



## **MARKET & COASTAL TOWNS INITIATIVE**

A Summary of the Community Strategic Plan 2005





## Did you know?

**The current population of the Vale Vision area is in excess of 18000**

**There area features 15 ancient woodlands and 4 designated Conservation areas**

**Statistics show that the general health of the area is better than the national average**

**There are over 100 premises providing goods or services**

**Manufacturing in the area dates back hundreds of years**

**Engines made in Dursley can be found on five continents**

**There are in the region of 50-60 active Societies and Clubs in the area**



**C**am, Dursley and the surrounding parishes are undergoing changes, which reflect the ways people's lives are changing in Britain today.

There has always been change, but the speed of change is increasing everywhere. Global trade means new challenges for businesses. Increasing reliance on cars, widespread access to the internet and all it offers, changing social trends, new jobs, ever-rising property prices – these are just some of the things that impact on how communities survive and develop.

### Today's issues

Our area has experienced the impact of these changes. Local, long-established companies have relocated, downsized or closed. New smaller high-tech companies have been established. New residents have been attracted to the area but many commute to major cities like Bristol, Cheltenham and Gloucester or even further afield. Many people, especially those with cars, choose to shop and seek their entertainment in these and other large centres.

There are still good schools, local shops and basic services. Sports, leisure and cultural activities are thriving. People enjoy living in a lovely area, but there are real challenges, reflecting real concerns for many in our community. Older people, young people, those without cars especially, need local facilities. People who have lost their jobs locally need the opportunity to retrain, for local jobs. Shops, services and employment have to develop if the area is to retain its identity and be a sustainable community rather than a commuter dormitory! Change will happen anyway, Littlecombe, a new supermarket, new facilities in Cam, and Parish plans will all bring opportunities. We need to make the most of them.

### History

Dursley grew as a prosperous market town supporting the Cotswold woollen trade with many mills along the valley and flourishing local agriculture. In the 1800's this industry went into decline, but farming remained strong.

In 1867 Robert Ashton Lister set up a small workshop repairing agricultural machinery for farms. With the adaptability of the local workforce and continued product innovation, the company grew to be a major player in engineering employing 4000 people at its peak, exporting diesel engines worldwide.



Other local industries have included: the manufacture of bicycles - the Pedersen Cycle, printing, electric motors, carpets, cloth for billiard tables and formerly for The Gloucester Royal Hussars and furniture upholstery.

### The future

With the disappearance or decline of some of these industries, there is a need to bring new economic vitality to our area. There are new growth industries and the area is well placed to make the most of new opportunities. The local workforce needs to be offered training for the new jobs that will become available as more high-tech and light industrial businesses are encouraged into the area. Schools and colleges are already giving our young people skills in these new areas and it is important that jobs are available when they graduate, allowing the area to retain its skill base.

We have some stunning countryside and many local attractions. It is clear that tourism hasn't been promoted effectively in the past. Other nearby areas – the Cotswold, Forest of Dean, Gloucester and Cheltenham are working hard on their tourist opportunities and quickly achieving results. We need to link with this county-wide potential

Plans for a new superstore are progressing in Dursley and this can be a catalyst for improvements in the Town Centre, building

### Major tourist attractions in the area include:

- The 4,000 acre Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust at Slimbridge
- The Arboretum at Westonbirt
- Berkeley Castle
- The Jenner Museum at Berkeley
- Cattle Country at Berkeley
- Newark Park
- The William Tyndale monument
- Uley Bury – an ancient hill fort
- Hetty Pegler's Tump – an ancient British burial site
- Woodchester Mansion
- North Nibley Steam Fair
- Nympsfield Gliding Club/School
- Stinchcombe Hill Golf Course
- The Sharpness Canal



on the best of what exists and addressing the problems of access and traffic.

The new Resource Centre in Cam will bring further business to its growing centre and new opportunities for the community. At the centre of the area, the Littlecombe development will bring jobs and homes.

In this broadsheet we have outlined some of the work already in progress as 'quick win' projects, along with longer term plans reflecting the 'big issues' such as Littlecombe. This is your opportunity to have your say. Don't pass it up - let us know your views on how we can improve our area to make it a better place to live.





Planning involves knowing where you are starting from, where you would like to be and how you are going to get there! To do this Cam, Dursley and the surrounding parishes have been part of a programme run by the South West of England Regional Development Agency.

The Market and Coastal Towns Initiative (MCTI) was created to address the problems being faced by many rural communities today. The Vale Vision area is facing a period of transformation and this opportunity could not have come at a better time.

The plan includes Dursley and the parishes of Cam, Coaley, Slimbridge, Stinchcombe, Nympsfield, Uley and Owlpen. The area was awarded £65,000 to prepare a community strategic plan, start a number of 'quick win' projects and allow progress in seeking further grants and awards that may be available for larger projects. It also provides a community view on priorities for our local councils – Parish, Town and County, as they take forward their statutory responsibilities.

#### Consultation

Public meetings were held in Cam and Dursley over a period in 2002/3 where members of the public were invited to voice their concerns and suggest ideas for improvements in the area. Three further meetings were held in 2003 with organisations, agencies and individuals to help prioritise the projects, to discuss what was already being done as well as what was already planned for the future.

A final public meeting was held in 2004 which allowed residents and community groups to voice their opinions on the proposed projects and inform Vale Vision whether this was consistent with local views.



Geoff Wheeler explains the new plans for the Littlecombe site. Plans are viewed at a public meeting. The outstanding countryside is under marketed for tourism.

## Our vision:

*'To develop a thriving Community that recognises, respects and provides for the varied needs of the people that live, work in or visit the area.'*

*We will conserve and care for our attractive environment, whilst providing learning opportunities, jobs, access to services and leisure activities for everybody.'*



#### Working Groups

Working groups were then set up to cover each of the areas discussed in more detail. These groups included:

<b>The Environment</b>	<b>Youth</b>
<b>Healthy Living</b>	<b>The Elderly</b>
<b>Business and Tourism</b>	<b>Transport</b>
<b>Sports, Culture, Heritage &amp; Leisure</b>	<b>Education</b>

#### The Steering Group

A steering group of fourteen people was set up to represent many interests in the local community. It consists of members of the general public, people engaged in health, education and churches and representatives from the Town, Parish, District and County Councils.

The group meets regularly and has been able to form strong associations with all aspects of the local area. This group has had the responsibility for moving projects forward whilst bringing information/progress reports to the Vale Vision meetings and agreeing the Community Strategic Plan.

#### Aims and Objectives

The production of the plan will allow us to:

- Identify a clear future for the area
- Give clear targets, goals and timeframes
- Identify specific projects which need urgent consideration
- Consolidate information which will allow the group to seek further grants and awards

#### Benefits to the Community

The plan will help by:

- Stimulating forward thinking
- Kick starting urgent projects
- Building up pride in the area
- Implementing ideas to boost the local economy

## S.W.O.T. Analysis

After the series of meetings with local residents, organisations, businesses and young people, Vale Vision analysed the information collected and produced a Community Strategic Plan looking ahead for the next ten to fifteen years.

Part of the planning process was a SWOT analysis was mad of Strengths versus Weaknesses and Opportunities versus Threats. These are summarised below. Together, they point the way ahead.



#### Strengths

- Large number of local attractions
- Associated with the Cotswolds and located on the Cotswold Way
- Countryside includes areas of outstanding natural beauty
- Towns and villages feature notable historic buildings
- Strong industrial and historical heritage
- Integrated rail and transport link
- M5 provides good links to Bristol and Gloucester
- Availability of land for business and retail development
- Low rentals for local retail and business units
- Growing professional population
- Plans for further residential expansion would bring more income into the area
- Quality recreational facilities including local golf course
- New, high quality public facilities include swimming pool, health centres and library
- Broadband available
- Extensive range of local venues for events and organisations
- Established local projects and partnerships - GL11 and TLC

Upper Cam Church is virtually hidden from visitors to the area.

Youngsters can now enjoy the new skateboard facility at Cam.

#### Weaknesses

- Lack of hotels in the area is restricting tourism
- Recent downsizing by traditional large-scale employers
- Migration of local skilled workforce
- Restrictive road layout prevents redevelopment of certain areas
- Link roads to M5 considered inadequate for future usage
- Public bus transport to other major centres is very restricted and almost non-existent on Sundays and evenings
- Traffic congestion at peak times
- Dursley shopping area suffers from poor image and considered unsafe due to unrestricted delivery times
- Many local community/group event venues need refurbishment
- Lack of facilities for young people

Kingshill House newly refurbished arts and community facility.



#### Opportunities

- Littlecombe development
- New supermarket in Dursley
- Strong County and Local partnerships that have considerable experience of working together on regeneration projects
- Development of the area's tourism potential, its heritage and its location on the edge of the Cotswolds
- Improving the area's tourist facilities and accommodation
- Plans for skills training
- Increase in the number and range of the events and festivals held in the area
- Development of Cam and Dursley as a centres for mixed living, working, leisure and shopping
- Pursue new commercial developments on vacant sites at Draycott Estate and Littlecombe
- Promotion of re-shaped Dursley town centre as a future leisure, eating and shopping centre
- Extension of rugby club facilities including multi-sport usage
- New community facilities on the Littlecombe site
- New community focussed resources at Cam Resource Centre and Rednock extended school

#### Threats

- Road infrastructure could cause businesses/people to relocate to other areas
- Weakening of the local economy due to other possible closures.
- Large scale strategic business development at Bristol and Gloucester
- Failure of community/private company and/or public involvement could stifle regeneration efforts
- Failure to develop skills to meet new job challenges
- Increased shopping competition from the neighbouring towns and city retail centres
- Lack of affordable housing
- Funding limits and uncertainties (health and education)



The road infrastructure will need consideration in the future.

Rednock School sports facilities will be improved and opened up for community use.



Lister-Petter saw considerable job losses. Jacobs House and the new tourist centre. A guided walk at Cam Peak Pond.

## Regeneration Issues

#### The Economy

- Construction skills centre for Littlecombe site
- A learning centre for Cam and Dursley
- Cam Resource Centre Commercial development
- Promotion of tourism
- Support for farming and the rural community
- Dursley Town Centre Regeneration
- Supermarket development and benefits
- Littlecombe Development
- Early release of Draycott site

#### Social and Community

- Support for the elderly
- Residential and nursing care centres
- Affordable housing
- Support for activity and long term development of GL11
- Disabled people's needs
- Access to Healthcare Services
- Rednock School development
- Benefits of the Cam Resource Centre
- Youth Advisory Services
- Relocation/refurbishment of the Dursley Youth Centre

#### Culture, Heritage, Sports and Leisure

- Multi-use community facility on the Littlecombe site
- Rugby club multi-sports facility
- Retain Parish Playing Fields
- Support for community facilities in all parishes
- Support for festivals in Cam, Dursley and North Nibley
- Support Kingshill House and Prema Arts Centres
- All weather pitch for Rednock School and local community
- Support for the development of Cam Jubilee Playing Field

#### The Environment

- Encourage sustainable development
- High quality built environment
- Sustainable water management/concern for environment integrated into daily activity
- Energy conservation and research into alternative energy
- Increase civic pride
- Wildlife-rich, sustainably managed landscape

#### Transport and Traffic

- Local Transport Plans with regard to the impact of the development of Littlecombe
- Inform future thinking on transport
- Secure improved and sustainable public transport services
- Negotiate peak time train timetables
- Secure late night transport for cinema, theatre, and college access
- Secure parking provision in town and parishes
- Promote safe travel routes for pedestrians and cyclists especially in the vicinity of schools
- Achieve safer and more effective traffic management



# The Projects in detail

Projects which have been identified for development in the near future are shown here, grouped under their relevant titles in more detail.

## The Economy



Key to the improvement of Dursley and Cam is the former Lister-Petter site which is now referred to by its original name, Littlecombe. This major redevelopment project has now been given outline planning approval by Stroud District Council.

The work will start with the establishment of new business units, leading on to housing developments and a major community leisure facility. Environmental improvements will be a major part of the work, helping to create an attractive area and an attractive link between Dursley and Cam.



### Supermarkets

Existing stores such as the Coop at Cam have shown that there is local demand for retail services. The new proposed 20,000 sq feet Tesco store in Dursley and other retail units will help reduce local dependency on other major shopping centres such as Gloucester and Bristol. The drain on the local economy caused by these centres taking revenue out of the local area should be reversed. Similar developments in other towns have shown that major stores attract other businesses, improving the economy and providing jobs for local residents.



The Chapel Street Development in Cam will see a number of new shops and offices, along with a modern Community Resource Centre. This will be welcome addition to the facilities currently available in this part of Cam. The redevelopment of the site will also include an affordable housing development.

### Retail centres

Improvements in Dursley Town Centre will follow as demand increases for shops located near to the new developments. There has already been renewed interest in Dursley with the opening of several new shops offering quality and diversity. Appointing a Manager to support business development and tourism services in Dursley and the surrounding area is part of the regeneration strategy.



### Tourism

One of the area's possible growth markets is tourism. There has been a lack of systematic promotion over the years in spite of the many major attractions nearby.

Hotel accommodation is part of the problem. The Littlecombe development will include the restoration of the building known as 'The Towers' which would be ideal as a small Country House type hotel, bringing a wider choice of accommodation for visitors.

Vale Vision is keen to see this happen, while support for existing B & B's should be enhanced. Many local pubs offer excellent food menus for people visiting the area which will form a foundation for the day visitor market. Several cafés and sandwich shops have opened in recent years which will also encourage people to stay longer and shop in the area.

The area boasts over 30 local attractions which would benefit if more provision was given to overnight stays and better visitor facilities.



The countryside surrounding Cam and Dursley is beautiful and is crossed by the Cotswold Way. Vale Vision aims to make the most of the links with existing attractions and the local heritage.

The new heritage centre at Jacob's House has provided a superb location to act as a hub for local tourist information. The centre, manned by volunteers, has proved to be very popular and the services it offers will be developed further in the future.



### Festivals

The area benefits from a number of festivals and events that attract good numbers of people to the area including the Lister Steam Rally and the Dursley Town Festival. These attractions are good for promoting community spirit however there is room in the calendar for more. Vale Vision is exploring ways of boosting visitor numbers through these popular events and new ones, focussed on local attractions.



### Training

The development of the Littlecombe site and other projects will lead to an increase in business activity making a skills provision in the area and re-training key concerns. Some of this work has been progressed already as a 'Quick Win Project' under the direction of the newly formed Learning Community.



Development of a Construction Skills Centre using the potential of Littlecombe and other major projects, along with a Life Long Learning Centre, would offer local facilities for people of all ages to train and retrain for new jobs. All the businesses involved in the transformation of the Littlecombe site will be encouraged to use local skills in re-development whenever possible.

### Business Expansion

Information shows demand for business units for companies wishing to locate or expand in the area. This gives Cam and Dursley the opportunity to grow its economy and therefore offer more local jobs.



Provision for quality, high-tech business units should see over 600 new jobs being created at Littlecombe. The release of development business land at Draycott will further enhance expansion and should lead to more new jobs.

These developments are key to the future prosperity of the area. There has never been a better time opportunity to secure new jobs. Of course, the expansion will mean careful planning to ensure that the local infrastructure can cope with the traffic and to protect the environment.

### Farming and the Rural Community

Since the impact of the Foot and Mouth crisis, the farming industry has been under considerable strain. Communities are only just recovering from the downturn in the rural economy and this year is the first where visitor numbers to attractions are approaching pre 'Foot and Mouth' numbers. Vale Vision will be seeking funds to assist projects and promote the future prosperity of the rural areas.



### THE LEARNING COMMUNITY







## Environment

### Research

It is important that care is taken with the development of the area to avoid mistakes of the past. The local environment is a crucial asset. Infrastructure, conservation, and countryside issues are key concerns.

With this in mind Vale Vision will be working to produce a 'Wildlife and Greenspaces Network' along with a Community Environment Plan. Surveys of the River Cam and Ewelme will be commissioned along with the development of town and village design statements and building restoration strategies.

## Social & Community

### Housing and Health

It is important that the planned 700+ new housing should include a good proportion of affordable housing to keep a balance in the area.

The health of local residents is above the national average but Vale Vision will assess the changing needs of the area as it goes through the major transformation to ensure that healthcare is sufficient for the population's needs.



### Schools

The area's primary and secondary schools are currently performing well in the government tables and are seen as an asset to the area. An ongoing policy for seeking funding upgrading of the facilities is in progress. All schools in the area are, or will be, connected by broadband. Computing courses for all levels are available through Stroud College and lifelong learning is developing through the 'Testbed Learning Centre' in Cam.

### Community Services

Community services are gradually improving in the area. Dursley's swimming pool is a good example of a quality community facility and has been very well received. The town is also about to open a new purpose-built library near to the town centre. The new facility will be a two-storey building with 545 sqm of floor space. Most of the space will be dedicated to library services and to Stroud District Council's Citizens First information service, as well giving access to other services.



### The Elderly and the Young

Vale Vision is keen to help with the foundation of a Friendship Club for the growing number of elderly residents. Along with this, plans to help support the voluntary sector will be initiated and assistance for the community bus services for the elderly and disabled has been proposed.

Part of Vale Vision's plans are to increase the facilities and activities available to children and young people. The sports fields at Rednock School are to be opened up for more community use with the addition of a new all-weather pitch, and Dursley Youth Centre will be either relocated or refurbished depending on funds available.



The playground equipment by Rednock School is in good order and well used. Vale Vision wants to help with the plan to have extra playground equipment installed at the Jubilee Field in Cam. A local firm specialising in activity playground equipment has been approached with the intention of using equipment made locally from natural materials. Other improvements will include a lit pathway to improve access, help with the provision of a Cadet Forces HQ facility and with better changing and ancillary facilities.

Vale Vision will be supporting GL11 in conjunction with The Learning Community in their work to combat rural isolation, provide family learning opportunities for all ages, parental support, befriending schemes, health promotion and carer support. All of these help to build strong and healthy local communities.

This will be backed up with a project called 'Cam and Dursley by Definition', engaging people from the area in defining their community through community artwork, to be used as part of the Littlecombe Heritage Trail, and by local displays and exhibitions of reminiscence, accessed on an interactive website, linking existing websites from the Cam and Dursley area.



### Coaley Community Action Group

Recreation Field Equipment for 10-20 year olds, specifically a teen shelter and a games wall.

### Cam FM

New microphones and 2 Mini-disc players. Awarded funding for microphones and one Mini-disc player.

### Festival Youth Project

Money required as matched funding to bid for funds from the Arts council and ACET.

### Vale Vision Multi-Use Centre Project Group

Money required to draw up a business plan, commission outline sketches and cost the centre.

### Dursley & District Community Association

Walker Room Project – Tables, Overhead Projector & screen to extend the business use of the room.

### Dursley Festival

Financial assistance – marquee, stage and generator.

### Construction Skills Centre

Work with Stroud College, in the provision of a Construction Skills Centre on the Littlecombe site – report and promotion.

### Stroud Valleys Project River Cam Ecological Survey

Initial funding to start work with Rednock school and other agencies in a River Cam Ecological Survey.

### Cam & Dursley Snicketways

Cam and Dursley Snicketways pedestrian routes survey. Research and produce a leaflet showing the location of the snicketways.

# THE RIGHT WAY FORWARD

We are keen to hear what you have to say regarding the work in progress and the plans for the future.

If you want to get involved whether it is in a hands-on role or just pass comment, we want to hear from you. Remember, this is your area and it's important that it develops the way you want it to. Please take a moment to fill in the form on the BACK COVER of this broadsheet or, alternatively, you can pass on your comments by email to: [dursley.tc@dial.pipex.com](mailto:dursley.tc@dial.pipex.com).



## Transport & Traffic



### Roads

Although there is no direct access to the M5 from Dursley and Cam, the A38 trunk road does give good indirect access to the north and south of the county. The main road issues are those of the main routes through Cam and Dursley, which will be upgraded as the new developments take place in the area.

### Public Transport

Vale Vision is keen to set up a forum for the area to address the problems over public transport following the initiative by Vale Vision and the 'Sure Start' scheme for Cam & Dursley, which surveyed the demand in the area. There are problems facing local people who need to access the major towns and cities.

People who need to visit Gloucester, Cheltenham and Bristol for hospitals work or education, are faced with an inadequate bus network. Not only is this a problem for those travelling out of the area, it also severely restricts people visiting Cam and Dursley from outside the area.

The 'Little Green Bus' service has addressed some local issues and is now run by the County Council along with the Village Link service for the outlying communities. The County Council is undertaking a review of the bus services in the area and the results will be available soon.



Cam and Dursley train station is one hour's journey by foot from Dursley, half an hour from Cam. The dedicated rail link bus service which connects the town centres and some outlying estates to the station does so only between 7am and 7pm which is a problem for many residents who need to travel in the evenings.

The train timetable is inconvenient for travel to Gloucester and Bristol at morning peak times and there is no arrival in Gloucester between 8.18am and 9.24am (a similar gap exists in the Bristol timetable). On top

of this there are no train services from the station on Sundays. With the improvements to new local facilities and the demands now being imposed on the road infrastructure the Vale Vision are working to ensure that these critical transport issues are addressed as soon as possible.



### Disabled and the Elderly

Stroud & District Volunteer Bureau run both Ring & Ride and a Volunteer Car Service in the Vale Vision area for people who are elderly and frail, wheelchair users or people whose disability makes travel by public transport difficult or impossible. The Dursley and District Transport for the Elderly organisation also provides transport for the disabled along with some other organisations. Although this is answering the need at the moment, there is still room to increase this 'in demand' service. Vale Vision will be exploring avenues of funding to improve the situation for the future.

### Cycling

The County Council's proposals for a Cam Valleys Cycleway from the train Station, via Cam and Dursley centres, to Uley will be assessed further when the major land developments take place as there is strong support for the cycle and footway in the interests of leisure, health and safety.

### Parking

Some of the parking issues will be addressed in the area when the proposed Littlecombe and Chapel Street Developments are completed however there are still concerns over the parking problems at the schools and the added strain on the infrastructure. Residents have commented that the signage for local car parks is poor so this will be improved.



## Culture, Heritage, Sport & Leisure

### Culture

The area has a good number of social venues. Smaller facilities are generally seen as being adequate for their use, however there is a lack of a good quality larger venue for shows and exhibitions. Vale Vision is coordinating plans to include a new multi-use facility which will be available for public use on the Littlecombe development. This will enable local clubs and societies to put on larger shows and productions and act as a further attraction for visitors to the area.



The new Heritage Centre at Jacob's House has proved to be an instant success, giving visitors an insight to the history of the area. With future plans including longer opening hours, this new feature in Dursley will be the keystone to future heritage projects in the area.



### Sports Facilities

Dursley Rugby Club and Stinchcombe Cricket Club share facilities at Stinchcombe. There are plans to help the two clubs with their overstretched social facilities and pitches which help their 600+ membership by supporting their purchase of ten acres of adjoining land to create new playing areas and multi-use indoor facilities.

This would also help the local Athletics Club who currently do not have a permanent running track.

This will be a welcome addition to the facilities already available for some sports, including the excellent bowls club facilities which exist in Dursley and Cam, and the well used golf course at Stinchcombe Hill.

The new skate parks have been very well received by youngsters in the area along with the skate steps in the park by Rednock School. These will in time be improved and enhanced further.

### Firestarter!

An inspired project has been proposed to work with schools, to bring the whole community together in the creation of art and craft projects in a celebration of community for the festival week. This will see the community working together and provide a stronger focus in the run up to the popular event.

### Radio

Star107 FM radio in Stroud covers local events, as does BBC Radio Gloucestershire and the county commercial station, Severn Sound. The community radio station, Cam FM, will in time back up these stations with community news and local coverage. More details are available in the 'Quick Wins' section to the left.



## Quick Win Projects

Part of the MCTi funding is allocated for projects under the Quick Win banner. These are projects which, with a small amount of funding, can be started and will have a positive effect on the community immediately. Detailed below are a number of the projects being undertaken.

### Dursley Festival

Transport to and from the festival to ensure inclusion for all from all parts of the Vale Vision area. Publicity of the event and the transport provision.

### Kingshill House

The installation of secure Garage Doors to enable secure storage for community use.

### Woodfields Youth & Community Centre

Notice Board and signage for the Woodfields Community and Youth Centre.

### GL11 Community Project

The refurbishment of the Training Crèche home corner equipment at the GL11 Community Project (Above).





If you would like to comment, help with or receive more information on the projects below, please complete and send this form to:

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Please specify Vale Vision on all correspondence

☐ Please send me a copy of the Vale Vision Community Strategic Plan

☐ Please send me details of how I can help Vale Vision

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Chaired by Geoff Wheeler, the Partnership is a voluntary organisation formed by representatives from the towns and villages within the vicinity of Cam and Dursley. Under the Data Protection Act 1998, your details will only be used as a point of contact in connection with information regarding Vale Vision and will not be disclosed to other organisations.

## Your Comments:

☐ I wish to remain anonymous.

You are under no obligation to provide your name and address details if all you wish to do is comment.

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# Summary of proposed projects and tasks

## Economy

Development of a Construction Skills Centre  
Development of a Lifelong Learning Centre  
Working with Littlecombe Liaison Groups  
Dursley Town Centre Regeneration  
Dursley Town Centre Manager  
Cam Resource Centre & Commercial Development  
Promote Tourism in the Vale Vision Area  
Promoting Tourism Using Camera Computer Links  
Supermarket Development  
Supporting the Farming Community  
The Future of Vale Vision

## Environment

Hydropower on the Rivers Ewelme & Cam Survey  
Building Restoration Strategy  
Wildlife & Greenspaces network

Community Environment Plan  
Breakheart Quarry Wildlife Centre  
River Cam Ecological Survey  
Town & Village Design Statements  
Vale Vision Landscape Partnership  
EcoWorks  
Green Gyms  
Community Recycling  
Community Renewable Energy Project

## Social & Community

Friendship Club to Support the Elderly  
Support the Voluntary Sector  
Work with GL11/TLC to support home & family  
The Learning Community  
Cam & Dursley by Definition  
Rednock School  
Relocation/Refurbishment of Dursley Youth Centre

Launching the Vale Vision Plan

## Culture, Heritage, Sport & Leisure

Multi-use Community Facility at Littlecombe  
Cam Jubilee Playing Fields  
Development Project for Dursley Rugby/Football Club  
All weather pitch for Rednock School  
A celebration for Young people in Craft Projects for the Carnival

## Transport & Traffic

Public Transport Forum for the Vale Vision Area  
Safer Roads and more effective Transport Management  
Improved Public Transport Services

## Quick Wins

Dursley Festival  
Kingshill House  
Woodfields Youth & Community Centre  
GL11 Community Project  
Coaley Community Action Group  
Cam FM  
Festival Youth Project  
Vale Vision Multi-Use Centre Project  
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