

Key Theme	Lead	Timescale	Targets and next steps - actions required	Progress	Outcomes
Local Engagement - Kent County Council	Democratic Services	Mar-09	Engage Kent County Council Rural Regeneration Team - need a nominated rep to come to Swale Rural Forum meetings	Representative now attends forum where possible however need to have a 'deputy' if Liz Harrison is unable to make it.	Mutually beneficial understanding of rural issues/challenges resulting in joined-up approach to problem solving, improved partnership working
Local Engagement - PACT	Democratic Services	Mar-09	Engage Community Safety Officer to ensure rural issues arising from PACT meetings come to Swale Rural Forum. Invite Rep from PACT	Charlotte Hudson (SBC) who runs PACT meetings will not attend SRF but would like to be kept informed of any issues arising. However needs to be better liaison between PACTS, parish councils and Swale Rural Forum.	
Local Engagement - Parishes	Democratic Services	Mar-09	Ensure Parish Councils receive Swale Rural Forum agendas in good time, with opportunity for them to bring items forward for discussion	Parishes have now had opportunity to bring items to Forum	
Local Engagement - other relevant organisations	Democratic Services	Mar-09	Ensure other relevant groups receive the Swale Rural Forum agendas in good time with opportunity to bring items forward for discussion	Discussed at last meeting	
Swale Rural Forum Representation	Chairman	ongoing	Review invite list for Swale Rural Forum - who else should attend? Consider at next meeting	At last Swale Rural Forum it was suggested members should be invited to put forward names for consideration. Names suggested so far are Medway Drainage Board and Kent Wildlife Trust	Improved coverage/representation of rural issues
Local Engagement - Websites	Sub-group	ongoing	Use SBC website and parish council websites to promote Swale Rural Forum and improve public participation	Discussions to be had with Web designer at SBC	Effective dialogue with communities promoting pro-active and timely responses to challenges
Business Cards	Sub-group	ongoing	Design and produce business card/postcard for distribution to local rural venues e.g. pubs, shops etc.	Draft postcard to be produced	
Monitoring or work/projects	Chairman (to nominate relevant lead on each project)	ongoing	Need to identify clear actions where appropriate and ensure follow up at next Swale Rural Forum mtg.	Need to identify which projects (if any) Forum would like to monitor	Effective monitoring of work/projects outside of Forum
Monitoring progress of Swale Rural Forum	Democratic Services	ongoing	Maintain this action plan and have as item on each agenda for updating	ongoing - comments on how action plan is used to be sent to Regeneration projects officer	To ensure the Forum continues to develop and does not become stagnant
Linking with SBC strategies/projects	Relevant portfolio holder	ongoing	E.g. Link to Green Clusters, Open Spaces Strategy, Green Grid Strategy	Ongoing - need to identify relevant new strategies	To keep updated on relevant strategies and rural-proof them
Site visits	NFU/others	ongoing	Set up more site visits to show best practice and which we can demonstrate adds value	First visit took place 17.06.09 - well attended and successful. However noted that future visits need to be better publicised to improve attendance.	To learn best practice
Link work of the Swale Rural Forum to SBC Corporate Plan and Priorities	Chairman	ongoing	Monitor work and objectives of the Forum		Ensure the work of the Forum remains focussed
Discovering Places	Democratic Services	30/04/10 to 03/05/10	To promote opportunities to promote Swale hidden places of cultural heritage	Report sent out to Democratic services to be discuss at next swale rural forum and disseminate for information purpose	Make the most of London 2012 and the cultural Olympiad to promote volunteering and participation and to link cultural development with access to learning and health.
North Kent Walking Festival	Modupe Afunmiso	May/June 2010	To encourage both indoor and outdoor activities and to encourage young people to get involve in healthy walks	Letters has been sent out to enquire of various organisations' interest in 2010 walking festival. Walk risk assessment form and information sheet has been sent to new organisations and all organisations that participated in the 2009 walking festival to register their interest for 2010 festival	Festival developed into an idea with more promotional merit with an inclusion of wider range of activities such as films, talks and the arts and the establishment of four major events (each/week). Develop link to natural events or programmes such as Countryside 2010, Discovering Places
Countryside Campaign 2010	Democratic Services	29/05/10 to 13/06/10	To promote countryside based activities in Swale	Report sent out to Democratic services to disseminate for information purpose	Investigate Swale strategic greenspaces to maximise the ecological values of its key landscape assets to realise their tourism and recreational potentials