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Liz Jarvis, Chair of Trustees	Domestic Abuse Volunteer Support Services	<p>Welcomes inclusion of Domestic abuse in the document. While a reduction in repeat incidents can be a measure of success, it is also vital to support those vulnerable individuals who never actually report an incident.</p>	<p>The Domestic Abuse Action Plan which sits underneath the Community Safety Partnership will deal with the detail which sits behind strategic Domestic Abuse target in the Community Plan</p>
Alison de Jager, Parish Clerk	Ash Cum Ridley Parish Council	<p>More visible policing, access to hospitals, including North Downs AONB - is there a case for extending it? Ensure links with Neighbourhood Plans and NHS Dentists</p>	<p>Policing and access to health services are included in the plan. The Sustainable Economy priority 1 "Reduce the need to travel and promote and improve access to key local services and to public and community transport" sets out what we can do in terms of planning policy and infrastructure to improve access to key local services. The Health Action Team have just started to consider links with Dentists and CCGs have targets around Pharmacies and Dentists.</p>
Cllr Christine Rogowska	Brasted Parish Council	<p>Support PCSO, rural broadband, mobile and telephone signals, clean play areas for children and access point to M25 and NHS Dentists</p>	<p>All key issues from Parish Council workshops have been considered and included in the Community Plan action plan. The Sevenoaks District Local Transport Strategy implementation plan and KCCs strategic aims in "Growth without Gridlock" are reflected in the action plan. NHS Dentists will be considered by Clinical Commissioning Groups and the Health Action Team at an appropriate stage.</p>

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Mr D Johnson	Chevening Parish Council	Action plan is generic with no measurable targets, no housing for keyworkers, publishing date of plan will conflict with Parish led Plan and why were Parish Plan Steering group not consulted	Measurable targets now included as part of the consultation process was for partners to provide this information. Plan will be published in April and is a strategic plan covering the whole District and will not detract from any Parish led Plan. Town and Parish Council's were consulted, initially as a group then individually as part of the Public consultation. Details of the public consultation were also released through press releases, tweets and put on the website. If the Parish Council wished particular community led groups to comment then we would expect the Parish Council to arrange for them to receive a copy of the consultation document
Mr M Ryan, Chairman of Chevening Parish Plan Steering Group	Chevening Parish Plan Steering Group	68 page detailed Parish Plan responses received and not included as an Appendix as they are too detailed and area specific.	Response prepared and sent to Steering Group. Parrish and Town Council's were fully consulted and all members of the public have had the opportunity to give their views both during the District wide Community Plan and consultation at various locations in the District wide public consultation. The Community Plan is strategic in its nature and covers the priorities for the whole District. While these take into account needs of local areas, the Community Plan is not the appropriate place to capture this level of detail. In addition, the Community Plan supports District level support of Parish and Neighbourhood Plans. Parish and Community Plans should be complementary as the Parish Plans will help to achieve at a local level, some of the District wide issues and priorities set out the District wide community plan.

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Sarah Gow	CXK	Contributions to targets in plan from CXK perspective	NEETs target delivery incorporated within Dynamic Economy action plan
Tracy Godden, Parish Clerk	Dunton Green Parish Council	No comments to make	No comments
Mrs C Lane	Edenbridge Town Council	Supportive of overall priorities; action plan needed; conflict between PCC model for "demand led Policing" and community desire to "ensure visibility of Neighbourhood Police in their local communities"; concern about positioning of Town and Parish Councils in the introduction (pg. 6) as Town and Parish Councils are not responsible for delivering the Plan.	Extensive consultation has involved West Kent Police, CSU and Community Safety Partnership. The targets presented in the document are high level strategic targets and represent a desire to improve satisfaction with Kent Police. The Community Safety Partnership and Action Plans sets out the detail of how this will be done, including smarter ways to improve Police and Neighbourhood visibility, e.g. through targeted media and social media campaigns, improving publicity of services, attending community events etc.
Parish Office	Eynsford Parish Council	Concerns about Neighbourhood Policing, creating care homes for elderly, taking services to older people, improving local public transport networks, recycling and improving broadband	All key issues from Parish Council workshops have been considered and included in the Community Plan action plan. The LDF Core Strategy includes a infrastructure plan which is monitored. In addition, the LDF plan does support the needs of older people and smaller households including additional extra care and sheltered housing accommodation
Nick Fenton	KCC - Families and Social Care	Minor corrections to introduction and main text in Safe and Healthy	Changes made in final draft.
Cllr Giles Bergne	Farningham Parish Council	Concern about fly tipping and highlights need to have more visible and personal Policing. Strengthening caring communities by supporting parent. Supporting rural tourism and sustainable measure and infrastructure.	All issues that arose from the Parish Council workshops have been considered and included in the Community Plan. Action plan.

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Gillian Scott-King, Parish Clerk	Halstead Parish Council	Both Council Chairman and Clerk attended the work shop in October and felt the comment sheets produced following the meeting reflected the options stated during the workshop fully and these of course were topics of important to the Parish and Town Councils. The Draft Community Plan is a well researched and presented document.	No comments.
Rebecca Spore, Property Director	KCC	Outline all agencies are working to promote prevention and support to the young, vulnerable and old and include reference to Kent Education Commissioning Plan 2012-2017. How public agencies can reduce the carbon footprint within Sevenoaks by rationalisation of buildings and by smarter green investment. Town master plans for key Sevenoaks district urban centres could be outlined and also to promote some greater business development in Swanley. Comments about the changing role of Community Centres over the next 15 years	This is a forward looking plan that does look at the role all agencies have to play in delivering the plan. We do recognise the role of working together to reduce the carbon footprint, producing the Sevenoaks Climate Local action plan and sustainable buildings. The comments regarding promoting business development are already captured through references to the LDF and planning policy. The LDF does seek to safeguard existing community facilities. References to the Kent Education Commissioning Plan 2012-2017 have now been included.
Janet Davies	KCC Community Librarian	Sets out how the Library service is supporting families and children to have books in their homes and improve reading and literacy.	Reference to KCC Libraries now included in the plan.

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Julie Reed	KCC Locality Team Manager SWK team for people with Learning disabilities	Reduce crime against people with learning disabilities, increase safeguarding, promote anti-bullying, develop supporting living for people with Learning Disability, improve affordable housing provision, make housing "lifelong", make information more accessible, recognise health issues of people with learning disabilities and support people with learning disabilities into employment	<p>The action plan has been reviewed from the perspective of people with Learning Disabilities. In addition, discussions have been held with Simon Goldsmith from Community Futures and Athene Fenn, MENCAP who both sit on the Sevenoaks Partnership Group (for People with Learning Disabilities). It is not appropriate for the Community Plan to capture all the detail as it is a strategic document as this will be more appropriately found in detailed supporting action plans such as the Health Action Plan, the Sevenoaks Health Inequalities action plan and the Community Safety Plan. However, we have increased the references to people with learning disabilities where appropriate throughout the plan. With regard to specific suggestions regarding people with learning disabilities (PWLD), the current needs analysis of PWLD will identify any gaps in service provision. It is therefore premature to seek, for example, to give PWLD higher priority on the housing register, an 8 unit scheme in Dunton Green, etc. Lifetimes homes actions and action to complete the housing needs analysis of People with Learning Disabilities and agree/implement an action plan to address identified needs have been included.</p>

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Nicola McLeish	KCC, Families And Social Care – Strategic Commissioning	<p>Welcomes supporting Older People to remain in their own home for longer, recognising the role of Children's Centres. Recognise the link between health and social care and reduce the need to travel by building housing in sustainable locations.</p>	<p>All issues reflected in the Community Plan and the role of Children's Centres recognised in the action plan.</p>

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Nick Johannssen	Kent Downs AONB	Need for overarching principle for the document and this should be sustainable development. Reference to AONBs should be made more prominent as AONB makes the areas distinctive. Make the distinction between GI and open space clear they are not the same thing and need to reference AONB Management plans and reference the SE Sustainable Tourism Project and securing Landscape Project. Reference AONB design guides, KCC Countryside Access Improvement Plan and SDC Cycle Strategy. Wish to link health work to AONB Naturally Active Project (no funding). Try to pick up economic development which draws from and supports the special characteristic of the District	The vision sets the overarching principles in that we wish to achieve a District with Safe Communities, Caring Communities, Green Environment, Healthy Environment, Dynamic Economy and Sustainable Economy. The strength of the plan is that there is a great deal of cross over between themes in that some actions support delivery of other themes. Amendment made to text in Green Environment regarding Green Infrastructure and open space are two different concepts. An action has been put in the plan to deliver the Darent Valley Landscape Partnership scheme and references to the SE Sustainable Tourism and Countryside Access Improvement Plan. Also action for SDC Cycle strategy has been made. Rural economic development issues are included within the AONB units management action plans (High Weald and Kent Downs), the LDF as well as West Kent Area Investment Framework, ion. Rural economic development will also be considered through the District Council's developing Economic Development Strategy
Nigel Cogger	Kent Integrated Youth Services (KIYS)	Contributions to targets in priority Caring 3	Where appropriate KIYS (Kent Integrated Youth Services) contribution considered and included
Stephen Walker	MOAT Housing	Provided detailed analysis of how MOAT housing can and will support the priorities in the new Community Plan	The details provided form part of other Partnership action plans, e.g. Community Safety Partnership, Health Inequalities Action Plan and Sevenoaks District Housing Action Plan. Contributions to new housing in the area will be captured as part of the monitoring.
Cllr Raikes	SDC	Include reference to the Stag within the introduction and minor corrections to text. Is GVA figure correct?	Reference to the Stag Community Arts Centre included in the introduction. Corrections in text made and GVA figure checked and correct.

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Geoff Parsons, Acting Secretary	Sevenoaks District Seniors Action Forum	Comments included as Appendix A1	The Forum submitted very detailed and comprehensive comments. The detail of all comments relating to safe will be reflected in the Community Safety Partnership's action plan 2013-14 which will include extending the use of mobile CCTV. The Community plan captures maximising the benefits to the District from the London 2012 Olympics and Paralympic Games. Strategic targets in LDF for safeguarding the green belt and making best use of previously developed land.
Linda Larter	Sevenoaks Town Council	Thanks for consulting young people at the House in the Basement. Two suggestions to improve the night time economy and support local markets.	The Sevenoaks Economic Development Action Plan will focus on the detail supporting and encouraging new businesses in the District.
Rev Ray Samme	St Peters Church, Hextable	Recognising the role churches play in delivery of the Community Plan, particularly around supporting Caring theme	The role of the Faith sector is recognised and valued. The faith sector is represented on the Locality Board Officer Delivery Group, the Troubled Families Delivery Group and Faith Sector support for all themes in the Community plan will be captured at a monitoring level where appropriate.

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Cllr A McCormick	Westerham Town Council	Concern about the impact of cuts to public services, particularly Police Services. Need to recognise pockets of deprivation and to develop proactive assessments of poverty, vulnerability and isolation allowing for a better apportioning of support, funds and facilities. What can smaller locations do to attract larger-scale employers with firmer foundations for long-term success and examines the barriers to business start ups.	The Sevenoaks District Locality Board Officer Delivery Group has used its recent Development day to do a SWOT analysis on the new Community Plan priorities. As a result of the Development day, there will be some high level strategic actions developed by the Partnership to look at how we can work better together in the face of increased pressure on public services and reduced funding to deliver the priorities in the plan. Sevenoaks District Council's Economic Development Action Plan will deliver some of the outcomes in the Dynamic Economy theme and look at initiatives to support business start up and to promote the District as a good place to do businesses.
Tony Cornfield	Sevenoaks Churches Together	Concern about reduce repeat incident of domestic abuse not being right target wishes to see increased reporting of Domestic Abuse and targeting early interventions and reduce repeat victimisation	Domestic Abuse Action plan reflected in the Community Plan action plan.
National Landlords Association	National Landlords Association	Supportive comments which set out areas where the NLA would like to work with the Council	The role of the NLA is already captured through the Sevenoaks District Housing Strategy.