The RWB&C Project Bank			
Title	Summary	JSA theme	
A World of Difference	Activities targeted at children who would otherwise not be able to participate. Can include outdoor activities, sports	Children & young people	
Apprentice scheme	and recreation. Requires volunteer leaders. Creating supported work placements can build self confidence, self esteem and skills leading to improved job	Children & young people	
Breakthrough	prospects for local young people. Self confidence and personal resilience skills for young people, helps combat loneliness, health issues, family worries and bullying.	Children & young people	
Come and have a go	A menu based approach that invites young people to try different activities, local groups provide the sessions.	Children & young people	
Dementia friendly schools	Dementia awareness sessions organised in local schools with support from the Alzheimers Society.	Children & young people	
Forest Schools	Children use woodlands as outdoor class rooms learning about wildlife, woodland management, ecology and biodiversity.	Children & young people	
Graffiti wall	Somewhere for spray can artists to display their works without fear of prosecution or annoying the neighbours.	Children & young people	
Green team	Young people involved in various environmental projects and fun activities in the great outdoors.	Children & young people	
Living history	Young people talked to older people in the community recording their memories,collecting documents, making displays	Children & young people	
Project Inspire	Using inspiring projects to re-introduce young people back into learning. Can be almost anything, but often involves environmental or work based projects.	Children & young people	
Salamander	Holiday scheme run by the Fire and Rescue Service aimed at providing activities for young people with serious life challenges.	Children & young people	
Skills4Life	Workshops run for young people, providing info and help with understanding and planning for careers, finances, budgeting, cooking, housing etc	Children & young people	
SPLASH!	Targeted diversionary activities for young people experiencing life challenges. Coupled with advice and support services to help young people make positive choices.	Children & young people	
Street base	Street based youth workers employed to engage young people and sign post them to positive activites - aimed at reducing anti social behaviour	Children & young people	
The ecogym	Local outdoor conservation work that is great for fitness and wellbeing of volunteers. Involves physical tasks such as ditch clearing, footpath maintenance, decorating and gardening.	Children & young people	
Young Advisors	Young people aged 15-21, who work with community leaders and decision makers to engage young people in community life, local decision making and improving services.	Children & young people	
New Idea	Summer holiday / half term - school organised activities. Targetted to specific groups e.g. Young carers - already works for young carers, so could work for other groups.	Children & young people	
New Idea	Due to our (Connecting Youth) work in the area (Lyneham, Bassett, Cricklade, Malmesbury) we need more drug awareness, mental health issues. We have worked with Motiv8.	Children & young people	
Big Project	An idea to motivate volunteers around a big project in a town or village. A major advertising campaign gets people involved and everyone joins together to complete the project.	Community	
Church team	Local churches bring together their members to sponsor, initiate, fund or support local community projects.	Community	
Community action groups	Residents of an urban neighbourhood come together to agree common priorities and coordinate local action.	Community	
Community campaigns	Community-led campaigns to address local issues such as dental and sexual health, prostate cancer and any number of local concerns.	Community	
Community Choir	An intergenerational activity that is fun and very cheap to get off the ground.	Community	
Community networks	Networks exist in every community, faith, business, sports, arts - they are all out there. These can be coordinated and supported by using social media and email.	Community	
Digital Village	Digital maps created by volunteers to map and share all of the assets in a village from footpaths and bus stops to play facilities and open spaces. Posted on a public website for easy access	Community	
DoNation!	Willing volunteers recruited to undertake a range of tasks in a community - clearing gardens, decorating, shopping trips, renovation of village facilities, etc.	Community	
Festivals and fayres	Communities come together to launch a new fayre or festival, have fun and benefit local groups and causes. Can be themed to support the local economy or tourism.	Community	
Good for Nothings	Volunteers recruited and trained by parish councils to undertake a range of tasks - from footpath maintenance and litter picking to website managers and flood wardens.	Community	
Got to go!	Community loo scheme-participating businesses and public facilities put up a sign indicating the availability of accessible loos in a community, village or town.	Community	
Leisure credits	Villages offer leisure credits in return for organised volunteering activities for young people. Credits can be used on buses, at local facilities and for entry to local attractions.	Community	
Local history clubs	Local people research and document the history of the village with materials and archives posted online, in print, display boards, exhibitions and through local history walks.	Community	
Missing voices	Using video to enable people to have a say about local issues. Targeted at those who do not or cannot participate in civic life. Builds understanding and helps target 'hidden issues.'	Community	
Mission possible	Parishes adopt a priority for action - such as reducing obesity, speeding, getting fit - and then link up clubs, facilities, schools and community groups to initiate a programme of activities.	Community	
Photo shop	Village photo projects collects historic and contemporary images to create a visual portrait of the settlement for posterity. Can include exhibitions, publications and display boards.	Community	
Photo Walks	Local walkers encouraged to share their photographic record of local walks. Helps promote walks and encourage others to boot-up and hit the trail.	Community	
Punkie Night	An old west country tradition where children make lanterns and parade on Halloween as a diversion from Trick-or- Treet. Fun and games included at the village hall.	Community	
River Fest	Celebrating a local environmental or historical asset such as a river, woodland, hill, building or archaeological. Also great for tourism and business.	Community	
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Spare share	Community comes together to acquire and run the local pub. Protects important community assets, providing a wider range of facilities such as take-away, post office, shop and internet café. Things going spare or not wanted are listed on the village notice board for collection by those who need them. Encourages reuse and recycling.	Community
The Big Buzz Time Credits	A village or community comes together to create rich wildflowers areas including gardens and meadows around playgrounds and public spaces. Schools can be involved. An hour for an hour. Rewards those who volunteer with an hour's worth of credit to be 'spent' on a range of local activities. Encourages new volunteers and provides a 'thank you,'	Community
Village Lotto Breakthrough	A locally run lottery with a monthly prize draw night (often combined with a social activity). Raises money for village projects and priorities. Self confidence and personal resilience skills for young people, helps combat loneliness, health issues, family worries and bullying.	Community Community safety
Community CCTV Community Payback	Local CCTV schemes managed by the community can help create safer places and reduce fear of crime. Can include mobile units to target specific issues - such as fly tipping. Gets offenders to give something back to their communities in reparation for the crimes they have committed. Usually voluntary work such as litter picking, graffiti removal, etc	Community safety Community safety
Community safety partnerships Community Speedwatch	Residents of a settlement come together to work with schools, police and other partners to address safety concerns with positive community-led actions. Local people report concerns, initiate speed surveys and then undertake roadside speed checks with support from the police and the council.	Community safety Community safety
Emergency plan Estate management	A village prepares an emergency plan, with contacts, resources, facilities that can be used in times of emergency Tenants on a housing estate (usually social) become members of a Board that co-manages the estate with landlords.	Community safety Community safety
First Responders Flood wardens	Local volunteers trained and equipped with emergency kit, working on a rota to respond to emergency situations such as accidents and cardiac incidents. Can provide vital care while ambulance mobilised. Volunteers who monitor flood events, check watercourses, provide advice to those at risk, coordinae local response	Community safety Community safety
Good neighbours Key-ring	teams and develop village flood plans. Volunteers provide support, help, advice and friendship for the most isolated and vulnerable members of the community - who often want little more than the occasional chat and cuppa People in need linked by telephone to one person who can respond in times of need. Coordinators trained	Community safety Community safety
Neighbourhood Watch Safe cycle routes	responders and able to signpost quickly when the need arises. Volunteers work with community policing teams to extend their reach and to report concerns. Keen and social cyclists come together to work on mapping, improving access, waymarking and maintaining routes to	Community safety Community safety
Safe Places Salamander	encourage cycling for leisure and as a sustainable transport option. Window stickers indicate places where people can go when they feel threatened, anxious, confused or worried. Staff can offer a word of advice, support and a few minutes quiet respite. Holiday scheme run by the Fire and Rescue Service aimed at providing activities for young people with serious life	Community safety Community safety
Speedwatch SPLASH!	challenges. Villagers highlight areas of concern, these are monitored by the Council and if there is a problem, volunteers carry out speed checks with training and support from the Police. Targeted diversionary activities for young people experiencing life challenges. Coupled with advice and support	Community safety Community safety
Stay Safe Stay Alive Street base	services to help young people make positive choices. Road traffic awareness for community groups provided by the Fire and Rescue Service. A hard hitting presentation for audiences aimed at changing driver behaviour. Street based youth workers employed to engage young people and sign post them to positive activites - aimed at	Community safety Community safety
The Onion Shed Apple Festivals	reducing anti social behaviour Cycle groups adopt a local school and offer after school workshops on everything from maintenance, and cycle skills to safety and navigation. Young people take part in a festival that includes arts, dance music, performance, cooking and sports. Can be themed	Community safety Culture
Art trails Christmas market	and involve local schools and groups. Groups of villages combine to showcase local artists in all media. Can include arts trails, performances, sales and participatory activities. Build and supports vibrant arts community. Christmas markets can be small or large, a day or a month. A place where local producers can sell direct to local	Culture
Community Choir Community reporters	people. Can be themed and part of wider Christmas celebrations. An intergenerational activity that is fun and very cheap to get off the ground. Local volunteers who are trained and equipped to blog about local events and activities. Encourages participation,	Culture
Diversity fair	awareness and positive news. Ideal in multi-cultural towns. Multi-cultural groups come together to share food and arts.	Culture
Have a go Local history clubs	Local sports and social clubs in a community organise taster sessions to recruit new members and get people involved. Can take the form of a fayre with stalls, demonstrations and activities. Local people research and document the history of the village with materials and archives posted online, in print, display boards, exhibitions and through local history walks.	Culture
Mosaics and murals Our Lives, Our History	Using arts and community creativity to brighten up derelict or dowdy areas such as underpasses with mosaic or murals. The memories of older people captured through interviews for posterity. Can focus on past trades and industry, farming, vocations, memorable events, etc.	Culture
River Fest Strictly ballroom	Celebrating a local environmental or historical asset such as a river, woodland, hill, building or archaeological. Also great for tourism and business. Dancing for seniors, encourages people to mix socially, stay active and fit.	Culture
Town Map Boards Town trails	Information board with a map to identify village facilities, amenities and safe routes for pedestrians, cyclist, mobility scooters in a town/village. Walks linking villages and exploring historic landscapes, local heritage, archaeology and nature. Villages co-operate to maintain paths, produce guides and put up way-signs.	Culture
Unfair funfair Walk back in time	Young people organise a fun event tackling the theme of social justice and equality. Challenges young people to address social issues in the community. Village historians and volunteers document the history of the village and publish a series of walks for local people - healthy, educational and great for building civic pride.	Culture
Youth Theatre New Idea	Regular activities for older children interested in performing arts, writing, performing, directing, music and set design. Performances often provided in schools and for the public. Repatriation archive - ask Terry Bracher	Culture Culture
New Idea Apprentice scheme	African drumming & Samba drumming - ask Judy Selby-Boothroyd Creating supported work placements can build self confidence, self esteem and skills leading to improved job prospects for local young people.	Culture Economy
Home work club Job Club	A network for home-workers. Provides support, advice, social activities and meet-ups for people running a business or working from home. Locally based support for job-seekers. Raising skill levels, CV writing, interview tips, job hunting strategies and local	Economy Economy
Meanwhile Space Pop-up shop	work experience. Unused public buildings and spaces can be advertised for short-term use by the community. This might be an arts exhibition, a campaign stall, workspace, pop-up shop - anything. Making an empty retail unit available to a business start-up can help it to develop and prove its viability. Ideas are	Economy
School gate café Skills4Life	submitted and judged 'Dragon's Den' style. One innovative school has opened a school gate café. Staffed by students with produce made on the site - develops skills and provides work experience. Workshops run for young people, providing info and help with understanding and planning for careers, finances,	Economy
Tech Club Wheels 2 Work	budgeting, cooking, housing etc Computer geek clubs with a social purpose. IT experts come together in a social environment to find technological solutions to local challenges. A scooter or car loan scheme which provides short term loan of transport for young people to help them secure access	Economy
New Idea	training and job opportunities. STEM Project (Science, Tech, Eng, Mathematics) - apprenticeship roadshow to schools Good practice / examples of community broadband services	Economy
New Idea New Idea	Bus pass scheme - for people going to training, education and apprenticeships Public transport - get people to work, get people to shops, "feeder" taxi buses to bring people to bus stops	Economy
New Idea New Idea	Town Centre WIFI - login to home page had access to local directory	Economy
Community Clean Ups Community Rangers	Mass participation event where local people turn up to blitz an area - clearing litter, graffiti, repairing stuff and generally improving the area. Usually culminates in a BBQ or social event. Volunteer rangers who work within a defined area to help maintain the local environmental. Repairing walls, fences, ditches, ponds, hedges, etc.	Environment
Dog days Green fair	Campaign based action to tackle dog fouling, features posters and signs in the village. Uses positive messages, rather than threats of legal action to change behaviour. A community organises an event to promote green living and sustainability.	Environment
Green team Off the tracks	Young people involved in various environmental projects and fun activities in the great outdoors. Creating a new path to link up a network or access an area of landscape, heritage or archaeology can increase use of existing paths.	Environment
Secret gardeners Befriending	Village garden volunteers come together to look after green spaces Volunteers who drop in and support elderly and vulnerable members of the local community.	Environment Health and wellbeing
Boardwalk Foodwasters	Paths and boardwalks adapted for use by wheelchairs, prams and buggies that enable more people to experience wildlife areas. Local supermarkets donate food that is approaching expiry date that is allocated to families in need.	Health and wellbeing Health and wellbeing
Good neighbours Green gyms	Volunteers provide support, help, advice and friendship for the most isolated and vulnerable members of the community - who often want little more than the occasional chat and cuppa A range of outdoor fitness equipment laid out over a course that takes in a walk or jog around the village, park or play area.	Health and wellbeing Health and wellbeing
Memory Dances Sling library	A local dance group providing dance for the over 60s providing gentle dance and movement sessions for people with dementia. A group that promotes the benefits of baby slings, offers loans and advice as well as support for new mums and dads.	Health and wellbeing Health and wellbeing
Strictly ballroom	Dancing for seniors, encourages people to mix socially, stay active and fit. Family exercise, fun activities - geocaching / cycling / walking. Seniors gentle exercise - dancing / bowls / walking /	Health and wellbeing Health and wellbeing
New Idea New Idea Community Energy	cycling. Both with social aspects. Reward system for using Healthy Lifestyle project - competition system A community comes together to create a low energy plan and initiate green energy projects.	Health and wellbeing Housing
Community housing scheme Community Land Trust	The creation of self contained and sustainable new settlements, usually incorporating self build, allotment plots, reed drainage, heat pumps -to achieve off-grid sustainability. A community can promote housing or employment to meet local needs, shape the development of their place and	Housing
DIY Streets Doorways	retain control of housing and workshop allocations to benefit local people. Communities come together to plan how to manage their streets and public spaces. Can initiate innovative solutions to traffic, pollution and speeding problems. This projects works with homeless people and rough sleepers to bring us their view of life and the challenges they	Housing
Earth Housing Estate management	face. Can help build empathy and initiate action. Like minded individuals come together to self build alternative lifestyle communities. Addresses unmet housing needs and recognises the cultural diversity of our communities. Tenants on a housing estate (usually social) become members of a Board that co-manages the estate with landlords.	Housing
Good neighbours Gypsy and Traveller site	Volunteers provide support, help, advice and friendship for the most isolated and vulnerable members of the community - who often want little more than the occasional chat and cuppa Involving gypsy and traveller communities in the self management of their sites . Labour, design and planning all	Housing
refurbishment Homezones Housing Advocacy	delivered jointly with the community. A street which is paved, and where space has been created for trees and other types of planting. Imagine a street where people can use seating, socialise or where children can play safely. Volunteer-led services to young people and groups to address housing and homelessness issues through advice,	Housing
Local housing trust Neighbourhood Wardens	information, advocacy, support, education and training. Voluntary housing advice centre where people can get help with buying or renting property. Representatives who live on a estate act as a point of contact. Consulting, canvassing views and feeding those into	Housing
Self builders Skills4Life	consultations and policy planning. Interested residents come together to acquire a potential development site for schemes based on local needs - incorporating low cost housing, work spaces and recreation facilities. Workshops run for young people, providing info and help with understanding and planning for careers, finances,	Housing
Solar bulk discount scheme Street Watch	budgeting, cooking, housing etc Solar Panels can be costly to purchase and install but less so when a community organises a bulk buy and install contract. Cheaper access to renewable energy. Neighbourhood and community watch - local volunteers monitor streets and communities for unusual activity and	Housing
Tenants group Cycle routes	report concerns to the police. Tenants of social housing schemes come together to tackle priorities and allocate neighbourhood budgets. Keen and social cyclists come together to work on mapping, improving access, waymarking and maintaining routes to	Housing
, Digital Village Doorstep sports	encourage cycling for leisure and as a sustainable transport option. Digital maps created by volunteers to map and share all of the assets in a village from footpaths and bus stops to play facilities and open spaces. Posted on a public website for easy access A doorstep survey of young peoples' sports interests that is then translated into a local sports programme on the	
Festivals and fayres	doorstep. Communities come together to launch a new fayre or festival, have fun and benefit local groups and causes. Can be themed to support the local economy or tourism. Sessions for older people based around gentle physical activities such as walking, indoor bowls and dance.	Leisure
Fit Village	Local community-led campaign to get a community active can involve club start-ups, organised activities such as cycles and walks, directories of opportunities, sports fayres, etc.	Leisure
Footpath groups Good Gym Have a go	Volunteers look after local footpaths. Work includes replacing stiles, cutting back overgrowth, surface maintenance and preparing maps and walks for publication. Runners, cyclists and walkers join a club that aims to help the vulnerable in the community - collecting prescriptions, shopping, dropping in for a word or two and helping out when needed. Local sports and social clubs in a community organise taster sessions to recruit new members and get people involved.	Leisure
Have a go Hooked for life! Leisure credits	Local sports and social clubs in a community organise taster sessions to recruit new members and get people involved. Can take the form of a fayre with stalls, demonstrations and activities. Using fishing, to teach skills and countryside awareness - provides an alternative positive leisure time activity for young people. Villages offer leisure credits in return for organised volunteering activities for young people. Credits can be used on	Leisure
Mellow Velo	buses, at local facilities and for entry to local attractions. A non-competitive cycle club that plans and organises rides for families and social riders. Often involves a social element such as a meal or visit to a local landmark.	Leisure
Men's shed Off the tracks	A shed where people come together to learn and share DIY skills and carry out repairs and build things for the community such as benches, bird hides, nest boxes, etc. Creating a new path to link up a network or access an area of landscape, heritage or archaeology can increase use of existing paths.	Leisure
Park run Scarecrow Festival	Social running clubs using parks and village paths to encourage people to get fit. Local people make scarecrows that are displayed over the course of a weekend festival of fun and games. Great for building community spirit.	Leisure
Short Mat Bowls Sports-link	A fun, cost effective sports activity that can be played in village halls, schools and on pub skittle alleys. Good for all ages. Local sports clubs link up with schools to provide a range of after school sports activities	Leisure
Art Therapy Befriending	Arts sessions organised for people with long term conditions such as dementia, stroke and disability. Supported sessions also provide advice and help and enable carers to take a break. Volunteers who drop in and support elderly and vulnerable members of the local community.	Older people Older people
Dementia café Dementia friendly towns	A drop in and self help session for people with dementia, can involve trips and walks. Community groups and businesses collaborate to make a town friendly for people with dementia. Staff training and safe places with clear signage and well publicised.	Older people Older people
Fit for Life Gardenshare	Sessions for older people based around gentle physical activities such as walking, indoor bowls and dance. People who find it difficult to look after their garden can allow others to use the land at no cost to grow local produce.	Older people Older people
Good neighbours LIFE	Volunteers provide support, help, advice and friendship for the most isolated and vulnerable members of the community - who often want little more than the occasional chat and cuppa A local directory of support services that can be used when a family experiences hardship, bereavement, unemployment, illness, etc. Supported by church groups and counsellors.	Older people Older people
Link Schemes Men's shed	Link schemes are community-based, volunteer run charities providing a structured 'good neighbour' service including transport. A shed where people come together to learn and share DIY skills and carry out repairs and build things for the community such as benches, bird hides, nest boxes, etc.	Older people Older people
Neighbourhood Watch Our Lives, Our History	Volunteers work with community policing teams to extend their reach and to report concerns. The memories of older people captured through interviews for posterity. Can focus on past trades and industry, farming, vocations, memorable events, etc.	Older people Older people
Safe Places Singing for the Brain	Window stickers indicate places where people can go when they feel threatened, anxious, confused or worried. Staff can offer a word of advice, support and a few minutes quiet respite. Social clubs for people with later stage dementia, singing is a social activity and the sessions often involve other recreational activities that give carers a break.	Older people Older people
Stroke Club U3A	Staffed by volunteers, stroke clubs provide recreational and social activities for stroke survivors while giving carers a break. break. Open to anyone to develop their experience and skills, share them and seek out new interests. The object is learning and recreation for their own sakes.	Older people
New Idea	and recreation for their own sakes. More training available for volunteers in order to facilitate various activities e.g. Silverline Knitting network - knit with a purpose - clothes, blankets etc to needy countries	Older people Older people Older people
New Idea	"Pat" dogs - bringing dogs to social events, care homes etc Sundaylunch club	Older people Older people
New Idea New Idea Community bus	Integration of toddler groups with older folk e.g Library reading & listening in care homes A group of villages get together to fund a local bus or taxi scheme, can also involve public bus subsidy scheme.	Older people Transport
Community Transport Dial-a-ride	Local community transport schemes - Schemes could be anything from a regular bus route or dial-a-ride services. Older and vulnerable people can access community drivers through a directory system organised by community	Transport Transport
Flexi-bus Freebus	volunteers. Similar to local LINK schemes. A community managed transport scheme, using a small minibus to connect isolated villages to main bus routes. Community buses available for use by the local community for all sorts of activities - a quick license check, fuel and	Transport Transport
Link Schemes Lorry Watch	away. Link schemes are community-based, volunteer run charities providing a structured 'good neighbour' service including transport. Working with the Council's Trading Standards Team, local volunteers monitor HGV vehicle movements in a community - reporting offences and initiating action against offenders.	

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transport options) New Idea