

Annalong, Ballymartin, Glassdrumman, Mullartown & Longstone

Village Renewal and Development Plan

Addendum and Updated Action Plan: November 2017

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1. Introduction

The Village Plan for Annalong, Ballymartin, Glassdrumman, Mullartown and Longstone was initially produced in 2012. This has now been reviewed and updated by the community in conjunction with Newry, Mourne and Down District Council. The review has taken the form of an addendum to the initial Village Plan and should be read in conjunction with it. The addendum includes an updated Action Plan (see Section 2), which identifies which projects and initiatives have been implemented since the original plan was published and highlights projects which could be focused on over the next phase of implementation.

Ove Arup and Partners (Arup) was appointed as the consultancy team to facilitate the review and update of the Action Plan. This update has been facilitated by a stakeholder workshop. The outcome of this is an updated Action Plan which includes a range of projects and initiatives that we believe will have a real impact on the area.

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The Rural Development Programme uses the LEADER approach which adopts a community led model to assist rural communities to improve the quality of life and economic prosperity in their local area, through the allocation of funds based on local need. Village Renewal and Development is an important element of the Rural Development Programme.

The Village Plan is a working document that requires the support of the community and in many cases the community working in partnership with other agencies and statutory bodies. It is important to note that some projects and initiatives set out within the action plan may be subject to future feasibility studies and analysis, detailed design, landowner agreements, statutory approvals and available funding.

2. Implementation

This plan is designed to improve the social and economic fabric of the area. The Updated Action Plan provides an indication of the key tasks which need to be undertaken to progress specific projects. This often includes detailed scheme design, preparation of the business case and funding application, and in some cases further feasibility and analysis. The source of funding will often dictate the order in which tasks need to be undertaken, for example the Rural Development Programme expects all statutory consents to be in place before the funding application is submitted. There are potential sources of funding available for the projects and initiatives set out within this Village Renewal Plan. It is important to note that reference to potential funding is a guidance only. Other funding opportunities may become available during the lifetime of this plan, and all projects will be subject to appropriate eligibility checks, application and assessment procedures as set by each funding body.

The Updated Action Plan also provides an indication of the priority level of each project based on discussions with key stakeholders during plan preparation. Alongside this, a lead delivery agent and key stakeholders have also been noted. There may also be other interested groups who should be engaged during project implementation or those whose agreement must be sought, such as a private landowners or statutory bodies. It is also important to recognise that priorities may change as funding opportunities become available.

It should be noted that the progressing of a 'Village Plan' under the Rural Development Programme does not mean that the settlement or area, to which the 'Village Plan' applies, is designated as a village in the settlement hierarchy as identified in the current development plans that apply to the district (i.e. the Banbridge/Newry and Mourne Area Plan 2015, and the Ards and Down Area Plan 2015) or the Council's new Local Development Plan for the District, which is currently under preparation.



3. Annalong- Review of 2012 Action Plan

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1. Community and Youth Facilities										
1.1	Boxing Club	Boxing club	M	M/L	SNI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No action required 	Newly refurbished building behind chapel facilitating the boxing club.	N/A	N/A	No further action required.
1.2	Floodlit MUGA has been amended to a 3G Pitch, identified now as the priority	ACDA, NMDDC Sporting Clubs	H/M	S/M	RDP SNI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consult with NMDDC as landowner. Undertake consultation with NMDDC prior to submitting planning application 	<p>The provision of a 3G pitch is now a priority in place of a MUGA. The costing associated with refurbishment was an issue.</p> <p>This facility would accommodate several sports clubs.</p>	H	S/L	<p>Explore potential funding for the 3G facility and put in place management arrangements.</p> <p>Provision of a 3G pitch has been identified in NMDDC Sport Strategy as a Priority 2 and NMDDC can offer advice / support for a community led and funded scheme.</p>
1.3	Youth drop in centre - gym, pool room	ACDA, NMDDC Annalong Christian Fellowship	H/M	M	NMDDC, RDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assess potential sites/ existing buildings. Achieve any necessary planning consent and undertake economic appraisal. 	<p>The Bridge Project is the umbrella name for community projects in Annalong which have grown over a number of years. Currently a thriving youth programme (year-round) reaching out to disaffected youth in particular.</p> <p>The Adventure Leadership Training Trust have brought many mission teams to Annalong since 2015. The teams engage in a range of ministries which include soccer coaching, school</p>	H	S	<p>Secure financial support to develop the Village Hub.</p> <p>Raise awareness within the community and encourage volunteers to assist with project delivery.</p> <p>Develop programme of events and training courses to be provided from the Village Hub.</p>

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							assemblies and after-schools clubs. Plans are currently being progressed to take over the Old Spar Shop which would become the Village Hub.			Potential to provide capacity building sessions to assist community groups and other organisations progress (see action 1.5)	
1.4	Community Clean Up - could be linked to the programme of events in the Village Hub.	ACDA, NIEA, NMDDC	H	M	RDP, NMDDC, BLF, Live Here Love Here	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organise and promote the community clean up, focusing on one area of the village to begin with. Following this, the appetite to make this a regular event can be explored and developed. Important to make this a community event which encourages people to interact and socialise. It could be planned to coincide with another social event in the village. 					
1.5	Funding for Community Organisations	ACDA, NMDDC CDRCN	M	M	RDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The community pointed out that current VAT procedures make it very difficult for community groups to deliver projects, often making it unviable for the community group to take the lead. Provision of training and capacity building for volunteers / groups in project management / funding applications, VAT, governance etc. 					
2. Environmental Improvements											
2.1	Tree planting along Kilkeel Road	ACDA, NMDDC, TNI	M/H	M/L	WT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consult with Woodland Trust re-funding opportunities and TNI on feasibility of project. 	The initiative showed potential at time of conception, however there has been no noticeable progress in this area. Future maintenance was flagged as a constraint.	L	M	Engage with NMDDC and TNI regarding the maintenance issue.	
2.2	Traffic calming measures, signage and gateways	TNI, NMDDC, Community	H/M	S/M	DfI, RDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of feasibility of traffic calming measures. Consultation with TNI, road improvement works. Feasibility study, design work, statutory approvals, installation of 	Only change noted has been the alteration to the speed limit to accommodate the new housing development. It was suggested that TNI are not supportive of the initiative due to the volume of freight traffic.	H	S/M	Continue to engage with TNI to review the speeding issues within the village. Lobby TNI to implement the pedestrian crossing at the school in the short term.	

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						gateway signage and artwork.	Some signage has been upgraded. A zebra crossing at the primary school has been noted as an urgent requirement and will act as a traffic calming measures.			Develop the design for gateway signage and secure funding.	
	2.3	Environmental improvements to the coastal path: Provision of footpath, bins, seating, planting	ACDA, NMDDC, TourNI	H	S/M	RDP, TourNI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertake consultation with statutory agencies. Undertake design work to lodge planning application where required. 	No progress to date.	H	M	<p>Initiative to remain in plan. To be explored in line with the <i>Mourne Coastal Path</i> feasibility being progressed by NMDDC.</p> <p>Costal erosion has been highlighted as a significant constrain on the development of coastal paths.</p>
	2.4	Environmental Improvements to include the village square and other streets to be agreed.	ACDA, TourNI, NMDDC	H	S	RDP, TourNI, NMDDC, Live Here Love Here	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuation of work done to date in the village square. Source further funding 	Deemed a major plan within the village. Community organisation raised substantial amount of money for the scheme, however the project did not proceed.	H	S/M	<p>Lobby for a comprehensive Environmental Improvement scheme to enhance the setting of Annalong.</p> <p>In the short term, the removal of weeds etc. around the harbour and Cornmill area should be undertaken. This could potential tie in with the community clean up initiative. Explore funding for this through <i>Live Here Love Here</i>.</p>

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2.5	Anchor at end of Glasdrumond Road	ACDA	M/L	S/M	NMDDC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agree relocating anchor as part of a larger environmental Improvement project. 	<p>The Anchor has now been moved and is located within the marine park which will benefit users along the Mourne Coastal Route. Signage needed to illustrate the location of the Anchor.</p> <p>Some members of the community suggested that this is the wrong location for the anchor and it should be returned to its previous position.</p>	M	M	Action complete. Anchor not located at the end of Glasdrumond Road.	
2.6	Environmental Improvements to key streets (Main Street/ Square) to include undergrounding overhead cables.	ACDA, BT, NMDDC	H	S/M	RDP, NMDDC, Lot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertake further design work to update previous drawings. Resubmit to NMDDC for approval in order to access future funding. Consult with relevant statutory agencies. 	No progress to date.	H	S/M	<p>Remains a high priority action for the village.</p> <p>Explore potential funding sources to deliver a comprehensive environmental improvements scheme for the village. Encourage better maintenance in the short term - Removal of weeds etc. around the harbour and Cornmill area. This had been raised as an ongoing issue.</p> <p>'Live here, Love here initiative'</p>	
2.7	Shop front/ façade improvements, Main Street	ACDA, NIEA, NMDC	H	S/M	RDP, Lot, NIEA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consult with NIEA on design requirements with Area of Townscape Character and agree approach. 	Community approached owner of derelict building and there has been notable work recorded, one structure had been knocked down and rebuilt. £6,000 has gone into the initiative.	H	S	Engage with NMDDC and Department for Communities regarding the potential to fund and manage a shop front improved scheme.	

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						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare designs in order to access future funding. 	Latest request for funding encountered problems due to funding conditions. If the building is sold, the funding must be repaid (VAT issues).			
2.8	Sheltered seating at the harbour	ACDA, NMDDC	M	M	NMDDC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research potential designs in keeping with conservation area status of the harbour. Consult with NIEA 	The harbour is now officially closed. Sheltered seating to be reviewed as part of the Harbour Management Plan (Action 4.4).	H	S/M	Explore potential for future re-use of harbour as an enhanced public space.
3. Tourism, Leisure and Recreation										
3.1	Purchase of property for Tourist information centre/ Community hub facility	TNI	H/M	S/M	RDP, Lot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commission economic appraisal 	Plans / Designs have been drawn up and now awaiting planning approval for Village Hub at Old Spar Shop.	n/a	n/a	See action 1.3.
3.2	Refurbishment of Safe Play Area	ACDA, NMDDC	M	M	RDP NMDDC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design work on play area proposal 	There are two play areas in Annalong. NMDDC play strategy has identified a need to consolidate the play areas and complete an update on one following a public consultation process.	H	S	NMDDC to undertake a public consultation process on the recommendation for play provision within the Council's Play Strategy.
3.3	Refurbishment of Cornmill	ACDA/ ARG, NMDC, TOURISN NI	H	S	RDP, TOURISN NI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Further work on Cornmill restoration. Funding sourced 	Complete. The mill is now a major exhibition. It has received £4m in funding through the Mourne Heritage Trust.	n/a	n/a	No further action required.

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3.4	Promotion of Heritage exhibition	ACDA, TOURISN NI	H/M	S/M	TOURISN NI, NMDDC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consultation with NMDDC and TOURISN NI on how heritage exhibition can be promoted more effectively. 	Initiative complete.	n/a	n/a	No further action required.
3.5	Tourist parking, Shore Road	ACDA/ ARG, Priv, RS	M	M	TOURISN NI, RS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Begin discussions with landowner on potential to acquire land. 	Land reclaimed at Tipp's Head. The site had also been sold with planning permission. Plans proposed for apartments.	M	M	Lobby appropriate statutory bodies in relation potential tourist parking along Shore Road.
3.6	Marine Park Cultural Centre	Lower Mourne Gaelic League, NMMDC	H	M	Ciste	<p>Lower Mourne Gaelic League currently lease the Marine Park for cultural and Irish language activities under a social enterprise arrangement.</p> <p>Due to demand on service, the group have identified a need to extend the Marine Park building for expanding the service offering (storage and function room). (Extension subject to T&C of lease agreement).</p>				
4. Infrastructure and Services										
4.1	Granite replacement bridge at Cornmill	ACDA, NMDDC	H/M	M	NMDDC, RDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare Bridge design. Undertake consultation with Local Planning Authority prior to submitting Planning Application 	No progress to date.	H	M	Initiative to remain in plan.
4.2	Dev Site, Main Street	Priv	M	M/L	Priv	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site currently being marketed for sale. Development dependant on market conditions. 	No progress to date.	M	M	Initiative to remain in plan.

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4.3	Maintenance & upkeep of the harbour – dredging/ upkeep of harbour gate	NMDDC, ACDA	H/M	S	NMDDC, RDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consult with NMDDC on a management plan for the harbour 	It was highlighted that odour / vermin was a major issue associated with the harbour, in particular for local businesses.	H	S	See action 4.4.
4.4	Harbour Plan	NMDDC, ACDA, NIEA, TOURISN NI	H	M/L	RDP	<p>Develop a comprehensive management and future development plan for the harbour. This should explore the future economic development of harbour and consider the following package of works:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparation of a management plan to consider the health and safety concerns around the Harbour (odour and vermin); Explore the possible redesign / replacement of the harbour gate; Dredging of the harbour and repair of the harbour walls. <p>It is estimated that substantial investment is required to undertake the main items of work required.</p>				
4.5	Lowering of Paving at mountain-side of village, opposite the side from shore	TNI, NMDDC, ACDA	H	S/M	TNI, RDP	There is a need for blister paving to aid those with visual impairments, as at present is a health and safety concern. Lack of funding via TNI.				

4. Ballymartin- Review of 2012 Action Plan

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1. Community and Youth Facilities										
1.1	Potential community centre	BCG, NMDC	H/M	M/L	RDP, NMDDC, Lot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessment of need, future management and viability within the community. Site/ building identification 	No progress, local GAA has plans for sports club which could facilitate this need, however still subject to funding.	H/M	M/L	Liaise with NMDDC and relevant stakeholders in relation to possible funding sources and next steps.
1.2	Safe Play Area	BCG, NMDDC	H/M	M/L	NMDDC RDP BLF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertake site selection and costing exercise 	This has been identified within the council play strategy. Site still to be identified and purchased to implement project.	H	M	NMDDC to identify a suitable site in consultation with the community
2. Environmental and Townscape Improvements										
2.1	Environmental Improvements to the Coastal Path: Provision of parking (including disabled), Footpath, Planting	BCG, NMDDC, TOURISM NI	H/M	M	RDP, NMDDC, Lot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Procure design work and consult with statutory agencies 	<p>Concern about coastal erosion and effect on the path.</p> <p>Explore options to protect path from erosion.</p> <p>Parking still required.</p>	M	M	Initiative to remain in plan.
2.2	New footpath. Extend from Ballymartin to meet footpath on Killeel Road.	TNI, BCG	H	S/M	TNI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consult with TNI on need for new footpath due to Health and safety concerns. 	<p>No progress to date.</p> <p>Possible potential to access both GAA and Youth clubs. Also explore potential to include access to caravan sites.</p>	H	S/M	Encourage TNI to undertake feasibility study to identify land requires ad associated costs.

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2.3	Better maintenance and management of public footpaths and verges. Improvement visibility at junctions, in particular the maintenance of overgrown vegetation at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ballykeel Court Scholl Road Valley Road 	BCG, TNI, NMDDC	H	S/M	RDP, TNI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consult with community in relation to key problem locations and liaise with TNI and NMDDC as to the maintenance of such an issue in future. 				
2.4	Ongoing environmental improvements.	BCG, NMDDC, TNI	M	M	RDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Link to Action 2.1 Liaise with community in relation to possible expansion of EI scheme to address alternative streetscape issues. Partnership delivery of scheme between BCG, NMDDC and TNI. 				
3. Tourism, Leisure and Recreation										
3.1	Tourist Information point	TNI	M/L	M/L	TOURISM NI, RDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assess viability and need for facility with TNI 	No progress to date.	M	M/L	Initiative to remain in plan.
3.2	Potential development of a play park in new development	BCG, Priv, NMDDC	M	M/L	Priv	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consult with developer prior to submission of planning application. Discuss community need with NMDDC. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refer to Action 1.2 New development complete Play park will be created on alternative site 	n/a	n/a	No further action required.

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3.3	Provision of 3G Pitch	BCG, NMDDC, SNI Sporting Clubs	M	M	SNI, NMDDC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore potential to create a 3G pitch at Annalong for the usage of multiple clubs in Annalong Ballymartin, Glassdrumman and Longstone. Provision of a 3G pitch has been identified in NMDDC Sport Strategy as a priority 2. Council can offer advice / support in a community lead and funded scheme. 				
4. Infrastructure and Services										
4.1	Traffic calming measures, signage and gateways		H	S/M	DfI, RDP, TNI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of feasibility of traffic calming measures. Consultation with RS, road improvement works. Feasibility study, design work, statutory approvals, installation of gateway signage and artwork. 	No progress in relation to traffic calming measures. Car parking is deemed insufficient at the school and chapel. New parking is required.	H	S	Encourage TNI to assess the required traffic calming measures. Consult further with private landowners and NMDDC in relation to insufficient parking, aim to identify potential sites.
4.2	Improvements to sewage system	NIW, BCG	H	S/M	NIW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consult with NI Water on the issues which need to be addressed 	Project now complete.	n/a	n/a	No further action required.
4.3	Upgrade main road through village of Ballymartin.	TNI, BCG, NMDDC	H	M	TNI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community consultation to agree upgrades required. Engage with TNI in relation to design, feasibility and potential implementation of such measures. 				
4.4	Bus stop at Chapel stop	BCG, TNI, NMDCC	M	M	TNI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore potential location and feasibility of this initiative with TNI. 				

5. Glasdrumman / Mullartown- Review of 2012 Action Plan

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1. Community and Youth Facilities											
1.1	Utilise school for evening classes	SELB, GMCA	H/M	S/M	RDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consult with school and Education Board on using school facilities for community use. 	Progress noted that community now use the school.	n/a	n/a	No further action required.	
1.2	Bus stop and shelter	Translink TNI, GMCA	M	M	TL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consultation with Translink on need to upgrade bus stop 	No progress to date.	H	L	Commence consultation. Project to remain in plan.	
1.3	Provision of 2 portable classrooms for. Youth Group, to include a gym / Youth Group facility	Community, NMDDC, Private Landowners	M	M	RDP Big Lottery Sport NI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Purchase and secure sites Secure planning permission Explore potential pathways for funding 					
2. Environmental and Townscape Improvements											
2.1	Traffic calming measures, signage and gateways	TNI NMDDC GMCA	H	S/M	TNI, RDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of feasibility of traffic calming measures. Consultation with TNI, road improvement works. Feasibility study, design work, statutory approvals, installation of gateway signage and artwork. 	No progress noted. A strong flow of traffic is an issue.	H	S/M	Explore potential for 30 mph speed limit. Continue further consultation. Project to remain a high priority within the plan.	
2.2	Widened footpaths and	TNI NMDDC	H	S/M	TNI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertake consultation with Transport NI regarding health and safety concerns 	Cutting carried out once, more needed however due to dangerous levels. No footpath has been widened forcing	H	S	Raise issues at DEA Forum due to the safety issue surrounding accessibility.	

		vegetation cut back						people to have to walk on road.			
	2.3	Crossing points	TNI, NMDDC, GMCA	H	S/M	TNI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertake consultation with TNI 	Road crossing points currently located in the middle of settlement. No urgent need to address.	L	M	Continue to monitor situation.
	2.4	Environmental Improvements to footpaths	TNI, GMCA	M/H	M	TNI, RDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Procure design work, consult with statutory agencies 	Flowerbeds have now been added along with light from shops.	H	S	<p>Project to remain a high priority in plan.</p> <p>Explore potential funding sources to provide a comprehensive scheme of environmental improvements.</p>
3. Tourism, Leisure and Recreation											
	3.1	Coastline path between Glassdrumman and Annalong	TNI Private Landowners MHT Community Associations	H/M	M	TOURISN NI, RDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertake land ownership exercise and feasibility of potential path routes and costs. 	No path up to Springwell from Dunmore.	H	M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate land ownership Undertake feasibility study Identify funding Explore potential linkage to Mourne Coastal Pathway
4. Infrastructure and Services											
	4.1	Address Flooding (Glassdrummon Road (A2))	NIEA, RA, NMDDC, TNI	M	M/L	TNI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate drain cleaning. Consult with the relevant statutory bodies over this issue. 				

6. Longstone - Review of 2012 Action Plan

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	1.1	Utilise school for evening classes	LCG, SELB	H/M	S/M	RDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consult with school and Education Board on using school facilities for community use. 	During public consultation, it was noted that there wasn't enough space within the school, leading to the use of the community hall as an alternative. There has been progress, but further services are needed. Attendance is an issue with low numbers attending the classes. It was expressed that an upgrade to the kitchen was required.	H-M	S	Engage with community to explore opportunities to increase attendance such as village wide evening classes. Liaise with LCG, NMDDC & Education Authority in relation to solutions to upgrade either the school or community hall once attendance improves.
	1.2	Improvement to community facilities	NMDDC, SELB, LCG	M	M	RDP Big Lottery Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Due to the current level of community facility provision, explore the potential to build upon Action 1.1 Current provision is prohibiting community cohesion and development. Any improvement to community facilities should be done in consultation with the local community. Explore feasibility of installing solar panels at community buildings to reduced running costs and improve sustainability of the facilities. New kitchen & Facilities at Community Hall - Consult with community on more detailed intentions in relation to upgrading facilities. Feasibility study, design work, statutory approvals and installation. 				
	1.3	Explore potential to develop Hall at GAA Club as cross-community and inter-generational facility.	LCG, PLO.	H	S	P4P Sport NI Big Lottery Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engage with all groups in the community to explore potential for such a facility at the GAA Club. Consult with relevant stakeholders. Possible alignment with Highway to Health and Building Better Lives programmes. 				

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1.4	Develop Men's and Women's Sheds	LCG	H	S	RDP Big Lottery	Explore possible feasibility & installation of porta cabins outside of the village hall. If deemed feasible and funding is available, establish a potential design and layout for the cabins. Feasibility study, design work, statutory approvals and installation.					
2. Environmental and Townscape Improvements											
2.1	Traffic calming measures, signage and gateways	TNI	H	S/M	TNI, RDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of feasibility of traffic calming measures. Consultation with Transport NI, road improvement works. Feasibility study, design work, statutory approvals, installation of gateway signage and artwork. 	This has not been achieved. It had been raised that there were a lack of road markings and signage for key areas of the village (School & Clubs etc.).	H	S-M	Consult with TNI regarding possible services to alleviate issues. Develop a list of TNI issues to be raised at the DEA forum.	
2.2	Environmental improvements to footpaths	LCG, NMDDC, TNI	M	M	TNI, RDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Procure design work and consult with statutory agencies 	At present, there is no footpath leading to the school. Also, there has been no progress on environmental improvements.	H	S	Initiative to remain a high priority in the plan. Explore funding to implement a comprehensive suite of environmental improvements.	
3. Tourism, Leisure and Recreation											
3.1	Tourism – Long Stone	TNI, NMDDC	M	M	TOURISM NI, RDP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare detailed drawing of new signage, gateway artwork/ displays for planning application 	No progress to date. There is only one sign within Longstone and two trees, two of which are damaged and in need of repair.	H	S	Explore potential for wayfinding signage throughout the village. Also explore the possibility to develop public art work with the local school.	
3.2	Additional pitch/ play areas	LGAA,	M	M	Lot, RDP,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Responsibility of Longstone GAA to source funding for new pitch 	No progression noted. There had been discussions to aim to achieve this initiative, however planning permission had been refused due to access issues regarding emergency vehicles.	M-H	M	The existing pitch is at overcapacity and is extensively used. Explore potential site / land for a new full-sized pitch and associated play	

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							Play Area is not a priority within current NMDDC Play Strategy, however an initiative can be taken forward as a community led project.			areas to cater for younger population and school. Carry out feasibility study, detailed design and costings. Engage with NMDDC at an early stage to ensure appropriate siting.
4. Infrastructure and Services										
4.1	Improved street lighting	LCG, TNI	H	S/M	TNI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consult with Transport NI on the issues which need to be addressed 	No progress yet. No installation of lighting which has impinged on the development of the walking club.	H	S	Consult with TNI regarding this issue. Collaboration and engagement with community walking club is vital to ensure best options are highlighted.
4.2	Improvements to public transport	TL, LCG, NMDDC	H/M	M	TL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consult with Translink on required improvements 	No progress. A petition had been compiled for a Mourne Rambler bus however no progress to date.	H	S	Bring forward this issue to DEA Forum and consult further with Translink regarding the initiative.
4.3	Flooding Alleviation	TNI, NMDDC, LCG, NIEA, RA	M	M	TNI, RDP, NMDDC	Establish key actions areas such as Longstone Road, Stewarts Road and Ballymartin Road. Investigate topography and drainage performance of sites and engage with TNI regarding the issue.				

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