

UPDATE FOR PCAP MEETING 21 JULY 2022

Harvest is early this summer due to hot weather and little rain across the Vale.

See updates to PCAP plan below and extra piece on Climate Change

CW 20/07/22

	Farming Community	Support opportunities to raise awareness of the government and local schemes and incentives available to them to enhance areas of land for wildlife and reverse the decline in species and habitats.	State of Nature Report 2013 by the Wildlife Trusts contains information on the declining species. Farmers now more aware of the issues of flooding in the Vale. 2020 Southern Streams Farm Group set up - Grafton, Shalbourne, Ham, Bedwyn areas, focussing on water quality. 2021 NWD AONB responsible for Farming in Protected Landscapes for the area (FIPL) 2019-04 Measure and report on the impact of Fly Tipping post the closure of Everleigh HRC. Hare Coursing 2022 Concern for Ash dieback and oak tree fungi
S2.02	Education & Involvement	Support mental health for young people and access to online learning for home learning during lockdowns Provide opportunities for well-being activities.	2019 Mental Health Awareness training at Pewsey Vale School 2020 Funds for Mental health triage at Pewsey Vale School 2021 Fun days delivered in Pewsey x 2 by PCAP and partners
S2.03	Sustainable Travel	Support initiatives to promote more sustainable transport.	PVRUG and Great Bedwyn Rail groups working on improving rail connections with GWR and Network Rail PCAP supporting the Rural Bus Improvement Project with Wiltshire Council PTU 2022-06 Latest bus survey for return of Local on demand bus service in the Pewse Vale
S2.04	Energy Conservation	Raise awareness and understanding of climate change and support opportunities for promoting energy efficiently and local renewable energy generation	2022-01 Pewsey Community Land Trust looking at funding for a community energy (solar) project. Pewsey PC investigating electric charging points Community First working on Fuel Poverty with grants available 2022-07 Latest hot weather raising awareness of climate change and what to do

S2.05	Waste Management	Support measures to improve recycling and waste management in the Pewsey Community Area.	2022-01 Projects on hold
S2.06	Preservation of our landscape Verges	Communicate impacts from the AONB plans and work with the AONB where required. Good Verge Guide	2021 - Cost cutting means that verges are now only cut once or twice a year. Best practice is not followed by Wiltshire Council (The Good Verge Guide by Plantlife). Regular attendance at the NWD AONB forums. 2022-01 Not sure of progress re adoption of Good Verge Guide by parishes in the Pewsey Vale

