

# Summary of Proposals

| No                         | Proposal                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Proposed Actionee               |
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| <b>Village Development</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                 |
| A 1                        | Push for recognition of the need for affordable housing provision with the appropriate authorities and for moves to satisfy the requirement                                                                    | Parish Council                  |
| A 2                        | Resist any planning application that attempts to convert existing employment land into residential without re-zoning of alternative sites for appropriate employment                                           | Parish Council                  |
| A 3                        | Support change of use to convert redundant agricultural buildings to appropriate alternative business uses                                                                                                     | Parish Council                  |
| A 4                        | Investigate possible sites suitable for small business units and research their viability                                                                                                                      | PCSG                            |
| A 5                        | Village Design and Planning Statement to be produced and negotiated                                                                                                                                            | PCSG                            |
| <b>Community Safety</b>    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                 |
| B 1                        | Arrange a village briefing and question & answer session from a senior police officer                                                                                                                          | Parish Council                  |
| B 2                        | Contact other villages to coordinate protest about inadequate policing and attempt to secure removal of Somerset Police from resources stranglehold of Avon and Bristol to a more appropriate police authority | Parish Council                  |
| B 3                        | Re-educate villages about function, membership and operation of the Neighbourhood Watch scheme                                                                                                                 | Neighbourhood Watch coordinator |
| B 4                        | Consider lighting the village playing field during the early part of winter evenings to permit children's sport and safe dog-walking.                                                                          | SPFA                            |
| B 5                        | Establish a working group to set up a "Good Neighbour Scheme" which could escort vulnerable residents to village functions and regularly check on their welfare                                                | PCSG                            |

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| B 6 | Seek installation of permanent flashing advisory speed signs in Seavington St Michael and Seavington St Mary                                                        | Parish Council    |
| B 7 | Seek 20mph speed limit in appropriate places within both villages; particularly in Water Street to protect children accessing the Millennium Hall and Playing Field | Parish Council    |
| B 8 | Expand scope of Community Speed Watch scheme to cover Seavington St May                                                                                             | Parish Council    |
| B 9 | Seek "pinch points" on entry to the village areas, to be associated with the proposed Village entrances                                                             | Parish Council    |

## The Environment

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| C 1  | Consider annual gardening competition and entry into regional or national competition                                                                      | Gardening Club                |
| C 2  | Make proposals for a three year rolling programme of flower and shrub planting schemes with cost estimates which include recurring costs.                  | Gardening Club                |
| C 3  | The Tree Wardens to make detailed planting proposals for implementation over the next two years including both initial and recurring cost estimates.       | Tree Wardens                  |
| C 4  | The Tree Wardens' report to be issued to appropriate organisations as an approved Annex to Village Plan                                                    | Parish Council                |
| C 5  | Seavington Playing Field Association and Tree Wardens to work together to make realistically costed proposals for suitable sites of further public seating | Tree Wardens & Gardening Club |
| C 6  | Continue to work for provision of Village Entrances and traffic pinch points (correlate with proposal B 9)                                                 | Parish Council                |
| C 7  | Establish litter picking sessions and encourage "adoption" of streets by neighbours                                                                        | Parish Council & PCSG         |
| C 8  | Review dog fouling problem on the playing field and implement rules and remedies                                                                           | SPFA                          |
| C 9  | Provide further dog litter bins throughout both villages                                                                                                   | Parish Council                |
| C 10 | Continue to work towards improved off-street parking                                                                                                       | Parish Council                |
| C 11 | Review parking arrangements at Millennium Hall and facilitate use of existing overflow arrangements.                                                       | SPFA                          |

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| C 12 | Maintain and develop the Parish Council's link and influence with the Highways Services Division of the Somerset County Council                      | Parish Council        |
| C 13 | Press for improved footpath maintenance, consider the role of the Lengthsman and replace some stiles with kissing gates                              | Parish Council        |
| C 14 | Encourage members of occasional working parties to form a permanent team under the Parish Paths Stewardship Scheme                                   | Parish Council & PCSG |
| C 15 | Continue to develop and maintain link with Highway Services Division and maintain pressure for continuing and improved maintenance of local highways | Parish Council        |

## Education and Early Years

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| D 1 | Early Years Provision - consider developing Toddler group and investigate Nursery provision | PCSG                  |
| D 2 | Address school catchment areas issue with LEA along with joint school concept               | Parish Council & PCSG |
| D 3 | Bus shelters and safer road crossing investigated                                           | Parish Council        |
| D 4 | Provide sporting opportunities to village children                                          | PCSG                  |
| D 5 | Provide sports coaching and holiday play scheme for children                                | PCSG and SPFA         |
| D 6 | Adult Education courses developed with appropriate bodies                                   |                       |

## Sports Facilities

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| E 1 | Establish mechanisms for providing the extra sporting facilities listed above                                                         | SPFA & PCSG |
| E 2 | Establish a working group with broad membership to investigate and recommend healthy living and sport facilities for a wide age range | SPFA & PCSG |

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| F 1 | Re-visit the provision of a piped mains gas supply to whole village                                        | Parish Council            |
| F 2 | Investigate widening the scope of the School Lane heating oil purchasing group to include both villages    | Existing organiser & PCSG |
| F 3 | As alternative to F 2 establish village-wide heating oil purchasing scheme through voluntary working group | PCSG                      |
| F 4 | Promote ecological design and renewable energy sources within the villages                                 | PCSG                      |

## Transport

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| G 1 | Contact major supermarkets to request that their free shoppers' bus services be extended to include the Seavingtons                                         | Parish Council    |
| G 2 | Contact Somerset County Council and South Somerset District Council to seek direct bus connections to main-line railway stations                            | Parish Council    |
| G 3 | Maintain contact with Somerset C.C. and South Somerset District Council to ensure that the Seavingtons' interests in the subsidised services are protected. | Parish Council    |
| G 4 | Arrange adequate publicity for local bus services and distribute timetables                                                                                 | Seavingtons' News |

## Utilities

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| H 1 | Press BT for early implementation of the technology to improve ADSL Internet access speeds in the Seavingtons    | Parish Council |
| H 2 | Press BT for early improvements to exchange capacity to permit all who request it to be given ADSL connections.  | Parish Council |
| H 3 | Press South Somerset District Council to arrange a plastic waste recycling scheme for the villages               | Parish Council |
| H 4 | Monitor Royal Mail collection schedules and intervene if collection arrangements are threatened with downgrading | PCSG           |

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| <b>Support</b> |                                                                                                                                                    |                                          |
| I 1            | Investigate the provision of a part time Post Office and implement if viable                                                                       | SPFA & Volunteer Inn                     |
| I 2            | Obtain details and publicise a list of mobile shops with visiting times and location of stops                                                      | Seavingtons' News                        |
| I 3            | Investigate the viability of a village shop and implement if possible                                                                              | PCSG & SPFA                              |
| I 4            | The Volunteer Inn has indicated that they are looking at starting a coffee morning. They already provide food at lunch times                       | Volunteer Inn                            |
| I 5            | Initial enquiries have already begun on (private) visiting Chiropody Services. Times/dates/venue yet to be finalised.                              | PCSG                                     |
| I 6            | Explore the possibility of visiting health services                                                                                                | PCSG                                     |
| I 7            | Maintain pressure on the local health authority to implement its promises to rebuild and reopen South Petherton hospital                           | Parish Council                           |
| I 8            | A list of local telephone numbers of advice services to be circulated in the Seavington News                                                       | Seavingtons' News                        |
| I 9            | Mobile Library Service times and dates to feature in the Seavington News and on the Village notice board.                                          | Seavingtons' News & SPFA                 |
| I 10           | Reading club to be set up                                                                                                                          | Mr Ken Lake                              |
| I 11           | Establish village web-site - "Ownership" to be discussed and agreed                                                                                | Parish Council, SPFA & Seavingtons' News |
| I 12           | Review current village notice board locations and consider alternatives and the need for more                                                      | Parish Council & SPFA                    |
| I 13           | Parish Council be invited to look at their own publicity more closely and consider providing agenda and meeting summaries to the Seavingtons' News | Parish Council                           |
| I 14           | SPFA to review its publicity, advertising and promotion of SPFA information and events.                                                            | SPFA                                     |

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| <b>Youth</b> |                                                                                                                                  |                   |
| J 1          | Approach County Youth Service for assistance in eliciting detailed views from young people on clubs, activities and facilities   | SPFA & PCSG       |
| J 2          | Prepare formal proposal and action plan for provision of young people's facilities in the villages as annex to this Village Plan | PCSG & SPFA       |
| J 3          | Consider additional equipment for the Jubilee Playground children's play area                                                    | SPFA              |

## The SPFA and Millenium Hall

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| K 1 | Review the membership and structure of the Trustees and committee and take steps required to broaden                                                          | SPFA               |
| K 2 | Market and promote the AGM in order to attract new "blood" to the committee and share the work load                                                           | SPFA               |
| K 3 | Establish a clear policy on the priorities of outside lettings versus time given over to local clubs and events.                                              | SPFA               |
| K 4 | Consider suggested new activities such as line dancing farmers market, large screens for special events and return of IT classes.                             | SPFA               |
| K 5 | Investigate organising theatre, cinema and opera trips for the communities                                                                                    | Social Club & SPFA |
| K 6 | Consider establishing amateur theatrical group based at the Millennium Hall                                                                                   | SPFA               |
| K 7 | Investigate feasibility of augmenting current playing field facilities with an outside tap and toilet facilities for casual playing field and play area users | SPFA               |
| K 8 | Investigate the feasibility and costs of developing medium sized meeting rooms which are accessible without disturbing activities in the main hall.           | SPFA               |
| K 9 | Look at improving stage lighting and other facilities                                                                                                         | SPFA               |

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| <b>The Volunteer Inn</b> |                                                                                                                                 |                            |
| L 1                      | Landlord to continue to work closely with the community for the benefit of everyone                                             | Volunteer Inn, SPFA & PCSG |
| L 2                      | The Landlord works with the SPFA to provide Post Office facilities - see Proposal M 1                                           | Volunteer Inn & SPFA       |
| L 3                      | The Parish Council to oppose any proposal for change of use of the Volunteer premises which threatens its role in the community | Parish Council             |

## The Church

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| M 1 | Work with the SPFA and PCSG to coordinate provision of youth facilities in the Seavingtons | Benefice of South Petherton with the Seavingtons |
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