Sustainability Project Plan 2016/17

No.	Project	Project outcome	Timeline	Project resources required	Number of visitors / users	Project delivery	Progress January 2017	Status					
Bicester Energy Projects													
3.1	Heat Network	Technical & commercial feasibility study to connect Energy Recovery Plant Ardley to NW Bicester development and further into the town	January 2014 - Sept 2015	Funded by Department of Energy and Climate Change, Cherwell District Council, Oxfordshire County Council	NW Bicester & wider town	Bicester Delivery team	Heat Network study completed. Additional funding received for phase 2 study - expected completion mid 2017						
3.3	System Study	A feasibility study to explore opportunities around fuel cell systems in Bicester	August 2016 to August 2017	Funded by Innovate / Technology Strategy Board		Bicester Delivery team, Oxford University, Oxfordshire County Council, Fuel Cell systems	Project commenced						
Bice	Bicester Sustainable Travel Projects												
4.1		Promote sustainable transport in the town	Start of bike loan scheme May 2014	Officer time - promotion	Bicester residents	Bicester Green	Sponsorship being sought to continue the project						
4.2	Cycle Stands Town Centre	Increase the number of cycle stands in the town centre	Spring 2016	Officer time & funding	Bicester residents	Bicester Delivery team	Additional bike stands to be installed Sheep Street 1Q 2017.						
4.3	Bicester Wayfinding project	Deliver a wayfinding / signage project across the town to increase walking and cycling	Autumn 2016	Officer time	Bicester residents	Bicester Delivery team, Oxfordshire County Council and stakeholders	Sign designer procured. Engagement on design Feb 2017						
Biod	Biodiversity / Green Infrastructure projects												
5.1		Tool to support the planning of new green spaces to maximise their value developed for Bicester	2018	External funding received & officer time		Oxford University & partners; Bicester Delivery Team	Project commenced in March 2016						
	00	Deliver wayfinding sings, biodiversity interpretation boards and repair of key bridges in the Bure Park LNR	Late 2016	Officer time	Bicester residents	Bicester Delivery Team,. Bioregional, Bicester Town Council	Signage design procured. Engagement Feb 2017						
5.3	Leaflet to promote active use for green space	Increased use of existing green spaces	2017	Officer time	Bicester residents	Bicester Delivery Team & Bicester Town Council	Design work commenced, leaflet to be completed by end Jan 2017						
5.4	TOE2 Wildflower planting at Bure Park	Increase in biodiversity, increase in activity in the park		External funding received and officer time	Bicester residents	Bicester Town Council, Bicester Green Gym, BBOWT	Initial survey with TOE2 and BBOWT carried out. Site preparation in February and March. Seeding early April. Meadow should be in bloom by early summer. Further engagement with the school and local community will be ongoing during the summer.						

Sustainability Project Plan 2016/17

No.	Project	Project outcome	Timeline	Project resources required	Number of visitors / users	Project delivery	Progress January 2017	Status			
Bicester Demonstration Projects											
6.1		Securing apprenticeships from new development for local young people	Established by Summer 2017	External funding received & officer time	Target of 300 apprenticeships	Bicester Delivery Team and OxLEP	Board established, commencement of operating planned for early 2017				
6.2		Business centre to support new and small SMEs and homeworkers in the locality	2016- 18	Eco Town grant funding, ERDF, ED	Target of 120 jobs	Bicester Delivery Team	Design work being progressed with a view to letting a contract for construction in 2017				
6.3		Welcome Trust project look at policy for environments for health and well being	End 2016	Officer time	Enhanced policy to support healthy environments	Bicester Delivery Team	Project commenced				