

A MORE RESPONSIVE TOWN COUNCIL						
Issue	Action	Partners	Lead Councillor	Timescale	Cost	Comments on progress
To improve communication	<p>To set up a Facebook page and Twitter account</p> <p>To redesign the website to be more user friendly and informative</p> <p>To issue regular press releases on Council activity</p>		Mayor	Ongoing	£3000 for website redesign	<p>Mayor has a Facebook page. <b>Facebook page for information only is in the process of being set up</b></p> <p>New website went live September 2019. <b>Positive feedback received</b></p> <p><b>Articles on planting plans consultation, signing of Armed Forces Covenant, Credit Union investment, budget for 2020/21 and the request for feedback on the Christmas Lights have been published</b></p>
To improve decision making	To revisit the committee structure		Mayor	2019		New Committee Structure commenced

	and powers of the committees.  To identify ways that voluntary groups can engage with the decision-making process		All councillors	Ongoing		September 2019. Review in September 2020  <b>Consultation undertaken on planting plans and request for feedback on Christmas Lights</b>
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To encourage wider community engagement on Town Council activities	To identify methods to capture community views		Mayor All Councillors			Engagement with the community at Council events and through other activities such as Abergavenny in Bloom  <b>Arranged Abergavenny Food Festival &amp; Domboshawa twinning public meetings</b>
To be more visible in the Town	To improve visibility of the office  To publicise Council activity through the placing of a crest or notice.		Mayor All Councillors	End 2019  Ongoing		<b>Not anticipated to be in new office until May 2020</b>  Annual Report delivered to all households

	To hold a number of Committee meetings in town venues rather than in the Town Hall.			Summer 2019 & ongoing		The Town Hall refurbishment is providing an opportunity to meet in different venues
To engage with and influence policymakers across a wide range of issues	To build good working relationships with a range of policy makers  To respond to relevant consultations	MCC WG NRW ABHBT	Mayor All Councillors	Ongoing		<p>Good officer relationships between ATC and MCC</p> <p><b>Responded to MCC ROWIP consultation.</b></p> <p><b>Town Clerk represents all 4 Town Councils at PSB Programme Board</b></p> <p><b>Town Clerk has been instrumental in bringing together a county wide group to consider future options for emptying of dog fouling bins</b></p>