

SUBJECT & ISSUE	SUBJECT & ISSUE	USER GROUPS	FUNDING?	TIMING	LINKS	COMMENTS
ALREADY IN PROGRESS						
Cycle path along river						
A cycle path between Longs Acre and Blackwall Lane looks set to be approved and will be built before the Spring. How will it be maintained?	KCC. The Parish Council. Sustrans.	Cyclists! Also walkers. People who use the Stour Valley Walk. Naturalists	KCC are funding the stretch between the village and Blackwall Lane.	Discussions about where the cyclepath should enter the village have delayed the project for this year so we missed the funding window. However work will be started on the Ashford end before March and differences of opinion about the Wye end have now been resolved.		How can we best make people aware of the new path when it is open + the benefits of cycling / walking? Great opportunity for students coming in from Kennington to the Wye Schools (NK) Need to promote cycling and a 20mph speed limit - http://www.20splentyforus.org.uk/ - for village at the same time as opening (SM) The 15/10 group also discussed the orbital cycle path in the neighbourhood plan. Nick Keegan will approach Sustrans to cost that option and discuss the benefits/pitfalls.
Use of Churchfield Green						
The parish council have taken over the running of Churchfield Green. What does the village want to do with the space? How do we find out?	Parish Council/ Residents on the Green/ the whole village.	Residents on the Green, cyclists and walkers, big groups visiting the village, everyone who drives into the village sees the Green and the Church behind.	Possibly we could access funding for a visioning process? (JB) 31/10. Someone has recommended talking to local businesses to fund a visioning process.	The 15/10 group felt that some sort of village consultation/visioning process would be appropriate but that this shouldn't be embarked upon until after the NP process was completed. However some also pointed out that there might be things in the NP which were significant for the Green (such as herringbone parking on the edge of the green).		Community Orchard??? There have been discussions in the parish council about the need to restore some of the trees on Churchfield Way - possibly linked to 1914-18 commemoration. But also concern that there should be some sort of coordinated plan - with taking over of Green and development of Wye1.
PRESSING TASKS						
Clear up of the Stour						
The river is full of litter! The Trust for Conservation Volunteers have offered to help with a clear up day in the Spring - providing insurance and training but not the labour.	Trust for Conservation Volunteers, Wye Children's Playing Field Charity. Need to contact the Environment Agency in the first instance.	Anyone who wanted to help could be involved in the clear-up. Benefits would also be felt by anyone using the river and walking alongside it.	The Trust for Conservation Volunteers have agreed to provide health and safety training and insurance for a clear up day.	The 15/10 group agreed that a combination of Groundforce + Childrens charity + TCV would be ideal. Richard and Jasper to co-organise before next spring. March 2014 - before the growing season		The Children's Playing Field Charity have discussed this - possibly to have a 'teen clear-up day' with soup and bonfire..
Clear up of vacant allotments						
How best to do this? Also removal of burial ground spoil from the allotments behind the church.	Parish Council. Jane Burnham	Allotment holders.		The 15/10 group agreed that an approach needed to be made in the first instance to the grave digger - to find out where he was putting his spoil now.		
Community Power						
Can we use renewables to generate power or heating in any village location?	Wye VHRG Charity; Parish Council	The village could benefit because profits could be put back into the community - resulting in a reduction in parish precept/council tax	ACRK were offering grants for feasibility studies. Village Hall charity have now agreed to look into this.	The village hall charity currently feel that there is too much uncertainty to embark on a renewables project for the village hall - due to Godmersham and the possible Community Centre in the Grade 1 buildings. However at the 15/10 meeting it was pointed out that government subsidies for renewables won't last forever..	See Energy Review	There are vast opportunities for the community to develop a community energy strategy that incorporated a wide range of energy reduction and energy generation solutions. This also presents the community with the opportunity for local employment and high return investments along with the other environmental benefits. Update 31/10: Wyecycle are pulling together a meeting for those interested in energy on November 14. The village hall charity have now agreed to approach ACRK for funding of a possible feasibility study.
Community Recycling						

Is there any way to build on the achievements of Wycycle - given the existence of Biffa?	Existing groups in Wye: WyeCycle. The eco-congregation promote recycling in the Wye parish. Books are currently 'sold' at the surgery and at the train station. Clothes at Rumpus..	Could provide local employment and, possibly, funds for community	WyeCycle are currently embarked on a Community Right to Challenge - aiming to continue collecting recyclables in the village	The 15/10 group felt that, if WyeCycle or any other community recycling organisation was to exist in Wye, it would need to adapt and evolve to current market conditions.	See WyeCycle	Biffa are running a comprehensive service. Possible community programme could be based around clothes/ books/ electronics/ bulky items. There are people interested in setting up Wye-bay... where unwanted items could be sold on ebay for community benefit. Is there going to be a Wye Yard Sale this year? If so when?
Further development of the Wye Community Farm (WCF)						
Is there a greater role for the Community Farm in helping to raise money/coordinate environmental initiatives?	Wye Community Farm			The 15/10 group said that WCF set up was ideal to attract funding which could then incorporate groups working together. Funding is needed on an annual basis to run the farm otherwise WCF is unsustainable.	See Wye Community Farm	WCF are interested in further developing our re-skilling project where old skills are brought back to the community (eg, spinning, charcoaling, woodworking etc.)
River access on the village hall playing fields						
At the moment the area is inaccessible because of nettles. Should we be trying to clear the area?	Village hall charity/ Environment Agency	The whole community. Fishing group?	The Environment Agency might be able to help with funding., Barrie Neaves suggested landfill tax funding.	The 15/10 group decided that an on-site meeting with Barrie Neaves of the EA would be appropriate in the first instance.		This has been given cautious support by the Village Hall charity. The Environment Agency are also interested in the idea. It is looking for somewhere to put in its reed boat (upriver from the weir) and said that they could possibly fund half the costs if they were able to do this. The charity are concerned however about how the boat would get to the riverbank (there not being a road). 1/2014 meeting with Barrie Neaves from Environment Agency concluded that the field downstream of the Tickled Trout is a better site for community access to the river/ community bathing pool. Barrie said that something similar has been done at Godmersham where there is a 'doggy dip' (not strictly a swimming pool). After meeting with Barrie, JB met with Tony Denne who owns the field and who said that he'd discuss with his cousin before getting back.. Barrie Neaves also suggested possible funding for the community idea.
IN DRAFT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN						
Bathing pool and community area on the river						
Another popular idea in the neighbourhood plan planning process. How can it be brought to fruition?			Estimated cost - £350,000. This could come about by obtaining Section 106 or CIL payments from the Wye 1 or Wye 2 developments.	The draft neighbourhood plan will go to referendum in March next year. The 15/10 group outlined that the EA will have to raise water standards by 2020 due to the new Waterframe Directive. Access to the riverbank is hard and negotiations will be delicate with existing landowners. Before costs and suggestions are made it was decided to meet up with the EA on site with Barrie to discuss options and also possible grant/funding.	See leisure review	See above
Community Orchard/Garden						
A popular idea in the Neighbourhood Planning Process was the idea of a community orchard. How are we going to drive this forward?	Wye Community Farm		the Trust for Conservation Volunteers were giving out £500 to 'new groups' interested in community growing last year. The Children's Playing Field Charity could provide grants to anyone working with Under-18s on community growing		See incredible edible	WCF is very interested in driving this project. Also - how many fruit trees, local gardens are overproducing or not being harvested in the Wye area? Maybe we could follow this model http://www.abundancelondon.com/ and start by mapping out the local fruit trees on communal land (NK) I've heard that the Wye Food Group are keen to push this forward (31/10/13) 1/2014 Wye Food Group have discussed the idea of community growing and were talking about starting with the planters along Church Street..

Self build and Co-housing						
Should the village push for a much greater degree of self building and the creation of a co-housing community as the new developments arise?	Co-housing and some self-build has been put into the draft neighbourhood plan	The whole community would benefit because houses would be more individual. Wye wouldn't become a 'clone town'		The 15/10 group decided that self build was a viable alternative. We agreed that instead of a small cluster as on the plans at present we could approach Imperial and say could the whole land be for self builds? An economic case would have to be made. An objection was raised as to how they would look but the self builds could all follow a set of parameters ie. No weatherboarding	See self-build update	
Parking Where are we going to put all the cars...?						
DATE OF NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY 7TH JANUARY 2014 @19H30						