



Raunds Town Council Action Plan

Adopted	March 2016
Review Date	March 2017

To provide a strong and independent voice for Raunds.

	OPERATIONAL OBJECTIVE	Responsibility for delivery
a.	To prepare a Neighbourhood Plan with a target date of adoption by ENC of July 2016	Full Council
b.	To respond to all consultations that affect the town and its residents within prescribed timescales (Examples may include Planning Applications, Planning Policy, Policing and other matters)	Planning Committee Or others as appropriate
c.	To lobby other tiers of government and partner organisations on issues that affect Raunds by lobbying our MP's county councillors and district councillors	Full Council
d.	To demonstrate excellent standards of governance by achieving the gold standard in the Local Council Award Scheme by October 2016.	Policy and Resources Committee
e.	To ensure that staff are well trained and effective through the use of annual staff appraisals and development programme.	Personnel Committee
f.	To ensure effective communications with the town through the implementation of the councils communication strategy.	Policy and Resources Committee.

To preserve and enhance the traditions character and identity of the town.

a.	To work with Raunds History Society to create two "pop-up" museum events per annum from 2016 onwards.	Environment Leisure and Recreation Committee
b.	To work with partners to reprint the Heritage Sites leaflet by the end of 2016.	Environment Leisure and Recreation Committee
c.	To raise the profile of the office of Mayor by ensuring that 100% of events attended are recorded on the town council website and social media.	Policy and Resources Committee

d.	Increase the number of events held in the town to ensure that a minimum of 4 town council events are held during 2016 and onwards (not Mayors events)	Environment Leisure and Recreation Committee (Events working party)
e.	To promote links to Stanwick lakes by ensuring appropriate signage is in place at each end of Meadow Lane by Summer 2016.	Environment Leisure and Recreation Committee
f.	Ensure that the adopted Neighbourhood Plan includes an appropriate list of protected local heritage sites.	Full Council

To promote Raunds as a clean safe welcoming and prosperous town for

all

a.	The town council will seek to promote a prosperous local economy that will encourage local employment through policies within an adopted Neighbourhood Plan by July 2016.	Policy and Resources
b.	The Town Council will support the business forum through continued use of Saxon Hall and regular attendance (100%) at the forum by council officers and members to update the forum on council matters and to receive feedback on matters relating to the town council	Policy and Resources
c.	Actively participate in JAG group by appointing a representative and attending at least 75% of JAG meetings.	Full Council
d.	Reduce speeding in the town through participation in the Speedwatch campaign during 2015/16	Environment Leisure and Recreation Committee
e.	To introduce a welcome pack and DVD for distribution to new residents by July 2016.	Environment Leisure and Recreation Committee
f.	To ensure that regular groups, classes and clubs that meet at council owned premises are promoted through the town council website and social media.	Policy and Resources

g.	To reduce dog fouling and littering in the town by the introduction of a poster campaign designed by young people and promotion of the green dog club	Environment Leisure and Recreation Committee
h.	To ensure that the council works to promote the assimilation of all new developments into the community of Raunds.	Full Council

To provide high standard sustainable facilities.

a.	The council will ensure S106 monies received are spent within the prescribed timescale on appropriate projects	Policy and Resources
b.	The council will refurbish all leisure areas within the lifetime of this business plan.	Environment Leisure and Recreation Committee
c.	The council will maximise revenues from the Town Hall and Saxon Hall through maintaining the buildings to a high standard and appropriate and innovative uses of the buildings.	Policy and Resources/ Finance
d.	The council will ensure all land held is used for a suitable purpose, the council will only hold land that meets its purposes.	Policy and Resources
e.	The council will seek to provide a dedicated youth facility within the lifetime of this business plan.	Environment Leisure and Recreation Committee

To work in partnership with others to improve the health, education and wellbeing of its residents.

a.	Actively participate in JAG group by appointing a representative and attending at least 75% of JAG meetings	Full Council
b.	Actively participate in the Speedwatch campaign through promoting volunteers.	Environment Leisure and Recreation

		Committee
c.	Support recruitment of Special constables	Full Council
d.	Works with our partners to reduce ASB and the perception of ASB particularly in young people.	Environment Leisure and Recreation Committee
e.	To work with CANDO and other adult social care providers to promote high quality care and adult services within Raunds.	Environment Leisure and Recreation Committee
f.	The Town Council will promote healthy life choices.	Environment Leisure and Recreation Committee
g.	The Town Council will lobby for good public transport links for Raunds.	Planning Committee