

## The Streets of Axbridge – Phase One Trial - 2015

### STREETS OF AXBRIDGE PHASE ONE FOCUS GROUP

**AIM:** To identify ideas for specific street designs and usage for all parts of Axbridge, through a Focus Group of interested persons creatively working together.

#### METHOD

- 1) A group of between 16 and 24 people will be enrolled to take part in the Focus Group.
- 2) All members of the Focus Group will be people who have an interest in the streets of Axbridge and a wish to see improvements in the streets and their usage. All Focus Group members will need to be able to commit to attend the 2 meetings and at least some of the Street Audit Day. Details outlined below.
- 3) The Focus Group will be made up of at least 4 persons who live in each of the 4 Focus Areas that the Group will focus on.  
The 4 Focus Areas will be:
  - a) **The Square** and route ways leading into and out of it;
  - b) **St Mary Street and Cheddar Road** and all streets leading into these roads and route ways leading east out of Axbridge;
  - c) **High Street and West Street**, Townsend, Hillside and route ways leading west and north out of Axbridge;
  - d) **Houlgate Way**, Meadow Street, Mooreland Street and all streets into these streets and route ways leading south out of Axbridge.
- 4) The Focus Group will meet on 2 evenings for up to 2.5 hours per meeting to take place in September and October. The meetings will be facilitated by Peter Harding – Chairperson of Axbridge Action Group. Meeting will use the creative and tried and tested methods of 'PATH' to achieve our goals. (See [helensandersonassociates.co.uk](http://helensandersonassociates.co.uk) for further info about PATH)
- 5) In addition, Focus Group members will need to participate in a 'Street Audit' of Axbridge with Living Streets. This is likely to be a whole day activity at end of September or early October (For more info on Street Audits see Community Street Audits on [livingstreets.org.uk](http://livingstreets.org.uk)).
- 6) The goal will be that out of the Focus Group process we will:
  - a) agree a set of ideas for street design, pathways, activities, etc;
  - b) agree proposal on how best to progress our ideas;
  - c) have a set of proposals to present for public consultation on what could be included within Phase Two of the Streets of Axbridge Project.
- 7) If you would like further details and/or you are interested in joining the Focus Group – please contact Peter Harding. Email him at [pete.axbridge@gmail.com](mailto:pete.axbridge@gmail.com) or telephone him on 01934 733689.