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Rural Proofing Recommendations

Item	Recommendation	Decision	Date Agreed/Completed
Definition of Rural	<p>Determine which areas of the CP are defined as 'rural' and 'non-rural' by population and evidence by a list of parishes and map.</p> <p>Definition for 'rural' is a parish population of less than 2000.</p> <p>Definition for 'non-rural' is a parish population of 2000 or more.</p> <p>Rural</p> <p>Knodishall 810 Aldringham cum Thorpe 790 Snape 660 Benhall 550 Middleton 370 Friston 340 Theberton 290 Sternfield 130 TOTAL 3,940</p> <p>Non-Rural</p>		

	<p>Leiston 5670 Saxmundham 4330 Aldeburgh 2450 TOTAL 12,450</p> <p>Rural/non-rural ratio by population is 1:3</p> <p>It must be noted that this ratio would ensure equality but not equity as it does not take into account specific circumstances that rural areas/residents face.</p>		
Governance	Update Terms of Reference to include recommendations as per the toolkit.	Terms of Reference updated and approved by Community Partnership Board. Noted at CP Meeting in May 2021 (available via CMIS on ESC website)	19.05.21
Membership	<p>Ascertain which CP members represent rural areas.</p> <p>Voting Members</p> <p>Rural Cllr Nigel Black Knodishall Cllr Anthony Wigg Knodishall Heather Brewell Knodishall Cllr Julian Cusack Middleton Cllr Stephen Brett Theberton & Eastbridge Cllr Mary Schedrin Friston Cllr Russ Rainger Snape</p> <p>Non-rural</p>		

	<p>Cllr for Aldeburgh and Leiston (election 8/7/21) Cllr John Fisher Saxmundham Cllr Lesley Hill Leiston Caroline Rinder, Town Clerk Leiston Roz Barnett Clerk, Saxmundham Sharon Cuthbert, Leiston</p> <p>Query Di Eastman IP17 Good Neighbour Scheme Emma Ratzer CEO Access CT</p> <p>Ratio for rural/non rural is even. Consider whether all voting members attend meetings and whether further encouragement to attend is required or recruitment to the CP.</p> <p>Consider exercise to ascertain other organisations/groups that member represent and evidence this.</p>		
Rural Champion	Identify a rural champion from the voting members.		
CP Priorities	Agree current priorities are reflective of rural areas, therefore no change.		
Budget Allocations	Determine what proportion of CP budget has been spent in rural/non-rural areas.		

	<p>Ringfence proportion of the CP budget for rural areas to ensure 50% of overall allocation is spent/ringfenced for rural. This takes into account the 1:3 ratio for rural/non-rural population plus extra as delivery of projects may be more expensive in/for rural areas.</p>		
Small Grants Fund	<p>Determine what proportion of small grants fund has been spent in rural/non rural areas.</p> <p>Ringfence proportion of the small grants fund budget for rural areas to ensure 50% of overall allocation is spent/ringfenced for rural. This takes into account the 1:3 ratio for rural/non-rural population plus extra as delivery of projects may be more expensive in/for rural areas.</p> <p>Amend paperwork for Small Grants Fund application & notes to include questions re rural proofing – as per Zoe’s document.</p> <p>Amend paperwork for monitoring form to include impact on rural areas</p>		
Evidence of Rural Proofing	<p>Ensure questions and discussions take place considering the impact on rural areas when discussing projects.</p> <p>Questions, discussions and subsequent decisions and actions considering rural areas/residents to</p>		

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