

COMA Entry Form Application and Assessment Information

Application Ref	A-0038
Package Ref	COMA-Package-0063
Organisation	Southbourne Parish Council (Green Ring Partnership)
Lead Contact	Bill Ferguson
Name of Partnership Area	Southbourne Green Ring Project, Community Orchards and Biodiversity Plantation
Postcode	
Region	South East
Local Authority	Chichester
Geographical Description of Partnership	The Parish of Southbourne, West Sussex (boundary is shown in maps contained in the previously referenced N Plan and specifically within that boundary the area east of Breach Avenue and North of Cooks Lane formerly known as Breach Farm
Proposal Aims and Objectives	<p>AIMS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 1. To create the first phase of the “Green Ring” proposed in our recent Neighbourhood Plan which will be designed, developed, managed and maintained by the Community with specialist help. 2. To achieve this by Community Asset Transfer to the Parish Council who will manage this project. 3. To design the green ring with active biodiversity instruments to meet and exceed the requirements of the CDC LBAP (Local Biodiversity Action Plan 4. In implementing 2 and building on the input from the West Sussex Wildlife Officer, Local Schools and Tuppenny Barn (a specialist horticultural Charity in the Village) to provide facilities and equipment to take advantage of the Educational Opportunities which 2 and 3 provide. 5. Provide an accessible, pleasant and relaxing environment for all ages of the community including the significant (34%) elderly population. 6. To provide diverse facilities within the Green Ring such as plantations (including a memorial area), sensory area, educational facilities and equipment, wellbeing and fitness areas and a Community Orchard. 7. To mitigate the recreational disturbance which will be the inevitable consequence of building 350 new homes in the Parish 8. Provide a safe new walkway for residents from the North and South of the Village with provision of space for a new pedestrian bridge over the railway. 9. Provide a new and safer pedestrian route to the infant and Junior School to avoid the current dangerous route over the level crossing on Stein Road which was a major point in our recent NP Community Survey 10. Involve the whole Community in the project building on the NP Consultation Survey from involving

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	<p>the Schools in the design phase (underway at present) to getting the Mens Shed Carpentry Group to Build Bird Boxes, Hedgehog Houses etc and all residents in the use management and maintenance of the Green Ring</p> <p>OBJECTIVES</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Achieve a COMA pre-feasibility grant in order to achieve the first stage of development 2. Complete Asset Transfer Registration by September 2015. Complete a plan, scoping statement and specification for Phase 1 of the Green Ring sufficient to move to the Feasibility Stage and obtain the subsequent grant from COMA 3. Meet and exceed and extend the CDC LBAP by 2017 4. Create and Educational facilities and equipment and develop programmes by end of 2016 5. With the help of Partners such as Age Concern, Men’s Shed and schools and others, create an environment which will be attractive to and used by all ages by end of 2016. 6. To complete the first of 5 plantations and the community orchard by mid 2017. The remaining 4 plantations (1 per year) by 2021 and to have the project fully completed and all areas equipped and in use by this time. 7. Pro-actively encourage the use of the Green Ring by residents to mitigate the recreational disturbance potential on the Chichester Harbour Conservation Area and its vulnerable and precious habitats in line with the Coastal Habitat Protection Plan 8. Initiate a separate project funded by New Homes Bonus, CIL and other funds to initially purchase land from Network Rail by mid 2016. 9. To build a pedestrian footbridge across the railway line giving safer access to the school by 2018 10. The community involvement started with the Community Survey and Consultation statement in 2013 and this project is a direct response to the feedback received by residents. The involvement continues with meetings with all named partners who are all in agreement to support the project and with smaller groups such as Breach Ave Residents who in May 2015 voted 100% in favour of the project.
Proposal Intended benefits	
Special Purpose Vehicle?	No
Special Purpose Vehicle Details	
Potential Contracting/Enterprise Opportunities	No
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Support Needed	We would like assistance to develop a plan and test the feasibility of the whole project. We would then like funding to acquire the land.

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About the organisations in your Partnership Area

Name of partner	Southbourne Parish Council
Name of partner	Southbourne Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group
Name of partner	Stansted Sawmills/AVS Fencing
Name of partner	Age Concern Southbourne
Name of partner	West Sussex Wildlife Trust/Chichester LBAP
Name of partner	Chichester District Council
Name of partner	Woodland Trust
Name of partner	Bourne Community College
Name of partner	Southbourne Infant and Junior School
Name of partner	Southbourne Mens Shed
Name of partner	PO Box Publications
Name of partner	Tuppeny Barn
Name of partner	Southbourne Sea Scouts

About the Assets in your Partnership Area

Name of Asset	Postcode of Asset	Services Offered from Asset	Benefits Under New Arrangements
East - North South Ring Area	PO10 8NB	Bio-diversity Education and safe route to school accessible by walkers and mobility aids and prams	Provision of open amenity area with seating and biodiversity nesting and development facilities such as bat boxes, bird boxes, bug hotels and hedgehog houses
East - East West Mid Lateral Area	PO10 8NB	Plantation and Health, Fitness and Wellbeing Facilities	Access to all ages, Sensory area, Fitness Area and Peaceful Resting Area. Safe walkway connecting North and South and East and Centre of Village. Improved and safer access to school. Space for new

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			pedestrian area
East - Mid North South Area	PO10 8NB	Orchard with local Sussex Varieties, Educational Component. Opportunities for People with Learning Disabilities	Produce and amenity space with seating.
East - North Lateral	PO10 8NB	Plantation - Biodiversity Monitoring and Recording Station	Accessible area with educational benefits and positive biodiversity benefits with North South Migration Routs between South Downs National Park and Chichester Harbour Conservation area and Coastal Habitats
Land at mid point of East, North-South Pathway	PO10 8NB	Provision of adult and child education area and facilities including bio-diversity monitoring and habitats	Provision of a diverse range of educational opportunities for all ages and abilities in conjunction with Tuppenny Barn and west Sussex Wildlife Officer

COMA Entry Form Assessment Information

Assessment Ref	COMA-Assessment-0027
Date of panel	04/06/2015
Recommendation	Yes
Final recommendations and comments	An interesting application. The first Parish Council one. Different to others received to date. Would like to see the relationship with the District Council developed. Some interesting shared learning opportunities for other Parish Councils and groups working with green space.

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