#### Felixstowe Forward. Progress Report September 2019 (italics = latest update)

Measures of Success	Time Scale	Progress to Date

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#### 1 Economic Growth

## 1.1 Felixstowe is recognised as a vibrant town where businesses are sustained and contribute to the economic success of the town and East Suffolk.

xplore the viability	Working group monthly	Ongoing to July	Feasibility Study Completed:	
of a Business	meetings	2020	Confirmed Yes	48
mprovement			Undecided – predicted yes	7
District (BID)	Final feasibility, scoping		Outstanding (awaiting confirmation)	7
	report and action plan		No	2
			East Suffolk Council funding of £20k to engage M specialist areas of expertise. Mosaic have a 100% Newmarket BID.  Indicative campaign timetable: September: - Establish Task Group with formal terms of reference a Campaign Logo to distinguish the BID for Produce BID factsheet, FAQ's etc	6 success rate and delivered Our Bury, and rence of between 10 and 15 business champions
			- Identify summary business plan priorities  October	
			- Mosaic to meet Task Group and brief group and	d detail forward timetable.
			October/November - 6 week consultation period of One to One meet	ings, general meetings, workshops etc.
			November - Mosaic will work up the draft business plan, bas	seline agreements, and ballot arrangements.
			Ballot possibly March / April but definitely no lat	er than June 2020.

onsultation Events	Apr 10 Mar 20	
Silbartation Events	Apr 19 – Mar 20	Felixstowe Forward Engagement Event, The Orwell Hotel, 18 June 2019
		Over 100 attendees. Good themed discussion with plenty of content.
onsultation feedback		
nd questionnaire		People and Places
		People and Places have been commissioned by SCDC (now east Suffolk Council) to do a piece of
resentations at		research that will help to identify strategic priorities and initiatives for East Suffolk town centres
usiness events		collectively and/or on an individual town basis. The project aims to develop joined up thinking across all stakeholders for our town centres. The research will seek to take into account the themes
isibility in the Town		associated with the Future High Street Fund alongside other identified opportunities for securing investment. This will help give evidence for a potential application to the Future High Streets Fund
ews Updates and		in 2020.
nformation		
raft BID Prospectus		The Engagement Event included a presentation and an opportunity to discuss short, medium and long term aspirations for Hamilton Road.
rait Bib i rospectas		long term approximation for framework for the first form
		Detailed report received from People and Places. A more digestible and illustrated summary will be available in the next few weeks.
		Draft Town Action Plan has been circulated for comment.
o of business engaged	Q4 Jan – Mar 2019	and 2018-2019 Total Figures
support		
		5 B day and the first Armateur and
ews updates		5 Businesses engaged with (reflects Annual Engagement) 6 Businesses supported
		o Businesses supported  1 Organisations engaged with through partnership meetings
		0 Youth organisations
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	25 10	o roung people engaged with
	Encouraging Econo	omic Development Enquiries received for 2 properties in Town Centre.
		ws' update at Felixstowe Flyer breakfast meeting
	•	ce Felixstowe Chamber of Commerce
		elixstowe Town Council quarterly magazine Summer 2019, copy completed for Autumn 2010.
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Diary Date: Business to Business Exhibition 6 November 2019, The Orwell Hotel. Part of the East Suffolk Business Festival.

#### East Suffolk means Business

New live website <a href="https://eastsuffolkmeansbusiness.co.uk/">https://eastsuffolkmeansbusiness.co.uk/</a>

Excellent site for businesses to signpost on to relevant and appropriate organisation.

## 1.2 Felixstowe will have enhanced its reputation as a destination resort contributing to the visitor economy in Felixstowe and East Suffolk.

Capitalise on	Nos of event organisers	Ongoing throughout term			
existing strengths	engaged				
and present a		Excellent Art on the Prom event. New organiser has been a pleasure to work with and has some great ideas for future			
strong and diverse, year round	Nos of events listed	event. Working with the organiser on a detailed case study.			
programme of	New events attracting	New online application pr	New online application process has been live since 1 April 2019. Currently working on an East Suffolk Council strategy		
events.	different audiences	for events.			
	Seasonal event publicity	Event Bookings received	(to Q1 April, May, June 2019)		
		Q1			
	Feedback responses	1	Commercial events		
		11	Community Events		
	Updated information on website	8,000	Est. Visitor Numbers 2019/2020 to dat	e Q1	
		Events Up and Coming 20.			
	No's of estimated	8 <sup>th</sup> September	Paws on the Prom	Prom	
	visitors	14 <sup>th</sup> and 15 <sup>th</sup> September	Heritage Open Days	Various locations	
	No's of estimated	15 <sup>th</sup> September	Felixstowe Coastal 10 mile race	Landguard to Ferry	
	volunteers	28 <sup>th</sup> September	Festival of Fabric	Orwell Hotel	
	Volunteers	26 <sup>th</sup> October	Spooky day and Little Fort of Horrors	Landguard Fort	
	Annual event economic	3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Felixstowe Firework spectacular	Felixstowe & Walton Utd FC	
	impact report	30 <sup>th</sup> November	Christmas Craft market & Lighting up	Town Centre	
		14 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas at the Fort	Landguard Fort	
		25 <sup>th</sup> December	St Elizabeth's Hospice Christmas day dip	Felixstowe Beach/Sea	

		2020 Dates		
		3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Classic Vehicle rally 50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary	Promenade
		8 <sup>th</sup> May	Rotary Fun Run	Promenade and gardens
		8-10 <sup>th</sup> May	VE Celebrations	tbc
		28 <sup>th</sup> June	Praise on the prom	Promenade
		29 <sup>th</sup> August	Street Rods	Provisional
		6 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Art on the prom	Promenade
Build on the	Manage Tourist	Ongoing through	44 volunteers manning Visit Felixstowe Touris	t Information Huts. <i>Ongoing</i>
momentum of	Information Hut	term	4 TIP points kept updated with literature. Ong	going.
promoting	volunteers			
Felixstowe as a			Sept 2019 8,611 Followers Facebook (reach 2	?2,485 w/c 26 Aug)
destination, and	Visit Felixstowe Charter		Sept 2019 4,947 Followers Twitter	
cross-promotion of			Regular #TownTalk #LoveIndependent camp	aign. Please help share and promote on social media
visitor related activity.	Maintain TIP's		pages.	
•	Maintaining Visit		2019 Leaflets Updated and distributed	
	Felixstowe website		Take One Media campaign completed across S	Suffolk, North Essex, South Norfolk with all 20,000
			leaflets distributed.	
	Google analytics			
			Season launch 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2019 Season Launch, F	larvest House. 70+ attendees.
	Social Media statistics			
				gement Organisation) 14 November, The Orwell Hotel
	2018, 2019, 2020, 2021		– please note this has been cancelled	
	promotional leaflets			
	(digital and hard)		Sunday Times article weekend 13/14 <sup>t</sup> . Nation	nal Telegraph article weekend 20/21 Jul.
	Open Season Event,	Easter 2018,	Green Flag and Green Heritage Site status av	varded to Felixstowe Seafront Gardens. Thank you to
	National Tourism Week	2019, 2020		nd Norses. Article submitted to Autumn Edition
			Felixstowe Town Council magazine.	
			Regular page in Felixstowe Town Council qua	rterly magazine Summer 2019, copy completed for
			Autumn 2019.	
2. Enabling Com	nmunities			
2.1 Felixstowe	e is an exemplar for I	ast Suffolk plac	e based collaboration, community ar	nd cohesion.
Target engagement	no of VSO's engaged	Ongoing	82 Q1 VCSO organisations engaged with	(reflects annual

with community and voluntary sector partners to build community cohesion	- dissemination information - support	throughout term	engagement event)
Work with partners to exploit the full potential of Felixstowe through collaborations and projects as they arise, including attracting external funding.	to be determined by project/s	to be determined by project/s	Chloe Winlow appointed as Felixstowe Communities Officer with a focus on Hidden Needs agenda and priorities.
2.2 Improved	awareness of what is	s available to res	sidents locally and how they can engage in community events and activities.
Develop an online community portal to promote improved joint working and collaborations	Google analytics Live online presence No's of users Feedback	Ongoing	Progress being made and the Town Page in the process of being built.

### 2.3 Improved health and wellbeing of the community

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Continue to build	Increased awareness of	Ongoing	For the latest updates and activity including donations and sponsorship relevant to Felixstowe
on Felixstowe	what a dementia	throughout term	Dementia Friendly Community visit:
being recognised as	friendly community is		http://fxtdaa.onesuffolk.net/
a dementia friendly			
community.	Increased no's of	Ongoing	70+ Dementia Friendly Organisations
	Dementia Friendly	throughout Term	1,400 Dementia Friends in IP11
Complete delivery	organisations		30 Users of Memory Lane support group
of Community Call			12 Volunteers
to Action project	Increased no's of	Ongoing	
	Dementia Friends and	throughout Term	St Johns Parish Dementia Support Group has closed. The two key volunteers have had a change in
	Dementia Champions		circumstances and attendance has been poor.
	Increased no's of	Ongoing	Dementia Action Week 2019
	volunteers supporting	throughout Term	Memory Dog walk raised nearly £200
	people living with		Information Stand held at the Library
	dementia		Prom Train Ride and lunch at Delphine Diner in association with Ipswich DAA
		Ongoing	Dementia Friends session held
	Increased no's of people	throughout Term	
	affected by dementia attending support		In association with East of England Coop the Mayor and Chloe Winlow took on the GERT suit challenge -
	groups locally	Ongoing	' Dementia simulation using GERT
		throughout Term	The number of people with dementia and other age-related cognitive disorders is rapidly rising
	Dissemination of		Therefore, it is important to better understand the needs of dementia sufferers and to create
	information via social		environments where they are able to life independently or get the best care if their dementia comes
	media, news updates,		to a point where professional dementia care is necessary.
	publicity and promotion		
			The self-experience is the scientifically proven best way to create empathy and real understanding.
			The age simulation suit is the ideal tool to enable the self experience of dementia.
			This effect can be enhanced by adding accessories to the dementia simulation, especially those
			simulating sensory impairments like the simulation glasses and the tinnitus simulator but also those
			changing the tactile perception like the overshoes and the tremor simulator gloves.'
Introduce a pilot	Timebank project	January 2018	Funding received from Felixstowe Town Council £1k.

person to person	launch		Exemplar Funding of £10k confirmed.
Timebanking			
scheme in	Oversee project	Ongoing to Jan	The steering group meets regularly and has agreed the delivery plan with key outcomes and
Felixstowe	deliverables (tbd)	2019	milestones.
	- no's of opportunities (asks and offers)		website: <a href="https://tol2.timebanking.org/felixstowe">https://tol2.timebanking.org/felixstowe</a> - offers and requests currently listed.
	- no's of volunteers		Update:
			99 TimeBank Members registered
	Transition project to		30+ matches
	local community organisation	by January 2019	175+ hours of exchange
			National Lottery Reaching Communities Fund: Following a telephone conference call with officer
			the TimeBank project has been encouraged to put in a two year proposal.
			CALM cuppa- drop in to support those at risk of suicide to raise awareness and provide a network of community support and wellbeing issues. Programme aimed at men but not exclusively. Successful agreement from 6 Councillors to support a 2 year plan. <i>Campaign Against Living Miserably (CALM)</i>
			Volunteer training attended, campaign awareness will be rolled out in the coming weeks.
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#### 3. Sustainability

## 3.1 Felixstowe Forward provides an exemplar of place-based collaborative working as progression is made towards the new East Suffolk Council and will leave behind a legacy of strong partnership working beyond the lifetime of the initiative.

Work with partners to exploit the full potential of Felixstowe through collaborations and projects as they arise.	to be determined by project/s	Ongoing throughout term.	Ongoing involvement in North Felixstowe development, and South Seafront.  'Felixstowe – a Great Place to live, work and visit' publication completed.
	Coastal Revival Fund 'Renewing the South seafront Promenade' £30k	Outcome Dec 2018	Confirmation of successful application £30k to provide: - new information boards and heritage interpretation - report of ideas for an 'active seafront' Designer engaged to mock up new information boards and Heritage Boards. Text and Images agreed. First draft received.

			Work will start over the summer on an accessibility guide to Felixstowe.
	South Seafront	Deadline 21 Jan	Successful application made to Coastal Communities Fund £950k for South Seafront.
	Coastal Communities Fund£950k		Project Board has been agreed. Neil Cockshaw has taken over as project lead. A further appointment will be made in the Autumn to support the project. <i>Project officer recruitment live</i> .
	Heritage Action Zone	Deadline 12 July	Decision to withdraw from putting in an Expression of Interest as there was insufficient evidence to support a strong application.
Oversee Landguard	Governance review and	by 2021	Governance review ongoing.
Partnership	model		
governance review			Appointed consultant – Scott B Sullivan Associates - for first phase of Governance project.