

*Kersey Parish Action Plan for the period 2008 – 2013
Final update January 2014*



Category	Issue	Action	Lead Organisation	Partners	Resources	Priority	Progress
Affordable Housing & Market Housing	Carefully planned expansion	Inform PC of the result of the questionnaire. <i>18 households stated that someone would want affordable housing in the next 5 years</i>	Parish Council	Suffolk Acre Housing Enabler Babergh DC Housing Association	Parish Council	High	<p>Ratification by Parish Council <u>Feb 2010 update</u> A joint scheme is being progressed with the help of Suffolk ACRE for the villages of Kersey, Monks Eleigh and Lindsey. A suitable site has been identified in Monks Eleigh</p> <p><u>April 2011 update</u> The joint scheme is still progressing. A site for 2 properties has been identified in Vale Lane, Kersey as well as the site in Monks Eleigh for 5 homes.</p> <p><u>October 2011update</u> Following much discussion and consultation it was agreed by the Parish Council that there was no demonstrable need for affordable homes in Kersey and there was no support for affordable homes in Kersey from Kersey residents. The scheme for affordable homes in Kersey would not be progressed and Kersey would not be linked with the scheme in Monks Eleigh.</p> <p><u>January 2014</u> Parish council still not aware of any current need from residents for affordable housing in Kersey.</p>

Facilities for teenagers	See below						
Cultural, Sporting & Recreational Facilities	Desire for more planned social & sporting activities inc youth	<p>Create a Kersey Sports & Social Club</p> <p>Identify & appoint a person to lead this initiative</p>	New committee selected from the list of volunteers following an Open Meeting	Village Hall management Committee	Initially to be resourced from the 27 volunteers who responded in the PP	High	<p>Establishment of new Committee</p> <p><u>Feb 2010 update</u> Kersey Table Tennis Club established Thursday evenings in Village Hall. A film club was investigated but it was agreed this was not a viable option for Kersey at present</p> <p><u>October 2011 update</u> Outdoor fitness equipment installed and being used by residents. Children's playground equipment repaired and new equipment installed.</p> <p><u>January 2014</u> No committee established for a Kersey Sports and Social Club but a variety of social and sporting activities take place in Kersey. Table Tennis Club continues to run, anyone interested in playing or learning to play welcomed. Kersey Society established in 2010, they organise a variety of social and educational events and outings throughout the year, all welcome. Art classes held in village hall. Tuesday Club meets monthly in village hall. Forget-me-nots, a social group for older residents meet monthly. Walking group organises monthly walks using the local footpath network. Parish Council to monitor level of support for current activities and to identify need for new activities.</p>

Public Transport	80 people stated they would use Public Transport	Investigate reinstating scheduled services to and from Kersey in conjunction with need from closure of PO	Parish Council	Babergh DC Suffolk CC Relevant Bus Cos.	Feasibility study to be undertaken by BDC/SCC/ Bus Cos.	Med	BDC/SCC currently investigating potential limited reinstatement of services <u>Feb 2010 update</u> New timetables produced, several SCC bus services run through Kersey. <u>April 2011 update</u> All regular public bus services travelling though Kersey have been withdrawn. Suffolk Links Cosford area demand responsive service operates in Kersey. Users have to telephone to pre-book journeys at least 24 hours in advance. <u>January 2014</u> No regular public transport services in Kersey. Suffolk Links Cosford area demand responsive service operates in Kersey and although limiting it does provide a service to Hadleigh for those with no access to a car.
Community Transport	See above						
Traffic Management	20mph speed limit in Kersey village and 30mph in rest of Parish	Investigate the possibility of implementing lower speed limits	Parish Council	Suffolk County Council Highways Authority	SCC to provide options	High	Imposition of traffic calming <u>Feb 2010 update</u> The initial response from SCC was that lower speed limits could not be implemented in Kersey <u>April 2011 update</u> 30mph speed limits for Hall Road and Tye area of Kersey were investigated; SCC advised that this not feasible. <u>January 2014</u> Parish Council to approach SCC to see if reduced speed limits could be introduced and then to consult residents to see if there is support.

Parking	Too many cars parked in centre of village	Increase awareness of hazards and access issues caused by bad parking.	Parish Council	Suffolk County Council Highways Authority	Use of Newsletter to raise awareness	Med	<p><u>Feb 2010 update</u> The Parish Council has worked with the Police who delivered letters to residents in The Street & Church Hill encouraging them to park considerately.</p> <p><u>January 2014</u> Parish Council recently contacted residents in Church Hill & school parents asking them to park considerately with the safety of all road users in mind. The Parish Council will continue to monitor.</p>
Shopping & Services	Creation of a community shop	Identify & appoint a person to lead this initiative	New committee selected from the list of volunteers following an Open Meeting	Suffolk ACRE	Feasibility to be undertaken Initially to be resourced from the 27 volunteers who responded in the PP	High	<p>Establishment of a Community shop</p> <p><u>Feb 2010 update</u> Further investigation into a community shop was undertaken but there was not enough support by parishioners to take the project forward at this stage</p> <p><u>January 2014</u> Now there is a supermarket on the outskirts of Hadleigh open 7 days a week a community shop would not be viable.</p>
Natural Environment	Requirement for Dog Litter Bins	Investigate installation of Dog Litter Bins	Parish Council	Babergh DC	Funding and process to be identified and agreed	Low	<p>Installation</p> <p><u>Feb 2010 update</u> Dog bin installed Kedges Lane 03/2009</p> <p><u>April 2011 update</u> - Dog bin well used. Still dog fouling problem in village.</p> <p><u>January 2012 update</u> Parish Council to investigate possible installation of dog bin in Water Lane.</p> <p><u>March 2012 update</u> Installation of a dog bin in Water Lane not possible as Babergh would not be able to empty the bin in this location. New no dog fouling signs put up in Water Lane.</p> <p><u>January 2014</u> Problem of dog fouling in Kersey no longer such a problem. Parish Council to monitor.</p>

Natural Environment (continued)	Appetite for working groups to tidy village	Pass names to John Maltby, current organiser	Parish Council		Initially to be resourced from the 20 who volunteers responded in the PP	Low	<p>More volunteers at organised events</p> <p><u>April 2011 update</u> Volunteers joined the Annual litter collection in March. Numbers of volunteers has not greatly increased in recent years. More always welcome. The Primary School join in with this initiative, completing litter collections in the village twice a year.</p> <p><u>March 2012 update</u> Volunteers and the school joined in with annual litter pick.</p> <p><u>March 2013 update</u> School joined in but very poor turnout of volunteers from the community for annual litter collection.</p> <p><u>January 2014</u> There is a group of volunteers who have tidied areas of the parish, in particular the area of Cherry Hill next to the footpath. Parish Council to continue organising annual spring litter collection, promote widely to encourage participation.</p>
Access to Information	<p>Creation of Village Public Internet</p> <p>Creation of Website</p>	Identify & appoint a person to lead this initiative	New committee selected from the list of volunteers following an Open Meeting	Onesuffolk Suffolk Trainers Possibly Community shop or Pub Suffolk ACRE	Initially to be resourced from the 4 volunteers who responded in the PP	<p>Low</p> <p>Low</p>	<p>Creation of website and provision of public internet point</p> <p><u>Feb 2010 update</u> A community website was launched in Feb 2010 www.kersey.suffolk.gov.uk</p> <p><u>January 2014</u> Website updated regularly. No public internet access point, technology moved on since 2008 and this may not now be necessary, Parish Council to investigate.</p>

Voluntary & Community Activity	<p>Desire for a Good Neighbour Scheme.</p> <p>Desire for a Volunteer Driving Scheme</p>	Identify & appoint a person to lead this initiative	New committee selected from the list of volunteers following an Open Meeting	<p>Suffolk ACRE</p> <p>Suffolk ACRE</p>	Initially to be resourced from the 30 volunteers who responded in the PP	Med	<p>Establishment of Groups</p> <p><u>Feb 2010 update</u> A volunteer is working with Suffolk ACRE to try and set up a scheme</p> <p><u>April 2011 update</u> Following further investigation, an article in the newsletter and discussion a Parish Council meetings it has been agreed not to pursue a Good Neighbour Scheme at present because residents did not wish for a formal scheme. Informal community help and support is evident in the parish.</p> <p><u>January 2014</u> Parish Council to find out if there is support for formal schemes now. Parish Council agreed it was important to find a way to identify those who may need support. Some may need help and encouragement to join in with organised social events and activities. Investigate setting up a weekly social event for people to get together and chat.</p>
Local Democracy	Keeping the Parish Plan alive in the community	Parish Council will review the Action Plan semi annually at PC meetings and give report to Annual Parish Meeting	Parish Council	none		High	<p>Compliance</p> <p><u>April 2011/12/13 update</u> The Parish Council regularly discuss Parish Plan Action Points</p> <p><u>January 2014</u> The Parish Council are carrying out a complete review of the Parish Plan Action Plan and Parish Plan. A new Action Plan to be put together to carry forward points which still need action and add in any new action points identified. Input from all residents encouraged. The school will be contacted for their input into the review.</p>