

Seaton Town Council Priorities

Municipal Year 2021/22

(completed priorities are denoted by 😊)

| Project | Timescale | |
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| Tourist Information Centre – relocation of TIC to Marshlands seafront offices | 😊 | |
| Art Trail Phase 2 – to complete installations | May 2022 – an artist has been commissioned and the artworks will be installed once weather permits | |
| Museum – in partnership with the Axe Valley Heritage Association, to begin the progress of investigating further the possibility of relocation the town museum. | Ongoing – a working group has now been established and the newly appointed Facilities & Projects Officer will start seeking quotations from structural engineers for consideration by Council in due course. This priority will be carried forward to the next municipal year. | |
| Tourism - to attend the Travel & Tourism Show 2021 to promote the town | 😊 | |
| Marketing – to produce a marketing film and distribute as widely as possible | 😊 | |
| Youth Genesis Project - to encourage engagement with the towns young people to establish their needs | 😊 | |
| Jurassic Fibre – to finalise the licence and secure the fee of £12,000, subject to planning permission being granted by EDDC | March 2022 – this was placed on hold, as the planning permission took some time to secure, and is now being finalised. This priority will be carried forward to the next municipal year. | |
| Sensory Garden – working with EDDC, Re:store and other community stakeholders to develop sensory garden in Seafeld Gardens for all ages to enjoy. Completed, all bar the planting and surfacing which EDDC are delivering. | 😊 | |
| Community Grants – to encourage engagement with the scheme to ensure maximum benefit to local eligible groups | The level of community grants awarded during 2021/22 stands at £7,920, which is a 16.4% increase over 2020/21. | |
| Christmas Lights – to work with community groups to re-establish this event after the hiatus in 2020, due to Covid-19 | 😊 | |
| Marshlands – continuing the programme of works at Marshlands to ensure compliance with all safety and regulatory requirements and the safety of all visitors. | 😊 | |
| Town Hall – lease negotiations are ongoing to ensure the lease is fit for purpose for both landlord and tenant | In line with the Council's resolution of 7 February 2022, the variation has been placed on hold for the time being and this priority will be carried forward to the next municipal year. | |
| Allotments – to facilitate the implementation the works required to repair October 2021 storm damage to the allotments | 😊 | |
| Rewilding/trees – to identify further open spaces for rewilding, planting of trees. Silver birches -donated by a member of the public - planted at Seaton Down Hill with area beneath to remain wild. | 😊 | |
| Sea wall – to the sea engage contractors to clean wall | 😊 | |
| Seafront enhancements – Members will continue to lobby EDDC regarding the redevelopment of the Moridunum and wider redevelopment of the seafront and to make such smaller improvements to the seafront as are feasible within available budgets (such as cleaning the seawall and working with EDDC to pilot the disabled beach access project) | Lobbying EDDC | Ongoing by Members. This priority will be carried forward to the next municipal year. |
| | Cleaning sea wall | 😊 |
| | Disabled beach access pilot | Ongoing. This priority will be carried forward to the next municipal year. |
| Welcome Back Fund – working with EDDC the following assets have been secured for the town -new circular bench for town square, picnic benches for Marshlands, additional recycling bins, equipment for new sensory garden in Seafeld Gardens | 😊 | |
| Local Council Awards – to achieve Foundation Award to demonstrate that the Council operates efficient systems of management, governance and transparency. This was awarded in January 2022. | 😊 | |

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Investment strategy – to develop a strategy for future reserves and investments to ensure the future of the town's assets

