



Community Engagement Team

Based at the Badmington Road Offices in Yate.

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Overview of team activity:

Safer Stronger Community Group (SSCG):

- There are 20 SSCG roughly aligned to the Police Beat areas
- Open public Meetings
- Raise particular issues, concerns or projects
- Track resolution or progress made
- Attended by members of statutory agencies, community groups, town and Parish Councils
- Anyone can come along

Priority Neighbourhood (PN):

- There are currently 6 PN areas that have been identified using a set of statistics, including education levels, employment statistics and levels of deprivation
- Community lead groups carry out actions included in a locally specific action plan
- Wide range of partners engaged and involved in community development activity
- Local level consultation ensures local knowledge is a part of any decision making processes
- The PN process aims to help a wide range of partners to identify priorities to focus resources for maximum benefit

Community Led Planning:

- Community 'aspiration documents'
- Community owned and created
- Locally led consultation creates an evidence from which an action plan can be created
- Working with the parish council, CLP action plans usually contain around 20 action points
- Wide range of issues identified and included in the documents
- There is a need to review and refresh the documents to keep them current and relative
- Direct one to one support available from West of England Rural Network























Parish and Town Council liaison:

- Parish Charter: A framework for SGC and local councils to work in partnership to improve the economic, social and environmental well-being of the area.
- Parish and Town Council Forum
- Links provided with planning; especially regarding Localism to facilitate information links
- Consultation promotion
- Introduction and support for new Parish Council clerks

The purpose of our service is to enhance the quality of life for South Gloucestershire residents through working together with our communities. We aim to promote safe and strong communities and improved services, through creating opportunities for residents to have a say in what is best for their areas, provide local solutions and narrow the gap between our priority neighbourhoods and other areas in South Gloucestershire.

Your support is vital! Please get in touch!

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