

Sydenham Damerel Parish Council Action Plan 2021/22

Sydenham Damerel Parish Council is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for the whole community, maintaining the Parish identity, and encouraging a community spirit. The Council is always keen to receive ideas and suggestions from parishioners on areas of interest or concern and where it is felt that the Parish Council can assist. It is committed to working in partnership with local authorities and other public service agencies. Your Parish Council's Action Plan identifies the priorities for 2021/2022.

To install defibrillators

Lead Councillor – Howard Payne

As we are a remote and, it must be said, ageing community the response times for the first response services is of concern.

The existing defibrillator, which was donated specifically for the use of the Village of Sydenham Damerel, will be installed.

We will install a second defibrillator in Townlake and budget to install a third one in Horsebridge.

To improve highways and byways

Lead Councillors – Richard Windemer, John Hearn

We will catalogue potholes, drainage and flooding problems and ensure they are reported to Devon County Council Highways for them to resolve.

We will survey footpaths identifying where improvements or repairs need to be made, and, working with the landowners, seek to improve the access for all.

To facilitate community development

Lead Councillors – Howard Payne, Denise Head, John Hearn

We will improve communication between the Parish Council and the parishioners by regular newsletters, the use of web site, notice boards and Facebook.

We will encourage and sponsor events to further develop our sense of community.

We will set up a working group to plan and deliver a community event to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in 2022.

To improve road safety

Lead Councillors – Nicky Pratten

We will work with Devon County Council to reduce the speed through the hamlets.

We will instigate a "20's plenty campaign" with appropriate signage.

To develop an environment and sustainability plan

Lead Councillors – Peter Hurdwell, Nicky Furse

We will consult with farmers and residents to develop an agreed plan for the environment in the Parish. The active engagement of our younger residents in this planning will be enthusiastically welcomed.

We will continue to implement local environmental activities such as litter picking and wildflower planting.

