



# Cuckfield Parish Council

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**BUSINESS PLAN 2019-2023**

# Introduction

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- Welcome to Cuckfield Parish Council's Business Plan for the current Council's term in office, 2019-2023.
- Elected Councillors met to consider which initiatives to progress over the next 4 years, and worked through all items until a short list was formed.
- These projects and initiatives have been split into short and longer term objectives according to our existing committee structure.
- Some projects can be delivered by us, others will require collaboration with outside agencies e.g. MSDC, WSCC etc.
- Some projects will be achieved in a short period of time, others may take longer depending on funding availability and external co-operation.
- An annual review will take place, with feedback on progress provided at the Annual Parish Meeting, and in the Chairman's Annual Report.
- Regular updates will also be shared via the quarterly newsletter in Cuckfield Life, as well as our website [www.cuckfield.gov.uk](http://www.cuckfield.gov.uk) and our Facebook page.

# Parish Councillors

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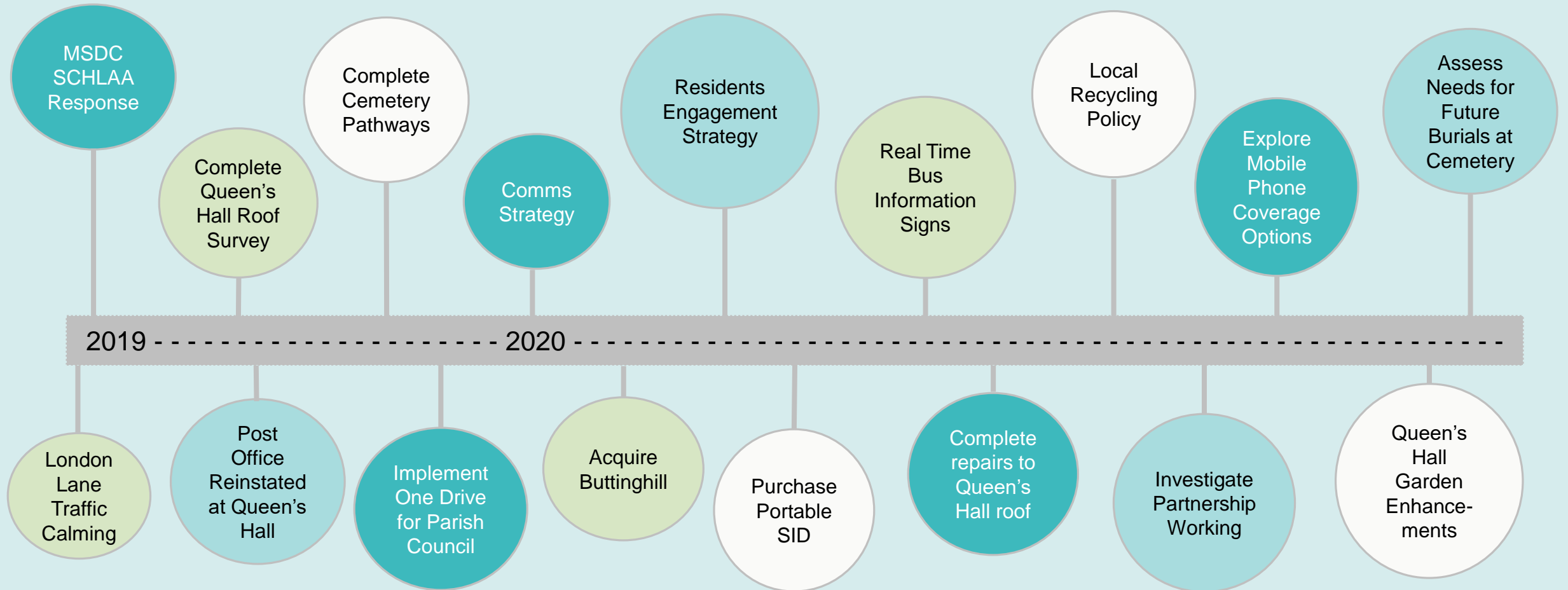
The Parish Councillors working hard for the community are:

- Andy Burton (Chairman)
- Andrea King (Vice Chairman)
- Jill Butler
- John Dickie
- Steve Oversby-Powell
- Adrian Podmore
- Martin Sheldon
- Andrew Symonds
- 2 Vacancies



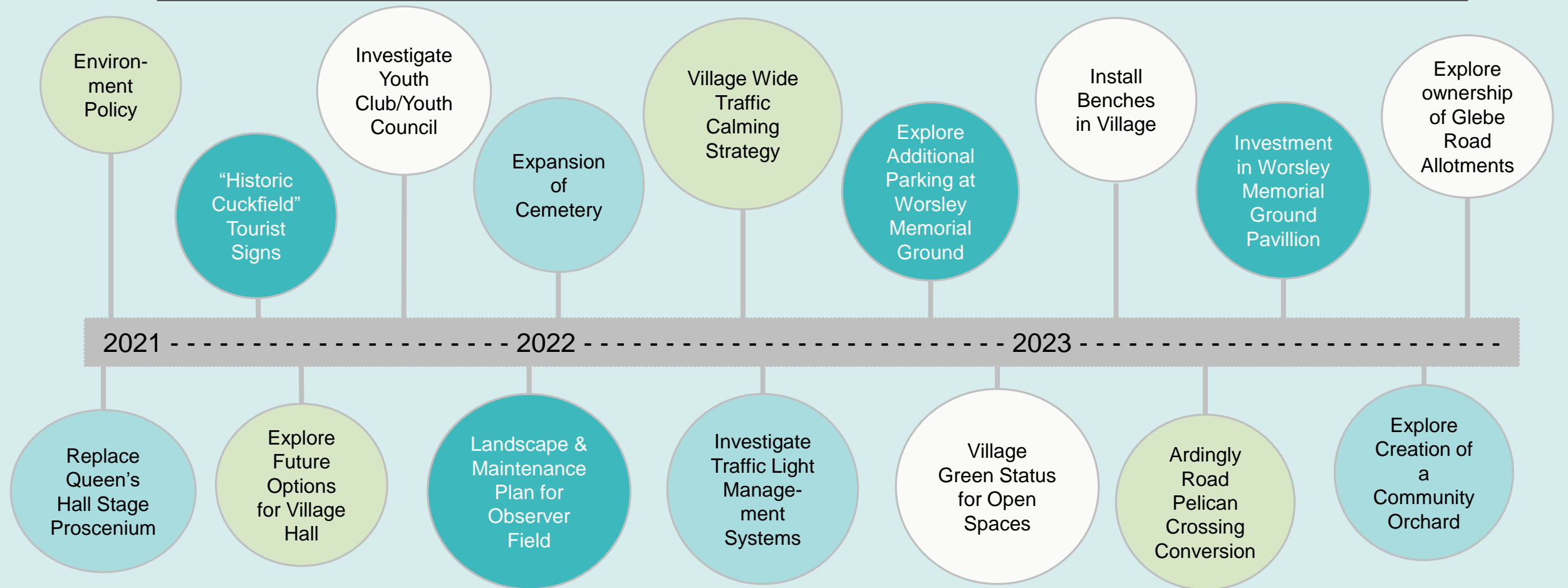
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## FOUR YEAR ROADMAP TIMELINE 2019-2021



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## SHORT TERM (2020-21)

- Develop a Parish Council communications strategy
- Create a strategy to engage with elderly residents
- Create an enhanced environmental policy recognising climate change to support the village
- Create a recycling policy and investigate ways of offering enhanced recycling opportunities for residents
- Investigate ways to improve mobile phone coverage



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## LONGER TERM (2021-23)

- Develop a strategy to provide additional community events within the village
- Investigate opportunities to reinstate a local youth club
- Investigate convening a Youth Council





# Finance & General Purposes

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## SHORT TERM (2020-21)

- Reinstate Post Office services in Cuckfield
- Create a tourism marketing plan
- Implement One Drive file sharing for the Parish Council

## LONGER TERM (2021-23)

- Create an action plan to promote the village economy
- Explore the installation of tourist signs on the A272 to promote the village centre



# Planning

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## SHORT TERM (2020-21)

- Publish Parish Housing Land Availability Assessment update
- Review and respond to MSDC SHELAA (November 2019)

## LONGER TERM (2021-23)

- Contribution to a new wildlife education facility at the Court Meadow school site
- Extension of Blunts Wood/Paiges Meadow Local Nature Reserve into the Borde Hill Millennium Forest



# Assets, Community & Environment

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## SHORT TERM (2020-21)

- Acquire Buttinghill open space
- Implementation of real time bus information signs at key locations
- Extend the Queen's Hall garden into the land adjacent and create a community garden, with implementation of further improvements to the existing Queen's Hall garden
- Complete pathway replacements within the cemetery
- Clean all road signs within the village





# Assets, Community & Environment

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## LONGER TERM (2021-23)

- Investigate potential future options for Cuckfield Village Hall
- Create an online record of all parish assets to increase ease of management
- Explore expansion of Worsley Memorial Ground parking (MSDC)
- Consider installation of additional benches within public areas of the village
- Continue redecoration of the Queen's Hall
- Obtain village green status for Horsefield Green & Buttinghill open space
- Investigate the option of a bmx track at Whitemans Green

# Roads and Traffic

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## SHORT TERM (2020-21)

- London Lane: look at further traffic calming measures in partnership with MSDC and WSCC.
- Purchase portable Speed Indicator Device with the capability of photographing and identifying speeding vehicles, subject to approval of use by Sussex Police
- Investigate traffic light management capability for speed control





# Roads and Traffic

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## LONGER TERM (2021-23)

- Investigate conversion of Ardingly Road zebra crossings to puffin crossings
- Investigate installation of a pedestrian crossing at Whitemans Green
- Develop strategy for next generation of village-wide traffic calming measures
- Consider a new bus shelter at Warden Court



# Maintenance

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## SHORT TERM (2020-21)

- Investigate new partnership working opportunities with neighbouring Parish and Town Councils
- Assess the future needs for continued burials at the cemetery (expansion)
- Complete survey of Queen's Hall roof to understand issues, and complete roof and damp work repairs
- Continue work at Horsefield Green to complete landscape plan
- Implement Buttinghill open space landscape plan (after site handover)
- Continue to submit timely planning recommendations to MSDC, and maintain Neighbourhood Plan monitoring
- Continue to maintain Broad Street Public Toilets

# Maintenance

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## LONGER TERM (2021-23)

- Complete lychgate repairs
- Complete replacement of closed churchyard pathways
- Realise increased police presence within the village via dedicated PCSO
- Replace Queen's Hall proscenium arch (stage curtains)
- Determine landscape and maintenance plan for the Observer Field
- Continue to support and publicise Speedwatch

