	BURES PARISH ACTION PLAN 2021-22				
	Underlying principles				
1	Community spirit and communication – the plan is informed by the Essex and Suffolk strategies for Health and Well-being and the NALC COVID-19 guidance https://www.livewellcampaign.co.uk/news/about-us/ https://www.babergh.gov.uk/communities/health-and-wellbeing				
		Action	Detail	Budget line/ source	
i)	Mental Health and Well-being	1.i.i) Hold training and awareness events 1.i.ii) Increase signposting for sources of support	Facilitate events offered by Braintree and Babergh District Councils Use Bures Market Parish Council clinic	District Councils	
		1.i.iii) Programme of Well-being drop-ins to be set up	Existing and new drop-ins to be promoted widely		
		1.i.iv) Work with Essex and Suffolk Highways to improve cycling routes for residents	Publicise and take part in activities as appropriate. Walking guides/cycling guides (see 2.viii)		
		1.i.v) Work with Babergh and Braintree on Health initiatives involving walking	Continue work on QL status for identified lanes, gain this status as appropriate and		
		1.i.vi) Work with Quiet Lanes Suffolk Team	further engage residents in understanding its purpose and value to		
		1.i.vii) Bures Surgery issues	Bures		
		1.i.vii) Dropped kerbs – see 2v.vi			
ii)	COVID-19 In line with national guidelines	1.ii.i) Disseminate information from national, county and district sources	All parish councillors and interested bodies to be informed via email. Social media to be used to share information	Apply to DCs COVID-19 fund	
		1.ii.ii) Continue the support network within Bures and develop this if the need arises.	more widely. Signs to be put up as required.		
iii)	Parish Council communication with residents	1.iii.i) Newsletter (to include minutes)	Bi-monthly newsletter to be to be made available in hard copy through village		

			amenities (shops, churches, doctors etc) open to the public.	100.00 printing cost BSM PP BH Project
2	Environment – the plan is informed by the following: https://policy.friendsoftheearth.uk/reports/20-actions-parish-and-town-councils-can-take-climate-and-nature-emergency https://www.cpre.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/CPREZLandscapeZZNeighbourhoodZPlanningZtextZonly.pdf			
	https://treecharter.uk/pd	<u>f/Tree-Charter-Principles</u> Action	Detail	
i)	Hedge and tree planting schemes and areas for wildlife encouraged. Tree Charter and Climate and Nature Emergency Actions Ongoing work	2.i.i) Survey of current significant trees and identification of planting sites to be carried out. Further tree planting to be carried out as appropriate	Tree wardens and volunteers to lead	Apply for trees and supports from sources of donations
ii)	Rights of Way	2.i.ii) Assess the use and status of Rights of Way	Work with landowners and County Access teams ahead of the proposed changes in 2026	
iii)	Link with Bures Transition Group (Climate Action Group) Tree Charter and Climate and Nature Emergency Actions	2.iii.i) Brook Field Grove - area off Cambridge Way, identified for recreational use, to be adopted and planted in conjunction with The Woodland Trust, Essex Wildlife Trust, Dedham Vale Project, Colne Stour Countryside Association and Bures Transition Group.	Further work with Braintree officers and councillors to obtain this land for the village	Woodland Trust, Essex Wildlife Trust Donations
iv)	Speeding /Road Safety	2.iv.i) Essex and Suffolk Speedwatch schemes to continue		
		2.iv.ii) Pedestrian crossing on Colchester Road for Millennium bridge	Essex Highways	ECC

		2.iv.iii) Village entry gate signs on all routes into the village – improved reminder of entering a built up area.	Oak posts, white gates of width to suit verge. (Glasdon narrow - £700, med £1,000, wide £1,200	BSM CIL
		2.v.iv) Use moveable VAS to deter speeding	BSM VAS to be used in the four sites agreed with Suffolk Highways Sudbury Wardens to move the equipment as required and upload the data – to be shared with the police if necessary	BSM agreement with Sudbury Town
		2v.v) Improve safety for pedestrians walking to and from the Mount Bures junction on Colchester Road		
		2v.vi) Survey of dropped kerbs and plan to ensure safe use of pavements by all		
v)	Parking	2.v.i) Station car park2.v.ii) Work to relieve parking issues	Continue to pressure Greater Anglia with the village view that there should be no charge. Advertise the station car park with its current charges.	
			Identify alternative areas for parking	
vi)	Climate and Nature Emergency Actions	2vi.i) Village contractors to work in line with the FotE document.	Weeds to be removed manually	Increased cost
		2vi.ii) Promote energy efficiency	Publicity events, inclusion of information in newsletters	Maintenance BH BSM
		2vi.iii) Electric car charging points	In the car park	Grants?
vii)	Empty property issues	2vii.i) Involvement in the development on Chambers site	Work with Babergh and Braintree District Councils	DC
		2 vii.ii) Old garage site Colchester Road		
viii	There is a proposal to extend the Dedham Vale AONB to include Bures.	2viii.i) Work with the Dedham Vale and Stour Valley Project AONB towards this goal	Possible further walking and cycling guides/boards (see1.i)	See above

		2.viii.ii) Continue to push for the least obtrusive method of power being routed from the North Sea to London (Bramford to Twinstead section)	Work with neighbouring parishes and District and County Councils	
xi	Flooding issues	2 xi.i) Surface Water Alleviation Scheme 2.xi.ii) Work with Babergh DC to monitor drainage	Push for Colchester Road/Bridge Street to be at Priority level with ECC	ECC BDC/SCC
3	Community assets, services and enterprise – the plan is informed by https://www.babergh.gov.uk//support-and-advice-for-businesses/open-for-businesses/ https://www.braintree.gov.uk/downloads/id/470/e8_one_district_one_vision_a_strategy_for			
i)	Recreation Ground	3.i.i) Replace out-dated A to B climber in under 7s area 3.i.ii) Additional gate for main play area v) Encourage groups who wish to set up new sports/opportunities (cross reference 1.i)	Additional trampoline and new Wicksteed climber	BSGC and BDC Capital Play Area grant and Braintree Communities Initiatives Fund
ii)	Cemetery	3ii.i) New storage facility		
iii)	Facilities for visitors	3iii) tbc		
iv)	Lighting and pavements	3iv.i) Provide lighting for route from Parsonage Grove to the station	Possible ECC or consider solar light	BH Project
v)	Retail facilities	3v.i) Actively promote and encourage retail business		
vi)	Superfast broadband	3vi.i) Encourage community groups to apply for Superfast Broadband in outlying areas	St Edmunds Land and Smallbridge are due to have Superfast in 2022	
4	Neighbourhood Plan	1	1	1

	Applications to Braintree and Babergh to agree the	Work with Jan Stobart of RCCE	
Bures Neighbourhood	area for the plan		
Plan	Formation of a NP Group		