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4.4	Park and Charge	Feasibility study looking at deployment of technology and approaches for residents who park their vehicles on the public highway	Completion by April 2019	Officer time	Bicester Delivery Team, Zeta, UiUK, Oxford University and Oxfordshire County Council	Delay in IUK issuing grant offer letter which limited availability of work. Grant offer letter now received. CDC in discussion with OCC with regards to accessing resource and joint agreements	G
Biodiversity / Green Infrastructure projects							
5.2	Burnehyll Community Woodland	The development of the Burnehyll Community Woodland	Opening Autumn 2019	Officer time	Bicester Town Council, Chesterton Parish Council, Oxfordshire County Council and Friends Group	Land transfer due Winter 2019/2020. Funding to secure long term maintenance of site to be resolved and under discussion. Phase 1 archaeology currently being procured to ascertain the locations on the site where trees can be planted.	A
5.5	Bicester Central Corridor Environmental Planting Scheme	Design and implementation of a planting scheme to mitigate poor air quality and improve public realm particularly for pedestrians and cyclists	Design Autumn 2019, Planting Spring 2020	Officer time/Garden Town funding	Applied Landscape Design, Bicester Town Council, Oxfordshire County Council, Local residents	ALD (Applied Landscape Design) appointed and work commenced on design	G
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6.2	Eco Business Centre	Business centre to support new and small SMEs and homeworkers in the locality	2016-18	Eco Town grant funding, ERDF, ED	Bicester Delivery Team	Eco Business Centre opening took place 26 October. First tenants have moved in.	G
6.4	ERDF OxFutures	To help grow the low carbon economy in Oxfordshire	Project completion by end March 2020 (final SME signups by end December 2019)	Officer time plus external support to create 'Oxfordshire Greentech' (new business network to create impact and growth in the low carbon sector)	Bicester & Economic Growth teams (CDC); Oxford City Council; Low Carbon Hub; University of Oxford; Oxford Brookes University; Bioregional	Further recruitment of business members to the Oxfordshire Greentech network has slowed, and work has begun to manage the separation from ERDF support, and to be financially sustainable. CDC's ongoing role is becoming clearer, with a strategy day planned for November to take this forward.	G

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6.5	ERDF ISfB (Innovation Support for Business)	Delivery of 12 hours of support via knowledge transfer sessions to SMEs. Delivery of grant awards via Go-Create Grant assessment board which CDC has a place on.	Delivery of support to Oxfordshire SMEs by end September 2020, with full programme completion by end March 2021.	ERDF	Bicester & Economic Growth teams (CDC); OxLEP, Oxfordshire County Council, Oxford City Council; University of Oxford; Oxford Brookes University	Three further workshops have now been delivered, raising the profile of the programme and introducing many more SMEs. This remains amber, as there is work to do now in aligning efforts to achieve the required targets as set by ERDF, however, this is looking far more positive. Ensuring the spend remains on track with the forecast is problematic, as staff originally down to work on the project have been pulled away.	A
6.6	Heritage & Culture Projects	New Heritage Trail being designed due to launch in summer 2019 and new history timeline mural to be installed in Library. Long term plans for Dovecote to be planned - with onsite interpretation boards developed.	June 2019 - spring 2020	Officer time & funding	CDC/Town Council/Bicester Village and Bicester Local History society	Heritage Trail completed in September 2019. Launched at Bicester Festival. Copies in Library, BTC & Bicester Village. Dovecote opened for Bicester Festival display. Timeline in Library is under design. Meeting re: future use of the Dovecote on 4/11/19. On site interpretation for the Dovecote/Old Place Yard under discussion.	G
6.7	Culture/Bicester Festival	Bicester Festival - Engagement with schools, older people and history society and St Edburg's Church.	To September 2020	Officer time	Bicester Team with CDC Communities Team/Bicester Local History Society, St Edburg's Church and schools and Age UK	Meeting set to progress schools engagement programme. Activity will happen in July/August in readiness for September. Liaising with History Society and Churches on displays. Also liaising with Library Service & Age UK on creative Pop-up in Library	G
6.80	Development of walking and cycling infrastructure	Input into the planning and development of infrastructure to achieve best practice outcomes for pedestrians and cyclists	2018 - ongoing	Officer time	Oxfordshire County Council, Bicester Town Council. Local Cycling Groups	Continued review and development of proposals to improve provision for pedestrians and cyclists. Preparation of Invitation of Quote for southern connectivity route	A
6.9	Increasing the effectiveness of Bicester Travel Plans	Engagement and support for travel plan coordinators in Bicester	2018 - ongoing	Officer time	Oxfordshire County Council, Travel Plan Coordinators (Mode, WSP/Countryside Homes)	Working with Mode to support wider use of e-car club to extend use beyond Elmsbrook to increase viability. Discussions with Countryside/WSP on travel plan actions and monitoring underway with meeting scheduled for November	A
6.10	Workplace Travel	Working with employers to increase sustainable and active	2019 - ongoing	Officer time/HNT/GT funding for measures to be	OCC/Local Businesses	Work commenced with Absolute Taste. Agreement to extend to wider business	A

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6.11	School Travel	Working with schools to increase sustainable and active travel	2019 - ongoing	Officer time/HNT/GT funding for measures to be identified	OCC/Schools	Continued work planned and to be extended to The Studio School and Bicester School	A
Healthy Placemaking							
7.2e	Community Engagement Workstream	Schools Engagement/Primary School	Academic Year 2019/20	Officer Time & HNT funding	Bicester Delivery Team/Muddy Feet Training	Pilot sessions were delivered by Muddy Feet in early October to staff in 7 schools. Further sessions now booked for Spring 2020	G
7.2f		Schools Engagement/Secondary School	Academic Year 2019/2020	Officer Time and HNT funding	Bicester Delivery Team	Secondary schools have assembly sessions booked to learn about how to access NHS services. Presentations to be given by local GPs in November and January.	G
7.3.b	Local Evaluation	Healthy Lifestyles - Wellbeing@Work Scheme - supporting workers through local SMEs to live healthier lifestyles.	Programme 2017 - 2019	Officer time. NHS HNT	HNT Partnership	Thrive at Work Workplace Wellbeing Award Scheme pilot launched in September 2019 - SME and large businesses are being enrolled, accredited and awarded. Offer for self employed and micro businesses in development with networking groups..	G
7.4	Collaborative Lead (Evaluation)	Detailed evaluation process and outcome report	Programme 2017 - 2019	NHS HNT	HNT Partnership	NHS has issued national guidance on the findings of the Healthy New Town Programme called Putting Health into Place - Bicester is included in a number of sections as a case study. Chapter also included in the Kings Fund publication Creating Healthy Places	G
7.6.b		Contracting & service planning - Options for future healthcare service remodelling	Completion expected March 2019	Officer time	Bicester Delivery Team, CCG, GPs	Bicester GPs from the Alchester and Montgomery House practices issued a press release in September announcing that their preferred choice of site for the new Bicester Health Centre is a site at Graven Hill. It is their intention to work with all relevant stakeholders so that it can open in 3 years time. Amongst the matters to be resolved are a number of significant planning issues	A
7.6d	Healthy Food Environment	Diabetes education events	2019-20	Officer time	CCG, GPs, CDC Sports & Leisure Team	Diabetes event for Montgomery House surgery attracted 47 patients and evening events are scheduled for Bicester Health Centre in November and Alchester Medical Group in January	G

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7.7	Eat Out Eat Well Scheme	Award scheme for food outlets that offer healthier food options to develop a healthier food environment.	Programme 2018-19	Officer Time	CDC Environmental Health Team		A
7.8	Community Activation	Set up supporters network to encourage behaviour change - now linked to social prescribing scheme	Programme 2018-19	Officer time and NHS funding	CDC Community services and HNT Partners, Citizens Advice N Oxon	Bicester Primary Care Network now has dedicated social prescriber (part of the Community Connect service) working across the three practices.	A
7.9	Inter-generational projects	Working with CDC community services and voluntary sector to promote neighbourhood lunches to reduce social isolation	Programme 2018-19	Officer time	CDC Community services and HNT Partners	Intergenerational projects in Bicester have proved difficult due to logistics of travel etc. However, very successful intergenerational element of the Age Friendly Creative pop-up in Bicester Library with the Studio School/Age UK Oxfordshire and CDC. Little lunches have been organised with residential associations. Review currently underway to identify alternative ways of addressing social isolation.	G
7.10	Early Years Projects	Support for pre-schools and nurseries to promote healthy behaviours and working with families to build cooking skills	Programme 2018-19	Officer time	Bicester Delivery Team and HNT Partners. HNT Programme Partners CDC Sports Activators & other local groups	Close working with Cheryl Huntbach of OCC to set up the informal Early Years providers network group in Bicester to encourage joint working and spread knowledge of Early Years activities and support. Two meetings held. CDC/HNT supporting further HENRY courses in Bicester and working with Abingdon & Witney College and Salvation Army to provide EY support in Bicester Schools.	G
7.11	Bicester Voluntary Forum		Programme 2018-19	Officer time and NHS funding	CDC/Bicester Team & BTC	Next meeting being organised for February 5th 2020	A
7.12	Bicester Volunteers Fair	Support for voluntary groups in Bicester. Connecting Sixth form students with voluntary groups for meaningful volunteering opportunities	Programme 2018-19	officer time	Bicester Delivery Team Bicester Delivery Team and Volunteer Connect	Next annual Fair will be held on 14th February 2020. Planning underway.	G

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7.13	Securing long-term bikeability trained cycling instructor resources in Bicester alongside a programme of holiday courses	Agreement with external provider to deliver holiday courses for older children in Bicester. Recruitment and training of 2-3 new primarily Bicester-based instructors	2019-2020	officer time. HNT funding for training course.	Oxfordshire County Council. Windrush Cycle Project. Bicester Leisure Centre.	Shortage of instructors prevented October half term course delivery. Recruitment and training of instructors subject to wider ongoing discussions with providers in Oxfordshire	A
7.14	Bicester Pool Bikes	Make bikes inherited from previous OCC Eco-town project road worthy and put into use	2019-2022	Officer time. HNT funding for repairs and parts	Cycle mechanic. CDC Facilities team	Remaining bikes provide ongoing resource for discussions on active travel with Bicester employers	A
7.15	Bicester Bike Day	Input into the delivery of Bicester Bike Day	2018-2019	Officer time. HNT funding for activities (Smoothie Bike, Prize Draw, Wheels4All)	A2D, community groups	Form of bike day for 2020 to change with respect to the OVO Women's Tour and the need for A2D to refocus their efforts to promote cycling on their own residents in accordance with the S106	A
7.16	Bicester OVO Women's Tour and Cycling promotional	Input into the development of promotion of cycling alongside the OVO Women's Tour	2019-2020	Officer time, HNT funding for identified activities TBC)	Oxfordshire County Council, Bicester Town Council. Local Cycling	Awaiting official announcement, initial internal discussions to identify actions	A
7.17	Dr Bike	Provide a Dr Bike service for Bicester residents	2019 - ongoing	Officer time, HNT funding to support the service	Bicester Green	Service location moved to Bicester Green to enable a more comprehensive service and tie in with other activities at the site (including bike sales). Discussions with Bicester Green in progress with respect to plans for 2020	A