

**Haslingden, Helmshore & Edenfield Neighbourhood Action Plan****Short term Actions October 2010 – October 2011**

<b>Challenge / Key Issue</b>	<b>Suggested Actions</b>
<b>Environment</b>	
Gateways & Roundabouts	Investigate improved signage Explore options to improve gateways & roundabouts
Special character of neighbourhoods	Explore increased use of conservation area legislation
Appearance of properties, streets & land. Empty properties.	Use enforcement on empty properties Deliver environment enforcement Deliver street cleansing Develop a Neighbourhood Charter Publicise community group funding
Memorials	Memorials cleaned and improved
Allotments	Explore suitable allotment / community garden / incredible edible site
Recycling	Investigate rolling out increased recycling facilities
<b>Economy</b>	
Town Centre	Enforcement on empty properties Publicise planning policy on takeaways Revitalising Rossendale Markets Strategy Look at signage Feasibility of park and ride scheme Investigate small business rates relief
Unattractive place to live, work and spend leisure time	Better promotion of area, attractions and transport Look at options for delivery of culture festival / event
Rural economy in need of support	Raise awareness of available advice and support and use of innovative ways to communicate with rural businesses e.g. use of farm refuse round, STAN (mobile One Stop Shop)
<b>Health &amp; Wellbeing</b>	
Substance Misuse Mental Health issues Access & availability of services	Map and raise awareness of services available Publicise info re early warning signs
Emergency services misdirected to Greater	Raise issue with PCT / LSP

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<b>Children &amp; Young People</b>	
Lack of youth facilities	Identify and publicise youth activities available Find out what young people want Encourage membership from young people
<b>Community Safety</b>	
Anti-Social Behaviour	Support Community Safety Delivery Plan
<b>Transport</b>	
Transport to hospitals limited and difficult Parking at hospitals expensive Lack of transport	Raise with Rossendale Transport Working Group & Highways and Transport Working Group Raise parking charges with PCT. Publicise concessions & discounts. Support Community Safety Delivery Plan.
<b>Housing</b>	
Empty & derelict housing properties Lack of affordable housing & no priority for Rossendale residents	Work with registered social landlords to create more affordable housing & shared ownership Investigate opportunities to increase affordable housing Delivery of choice based lettings & exploration of ability to prioritise local residents
High number of poor quality private landlord homes	Look at options for an Accredited Landlord Scheme Private landlord forum
Location of children & rehabilitation homes	Publicise planning policy Ascertain where homes are and what they do
<b>Communication</b>	
Progress of Action Plan	Work with partners to develop Communication Plan for Neighbourhood Forums.