

Our Impact Apr-Jun 2026

at-a-glance

OUR SOCIAL
VALUE CAN BE
MEASURED AT
£460,870
SINCE APRIL
2026

VISION

Devon's rural, coastal and market towns and communities are thriving, sustainable and inclusive places to live and work.

CHAMPION COMMUNITIES

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Collaborated on the rural-proofing of NHS Integrated Neighbourhood Teams design and roll-out



Facilitated hosting of **24** students from Netherlands to conduct rural research



Secured **£150,885** new funding for communities in Devon



5 rural and coastal community surveys on topics including neighbourhood development planning, community resilience and digital inclusion, will inform programme delivery



13 clips published as part of our Rural Lens social media campaign, sharing perspectives from people in rural communities



Co-facilitated **8** events with stakeholders and communities to understand barriers to local sustainability initiatives



Designed final Exminster Neighbourhood Development Plan publication



3 new Rural Community Connectors in North Devon and Torridge, East Devon and South and West Devon made **44** strategic and community connections to explore communities how Village Halls could support the needs and aspirations



Supported communications, finance and administration functions of the Torbay, Plymouth & Devon VCSE Assembly



66 Village Halls supported, including helping **19** with specialist funding advice



ENABLE LOCAL ACTION



851 people trained/upskilled



87 attendees at Devon Community Resilience Forum events to strengthen resilience in their communities



17 communities supported to develop a Community Emergency Plan



Allocated **£5,000** in grants to **13** community organisations to connect people with their local landscapes



3 listening sessions with rural Mid Devon communities to support local decision making



28 East Devon social purpose organisations supported

IMPROVE SUPPORT FOR THOSE MOST IN NEED



62 voluntary organisation representatives and statutory bodies collaborated at Torbay, Plymouth and Devon VCSE Assembly-led event, facilitated by DCT, to tackle digital exclusion



3,694 households received surveys to evidence need for additional rural housing



Supported rural-proofing of libraries-led survey which listened to the views of 558 people to explore local environmental and sustainability issues



17,842 people had the opportunity to learn about 'Devon Community Drivers' campaign to recruit new volunteers for Community Transport Schemes



Continued to chair Nested Rural Deprivation Working Group, which is becoming the rural sub group of the Health and Wellbeing Board



22,389 litres of heating oil ordered at best price. 140 people shared experiences of fuel crisis via our survey



Supported the development of the Composite Exclusion Risk Indices (CERI) Rural Deprivation dashboard to more accurately understand nested rural deprivation



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