

Items identified in the five year plan	Progress to date	Current situation	Future development/ required action
Anomalies in the Gloucester City Council site plan and plot numbering	New site plan prepared and plots re-numbered as necessary	Site plan updated to include infrastructure developments	Update as necessary
Land clearance and reinstatement of overgrown abandoned plots involving: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Clearing brambles, trees and rubbish 2) Bare fallow weed control for one to two years 3) Marking out the plots and sowing grass paths 	<p>A total of 90 half plots brought back into cultivation</p> <p>Over 200 m3 of carpet and rubbish was removed from the site during the land clearance operations</p>	<p>There remains only three blocks of land (17 plots) with unidentified plot boundaries because the grass paths have been removed. All these plots are currently tenanted.</p> <p>There are still some areas of the site with carpets and rubbish making the site look derelict and uncared for. This invites fly tipping and vandalism and some items, such as sharp corrugated iron sheeting are dangerous.</p> <p>The recent cleanup operation collected around 30 m3 of carpet and rubbish, equivalent to four large skips costing over £ 800 to remove.</p> <p>Some tenanted plots are not cultivated and become overgrown with weeds</p>	<p>Reinstate grass paths when these plots become vacant</p> <p>Tenants read and abide by the terms and conditions of their tenancy agreement</p> <p>Establish a policy of cutting all uncultivated plots at the beginning of June to prevent weed seeding. Enforcement of the tenancy agreement regarding non-cultivation</p>

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<p>Perimeter development</p> <p>Hedgerow planting to strengthen fencing and provide habitat for wildlife</p> <p>Establish conservation margins to improve crop pollination and increase the numbers of beneficial insects</p> <p>Develop small starter plots to allow prospective tenants on the waiting list to gain experience before taking on a large plot</p>	<p>Around 400 meters of mixed native hedgerow planted</p> <p>100 meter strip of wild flower meadow established</p> <p>100 meters of cornfield annuals sown each year on the Cheney Close side of the site</p> <p>550 m2 of hazel coppice planted on unproductive land for bean pole production and wildlife habitat</p> <p>Area for bee hives constructed in the hazel coppice</p> <p>38 small starter plots established</p>	<p>Completion of the final section of hedgerow planting is scheduled for winter 2014</p> <p>Work completed</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Area mowed regularly until trees fully established</p> <p>Currently stocked with hives and managed by a qualified bee keeper</p> <p>Found to be no longer useful given the low number of people on the waiting list. All starter plots now converted to standard plots</p>	<p>Hedge trimming on a two year rotation to allow flowering and fruiting for wildlife (half the hedgerows cut each year on a rotational basis)</p> <p>Carry out routine mowing of the wild flower meadow</p> <p>Annual sowing of cornfield annuals</p> <p>Harvest bean poles on an eight year rotation</p>

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Infrastructure improvements Fencing and gates	50 meters of chain link fencing replaced 11 gates installed 850 meters of paling fencing replaced	A further 50 meters of chain link fencing requires replacement by the shops on the Cheyney Close side of the site Work completed Ongoing, the final 80 meters will be completed by Autumn 2014	Chain link procured, three new posts and straining wire required
Water supply	320 meters of underground water pipe laid 6 additional standpipes installed Four (1,200 litre) water storage tanks procured	Work completed Work completed but subject to damage from vandalism	 Replace above ground pipe work with galvanised iron pipe. Install water troughs with float valves at all new stand pipes Relocate water storage tanks to be more useful

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Vehicle access and parking	Two main access tracks upgraded with scalpings and improved drainage Three hard standing car parks constructed and two grass overflow car parks developed	Work completed Work completed	Maintain drainage ditch Regular mowing of overflow parking areas
Provision of composting toilets	No action taken due to security issues and requirement for upkeep and maintenance	Pending	This scheme could be revisited if there are people available with the appropriate skills. A funding proposal will be required

Items not in the five year plan	Progress to date	Current situation	Future development/ required action
Development of community allotments	20 m3 of carpets removed, land cleared and plots reinstated	Work ongoing to construct a club house, composting bins and demonstrations of green manure crops	Establish a communal area for social events and demonstrations of improved gardening methods
Development of five small plots for disabled persons and or schools and youth groups	Land cleared and plots set out with wide grass paths	Use of the plots by school groups awaiting response from local schools	Install water troughs Construct raised beds for wheelchair users on two of the plots nearest the hard standing car park Funding proposals submitted awaiting response
Pollarding of trees restricting vehicle access	Three trees cut back 40% and overhanging limbs removed	Work completed	