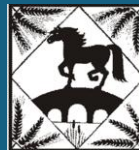


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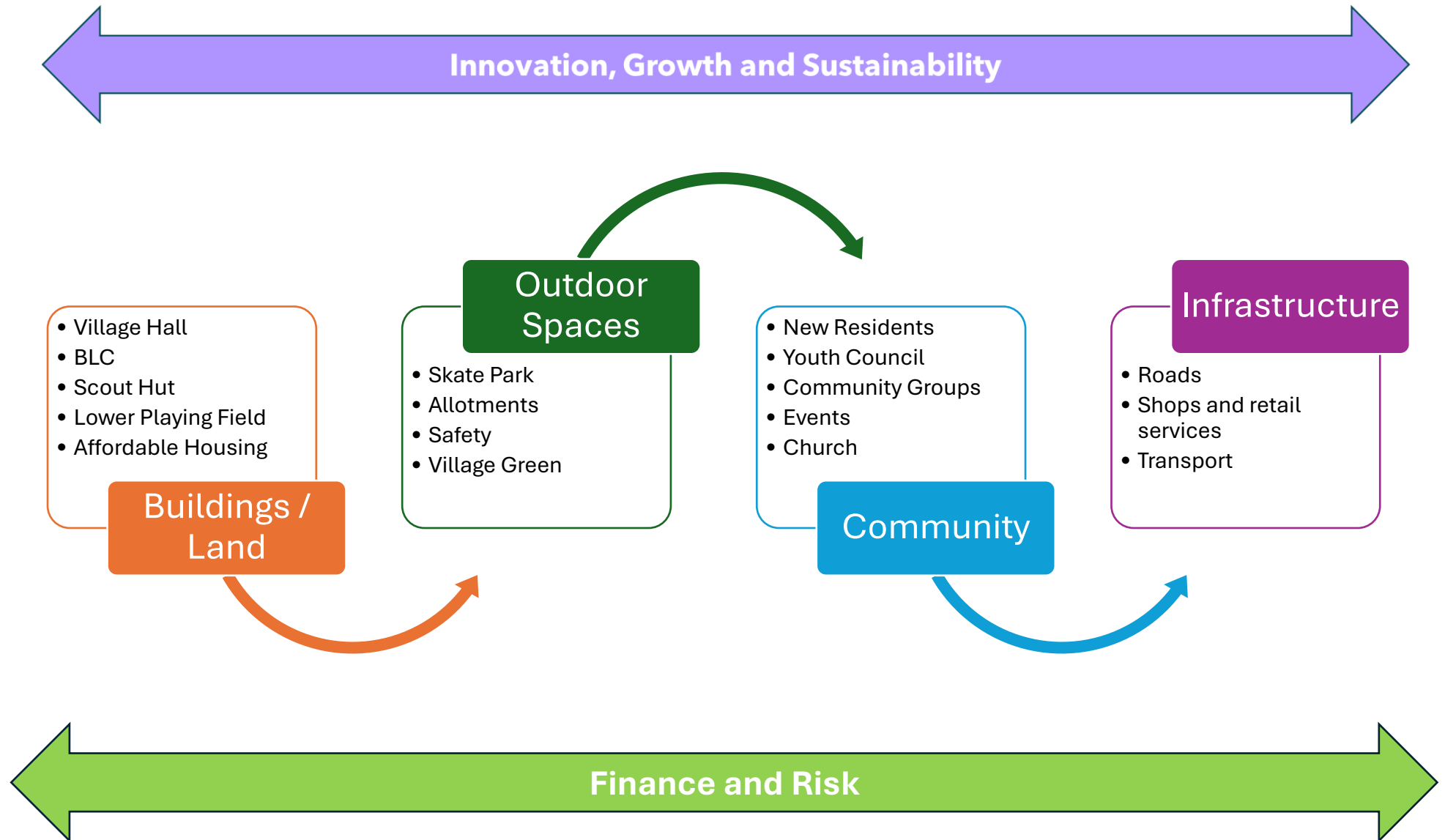


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Brantham 2034 Strategy Outline



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Title	Timescale	Details	Funding Source	Councillor Resources	Officer Resources	Update on progress and actions
BUILDINGS AND LAND						
Brantham Village Hall COUNCILLOR LEAD – Lesley Cherry (Jackie Heywood Support) <i>10 Year vision: To provide the village with a financially self-sustaining Village Hall that is fit for purpose, versatile, inclusive and at the heart of community life.</i>						
Toilet Refurbishment	S	Installation of new toilets	BDC CIL BPC CIL VH Funds	Lesley Cherry Jackie Heywood	Clerk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CIL bid submitted to BDC
Explore alternative uses for VH	M	Expand daytime use of Hall	N/A		VH Manager	
		Create multi-use space at the hall by upgrading two rooms at the back	VH Funds approved	Lesley Cherry	Clerk Assistant Clerk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding approved at March VH meeting Work to commence Spring 2025
Promote Hall as a community Space	S	Facebook advertising increased	N/A		Assistant Clerk/VH Mgr	
Explore options for a new VH	L	Identify sites		Lesley Cherry	Clerk Assistant Clerk	
		Consult residents				
		Consult local partners ie. BDC				
		Create VH Plan				
BRANTHAM LEISURE CENTRE COUNCILLOR LEAD – Cathie Donaldson						

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10 YEAR VISION - BPC to work with leaseholders to create a vibrant and thriving community centre with a shared Brantham Buildings “brand” that is financially self-sustaining and offers good value-for-money activities and resources to local users.						
Agree new lease arrangements	L	Lease due for renewal 203?				
LAND ASSETS						
COUNCILLOR LEAD – Jackie Heywood						
10 YEAR VISION - Maximise the potential of all BPC Land assets to meet the needs of the village						
Play areas	L	3 “owned” play areas updated and well maintained				
AFFORDABLE HOUSING						
COUNCILLOR LEAD – Eric Osben						
10 YEAR VISION - At least 12 affordable houses completed or underway for people with a strong connection to Brantham.						
Affordable housing project	S	Sites identified.		All	Clerk Assistant Clerk	List of potential sites submitted to Babergh District Council Planning dept. Some feedback received, further feedback awaited.
	S	Housing needs survey complete	Babergh DC	All	Clerk Assistant Clerk	Survey drawn up and distributed to village
	S	HNS results analysed		CAS BDC EO/BPC	Clerk Assistant Clerk	Results currently awaited
	M	Housing partner identified.				
	L	Final site identified and houses built	Housing partner BDC CIL		Clerk Assistant Clerk	
SCOUT HUT						
COUNCILLOR LEAD - TBC						

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10 YEAR VISION - New scout hut in place						
Scout hut	L	To support Scout Hut with new building as appropriate				

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OUTDOOR SPACES AND GREEN ISSUES						
SKATE PARK COUNCILLOR LEAD – Abi Edevane 10 YEAR VISION - A well-used, fit-for-purpose Skate park in place that meets the needs of village young people and provides a vibrant and exciting place for young people to enjoy sport, fitness and a sense of community. Asset to host local competitions, be an embedded part of school PE provision and offer community facilities such as toilets and refreshments						
Assess success of mobile event	S	Review and analyse feedback received Report to Council	BPC	Abi Edevane		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analysis complete Informal report received
Establish working group	S	Meetings in place Action plan drawn up Costings developed		Abi Edevane		
Project plan	M	Work with experts in the field Develop costings Social media engagement	Consider funding sources	Abi Edevane	Clerk	
Youth Involvement	M	Engage young people at design and implementation stage				
Links with Local Parishes	S	Establish links with local PCs to avoid duplication			Clerk	
Toilet provision	L			Abi Edevane		
ALLOTMENTS COUNCILLOR LEAD – Martin Clark 10 YEAR VISION - At least 20 Allotments plots established and well-used with a waiting list in place. Allotment community to grow and flourish						
Allotment consultation	S	Consultation exercise – online and via bugle?	BPC	MC	Clerk	
Allotment Land	M	Identify potential land for allotments.				

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Allotment Land acquisition	L	Work with landowners to lease or purchase land	BPC	MC	Clerk	
Brantham Horticultural Society	S	Assess appetite from local people to re-establish – consultation/social media advertising	BPC		Clerk Assistant Clerk	
	S	Undertake fact-finding mission with other gardening/horticultural groups	BPC	MC	Clerk Assistant Clerk	
	M	Society re-established.		BPC Support?		
	L	Members identified and strong group established	Volunteers /BPC			
	L	Open Gardens project.	BHS	BHS/BPC Support?		
	L	Annual growing competition.	BHS	BHS/BPC Support?		
TREE AND FLOWER PLANTING						
COUNCILLOR LEAD – Martin Clark						
10 YEAR VISION - To have planted ? new trees by 2034 and begun programme of wildflower and bulb planting to encourage biodiversity in open spaces						
Tree planting	L	Focus on maintenance and care of newly planted trees.	BPC	BPC BOS Grounds Maintenance contractor	Clerk Assistant Clerk	Ongoing
		Identification of new sites for tree planting.		MC/BPC		
		Bids for free trees submitted where appropriate.			Clerk	
Flowers	S-M	Support bulb planting by local cub scout group.	BPC	Finance Committee	Clerk	Funding provided 24-25
	S	Pollinator friendly planting in Acacia Court planters.	BPC	BPC Grounds maint. Contractor	Assistant Clerk	Email to AC sent 15.04.25
	M	Wildflower project on Brantham Open Space	BPC/BDC			

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EV CHARGING POINTS

COUNCILLOR LEAD – Martin Clark

10 YEAR VISION - *To have at least 3 EV charging points in the village and well-used by local people*

EV Charging	M	Site for EV chargers identified Action plan established				
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ENERGY SAVING SCHEME

COUNCILLOR LEAD – Martin Clark

10 YEAR VISION - *Village Wide energy saving scheme in place and well used by local residents helping to save money for local people.*

Energy Saving Scheme	M	Explore options for village-wide shared energy scheme				

SAFETY

BRANTHAM AS A SAFE PLACE

COUNCILLOR LEAD – Cathie Osben (Cllr Lancaster support)

10 YEAR VISION - *To ensure that all Brantham residents feel safe and secure in their homes, shared venues and in village outdoor spaces. Drug and antisocial behaviour issues eradicated.*

Safety consultation	S	Consultation to find out how safe local people feel. Analyse results and provide feedback.				Safety Consultation drafted. To be circulated May 2025
PCSO	M	Consultation to find out if local residents would like to fund a PCSO from precept.				
CCTV	S	Continued use of CCTV to monitor and provide evidence if necessary				

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COMMUNITY & ENGAGEMENT						
NEW RESIDENTS						
COUNCILLOR LEAD – Toni Lancaster						
10 YEAR VISION - New Brantham residents to feel welcomed to the village and to quickly become part of village life						
Welcome letter	S					
Village information booklet	M	Work with church to see if this still exists Update/develop as necessary				
ENGAGE WITH YOUNG PEOPLE						
COUNCILLOR LEAD – Toni Lancaster						
10 YEAR VISION - Young people engaged with the Parish Council and local groups to ensure they are engaged and involved in activities and developments that impact on their experience of life in Brantham						
Youth Council	M	Consult with local primary and high schools to link into current groups within schools.				Email to local headteacher sent 15.04.25
		Explore how to set up a Youth Council.				
Youth worker/youth outreach	M					
Youth consultation	S	Establish what is wanted/where from young people				
COMMUNITY GROUPS						
COUNCILLOR LEAD – Toni Lancaster						
10 YEAR VISION - A thriving set of community groups that meets the varied interests and needs of village residents						
Map of village groups	S	Undertake mapping exercise				

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		Publish via website and social media				
Community events	S	Council to link with village groups to support current events ie. Fireworks, Garage Sale, VH Quiz and Halloween nights etc				
VILLAGE EVENTS COUNCILLOR LEAD - TBC 10 YEAR VISION - A full and coordinated village event calendar with activities taking place throughout the year						
Schedule of events	S	Events identified and published				
Village Fete/Fayre	M	Village event planned Committee/working group established Funding sources and venue established Community groups and businesses involved	BPC			
Wellbeing/community events	M	Council to set up Committee with delegated powers to plan and organise village events ie. Fetes, Christmas, Scarecrow etc	BPC			

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VILLAGE INFRASTRUCTURE						
ROADS						
COUNCILLOR LEAD – Mal Bridgeman (Cllr support – Eric Osben)						
10 YEAR VISION - A137 to include multiple safe places to cross, average speed cameras in place along the road and engagement underway on possibility of a “Brantham Bypass”						
Traffic and speeding	S	Collect and collate data from SIDS and share with police/SCC				
Potholes and road maintenance	S	Report to SCC				
Improved cycle and footpaths	M	Consult and establish what is wanted Explore costs and options. Consider signage				
Traffic calming and crossings	L	Continue to engage with residents and SCC With regards to appropriate measures.	SCC			
SHOPS AND RETAIL SERVICES – 10 Year vision						
TRANSPORT – 10 Year Vision						
COUNCILLOR LEAD – Alastair McCraw						