

# Annual Review 2025/26

## Our practice

- Asset Based Community Development (ABCD)
- Community Development Principles
- Placemaking charter

### Strategic aims

- 1 Community Infrastructure
- 2 Health and Wellbeing
- 3 Truly Affordable Housing
- 4 Climate and Nature



Community groups encourage social connection, creativity, new skills, active lifestyles, and good mental health.

well  
together

CONNECTED  
COMMUNITIES  
FUND

128 Projects funded supporting 7250 sessions

14,000 participants with

86 Projects awarded £271k funding

"I enjoy bowling as it keeps me fit and active [...] I'm not alone here, I'm among friends ~Bloxham Bowling

### Community Development



89 Parish and Town council members

11 Training sessions

95 People attended

Community Development training for community groups and parish councils

Community Led Plans undertaken:



Buckland



Upper Heyford



Letcombe Regis



Research Project:

Marmot Place Rural Research

### Community Transport



80 Schemes supported

84 Enquiries

11 Advocacy meetings

1400 Volunteers

### Community Halls



186 Hall Membership

84 Enquiries

74 People in Training Sessions

### Housing



7 Community housing projects  
123 Potential affordable homes  
8 Housing Needs Surveys  
3 Steering group meetings

### Placemaking



8 Neighbourhood Plan groups supported  
5 Community Consultations  
3 Major town planning commissions

1. Bringing a heritage building into use
2. Conservation Area appraisal
3. Researching a new community-led housing project

### Stop Smoking Project



Our community outreach worker mapped services, formed partnerships, built trust in the community, and offered individuals support.

44

Network sessions

### Heyford Park

A Community Development Project, building local capacity, supporting community projects.

