

CALDECOTT COMMUNITY INSIGHT PROJECT: MAY-JUNE 2022

Annex 2

Community-based initiatives and projects in Caldecott: 2010 – present

Initiative/ Project ¹	When	Objectives	Who was involved?	Status
Preston Road Community Centre	Pre-dates 2010	Local charity/ trust. Runs community centre and supports multiple community groups	Hosts multiple community groups	Activity ongoing
Vineyard Church	Pre-dates 2010	'Founded on being a church without walls, people from all backgrounds together as a church, a church working out in the community'	Run/ support several community activities, including foodbank	Activity ongoing
Abingdon DAMASCUS Youth Project	Pre-dates 2010	Abingdon-based charity. Support young people aged 10-25.	Active in Caldecott – youth project	Activity ongoing
South Abingdon Family centre/ Carousel Children's Centre	Pre-dates 2010	County Council run Family Centre closed in 2017. Reopened as a locally-based charity.	Run family/ parental support sessions Hosted the Community Larder until 2021 (now based in Trinity Church, town centre)	Activity ongoing
South Abingdon Residents Plan	2010-13	Community-led plan for South Abingdon, including Caldecott. Community Led Planning is a tried and tested approach that helps local people to explore the needs for their area, set priorities, and plan actions.	Vale DC Town Council Community First Oxfordshire	Plan was not finalised. Several 'Planning for Real' sessions were held in the community, identifying issues to be addressed.
Sovereign Housing regeneration project	2014		Sovereign Housing	

¹ Activity highlighted in GREEN are ongoing

South Abingdon Area Partnership	2015	To coordinate efforts to deliver benefits for the community. Desired outcomes: practical changes to improve the look and feel of the area; community engagement in plans for improving the area; greater community participation in the area; improved wellbeing in the area	Vale DC Sovereign Housing Soha Housing Thames Valley Police Town Council Oxon CCG South Abingdon Children's Centre Community First Oxfordshire	Defunct
Abingdon Community Plan	2017	Town-wide community-led plan	Abingdon Town Council Community First Oxfordshire	Plan was not finalised
Inspiring Minds	2017 >	Local charity - work in partnership with local services to offer a range of learning opportunities in the local community. Provide social activities and community-based learning.	Community-based learning in partnership with Abingdon and Witney College.	Activity is ongoing
Citizen's Advice outreach initiative	2017	Citizen's Advice outreach, based in the Family Centre on Caldecott Chase	Oxfordshire South Vale Citizen's Advice Family Centre	Outreach service set up as a large number of CA clients lived there. Intent was to hopefully attract socially isolated households who may not know about CA. Few people used the outreach, with clients continuing to use the main CA office in central Abingdon – initiative was withdrawn after a few months.
South Abingdon Partners Group	2019	To support Sovereign Housing Association's aims re: employment, attainment and child poverty by	Hosted by Sovereign Housing (multiple partners – some locally based, others county-wide)	Ongoing

		bringing community groups and agencies together to share information and discuss community-based initiatives		
Abingdon Neighbourhood Plan	2020	Town-wide Neighbourhood Plan. Neighbourhood planning gives communities direct power to develop a shared vision for their neighbourhood and shape the development and growth of their local area.	Town Council Feria Urbanism (consultant)	Ongoing
Active Reach Project	2021	To help people in greatest need get active and improve their health, wellbeing, and life chances.	Active Oxfordshire Vale DC Inspiring Minds Sovereign Housing Damascus Oxfordshire Adult Learning	Project complete
Press Red Healthy Eating project	2022		Oxfordshire County Council Press Red	Project will finalise in 2022
Caldecott Community Insight Project	2022	Community insight project capturing what members of the community feel are the: Strengths and assets in the area that support and enable their health and wellbeing; Challenges to their health and wellbeing and what they think would help to address these; and the Impacts of COVID-19	Oxfordshire County Council Community First Oxfordshire Multiple other partners on steering group	Project will finalise in 2022
Make Connections Course	2022	Introduced participants to the values and principles of Asset Based Community Development and offered tools and techniques that can help develop community connections.	Oxfordshire Adult Learning Community First Oxfordshire	Course finished in June 2022