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001 LOWER STOUR VALLEY

Project Ref:		Project Name:	
001		Lower Stour Valley	
Project Description:			
<p>This project is the development of a strategy for the river Stour and its floodplain from Sturminster Marshall to Christchurch. It would be an exemplar of sustainable land management and would be a flagship resource. Key aspects are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of an accessible route for walking / cycling and to interlink communities in a sustainable way. • Encourage access to / sustainable development of existing 'hubs' (recreational facilities, greenspace, visitor centres, etc). • To encourage multifunctionality of use via provision of public footpaths, cycle routes, access to river, flood attenuation and biodiversity / landscape enhancements. 			
Relevant Strategic Objectives:		Relevant Framework Opportunity:	
To work in partnership to deliver multi-functional green infrastructure	√	The Coast and Harbours	
To improve health and well-being, reduce inequality & encourage community participation	√	Active Travel Network	√
To strengthen the competitive advantages of South East Dorset's economy	√	River Valleys	√
To prepare for climate change through mitigation & adaptation	√	Urban Greening Zone	√
To conserve and enhance the unique natural environment & to maximise the positive contribution of economic and housing growth	√	Habitat Restoration Zones	√
To create and manage sustainable places informed by local people & local character	√	Coast – A Year Round Destination	
		Active Travel Routes	√
		Water & Flood Management	√
		Greening the Urban Environment	√
		Green Space Creation & Enhancement	√
		Habitat Creation & Restoration	√
		Celebrating Heritage	
Other Relevant Policy / Programmes / Initiatives:			
Catchment Flood Management Plans, Local Transport Plans, Biodiversity Plans, Dorset, Bournemouth and Poole Multi Area Agreement, Local Authority Partnerships.			
Planning Status:		Land Ownership:	
		Multi ownership	
Proposed Lead Agency:		Suggested Partner Organisations:	
Natural England, East Dorset DC, Christchurch BC & Environment Agency.		National Trust, Forestry Commission, Land owners, Sustrans, PCT/NHS, Dorset Wildlife Trust, Bournemouth & Poole College, Bournemouth & West Hants Water, Dorset County Council.	
Indicative Cost:		Funding Opportunities:	
Unknown at this stage. The purpose of the project is to identify a strategy.		Funding Secured:	None secured to date.
Project Priority:		Other Secured Resources:	

High	Other Opportunities:	Heathland DPD. Developer contribs. LTP3. Community Interest Company. EU Life Bid? Lottery Funding? Environmental Stewardships. Sustrans. Groundworks. Landscape Partnership.
Long term Management and Maintenance Arrangements:		
Working in partnership between public / private / voluntary sector.		
Key Actions:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To open up new greenspace for public access, including clear well signed access routes. • To connect existing communities and 'hubs'. 		
Outcome(s):		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved infrastructure. • Increased levels of recreation. • Improved levels of health. • Increased biodiversity and landscape amenity. • Provision of flood attenuation. 		
Indicator(s):		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level of use (locals and visitors). • Levels of satisfaction. 		

002 UPTON COUNTRY PARK

Project Ref:		Project Name:	
002		Upton Country Park	
Project Description:			
<p>This project will provide new greenspace with outdoor recreation facilities to serve residents across South East Dorset. It will compliment the existing network of Country Parks, such as Moors Valley and Avon Heath and links well to the conurbation via the Castleman Trailway. The Upton Country Park project would deliver:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approximately 60 ha of newly accessible greenspace • Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace to alleviate recreational pressure from lowland heaths • New outdoor recreation facilities such as cycling routes • Improved tourism experience • Habitat creation adjacent to the Poole Harbour SPA, designed for wildlife and people <p>As this land is already in council ownership its development as new greenspace would offer good value for money and the land and buildings also present income generation potential to secure the land's future maintenance</p>			
Relevant Strategic Objectives:		Relevant Framework Opportunity:	
To work in partnership to deliver multi-functional green infrastructure		The Coast and Harbours	
To improve health and well-being, reduce inequality & encourage community participation		Active Travel Network	√
To strengthen the competitive advantages of South East Dorset's economy		River Valleys	
To prepare for climate change through mitigation & adaptation		Urban Greening Zone	√
To conserve and enhance the unique natural environment & to maximise the positive contribution of economic and housing growth		Habitat Restoration Zones	√
To create and manage sustainable places informed by local people & local character		Coast – A Year Round Destination	
		Active Travel Routes	√
		Water & Flood Management	√
		Greening the Urban Environment	√
		Green Space Creation & Enhancement	√
		Habitat Creation & Restoration	√
		Celebrating Heritage	√
Other Relevant Policy / Programmes / Initiatives:			
Heathland Mitigation DPD, Dorset, Purbeck and Poole Community Strategies, Development Plan Documents.			
Planning Status:		Land Ownership:	
Included in adopted Core Strategy as a Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace (SANG) Included in the emerging Site Specific Allocations Document		Borough of Poole owned land, part of which falls within Purbeck	
Proposed Lead Agency:		Suggested Partner Organisations:	
Borough of Poole		Dorset Urban Heaths Grazing Partnership Other local authorities – potential to run complimentary and linking activities such as cycle hire linking Avon Heath Country Park and Moors Valley Country Park	
Indicative Cost:		Funding Opportunities:	

Phase 1 - £500,000 Income generating opportunities to help provide revenue for future maintenance	Funding Secured:	£170k allocated from Heathland Mitigation Fund
Project Priority:	Other Secured Resources:	
	Other Opportunities:	Developer contributions from Hamworthy regeneration Investment from other groups and companies being explored
Long term Management and Maintenance Arrangements:		
There are a number of possible delivery options that are currently being explored:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct local authority management • Working in partnership with private &/ or voluntary sector 		
Key Actions:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To open up new greenspace for public access • To establish new recreational activities at the Country Park that compliment the network of Country Parks and key greenspaces in South East Dorset 		
Outcome(s):		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased levels of participation in recreation • Improved habitat quality and biodiversity at a key greenspace adjacent to Poole Harbour • Establishment of Country Park of sub regional importance that compliments other Country Parks and can accommodate high levels of use and activity 		
Indicator(s):		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of visitors • Visitor satisfaction • Increased income generated • Number of cyclists on key cycling routes from the town to Upton Country Park along Holes Bay 		

003 CASTLEMAN TRAILWAY

Project Ref:		Project Name:	
003		Castleman Trailway	
Project Description:			
This project will develop the quality and usage of this key strategic access route, which runs from Upton Country Park northwards to Wimborne and connecting on towards Avon Heath Country Park and the New Forest National Park.			
The Castleman Trailway could be a key access route that benefits Purbeck, Poole and East Dorset. The basic route exists but with some improvement to signage, promotion, community engagement and habitat enhancement the route could be far better used and provide a key greenway linking parts of the conurbation to the surrounding area and providing good accessible circular routes.			
Relevant Strategic Objectives:		Relevant Framework Opportunity:	
To work in partnership to deliver multi-functional green infrastructure	√	The Coast and Harbours	
To improve health and well-being, reduce inequality & encourage community participation	√	Active Travel Network	√
To strengthen the competitive advantages of South East Dorset's economy	√	River Valleys	
To prepare for climate change through mitigation & adaptation	√	Urban Greening Zone	√
To conserve and enhance the unique natural environment & to maximise the positive contribution of economic and housing growth	√	Habitat Restoration Zones	√
To create and manage sustainable places informed by local people & local character	√	Coast – A Year Round Destination	
		Active Travel Routes	√
		Water & Flood Management	
		Greening the Urban Environment	√
		Green Space Creation & Enhancement	√
		Habitat Creation & Restoration	√
		Celebrating Heritage	√
Other Relevant Policy / Programmes / Initiatives:			
Sustainable Community Strategies, Local Transport Plan, Local Authorities' Core Strategies and Corporate Plans (Poole, Purbeck and East Dorset), Heathland Mitigation DPD.			
Planning Status:		Land Ownership:	
		Predominantly Borough of Poole, Dorset County Council and Forestry Commission owned land	
Proposed Lead Agency:		Suggested Partner Organisations:	
Dorset County Council		Borough of Poole, East Dorset District Council, Natural England, Sustrans, Urban Heaths Partnership	
Indicative Cost:		Funding Opportunities:	
£250,000		Funding Secured:	Heathland Mitigation Fund £65k
Project Priority:		Other Secured Resources:	East Dorset Developer Contribution £45k Dorset County Council
High		Other Opportunities:	Canford Trust
Long term Management and Maintenance Arrangements:			

Management and maintenance undertaken by relevant land owning local authority in co-ordination with each other to secure economies of scale where possible.

Key Actions:

- Improved infrastructure
- Undertake practical conservation work

Outcome(s):

- Improvements to key strategic route
- Creation of links between strategic routes, communities and primary destination sites
- Improvements for wildlife along routes and links
- Increased knowledge of natural world will encourage responsible behaviour in all habitats including the heaths
- Provision of leaflets, information in electronic formats, interpretation and events and activities will encourage people to visit sites other than heaths

Indicator(s):

- Increased usage of trail
- Visitor satisfaction

004 CYCLEWAYS PROJECT

Project Ref:		Project Name:	
004		Cycleways Project	
Project Description:			
<p>This project will identify and prioritise for upgrade/implementation existing and new cycle routes between major employment centres, residential areas and green open space. These will focus on using green infrastructure corridors, primarily within the urban area to provide linkage to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the north and south of South East Dorset major employment sites at Ferndown and Bournemouth Airport areas of green space deprivation other strategic GI cycle networks e.g. the Castleman Trailway and Stour Valley Wareham and Upton <p>The project will:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Build upon initial consultation and engagement with local people to identify aspirations for such GI cycle routes; Determine the location, routing and type of infrastructure upgrades required; Provide outline designs sufficient for initial public consultation; Provide estimated costs and a prioritised implementation programme; and Identify funding sources and partners. <p>The project will need to take care to ensure that the location or level of activity avoids sensitive locations which could harm the integrity of Natura 2000 and Ramsar sites.</p> <p>It is important to understand that at this stage the project is a planning, not delivery project.</p>			
Relevant Strategic Objectives:		Relevant Framework Opportunity:	
To work in partnership to deliver multi-functional green infrastructure	√	The Coast and Harbours	
To improve health and well-being, reduce inequality & encourage community participation	√	Active Travel Network	√
To strengthen the competitive advantages of South East Dorset's economy	√	River Valleys	
To prepare for climate change through mitigation & adaptation	√	Urban Greening Zone	√
To conserve and enhance the unique natural environment & to maximise the positive contribution of economic and housing growth	√	Habitat Restoration Zones	
To create and manage sustainable places informed by local people & local character		Coast – A Year Round Destination	
		Active Travel Routes	√
		Water & Flood Management	
		Greening the Urban Environment	√
		Green Space Creation & Enhancement	
		Habitat Creation & Restoration	
		Celebrating Heritage	
Other Relevant Policy / Programmes / Initiatives:			
This project will also help to deliver the following policies and initiatives: Local Transport Plan (LTP3), Local Development Framework (LDF), MAA Green Knowledge Economy.			
Planning Status:		Land Ownership:	
The majority of works would most likely be delivered through the LTP3, LDF, Parks improvement schemes and developer led as a result of s106 / planning consent requirements. Some elements of infrastructure, for example any planned bridges, may require planning consent. This would be established by the project.		Whilst public highways, parks and open spaces are likely to form the bulk of the new cycle routes, some of the potential routes may require negotiation or even purchase of land from private or other public landowners	

Proposed Lead Agency:		Suggested Partner Organisations:	
Borough of Poole, Bournemouth Borough Council and Dorset County Council through the LTP3		Sustrans, District Councils, Major Developers and Landowners, Crown Estate	
Indicative Cost:		Funding Opportunities:	
£50,000 to cover desk based planning using GIS, land ownership searches, physical route surveys, preparation outline design including planting / GI issues, preparation of estimated Bill of Quantities and consultation		Funding Secured:	None at this stage
Project Priority:		Other Secured Resources:	None at this stage
High		Other Opportunities:	LTP3 / Sustrans may be able to provide funding towards the project
Long term Management and Maintenance Arrangements:			
Where the routes form part of the public adopted Highway Network they will become the responsibility of the Highway Authority to manage and maintain. Where routes follow Rights of Way it will be the responsibility of the landowner, supported by the relevant Local Authority's Countryside Access team.			
Key Actions:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set-up a steering group across the 3 Local Authorities and relevant partners to develop a project plan and secure the necessary financial and staff resource to undertake the project • Undertake a desk based study to identify opportunities for new cycle routes and begin priority assessment based on coherence, directness, safety, comfort and attractiveness of the proposed route corridors and value for money • Develop a prioritised hierarchy of cycle routes for implementation based on ability to increase cycle trips and access to key destinations (including GI and green open space) • Undertake site based conceptual design to determine the route feasibility, select the appropriate infrastructure solution, prepare outline designs and determine estimated costs • Identify potential sources of funding for implementing the proposals and secure funding for route delivery. 			
Outcome(s):			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased levels of cycling trips • Increased satisfaction with the provision of cycle facilities in SED 			
Indicator(s):			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level of cycling trips as measured by LTP3 • Satisfaction with cycle facilities as measured by the National Highways User Satisfaction Survey 			

005 ENJOYING WATER

Project Ref:		Project Name:	
005		Enjoying Water	
Project Description:			
This project is complimentary to the Environment Agency's 'Enjoying Water' partnership strategy. The aim is to stimulate the economic, environmental and social aspects of water-based recreation by maximising the potential of inland and coastal waters. The project will need to take care to ensure that the location or level of activity avoids sensitive locations which could harm the integrity of Natura 2000 and Ramsar sites.			
Relevant Strategic Objectives:		Relevant Framework Opportunity:	
To work in partnership to deliver multi-functional green infrastructure		The Coast and Harbours	√
To improve health and well-being, reduce inequality & encourage community participation	√	Active Travel Network	
To strengthen the competitive advantages of South East Dorset's economy	√	River Valleys	√
To prepare for climate change through mitigation & adaptation		Urban Greening Zone	
To conserve and enhance the unique natural environment & to maximise the positive contribution of economic and housing growth		Habitat Restoration Zones	
To create and manage sustainable places informed by local people & local character		Coast – A Year Round Destination	
		Active Travel Routes	√
		Water & Flood Management	
		Greening the Urban Environment	√
		Green Space Creation & Enhancement	
		Habitat Creation & Restoration	
		Celebrating Heritage	
Other Relevant Policy / Programmes / Initiatives:			
Dorset, Bournemouth and Poole Multi-Area Agreement?, Dorset Community Strategy?, Poole Community Strategy?			
Planning Status:		Land Ownership:	
		Multi ownership.	
Proposed Lead Agency:		Suggested Partner Organisations:	
Environment Agency		Natural England, Sport England, Dorset CC, Borough of Poole, Bournemouth BC and South East Dorset Local Authorities.	
Indicative Cost:		Funding Opportunities:	
Unknown		Funding Secured:	No
Project Priority:		Other Secured Resources:	
Medium?		Other Opportunities:	
Long term Management and Maintenance Arrangements:			
Key Actions:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development of strategies and joint working which promote sensitive water-based recreation 			
Outcome(s):			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing access to the water (including slipways and footpaths) are protected and enhanced and new opportunities provided 			
Indicator(s):			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retention of access to the water (no net loss); Enhancement of water-based recreation opportunities 			

006 GREENWAY, COAST AND CHINES PROJECT

Project Ref:		Project Name:	
006		Greenway, Coast and Chines Project	
Project Description:			
This project is aimed at managing and restoring the habitat, landscape quality, accessibility and public realm of the seafront, cliffs and chine's, encouraging sustainable eco-tourism all year round. Tourists and local people will be encouraged to take advantage of attractive and multifunctional cycling, walking and public transport links that connect the coastal strip, the urban areas and wider countryside. Signposting and interpretation will be improved. Coastal habitats and geological features will be protected and managed sensitively.			
Relevant Strategic Objectives:		Relevant Framework Opportunity:	
To work in partnership to deliver multi-functional green infrastructure	√	The Coast and Harbours	√
To improve health and well-being, reduce inequality & encourage community participation	√	Active Travel Network	√
To strengthen the competitive advantages of South East Dorset's economy	√	River Valleys	
To prepare for climate change through mitigation & adaptation	√	Urban Greening Zone	√
To conserve & enhance the unique natural environment & to maximise the positive contribution of economic & housing growth	√	Habitat Restoration Zones	
To create and manage sustainable places informed by local people & local character	√	Coast – A Year Round Destination	√
		Active Travel Routes	√
		Water & Flood Management	
		Greening the Urban Environment	√
		Green Space Creation & Enhancement	
		Habitat Creation & Restoration	
		Celebrating Heritage	
Other Relevant Policy / Programmes / Initiatives:			
Sustainable Community Strategies, Local Plans of Districts and Boroughs, Emerging Local Development Framework Development Plan Documents, Poole Core Strategy, Bournemouth Seafront Strategy, Bournemouth Greenspace Strategy, Local Transport Plan, Shoreline Management Plan.			
Planning Status:		Land Ownership:	
Coastal Enhancement Zone identified in Bournemouth emerging LDF Core Strategy, existing Local Plan policy zonings ie SSSI, green belt, cycleway network, open spaces, conservation areas.		Local authorities and some private ownership, depends on routes/links.	
Proposed Lead Agency:		Suggested Partner Organisations:	
Bournemouth Borough Council, Borough of Poole, Christchurch Borough Council		Natural England, Environment Agency, Other nature conservation bodies, NHS Bournemouth and Poole and Dorset, Private land owners, Public transport providers, Local Businesses	
Indicative Cost:		Funding Opportunities:	
Unknown		Funding Secured:	None
Project Priority:		Other Secured Resources:	Some staff time and remaining section 106 funding

High	Other Opportunities:	Potential EU Life Bid, Potential Environmental Stewardship Scheme, Heathland Mitigation funding, Volunteer organisations.
Long term Management and Maintenance Arrangements:		
Key Actions:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Habitat restoration of chine's and cliffs, expand grazing regime, interpretation and signage, improvement of public realm infrastructure. 		
Outcome(s):		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve SSSI quality and quantity, restore SSSI to favourable habitat, higher use of sustainable means of access including walking, green flag awards, quality of urban environment 		
Indicator(s):		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visitor satisfaction, numbers using sustainable access, more dispersed use of beaches, increased revenue, SSSI quality and quantity. 		

007 MOORS VALLEY EXTENSION

Project Ref:		Project Name:	
007		Moors Valley Extension	
Project Description:			
<p>This project is for an extension southwards from Moors Valley Country Park, which has the potential to link green areas together to make a north-south recreational area – with Moors Valley as a regional hub. It would link in with existing Forestry Commission areas of West Moors Plantation and Hurn Forest, with further possibilities of linking to Avon Heath Country Park.</p> <p>With the Castleman Trailway running east-west through the area it would allow good access to the Park from Ringwood/New Forest in the east and Ferndown/Poole in the west. It may also provide an off-road route from Bournemouth Airport, Throop and St Catherine’s Hill to link with the Trailway.</p> <p>The Moors River SSSI runs through the area; there may be benefits in a large part of the river system being managed as one unit.</p>			
Relevant Strategic Objectives:		Relevant Framework Opportunity:	
To work in partnership to deliver multi-functional green infrastructure	√	The Coast and Harbours	
To improve health and well-being, reduce inequality & encourage community participation	√	Active Travel Network	√
To strengthen the competitive advantages of South East Dorset’s economy	√	River Valleys	√
To prepare for climate change through mitigation & adaptation		Urban Greening Zone	
To conserve & enhance the unique natural environment & to maximise the positive contribution of economic & housing growth		Habitat Restoration Zones	
To create and manage sustainable places informed by local people & local character		Coast – A Year Round Destination	
		Active Travel Routes	√
		Water & Flood Management	
		Greening the Urban Environment	
		Green Space Creation & Enhancement	√
		Habitat Creation & Restoration	
		Celebrating Heritage	
Other Relevant Policy / Programmes / Initiatives:			
List relevant policy/programmes/initiatives the project helps to deliver:			
Planning Status:		Land Ownership:	
Moors Valley is designated as open space and recreation in the current Local Plan. It is located within the Green Belt, and an area to the north west covering the Moors River System is protected by a SSSI within the site. The Country Park is used for a variety of recreational uses, including; play areas, cycle routes, golf courses, steam railway and lakes. Facilities include cycle hire, Restaurant, Visitor Centre and Ranger service.		Moors Valley is jointly owned by East Dorset District Council and the Forestry Commission. An area to the south of the park owned by the RSPCA is due to be leased to MVCP to extend the area of the Moors River SSSI under the management of the Countryside Ranger Service.	
Proposed Lead Agency:		Suggested Partner Organisations:	
East Dorset District Council		Forestry Commission, Other– Amphibian and Reptile trust, Dorset County Council, Shamba caravan park	
Indicative Cost:		Funding Opportunities:	
		Funding Secured:	

Project Priority:	Other Secured Resources:	
High	Other Opportunities:	
Long term Management and Maintenance Arrangements:		
Key Actions:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refine the area. • Identify and consult all landowners/interested parties. • Set up working group • Agree design for area. • Consultation • Final design • Funding required secured • Partnership agreements • Work begins. 		
Outcome(s):		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creation of a large recreational area which will preserve this area for future generations and may help to relieve the pressure on more sensitive habitats nearby. • Improved non-vehicular access routes north-south of district, leading to fewer car journeys. • Increased opportunities to take part in informal recreational activities, with benefit of more people taking regular exercise. • Opportunities for new businesses e.g. cycle hire facility 		
Indicator(s):		

008 AVON HEATH COUNTRY PARK ENHANCEMENT

Project Ref:		Project Name:	
008		Avon Heath Country Park Enhancement	
Project Description:			
<p>This project is designed to enhance Avon Heath Country Park and create a strategic hub for an area of high conservation value and to mitigate the effects of an increasing requirement for recreation. It will link with Moors Valley Country Park in the north, the New Forest to the north and east and to Bournemouth and Christchurch to the south and east.</p> <p>The project aim is to provide high quality green infrastructure that mitigates pressures on the more sensitive areas of the site. This will be achieved by improving on the educational aspects at the park and creating a unique interactive educational / recreational facility around the Heathland Discovery Centre.</p>			
Relevant Strategic Objectives:		Relevant Framework Opportunity:	
To work in partnership to deliver multi-functional green infrastructure	√	The Coast and Harbours	
To improve health and well-being, reduce inequality & encourage community participation	√	Active Travel Network	√
To strengthen the competitive advantages of South East Dorset's economy	√	River Valleys	
To prepare for climate change through mitigation & adaptation		Urban Greening Zone	
To conserve & enhance the unique natural environment & to maximise the positive contribution of economic & housing growth		Habitat Restoration Zones	√
To create and manage sustainable places informed by local people & local character		Coast – A Year Round Destination	
		Active Travel Routes	√
		Water & Flood Management	
		Greening the Urban Environment	
		Green Space Creation & Enhancement	√
		Habitat Creation & Restoration	√
		Celebrating Heritage	
Other Relevant Policy / Programmes / Initiatives:			
List relevant policy/programmes/initiatives the project helps to deliver:			
Planning Status:		Land Ownership:	
Avon Heath is protected by the Green Belt, is an Area of Great Landscape Value (AGLV), and most parts are SSSI's and SAC's which are national and international nature conservation designations.		The site is owned and managed by Dorset County Council.	
Proposed Lead Agency:		Suggested Partner Organisations:	
Dorset County Council		Natural England, Forestry Commission, East Dorset DC Private Business Sector	
Indicative Cost:		Funding Opportunities:	
£250,000		Funding Secured:	£125,000
Project Priority:		Other Secured Resources:	
Medium		Other Opportunities:	
Long term Management and Maintenance Arrangements:			

Dorset Countryside (Dorset County Council's ranger service) will continue to manage the country park with the current aim to meet Dorset county Council's objective 3 "Enhance Dorset's unique environment." Funding is secured until 2018 for the habitat management/maintenance commitments on the site. The visitor services have the ability to generate income that offsets the overall running costs of the site and area.

Key Actions:

- Develop a "market first" pre-school based on outdoor education that links and compliment directly with the current educational provision at the country park.
- Develop high quality interactive play area based upon the natural environment on the park.
- Improve the infrastructure around the Heathland Discovery Centre to enhance and reflect the special characteristics of the Country Park

Outcome(s):

- Improve the conservation value of the site
- Improve the educational facilities on the park
- Provide a strategic conservation / recreational resource that significantly contributes to the local economy
- Increase the revenue from the visitor services.
- Provide a well run safe inclusive environment for all

Indicator(s):

- The habitat status is improved.
- A pre-school day nursery is developed to cater for 50 pupils.
- The play resource on the country park is redeveloped
- The area around the Heathland Discovery Centre is redeveloped

009 LOCAL FOOD, COMMUNITY GARDEN & ALLOTMENT PROJECT

Project Ref:		Project Name:	
009		Local Food, Community Garden & Allotment Project	
Project Description:			
<p>This project would be designed to promote, encourage and support a range of coordinated Community Gardens & Allotments across the SE Dorset sub region. The main aims would reflect the multi-functionality of Green Infrastructure and include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote sustainable urban gardening • Support local food growing for local use • Conserve and enhance local areas of green space for wildlife, amenity and wellbeing • Promote the sustainable use and value of public and private land • Promote social inclusion through horticulture and land management • Promote healthy outdoor exercise and healthy eating <p>Opportunities to consider small scale renewable energy will be built in where possible to increase the sustainable nature of any particular location or site. Opportunities to make these sites 'demonstration' projects e.g. for visiting school groups, will be explored as will opportunities to not only harvest but prepare local food onsite. A free tree scheme will also be considered.</p>			
Relevant Strategic Objectives:		Relevant Framework Opportunity:	
To work in partnership to deliver multi-functional green infrastructure	√	The Coast and Harbours	
To improve health and well-being, reduce inequality & encourage community participation	√	Active Travel Network	
To strengthen the competitive advantages of South East Dorset's economy		River Valleys	
To prepare for climate change through mitigation & adaptation	√	Urban Greening Zone	√
To conserve & enhance the unique natural environment & to maximise the positive contribution of economic & housing growth	√	Habitat Restoration Zones	
To create and manage sustainable places informed by local people & local character	√	Coast – A Year Round Destination	
		Active Travel Routes	
		Water & Flood Management	
		Greening the Urban Environment	√
		Green Space Creation & Enhancement	√
		Habitat Creation & Restoration	
		Celebrating Heritage	
Other Relevant Policy / Programmes / Initiatives:			
List relevant policy/programmes/initiatives the project helps to deliver: Direct from Dorset?			
Planning Status:		Land Ownership:	
		Target local authority and other public sector land first ?	
Proposed Lead Agency:		Suggested Partner Organisations:	
Community Groups?		District, unitary, Town & parish councils as allotment providers, Ground Work UK, NHS, environmental health officers, countryside and open space staff & rangers, 'Direct from Dorset', Community Supported Agriculture, BTCV and Dorset Wildlife Trust. Chalk & Cheese, Federation of Bournemouth Allotment and Leisure Gardeners.	
Indicative Cost:		Funding Opportunities:	
£70,000		Funding Secured:	n/a

Project Priority:	Other Secured Resources:	n/a
High	Other Opportunities:	Grants from lottery, e.g. Community Spaces funding http://www.community-spaces.org.uk/ and partner organisations
Long term Management and Maintenance Arrangements:		
Key Actions:		
<p>The first stage of the project will be to determine the opportunities and interest based on existing survey work and current on site initiatives. A wide range of funding opportunities will be sought to include NHS and lottery.</p> <p>Help and advice will be sought from key and other partners as well as The Federation of City Farms and Community Gardens http://www.farmgarden.org.uk/ which is a charity that supports, promotes and represents city farms and community gardens throughout the UK.</p>		
Outcome(s):		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An extensive coverage of Community Gardens/Allotments across the conurbation • Local production and marketing of 'home-grown' food • Setting up of a sustainable long term method to run them? 		
Indicator(s):		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Numbers of Community Gardens/Allotments • Setting up and operation of local markets • Management arrangements? 		

010 LOCAL OPEN SPACES

Project Ref:		Project Name:	
010		Local Open Spaces	
Project Description:			
<p>Small parks, play areas, or other open spaces (such as those which offer a refuge from busy streets or a meeting place), which cumulatively or in combination can support more significant strategic green infrastructure objectives.</p> <p>Whilst such open spaces would normally be a matter for local recreation strategies, their inclusion as a project here is intended to flag up the importance of integrating small-scale projects within a wider strategy so that they can contribute more effectively to the higher-level strategy vision and objectives. In this way local authorities can give consideration to how their local development frameworks or leisure strategies might prioritise local spaces based upon their contribution to the green infrastructure strategy. For example, a local authority might wish to prioritise the creation of, or improvements to, a local park because it:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • would provide a key link between strategically important facilities; • supports broader recreational objectives, for example by addressing local needs and thus reducing demands on other under-pressure facilities; • can help to deliver health or community priorities in areas of multiple deprivation; • may be capable of forming part of a larger strategic project within the urban greening zone which can address a variety of cross-cutting priorities. 			
Relevant Strategic Objectives:		Relevant Framework Opportunity:	
To work in partnership to deliver multi-functional green infrastructure	√	The Coast and Harbours	
To improve health and well-being, reduce inequality & encourage community participation	√	Active Travel Network	
To strengthen the competitive advantages of South East Dorset's economy		River Valleys	
To prepare for climate change through mitigation & adaptation		Urban Greening Zone	√
To conserve & enhance the unique natural environment & to maximise the positive contribution of economic & housing growth		Habitat Restoration Zones	
To create and manage sustainable places informed by local people & local character	√	Coast – A Year Round Destination	
		Active Travel Routes	√
		Water & Flood Management	
		Greening the Urban Environment	√
		Green Space Creation & Enhancement	√
		Habitat Creation & Restoration	
		Celebrating Heritage	
Other Relevant Policy / Programmes / Initiatives:			
<p>Adopted and emerging Local Development Frameworks (LDFs); Sustainable Community Strategies; emerging Local Transport Plan for Bournemouth, Dorset and Poole (LTP3); Building a Healthier Bournemouth and Poole – Revised Strategic Plan 2010-2015 (Bournemouth & Poole NHS – specifically in relation to promoting healthier lifestyles); Local authority leisure / open space strategies.</p>			
Planning Status:		Land Ownership:	
Saved local plan policies which specifically reserve parks and open spaces; adopted and emerging local development frameworks		Mostly public (local authority open spaces, schools or highways land)	
Proposed Lead Agency:		Suggested Partner Organisations:	
Local authorities		Bournemouth and Poole NHS / PCT	

Indicative Cost:	Funding Opportunities:	Need to explore opportunities for added value by co-ordinating investment opportunities (local authority leisure strategies; developer contributions; schools investment programmes; NHS/PCT funding towards the promotion of healthier lifestyles; LTP3 schemes)
Principally based upon enhancement of existing spaces – costs will be determined by local authority open space strategies	Funding Secured:	Developer contributions / open spaces strategy funding (dependant upon site and local authority)
Project Priority:	Other Secured Resources:	None
Low in terms of the Green Infrastructure Strategy, but priority might vary depending upon the added value it can bring to other strategies (this will need to be considered on merits of individual cases)	Other Opportunities:	To be determined
Long term Management and Maintenance Arrangements:		
Likely to be managed by local authorities as part of their recreation, education or highways responsibilities.		
Key Actions:		
Local authorities to consider how local open spaces can contribute to strategic green infrastructure priorities when preparing recreation strategies / LDFs.		
Outcome(s):		
Investment in local open spaces to be prioritised having regard to their ability to contribute to the vision and strategic objectives of the South East Dorset Green Infrastructure Strategy.		
Indicator(s):		
To be determined - annual monitoring of expenditure on local open spaces should be recorded against the degree to which it contributes to the Green Infrastructure strategy.		

011 WOODLAND RESTORATION PROJECT

Project Ref:		Project Name:	
011		Woodland Restoration Project	
Project Description:			
This project is intended to provide support to existing policies and projects which enhance ancient woodland and unimproved grasslands through planning policy across the area. It will provide support forest restoration of planted ancient woodland and the protection of individual and stands of trees of amenity and landscape value through Tree Preservation Orders. The ongoing identification of Veteran Trees and trees with heritage value will provide background evidence. Incorporation of relevant strategies within the 'Wild Purbeck' project.			
Relevant Strategic Objectives:		Relevant Framework Opportunity:	
To work in partnership to deliver multi-functional green infrastructure	√	The Coast and Harbours	√
To improve health and well-being, reduce inequality & encourage community participation		Active Travel Network	
To strengthen the competitive advantages of South East Dorset's economy	√	River Valleys	√
To prepare for climate change through mitigation & adaptation	√	Urban Greening Zone	√
To conserve & enhance the unique natural environment & to maximise the positive contribution of economic & housing growth	√	Habitat Restoration Zones	√
To create and manage sustainable places informed by local people & local character	√	Coast – A Year Round Destination	
		Active Travel Routes	
		Water & Flood Management	
		Greening the Urban Environment	√
		Green Space Creation & Enhancement	√
		Habitat Creation & Restoration	√
		Celebrating Heritage	√
Other Relevant Policy / Programmes / Initiatives:			
South West Nature Map, Joint Character Area targets, Cranborne Chase and West Wiltshire Downs AONB Management Plan			
Planning Status:		Land Ownership:	
List any relevant planning status eg.			
Proposed Lead Agency:		Suggested Partner Organisations:	
Natural England?		Forestry Commission/Enterprise, Woodland Trust, Purbeck District Council	
Indicative Cost:		Funding Opportunities:	Woodland Grant Scheme, WIGs, IPF, HLS
		Funding Secured:	No
Project Priority:		Other Secured Resources:	
Medium/Low		Other Opportunities:	
Long term Management and Maintenance Arrangements:			
Self sustaining following enhancement grants from Forestry Commission			
Key Actions:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draw together information on Ancient/Planted Ancient Woodlands, Veteran Trees and heritage trees. 			
Outcome(s):			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase TPOs and LDF/DPD planning policy to protect woodland, trees and stands of trees 			
Indicator(s):			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase in semi-natural ancient woodland and identified veteran trees with TPOs 			

012 HEATHLAND RESTORATION

Project Ref:		Project Name:	
012		Heathland Restoration	
Project Description:			
This project is focussed on opportunities for heathland expansion and in securing land adjacent to heathlands which will allow the species and habitats to be more robust against urban related pressures and predicted changes in climate. Incorporation of relevant strategies within the 'Wild Purbeck' project.			
Relevant Strategic Objectives:		Relevant Framework Opportunity:	
To work in partnership to deliver multi-functional green infrastructure	√	The Coast and Harbours	
To improve health and well-being, reduce inequality & encourage community participation	√	Active Travel Network	
To strengthen the competitive advantages of South East Dorset's economy	√	River Valleys	
To prepare for climate change through mitigation & adaptation	√	Urban Greening Zone	√
To conserve & enhance the unique natural environment & to maximise the positive contribution of economic & housing growth	√	Habitat Restoration Zones	√
To create and manage sustainable places informed by local people & local character	√	Coast – A Year Round Destination	
		Active Travel Routes	
		Water & Flood Management	
		Greening the Urban Environment	√
		Green Space Creation & Enhancement	√
		Habitat Creation & Restoration	√
		Celebrating Heritage	
Other Relevant Policy / Programmes / Initiatives:			
Draft Joint Heathlands DPD, DPD Core Strategies			
Planning Status:		Land Ownership:	
List any relevant planning status		Land ownership or lease details	
Proposed Lead Agency:		Suggested Partner Organisations:	
Natural England		RSPB, DWT, ARC, Local Authorities	
Indicative Cost:		Funding Opportunities:	
		Funding Secured:	Dorset Urban Heaths Grazing Partnership, Interim Planning Framework
Project Priority:		Other Secured Resources:	Access 2 Nature?
High		Other Opportunities:	Landfill Tax
Long term Management and Maintenance Arrangements:			
To be achieved through HLS and as appropriate developer contributions through S106.			
Key Actions:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased areas of suitable land secured for heathland expansion, and heathland support 			
Outcome(s):			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land brought into appropriate management 			
Indicator(s):			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Area of land secured and in agri-environment schemes/ or with developer funding secured. 			

013 URBAN STREET TREES PROJECT

Project Ref:		Project Name:	
013		Urban Street Trees Project	
Project Description:			
<p>To promote and carry out an audit of existing trees, to implement a major street tree planting programme and to develop sustainable mechanisms to secure their long term management.</p> <p>As a key part of the Urban Greening Zone, trees in towns play a vital role in the urban areas of south east Dorset in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helping to mitigate carbon dioxide emissions by absorbing and storing it via photosynthesis and by releasing oxygen. • Providing amenity, wildlife and aesthetic benefits and therefore promoting general health and well being. • Helping to reduce the urban 'heat island' effect by their evaporative cooling and shading. <p>Many trees in the area are over mature or in poor condition and this initiative will not only provide new opportunities for additional tree planting but a means to help ensure the long term management of existing stock. Areas in most need will be targeted first for new tree planting, which will focus primarily on native trees, and consider a variety of areas to plant from highway land and open space to private gardens and open space. By working in partnership, particularly with highway and planning authorities and the statutory undertakers, the project will consider the benefits of setting up a charity or trust to run the whole initiative based for example on the 'Trees for Cities' charity (see http://www.treesforcities.org/index.php)</p> <p>Street tree planting opportunities along major highways routes will be a key target and working with the Local Transport Planning team will therefore be essential.</p>			
Relevant Strategic Objectives:		Relevant Framework Opportunity:	
To work in partnership to deliver multi-functional green infrastructure	√	The Coast and Harbours	
To improve health and well-being, reduce inequality & encourage community participation	√	Active Travel Network	
To strengthen the competitive advantages of South East Dorset's economy	√	River Valleys	
To prepare for climate change through mitigation & adaptation	√	Urban Greening Zone	√
To conserve & enhance the unique natural environment & to maximise the positive contribution of economic & housing growth		Habitat Restoration Zones	
To create and manage sustainable places informed by local people & local character	√	Coast – A Year Round Destination	
		Active Travel Routes	√
		Water & Flood Management	
		Greening the Urban Environment	√
		Green Space Creation & Enhancement	
		Habitat Creation & Restoration	
		Celebrating Heritage	
Other Relevant Policy / Programmes / Initiatives:			
<p>List relevant policy/programmes/initiatives the project helps to deliver:</p> <p>Landscape/townscape character and Tree protection/management policy in Local Development Frameworks/Local Plans, Tree Council policy, Arboricultural Association company objectives, Dorset Wildlife Trust Greenwood & Veteran Tree project, Woodlink policy, SW Regional Forestry Strategy, Dorset Tree, Wood & Forestry Strategy, DCC Tree Policy, DCC Highways Natural Environment Policy, Local Transport Plan 3</p>			
Planning Status:		Land Ownership:	

Landscape/townscape character and Tree protection/management policy in Local Development Frameworks/Local Plans	Target local authority land as first phase followed by other interested landowners	
Proposed Lead Agency:	Suggested Partner Organisations:	
Local authorities and Dorset Tree Officers group	Woodlink, Tree Council, residents/community groups, schools & collages, Dorset Wildlife Trust, Chambers of Trade, Tourism groups, Statutory undertakers, NHS	
Indicative Cost:	Funding Opportunities:	
£200,000-£300,000	Funding Secured:	n/a
Project Priority:	Other Secured Resources:	n/a
High	Other Opportunities:	Grant aid to be explored e.g. Lottery
Long term Management and Maintenance Arrangements:		
Will be assessed as key part of Feasibility study		
Key Actions:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Condition survey of street trees and subsequent target setting (DCC owned trees audit complete). • Feasibility study into project management, identifying project funding, delivery mechanisms & programming. • A specific audit of highways within the Urban Greening Zone to identify renewal and new planting opportunities. • Assessment of maintenance and long term management implications. • Consider other greening opportunities such as green walls and other types of planting if trees not possible/practical 		
Outcome(s):		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An audit of existing street trees to include condition • An extensive phased tree planting programme. • A sustainable long term management mechanism(s). 		
Indicator(s):		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of trees planted • Resourced tree planting programme • Number/use of tree management plans • Creation of a functional & coordinated, sub regional/cross authority management steering/monitoring group 		

014 HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT LIAISON OFFICERS PROJECT

Project Ref:		Project Name:	
014		Historic Environment Liaison	
Project Description:			
<p>This project builds on the existing parish Historic Environment Liaison Officer scheme to increase coverage of this volunteer based scheme. The main aims are to develop community recording and celebratory events to encourage greater participation and active enjoyment of the historic environment. The use of local contacts and recording exercises will help to identify under-used areas for recreation of the historic environment. In particular, identify those areas and monuments accessible (either physically or visually) from rights of way.</p>			
<p>1. Historic Environment Liaison Officer Scheme</p> <p>The historic environment is an important factor in people’s enjoyment of the outdoors and their sense of place. This enjoyment tends to focus on a handful of ‘flagship’ sites, with consequences in terms of pressure on monuments and buildings and a reduced quality experience. The historic environment is all around us, yet few residents and communities are aware of the variety of historic buildings and monuments in their locality. The historic environment is a finite and non-renewable resource, worthy of preservation in its own right for the information and enjoyment of future generations. Advice is given and decisions are made on information contained in the Historic Environment Record (HER). A good quality information base is essential to planning and mitigation. Areas known to be weak in the HER are woodlands, heathland, river valleys and the inter-tidal zone. Recorded archaeology is patchy yet, where these areas have been explored, they have revealed.</p> <p>The parish Historic Environment Liaison Officer scheme (established 1986) covers about 50% of the rural county. The scheme was established to cover the rural parts of the county, and some of the smaller towns in Dorset have also appointed liaison officers (who may in fact be small groups of people, working together in a parish). There have been many expressions of interest from residents of the larger towns, particularly Poole and Bournemouth, but a way of accommodating this demand has not been found.</p>			
<p>2. Beneath the Trees – past landscapes in woodland.</p> <p>The archaeology of woodlands is poorly represented in the Historic Environment Record (a record of all known archaeological finds and features in the county, including historic buildings, upon which planning advice and local management decisions are based). This is because it is much harder to see and understand archaeological remains when they are covered in trees, and access to some areas of woodland in the past has been limited.</p> <p>Woodland covers the remains of past, open landscapes but also conceals evidence of the relatively recent exploitation and management of woodland – some of it within living memory.</p> <p>Aerial photographs and particularly LIDAR imagery provide an effective way of identifying monuments and buildings in woodland, upon which provisional interpretations and priorities for site visits and more detailed ground survey can be established.</p>			
		Relevant Framework Opportunity:	
To work in partnership to deliver multi-functional green infrastructure	√	The Coast and Harbours	√
To improve health and well-being, reduce inequality & encourage community participation	√	Active Travel Network	
To strengthen the competitive advantages of South East Dorset’s economy		River Valleys	√
To prepare for climate change through mitigation & adaptation		Urban Greening Zone	
To conserve & enhance the unique natural environment & to maximise the positive contribution of economic & housing growth	√	Habitat Restoration Zones	√
To create and manage sustainable places informed by local people & local character	√	Coast – A Year Round Destination	
		Active Travel Routes	
		Water & Flood Management	

	Greening the Urban Environment	
	Green Space Creation & Enhancement	
	Habitat Creation & Restoration	
	Heritage Opportunities	√
Other Relevant Policy / Programmes / Initiatives:		
Planning Status:	Land Ownership:	
	n/a	
Proposed Lead Agency:	Suggested Partner Organisations:	
Dorset County Council	Dorset Association of Parish and Town Councils, English Heritage, Local Authorities, Dorset Conservation and Design Officers Group, Forestry Commission, English Heritage, Woodlink, Woodland Trust, National Trust	
Indicative Cost:	Funding Opportunities:	
	Funding Secured:	
Project Priority:	Other Secured Resources:	
	Other Opportunities:	
Long term Management and Maintenance Arrangements:		
Key Actions:		
<p>For Historic Environment Liaison Officers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recruit liaison officers to complete coverage of the rural parishes. Training events and collaborative development of training materials re survey and recording of historic environment features, local documentary research. Feasibility study into extension of scheme to urban populations, identifying funding, delivery mechanisms, implications in terms of (for example) increased transport requirements. Building on the work of local liaison officers, seek to develop community recording and celebratory events to encourage greater participation, particularly active enjoyment of the historic environment. Use local contacts and recording exercises to identify under-used areas for recreation through the historic environment. In particular, identify those areas and monuments accessible (either physically or visually) from rights of way. Establish cycle of recording and monitoring of local heritage assets by local residents and communities. Feasibility study for identification, assessment of needs and support of small-scale heritage venues, through provision of training for staff and volunteers in, for example, presentation skills, event planning and management. <p>For Beneath the Trees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assess availability and potential of existing sources such as aerial photography, and feed into feasibility study for in-depth mapping (National Mapping Programme) of information. Recruitment and training of volunteers for field survey and documentary research pertaining to woodland lives, crafts and industries. Feed into collaborative development of training materials re woodland-specific monuments. Feed into information base to support decision making process at strategic, local planning and management. Identify areas and monuments of particular significance and sensitivity, with special management needs or suitable for wider interpretation and recreation. 		
Outcome(s):		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To increase the information contained in the Historic Environment Record particularly for woodland, heathland, river valleys and inter-tidal zone To preserve the historic environment for future generations To gain a greater understanding of archaeological remains in woodland areas 		
Indicator(s):		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> % of area covered by Historic Environment Liaison Officers Additions to the Historic Environment Record % coverage of woodland area surveyed 		