

How can we make Croft an even better place to live and visit?

First there was the Parish Plan Group..... then there was the Newsletter inviting you to have your say.... now there is a progress report, right here for you to see, updated quarterly, so you can:

- see what your Parish Council is doing for the village
- when they are doing it
- who is taking a lead in progress
- get involved

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Built Environment - Car Boot Operations	Monitor planning agreement	BDC and site operator to establish liaison group involving Croft and Stoney Stanton. Includes implementation of planning conditions e.g. Landscaping	CPC - Craig F	01-06-13		Planning applications and activity under constant review	OS
Built Environment - Character	Monitor planning permissions		Parish Clerk			Ongoing	OS
Built Environment - Conservation	Conservation area for old part of village	Work completed by Andrew Davies. CPC and Heritage Group to achieve a 'Local Heritage Area' (Designated Conservation Area) for inclusion in Neighbourhood Plan	CPC - Andrew D	01-01-14	WORK DONE BY AD CPC AND HERITAGE GROUP TO ACHIEVE A 'LOCAL HERITAGE AREA' (DESIGNATED CONSERVATION AREA) FOR INCLUSION IN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN	Consultant appointed 2015	OS
Built Environment - Open spaces	The Triangle (Common Land) on Arbor Road has an absent owner. – Requires ground and tree maintenance for safety reasons and appearance of the village.	Tree maintenance completed. Grass cutting done in part by resident neighbour. CPC in ongoing discussions with BDC concerning ownership and maintenance	BDC/residents – informal only CPC - Clerk	01-06-13	TREE MAINT DONE. SOME OS WORK ON BRANCHES. GRASS CUTTING DONE IN PART BY NEIGHBOUR PC IN ONGOING DISCUSSIONS WITH BDC ON OWNERSHIP AND MAINTENANCE	Under the care of The Parish Council pro tem	OS
Built Environment - Signage	Information on walks around the village	Heritage Trail posted to all houses in Croft. Post existing Heritage Trail leaflet on village website. To add Biodiversity subjects to village website http://www.leicestershirevillages.com/croft	CPC - Andrew D & Heritage Group	01-12-13	HERITAGE TRAIL POSTED TO ALL HOUSES PLUS PO PLUS ON WEBSITE TO ADD BIODIVERSITY ON VILLAGE WEBSITE FOR SSSI	Completed	Done
Built Environment - Signage	Themed signs to our facilities	Explore costings for Clevis	CPC	01-06-13	NEEDED FOR CLEVIS	For further consideration in 2016/17 budget	OS
Built Environment - Signage	Foot markers & footpaths (Sportsfield/Hill)	Explore/encourage usage and visitors to the village. Liase with Agg Ind to promote New Hill layout and future circular route around AI boundary.	CPC - Clive M	01-12-13	DONE FOR NEW HILL PROMOTE CIRCULAR ROUTE	New circular route close to completion August 2015	OS
Built Environment - Village Development	Village input of future land development and provision of facilities plus services	Production of a Neighbourhood Plan within the Fosse Villages South Forum Area	CPC - Clive M	01-09-13		Revised FVNP under way	OS
Built Environment - War Memorial	There is a need to ensure ongoing care for the war memorial.	Done. 2013/14 budget for war memorial pavers	CPC Mike R	01-02-14	DONE INCLUDING REPAIR OF POST. 2013/14 BUDGET FOR PAVING REPAIRS	Refurbished 2014/2015	Done

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Community - Anti Social Behaviour	Use of CCTV to tackle anti social behaviour and malicious damage to CPC property	To organize meeting with Police for guidance on most effective equipment and protocols for intended application. Liaise with Stoney Stanton PC who already have installed similar	Mike R & Greg T	01-06-13		For further consideration in 2016/17 budget	OS
Community - First Contact	Roll out of 'First Contact' initiative as a focal point for villagers seeking assistance	CPC support 'First Contact'. Awaiting further advices from County Association of Parish Clerks	CPC - Clive	01-06-13		Good Neighbours Scheme started 2015	Done
Community - Group relations	Establish what the village want and could support as facilities for community activities/groups	Village survey and Feasibility Report completed. Potential location for village hall / community facility identified.	VHFG - Greg	01-06-13	VILLAGE SURVEY COMPLETED AND FESIBILITY REPORT COMPLETED POTNETIAL LOCATIONS OF VH IDENTIFIED	Part of the Village Hall Project	Closed
Community - Groups and Clubs	The need and viability of a new Village Hall or Community Building	Village Hall Feasibility Group to meet to make a recommendation to CPC on size and functionality of new community building/facility	Greg T	01-06-13		Part of the Village Hall Project	Closed
Community - Police presence	Monthly crime figures considered by CPC	Monthly email newsletter provided by beat officer to end of 2012. To speak to new beat officer for continuation of monthly email newsletter to villagers	Beat officer and PCSO	01-04-13	ONGOING	Need to press the Police to provide these on a regular basis	OS
Community - Police presence	Local Community Police Officers regularly attend PC meetings.	Ongoing	Beat officer and PCSO	04-11-13	ONGOING	Not something the Police wish to commit to	Closed
Community - Police presence	Need for increased police liaison with villagers including young persons using village open spaces.	Provision of regular policing surgeries within the village. Support for frequent police attendance to village. CPC to work with BDC Youth Council	PCSO Katie Hudson and PCSO Alex Joules	04-11-13	LIAISON WITH ALEX JOULES AND KATIE HUDSON. CPC TO WORK WITH BDC YOUTH COUNCIL	Ongoing	OS
Community - Sports	Continued support of Croft Cricket Club's use of Winston Avenue Playing Fields	CPC to establish long term funding of rental payable by the cricket club. To terminate the existing lease at end of 2013 for a new lease to be agreed for 2014 onwards.	Greg T	01-06-13		Ongoing, club running costs continue to be an issue	OS
Community - Village Event	To continue development of community events following the success of the Queen's Jubilee celebrations	CPC to decide whether to support an annual Fun Day event.	CPC - David F	01-04-13		Fun Day is a regular event	Done
Community - Youth Facilities	Provision of a skateboard facility in the village	Group of villagers to formalise in order to seek funding streams with assistance from CPC Location still to be established dependent on construction and planning requirements for location on CPC land	CPC - Andrew D Village Group	01-06-13		Visits from the BDC Mobile Skate Park (visited in Aug 2015) seem to be a popular alternative	OS
Community - Youth Sports	Summer sports schools run at Winston Avenue Sports Filed have been successful	CPC to continue financial support for Croft children participating in Summer School	Greg T	01-01-13		Ongoing - planned for Aug 2015	OS
Community - Youth Sports	Increased provision sport and recreational activities for young persons in Croft	Subcommittee to meet with junior football club to establish a 3 year plan for increased use and financing of playing fields plus Pavilion facilities. To establish criteria and actions required for Football Association funding without the club having Chartered status.	Greg T	01-04-13		Significant increase in junior players seen in 2014 and 2015; good relations and regular contact maintained with the football club	OS

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Domestic - Communication	Need to ensure villagers plus other interested parties are kept informed as to Parish Council activities/ meetings/ events, plus other information advised to the Parish Council	1. - 2 x Newsletters per year and annual report 2. - Maintain information on the parish notice boards. 3. Maintain Parish Council Website CPC providing support with information to post on village website as an alternative to CPC website for improved dissemination. CPC support dual role of CPC and village websites. Notice board info maintained plus notice boards physically maintained. Newsletters OS - Frequency of delivery of info currently under review nationally as part of Quality Council criteria	CPC - Parish Clerk	01-05-13	PC PROVIDING SUPPORT WITH INFORMATION TO POST ON VILLAGE WEBSITE AS ALTERNATIVE TO PC WEBSITE FOR IMPROVED DISCEMINATION CPC SUPPORT DUAL ROLE OF CPC AND VILLAGE WEBSITES. NOTICE BOARD INFO BEING MAINTAINED PLUS NOTICE BOARDS PHYSICALLY MAINTAINED NEWSLETTERS OUTSTANDING - CURRENTLY NOT IN ACCORDANCE WITH QC STATUS CURRENTLY BEING REVIEWED NATIONALLY	PC providing support with information to post on village website as alternative to PC website for improved dissemination CPC support dual role of CPC and village websites. Notice board info being maintained plus notice boards physically maintained Newsletters	OS
Domestic - Open spaces	The Embankment - Though ownership of the site is unclear, the area needs maintaining for the attractive appearance of the village	Ground maintenance achieved on ad hoc basis with support of Probationary Service to end of 2012. LCC unwilling to adopt the land. CPC to take stronger leadership in grass maintenance. Target tripartite arrangement with Agg Ind and Heathcote Arms.	CPC - Parish Clerk Quarry Heathcote Arms	01-06-13	ACHIEVED OIN AD HOC BASIS WITH SUPPORT OF PROBATIONARY SERVICE. LCC UNWILLING TO ADOPT CPC TAKE STONGER LEADERSHIP IN GRASS MAINTENANCE	Achieved on ad hoc basis with support of probationary service.	OS
Domestic - Quality Status (now known As Local Council Award Scheme)	Ensure the Parish Council conduct their business in a professional manner	Progress towards 'Quality Status' for the Parish Council though in abeyance pending further guidance on Quality Council scheme.	CPC - Parish Clerk	01-06-13	IN OBEYANCE PENDING FURTHER GUIDANCE ON QC SCHEME	Local Council Award - Foundation Status to be applied for - Sept 2015	OS
Domestic - Standing items	Planning & Quarry Liaison Sub committee's Quarry Liaison	CPC to continue to participate in and chair liaison group	CPC - Clive M	01-06-13	ONGOING	Ongoing meetings between Quarry and CPC to include, blasting, dust and light pollution	OS
Domestic - Standing items	Planning & Quarry Liaison Sub committee's - Dust	Liaison meetings attended by Council members	CPC - Philip S	01-06-13	ONGOING THOUGH POSSIBLE MERGER WITH BLAST	Ongoing meetings between Quarry and CPC to include, blasting, dust and light pollution	OS
Domestic - Standing items	Planning & Quarry Liaison Sub committee's Blasting	CPC to participate in liaison subcommittee. Ongoing - though possible merger with Dust Committee	CPC - Greg T	01-06-13	ONGOING THOUGH POSSIBLE MERGER WITH DUST	Ongoing meetings between Quarry and CPC to include, blasting, dust and light pollution	OS
Domestic - Standing items	Transport & Road Traffic Issues	Partly achieved through Neighbourhood Plan. Cosby turn on B4114 improved with traffic lights 2012. Effectiveness of accident reduction being monitored by LCC.	CPC - Clive	01-06-13	PARTLY ACHIEVED THROUGH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN. CROFT TURN TRAFFICE LIGHTS INSTALLED BUT ONGOGIN MINTORING BY LCC WITH REGARD ACCIDENT REDUCTION. VILLAGE SPEEDWATCH VOLUNTEER GROUP COMPLETE PERIODIC SESSIONS PLUS PURCHASE SPEED ACTIVATED SIGN	Partly achieved through neighbourhood plan. Croft turn traffic lights installed but ongoing monitoring by lack with regard accident reduction. Village Speedwatch volunteer group complete periodic sessions plus purchase speed activated sign	OS
Domestic - Standing items	Cemetery, War Memorials, Kiosk and Allotments maintenance	Parish Council subcommittee to monitor and make recommendations to the council	CPC - Philip S	01-05-13	ONGOING	Ongoing	OS
Domestic - Standing items	MUGA, Sports ground, Fun Park and Sheep dip maintenance	Parish Council subcommittee to monitor and make recommendations to the council. Ongoing. CPC to establish programme for maintenance of Clevis land adjacent to highway.	CPC - Greg T	01-06-13	ONGOING CPC TO ESTABLISH PROGRAMME FOR CLEVIS ADJACENT TO HIGHWAY	For further consideration in 2016/17 budget	OS

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Domestic - Standing items	Traffic Speed in the village	Village Speedwatch volunteer team completed periodic sessions. Further session requested for 2013.	CPC and Volunteer Team			Ongoing, Fixed and mobile VAS signs plus occasional Community Speedwatch activity	OS
Domestic - Standing items	Liaison with Blaby DC	Parish Clerk to hold meetings with monitoring officer.	Parish Clerk	01-06-13		Clerk and Councillors have separate meetings with BDC on a regular basis	OS
Natural Environment - Grass mowing	Ensure the differing grass cutting regimes of various areas of public areas do not lead to the detriment of the village's appearance	Monitor area that are the responsibility of LCC, BDC and CPC. LCC and BDC budget cuts has meant reduced grass cutting frequency since for 2011.	CPC - Parish Clerk	01-07-11	BEING MONITORED BY CPC ON LCC CUTTING REGIME	Quality of grass cutting by Blaby DC, East Midland Homes is regularly monitored	OS
Natural Environment - Natural Environment - Tourism	Signage on walks/pathways and conservations areas	Telephone box heritage information point established. CPC to investigate greater number of village direction signs. CPC to consider village maps for posting on village notice boards and/or commercial premises e.g. Heathcote Arms	CPC - Clive M (Signage) CPC - Philip S (Kiosk)	01-12-13	TELEPHONE BOX INFO POINT ESTABLISHED. CPC INVESTIGATE GREATER NUMBER OF VILLAGE DIRECTION SIGNS CPC TO CONSIDER VILLAGE MAPS FOR POSTING ON VILLAGE NOTICE BOARDS OR IN COMMERCIAL PREMISES E.G. PUB	1 Telephone box info point established 2 CPC to investigate greater number of info signs 3 CPC to consider village maps for posting on noitce boards, in pub etc	OS
Natural Environment - Natural Environment - Tourism	Speedwatch 4 successful campaigns over the last 2 years to improve road safety in the village To provide improved feedback on outcomes the Speedwatch initiative.	Reported outcomes on CPC and village websites. Further session requested for 2013. CPC purchased Speed Activated Sign.	CPC - Andrew D	01-05-13	ONGONG. FURTHER SESSION INTENDED FOR 2013 VAS OBTAINED	See traffic speeds	Closed
Natural Environment - Quarry Liaison	Monitor impact of activities of quarry.	Coordinate dust and blast complaints. CPC and AI worked with villagers affected by Blasting during 2012.	BDC & CPC	01-01-14	ONGOING CPC AND AI WOKRED WITH VILLAGERS AFFECTED BY BLASTING IN 2012	See Quarry Liaison	Closed
Natural Environment - River Soar	Quarry and Greg Thurlow arranging clean up of river	Via the Quarry Liaison Group CPC to encourage biodiversity initiatives including a river clean up exercise in conjunction with villagers and Environmental Agency.	Agg Ind. - Graeme K CPC - Greg T	01-06-13	NOT CARRIED OUT. CPC TO WORK WITH AI FOR AI TO TAKE LEAD AND ROLE OUT IN CONJUNCTION WITH ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCY	On hold	OS
Natural Environment - Tourism	Heritage Group has produced a leaflet "Croft Quarry Village – village trail" Though distributed to households in early 2010 there is a need to make the information more widely available for use by villagers and visitors.	To post an electronic copy and contact details on village website	Heritage Group Philip S & Andrew D	01-06-13	AD TO ESTABLISH ELECTRONIC VERSION FOR VILLAGE WENSITE. COPY POSTED AT THE TELEPHONE BOX	On hold	OS
Transport & Highways - Cycle & Footpaths	Want increased usage of footpaths and cycle for movement around and through the village	<i>No action. For further review as part of Neighbourhood Plan</i>	CPC - Clive M	01-01-14	NO ACTION	No further action	Closed
Transport & Highways - Lighting	Potential unnecessary light pollution from the quarry site.	Quarry implemented some lighting changes 2010/11 reducing impact on village. Some light pollution continues. CPS to raise via the Liaison Group in recognition of reduced activities on site during evenings	Clive M	01-06-13	SOME REDUCED LIGHTING BUT LIGHTING STILL VISIBLE TO VILLAGE. CPC TO RAISE VIA LIASON GROUP IN LIGHT OF REDUCED ACTIVITY DURING EVEINGS.	See Quarry Liaison	OS
Transport & Highways - Parking	Parking in Arbor Road	Ongoing monitoring	CPC - Parish Clerk	01-01-14	ONGOING	Problem has abated but monitoring is ongoing	OS