

LYDNEY COASTAL COMMUNITY TEAM ECONOMIC PLAN UPDATE MARCH 2019



No.	Heading	Detail	Information
Key Information			
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3 (a)	CCT Membership	Names and position, e.g. resident, Local Councillor	Executive Group Dane Broomfield – Environment Agency (Chair) Cllr Brian Pearman – Lydney Town Council Cllr Tess Tremlett – Lydney Town Council Cllr Richard Leppington – FoDDC Cllr Sid Phelps – FoDDC Wendy Jackson – Publica (Ex officio) Jayne Smailes – LTC (Ex officio)
3 (b)	CCT Membership	Other partners and/or stakeholders to be involved.	Stakeholder Group Gloucestershire County Council, Historic England, Harbour Master, Gloucester Harbour Trustees, Inland Waterways Association, Lydney Yacht Club, Canal & Rivers Trust, Lydney Area in Partnership, Wye Dean Tourism, Dean Forest Railway, Gfirst Local Enterprise Partnership, Severn & Wye Smokery, Lydney Harbour Estate, Lydney Skiff Project, Natural England, Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust, Forest of Dean Local History Society, Forest of Dean Buildings Preservation Trust, FoD Sea Cadets
Delivering the Plan			
4	Short term goals/actions	What has the team achieved in	Key projects -

		<p>the past 15 months? (Jan 2018- March 2019)</p> <p>What actions are planned for 2019-20?</p>	<p>The focus for the team during 2018/19 has been the preparation and submission of multiple funding bids.</p> <p>The team prepared a £1.9M bid submission to the Coastal Community Fund (round 5) for the <i>Destination Lydney Harbour</i> project, consisting of a number of elements which cover the area from the A48 roundabout on Harbour Road to the docks and harbour and serve to improve connections between these areas and the town centre. They can be broadly categorised as Improvements to Access Routes and Wayfinding, Enhancements to the Landscape, Enabling Increased Use of the Canal, Docks and Harbour. The project would complement the forthcoming Gfirst LEP-funded Links Lydney Cycle Improvement Scheme.</p> <p>The bid included an amount for the refurbishment and conversion of the Harbour Store and Mortuary buildings to provide a heritage information point and toilet facilities respectively plus the installation of a modular café unit.</p> <p>The bid was submitted at the end of January 2019. In March 2019 we were informed that the bid was unsuccessful however it has been placed on a reserve list of projects that could be brought forward should further funding become available.</p> <p>The LCCT team submitted a bid to the Coastal Revival Fund for the repair of the harbour's outer sea gates. This project was successful in obtaining funding for detailed design work – work is now underway to secure the remaining funding needed.</p> <p>The Environment Agency has submitted an internal bid for further de-silting of the harbour in addition to the repair of the outer sea gates.</p> <p>As detailed in the 2018 Economic Plan Dean Forest Railway (DFR) secured Listed Building Consent and prepared a £166,000 bid submission to the Rural Development Programme England for</p>
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			<p>the <i>St Mary's Footbridge Restoration</i> project. A Full Application was submitted in October 2017 and funding secured in February 2018. The work was completed in December 2018.</p> <p>In September 2018 a number of LCCT members came together for a clean-up of the Lydney docks area as part of the Severn Estuary Partnership's 'Beach Clean' event.</p> <p>The Environment Agency continued their efforts to transfer land ownership at Lydney harbour to Mr Richard Cook. A process of legal and due diligence work is underway to conclude this important transfer.</p> <p>Related initiatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gloucestershire County Council has agreed to extend the lease of the overflow car park with Network Rail until Mar 2021, to continue to provide 100 car parking spaces at Lydney station to support rail travel. • Links Lydney – Gfirst LEP confirmed funding for Lydney Town Council and Gloucestershire Council's plans to improve cycle links in Lydney including a route from the town centre to the station. Work is due to start on site this year.
5	Performance measures	Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governance - Stakeholder Group meetings held on a quarterly basis & Executive Group meetings arranged as required when decisions have been needed to be taken. • Docks land transfer: Environment Agency working with the future custodian of the docks & harbour. • RDPE "Destination Lydney Harbour" Project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Full Application submission Mar 2018 ❖ Submission not successful as of Oct 2018 • CCF5 – "Destination Lydney Harbour" Project

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Submission not successful as of March 2019 • St Mary's Bridge restoration project: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Bridge re-installed December 2018 ❖ Opening Ceremony March 2019
6	Medium term goals/actions	Where is the team currently against these? Have they been amended?	<p>A good number of the medium term goals listed in the first LCCT Economic Plan (Mar 2016) have already been achieved and are listed as short term performance measures in section 5 above.</p> <p>The medium term focus will be to complete the repairs to the Outer Sea Gates and source funding to complete the building refurbishment works, bringing two existing buildings back into productive use at the harbour to provide long needed public toilet and information facilities. If we are successful in obtaining funding a new pop-up café will be trialled at the harbour for a 5 year period to test business viability. If the trial is successful, the Team will want to explore options for a more permanent solution. This will need to complement the investment proposals being planned for the redevelopment of the Pine End Works site which is aiming to transform the former employment site into a major visitor attraction which will encourage people to visit the area for 3-4 hours.</p> <p>The LCCT will investigate the potential for renewable energy generation linked to the Lydney Harbour regeneration. This may form part of a bid in to the Next Generation Fund - Round 2.</p> <p>Other LCCT projects will require help from alternative funding sources eg. Lydney Station Improvements, Lydney Skiff Building Project, Severnside Haulage Tourist Trail and new public art installations and events.</p>
7	Performance measures	Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCT Key Messages to support external communication work to be refreshed – Oct 2019. Continue to scan the horizon for

			<p>any new funding opportunities to support the delivery of the LCCT Economic Plan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertake baseline footfall survey – to monitor pedestrian & cycle use from A48 roundabout to the harbour – 2019/20.
8	Long term goals and actions	<p>Are these still relevant? Changes? If not previously stated, what are the team's long term goals now?</p>	<p>The team's long term vision is taken from the Lydney Neighbourhood Development Plan and remains unchanged:</p> <p><i>"The vision is to develop Lydney over the next 10 years and beyond as a thriving, prosperous, safe, integrated and attractive market town, serving its rural hinterland and as a centre from which to visit the area's attractions."</i></p>
9	Costs	<p>Description of spend, revenue raised, resources, etc (including time for volunteers, social/virtual banking – i.e. swapping/sharing resources, skills, time, etc.)</p>	<p>FoDDC/PUBLICA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In kind contribution of £1,000 to support the Coastal Revival Fund quarterly monitoring process. <p>Dean Forest Railway</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In-kind contribution towards the St Mary's Footbridge refurbishment project £10,000. <p>Team Administration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In-kind venue hire from Lydney Town Council £120 <p>TOTAL Jan 2018 - Mar 2019 <u>£11,120</u></p>
10	Value	<p>What value to the local economy has been realised by the team?</p>	<p>The team's first two projects used the local supply chain to support delivery. Mabey Bridge Limited a Lydney based engineering solutions business secured the contracts to refurbish both the Lydney Harbour Swing Bridge and St Mary's Footbridge – total contract value circa £197,000.</p> <p>As an LCCT member, the Environment Agency continues to work with the National Offender Management Service (NOMS) to protect the public and reduce re-offending by delivering the punishment and orders of the courts and supporting rehabilitation by helping offenders reform their lives. The NOMS New Leaf project</p>

			<p>is a valuable resource that has helped with vegetation clearance and general site maintenance at Lydney Harbour entrance and specifically in remediating the Swing Bridge site in readiness for the restored bridge to be returned.</p> <p>The New Leaf project is run by Arbour Training (CIC) a not for profit social enterprise. The New Leaf project is currently anticipating substantial investment which will increase their capacity to work with the EA to maintain and develop the harbour site.</p>
11	Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP)	<p>What is the relationship between the CCT and the local LEP?</p> <p>Does the CCT have a LEP coastal contact?</p>	<p>Gfirst LEP and the Gloucestershire Economic Growth Joint Committee (GEGJC) are both aware of the Lydney CCT, as the only CCT in the County. The LEP has been invited to join the Stakeholder Group but due to limited staff resources cannot attend the meetings. FoDDC's Head of Paid Service attends GEGJC and updates this meeting (which includes LEP) and reports on the status of the various Forest of Dean growth projects.</p> <p>In 2019, the LEP introduced a new Capital Investment Pipeline (CIP). The CIP aims to maintain a viable pipeline of capital projects +£1m that have the potential to support significant economic growth in the county.</p> <p>Gfirst LEP is preparing a Local Industrial Strategy and in March issued a call for evidence to identify the strengths and challenges within the economy which closes on 31 May 2019. FoDDC will submit a response to flag the need for passenger improvements at Lydney railway station, highway & public realm improvements along Harbour Road and utility upgrades (water/gas/electric/drainage) to support further economic growth in Lydney.</p>
Communications			
12	Consultation Exercises	Describe recent results of consultations or other feedback – please include	<p>Links Lydney (Cycleway Improvements) consultation – The Public Share Event was held at Tesco in Lydney on Tuesday 4th September 2018. The event was held in a display trailer in</p>

		<p>outcomes, use of flyers, etc.</p>	<p>the car park outside the store entrance between 11:00 - 20:00 on a drop-in basis. The public were notified of the event using posters in the town centre and in shops. Copies of the event poster were shared via GCC website, twitter accounts and Lydney Town Council website. In addition, any property that has a frontage onto one of the proposed routes was sent a letter notifying them of the event.</p> <p>Presentation boards were provided with large scale plans and graphics together with scheme introduction, background and FAQs.</p> <p>The event was manned by scheme designers and engineers together with GCC project manager. Attendees were offered a personal tour of information available and in depth discussions about issues, concerns, improvements etc. Most attendees took the opportunity to ask questions and give their own views of the scheme using feedback forms that were available for people to leave comments.</p> <p>During the day there were an estimated 70 attendees. A feedback form was provided and many visitors chose to answer the questions and leave comments using the forms provided or via email to the GCC major projects E-mail inbox.</p> <p>Richard Cook, the owner of the derelict Pine End Works site, ran a consultation and engagement session on the 3rd December 2018. Approx. 250 people attended to learn about (and give support to) Mr Cook's plans which aim to transform the former employment site into a major visitor attraction.</p> <p>The Forest of Dean District Council's Forward Planning team will be consulting on the broad issues and options for the new Allocations Plan around June/ July this year</p>
13	Communication with community	<p>How has the community and stakeholders been involved and informed of progress and outcomes</p>	<p>On behalf of the team, FoDDC has issued a number of press releases related to the team's work.</p> <p>LCCT Stakeholders are also kept informed of progress at the regular stakeholder meetings and meeting notes</p>

		through all forms of media	are distributed to everyone who has expressed an interest to be involved with the team – whether they can make the meetings or not.
14	GBC Logo	How has the team made use locally of the Great British Coast logo? Please provide examples.	<p>The GBC logo is used on all LCCT Executive Group & Stakeholder Group meeting papers, briefing notes, exhibition materials, press releases, PowerPoint presentations and within evidence base documents used to apply for external funding support.</p> <p>LCCT Executive Group members all have GBC logo lanyards and have been encouraged to wear these at public events to help raise awareness about the work of the team.</p>
15	Comms Contacts	Details of local contacts for comms, media, etc	<p>Chelsea Hopkins – Communications Specialist T. 01594 812622 E. chelsea.hopkins@publicagroup.uk</p>
CCT Logistics			
16	Costs	Average running costs of CCT itself	The running costs of the Lydney CCT are provided in-kind and in 2019/20 will continue to be shared in terms of: staff time from EA, FoDDC/Publica & LTC; venue hire, equipment, refreshments, photo-copying for meetings from LTC and financial management from FoDDC as the accountable body.
17	Sustainability	How will the team continue to sustain itself?	The LCCT Executive Group organisations (EA, FoDDC/Publica, LTC) will continue to provide staff resources to administer the team until a new organisation is established post transfer of land ownership at Lydney Harbour. The new organisation is likely to be some form of non-for-profit Community Interest Company, Charity Incorporated Organisation or Community Land Trust.