceptions that it is a private matter North BAVA is in the process of producing an evaluation report of Glass House Continue to meet the aims over the next year through different activities, publicity etc North BAVA to meet bi-monthly, and link into BAVA, citywide events and campaigns Northern Arc DV services continue to be based at five-ways bungalow Freedom programme to be run out of Long Cross Children's Centre Also see point 2.6 Research additional support needs for both survivors and perpetrators 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> North Bristol Domestic Abuse Forum (North BAVA). Safer Bristol 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NBDAF Safer Bristol 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To 2015 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluation report written Annual activities agreed and delivered Reporting levels increase Change of perception – measured through feedback and Quality of Life Delivery of 3 x 12 sessions per annum freedom programme
5.11 Smoking, Alcohol and Drug Misuse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Run 4 stop smoking groups per year Alcohol – undertake health needs assessments and create a multi agency task group to take forward actions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Health Smokefree Bristol Multi agency taskforce 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Health 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2013 Onwards 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review impact of service annually
5.12 Address the health needs of BME groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with Gypsy and Traveller team, BME teams and recently arrived communities Research the health needs of BME groups 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Health 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report and recommendations delivered
5.13 Explore the needs of carers in Lawrence Weston	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with the existing young carers group in Lawrence Weston Research the needs of adult and young carers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Health 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research delivered Action plan created Partners identified Funding secured.
5.14 Obesity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Also see point 5.3, 5.5 and 5.7 Introduce a bike to school scheme linking primary and secondary schools Look at cycle routes in and around the area (see Chapter 3). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lawrence Weston PHEW Active Bristol Public Health Sustrans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2014-2016 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduction in obesity particularly in children. Increase take up of exercise particularly cycling.

6 Planning, public realm, parks & green spaces

Current Situation – What is it like now?

Parks and green spaces

- 53% residents say that the outdoor play equipment is poor and needs improving²
- 71% residents say that the access to nature is good or OK²
- 42% residents say that parks and green spaces are poor and need improving²
- Provision of children's play facilities is poor – Stradling Road, Beverston Gardens, green space nr Hewland Court, Henacre, Ridingleaze
- Mancroft park has been improved but not well maintained and not well used
- BMX track well used but further investment is needed
- Parks and green spaces are underutilised
- The existing quality of green spaces across the neighbourhood is poor
- Dog fouling, lack of bin, rubbish, flytipping, inadequate rubbish collection, motorbikes – all issues
- Lawrence Weston Moor is not well signed nor easy to access
- Allotments flood and are not well used

Planning and public realm

- There are a number of derelict and underused sites (College, PRC sites, Garage Sites) – see appendix 3
- Community buildings are in need of improvements and there is no community hub – buildings are threatened with closure (e.g Youth Centre)
- Residents are fearful of new housing developments and pressure on already inadequate services
- The shape of Lawrence Weston makes connections on foot and distribution of services and shops difficult
- Cycle routes are poor – not well signed, not lit, no direct routes to jobs, train station, city centre, little separation of car and bike space, little bike parking
- Parking on grass verges continues to be an issue
- Fast roads, unsafe crossing points (see chapter 3 for more on this)
- Ridingleaze shops are looking tired and in need of refurbishment (or demolition in the long term)
- 42% residents say that the cleanliness of the streets is poor and needs improving
- Over 40% of respondents say that levels of pollution, dog control and clearance of rubbish are poor and need improvement
- Quality of the public realm is sometimes poor and not always designed
- History and archaeological importance of the area is not well signed or marketed/ promoted/linked for residents or visitors
- Negative perception and low land values persist associated with what is still perceived as a "council estate"

53%

residents say that the outdoor play equipment is poor



BETTER USE OF GREEN SPACES FOR SPORT, RECREATION AND PLAY

What changes are on the horizon?

COLLEGE SITE TO BE DEVELOPED WITH RESIDENT ASPIRATION TO DELIVER NEW HOUSING, RETAIL AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES



Parks and green spaces

- Plans and funding secured to build a new children's play area on the green space in front of Ridingleaze
- Plans and funding secured to build a new children's play area on part of Henacre Open space near to flats and BMX track

Planning and public realm

- Sale of the college site (2.7 hectares), Sale or redevelopment of PRC sites (approx. 120 houses), Sale of part of Henacre Open Space
- Site allocation – Deering Close, Land to rear of Ridingleaze shops are both allocated for development by BCC – neither site is favoured for development by residents
- Opportunities for greater resident involvement through Localism Act, Neighbourhood Planning and Community Right to Build

Cross Cutting - the life course, community involvement, equalities

- Accessibility for disabled people (houses, green spaces, shops) to be assessed for each development
- Young people to be fully involved in influencing and designing the neighbourhood
- Life time homes assessments to be undertaken on all developments and all developments to comply with the emerging design statement for the area

NO MORE WALK UP FLATS

How do residents want it to be?



Parks and green spaces

- A high quality and welcoming green space at Ridingleaze with a strong identity and character
- Better use of green spaces for sport, recreation and play (5 aside, picnic benches, wet play areas)
- Residents to be more involved in the upkeep and development of green spaces
- Development at Henacre should include a Development Brief for the site including; ensuring that entrances, signage and safety is improved, that the play area links with the BMX track, that the wildlife corridor on the site is protected and that investment opportunities are created for the BMX track
- More litter bins (including dog waste bins)
- A better solution for Stradling Road, Beverston Gardens and green space near Newland court
- Better drainage at the allotment site
- Improvements to backland sites and interest in mountain bike trail (location not yet identified)

Planning and public realm

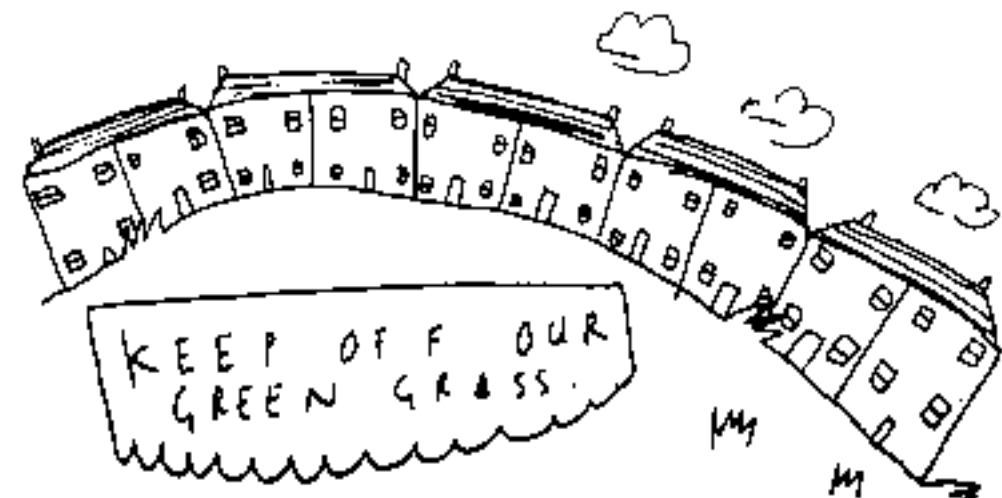
- College site to be developed with resident aspiration to deliver new housing, retail and community facilities (on site or at clinic)
- PRC sites to be developed to deliver high quality affordable homes for social rent and private sale – including bringing forward affordable co-operative housing/self-build/ community land trust and target of "at least" code 3 preferably 4 sustainable homes/life time homes – not flats
- Development brief and full resident involvement in disposal and development of Henacre open space
- A better solution needed for the rear of Ridingleaze with further consultation required
- Street improvements to Ridingleaze (afforded through sale of college site) – making it more welcoming – market stalls - shelter - better parking solutions - and the eventual redevelopment of Ridingleaze in the long term
- No more walk up flats (many residents say no more flats at all)
- Better signage, more bins, community notice boards and action on litter and flytipping
- Improved cycle routes to jobs and leisure facilities (including cycle paths not sharing road space) and bike parking
- Footpaths to be better maintained (LW Greenway, Quarry Lane, Upper Terrace, Fernill Lane – and others)
- New developments should promote quality architecture, encourage variety, meet local housing need, fit in with surroundings, create safe places, consider parking and encourage cycling/walking. New developments should include public spaces, art and community facilities that are well designed and managed - need to create a distinctive identify for the area – making Lawrence Weston a more welcoming place

6 Planning, public realm, parks & green spaces

Action	Description	Who leads, who else?	Resources /funding	Timescales	How will we know it has been achieved?
Parks and green spaces					
6.1 Set up Green space Action Group (sub group of ALW)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resident involvement in green space development, look at social enterprise to manage open spaces Green spaces to be more inviting to families (e.g. picnic tables) Set up a front garden initiative ALW to work with BCC to create a post "Outdoor Caretaker" – for common areas around BCC blocks Ensure play and sun protection at Traveller site 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC Parks, Residents, NP, ALW, BCC Estate Management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2013 – 2015 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Active group established and progress reviewed annually
6.2 Deliver a play area at Ridingleaze and improve paths, trees and seating areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consult residents (all ages) Design and deliver 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC Parks, NP, Residents 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Section 106 Parks/ Green space funding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2013 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New play facility delivered
6.3 Deliver a new play area at Henacre plus plan future of Henacre open space	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consult residents (all ages) Design and deliver new play facility Write a development brief for Henacre to include improved entrances, significantly improve the BMX track offer and maintain wildlife corridor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC Parks NP L Dub Race Track Planning group Residents 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parks/Green space funding Land sale 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New play facility delivered Development brief for Henacre written
6.4 Improve access to Lawrence Weston Nature reserve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Include upgrading footpaths and introducing information boards and better signage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC Parks NP LW Community Farm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2015 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase in visitor numbers
6.5 Maintenance and management plan for all green spaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consultation with residents through green space action group - in particular, address issues at Mancroft Park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC Parks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Officer time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2015 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintenance and management plan agreed
6.6 Options for improvements to Beverston, Stradling, Newland Court	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option paper Consultation Apply for funding Include the desire for robust 5-aside goal/hard surfaces 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC Landlord services BCC Parks Parent group Knightstone 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Options considered, decisions made about the future of the sites, funding bids made
6.7 Improve management of graffiti, bins, dog fouling, fly tipping, street cleaning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On-going dialogue between residents and officers/operatives Monitor street cleaning contract New bins 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC Parks May Gurney 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing Budgets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents report an improvement in the local environment

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Action	Description	Who leads, who else?	Resources /funding	Timescales	How will we know it has been achieved?
Planning and public realm					
6.8 Write Neighbourhood Development Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply to become a Neighbourhood Planning Area and Forum • Agree overall planning vision and consult • Build evidence base • Align with existing policies • Write and consult on plan • Carry out examination + referendum 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning group, planning dept • BCC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quartet • DCLG 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council adopt neighbourhood plan
6.9 Complete planning brief for college site	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalise brief • Site goes on the market 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BCC Property • COBC • City Design, Planning group 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April 2013 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brief written, brief endorsed by Ambition Lawrence Weston and other stakeholders Site on the market
6.10 Planning brief written for PRC sites	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include feasibility for Community Land Trust/Self Build for one/more site 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BCC Housing, planning group • ALW 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BCC • HCA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dec 2013 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brief written and endorsed by Ambition Lawrence Weston, Planning group and other stakeholders
6.11 Planning brief written for Henacre Open Space	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flood risk assessment • Options appraisal • Consultation on options • Financial appraisal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BCC, planning group 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BCC • HCA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2015 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brief written, brief endorsed by Ambition Lawrence Weston, Planning Group and other stakeholders
6.12 Residents respond to BCC site allocation consultations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review documents and respond in writing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning group 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring 2013 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residents successfully influence site allocations
6.13 Design statement for neighbourhood written	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hold workshops • Write design statement • Consult on design statement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning group, White Design 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design Council 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring 2013 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design statement adopted



7 Young people, children, families & education

Current Situation – What is it like now?

Young People

- 21% of LW residents are aged between 10 and 24 years old²
- 41% of unemployment in LW are 16 to 24 age bracket², 2.5% of residents are full time students over 18²
- There were 73 young people aged 16-18 years classified as NEET in April 2011, a significant increase in comparison with 26 in October 2009. Identifying NEET young people is now more difficult
- Teenage conception rates is 1 in 17 girls aged 15 – 17 years in Lawrence Weston per year, compared to 1 in 23 Bristol¹²
- Child obesity among pupils aged 10-11yrs in Lawrence Weston is 38.1% (overweight or obese)⁹
- Some young people have to travel 2 hours on public transport (each way) to get to and from college. Cuts to EMA make it difficult for young people to get to 6th form provision
- Cost of youth activities, especially if you have more than one child, is a barrier
- Juicy Blitz youth project funded till 2017. Avon Club, Acta and LW Farm require on-going funding support as do the smaller VCS groups
- Over the last year services offered at Lawrence Weston Youth Centre have reduced from 4 evening's delivery to 2
- Some facilities have been lost in the area – Connexions, YIP, Play Bus, Play Rangers, Library
- Need for better communication between the smaller VCS groups and better support for them (Lawrence Weston Colts, LDub BMX club, Panther Kickboxing club, Scouts, Brownies, Cadets and other Church Groups)

A focus group with young people at Juicy Blitz (June 2012) identified the following issues:

- Low educational attainment, poor literacy skills, and a need for educational opportunities for young people not engaged in school
- Low levels of self confidence

- Poor economic wellbeing (unemployment, having no money, housing needs)
- Difficulties at home (overcrowding, poor relationships, young carers)
- Substance misuse
- Cost of transport a barrier to accessing training, jobs and leisure
- Difficulties expressing anger, coping with stress, bullying and relationship issues and high numbers of teen pregnancies
- Housing problems due to difficulties at home/unstable family relationships a number of young people 16 years+ find themselves at risk of homelessness & struggle to access support/housing.

Children and Families

- Sansway House Nursery has a good local reputation providing childcare 7:30 - 6pm
- 24.7% of residents are under the age of 16, much higher than the city average² with 13.2% BME and white other (up from less than 2% in 2001)²
- Parents cite transport as a major barrier to accessing employment and training
- 17% of households are lone parents with dependent children (city average 9%)²
- Higher than Bristol average rates of domestic violence and substance misuse
- Activities – quite a lot of activities for children (churches, voluntary sector and BCC) however, not enough advertising so people are not aware of what is available
- Pre-school provision - Longcross Children's Centre and Sansway House
- After School and provision for 5 – 12 year olds - Lawrence Weston out of hours school activities (LWOOSA) – requires funding support
- Lawrence Weston Community Farm is an important provider of formal and informal activities for children, young people and schools

Education

- Many schools attract children from other parts of the city: Gateway (20% local), Our Lady of the Rosary (70% local), St Bede's (15% local)
- Local primary schools; Oasis Bankleaze (recently became an academy), Long Cross Primary (currently in special measures) and Our lady of the Rosary (Catholic school). Most young people go to secondary school at Oasis Brightstowe and Henbury both of which are outside of Lawrence Weston.
- Community Research found satisfaction with local schools as follows: Bankleaze (81%), Longcross (83%), Our Lady of the Rosary (86%), St Bedes (85%), Gateway School (61%), Oasis Brightstowe (69%)². In 2013 Oasis Brightstowe became the most improved secondary school in the country for Y11 5 A-C's including English and Maths (from 33% to 63% in one year). In all subjects, 96% of GCSE students achieved 5 A*- C in the summer 2012.

What changes are on the horizon?

NEW PLAY FACILITIES FOR RIDINGLEAZE AND HENACRE



- There are three very successful youth providers (Avon Club (8 to 12 yrs), Longcross Youth Centre (12+), Juicy Blitz (open access & project work sessions for young people 11-21 years). Youth provision is currently in transition. The Bristol Youth Links is now in place (Learning Partnership West) but the provider will not be taking on buildings. The youth centre may close. BCC workers have been transferred to LPW but the future role of local workers is not known and young people and parents are concerned about loss of local knowledge as these workers have established relationships with young people, parents and carers.
- Changes within CYPS; First Response Team, Integrated Family Support & Targeted families' services – the North are a pilot for the changes
- North 1 Youth forum – new cohort soon to be recruited
- Improvements planned for new play facilities at Ridingleaze and Henacre
- Relationship with BCC is changing with schools opting to be academies - Longcross Primary may become an academy
- 4 Villages Children's centre will be broken up and each centre linked to the nearest school
- Extended schools support finishes August 2013
- New housing developments - Avon Primary is being expanded to take an estimated rise in demand for new reception places Oasis Bankleaze has spare capacity as does Sea Mills and Henbury For key stage 3 there is capacity for pupils at both Henbury and Oasis Brightstowe

Cross Cutting - the life course, community involvement, equalities

- More inter-generational activities needed.
- Demographics are changing and children, young people, families and providers need to be supported and helped with these changes.
- Need to ensure that young people have a strong voice within the community.
- Freedom Youth (LGBT) is not accessed (anecdotal) and more work is required to understand what is required.
- Fear that the reduction in youth provision will lead to an increase in ASB.
- Welfare reforms will impact on child poverty and put pressure on already struggling families.

SUPPORTING YOUNG PEOPLE TO ACCESS TRAINING AND JOBS AND BETTER IT PROVISION

How do residents want it to be?

From the Youth Links needs analysis:

- Access to universal services, residential activities, adventurous activities, affordable activities - opportunities to learn and have fun!
- More access to green spaces
- Opportunities to meet with groups from other parts of the city including equalities groups
- Opportunities to have their personal and social development activities accredited
- Safe places to meet and socialise with their friends away from more formal educational settings – confidentiality guaranteed
- Services open at different times and both in the week and at weekends
- Services that are differentiated to meet the needs of children and young people of different age groups

In addition

- Better promotion of activities.
- Voluntary sector needs be supported to take a bigger role, identifying gaps in provision and fundraising to deliver services.
- Use of sports facilities at St Bedes needed at affordable rates.
- More activities across all ages.
- Affordable transport for young people.



- Youth involvement in the local democratic structures, NP, Big Local Plan and Ambition Lawrence Weston.
- Supporting young people to access training and jobs and better IT provision.
- Family support.
- Confidence that there are enough school places to meet increase in demand from new housing developments.
- Better results in schools, raising aspirations for children and young people.
- Better use of school buildings at non-school times (and affordable).



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Young People					
7.1 1 Better promotion of activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promotion in "On your doorstep" newsletter Development of community website, facebook pages and twitter Fund and install 4 new notice boards across the LW area and organise local management of these 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ALW Juicy, other VCS providers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Business sponsorship 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Young people and parents will know what is available in the area and this will be reflected in the number of people who attend activities
7.2 Encourage uptake of youth volunteering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Build on local volunteering training and opportunities including opportunities for young people 12+ and adults (over 25 years), including local residents supporting local youth & play provision (See 5.4) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CYPS Juicy LPW ALW LWCF 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Young people volunteer Volunteering within local provision building skills confidence and understanding.
7.3 Work to increase young people's involvement in community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proactive involvement in the Community Network, ALW and the Big Local. Re launches PACT and continue to support the North 1 Youth Forum works and links with NP (See 5.4) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Juicy LPW CYPS NP ALW LWCF 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Juicy project NP Others to be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Young people in LW can influence local decisions and lead on those issues that affect them
7.4 Influence the provision of youth services (Bristol Youth Links)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work in partnership to develop effective services for young people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LPW CYPS NP ALW Young people Other providers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LW will have a fair share of the North BYL provision Young people influence provision
7.5 Support and strengthen voluntary sector youth providers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See section 8 of Community Plan for more on this 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC CYPS ALW VCS Organisations Voscur 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VCS organisations are sustainable with skills and experience in successfully bidding for contracts funding.
7.6 Tackle youth unemployment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See section 4 of Community Plan for more on this 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Juicy LPW Severn Net ALW JCP NP National Careers service COBC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funds to be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Immediate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Young people will be able to access training, work experience and paid jobs Youth unemployment falls

7 Young people, children, families & education

Action	Description	Who leads, who else?	Resources /funding	Timescales	How will we know it has been achieved?
7.7 Address issue of young people not engaged in school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop new strategies for working with children and young people not engaged in school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CYPS Youth Providers Schools 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BYL and other to be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduction in absenteeism. Better outcomes for young people
Children, Families and Education					
7.8 Address childcare issues for parents returning to work or wishing to access learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working party to look at need for childminding, nursery places, before and after school provision, crèche facilities for local learning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children Centre's Schools LWOOSA LCT Sansway House 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Officer time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provision improved
7.9 Improve language and literacy skills within the new communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ESOL training aimed at parents, linked to helping their children through school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LCT BCC Children's Centre and Schools 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC CofBC Other Unknown 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An integrated community where children of new communities are not disadvantaged
7.10 Encourage better partnership working to support families	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Linking up providers offering support to families including troubled families. Identify and address gaps in provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CYPS Health NBA BCC Sansway House 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Officer time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Families report that they are able to access the help that they need
7.11 Support parental engagement in children's education, build confidence and self esteem	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A variety of interventions including home visits, events and training. Creating a positive atmosphere that celebrates diversity and builds aspiration. Supporting volunteer opportunities. Parent and practitioner forum lead on initiatives and ensure a strong voice for families in the neighbourhood 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CYPS Long cross Children's Centre ALW Parent and practitioner forum Sansway House 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Core Costs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents more confident to help their children with their learning
7.12 Support schools to work together to address common issues and to work on joint initiatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To continue to bring the schools together to discuss and address joint actions and issues, and to ensure the new SAF process is successful To find an exit strategy that ensures continued joint working of schools after the end of extended schools provision Work with schools to ensure that they are prepared for the increased intake over coming years (and increased diversity) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CYPS Schools 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Until 2013 BCC, after this unknown 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A joined up approach between the schools, joint working, sharing resources and best practice
7.13 Strengthen and support afterschool provision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support for LWOOSA including fundraising and board development. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LWOOSA ALW Voscur BAND Business in the Community Sansway House 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LWOOSA secures additional funding LWOOSA is sustainable

8 Community facilities and activities, art, leisure and sport

Current Situation – What is it like now?

- The current community buildings, offices and meeting spaces do not adequately deliver the range and quality of services and activities that Lawrence Weston residents want, need and deserve (15)
- Residents say that the shops are expensive and the retail offer is poor (64.3% are not satisfied with current offer (2))
- The college was an important venue for adult learning and library services, it was also an important space where people met (this is now closed)
- Current library space (at Ridingleaze house) is too small and there are not enough open access computers
- There are two youth centres – Avon Club requires capital investment and on-going funding and BCC Youth Centre is threatened with closure
- The Clinic has been threatened with closure – it will now remain open however the building is reaching the end of its life
- Provision of halls with kitchens is good though some buildings are in need of repair
- Not enough learning rooms, meeting rooms (including advice rooms) and no employment hub or IT suite
- A lack of places to meet – there is only 1 pub remaining open in LW (plus the social club)

- Lack of art facilities and activities
- No community hub – community buildings are fragmented with lone workers unable to attend meetings (a barrier to better partnership working)
- 2 Muga's (multi use games areas) are well used
- L Dub BMX Club is well established but in need of further investment (lighting, water, seating, funding for additional activities and equipment)
- St Bede's sports centre runs activities, classes and hire of facilities (take up from the community is low and cost is sighted as a barrier)
- Most buildings and facilities are not stimulating or attractive and some are reaching the end of their life
- Green spaces are underutilised and there are not enough play facilities (see section 6)
- Juicy Blitz delivers a high quality youth participation and health improvement project from a shop on Ridingleaze
- The Rock, St Peter's Church and Baptist church provide important services for older and younger people (incl. Lunch Club and Foodbank)
- Some city wide service providers (acta, Cleanslate) are no longer delivering services in Lawrence Weston – venues and funding are both barriers
- LW Farm provide a range of quality services including volunteering, community learning, school visits, events – the existing buildings are small and need of updating
- BCC Learning Communities team deliver local community learning courses although access to learning rooms with childcare facilities is a barrier
- LW has good access to local heritage and nature sites (Roman Villa, Blaise Castle, LW Moor) though these are not well promoted or linked up
- Lawrence Weston is a very friendly place but doesn't look attractive or welcoming

62%

say there is a lack of places to meet others



RESIDENTS WOULD LIKE ACCESS TO A LOCAL AND AFFORDABLE SUPERMARKET

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What changes are on the horizon?

- Potential redevelopment of the Clinic
- Sale of the College site
- Potential closure of the Youth Centre
- Proposed new café and learning room at the Farm
- More housing (more people putting more demands on existing services and facilities)



Cross Cutting - the life course, community involvement, equalities

- Lawrence Weston is changing and there is an on-going need to reach out to new communities and create activities and opportunities to bring people together (e.g. community feasts, street parties, schools twinning, intergenerational work)
- Any new building needs to be fully accessible and existing buildings need to address DDA requirements
- Voluntary sector organisations need strengthening in order to ensure that residents have the skills and capacity to take responsibility for the delivery of services and facilities

A NEW COMMUNITY HUB – TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO LOCAL SERVICES – A QUALITY BUILDING TO RAISE ASPIRATIONS AND PROMOTE A POSITIVE IMAGE OF THE AREA – SOMEWHERE TO SIGNPOST PEOPLE TO OTHER SERVICES AND A WEBSITE AND COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

L DUB BMX CLUB IS WELL ESTABLISHED BUT IN NEED OF FURTHER INVESTMENT

How do residents want it to be?

- Residents would like access to a local and affordable supermarket (80.5%), a better library (80%), training rooms (100%), health facilities (71%), sports facilities (80%), arts facilities (63%), employment support (69%), computer suite (50%), arts and crafts workshops (58%), a market (59%)²
- More places to meet (including in the evening) and opportunities to come together – 62% say there is a lack of places to meet others
- IT and other courses with childcare provision – and better information about what is on offer (website, newsletter, hub)
- Further investment to the BMX track
- Better access to facilities at St Bede's and links with partners to further use the MUGA
- More for teenagers (53%), children (49%), older people and disabled people (76%) to do²
- Courses related to a hobby or interest - people want opportunities to be creative and learn new skills
- Employment and training opportunities particularly for young people including in construction, digital media and film making
- A new community hub - to provide access to local services – a quality building to raise aspirations and promote a positive image of the area – somewhere to signpost people to other services and a website and community newsletter
- Residents want to be involved in the design, development and delivery of new facilities, houses and public art projects
- Better use of existing resources – creative ways to encourage better use of indoor and outdoor spaces
- Work to counter the negative reputation of the estate – a new image for Lawrence Weston – a festival/carnival
- Performance space, restaurant, cafe



A NEW IMAGE FOR LAWRENCE WESTON

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Action	Description	Who leads, who else?	Resources /funding	Timescales	How will we know it has been achieved?
8.1 Deliver a new community hub/health facility as part of sale of College Site	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set up a community building group • Agree site (clinic or college site) • Appoint project manager • Write business plan and project plan • Identify and secure tenant commitment • Pull together capital funding package • Design building • Agree ownership and management arrangements • Deliver new facility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ALW • Public Health • NP • NHS Bristol • BCC (Property and Community Buildings) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital Receipt • CIL • Section 106 • Partner funding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2013 by 2018 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New building delivered
8.2 Secure future of Youth Centre for the next three to five years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secure commitment from BCC to hold off disposal of Youth Centre for three/five years • Create a "Youth, Education and Sports Hub" within the building to include: IT suite, Employment and training hub, Social enterprise development, Sports, Office and meeting space for local and city wide services • Ensure it is still a young people's building with open access provision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ALW • NP • COBC • Community Learning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lottery • BCC (funding for asset transfer of youth centres) • Learning Communities • COBC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2013 - 2018 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Centre remains open and new services delivered from the building. Services able to transfer to new community building 2018
8.3 Secure funding and on-going support for existing buildings and VCS organisations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarterly meeting of organisations running community buildings • Action plans for all buildings completed • Business plans and fundraising strategies developed for all VCS organisations – building skills/capacity • Partnership projects identified and developed including volunteer project (see section 5) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ALW and all relevant partners • Voscur • BITC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lottery 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2014 - 2016 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business plans and fundraising strategies for VCS organisations • Action plans for improvements to existing buildings
8.4 Identify resources to take arts /culture priorities forward	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact BCC Arts Development and Library service for support with exploring options • Identify funding opportunities and resources to build a local lead for arts development • Establish an annual carnival 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Health • Acta 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not yet identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By September 2013 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LW will have a fair share of the North BYL provision • Young people influence provision
8.5 Build partnerships to support arts development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make links with appropriate arts organisations in the city who want to develop new audiences and reach people who don't normally have access. Explore what they can offer in LW and build long term relationships • Develop established links with acta to explore what they can offer local people in the long-term to build access to theatre & the arts. • Develop arts and health link – opportunities for social prescribing • Make links with creative industries in Bristol and explore opportunities for training, apprenticeships and job creation e.g with Knowle West Media Centre, Watershed, acta, LW Farm • Link with Bristol City Council, Libraries, M Shed, Bristol City Museum and Art Gallery, Learning Communities, City of Bristol College 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Health • Acta 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not yet identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By December 2013 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Positive partnerships achieved. Local people and organisations engaged • Plans in place

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Action	Description	Who leads, who else?	Resources /funding	Timescales	How will we know it has been achieved?
8.6 Develop a programme of activities to promote engagement around arts activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify local groups and residents who have an interest in/are involved in creative activities Link with offers from partners and programme in activities, events, courses, ways of improving outdoor and indoor spaces in LW 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Health LW Farm Acta Juicy Blitz 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> September 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strong local group /network established. Activities taking place and influencing change in the neighbourhood
8.7 Build partnership to lead on sport programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bring together partners organisations who can deliver, influence and develop projects / programmes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC Sports BMX Club Access Sport St Bede's Public Health 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC Officer time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2013 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partnership and programme developed
8.8 Improve usage of St Bede's facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Audit – who is using the facility Ask residents why they don't use the facility Work with school to address barriers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC Sports St Bede's 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC Officer time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2013 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report and recommendations
8.9 Deliver doorstep sport programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set up and deliver a programme of doorstep sport delivery within Lawrence Weston at key sites to include: Sport coaching, Coach education courses, Volunteering projects, Activities for young people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC Sports St Bede's Learning Partnership West National Governing bodies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LPW contract, Lottery, other trust/ grant funding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Programme developed, delivered and evaluated
8.10 Deliver "Active choices programme"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create and develop partnerships with organisations in LW to deliver physical activity for health intervention projects – exercise referral, mental health, smoking cessation (see Chapter 5) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC Sports Public Health GP Practice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Future GP commissioning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2014 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project developed, delivered and evaluated
8.11 Promote walking and cycling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On-going support for walking group at the Rock plus targeted programmes to encourage walking and cycling with schools, play projects and volunteering 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCC Sports Rock Public Health Sustrans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Officer time Grant funding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2013 Ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluation
8.12 Create and deliver an Image Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop an "Image" project to help shake the negative reputation that LW still has in some eyes – link this with an annual event, newsletter, website, promotion of services, digital and printed map of facilities, heritage and nature trails (developing the NP area as a destination) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ALW NP Destination Bristol 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding to be identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2014 - 2016 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Image project developed, funding secured, project delivered.

1 Research and evidence

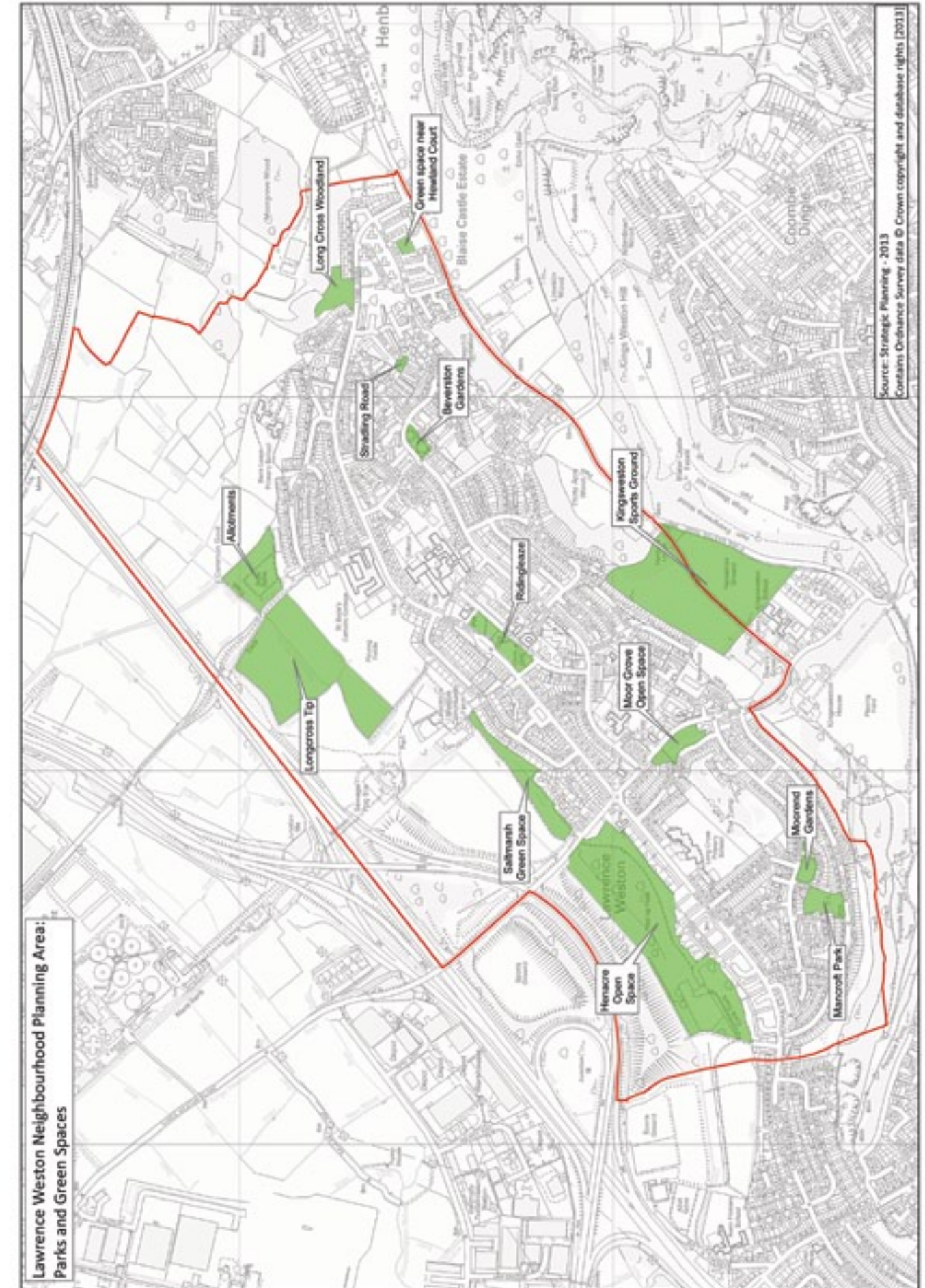
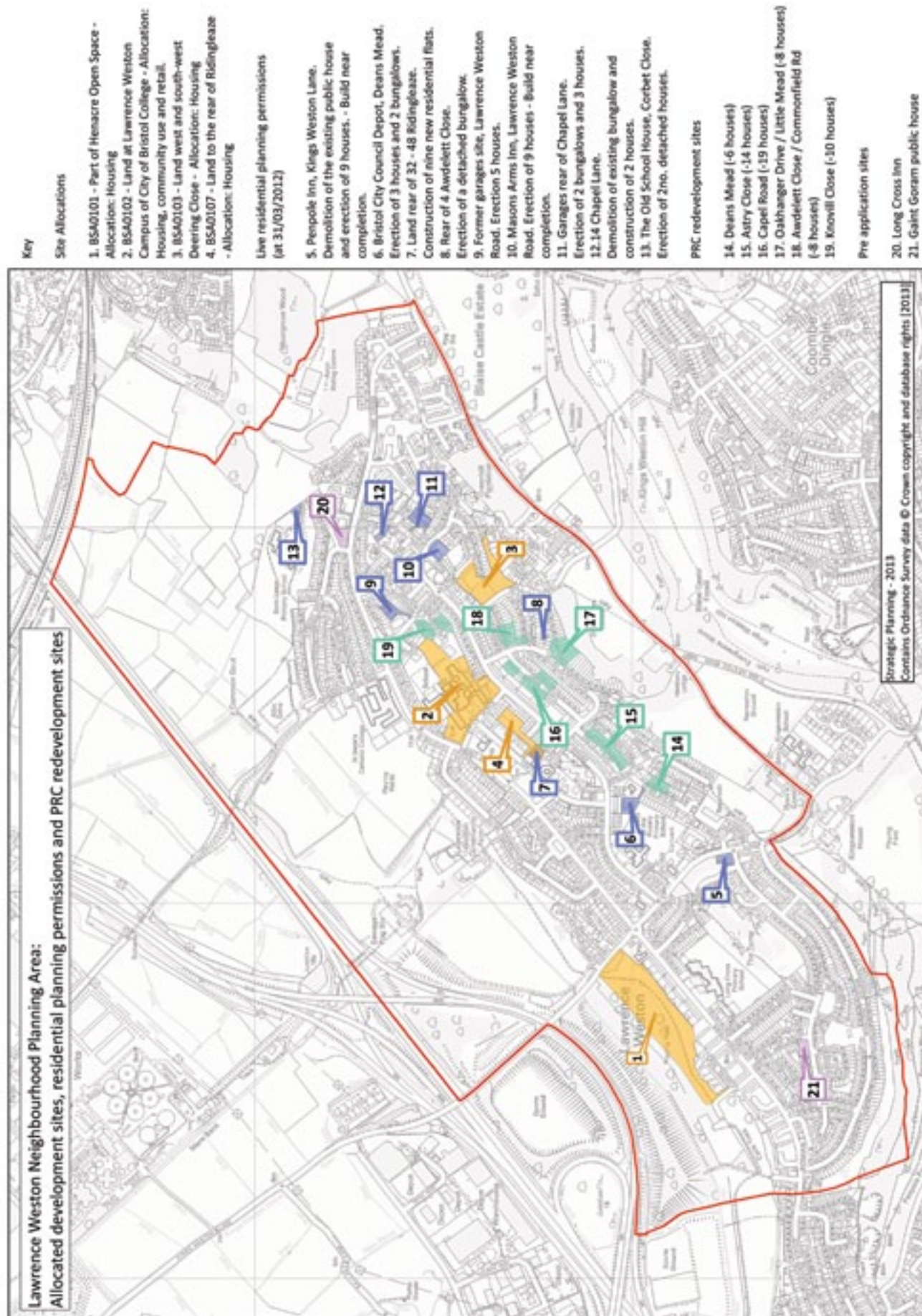
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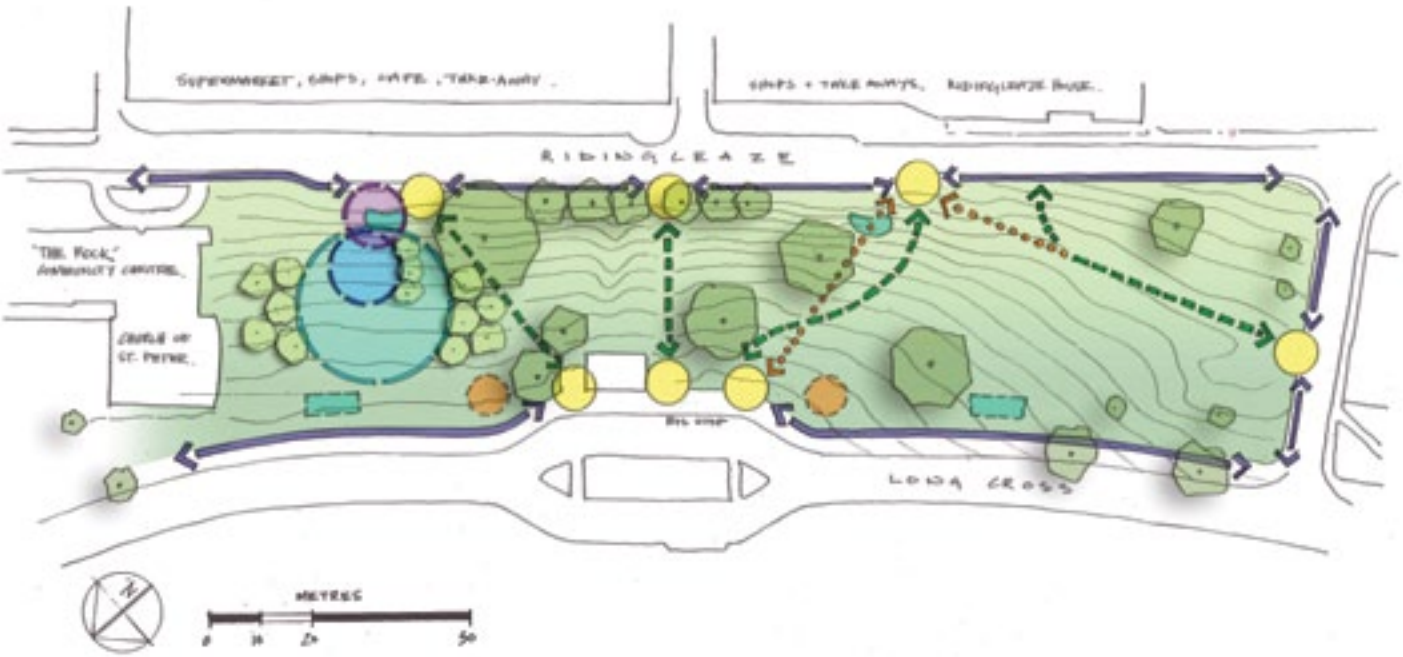
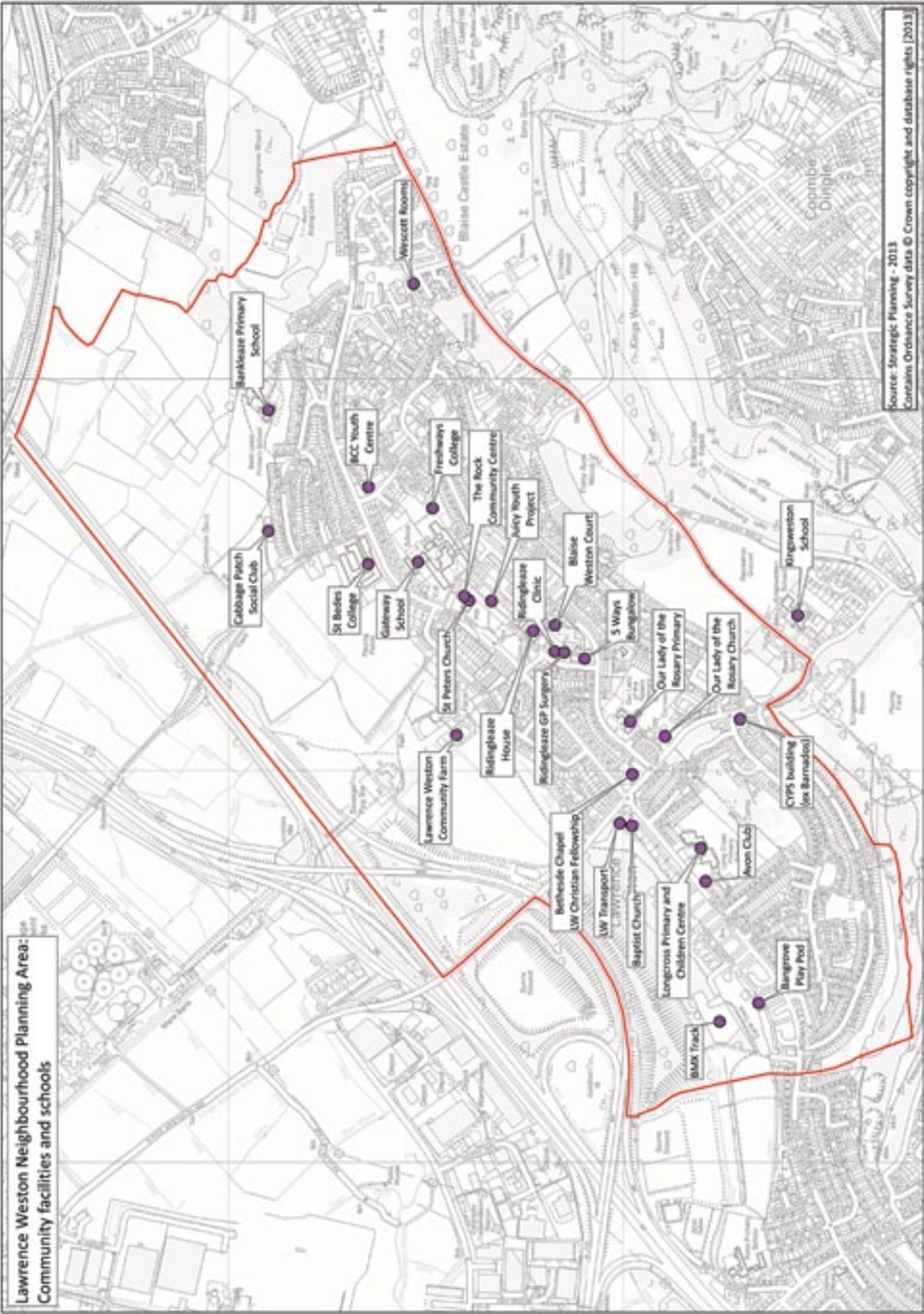


2 Acronyms explained

Acronym Meaning

ASB	Anti-Social Behaviour
BCC	Bristol City Council
BITC	Business in the community
BME	Black and minority ethnic
CIL	Community Infrastructure Levy
COBC	City of Bristol College
CYPS	Children and Young People's Services
EMA	Education Maintenance Allowance
ESOL	English for speakers of other languages
HCA	Homes and Communities Agency
LSTF	Local sustainable transport fund
LCT	Learning Communities Team
LWCF	Lawrence Weston Community Farm
LWCT	Lawrence Weston Community Transport
NBAC	North Bristol Advice Centre
NDT	Neighbourhood Delivery Team (Kingsweston and Avonmouth)
NEET	Not in employment, education and training
NP	Neighbourhood Partnership (Kingsweston and Avonmouth)
DA	Domestic Abuse
DDA	Disability discrimination act
LW	Lawrence Weston
S106	Section 106 (Planning gain)
SAF	Single Assessment Framework
YIP	Youth Improvement Project





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Bankleaze Primary School	Lawrence Weston Over 50's Forum
Barton Hill Settlement	Locality *
Big Lottery	Longcross Primary School and Children's Centre
Blaise Weston Court (Mears Group)	LWOOSA
Bread Youth Project	North 1 Youth Forum
Bristol City Council *	North Bristol Advice Centre
Bristol Green Capital	Oasis Brightstowe Academy
Bristol NHS	Our Lady of the Rosary School
Bristol Play Bus	Price Waterhouse Cooper
Bristol Port Company	Public Health, NHS Bristol *
City of Bristol College *	Quartet *
Cleanslate	Sansway House
Community First *	St Peter's Church
Curo Group	The Rock
Design Council *	University of the West of England
Gateway school	Vivid Regeneration
Henbury school	Voscur
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