

<b>Dorking DNA – Project Ideas – Version 1 (23 October 2007)</b>
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This is the latest list of project ideas collected by Dorking Needs Action (DNA). We have had nearly 150 ideas for improving Dorking suggested by the community in response to our questionnaires, surveys and events. These have been consolidated into the list below, and we are inviting all of those who have said that they might be interested in becoming involved with a project to help select the first group of key projects. If these key projects seem feasible after more detailed work, and we can secure funding and volunteers, we will work together to deliver them to improve Dorking. Projects are categorised as either D (definitely going to the next stage and we have someone who has volunteered to make that happen) or P (possible/potential but needs more work and someone to volunteer to take the lead).

This list is neither exhaustive nor closed to new suggestions, as DNA continues we are sure that new ideas (and new volunteers) will come forward and new projects launched.

The project list is based upon the analytical work and vision produced by DNA but the categories have been selected both to reflect the fact that many projects span a number of different areas, and to make it easier for volunteers to indicate which areas they might be interested in becoming involved in. Some project ideas have more supporting information while other are outline suggestions at this stage. This list is of course a selection of the principal projects, and there many other project ideas that have either been absorbed into these key projects or could be implemented if the need was there -a complete list of all the project ideas is available on request.

### **DNA Project Area List**

<b>PROJECT</b>	
<b>TRAVELLING TO AND WITHIN THE TOWN</b>	
<u>Facilities for cyclists</u>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developing new cycle routes               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ to North Holmwood and Beare Green</li> <li>○ to Westcott</li> <li>○ to Ashcombe school via N side of railway embankment</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Enhancing existing cycle routes               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ to Brockham</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Improving cycle parking               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ in the town centre</li> <li>○ at Deepdene Station</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	 D D D  D  P P
<u>Facilities for pedestrians</u>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Dorking Walkways” – develop existing network of paths in Dorking               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ better maintenance, vegetation clearance and lighting</li> <li>○ produce and install maps and signs</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	D

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Possible new pedestrian (Zebra) crossings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Ashcombe Road</li> <li>○ South Street</li> <li>○ Mill Lane</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	P
<p><u>Public Transport</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Taxi Phone at Dorking Mainline Station</li> <li>• Bus Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ off-peak shopping buses</li> <li>○ return buses to villages later in evenings</li> <li>○ child bus passes valid in holidays</li> <li>○ a Boxhill to Leith Hill minibus via the Zig-Zag, Dorking Town and Station - possibly run on a shared service “community bus” basis</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Revive trains from Dorking to Horsham at week-ends</li> <li>• Integration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ review bus and rail connections, and improve bus information at stations</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ improve info at Tourist Information centre and town website</li> <li>○ realtime displays at key bus stops</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	P P  P P  P
<p><u>Access</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consider raised kerbs at Bus Stops</li> <li>• Improve station access <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Dorking mainline platforms 2 and 3</li> <li>○ Dorking Deepdene</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Obstructive street clutter (such as A Boards and incorrectly sited bollards)</li> </ul>	P D  P
<p><u>Car Parking</u></p> <p>(Note: DNA has had a number of suggestions about car parking. However Surrey County Council is currently using specialist consultants to carry out a large scale consultation on a potential controlled parking zone for Dorking. We will engage with the consultants and review the parking suggestions we have received once their work has been completed.)</p>	
<b>THE TOWN CENTRE</b>	
<p><u>Shopping</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encourage more use of local shops <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ develop a late night shopping night</li> <li>○ promote and/or relocate market</li> <li>○ develop shops loyalty card or traders’ parking refund scheme</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	P P P

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ community to suggest priorities for new small chains etc to be targeted by Town Centre Management.</li> </ul>	D
<p><u>Appearance</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Improve the appearance for both visitors and residents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ decorative improvements (flowers, murals, cleaning and repair etc)</li> <li>○ highlight buildings of architectural and/or historical interest</li> <li>○ develop and enhance parks and open spaces</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	P D P
<p><u>Facilities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● develop a town square (or equivalent community spaces) to meet in and relax</li> </ul>	P
<b>VISITORS AND TOURISTS</b>	
<p><u>Encourage visitors to the area to visit the town</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Improving information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ More maps showing attractions</li> <li>○ Information about the town at “gateway sites” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● railway stations</li> <li>● local attractions eg: Denbies, Box Hill, NT Properties etc</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ better signage to attractions within the town</li> <li>○ better signage to Tourist Information Centre</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	P
<b>THE LOCAL COMMUNITY</b>	
<p><u>Improving facilities for youth and young families</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Youth centre/youth club</li> <li>● Youth events</li> <li>● Support for young families</li> </ul>	P P P
<p><u>Caring for the older retired</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Improved transport to hospitals and surgeries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ outlying areas</li> <li>○ good neighbour schemes</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Review external support available <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ for those living independently</li> <li>○ for those in residential care</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	P  P

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<p><u>Sports and Leisure facilities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wider use of existing facilities             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ more use of school facilities by the community</li> <li>○ support for low income families</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Development of new facilities/events             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ new facilities eg: basketball courts, athletics track, martial arts hall</li> <li>○ new events such as 4 hills cycling or triathlon</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>P</p> <p>P</p>
<p><u>Community Events and Linkages</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• more events for whole community – such as gala night or guilfest or community sports events</li> <li>• community newsletter</li> <li>• develop local partnerships to use skills of early/semi-retired</li> </ul>	<p>P</p> <p>P</p> <p>P</p>