

# LOVE OUR HIGH STREETS



## HAVE YOUR SAY TO HELP IMPROVE KINGSWOOD HIGH STREET

In response to issues you have raised, funding worth up to **£3.3 million** has been identified from the West of England Combined Authority to reinvigorate Kingswood High Street and the nearby surrounding area. This is part of a wider £10 million 'Love our high streets' project across the West of England region.

Based on local feedback, we have short-listed the following proposals and would welcome your views on these and further opportunities. We are supporting the project with resources to deliver these improvements.

## INITIAL PROPOSALS FOR FUNDING TO SUPPORT:

- action to tackle empty premises
- delivery of a Makerspace Studio – a digital learning classroom in the high street with equipment for use by schools, families and anyone wanting to improve their career skills
- work to stabilise Whitfield Tabernacle and support a Heritage Lottery Fund bid to further improve the Tabernacle and bring it back into community use
- future planning of Kingswood urban area to provide new employment, new housing, public and green space and to improve its existing heritage
- a range of community-led projects
- new street cleaning machinery and bins
- possible new infrastructure and community facilities for Kingswood Park and support for a separate Heritage Lottery Fund application.

## OBJECTIVES

- 1 To increase the number of people visiting Kingswood High Street
- 2 Cleaner, safer streets with better quality public infrastructure (bins, flower beds, bus shelters etc.)
- 3 To bring empty premises back into use
- 4 To upgrade the quality of High Street premises
- 5 To provide new employment opportunities
- 6 To promote the awareness of the heritage of the high street
- 7 To develop local skills with a focus on new technology.

## WE WELCOME YOUR VIEWS

- 1 Do you agree with the objectives above?
- 2 Are there other issues you feel need to be addressed in Kingswood High Street?
- 3 Do you agree with the initial proposals for funding support to be agreed with the West of England Combined Authority?
- 4 Please tell us if you or your business/community group might be able to assist us to deliver this project

You can respond online at [www.southglos.gov.uk/loveourhighstreets](http://www.southglos.gov.uk/loveourhighstreets) or by post to: **Love our high streets survey, South Gloucestershire Council, Chief Executive & Corporate Resources Department, PO Box 1953, Bristol BS37 0DB**

Please reply by **Wednesday 6 March**