



Brampton Area Parish Plan Initiative

For the parishes of Brampton, Burtholme, Castle Carrock, Farlam, Hayton, Irthington, Nether Denton and Upper Denton in the county of Cumbria

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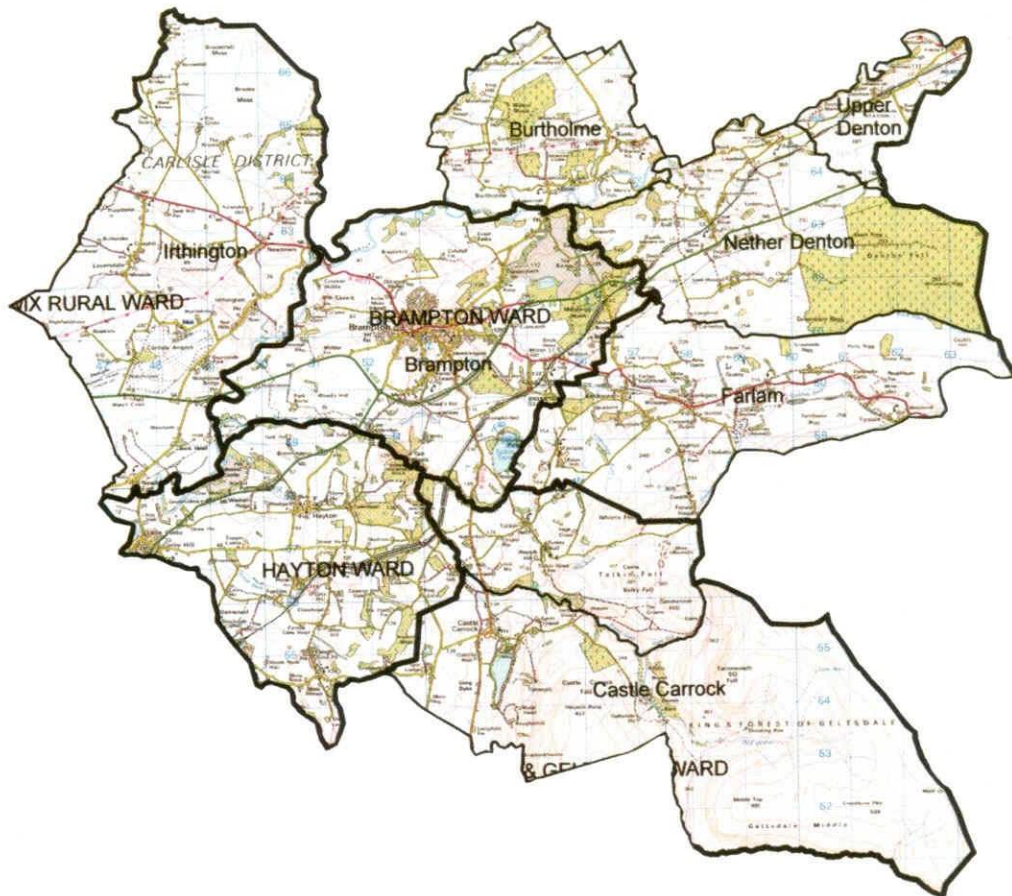
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Summary

This plan is a working document. It contains the recommendations you have made to safeguard and improve the quality of local life for all of us.

Consultation has been wide-ranging and included important services. In addition to all those who completed and returned questionnaires, our schoolchildren have made significant contributions to the Parish Plan as have our youth.

There are many contributors who have given their time freely to this project and we thank them for their generosity.

If you would like to get further involved and help implement one or more of the proposed actions just approach your Parish Council.

Some actions are of course dependent on securing funding and will involve the Parish Councils in developing practical working partnerships if the ambitious plans are to be turned into reality.

In this sense, although the role of the steering committee is now at an end, the work required to take the plan forward is just beginning.

Copies of essential documents used in compiling this report will be placed in the library.

Introduction

To help put the Brampton area into context and to help us understand and appreciate the "make-up" of the area, the statistics contained in the appendices are worth reading. They have been made available from The Policy Unit of Cumbria County Council, are based on the last census and help us to understand the dynamics of our environment.

There is plenty of research that supports the notion that good schools are a key influencing factor when it comes to where people live. The high proportion of 10 – 14 year olds is probably a reflection of the high quality of our schools.

There are also significantly higher numbers who work in education both in Carlisle and the Brampton area, but who clearly choose to live in the Brampton area.

The high proportion of over 65s is very likely due to the perception that Brampton is a nice place in which to retire, supported as it is by local amenities and key services, which have been identified in this plan, as well as lower than district and county crime figures.

It is possible that some further research will be commissioned to enhance some of the data.

Everyone living in rural communities have been given the chance to have much more of a say in the future of their own town or village through the new Parish and Town Plans scheme, backed by the Countryside Agency through its Vital Villages Programme.

The scheme gives every member of the community a real chance to become involved in preparing a Plan for the future of their parish. These Plans can cover a whole range of social, economic and environmental issues - in short, everything of relevance to the people who live in the area - in a single, comprehensive document.

The Plans set out recommendations based on surveys, research and widespread local consultation. But the Plans are also intended to help communities to make things happen in practice. **So each includes an Action Plan, with positive proposals on how to tackle the recommendations.**

Each parish is, of course, unique - with its own concerns and issues to tackle. There are some issues that you say are common to all parishes and you might expect the respective councillors to share strategies. So the scope of a typical Parish Plan is not limited or set out in detail - local people can decide for themselves what should be covered - it could be housing; local services; village halls; transport; local businesses; recycling; renewable energy; local green spaces and access to the countryside.

Parish Plans will link closely with the local development plans and can be adopted by the Local Authority as official "Supplementary Planning Guidance". This means that the Plans will have a strong and positive influence on where and how development takes place in a parish.

It is now over a year since your Parish Council Steering Committee started to work on a Parish Plan. Consultation has taken place with both local residents and with CALC, The Police and VAC. For a full list of those involved with The Plan, please see Appendix 5.

The plan is named the "Brampton Area Joint Parish Plan Initiative" and represents the interests of all those in the following parishes: -

Brampton



Brampton Parish Council consists of fifteen councillors and a clerk. It provides a wide range of services to Brampton through its part of the Council Tax.

Brampton is a busy Cumbrian market town situated 10 miles east of Carlisle with a population of 4,300. It has held a market on the same site for over two hundred years. In 1974 the town became part of the district known as Carlisle City Council.



Road Traffic has been a major problem in Brampton for many years. The main trunk route between Carlisle and Newcastle ran through the town until 1991 when a bypass was completed. Since then the town has faced new challenges and the town has become largely a dormitory for many people who now commute to Carlisle to work and shop. Three superstores opened in Carlisle and Brampton retailers have suffered. There is a weekly Wednesday Market and a monthly Farmers Market that serves the local community. This benefits the local traders by bringing shoppers into the town. Foot and mouth had a major impact and recovery has been slow.

Brampton Business Centre and Tele Centre forms part of the Irthing Centre and is managed by the Economic and Community Development Unit of Carlisle City Council. The Centre opened in 1998 and in 2000 was granted a Highly Commended Award in the BURA Regeneration Awards.

The Centre provides a range of services including:

- ☐ Community access to IT including Internet and e-mail. Access to these services is free.
- ☐ Certificated training courses delivered through a franchise agreement with Carlisle College.
- ☐ Two rooms with a total of 24 networked PCs.
- ☐ Eight managed workspaces/Offices.
- ☐ Meetings Rooms.
- ☐ Wooden Hut Arts and Crafts facility providing training and access to equipment.

Since the Centre opened, over 11,000 training places have been taken up. The Centre operates a staff of five. In addition the Centre has a pool of freelance tutors upon which it can call. In particular the Centre works in partnership with Pentalk, providing training to the farming community, the Cumbria Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Carlisle Housing association and the Rural Women's Network.

The Centre has a Forward Plan that aims to link the activities of the Centre to ensure that it delivers elements of the regeneration agenda for rural Carlisle.

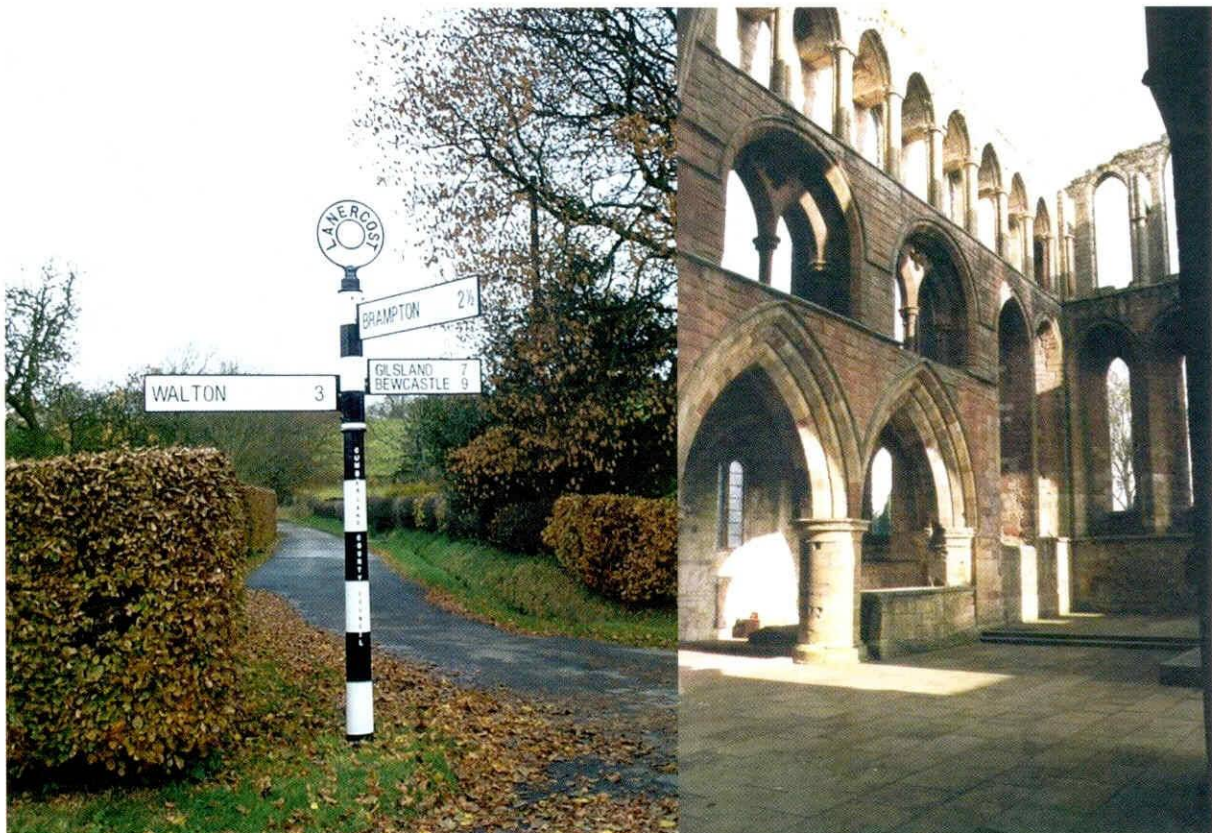
The overall objective of the Centre is to support the regeneration of rural Carlisle by providing access to IT facilities and training for both individuals and businesses. Based on the above, the Centre management is looking to increase the economic impact of the activities it delivers by focusing on the needs of:

- ☐ Labour Market Returners.
- ☐ Women.
- ☐ Employees and owners of local businesses.
- ☐ Members of Farming Families.
- ☐ People with basic skills needs.

Whilst the Centre will focus on responding to the needs of these groups, the intention is not to alienate current users and existing user groups.

Burtholme

Burtholme Parish is a small parish north of Brampton. It is bordered to the south by the River Irthing, to the west and north by the Kingwater and follows the path of Hadrian's Wall as far east as the village of Banks.



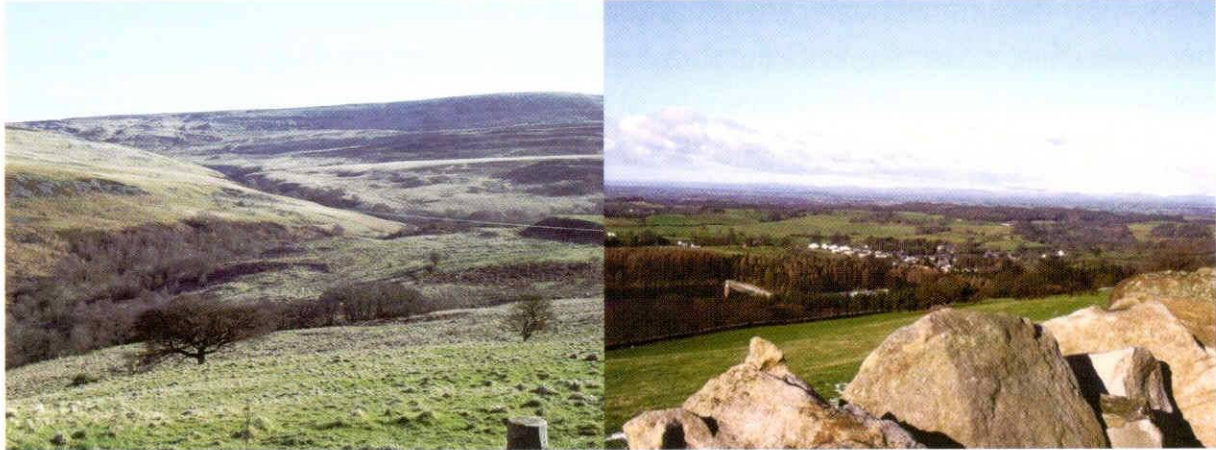
Less than 100 households are loosely scattered across the Parish and largely because of its proximity to Brampton it now has no village shop or pub. It does however boast a popular and vibrant local primary school which, when set along side the likes of the Cricket Club and the Dacre Hall, provides a focus for the local community.

At its heart is the historic Lanercost Priory which, along with the Roman Wall, attracts large numbers of visitors from home and abroad. The recent opening of the Hadrians Wall national trail and the infrastructure to support it has resulted in a significant increase in the number of visitors to the parish. Whilst Burtholme Parish has seen little large scale development in recent years, the opportunities that accompany this new influx of visitors, may well bring some changes which will impact on the future of our parish.

Castle Carrock



The active local population of farmers and agricultural workers is complemented by retirees and commuters in this thriving, fell-side Parish. The burgeoning junior school, indispensable village shop, award winning local hostelry, which attracts people from the region rather than from the village, historic church and village hall provide the focus for the cohesive community.



Situated on the edge of the North Pennines Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty the village is the gateway to Geltsdale, a haven for walkers and home to the RSPB reserve. The village also provides a valuable amenity for the wider local community in the Castle Carrock reservoir. Recent and ongoing redevelopment of brownfield sites within the village and surrounding area attests to the vitality and popularity of the beautiful Parish of Castle Carrock.

Farlam

Is bounded on the north by Brampton and Denton, on the east by Midgeholme, on the south by Hayton, and on the west by Brampton and is made up of about 5600 acres (2266 Ha), there are approximately 400 households within the parish. It comprises of the historic townships of East and West Farlam. Carlisle lies about 11miles away.

Lying near to the backbone of England, the surface of the parish is generally of a hilly character. Coal was the main industry historically limestone is also still quarried at Silvertop. The soil is light and gravelly in places, but in the neighbourhood of Kirkhouse and Farlam Hall is rich and loamy.

Some of the southern parish lies within the North Pennines Area of Outstanding Beauty (AONB) and The Parish includes part of the Talkin Tarn Estate, which it values highly as a public amenity. Agriculture, forestry and mineral extraction are still important employers in the parish.

The Manor of Farlam, or Farleham, anciently a fee of Gilsland, was given by Hubert de Vallibus to one Walter de Windsor, whose posterity took the name of Farlam. In the reign of Edward III., John de Farlam, having no issue, devised the manor to Ranulph de Dacre and Margaret Multon, his wife, through whom the barony of Gilsland came into the possession of the Dacres. The manor has ever since passed with the barony and is now held by the Earl of Carlisle.

Farlam Parish contains a hamlet of its own name, and the hamlets of Kirkhouse and Tindale and main village Hallbankgate.



Hayton

Hayton Parish lies generally to the West and South of Brampton and is a diverse parish. It is made up of 4 distinct wards; Hayton, Corby Hill, Talkin and Heads Nook. The majority of inhabitants work outside the parish. Local employment is mainly in agriculture and in the local amenities (school, pubs, shops etc.)

Hayton ward is centred on the villages of Hayton and How Mill and is essentially surrounded by agricultural land. The village of Hayton is a thriving community and is served by a shop / Post Office, Church, Public House and popular primary school; there is also another popular pub lying outside the village on the A69. The parish council owns a community building (the Reading room) which is run by a separate committee and is host to a thriving pre-School; the village also houses the WI Hall which is also used for social activities. How Mill also retains a pub (evenings only).



Corby Hill is centred on Corby Hill and Little Corby. Along with Warwick Bridge (in Wetheral Parish) these villages have physically merged together. Lying along the A69 they are served by a small supermarket, petrol station and convenience store, post office and two pubs.

Talkin is centred on Talkin village and is surrounded by agricultural land and Pennine Fells. It lies in the North Pennines AONB. It has two pubs (but one has applied for change of use), a church and village hall.

Heads Nook ward consists of half the village of Heads Nook (the other half lies in Wetheral Parish) and the villages of Faugh and Fenton and surrounding agricultural land. Heads Nook shop / Post Office has recently shut and although it is on the market there is currently no sign of interest. Heads Nook village has a number of community groups based at a well used village hall. The village of Faugh has a pub.



Irthington

Irthington Parish takes its name from the River Irthing, which flows through the south of the parish, and is a peaceful area of understated pastoral beauty. It has borders with the civil parishes of Stanwix Rural, Scaleby, Kirklington, Hayton, Brampton and Walton.



There are five main settlements in the parish. These are the villages of Irthington, Newtown, Laversdale, Newby East and Ruleholme.

The parish is home to the only active airport in northern Cumbria, which also provides a focus for a number of thriving businesses. However, the main business activity in the area remains agriculture in all its forms.

Hadrian's Wall and the associated trail pass through the parish, and there is also much else of interest in the area for the history enthusiast.

Nether Denton

Nether Denton parish is situated east of Brampton and is of Saxon origin the name meaning "ton" settlement in a "Dene" valley. The parish has an interesting and involved history very much influenced by the Roman period. The Roman Wall runs to the north of the parish. A Roman Stanegate Fort commanded the hillock overlooking the River Irthing, the church of St Cuthbert's now stands on the site. The Border Wars and Reivers activity left their mark with many bastle houses and pele towers.

The parish lies south of the steep southern side of the River Irthing flanked by the Pennines to the east and woodland to the west with panoramic views of hills to the north. It is bisected both by the trunk road A69 and the Newcastle to Carlisle railway. The parish is predominately urban with numerous sheep farms. The village of Low Row is the only residential area. It is a small linear village 4 mile east of Brampton 1/4 of a mile north of the A69. The hill side setting and the open, low level nature of the development allows the rural surroundings to penetrate into the village. Despite this close association there is very little economic reliance on the land for the existence and prosperity of the village. The proximity of the railway prompted considerable industrial action with the bakery factory of Carricks. The factory closed in the 1960s and the population now gains employ in Brampton, Carlisle or Newcastle.

There are two public buildings in addition to the church. The village hall named "The Taylor Institute" is administered by the Parish Council and the Railway Inn. The railway station, post office, school and village shop are now figments of bygone days.



Upper Denton

Upper Denton Parish is unique in that it covers part of Gilsland along with Thirwell and Waterhead parish councils. It lies on the border of Cumbria and Northumbria, which also splits the communities through the centre of Gilsland. Upper Denton is all within the setting of Hadrian's Wall World Heritage Site and is rich in ancient history. The Polltross Burn Milecastle is one of the best-preserved and instructive sites along the whole length of the 80miles of Roman Wall. Locally known as the Kings Stables (local legend links it to King Arthur) the site provides important evidence as to the height and to where the original plan to build a broad wall 10 feet wide was altered before a narrower wall was built on the foundations of the original plan. A new bridge connecting the east and west sections of Hadrian's Wall National Trail has been built at Willowford replacing the ancient remains of Roman times. Many Roman camps and landmarks are highlighted in the parish including the Stanegate, a Military road, which served the wall and its many forts. More recently many beautiful walks have become part and parcel of the area attracting visitors to the pre historic Maiden Way taking in sites such as The Popping Stone, Stepping Stones and an ancient Bluebell Wood complementing the many Victorian houses.

Within the boundary of Upper Denton is the hamlet of Upper Denton or, as termed locally, Over Denton. The hamlet is divided by the Newcastle/Carlisle railway. The residents are principally rural. This hamlet has Anglo-Saxon origins; the remains of Vicar's Pele Tower and an Anglo-Saxon church bear testimony.

Consultation

The steering group met for the first time on 26 November 2003 and has met regularly since then in order to reach the first objective: the production of this plan.

Preparation, consultation and the initial survey has been more complex and time consuming than envisaged, but the plan is presented with confidence that it provides the foundation stone for the future of our Parishes.

The Parish Councils cannot deliver, by themselves, many of the objectives in the plan. These can only be achieved by partnerships by and within the community, supported by other agencies. Active partnership and co-operation with our local authorities and Town Councils, local partnerships and funding agencies will be paramount if we are all to achieve the ambitious objectives set out in this Plan. The Parish Councils will, however, actively support and encourage community activities and self-help to achieve the objectives within the Parish Plan, and will provide as much help as possible.

In November 2003 a Parish Plans Grant application form was completed, containing the following information.

"This application is on behalf of a joint initiative of eight rural parishes in the Carlisle district, clustered around Brampton Parish. The area is approximately 9 miles north-west of Carlisle, with a population in the region of 9,000. Most local services including shops, schools, banks, post office etc are to be found within Brampton, a busy market town, which has nearly half the population of the initiative area. The remaining parishes vary widely in size and population, and in the level of service provision. Some, in the west of the area, serve as commuter villages for Carlisle, some border the more remote North Pennines area. In the east, alongside the Northumberland border, parishes are affected both by presence of the busy A69 and by increasing tourism pressure.

The Joint Initiative is managed by a Steering Group consisting of representatives from the participating Parish Councils. A local resident, Ken Hind, who has much relevant experience of organising meetings and servicing committees, will act as co-ordinator. Because of the size of the Initiative area, the Steering Group would be too large and unwieldy if the membership included all local community groups and interested parties. Instead, each Parish Council will approach and work with key stake holders in our own parishes.

The Joint Initiative will employ a wide range of consultation methods to get the views of our parishioners.

A Questionnaire will be produced. In smaller communities, these will be hand-delivered to every household, and collected in person at a later date. In the larger populations of Hayton and Brampton parish, a random sample of the population will be given questionnaires. In Brampton some of these will be returned by post.

In Brampton, the parish with the largest population, face to face Interviews will also be conducted.

To reach young people, we will be using the Face to Face youth bus and youth workers to meet pupils from the secondary schools in the area and get their views.

The nine Primary Schools in the area will be asked to do some work with their pupils, finding out what they value about their community and potentially helping the children to find out other people's views.

We will hold Roadshows where people can come and find out about the Parish Plan process, meet with local parish councillors and local officers, and have their views recorded.

There will be volunteers present to help residents complete questionnaires or discuss key issues. We will hold 17 in total – 4 in Brampton and in Hayton, 2 each in Irthington, Farlam and Castle Carrock, and 1 each in Nether Denton, Upper Denton and Burtholme.

Currently, we believe that we will produce a Parish Plan which contains an Area Plan (dealing with common issues and actions across the Initiative area) and individual Parish Plans (dealing with distinctly local issues and actions). How the final version might look we will decide when we know exactly what we need to say in it."

KEY ISSUES

Summarised from four main sources of information: -

- Joint Parish Plan Questionnaires, including supplementary consultation. The full text of which are available from respective Parish Councils.
- Roadshows
- Youth Consultation
- School projects.

Issues excluded from this plan are those outside the influence of local and regional government such as pensions and taxation.

ROAD SHOWS

Road Shows were conducted for:

- Brampton Area Youth, with separate analysis for Brampton and Gilsland due to the high number of "interviewees" from these areas.
- Brampton
- Castle Carrock
- Nether Denton
- Upper Denton.

SCHOOL PROJECTS

£200 of Funding was made available for each school prepared to tackle an issue relevant to its environment and therefore to Brampton Area Parish Plan. Those who took part, children and teachers alike, have worked in teams and exhibited awareness, creativity, dexterity and care for the community. They receive the thanks and congratulations of all involved in the production, and future execution, of this plan.

They may reasonably be invited to be present at Parish Council meetings!!

The outcomes have been substantial, probably influential and are summarised in the appropriate sections.

Out of 3221 Questionnaires that were sent out, 1238 were returned.

Area	Number sent out	Number returned	Response rate	% of sample
Brampton	1250	343	27%	28%
Burtholme	84	43	51%	3%
Castle Carrock	134	70	52%	6%
Farlam	291	34	12%	3%
Hayton	953	313	33%	25%
Irthington	328	204	62%	16%
Nether Denton	139	72	52%	6%
Upper Denton	42	19	45%	1.5%
Waterhead	60	21	35%	2%
Thirlwell	210	119	57%	9.5%

This gives an overall response rate of 38%.

Please note that the following findings relate specifically to the responses analysed from the questionnaires. The information gathered from the Road Shows, Youth Consultation, School Projects and supplementary questionnaires, where appropriate, have been included when summarising the main issues in section 10.

SUMMARY OF MAIN FINDINGS FROM QUESTIONNAIRES:

- 62% say improving crime would make the quality of life better in their area
- 59% say better facilities for children would improve the quality of life in their area
- 85% think schools are important to local communities
- 37% work in Carlisle, 23% work in their own parish and 15% work in Brampton
- Three-quarters do not know their community police officer
- Only 4% feel there are enough activities for 12-18 year olds
- Only 13% feel there are enough activities for 0-11 year olds
- 52% say they use their community centre/village hall
- The most popular use of community centre/village halls is for social occasions
- Main reasons for not using the community centre/village hall are 'don't have time' (23%), 'not interested' (19%) or 'don't know what goes on there' (18%)
- 40% access email/chat/message boards
- Over half use services in Brampton
- 82% say the effect of the Hadrian's National Trail has had a positive impact
- Around three-quarters say traffic is a serious problem.
- Over half think the state of repair of the roads is okay
- 80% use cars as the main form of transport to get to work
- Three-quarters are in favour of developing Carlisle airport
- 82% are in favour of dualling the A69
- 76% are in favour of public ownership of Talkin Tarn
- 95% are in favour of maintaining the Brampton Cottage Hospital



On Wednesday, 24 November 2004 The Steering Committee held an important meeting with Key agencies: Cumbria Constabulary represented by Sgt. Susan Jamieson, Cumbria County Council Public Transport, represented by Caroline Watson, Crime Reduction Partnership represented by Steven O'Keefe and Carlisle City Council's Housing Enabler, Jeremy Hewitson.

Main outcomes and issues relating to these have been incorporated into the main body of the report.

Social and Community

The use and application of space, including buildings and "bricks and mortar" is a concern for many of you.

The provision of services (please see **Provision of Services**) has an indirect, yet significant, impact on social and community issues.

The Post Office and village shop services are much prized and play an important role as an informal meeting point.

The maintenance of such services is a priority for Parishioners and it may be that Parish Councillors and local residents will need to re-assess how buildings are used fully in order to make them both commercially sustainable as well as meeting local needs. For example, concern has been expressed about the future of two village pubs, post offices, village halls, churches (at least one suggestion to turn this into a pub!) and so on.

Is there an opportunity to consider housing precious services under fewer roofs to preserve their future?

The two pubs which are mentioned in the consultation process are;

The Hare and Hounds, Talkin (Hayton Parish).

Planning permission has already been granted for conversion to private dwelling.

The Duke of Cumberland, Castle Carrock

This has been closed for some time and recently the owner has indicated his intention to apply for change of use. No application has been received by "Planning" as of 31.12.04. It should be noted that there is a sizeable section of the local population, that has formally expressed a desire to see the Duke re-open as a village pub/amenity.

What is the future for your local pub?

Young people

The provision of additional facilities for our youth is a key issue for many. Irthington Parish Council have tried to agree with the school access to the school field out of hours. The school authorities stopped this. Another attempt is to be made with the "sweetener" of support towards maintenance and insurance costs borne by the school.

Housing

Housing needs surveys were carried out as follows: -

- ☐ Brampton: no data available **but due June 2005**
- ☐ Burtholme: 1992 **but due March 2005**
- ☐ Castle Carrock: detailed survey in August 2002

There was virtually no housing need identified and now, because of the Rural Housing Moratorium, put in place as a result of too much rural development in Castle Carrock and elsewhere, there is no chance of development going ahead.

- ☐ Farlam: detailed survey in March 2004
- ☐ Hayton: 1994 **but due June 2005**
- ☐ Irthington: 1993 and again, as part of Laversdale in 2004
- ☐ Nether Denton: 1993 **but due March 2005**
- ☐ Upper Denton: no data available **but due March 2005**

Jeremy Hewitson, Carlisle City Council's Housing Enabler has confirmed to us: -

- ☐ Current focus on rural parishes
- ☐ Identification of target properties for the supply of affordable housing
- ☐ 2005-2010 strategy nearing completion

We are at the tail end of a housing price boom but people want affordable local housing for local people coupled with an accurate and consistent interpretation of legislation.

Carlisle City Council use a simple equation to determine affordable housing (house prices of no more than 3.5 x salary). By definition there is no affordable housing! However, at the time of writing a pilot case for a housing policy/initiative in The Yorkshire Dales is under review. If successful, there will be positive discrimination in favour of housing being made available to local people. We await with guarded interest!!

For Parishioners in Irthington Parish, the lack of affordable housing is a top issue. In follow up meetings a common view was expressed: the provision of affordable homes for sale or rent within the parish may go some way to correct the rather skewed age- profile by making it easier for young people to stay in the parish when setting up home.



Housing affects the character of the community and it is the intention of the steering committee to recommend that each Parish Council adopts a Design Statement.

More young families will secure the future of the school, and add life to the locale.

For similar reasons, the provision of employment opportunities within the parish would be desirable. Irthington believe they are better placed than some rural parishes, in that they have a number of businesses around the airport, but few of the jobs created went to local people. Perhaps planning guidelines to favour local employment would help.

Transport, communications, parking

There is an unquestionable reliance on Brampton for shopping, Post Office services and "socialising". Achieving a balance between the provision of bus services, access to legal parking and safety remains a challenge.

The Rural Wheels transport service is available for people in rural areas who do not have access to conventional public transport.

In any area there are a number of different transport providers, some of whom are already providing transport for children to get to school or social service clients to get to day care facilities.

Rural Wheels aims to make good use of existing transport resources in a planned service. This improves the economic viability of the transport providers and means that a subsidy only applies when someone travels. In addition this service can be used to take people to the nearest point where they can get either a bus or train.

This service has been operating in 20 Parishes in South Lakes for over two years. It is currently available Monday to Friday between the hours of 9 am and 5 pm and has proved particularly popular to older people who either do not have or cannot use public transport. People who register for the scheme receive a telephone number to book their transport.

In September 2004 this service was made available in the Carlisle District in the rural areas outside Carlisle. The County Council who are operating the scheme are keen to ensure that the service is useful to the residents of the area. The Department for Transport have supported Rural Wheels to trial the use of smartcard technology in rural areas.

Anyone interested in using this service needs to apply for a smartcard which they will use instead of cash on the transport provided. The transport provider will have the necessary equipment to take the card. Cards can be credited at libraries, post offices etc. The cards will be compatible with those issued by the City Council for concessionary transport.

The smartcard technology enables the Council to offer an auditable demand responsive transport system which will also provide information to assist the future planning of passenger transport in rural areas.



Anyone over 16 is able to register to use the service (children can travel with an adult) and may do so for any purpose. The beauty of the scheme is that it can be adapted to more closely meet the needs of the passengers. Rural Wheels is operated by Cumbria County Council with support from the Countryside Agency and the Department for Transport.

Railways

In May 2001, North Cumbria Rural Transport Partnership and Northumberland County Council commissioned a "Tyne Valley and Eden Valley Rail Study.

The study concluded that there was no financial case for additional train services and no case for additional train stops with the exception of Haydon Bridge.

The consultation concluded that there was benefit in carrying out further, more detailed research into developing new stations, particularly Gilsland.

Recommendations included switching subsidies for short distance rail travel to bus services, particularly on the Tyne Valley Route.

Gilsland Primary School have backed up their clear concerns about speeding traffic with some research, analysis by 10 year old Harry and results from surveys undertaken by Juniors and Infants. This includes data about the speed of a sample of motor vehicles with alarming results.

Some sensible courses of action have been proposed.

You can watch and listen to Hayton schoolchildren's thoughts and interviews on CD! The theme is imaginative, straightforward and topical: the arguments are the same as those expressed by those who live in Hayton and reflect the views of Hayton residents, school management and The Parish Council. It's all about parking and access to school with the accompanying dangers and irritation factors, together with the hard fact that during "drop off and pick up" emergency services would find it nigh on impossible to drive down the main street.

The children have a "Walking Bus" solution but need help to secure the co-operation of a local landowner, to shelter them from livestock, WHICH INCLUDES THE OCCASIONAL BULL!!

Provision of Services

The crime statistics for 2004 are at Appendix 4. Although statistics can not readily be applied across whole wards and parishes, we can be relatively assured that, compared to the District and the County, and allowing for exceptions: -

- ☐ We are less likely to be burgled in the home
- ☐ Less likely to endure criminal damage (with one exception)
- ☐ In general, far less likely to suffer assault/ offences against the person
- ☐ There are less than 20% of drugs offences
- ☐ The total number of crimes per 1000 population, is in all cases well below the district and in some cases as low as 30% of the district.

The objectives for the Police include: -

- ☐ Building trust and confidence
- ☐ Increasing community relations
- ☐ Obtaining more feedback on accessibility to the police
- ☐ Promoting "Farmwatch" to farming communities

The Police were surprised and upset to learn that only one in four parishioners knew who their community officer is. The two community officers working with us are Anita Owen and Alan Dodd.

Information relating to the location of the mobile police station is always given out on Cumbria Radio and can be found on most village notice boards.

Response times for The Police, over the period 1 July 2004 to 31 January 2005, based on the total sample of 296 is an average of 5 minutes and 56 seconds. Time begins when the responding officer is notified and stops when the officer arrives at the incident. Any time taken in making the call and notifying the officer does not form part of the equation.

The target for the Fire Authority is to reach any property within 20 minutes of a call out. To date, they report an achievement rate of 100%, but there are no numbers available to this report. The Brampton area is classified as a D risk category.



Cumbria Ambulance Service categorise calls into two groups.

Life threatening

The target is to reach 75% of "calls" within 8 minutes. In the Brampton area, the achieved rate is 59.23% of the 130 calls received between April 2004 and January 2005. This compares to 74.9% for The County.

Non life-threatening

The target is to reach 75% of "calls" within 19 minutes. In the Brampton area, the achieved rate is 84.46% of the 148 calls received for the same period. The achieved rate for the county is 92.2%.

Brampton Medical Practice

A large rural practice of 14300 patients, covering an area of 400 sq. miles from the Northumberland border in the east to Carlisle city in the west. North, the practice area extends almost to the Scottish border and south into the Eden Valley.

Branch surgeries

As well as the main surgery in Brampton, the practice has two branch surgeries at Wetheral and Corby Hill. These satellite surgeries form an integral part of the practice.

Primary Health Care Team

There are 65 members of the Brampton primary healthcare team, including 13 doctors, 5 practice nurses and 33 ancillary staff. District nurses, health visitors and midwives are also based at the practice in Brampton. Space in the practice is at a premium and the lack of consulting room provision on the ground floor is a concern.

Practice area

The practice list size has risen significantly over the last 2-3 years and this, together with the changing nature of the demands of general practice, both in terms of patient expectation and of national requirements, is placing increasing pressure on workload of both clinicians and ancillary staff alike.

It is practice policy to ask all patients who move out of the area to register with another GP. While we appreciate that this policy may prove unpopular, particularly with patients who have a long association with the practice, the partners believe that this is the only way to maintain a safe and efficient service for all our patients.

Access

There are national targets regarding access to GP services. The maximum length of time any patient should wait to see a GP (although not necessarily the GP of their choice) should be 48 hours.



The current appointment system was introduced in April 2003 in an attempt to improve waiting times for routine GP appointments, which often extended to beyond 5 days. The Practice Management will continue to review the system to try ensure that capacity matches patient need.

Out of Hours

The practice has been a member of Cuedoc, the local out of hours co-operative, since 1999. Cuedoc covers the period 6.30pm-8.00am Monday to Friday, plus weekends and Bank Holidays. The out of hours service also now covers Saturday morning. This was an imposed change, which was implemented nationally following the introduction of the new GP contract in April 2004.

Brampton Community Hospital

The practice is very keen to support the local community hospital, Brampton Cottage Hospital, which is an invaluable resource for patients. It is clear however that this service may be under increasing pressure and the Primary Care Trust is planning a public consultation process about the future of community hospitals in North Cumbria within the next few months.

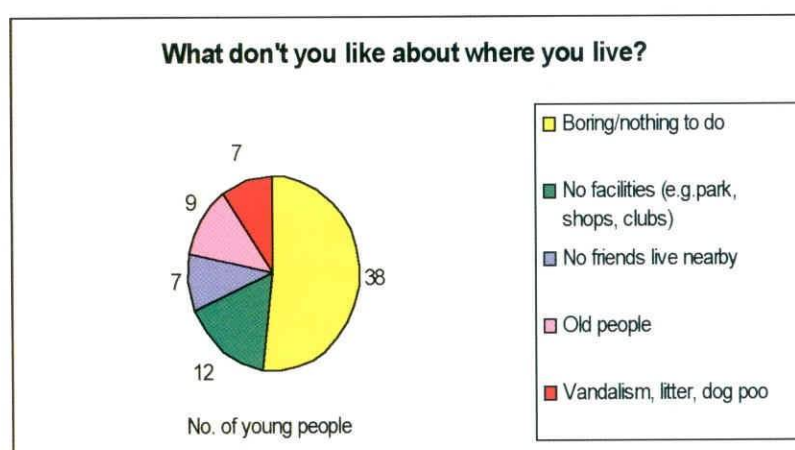
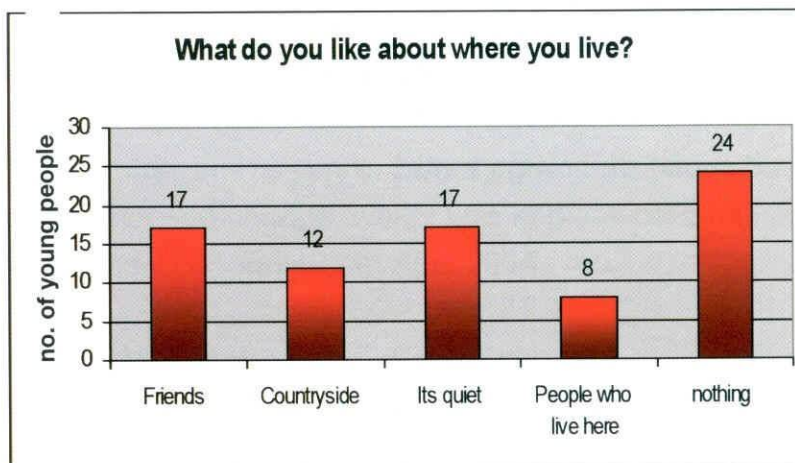
Environmental

In Castle Carrock a DVD is the format chosen by the children who talk about their hopes and aspirations for the Parish. These tend to mirror those of their seniors and include: -

- ☐ Preservation and extension of green spaces: the village green is much appreciated.
- ☐ More litter bins and enforcement.
- ☐ Less dog fouling; more disposal points.
- ☐ Maintenance of The Post Office; seen as vital.
- ☐ Reduced speed of through traffic.

YOUTH CONSULTATION

Graphs of main findings



Summary of main findings

It can be seen from the first graph that young people do value the environment in which they live, with 29 young people saying they like the countryside and the quietness of the area. 24 young people have said they like nothing about where they live, and this view is reflected in the next graph. With 38 young people saying there is nothing to do in their area and they are bored.



Having friends nearby, living in a place with facilities and with no vandalism, dog poo or litter is important to most young people interviewed. One of the other reasons given by young people of why they don't like where they live is 'old people'. Some young people interviewed personally felt they had experienced more conflict situations with this age group than any other.

When asked what activities young people would like to do, sports activities were the highest scoring answer. Sports ranged from indoor sports such as badminton, swimming, pool, and boxing to outdoor sports including football (highest score – 19 young people), skateboarding, and bike tracks. A total of 21 different sports were given as answers. Arts, music and dance activities scored the same as a youth club.

From the conversations with young people it emerged they would like somewhere to meet with friends, where they participate in different activities whether it is a sporting or youth club environment. It is clear from the consultation that young people need and want more things to do, and that they feel the current provision is not meeting that need.

Many of the 10 year old school children in Brampton have been encouraged to consider life in Brampton as it is now and how they would like it to be and how it might be (not the same thing at all) in 10 years time. A tremendous effort has been made to write this down in colourful detail. The following is no more than a summary of their views, and should be absorbed with the knowledge that 10 year olds may not fully appreciate the changes which will affect them personally in the next 10 years perhaps changing their current expectations and wishes!!

The great majority view is that Brampton is a great place to live, that the nearby attractions of Hadrians Wall, Talkin Tarn and the Lake District make it even greater and little change is needed or indeed wanted, except for: -

A swimming pool and a diverse range of (mostly outdoor/healthy activity based opportunities.

In Hallbankgate Classes One, Two and Three have each tackled an element of life that effects them now and commands some of their attention.

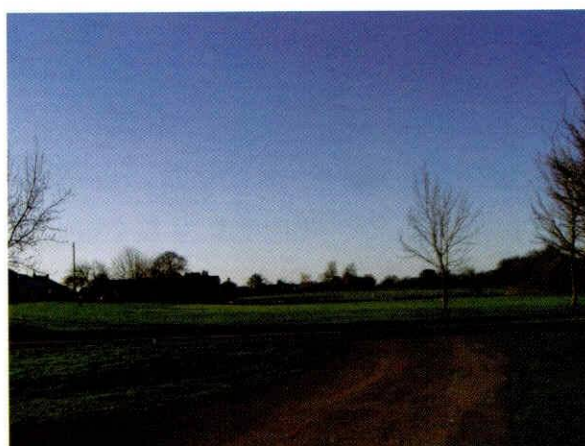
Class One love the flowers, the pond, the "outdoors" and would like more leisure activities (in some concert with Brampton). They have produced a diary of drawings to represent their views.

Class Two have written about the fun they have at school and about even more fun they could have if Brampton had a swimming pool (where have we heard this one before?!)

They have also produced a series of graphs to reveal the main attractions of both the school and the area and given thought to improvements they would like to see.

Class Three have developed the arguments a bit more!

Irthington school's year six students undertook a fabulous project to locate and test out "forgotten" footpaths, in support of the community's leisure and health!



Four routes were located, but only two were viable (and these were only just discernable) due to a variety of obstructions. Some of the reasons for the obstacles require further explanation. Two of the routes were brought together to form a circular walk, or run, of about 3 miles or 5 km and the children have brainstormed themselves to creating a pro-forma brochure supported by some creative and sensible suggestions to raise awareness and interest.

Action Planning, funding issues and responsibilities

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Social & Community – Whole Area						
There is a lack of facilities and activities for young people across the whole of the Parish Plan area. Although excellent work is being done in Brampton to start a youth project, more is needed, and there would be benefit to a co-ordinated, area-wide approach.	An area-wide plan for youth provision should be developed, with Brampton as a hub for permanent facilities and activities Considering the work already undertaken by the Brampton youth project and by this Parish Plan, this need not be a lengthy process.	High	CCC, CaCC, Brampton PC, Connexions, William Howard School, Brampton Community Association, Volunteers, Crime Reduction Partnership	Short Term	CCC	Time input from officers and PCs. Funding for plan production.
	The Parish Plan is strongly supportive of the Brampton youth project. It is hoped that the new youth club will be hiring staff by the time this Plan is published	High	As Above	Short Term	Brampton Young People's Project Steering Group	Awaiting decisions on applications for funding. Strong need for good youthworkers
	Funding should be sought to bring existing mobile youth facilities into Brampton Area parishes during school breaks	High	As Above	Medium Term	CaCC	Funding for youth work
	Funding should be sought to employ youth workers whose remit would include setting up youth clubs in Brampton Area parishes which would network and share activities with the Brampton youth club	High	As Above	Long Term	CCC	Funding for youth workers and parish-based clubs. Time input from partners.

Social & Community – Whole Area

Rural communities value their Village Halls as versatile, essential community space.	Nether Denton Village Hall will be improved in-line with modern standards. All members of the community will be encouraged to use the facilities the hall has to offer.	High	Village Hall Committee, PC, CaCC, VAC, User Groups	Medium	Village Hall Committee	Will require considerable funding. Commitment of time from Cttee. Also commitment of volunteers and user groups.
	Hallbankgate Village Hall (Farlam Parish) needs to raise funds for improvements and needs to encourage more user groups to enable its continued viability.	High	PC, Hallbankgate Hall Trustees, VAC, Brampton Community Association	Medium	Hall Trustees	Time and funding, lack of user groups

Provision of Services – Whole Area

Local people were strongly supportive of certain local amenities which they felt were essential to the future of the area.	Brampton Cottage Hospital must be maintained with the same level of service as is currently offered.	High	North Cumbria PCT, Brampton PC, CaCC, CCC	Long	North Cumbria PCT	
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Leisure and Learning – Whole Area

Local people were strongly supportive of certain local amenities which they felt were essential to the future of the area.	Talkin Tarn must be maintained and sympathetically developed.	Medium	ECCP, PCs, CaCC	Long	ECCP	Local facilities and amenities
	Hadrian's Wall Trail must be sympathetically developed and maintained.	Medium	HWWHS, HWNT, HWTP, CaCC, PCs, Local Businesses and Landowners	Long	HWNT	

Leisure and Learning – Whole Area

Over 5,000 people attend the Brampton Live Festival every year. This event could be threatened by new Licencing Laws.	We will continue to support Brampton Live as an event that raises the profile of the area, brings in visitors and income and is enormous fun.	Medium	PCs, Local Businesses, CaCC, Cumbria Constabulary, Brampton Live	Medium	Brampton Live	
The survey results showed huge support for a swimming pool in Brampton.	A project group has been established to work on creating a swimming pool, with the intention of building it at the Community Centre. We will support their actions.	High	Project Group, CaCC, CCC, Irthing Centre, PC	Medium	Project Group	

Other ~ Whole Area

Some less than sympathetic planning applications , have been approved which causes great concern.	We will work closely with Carlisle City Council to seek ways to ensure our voices are heard, and to include the views revealed by this Plan in the emerging Local Development Framework.	Medium	PCs, CaCC	Short	CaCC	PC/local people time input Planning Dept. time input
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Social & Community - Hayton Parish

There is a lack of facilities and activities for young people across the Parish Plan area. In Hayton Parish, there is a problem with anti-social behaviour.	Funding, staff and volunteers should be sought for organised activities for young people at the Down-a-Gate centre in Warwick Bridge. Although this facility lies outside the PP area, it is more practical for the Hayton area.	High	CCC, CaCC, Connexions, Volunteers, Crime Reduction Partnership, Cumbria Constabulary, Wetheral PC.	Long Term	CCC	Time input from officers and PCs. Funding for plan production. Willing volunteers and staff.
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Social & Community - Farlam Parish

There is a lack of facilities and activities for young people across the Parish Plan area. In Farlam Parish, there are no facilities for play.	We will seek to develop a play area in Hallbankgate for young children. To do this we will need land and funding	Medium	PC, County Council, CCC,	Medium	A new community group may be needed to lead this project.	Time and funding
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Housing - Brampton Parish

The need for affordable housing is accepted, but where, and what type?	A Housing Needs Survey will be carried out as soon as possible.	High	PC, CaCC, CRHT	Short	CaCC	CaCC funding CRHT time
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Housing - Nether Denton Parish

The need for affordable housing is accepted, but where, and what type?	A Housing Needs Survey will be carried out as soon as possible.	High	PC, CaCC, CRHT	Short	CaCC	CaCC funding CRHT time
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Housing - Hayton Parish

We need to identify housing needs and any requirement for affordable housing in this Parish.	A Housing Needs Survey will be carried out as soon as possible.	High	PC, CaCC, CRHT	Short	CaCC	CaCC funding CRHT time
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Housing - Farlam Parish

The need for affordable housing was highlighted in a 2004 survey.	We will work with partners to seek to provide affordable housing within the Parish.	High	PC, CaCC, CRHT	Medium	CaCC	Suitable available land within the Parish. Time.
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Transport, Communications and Parking - Brampton Parish

The are concerns about road safety in the Parish. A number of actions to improve the safety and condition of roads are proposed.	The public and police have called for traffic calming measures in the town. Ongoing investigation is required to ensure the best solutions are implemented.	Medium	PC, CCC, Cumbria Constabulary, Local Businesses	Medium	CCC	
	All approaching roads need to have their speed limits re-evaluated.	High	PC, CCC, Cumbria Constabulary	Short	CCC	
	A new car park is desperately needed in the town. We will continue to seek an appropriate space for this amenity.	High	PC, CCC, CaCC	Medium	PC	
	We will seek to re-route busses out of the town centre through Main street	High	PC, CCC, CaCC, Bus operators	Medium	PC	

Transport, Communications and Parking ~ Hayton Parish

The are concerns about road safety in the Parish. A number of actions to improve the safety and condition of roads are proposed.	A permanent workable solution is needed to the problem of parking at Hayton School at school start and finish times.	High	School, PC, CCC, Cumbria Constabulary,	Medium	School	
	A69 traffic travelling between Brampton and the M6 should be transferred to the A689 only after improvements to the road junctions as detailed in the Irthington section have been completed.	High	Highways Agency, CCC, PCs.	Long	CCC	Making this work a priority will help to secure budget for the work.

Transport, Communications and Parking - Nether Denton Parish

The are concerns about road safety in the Parish. Vehicle speed is a particular concern.	A way of slowing down traffic within the village should be sought.	High	PC, CCC, Cumbria Constabulary,	Short	CCC	Making this work a priority will help to secure budget for the work.
	We will continue to campaign for a better winter gritting service	Low	PC, CCC	Medium	PC	PC time
	We will seek ways of maintaining the road side verges sensitively	Low	PC, CCC	Short	PC	Small funding application to start via PC

Transport, Communications and Parking ~ Irthington Parish

The are concerns about road safety in the Parish. A number of actions to improve the safety and condition of roads are proposed.	The standard of maintenance of roads in the parish should be improved. We will approach the CCC with this request	High	PC, CCC	Short	PC	Making this work a priority will help to secure budget for the work.
	The junctions on the A689 at Irthington, Newby East and Laversdale Lane Ends should be improved and made safer.	High	PC, CCC	Medium	CCC	Making this work a priority will help to secure budget for the work.

Transport, Communications and Parking - Irthington Parish

The are concerns about road safety in the Parish. A number of actions to improve the safety and condition of roads are proposed.	We will request the County Council to investigate the feasibility of improving sight lines for those joining the A689 , provide turning lanes for those leaving the A689 and improve night visibility with lighting or reflectors	High	PC,CCC	Medium	CCC	The Highways budget for Cumbria is already stretcheed. Making this work a priority will help to secure budget for the work.
	The villages of Newby East, Newtown and Laversdale should all have 30mph limits. We will pursue this with the County Council	High	PC, CCC	Long	PC	
	Existing and new 30mph limits should be enforced. We will work with Cumbria Constabulary to prioritise this	Medium	PC, Cumbria Constabulary, Crime Reduction Partnership	Medium	PC	

Transport, Communications and Parking - Burtholme Parish

Residents of Burtholme Parish are also concerned about road safety. Reconciling the concerns of different road users is seen by most residents as the major challenge in the parish.	The volume of traffic visiting Hadrian's Wall suggests that the current C class designation of some local roads is not sufficient. We will work with partners to seek ways to upgrade key local routes.	Medium	PC, CCC, HWNT, HWTP, CaCC	Long	HWNT/H WTP	
	The road outside Lanercost School needs to be made more safe. We will work with Highways to look at options.	High	PC, CCC, School	Short	CCC	
	The road between Brampton and Banks is inadequate and dangerous. We will investigate ways of improving it.	Medium	PC, CCC	Medium	PC/CCC	

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Transport, Communications and Parking ~ Upper Denton Parish

The are concerns about road safety in the Parish.	We will seek ways of improving road safety, especially near Gilsland School.	High	PC, CCC, Cumbria Constabulary,	Short	CCC	Making this work a priority will help to secure budget for the work.
Local people feel that Gilsland railway station could be a great asset to the area.	We will seek ways to ensure the opening of Gilsland Railway Station.	Medium	PC, CCC, Railtrack, rail operator	Long	PC	Funding

Transport, Communications and Parking - Farlam Parish

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The are concerns about **road safety** in the Parish. A number of actions to improve the safety and condition of roads are proposed.

The standard of maintenance of roads in the parish should be improved. We will approach the CCC with this request	High	PC, CCC	Short	PC	PC time
The junctions on the A689 Low Lonning should be improved and made safer. We will request the County Council to investigate the feasibility of improving sight lines for those leaving the A689 onto the Narworth road. Further requests to CCC and CaCC to improve the deteriorating road between Milton and Farlam, provide some lay-bys and passing places and improve road drainage.	High	PC, CCC	Medium	CCC	Making this work a priority will help to secure budget for the work.
Existing and new 30mph limits should be enforced. We will work with Cumbria Constabulary to prioritise this	Medium	PC, Cumbria Constabulary, Crime Reduction Partnership	Medium	PC	PC time
Tindale junction onto the A689 has dangerous blind spots and needs to be improved by cutting the hill back	Medium	PC, Cumbria County Council CCC	Medium	PC	PC time

Provision of Services – Brampton Parish

Committed to the regeneration of Brampton, the Business Centre opened in 1997 to offer training and facilities to local people..	Brampton PC will continue to support the Brampton Business Centre and Tele Centre in its aim to deliver elements of the regeneration agenda for rural Carlisle.	High	Brampton PC, CaCC, Irthing Centre	Long	Carlisle City Council	
With a wide range of facilities and important childcare services, the Brampton Community Centre (Irthing Centre) is an essential asset to Brampton.	The Centre should be supported, and continued investment for future development secured. We will work with the Centre to achieve this.	High	Irthing Centre, CaCC, Brampton PC, Centre Users	Long	Irthing Centre	

Environment - Brampton Parish

The Parish is fully committed to recycling projects mainly initiated by Carlisle City Council	A local group has recently been established to promote a sustainable eco-friendly community. We will continue to support this work.	Low	PC, Local Residents, Local Businesses, Environment Group	Long	Environment Group	
Some developments have put Brampton's trees Under threat.	More Tree Preservation Orders are needed, and a replanting scheme needs to be developed in partnership with Carlisle City Council.	Medium	PC, CaCC	Medium	PC	

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Environment - Castle Carrock Parish

Many Parishioners would like to see an enhanced environment and would be willing to participate in community activities.	Projects to maintain and enhance the local environment, using the pool of enthusiastic Parishioners identified during the Parish Plan, will be established and co-ordinated.	Low	PC, Local Residents	Medium	PC	Funding Volunteer time
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Leisure and Learning – Castle Carrock Parish

Castle Carrock may lose it's local pub if it is converted into a domestic dwelling.	We will make an approach to the current owner of the Duke of Cumberland public house to establish if there is anything that can be done to facilitate its reopening.	High	PC, Private Business, Local Residents	Short	PC	PC time
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Leisure and Learning – Upper Denton Parish

Many local businesses depend on tourism and believe the local area should be equipped to offer a quality product.	We will support local tourism initiatives in their work to secure investment in tourism.	Medium	PC, Private Businesses, HWNT, HWTP, CCC, CTB	Long	HWTP	
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Other - Farlam Parish

New development can often be damaging to local character , but how can we define what is acceptable, and what is not?	We will create a Village Design Statement working with Carlisle City Council for inclusion in the Local Development Framework as supplementary planning documents.	Medium	PC, CCC.	Medium	PC	
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Other - Castle Carrock Parish						
Recent planning proposals have caused significant concern. Is there a more effective way to influence the planning process?	We will continue to explore the desirability and feasibility of producing a Village Design Statement	Medium	PC, CCC.	Medium	PC	Time Availability of CaCC to provide assistance Funding Volunteer time

CaCC – Carlisle City Council
 CCC – Cumbria County Council
 CRHT – Cumbria Rural Housing Trust

VAC – Voluntary Action Cumbria
 CTB – Cumbria Tourist Board
 HWTP – Hadrian's Wall Tourism Partnership

PC – Parish Council
 HWNT – Hadrian's Wall National Trail

Appendix 1 Population

	ALL PEOPLE	Males	Females
England	49,138,831	23,922,144	25,216,687
North West	6,729,764	3,258,954	3,470,810
Cumbria	487,607	237,915	249,692
Carlisle	100,739	48,735	52,004
Brampton	4,361	2,074	2,287
Percentages			
England	100.0	48.7	51.3
North West	100.0	48.4	51.6
Cumbria	100.0	48.8	51.2
Carlisle	100.0	48.4	51.6
Brampton	100.0	47.6	52.4

Appendix 2 Age Profiles

In Brampton, there is a significantly higher proportion of residents in the 10-14 age range and all ranges over the age of 65.

Total	People aged 0 - 4	People aged 5 - 7	People aged 8 - 9	People aged 10 - 14	People aged 15	People aged 16 - 17	People aged 18 - 19	People aged 20 - 24
England	2,926,238	1,838,668	1,283,861	3,229,047	623,767	1,231,266	1,177,571	2,952,719
North West	395,389	254,226	184,458	466,225	91,911	178,694	165,900	389,325
Cumbria	25,307	16,975	12,396	30,978	6,275	12,056	10,135	22,404
Carlisle	5,261	3,489	2,620	6,339	1,272	2,598	2,219	5,348
Brampton	215	147	104	312	57	120	82	179

Percent

England	6.0	3.7	2.6	6.6	1.3	2.5	2.4	6.0
North West	5.9	3.8	2.7	6.9	1.4	2.7	2.5	5.8
Cumbria	5.2	3.5	2.5	6.4	1.3	2.5	2.1	4.6
Carlisle	5.2	3.5	2.6	6.3	1.3	2.6	2.2	5.3
Brampton	4.9	3.4	2.4	7.2	1.3	2.8	1.9	4.1

Total	People aged 25 - 29	People aged 30 - 44	People aged 45 - 59	People aged 60 - 64	People aged 65 - 74	People aged 75 - 84	People aged 85 - 89	People aged 90 & over
England	3,268,660	10,549,191	9,279,693	2,391,830	4,102,841	2,751,135	637,701	316,323
North West	415,635	1,486,588	1,282,607	342,726	578,194	373,723	83,292	40,871
Cumbria	26,834	105,654	101,097	28,166	47,837	31,076	6,840	3,577
Carlisle	6,099	22,164	19,897	5,414	9,674	6,273	1,379	693
Brampton	201	939	826	225	466	356	83	49

Percent

England	6.7	22.6	18.9	4.9	8.3	5.6	1.3	0.6
North West	6.2	22.1	19.1	5.1	8.6	5.6	1.2	0.6
Cumbria	5.5	21.7	20.7	5.8	9.8	6.4	1.4	0.7
Carlisle	6.1	22.0	19.8	5.4	9.6	6.2	1.4	0.7
Brampton	4.6	21.5	18.9	5.2	10.7	8.2	1.9	1.1

Appendix 3 Employment

	Agriculture; hunting; forestry	Fishing	quarrying	Mining & Manufacturing	Electricity; gas and water supply	Construction	Wholesale & retail trade; repair of motor vehicles
England	326,117	5,396	55,481	3,328,437	159,619	1,515,996	3,782,043
North West	35,520	361	4,649	489,833	22,451	188,285	516,809
Cumbria	9,207	116	906	41,577	2,723	17,074	37,225
Carlisle	1,601	19	124	7,452	315	3,422	9,537
Brampton	58	3	14	251	9	149	308
Percentages							
England	1.5	0.0	0.2	14.8	0.7	6.8	16.9
North West	1.2	0.0	0.2	16.9	0.8	6.5	17.8
Cumbria	4.2	0.1	0.4	18.9	1.2	7.8	16.9
Carlisle	3.4	0.0	0.3	15.9	0.7	7.3	20.4
Brampton	3.0	0.2	0.7	13.2	0.5	7.8	16.2
	Hotels and catering	Transport storage and communication	Financial intermediation	Real estate; renting and business activities	Public administration on and defence	Education	Health and social work
England	1,061,617	1,590,031	1,078,082	2,964,468	1,270,755	1,736,497	2,400,698
North West	148,857	196,827	109,212	313,188	164,592	230,506	347,245
Cumbria	17,470	11,835	4,318	17,357	10,942	15,652	23,475
Carlisle	2,773	3,609	1,086	3,810	2,726	3,021	5,220
Brampton	116	155	43	166	142	159	226
Percentages							
England	4.7	7.1	4.8	13.2	5.7	7.7	10.7
North West	5.1	6.8	3.8	10.8	5.7	7.9	12.0
Cumbria	7.9	5.4	2.0	7.9	5.0	7.1	10.7
Carlisle	5.9	7.7	2.3	8.1	5.8	6.4	11.1
Brampton	6.1	8.1	2.3	8.7	7.5	8.4	11.9

Appendix 4 Crime Statistics

Offence Type	Rate per 1000 of population						
	Brampton & Geltsdale	Gt Corby	Hayton	Irthing Rural	Stanwix	District	County
Burglary dwelling	1.8	1.5	0.5	1.5	1.3	5.8	3.6
Burglary other	10.5	9.4	6.9	12.1	3.3	7.8	5.7
Criminal damage	34.2	18.7	15.3	4.0	5.5	33.0	23.8
Drugs	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.5	2.5	2.3
Fraud & forgery	1.1	0.5	0.5	1.5	2.8	3.0	2.2
Offences against the person	10.8	11.8	4.4	2.5	2.8	17.4	13.8
Other	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	1.1	1.0
Robbery	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.2
Sexual offences	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.6
Theft	9.9	8.4	9.4	3.5	13.1	26.2	17.7
Theft from a motor vehicle	4.6	1.2	3.9	3.0	3.5	8.0	7.0
Theft of a motor vehicle	2.5	2.0	0.5	2.0	1.3	3.7	2.2
TOTAL	77.5	53.7	41.4	30.8	34.5	109.6	80.1

The above figures are based on Wards.

Brampton Ward includes Brampton

Great Corby and Geltsdale includes Castle Carrock and Hayton (Talkin)

Hayton includes Hayton, Heads Nook and Corby Hill

Irthing includes Burtholme, Farlam, Nether Denton and Upper Denton

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Appendix 5

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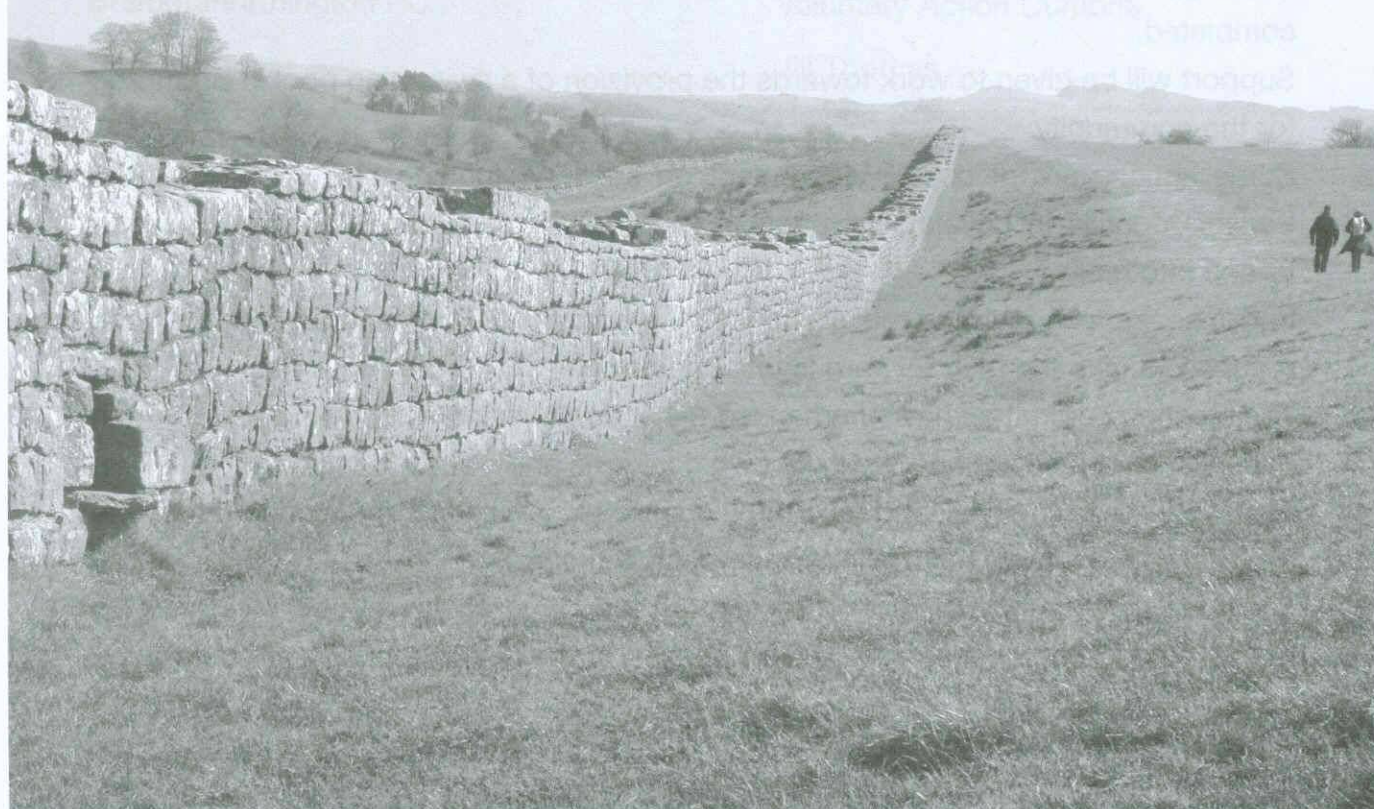




Brampton Area Parish Plan Summary

For the parishes of Brampton, Burtholme, Castle Carrock, Farlam, Hayton, Irthington, Nether Denton and Upper Denton in the county of Cumbria

June 2005



Everyone living in rural communities has been given the chance to have much more of a say in the future of their own town or village through the new Parish and Town Plans scheme, backed by the Countryside Agency through its Vital Villages Programme.

The scheme gives every member of the community a real chance to become involved in preparing a Plan for the future of their parish. These Plans can cover a whole range of social, economic and environmental issues - in short, everything of relevance to the people who live in the area - in a single, comprehensive document.

The Plans set out recommendations based on surveys, research and widespread local consultation.

Consultation has been wide-ranging and included important services. In addition to all those who completed and returned questionnaires, our schoolchildren have made significant contributions to the Parish Plan as have our youth.

This plan is a working document. It contains the recommendations you have made to safeguard and improve the quality of local life for all of us. Many of the issues are about the preservation and extension of local amenities and facilities, with due note made of strong local feeling about unsympathetic planning applications.

Parish Plans will link closely with the local development plans and can be adopted by the Local Authority as official "Supplementary Planning Guidance". This means that the Plans will have a strong and positive influence on where and how development takes place in a parish.

Brampton Cottage Hospital. Talkin Tarn, Hadrians Wall and the "dualling" of the A69 are hot topics. Transport is a common local concern to the majority and affordable housing may become an even greater key issue once the housing surveys have been completed.

Support will be given to work towards the provision of a swimming pool in Brampton for the community.

Some actions are of course dependent on securing funding and will involve the Parish Councils in developing practical working partnerships if ambition is to be turned into reality.

In this sense, although the role of the steering committee is now at an end, the work required to take the plan forward is just beginning.

The steering committee has summarised the action plan in the following pages. Each parish is, of course, unique - with its own concerns and issues to tackle so your Plan is based on both local and over-arching issues, reflecting the concerns of the majority of those who responded to the consultation.

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Social & Community – Whole Area

There is a lack of facilities and activities for young people across the whole of the Parish Plan area. Although excellent work is being done in Brampton to start a youth project, more is needed, and there would be benefit to a co-ordinated, area-wide approach.	An area-wide plan for youth provision should be developed, with Brampton as a hub for permanent facilities and activities Considering the work already undertaken by the Brampton youth project and by this Parish Plan, this need not be a lengthy process.	High	CCC, CaCC, Brampton PC, Connexions, William Howard School, Brampton Community Association, Volunteers, Crime Reduction Partnership	Short Term	CCC	Time input from officers and PCs. Funding for plan production.
	The Parish Plan is strongly supportive of the Brampton youth project. It is hoped that the new youth club will be hiring staff by the time this Plan is published	High	As Above	Short Term	Brampton Young People's Project Steering Group	Awaiting decisions on applications for funding. Strong need for good youthworkers
	Funding should be sought to bring existing mobile youth facilities into Brampton Area parishes during school breaks	High	As Above	Medium Term	CaCC	Funding for youth work
	Funding should be sought to employ youth workers whose remit would include setting up youth clubs in Brampton Area parishes which would network and share activities with the Brampton youth club	High	As Above	Long Term	CCC	Funding for youth workers and parish-based clubs. Time input from partners.

Social & Community – Whole Area

Rural communities value their Community Buildings as versatile, essential community space.	Nether Denton Village Hall will be improved in-line with modern standards. All members of the community will be encouraged to use the facilities the hall has to offer.	High	Village Hall Committee, PC, CaCC, VAC, User Groups	Medium	Village Hall Committee	Will require considerable funding. Commitment of time from Cttee. Also commitment of volunteers and user groups.
	Hallbankgate Village Hall (Farlam Parish) needs to raise funds for improvements and needs to encourage more user groups to enable its continued viability.	High	PC, Hallbankgate Hall Trustees, VAC, Brampton Community Association	Medium	Hall Trustees	Time and funding, lack of user groups
	Irthington values its two village halls. They are well used and we wish to develop this. We will seek ways to improve publicity for events and activities.	Medium	Village Hall Committee	Medium	Village Hall Committee	Some funding, also time commitment from Cttee.
	We will seek funds to improve the decorative state of Laversdale Hall, and the quality of furniture of both halls	High	Village Hall Committee, PC, VAC, Neighbourhood Forums	Medium	Village Hall Committee	Time and funding

Social & Community – Whole Area

	Across the Joint Parish Plan Initiative Area, community buildings are a valued and necessary part of community life. We will continue to support their activities and improvement.	High	PCs, Hall Committees, VAC, CaCC	Medium	Village Hall Committee	Time and funding
Local people miss the convenience of a Saturday Surgery in the morning.	We will lobby the Brampton practice to reopen the Saturday morning surgery.	High	Surgery, PCs,	Short	Brampton PC with support from other PCs	

Local people were strongly supportive of certain local amenities which they felt were essential to the future of the area.	Brampton Cottage Hospital must be maintained with the same level of service as is currently offered.	High	North Cumbria PCT, Brampton PC, CaCC, CCC	Long	North Cumbria PCT	

Leisure and Learning – Whole Area

Local people were strongly supportive of certain local amenities which they felt were essential to the future of the area.	Talkin Tarn must be maintained and sympathetically developed.	Medium	ECCP, PCs, CaCC	Long	ECCP	Local facilities and amenities
	Hadrian's Wall Trail must be sympathetically developed and maintained.	Medium	HWWHS, HWNT, HWTP, CaCC, PCs, Local Businesses and Landowners	Long	HWNT	
Over 5,000 people attend the Brampton Live Festival every year. This event could be threatened by new Licencing Laws.	We will continue to support Brampton Live as an event that raises the profile of the area, brings in visitors and income and is enormous fun.	Medium	PCs, Local Businesses, CaCC, Cumbria Constabulary, Brampton Live	Medium	Brampton Live	
The survey results showed huge support for a swimming pool in Brampton.	A project group has been established to work on creating a swimming pool, with the intention of building it at the Community Centre. We will support their actions.	High	Project Group, CaCC, CCC, Irthing Centre, PC	Medium	Project Group	Funding

Other - Whole Area

Some less than sympathetic planning applications, have been approved which causes great concern.	We will work closely with Carlisle City Council to seek ways to ensure our voices are heard, and to include the views revealed by this Plan in the emerging Local Development Framework.	Medium	PCs, CaCC	Short	CaCC	PC/local people time input Planning Dept. time input
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Social & Community - Farlam Parish

There is a lack of facilities and activities for young people across the Parish Plan area. In Farlam Parish, there are no facilities for play.	We will seek to develop a play area in Hallbankgate for young children. To do this we will need land and funding	Medium	PC, County Council, CCC,	Medium	A new community group may be needed to lead this project.	Time and funding
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Social & Community - Hayton Parish

There is a lack of facilities and activities for young people across the Parish Plan area. In Hayton Parish, there is a problem with anti-social behaviour.	Funding, staff and volunteers should be sought for organised activities for young people at the Down-a-Gate centre in Warwick Bridge. Although this facility lies outside the PP area, it is more practical for the Hayton area.	High	CCC, CaCC, Connexions, Volunteers, Crime Reduction Partnership, Cumbria Constabulary, Wetheral PC.	Long Term	CCC	Time input from officers and PCs. Funding for plan production. Willing volunteers and staff.
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Social & Community - Irthington Parish

There is a lack of facilities for young people in Irthington.	We will explore the possibility to make greater use of the school facilities out-of-hours. We will consider accepting part of the financial responsibility for maintenance and insurance to encourage this	Medium	PC, School Governors, CaCC	Medium	CaCC PC	Time and funding, volunteers for supervision
Irthington values its Village Shop & Post Office , and wishes to ensure its future.	We will try to ensure that the Shop and Post Office in Irthington continues to supply a full service to the Parish	Low	PC, Shop owner, PO	Long		None at present

Housing - Brampton Parish

The need for affordable housing is accepted, but where, and what type?	A Housing Needs Survey will be carried out as soon as possible.	High	PC, CaCC, CRHT	Short	CaCC	CaCC funding CRHT time
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Housing - Farlam Parish

The need for affordable housing was highlighted in a 2004 survey.	We will work with partners to seek to provide affordable housing within the Parish.	High	PC, CaCC, CRHT	Medium	CaCC	Suitable available land within the Parish. Time.
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Housing - Hayton Parish

We need to identify housing needs and any requirement for affordable housing in this Parish.	A Housing Needs Survey will be carried out as soon as possible.	High	PC, CaCC, CRHT	Short	CaCC	CaCC funding CRHT time
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Housing - Irthington Parish

The need for affordable housing is recognised and seen as a way to correct the skewed age profile of the parish	We will work with partners to seek to provide affordable housing in the Parish	High	PC, CaCC, CRHT	Medium	CaCC	Time and identification of suitable sites
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Housing - Nether Denton Parish

The need for affordable housing is accepted, but where, and what type?	A Housing Needs Survey will be carried out as soon as possible.	High	PC, CaCC, CRHT	Short	CaCC	CaCC funding CRHT time
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Housing - Upper Denton Parish

The need for affordable housing is accepted, but where, and what type?	A Housing Needs Survey will be carried out as soon as possible.	High	PC, CaCC, CRHT	Short	CaCC	CaCC funding CRHT time
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Transport, Communications and Parking - Brampton Parish

The are concerns about road safety in the Parish. A number of actions to improve the safety and condition of roads are proposed.	The public and police have called for traffic calming measures in the town. Ongoing investigation is required to ensure the best solutions are implemented.	Medium	PC, CCC, Cumbria Constabulary, Local Businesses	Medium	CCC	
	All approaching roads need to have their speed limits re-evaluated.	High	PC, CCC, Cumbria Constabulary	Short	CCC	
	A new car park is desperately needed in the town. We will continue to seek an appropriate space for this amenity.	High	PC, CCC, CaCC	Medium	PC	
	We will seek to re-route busses out of the town centre through Main street	High	PC, CCC, CaCC, Bus operators	Medium	PC	

Transport, Communications and Parking - Burtholme Parish

Residents of Burtholme Parish are also concerned about road safety. Reconciling the concerns of different road users is seen by most residents as the major challenge in the parish.	The volume of traffic visiting Hadrian's Wall suggests that the current C class designation of some local roads is not sufficient. We will work with partners to seek ways to upgrade key local routes.	Medium	PC, CCC, HWNT, HWTP, CaCC	Long	HWNT/H WTP	
	The road outside Lanercost School needs to be made more safe. We will work with Highways to look at options.	High	PC, CCC, School	Short	CCC	
	The road between Brampton and Banks is inadequate and dangerous. We will investigate ways of improving it.	Medium	PC, CCC	Medium	PC/CCC	

Transport, Communications and Parking - Farlam Parish

The are concerns about road safety in the Parish. A number of actions to improve the safety and condition of roads are proposed.	The standard of maintenance of roads in the parish should be improved. We will approach the CCC with this request	High	PC, CCC	Short	PC	PC time
	The junctions on the A689 Low Lonning should be improved and made safer. We will request the County Council to investigate the feasibility of improving sight lines for those leaving the A689 onto the Narworth road. Further requests to CCC and CaCC to improve the deteriorating road between Milton and Farlam, provide some lay-bys and passing places and improve road drainage.	High	PC, CCC	Medium	CCC	Making this work a priority will help to secure budget for the work.
	Existing and new 30mph limits should be enforced. We will work with Cumbria Constabulary to prioritise this	Medium	PC, Cumbria Constabulary, Crime Reduction Partnership	Medium	PC	PC time
	Tindale junction onto the A689 has dangerous blind spots and needs to be improved by cutting the hill back	Medium	PC, Cumbria County Council CCC	Medium	PC	PC time

Transport, Communications and Parking - Hayton Parish

The are concerns about road safety in the Parish. A number of actions to improve the safety and condition of roads are proposed.	A permanent workable solution is needed to the problem of parking at Hayton School at school start and finish times.	High	School, PC, CCC, Cumbria Constabulary,	Medium	School	
	A69 traffic travelling between Brampton and the M6 should be transferred to the A689 only after improvements to the road junctions as detailed in the Irthington section have been completed.	High	Highways Agency, CCC, PCs.	Long	CCC	Making this work a priority will help to secure budget for the work.

Transport, Communications and Parking - Irthington Parish

The are concerns about road safety in the Parish. A number of actions to improve the safety and condition of roads are proposed.	The standard of maintenance of roads in the parish should be improved. We will approach the CCC with this request	High	PC, CCC	Short	PC	Making this work a priority will help to secure budget for the work.
	The junctions on the A689 at Irthington, Newby East and Laversdale Lane Ends should be improved and made safer. We will request the County Council to investigate the feasibility of improving sight lines for those joining the A689 , provide turning lanes for those leaving the A689 and improve night visibility with lighting or reflectors	High	PC, CCC	Medium	CCC	Making this work a priority will help to secure budget for the work.
	The villages of Newby East, Newtown and Laversdale should all have 30mph limits. We will pursue this with the County Council	High	PC, CCC	Long	PC	Making this work a priority will help to secure budget for the work.
	Existing and new 30mph limits should be enforced. We will work with Cumbria Constabulary to prioritise this	Medium	PC, Cumbria Constabulary, Crime Reduction Partnership	Medium	PC	Making this work a priority will help to secure budget for the work.

Transport, Communications and Parking - Nether Denton Parish

The are concerns about road safety in the Parish. Vehicle speed is a particular concern.	A way of slowing down traffic within the village should be sought.	High	PC, CCC, Cumbria Constabulary,	Short	CCC	Making this work a priority will help to secure budget for the work.
	We will continue to campaign for a better winter gritting service	Low	PC, CCC	Medium	PC	PC time
	We will seek ways of maintaining the road side verges sensitively	Low	PC, CCC	Short	PC	Small funding application to start via PC

Transport, Communications and Parking - Upper Denton Parish

The are concerns about road safety in the Parish.	We will seek ways of improving road safety, especially near Gilsland School.	High	PC, CCC, Cumbria Constabulary,	Short	CCC	Making this work a priority will help to secure budget for the work.
Local people feel that Gilsland railway station could be a great asset to the area.	We will seek ways to ensure the opening of Gilsland Railway Station.	Medium	PC, CCC, Railtrack, rail operator	Long	PC	Funding

Provision of Services – Brampton Parish

Committed to the regeneration of Brampton, the Business Centre opened in 1997 to offer training and facilities to local people..	Brampton PC will continue to support the Brampton Business Centre and Tele Centre in its aim to deliver elements of the regeneration agenda for rural Carlisle.	High	Brampton PC, CaCC, Irthing Centre	Long	Carlisle City Council	
With a wide range of facilities and important childcare services, the Brampton Community Centre (Irthing Centre) is an essential asset to Brampton.	The Centre should be supported, and continued investment for future development secured. We will work with the Centre to achieve this.	High	Irthing Centre, CaCC, Brampton PC, Centre Users	Long	Irthing Centre	

Environment - Brampton Parish

The Parish is fully committed to recycling projects mainly initiated by Carlisle City Council.	A local group has recently been established to promote a sustainable eco-friendly community. We will continue to support this work.	Low	PC, Local Residents, Local Businesses, Environment Group.	Long	Environment Group	
Some developments have put Brampton's trees under threat.	More Tree Preservation Orders are needed, and a replanting scheme needs to be developed in partnership with Carlisle City Council.	Medium	PC, CaCC	Medium	PC	PC time

Environment - Castle Carrock Parish

Many Parishioners would like to see an enhanced environment and would be willing to participate in community activities.	Projects to maintain and enhance the local environment, using the pool of enthusiastic Parishioners identified during the Parish Plan, will be established and co-ordinated.	Low	PC, Local Residents	Medium	PC	Funding Volunteer time
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Leisure and Learning – Castle Carrock Parish

Castle Carrock may lose it's local pub if it is converted into a domestic dwelling.	We will make an approach to the current owner of the Duke of Cumberland public house to establish if there is anything that can be done to facilitate its reopening.	High	PC, Private Business, Local Residents	Short	PC	PC time
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Leisure and Learning – Irthington Parish

Irthington wishes to promote local amenities to develop tourism.	We will seek funding to produce and distribute copies of the promotional leaflet designed by our village school	High	PC, CaCC, Village School, Neighbourhood Forums	Short/ Medium term	PC	Time and funding
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Leisure and Learning – Upper Denton Parish

Many local businesses depend on tourism and believe the local area should be equipped to offer a quality product.	We will support local tourism initiatives in their work to secure investment in tourism.	Medium	PC, Private Businesses, HWNT, HWTP, CCC, CTB	Long	HWTP	
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Other - Castle Carrock Parish

Recent planning proposals have caused significant concern. Is there a more effective way to influence the planning process?	We will continue to explore the desirability and feasibility of producing a Village Design Statement	Medium	PC, CCC.	Medium	PC	Time Availability of CaCC to provide assistance Funding Volunteer time
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Other - Farlam Parish

New development can often be damaging to local character, but how can we define what is acceptable, and what is not?	We will create a Village Design Statement working with Carlisle City Council for inclusion in the Local Development Framework as supplementary planning documents.	Medium	PC, CCC.	Medium	PC	Time Availability of CaCC to provide assistance Funding Volunteer time
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CaCC – Carlisle City Council
CCC – Cumbria County Council
CRHT – Cumbria Rural Housing Trust

VAC – Voluntary Action Cumbria
CTB – Cumbria Tourist Board
HWTP – Hadrian's Wall Tourism Partnership

PC – Parish Council
HWNT – Hadrian's Wall National Trail

