



**Liss Village Neighbourhood Development Plan
Making the Plan:**

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LISS PARISH

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 2014

The Annual Parish Meeting was held on 19th March 2014 when 11 members of the Parish Council and approximately 21 parishioners were present.

Mr Keith Budden, Chairman of the Parish Council, presided.

Also in attendance, County Councillor Mr V Clarke, District Councillors Mrs J Gray & Mrs J Onslow, 2 members of the press & Parish Clerk R Bowery.

Apologies were received from Councillor Szpitalak & Mr P Coley, Chairman of LFRA.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION TO LISS BAND

The Chairman made a special presentation to Liss Band in recognition of their 40th anniversary year.

The award was accepted by Roger Lewis & Ashley Kemp, Chairman & Conductor, on behalf of the band.

Miss Kemp informed the meeting that Liss Band had a full year of events including their annual concert in October & the issue of a brand new CD.

She thanked Liss residents for their continued enthusiastic support.

GOOD VILLAGER AWARD

The Chairman had great pleasure in presenting the Good Villager Award to Mr David Ray.

The Chairman said that in a year that had seen numerous nominations from the public, the Council had been unanimous in selecting Mr Ray in recognition of his many years of good service to the residents of Liss while acting as their local postman as well as for his continued charity fund raising with his wife following the premature death of his son.

Mr Ray thanked the Council & residents for the award.

Two members of the public left the meeting at this stage.

JOINT CORE STRATEGY UPDATE

The Chairman informed the assembly that the JCS compiled by EHDC & the SDNP sets the planning policy for the area up to 2028. The Planning Inspectorate had rejected the initial Plan as submitted in 2012 & in 2013 EHDC & the Park had suspended the Plan in order to gather further information. A re-worked Plan had been submitted in October 2013 & the public examination resumed. The Planning Inspector's response was now expected in April. LPC had expressed concerns over the use of the term "minimum" in respect of the housing allocation.

Assuming that the Inspector now accepted the Plan as sound it would then be adopted by EHDC & the SDNP.

The Park was now developing its own Plan to cover the whole of the SDNP area rather than just East Hampshire. This was going to public consultation & LPC would be responding to the various options proposed.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN PRESENTATION

The Chairman gave a slide show presentation explaining the reasons for, & the consequences of not having, a Neighbourhood Plan. He said that Liss was the only large settlement in the SDNP that was currently not committed to having a Neighbourhood Plan.

Cllr Halstead explained that the proposed housing allocation was for 280 houses up to 2028.

Cllr Kendall said that, on the example of Arundel, the process of establishing a Neighbourhood Plan could take two to three years; the process needed to be driven by the community & a Neighbourhood Plan could not be achieved unless significant numbers participated in the production.

Mr Ray asked if any areas in Liss were already designated for development.

Cllr Halstead replied that the Inwood Road reserve site was in the last EHDC Local Plan & that site would be carried forward.

Mr Ray expressed concerns over vehicle access.

District Councillor Mrs Gray informed the meeting that the site was coming back with 25 dwellings compared to the previously applied for 32.

The Chairman asked for a show of hands from the public for those in favour of LPC progressing a Neighbourhood Plan & 12 of the remaining 19 parishioners supported the proposal.

Mr Tracey asked what commitment would be required from volunteers & the Chairman replied that there would probably be one meeting per month with some tasks being delegated.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING 20th March 2013 had been circulated. Proposed by Mrs J Gray and seconded by Mr S Rees, they were agreed and signed as a correct record.

MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman thanked those present for coming to the Annual Parish Council Meeting.

He introduced the Councillors present explaining their committee responsibilities. During the year Mr Mann, Mrs Cains & Mrs Waller had resigned from the Council & he thanked them for their contributions during their terms as Councillors. Three new Councillors had been co-opted to the Council, Mrs Szpitalak, Mr Hargreaves & Mr Kendall, & they were welcomed to the Council.

The Chairman then reviewed the Council's activities over the past year

For many of us, the lasting memory of this year will be the floods and bad weather we have endured since late December. The floods of the night of December 23rd brought the worst flooding Liss has seen for a generation. While Liss was lucky compared to some parts of the country, our thoughts are with the residents of Yorkwood, Mill Road, the Crossover Centre and Riverside Surgery who have had to endure weeks of disruption while their properties are restored to normal conditions. Crossover are holding a coffee morning to raise funds to cover some of their replacement equipment on Saturday morning – please go along and show your support.

The continuing bad weather has also had a devastating impact on trees, both at Riverside Railway Walk and at Newman Collard Playing Fields. In total, over 30 trees were either brought down by the wind or had to be felled for safety reasons. Even if we were to plant new trees, a 50, 60 or even 100 year old tree cannot be replaced overnight and so the views and vistas of the Railway Walk in particular have been changed for years to come – some will say for the better, it is certainly much more

light and airy than it used to be, and this extra light will no doubt encourage colonisation by new species of flora and fauna.

New play equipment

One of my first tasks this year was to officially open the new play equipment installed on Newman Collard playing field. The climbing pyramid and particularly the zip wire have proved incredibly popular with the local children (and the occasional adult late at night!!).

West Liss Pavilion Project

The project has continued to progress this year. We have commenced a tender process which has brought proposals from a number of contractors. We were hopeful that negotiations with contractors would have been completed by now so we could announce our plans going forward, but unfortunately, commercial negotiations are still ongoing and so while we will give an update later this evening, we are unable to give you any details on price or choice of contractor at this time. We have also appointed a firm of fundraising consultants, 4Grants Ltd, who will be actively seeking grants and other funding for us. 4Grants Ltd are working on a 'no win no fee' basis.

East Hampshire Rail Partnership

This year has seen the formation of the East Hampshire Rail Partnership, a joint operation between South West Trains, Network Rail, South Downs National Park, EHDC and HCC to improve the environment and use of the railway stations at Liphook, Liss, Petersfield and Rowland's Castle. Liss Parish Council has also joined the Partnership, and we have a project underway which should hopefully see improvements to the station here at Liss in the next few months.

Speedwatch

We are at an advanced stage of forming a Speedwatch group in the village. The group will be independent of the Parish Council but we will give it support. The group still requires more volunteers so if you would like to get involved, please let the Clerk know.

CCTV

We are very lucky to live in a low crime area, however crimes do occur, particularly in the centre of the village and our CCTV continues to provide valuable evidence to the Police in their pursuit of those involved. I am very pleased to announce that with the support of grants from our District Councillor Gray and District Councillor Harris we will soon be upgrading our CCTV to provide better quality images and to enable them to be kept for a longer period of time.

Xmas Fair

The Christmas fare in was again very successful & congratulations go to the group of village traders who led the organisation.

Liss and Liss Forest, wonderful as they are, are not islands, and do not function in isolation, and therefore I would like to give thanks for the work and co-operation received from our County Councillor, Vaughan Clarke, and our District Councillors, Judy Onslow, Jennifer Gray and Richard Harris. This year I would especially like to extend thanks to the Environment Agency who have provided us with a lot of practical support after the floods, and the staff from Network Rail and Osborne who

did such a fantastic job restoring our rail link to London after the devastating effects of the Christmas flooding.

My thanks go to all our Parish Councillors for their work on behalf of the village and I would especially like to thank my committee chairmen, Sue Halstead for the continued good work she does on planning and the tremendous effort Sue put into making sure the views of Liss were well represented in the EHDC/SDNP Joint Core Strategy, Brian Mayo for ensuring we stay on track financially, Elwyn Thomas for his work on the Buildings Committee, Angela Wright for procedures and staff matters, and David Dodds for the great work he has done on the grounds committee.

I would also like to thank Paddy Payne for the very supportive role he has played as my Vice Chairman this year.

I think it is right that we should also recognise the tremendous effort made by our staff this year. Andrea Mann's departure in November left Dick Bowery to manage all of the work of the office on his own for the last two months of 2013 and I would like to especially thank Dick for all the extra hours he put in over that period, and for his continued support, without which my job as Chairman would be much more difficult. We welcomed Sarah Smith to the office and to the Liss community in January and we hope that she will have many enjoyable years with us – early indications are that she has settled in to the role well and we welcome her commitment and enthusiasm. Our grounds staff, Luke and Charlie, have had a difficult year with problems with equipment and of course the very trying weather conditions. While there have been a few glitches, the grounds now look significantly better and I thank Luke and Charlie for their efforts.

Tim has, as always, has done a great job as caretaker of this hall and the pavilion and I would like to also thank Michael for the excellent job he does as our litter picker keeping the village looking clean and tidy.

I hope you will join with me now in showing your appreciation of the work of the councillors and council staff in the traditional way.

Thank you to everyone who has helped me this year

FINANCE REPORT

Cllr Mayo, Chairman of the Finance Committee reviewed the financial report.

The precept for 2013/14 was £184665 with contributions made to the Village Hall, West Liss Recreation Ground and pavilion and the parish allotments. These are all registered charities, which, because of financial regulations, have to be accounted for separately. Estimated expenditure for the year is anticipated as being largely in line with budget with the exception of extraordinary tree surgery bills of £4950; these are being met partly from reserves & partly by an additional sum added to the precept for 2014/15. The possibility that some of these funds could be recouped from central Government via EHDC was being investigated.

The Council has set a precept of £159000 for 2014/15, or £64.56 per band D dwelling. This represents a decrease of £11.52 per dwelling. This decrease of 15.14% is in large part due to the removal of the pavilion development surcharge that was applied for the previous two years.

A broad analysis of total costs and revenue, including the Charities accounts is as follows:

	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	Increase/- decrease	
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	%
Staff costs	97.0	90.4	85.8	-4.6	-5.09
Insurance	8.0	8.1	7.3	-0.8	-9.88
General administration	6.9	8.0	14.1	6.1	76.25
Grounds maintenance	8.5	11.9	16.4	4.5	37.82
Village hall costs	7.0	10.1	9.7	-0.4	-3.96
Grants to local associations	11.4	11.8	12.3	0.5	4.24
Capital projects & provisions	17.1	22.7	27.3	4.6	20.26
	<u>155.9</u>	<u>163.0</u>	<u>172.9</u>	<u>9.9</u>	<u>6.35</u>
Funded by:					
Interest & other receipts	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.1	14.29
Rental incomes	13.5	15.2	14.5	-0.7	-4.61
From to reserves	<u>-40.8</u>	<u>-37.6</u>	<u>-1.4</u>	<u>36.2</u>	<u>-96.28</u>
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Precept	-26.6	-21.7	13.9	35.6	133.83
West Liss pavilion precept	143.6	148.3	159.0	10.7	7.45
	<u>38.9</u>	<u>36.4</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>-36.4</u>	
	<u>155.9</u>	<u>163.0</u>	<u>172.9</u>	<u>-0.8</u>	<u>-0.51</u>
No. of band D dwellings	2597.11	2427.32	2463.17		
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Band D tax	£70.27	£76.08	£64.56	£11.52	-15.14

The audit of 2012/13 accounts was carried out in May 2013 by the independent internal auditor and approved at the Council meeting on 20th May; the Audit Commission signed the final clearance of the accounts, without any changes By BDO Legal Law Practitioners on 3rd September 2013.

Audited 2012/13 accounts for the Charities accounts were approved at Council on 16th September 2013 and our thanks go to Mr West for his services as auditor.

REPORT ON ATTENDANCE OF COUNCILLORS

In the past year the Parish Council met 15 times. Mr Budden, Mr Dodds, Mr Linsley, & Mr Thomas attended all 15 meetings. Mrs Halstead attended 14 meetings. Mr Mayo & Mrs Wright attended 11 meetings. Mr Payne attended 10 meetings. Mrs Chads attended 9 meetings. Mr Mann attended 6 of a possible 9 meetings before his resignation in December. Mrs Szpitalak attended 5 of a possible 9 meetings following her co-option in September. Mr Hargreaves attended 4 of a possible 4 meetings following his co-option in January. Mrs Waller attended 3 of a possible 3 meetings before her resignation in June. Mr Kendall attended 2 of a possible 2 meetings following his co-option in February. Mrs Cains resigned from Council in April & did not attend any meetings.

In addition to Council meetings there were a further 35 meetings of committees as well as meetings of sub-committees & advisory groups. Councillors also attended meeting of various outside bodies to whom they were appointed as LPC

representatives. LPC were also represented by Councillors at various other meetings at EHDC, SDNP, HCC, etc. as well as attending planning appeals & site meetings.

UPDATE ON WEST LISS PAVILION DEVELOPMENT

Cllr Kendall gave the following update on the progress of the project.

We have made a lot of progress since the last Annual Parish Meeting, and have now had a full response from a range of companies to our invitation to tender for the project. We are using professional advisers to examine the lowest tender in more detail. We intend to test the market further to ensure we get maximum value-for-money, and we are exploring options for construction methods and materials that may bring even greater value for money for local taxpayers.

We believe we can finance the project either on the basis of the tenders already received or by testing the market further. We have given ourselves six months to complete this process and award a contract, which should mean that construction could begin in Spring 2015. This is very much work in progress but we have made good progress so far.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

County Councillor Mr Vaughan Clarke reported that there will be no increase in the County Council's share of the Council Tax this year. This will be the 5th year of unchanged Council Tax. The government grant to the County Council continues to be reduced, which has meant another round of job cuts, albeit at a lower level than in the past. Hampshire remains as the County with the 4th lowest Council Tax, but with the 3rd lowest funding from Central Government. However the capital spending over the next 3 years is some £620m, the largest of any county in the UK and about 10 times that of some of our near neighbours.

The major issue in Hampshire over the last few months has been the rainfall, with Hampshire recording the 2nd highest rainfall of any county in the UK. In this area we have had 8 months rain over a six week period. The County's supply of 20,000 sandbags was used up quickly and 75,000 have now been issued. The problem now is how to dispose of the many sandbags that have been in contact with polluted water. There has also been a major issue with rising groundwater, and also with those who ignored road closed signs and consequently got stuck. There were also incidences of stealing fuel from the water pumps, which is a sad reflection on some members of society. The damage to the roads has been enormous, and a figure of £34m has been quoted just to repair the winter damage. It would have been even more if the wet weather had been followed by a prolonged cold spell.

Extra money has been set aside for more highway teams to work on potholes this spring, so the situation should improve. This work starts in April.

New street lights will be installed in Liss in October. These will bring cost savings through energy efficiency. The new lights will be programmed to operate at a lower voltage from late evening.

Superfast Broadband continues to be a concern, especially in rural areas. 90% of Hampshire's residents should be connected by the end of 2015. A further £9.2m has been invested to bring that level up to 95% by the end of 2016. The eventual target is to reach 99.9%, but with the cost increasing dramatically for the more remote areas, investigations are proceeding on how to tackle the problem.

Unemployment in the area is low with this Division of the County Council recording figure of between 0.5% and 2.0%, very much below the average for the UK. Despite being an aging population in rural Hampshire, it is interesting to note that the South Downs National Park has the lowest median age of any National Park in the UK.

DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

District Councillor Mrs Judy Onslow reported that the District Council continues to look for ways of working in partnership with others towards the future stability of services to residents. We now have a joint waste and street care contract with Winchester, with a saving of approximately M£2, which initially had some teething problems but now seems to be working pretty efficiently. Other partnerships are with the Hampshire County Council with IT and a shared audit with the County Council and Southampton. There is also shared management team between East Hampshire and Havant. Where planning is concerned within the SDNP we have a partnership whereby the District deals with applications of a smaller nature, any application of more than ten houses or should there be a controversial application the National Park will call it in.

Flooding, we are all aware the south has endured a long period of flooding and gales, which is still a problem in Farringdon due to ground water levels and water still flowing down the main road. The district council officers at the height of the problems were working night and day assisting with other agencies, the issues being experienced by residents and businesses. They are now focussing on recovery and support to assist those trying to get back to some normality.

District Councillor Mrs Jennifer Gray reported that Council Strategy had been agreed at the last full Council. For the Joint Core Strategy EHDC have, in the main modifications, asked for "about" 700 houses, not minimum & the SDNP have done the same. There is a meeting on development at the Central Forum on 1 April, and a representative of the SDNP should be there.

Planning applications were flooding in including one for the Inwood Road reserve site that now had 25 houses as per Inspector's recommendation and following consultation with the SDNP design officer.

There would be no rise in the Council Tax & there was a budget surplus of £400k; EHDC had yet to confirm how this will be used, but it may be made over to Community Investment Fund.

The HCC Supporting People grant has been drastically cut by over £200,000. This will take effect in about a year's time. This will affect Radian & means they will have to reconfigure their management services. There will be a Motion going to next full Council voicing the great concern of EHDC as this reduction will impact on EHDC funding, to tune of about £40,000.

There is also a Motion going to full Council, proposed by the Leader, re the proposed cuts in bus services.

Cllr Gray had expended her Devolved grants budget in full giving to Newman Collard Playing Fields, the Crossover Centre, and LPC for CCTV upgrade.

PARISHIONERS' QUESTIONS

Mr Chapman raised concerns over an article in Hampshire Now that he had received today. It appeared to indicate that residents had a duty to clear ditches.

The Chairman said that the matter would be investigated & reported back to Mr Chapman.

Mr Rees passed on the comments of a contractor who was working on property near his house; he had said that Liss seemed a nice place to live given its selection of nice village shops.

There being no other business the Chairman thanked residents for attending & the meeting was closed at 21.27hrs.

26/3/14

LISS NEWS

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Big decisions on the horizon for villagers

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NEARLY two-thirds of residents at Liss Parish Council's annual parish meeting voted for the council to undertake a Neighbourhood Plan.

Ten out of 16 residents voted for the plan, which needs to be led by the parish council, but has to have public representation on the steering group.

Liss Parish Council chairman Keith Budden said: "We want an indication from some people that they are willing to be involved before we commit to a Neighbourhood Plan."

"We could have ten councillors and one member of the public on the steering group or one councillor and ten members of the public, but it needs to be led and chaired by someone from the parish council."

"Our thoughts are we are looking at holding a special council meeting as we feel

this is too big a decision for the planning committee to make.

"At the special meeting, those who have got an interest will be able to come along and listen to the debate and the public will have a chance to share their views."

"I think this is the biggest decision in this council session as it will affect the next 15 years in Liss."

One of the key factors which may affect the council's decision is the time the Neighbourhood Plan will take, which could be two years.

Cllr Budden said: "My personal feel is that we need to do it but it is a tricky one as it requires time and effort."

"If we do it, we will receive an increased Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) payment so the cost won't be too much, but the big issue is the cost in time and if people can put the time in."

"The steering group will evolve and we can have people for a part of the plan, for example, highways. I think the pro-

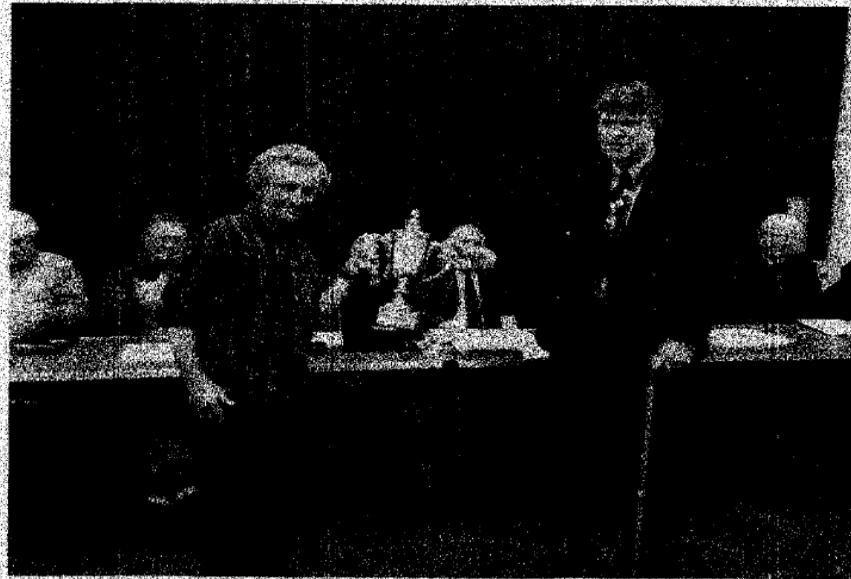
spect is exciting and daunting.

"We will have a few concentrated areas and, personally, I would see there being no more than ten policies."

At the annual meeting in Liss Village Hall there was also an update on the West Liss pavilion project. It was announced that the council is talking to potential contractors and a deadline of September has been set for the council to choose the contractor. Work on the ambitious project is planned to start in April 2015.

A presentation was made to Liss Band, celebrating its 40th anniversary in October, and the villager of the year trophy went to former Liss postman Dave Ray who delivered mail in the village for 27 years and now works in Petersfield.

Cllr Budden added: "Liss Band provide excellent music and are fantastic ambassadors for Liss. We had a high number of nominations for the annual villager award, but the unanimous choice was Dave Ray. Our loss is Petersfield's gain."



Dave Ray receiving his Villager of the Year trophy from parish council chairman Keith Budden.

Homes planned in

LISS

25th/26th July 2014

Liss Village Hall

LISS PARISH COUNCIL

**Neighbourhood Plan
Exhibition**



YOUR VILLAGE, YOUR FUTURE, YOUR PLAN

Where should a minimum of **150 new homes** go in Liss?

How do **you** want to see Liss develop by 2030?

Come along to our exhibition and find out how **you** can have **your** say on the future of Liss.

Whether you are 7 or 70, the neighbourhood plan affects the future of **your** village, so it is important **you** let us know **your** views..

Please come along—and invite your friends....

FRIDAY 25TH JULY 3.30pm—8pm

SATURDAY 26TH JULY 9am—4pm

Free Shuttle Bus on Saturday
26th July to the Village Hall
(11am - 3pm) from West Liss,
Liss Forest, Rake and Hill Brow

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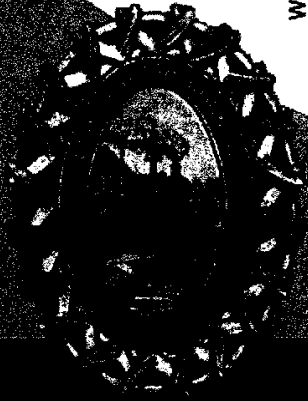
Liss Historical Society invites you to a major exhibition commemorating World War One. **PAGE 2**



Come to our exhibition and learn why we want Liss to develop a neighbourhood plan. **PAGE 3**



New lifesaving equipment donated to the parish by Liss Heart Trust. **PAGE 4**



laying the groundwork for tomorrow's community

LISS PARISH COUNCIL

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VOICE

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Your Village Needs You! As we shape our neighbourhood plan

The Joint Core Strategy developed by EHDC and the South Downs National Park has identified a need for 150 new houses on greenfield sites within the Liss Parish Council area and our neighbourhood plan will shape where these houses are to go



But we cannot produce a neighbourhood plan without input from YOU, the residents of Liss, Liss Forest, West Liss, Hill Brow and Rake.

So this is your opportunity to let us know what you would like to see in Liss over the next 15-20 years. Where would you like to see housing? Would you like more land made available for small business units? What leisure facilities would you like to see?

Thanks to the hard work of the Village Design Group over the last few years, and studies performed on behalf of East Hampshire District Council and the National Park while they were compiling the Joint Core Strategy, a good deal of the background research has already been done, but we now need your input on how it should all be brought together into a plan for your neighbourhood up to 2030. If you can spare a few hours a month, and have skills that will help bring the plan together, please get in touch with us soon.

PLAN ON IT! 25th/26th July Neighbourhood Plan Exhibition Liss Village Hall

We are holding a public exhibition to launch our Neighbourhood Plan at the Village Hall in the centre of Liss on Friday 25th July from 3.30-8pm and on Saturday 26th July from 9am-4pm.

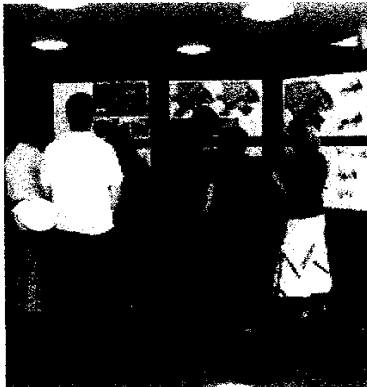
This exhibition will give you a chance to see where we are today, what you have asked for and how we are delivering it, as well as giving you more information on what a Neighbourhood plan is, how you can have your input and how you can get involved.

We plan to make the exhibition as interactive as possible and children are most definitely welcome, so come along with your family and help plan the future of Liss.

AND LOOKS TO THE FUTURE

Neighbourhood plan exhibiton at the Village Hall

Come along and have your say on the future of Liss, tell us your concerns and see how you can get involved in drawing up our Neighbourhood Plan which will define the shape of Liss up to 2030..



We have been working hard since the annual Parish meeting in March to put together this exhibition to show you what the work of the Village Design Group has already achieved, why we need a neighbourhood plan, the skills and capabilities that a steering group will need, and how the Neighbourhood Plan really will let YOU decide the look of Liss in the future.

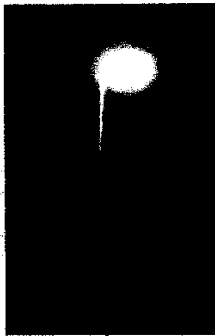
So come along to the Village Hall on Friday 25th and Saturday 26th July and **HAVE YOUR SAY!**

Exhibitions are open to all—families very welcome

NEW STREET LIGHTING FOR LISS

Between now and the end of 2014, the street lighting in Liss is due to be replaced.

The new lights are a modern more efficient design and give a brighter 'white' light and also concentrate the light more where it is needed, so lighter pavements and roads while not reflecting light back up in to the night sky, so contributing to the aims of the South Downs National Park to establish darker skies across the whole National Park area.



The street light replacement programme is being funded by Hampshire County Council under a PFI arrangement with SSE Power Distribution.

If a new streetlight results in unwanted light in your bedrooms, please email

hampshirepfi@ssecontracting.com who will arrange to fit a free shield to the lamp.

To find out more on how you can get involved with the neighbourhood plan please contact us on 01730 892823 or visit our website at www.lissneighbourhoodplan.org.uk

5 Reasons we need a **neighbourhood plan**

New Housing

The EHDC/SDNP Joint Core Strategy has allocated a minimum of 150 new homes to Liss by 2028 - a neighbourhood plan will shape where they go

Providing for future generations

A neighbourhood plan can help to ensure that sufficient new affordable homes are built to allow families to stay in the local area

Protecting our landscape

We are rightly proud of being a "hidden village" - a neighbourhood plan can help ensure we keep the landscape we all love

Keeping Good Design

Our Village Design Statement sets out our expectations of good design in new development. A neighbourhood plan will strengthen this guidance

Providing Village Infrastructure

A neighbourhood plan will ensure at least 25% of money received from developers is spent in the parish on facilities for local people.

LISS NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN FORUM - 6th SEPTEMBER 2014

Note of the meeting

1. Welcome and introductions

Sue Halstead (Chair of Liss Parish Council Planning Committee) introduced the members of Liss Parish Council (LPC) and Chris Paterson from the South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA) and provided an overview of the morning.

2. What is the Neighbourhood Plan?

Roger Hargreaves, a parish councillor, outlined the planning process and the role of the Neighbourhood Plan, the relationship to the South Downs National Park Local Plan, the role of the community and the possible timetable for the plan.

DCLG guidance had been circulated on neighbourhood planning to provide general guidance. Cllr Hargreaves highlighted the importance of the plan which would become part of the statutory planning process, providing community influence over the planning process and an increased level of Developer's Contributions. Although LPC initiated the process, it would be the community who would need to take this forward. It was noted that the Plan would need to be in line with the Joint Core Strategy and SDNP Local Plan. The SDNPA had designated Liss an area for a Neighbourhood Plan on 14th August. Roger Hargreaves advised that a draft would be prepared over the next year and would run parallel to the SDNP Local Plan process. In response to a question from Jerry Ogilve on timing, Chris Paterson advised that the aim was to have the Local Plan finally approved by the end of 2017. LPC would then submit to the SDNPA and a referendum would take place on accepting the plan.

3. Understanding the process

Roger Hargreaves advised that a Steering Group would be required to take over from the Parish Council and run the process, with LPC providing an overview and Working Groups providing a supporting function, for example investigating and providing the robust evidence which would be required (consultant studies may also be required). Those invited to the meeting would form the core of a forum to support the process. Liaison would also take place with East Hants District Council Hampshire County Council on related issues such as traffic and parking. The SDNPA would advise and support, for example assisting with workshops, advising and offering expertise. Chris Paterson advised that preparing a park wide policy meant that evidence and information would be required from parish councils which would be funded by the SDNPA. This in turn would contribute to the research

required for the Neighbourhood Plan. Chris highlighted the need for general conformity with other policies – the Joint Core Strategy, SD Local Plan and the National Plan. Roger Hargreaves advised that applications for funding would also need to be made by the Steering Group to funding bodies.

4. Setting up the Steering group and working groups

Roger Hargreaves advised that the Steering Group would need to be representative of the community, possessing appropriate skills and independent of any development interest. Draft Steering Group Terms of Reference had been circulated. The parish council would make the initial appointments following expressions of interest.

5. Questions so far!

- John Horrex asked whether a change of Government was likely to have an effect on the sustainability focus. Roger Hargreaves replied that this was a fairly mainstream issue and given the presence of EU legislation on the issue this was unlikely.
- Chris Battersby-Taylor enquired as to whether all areas of Liss would be represented in a proportionate manner. Roger Hargreaves and Sue Halstead advised that they were aware of the importance for each of the different areas to be represented due to differing interests and characteristics.
- Ben Snow highlighted the importance for the Steering Group to reflect the demographics of the community, in terms of age and position on the property ladder.
- Lisa Harfield asked how we could include the views of those not present at the meeting who may have views. Roger Hargreaves replied that this was a challenge to be undertaken and Sue Halstead advised that work would be required by a working group to reach out to the younger element of the community.
- Keren Burney sought clarification on the roles of the Steering Group and working groups. Sue Halstead advised that the Steering Group would manage and own the process and be the decision making body (in a consensual and democratic manner) and that the working groups would report to the Steering Group providing evidence. Keren asked whether the areas of nature and biodiversity were in scope and Roger Hargreaves advised that this was the case.
- Roger Hargreaves also commented that that consideration would be given to a lack of open space. Jim Lutener questioned whether there was a lack of open space. Sue Halstead advised that a District Council survey had stated Liss was significantly short of open space based on a calculation per head of population. Jim also questioned whether planning requirements would change as time moved on, and whether it was envisaged that the Steering Group would retain a role to respond to this.

Roger Hargreaves advised that the Steering Group's remit would be to draft the Neighbourhood Plan and that it was not envisaged that it would retain a role beyond that. Chris Paterson advised that the parish council would own the planning process but that one option was for the Steering Group to retain an advisory capacity to the parish council as had happened elsewhere.

6. Key issues

Sue Halstead highlighted the document summarising the public input at the previous event. Discussion of the key issues then took place in four groups.

A summary of issues highlighted is as follows:

Group A:

- There is a need for a better understanding of constraints: Newman Collard ownership, environmental constraints and MOD land
- Infrastructure: doctors, local schools, highways/ road network, emergency services
- Traffic: speed and parking issues made worse by increased population, Ham Barn roundabout, calming measures and specific issues such as HGVs on Andler's Ash Road
- Design and aesthetics: sympathetic design of new as well as existing (e.g. Tesco building), Smith's garage an opportunity
- Countryside and natural environment within the village and links from the village

Group B:

- Population balance: young people, young families, older people wanting smaller homes
- Traffic and parking: parking on site for new development, traffic calming, car parks and enforcement of on street parking
- Facilities for youth
- Mobile telephone signals poor
- Business start-up facilities
- What are the advantages of Liss?
- 'Shape' of the village
- Green corridors

Group C:

- Traffic congestion and flow: road layout including Ham Barn
- Community facilities: diversity and location of shops, leisure facilities

- Affordable housing: housing association
- Design: green space within and around new developments
- Medical services
- Transport sustainability: railway, buses, hopper
- Preservation of natural environment

Group D:

- Keep the 'heart' of Liss – not like Liphook
- Traffic implications of any development
- Nature – protect wildlife corridors
- Employment

7. Consultation and community involvement

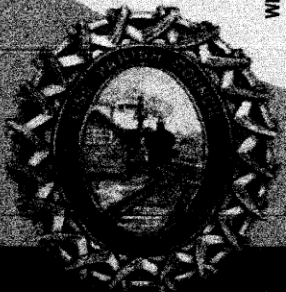
Consideration was given to the best way of maintaining community involvement. Roger Hargreaves advised that a Neighbourhood Plan website would be set up but the Parish Council was looking for someone to help with this.

8. What next?

Roger Hargreaves requested that those interested in being part of the Steering Group or working groups fill in the slips. The Parish Council would keep everyone updated and welcomed feedback from the Forum at any time. It was envisaged that there would be a move from Parish Council management of the process to the Steering Group but communication to everyone during this transition would be maintained.

The meeting closed at 11.45am.


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VOICE

WE'RE OFF!
The Neighbourhood Plan Gets Going
And its time for you to get involved

A Steering Group has been set up by the Parish Council to organise the preparation of the Liss Neighbourhood Plan. This plan will join the South Downs National Park Local Plan and will decide the future of Liss.

Sir John Dunt will chair the group. He has lived in the village for over 30 years. Other members are local residents who have volunteered and who have been chosen to reflect all sections of the community. They are: Phil Deacon, Stephen Mannerings, Roger Mullenger, Michael Oakley, Charmian Porton, Dan Steer & Adam Tither. Parish Council members are Sue Halstead, Roger Hargreaves and Angela Wright. The group may co-opt others as necessary.



We are holding another
NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN FORUM
 at 10am on Saturday 14th February in the Village Hall, Hillbrow Road.
 Do come along, find out what's happening, and join one of the working groups we are setting up, or simply have your say.

If you cannot make the Forum, but still want to get involved, or have a say then let the Steering Group know. The easiest way is to email our administrator on lissneighbourhoodplan@gmail.com or give your contact details to the Parish Clerk (01730 892823), or drop a note into the Parish Office behind the Village Hall.


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Village Bus Services

Hampshire County Council have ceased funding for the 38 Bus Service from Petersfield to Alton on Saturdays.

Many thanks to everyone who has signed the petition against this decision

The Chairman of the Parish Council is currently engaged in discussions with the County Council, EHDC and the National Park and it is hoped that a replacement 16 seater mini bus service will be in action soon.



Meeting on flooding called at 7pm Tuesday 17th February in the Village Hall. Hampshire County Council and others- come along if you might be prepared to volunteer to be a Flood Warden for your road

SMELL THE FLOWERS

“Liss in Bloom” - the organisation which managed flower beds in the centre of the village ceased to exist a few years ago.

Liss Horticultural Society worked last autumn to clear the shrub bed in front of the station. In Liss Forest the Residents' Association maintains their excellent seasonal floral displays. Elsewhere one or two stalwart volunteers do their best to maintain basic planting and pruning.



Liss now needs a new generation of green fingered residents to create more floral interest and colour throughout the village.

Would you like to help?

Could “Liss in Bloom” be revived?

Don't delay, if you would like to volunteer please contact the Parish Office 01730 892823 (or email lissparish@aol.com)

MORE ON THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The bulk of the work is expected to be undertaken during 2015. Many volunteers came forward at the launch exhibition and followup meeting last year. But the Steering Group wants to involve as many people as possible.



But the Steering Group needs your help. The Chairman has made a very clear commitment that:

“Throughout the preparation of the Plan we want to ensure all residents have opportunities to make their views known. The involvement of our young people through the schools and youth organisations will be vital. The future of Liss is theirs.”

Why bother? Because Liss must take its share of the development, particularly to meet the affordable housing needs of local people. Having our own plan will give us a much bigger say in deciding where and what type of development will take place. The plan will need to take account of infrastructure, the local economy, community facilities, and most importantly the protection of the beautiful countryside which surrounds us.

NEW STREET LIGHTING

The new street lights have now been installed throughout the village and additional street lights installed in some areas.

We have had requests for an additional light on the footpath between the Inwood Road estate and Hill Brow Road and we are currently in negotiations with East Hampshire District Council to see how these could be achieved

If a new streetlight results in unwanted light in your bedrooms, please email hamshirepfi@ssecontracting.com who will arrange to fit a free shield to the lamp.



73 BUS SERVICE ENDS

The 73 bus service operated by Wheel-Drive on Wednesdays to Bordon and Petersfield has been discontinued due to recent spending cuts by HCC.

However, the good news is that it is now possible to get to Bordon any day Monday to Friday by taking the 38 bus service to Greatham and then catching the EC3 bus service to Bordon.

We are currently negotiating with the operators of the EC3 service to ensure there is sufficient time for passengers to change buses.

To find out more on how you can get involved with the neighbourhood plan please contact us on 01730 892823 or visit our website at www.lissneighbourhoodplan.org.uk



LISS NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - PUBLIC FORUM

SATURDAY 14TH FEBRUARY 2015

10 AM

LISS VILLAGE HALL

Find out what is happening with the Liss Neighbourhood Plan, have your say and get involved with preparing the plan

ALL WELCOME

Email: Lissneighbourhoodplan@gmail.com

Liss Neighbourhood Plan
Neighbourhood Plan Forum

Saturday 14 February 2015
10.00 am Village Hall, Hillbrow Road
Agenda

1. Welcome and introductions

- The Chairman, Sir John Dunt

2. Update on progress

- The Project Manager, Roger Hargreaves

- Timetable
- Budget
- The South Downs National Park Authority Local Plan
- The Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA)

3. Vision and objectives

(A first draft for discussion at the Forum, is attached)

4. Setting up the working groups

(A note on the proposed working groups is attached)

5. Engaging with the community

Setting up a communications group

6. Questions and any other points

If you have comments or thoughts about the plan after the Forum please email them to lissneighbourhoodplan@gmail.com or drop a note in at the Parish Council Office behind the Village Hall.

Vision and Objectives

The Steering Group has been considering a vision and a set of objectives to guide our work. We have looked at the comments from you at the Exhibition last year and the objectives of the Parish Plan and the Village Design Statement. Our first attempt is very broad brush, and we will need to end up with statements which are more precise, but at this stage we need to know that we are going in the right direction.

Set out below are a number of statements we are considering. Do you agree with them, can you suggest how we can be more precise, or do you want to suggest something different? We will have a discussion at the Forum.

A VISION FOR LISS

The Hidden Village

To be a vibrant, attractive and sustainable village with a distinctive character, which contributes to the South Downs National Park and meets the needs of its community.

Objectives of the Neighbourhood Plan

To influence the amount, type and location of development and its financial contributions in order to achieve a village that should:

Environmentally:

- *be in harmony with its distinctive landscape*
- *maintain the character of its different parts*
- *be of high quality and distinctive design*
- *have green spaces, open vistas and places for wildlife*
- *embrace sustainable development*
- *build on its place in the national park*

Socially:

- *be vibrant, with a strong social and community life*
- *have a balance of age and social mix*
- *support its young people*
- *have a good range of high quality services*
- *be safe*

Economically:

- *provide good employment opportunities*
- *have businesses that contribute to its vibrancy*
- *have a modern infrastructure*

Communications:

- *support those who walk and cycle*
- *provide for the elderly and disabled*
- *manage the impact of vehicles, access and parking*

LISS PARISH COUNCIL

LISS NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Steering Group Terms of Reference

1. Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of the Steering Group is to oversee the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan for the Liss Parish; fulfilling all the requirements of the process, ensuring that all issues are addressed properly, with high levels of community engagement, in order to maximise the potential for the Plan to be supported at the local referendum.

2. Key Roles

- 2.1 To develop and deliver the Liss Neighbourhood Plan in as timely fashion as possible. To provide strategic direction for the project and ensure all milestones are met for the production of the Plan.
- 2.2 To use the Neighbourhood Plan to further the social, economic and environmental wellbeing of individuals living, or wanting to live in the area as well as the business community.
- 2.3 To act as the public face and principal contact for the Neighbourhood Plan, engaging fully with the local community and other stakeholders to ensure that as far as possible their views are taken into account in preparing the plan
- 2.4 To commission specific areas of evidence and analysis as required, taking account of previous studies within Liss or undertaken by the South Downs National Park Authority.
- 2.5 To recommend the final draft plan to the Liss Parish Council for submission to the South Downs National Park Authority.

3. Organisation

- 3.1 The Steering Group may appoint working groups to assist in its work. The working groups should work within the strategic guidance of the Steering Group and these Terms of Reference. They will report to the Steering Group. Each working group will normally include a member of the Steering Group who will ensure close links between the working group and the Steering Group.
- 3.2 The Steering Group will maintain a Neighbourhood Plan Forum, drawn from residents of Liss parish who show an interest in the Neighbourhood Plan. The purpose of the Forum is to ensure that a wide spectrum of views from the Liss community are taken into account in the production of the plan. The Steering Group will keep the Neighbourhood Plan Forum informed of its work and take account of the views and suggestions of the Forum. The Steering Group may invite members of the Forum to contribute to working groups. Normally Forum meetings will be held quarterly.
- 3.3 Close working links will be maintained with the South Downs National Park Authority to ensure compliance with statutory requirements and with planning policy.

4. Relationship to the Liss Parish Council

- 4.1 The Parish Council has the statutory responsibility for initiating the neighbourhood plan process and submitting the plan to the South Downs National Park Authority. It will make the initial appointment of the Steering group.
- 4.2 The Steering Group must agree with the Parish Council the terms of reference, the membership of the Steering Group, the proposed project plan, the project budget, and any major subsequent

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changes to the project plan and budget, the proposed neighbourhood plan prior to any public consultation on the draft, and the final draft of the Neighbourhood Plan for submission to the South Downs National Park Authority. The Parish Council will hold and manage any financial accounts on behalf of the Steering Group.

5. Membership of Steering Group

- 5.1 The Steering Group will consist of no less than ten members. Three members will be appointed by the Liss Parish Council. Once the Steering Group is established it may co-opt new members up to a total membership of 15 members.
- 5.2 Members must reside within Liss Parish, except that a person living outside the parish but with close links to Liss, such as running an established local business, may be invited to join.
- 5.3 The Steering Group shall be quorate when at least half of the members attend. Decisions will be made by majority voting of all members present. In the event of a tie the chairman will have a second and casting vote.
- 5.4 The steering group may be supported by officers from the South Downs National Park Authority, other relevant agencies and any advisors appointed by the group. Supporting officers and advisors can attend meetings and contribute to the discussions, as required, but may not vote.

6. Conduct of the Steering Group

- 6.1 The Steering Group shall elect a Chair, and Vice Chair and also a Secretary unless the Steering Group chooses to use a non member of the Steering Group to act as secretary. If the Chair and Vice Chair are unable to attend a meeting then a temporary Chair (selected from the Steering Group members) will be elected for that meeting.
- 6.2 The Secretary will take notes/minutes from the meeting, record main decisions and action points; and make these available to the public.
- 6.3 The Steering Group may invite others to attend and speak at a meeting of the group. The Neighbourhood Forum can also nominate items for debate by the Steering Group
- 6.4 Members of the Group must treat each other with respect and dignity, allowing members to air their views without prejudice and interruption.
- 6.5 Members must ensure that there is no discrimination in the plan making process and that it is an inclusive, open and transparent process to all groups in both the local community and those involved in the development process. All members of the Steering Group must declare any personal interest that may be perceived as being relevant to any decisions or recommendations made by the group. This includes ownership of or interest in land or residing close to proposed developments.
- 6.6 The Parish Council, at the request of the Steering Group, may require Members to stand down from the Steering Group or a working group if they do not abide by these Terms of Reference.

7. Process

- 7.1 The Steering group shall produce a project plan and accompanying budget setting out how it proposes to go about the production of the Neighbourhood plan. It will make the project plan and budget available to the Neighbourhood Plan Forum. It will conduct its work in accordance with that plan and budget and adequately record the process, including any amendments to the project plan and budget.

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Liss Neighbourhood Plan Forum
Working Groups
February 2015

1. The Steering Group proposes to compress the original working groups into three broad areas. Within these broad areas are a number of topics. Inevitably, not all topics are a neat fit, and the groups will need to relate to each other, but it is felt that the overall management of the process will be stronger if carried through a limited number of groups.
2. The proposed groups and their principal tasks are:
 - a. Housing need and Site Criteria**
 - Assess housing needs and demand in Liss.
 - Draw up criteria for locating housing sites.
 - Draw up criteria for controlling development on windfall sites.
 - Assess landscape, greenspace, environment and biodiversity assets, both as inputs into the above criteria and to identify assets that may need local protection.
 - b. Housing sites and Design**
 - Identify availability of sites.
 - Assess suitability and capacity of sites against location criteria.
 - Assess design and layout of allocated sites and draw up development briefs.
 - Draw up design principles to apply to windfall housing.
 - Assess possible improvements to the street scene and how development can help to make those improvements.
 - c. Community facilities, infrastructure and business**
 - Assess infrastructure (principally roads, footpaths, cycleways) needs and how development can help to meet these.
 - Assess needs for community facilities and how development can help to meet these.
 - Assess how to promote business through the allocation of sites and policies controlling development.
3. Chairmen have been identified for the working groups. Many of you have expressed interest in getting involved and at the Forum we would like to confirm which groups (or perhaps just individual tasks) that you would like to join.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is a Neighbourhood Plan?

A Neighbourhood Plan enables local communities to prepare their own plan to be used alongside the Local Plan prepared by the planning authority when deciding future development. It will become part of the statutory plan for the area

Who is the Planning Authority for Liss?

The South Downs National Park Authority is the statutory planning authority. The Park Authority is currently preparing a new Local Plan for the whole Park which it expects to be adopted in 2017. In East Hampshire the District Council has delegated responsibility for determining most routine planning applications.

What is a Local Plan?

A local plan sets out the planning policy framework to guide and control development over a given period. Local Plans must conform to Government Planning Policies. A Liss Neighbourhood Plan must be consistent with both Government and National Park planning policies and will be adopted alongside the South Downs National Park Local Plan.

Why do a Neighbourhood Plan for Liss?

It provides an opportunity for the whole community to be involved in looking forward 15 -20 years to influence the way the village will develop to meet our future needs. Without a Neighbourhood Plan policy decisions on the siting & design of housing and business development will be taken by the Park Authority. A Liss Neighbourhood Plan will be a plan for the whole parish, including Liss Forest, West Liss, Hillbrow and parts of Rake. It will let the community decide how we best make our contribution towards meeting the housing needs in the Park, while considering traffic, protecting wildlife corridors and biodiversity and maintaining the character of Liss as a "Hidden Village".

Who is producing the Liss Neighbourhood Plan?

The Parish Council has the statutory responsibility for initiating the process and for submitting the Plan to the National Park Authority. The Parish Council has appointed a representative Steering Group to guide working groups of volunteers drawn from a wider forum of local residents who have expressed an interest in being involved. Throughout the process every attempt will be made to involve all Liss residents, both young and old. Support will be provided by the National Park and it may be necessary to use consultants for some technical aspects of the work.

How can I be involved?

Everyone is encouraged to engage in the process. There will be more public meetings/exhibitions/ questionnaires, etc. Please let us know how you would like to be involved and do stay in touch. You can email us on lissneighbourhoodplan@gmail.com or telephone the Parish Office on 01730 892823. We are setting up a website, so keep an eye out for that.

How will the Neighbourhood Plan be agreed?

The Parish Council will submit the Plan to the National Park for their agreement. It will then be subject to an independent examination by a government appointed inspector. Changes may be recommended at either of these stages.

The final stage is a referendum to ensure that the local community has the final say. All registered voters are entitled to vote in the referendum. If more than 50% of those who vote support the Plan then the National Park must adopt it.

How long will it take?

It is expected that the bulk of the work will be undertaken during 2015. Drafting and the legal processes, which include a local referendum, will extend into 2016. The aim is to meet the SDNPA Local Plan timetable.

How much will it cost?

Most of the work will be undertaken by volunteers, but there will be administrative costs and possible consultants' fees. Some funding is available from Government and some from the National Park. The Parish Council has budgeted £7,000 over two years, which amounts to a little over £1 per head of the population. The National Park will cover the costs of the examination and the referendum.

What is the Joint Core Strategy?

The Joint Core Strategy which was prepared jointly by the District Council and the Park Authority is the current strategy for development of East Hampshire 2011- 2028. Government statistics and data from across the District were used to set the housing targets and its geographical distribution. Numbers were evidence-based and were scrutinised by a Government Inspector at two lengthy Examinations in Public prior to formal adoption in 2014. It replaces all the strategic policies in the East Hampshire District Local Plan 2nd Review. It is the current statutory plan for Liss, and includes some detailed policies which have been "saved" from the 2nd Review Plan. The National Park Local Plan, once adopted, will replace the JCS and the saved EHDC policies.

What are the housing targets for Liss?

The Joint Core Strategy says a minimum of 150 homes must be built on new allocated (Greenfield) sites by 2028. An estimated 136 new homes will be built on windfall (brownfield) sites during the plan period. However, the Park Authorities' Local Plan is now looking ahead to 2032 and also questioning whether more houses are now needed before 2028. The neighbourhood plan could also propose more housing if the community thinks they are needed.

Why do we have to take so many houses?

More homes are required to house our growing population (2001 – 2011 Liss population grew 4%). To sustain our community we need to provide affordable homes for young families, enable first time buyers to get a foot on the ladder and to enable our key workers to live close to their work. Liss with the benefit of train and bus links, shops, schools and Drs' surgeries is seen as a sustainable location and was identified in the EHDC/SDNPA Joint Core Strategy as a Small Local Service Centre.

Can Liss challenge the Joint Core Strategy housing targets and have them reduced?

No, these numbers have been formally adopted following a statutory process. Liss cannot take less housing than has been allocated so far, and may have to take more.

Will the Greenfield housing target be reduced if more brownfield sites are developed?

No, once adopted the two are not inter-dependent. (NB: The windfall allowance is an estimate which equates to a lower average per annum than the average of 13 per annum which were built over the 10 year period 2004 – 2013.)

What happens next?

The SDNPA Local Plan for the whole of the National Park is expected to be adopted in 2017 and to run until 2032. Our housing target numbers are likely to increase to take account of this later end date. The new proposed figures should be known later this year. Prior to adoption there will be a consultation process which should provide opportunities for Liss to present evidence based challenge to new target numbers if they appear unacceptable/unachievable.

What sort of homes will be required?

Liss has an above average number of residents aged over 65. (23.6% in 2011 compared with SE England average of 17.2% and an East Hants average of 19.3%). The indication is that young adults have to move out of the village and are partially replaced by people coming back in later life. This may indicate a need for more affordable starter homes plus homes suitable for older people. The Neighbourhood Planning exercise will allow Liss to carry out a proper exercise to establish housing need.

How much Affordable Housing is required in Liss?

In June 2014 the total number of applicants registered with Hampshire Home Choice who had listed Liss as a preferred choice was 572.

Of this large number 120 registered applicants stated that they have a local Liss connection. 89 of these require 1 bedroom accommodation, of whom half are over 55. Half of those over 55s requested sheltered accommodation. Of the remainder, 23 required 2 beds, 5 required 3 beds and 3 required 4 beds. These numbers will change constantly and evidence will need to be updated.

What is Affordable Housing?

Housing which is built to provide homes for those who cannot afford the full price of a property, or rental. It can sometimes be shared ownership, or rental through a housing association. Market housing developments can be required to include a percentage of affordable housing. If the site is not capable of including affordable housing a cash developer contribution can be sought in lieu.

Can Liss require that any new affordable homes are kept for people with a Liss connection?

No, it may be possible to request that preference is given to people with a Liss connection, but it cannot be a "requirement" unless the affordable housing has been achieved through development of an "exception site" (land outside the settlement policy boundary), or by agreement with a provider of affordable housing.

What is a Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA)?

An evidence based report considering the different types of housing required in response to predicted population change and the accommodation requirements of specific groups. The East Hampshire SHMA was a key input in deciding the number of homes allocated to Liss in the Joint Core Strategy.

What is a SHLAA site?

The planning authority has to produce a list of potential housing sites – this is the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment. SHLAA sites can be submitted by anyone for the planning authority to consider. The SDNPA will consider all sites submitted taking into account a range of constraints, including landscape impact.

The SHLAA will identify sites which have the potential to be developed for housing, because they are considered to be suitable and available and achievable for development. The fact that a site has been mentioned in the SHLAA does not mean that it will be allocated or will be granted planning permission. The SHLAA does not decide where housing should be located or decide what specific sites should be allocated. This will be done through the Neighbourhood Plan process.

What is a Sustainability Appraisal?

An appraisal of policies in a plan to ensure they reflect sustainable development objectives (i.e. social, environmental and economic factors). The Liss Neighbourhood Plan is likely to have to be subjected to a Sustainability Appraisal.

What are Developers' Contributions?

Developer contributions are payments negotiated by the planning authority through Section 106 agreements with developers to provide infrastructure required to make a particular development acceptable. Payments are typically made for affordable housing, transport improvements, open space, community facilities and nature conservation. If the contribution is not spent according to the negotiated agreement it will be returned to the developer. In an attempt to cut the cost of developing small sites and so boost house building the Government has recently decided not to allow authorities to levy contributions on sites for less than 11 new homes. However, National Parks can seek to implement a lower threshold of 5. The SDNPA has yet to determine a threshold.

What is Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)?

CIL is a new system of planning charges that local planning authorities can use to raise funds from developers to pay for infrastructure and community facilities. The funds collected by the SDNPA will be used to fund a wide range of infrastructure necessary to support development across the whole Park such as roads, schools, green infrastructure, community services, sports & leisure facilities. The SDNPA is in the process of agreeing its charging schedule per sq. metre based on evidence of identified community infrastructure needs and local development viability. Each community has been asked to submit a list of anticipated local infrastructure projects which can be updated at any time. Consultation on the SDNPA final draft charging schedule is expected in May 2015. Once adopted, the CIL is expected to largely replace the current system of Developer Contributions although it is likely that S106 agreements will still be used to secure affordable housing and some on-site mitigation projects on larger sites. Communities with adopted Neighbourhood Plans will receive 25% of the CIL levied on local development. Other communities will receive 15% of CIL. There is no time limit for spending CIL and it may be used flexibly, including maintenance costs.

LISS NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN PROVISIONAL BUDGET 2015

Context

The cost of preparing a draft plan and in consulting the Liss community is up to the Parish Council and the local community. We must decide on how much to spend and how to raise the money. Some help is available from the SDNPA and from Government via an organisation called Locality. It is currently proposed to prepare the draft plan by the end of 2015, and consult with the Liss community following that, with a submission to the park authority around May 2016.

Once the draft plan has been submitted to the SDNPA the park authority bears the costs of seeking objections, taking it through an examination in front of a government appointed inspector and holding a referendum. During these stages any costs to the Parish Council and the local community will be minimal.

Some other neighbourhood plans have spent a lot of money on studies and on outside help or on such things as facilitating workshops. In Liss, because of previous work and the work being done by the park authority the assumption is that relatively limited additional studies will be required, and that as far as possible we will manage our own workshops and engagement with the community. The advice we have had from the park authority is that there should be no need to incur costs in the way that early neighbourhood plans have done.

Potential Expenditure to May 2016

(at this stage these are no more than ball park figures)

	£
Administrative costs	
Administrator Services	4,000
Parish Council administrative costs (mainly photocopying and some staff costs)	1,000
Consultants	
Housing need study	4,000
Sustainability Appraisal	5,000
Other	4,000
Communications	
Leaflets, newsletters, etc	3,000
Printing of plan	2,000
Contingency	1,000
TOTAL	24,000

Potential Income to May 2016

Parish Council	
2014/15 precept	2,000
2015/16 precept	5,000
2016/17 potential precept	5,000
SDNPA	5,000
Locality	7,000
TOTAL	24,000

1. The 2016/17 precept for the Parish Council is not yet agreed, and can only be spent from April 2016 onwards.
2. SDNPA will need an outline business case before making any payment
3. Locality will also need a business case and also has restrictions on money being spent on administrative support and services.
4. There is the potential for tapping into other sources of funds, and raising money ourselves, but the ones shown are those which are dedicated to neighbourhood planning.

Please give us your contact details if you would like to help with preparing the Liss Neighbourhood Plan

Put this form into the box for the topic which most interests you. [We will not give out your details without your permission]

If you have previously given your contact details, just put your name

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Liss Neighbourhood Plan forum sparks interest

Friday, 20 February 2015 By tomwhite@petersfieldpost.co.uk in

A NEIGHBOURHOOD Plan forum to help people find out more about the Liss Neighbourhood Plan has sparked plenty of interest.

The forum was held at Liss Village Hall on Saturday and attracted a healthy crowd, with some people agreeing to get involved with the plan.

Liss Neighbourhood Plan steering group chairman Sir John Dunt said: "It went very well and there were nearly 50 people there, who were all engaged with it.

"About a dozen volunteers were keen to get involved on Saturday, and they will be involved in the working groups.

"There will be working groups for housing needs, housing sites, and infrastructure and business facilities....

....Want to read the full story? Buy the February 18 edition of the Post - on sale now - or download a copy to your computer, mobile or tablet device by clicking on the 'Latest Edition' button on the top right hand corner of this page.



Tri-n-gle News

The newsletter of Liss Community Association

Spring 2015

NEW CINEMA DATES

VILLAGER OF THE YEAR ★

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Cover Photo taken by Tracey Haskins, Winner of the photographic competition.

VILLAGER OF THE YEAR

Charmian, the chairman of Liss Community Association has been voted Villager of the Year, which is much deserved for all she does at the Triangle and in the wider Community.



CAROLINE SEDGWICK

Welcome to Caroline Sedgwick as the new Treasurer of the Association.

Caroline is a chartered accountant who moved into the village 2 years ago and quickly became involved with The Triangle, volunteering for the Film Nights.

JUDY'S SNOWDROP MORNING

An incredible £720 was raised for the Red Cross on 17th February.

Judy says a big thank you to all her helpers who work hard to make the morning a success and of course to everybody who donated so generously.

A NEW PLAN FOR LISS VILLAGE

What sort of village do you want?

The Liss Village Plan is now underway. It is being prepared in our community and will decide where new homes and other development will go. If you want to know more or have your say please email lissneighbourhood@gmail.com or drop a note into the Parish Council Offices behind the Village Hall.



SATURDAY INDOOR MONTHLY MARKET

1st Saturday of the month – 9am – 12.30pm

Local and handmade crafts and produce.

After last year's successful debut, the Spirit of Music Festival returns to the Liss/Petersfield area of the beautiful South Downs. It offers high-quality, family-friendly musical events, from classical to light, old to new, workshops to concerts and children to adults. It is led by the SouthDowns Camerata, a string orchestra created from the best of local musicians, successful performers in their own right, and experienced teachers and workshop leaders. We are also delighted to welcome award-winning composer/lyricist Gwyneth Herbert and local literary historian Julia Mayo. This year's festival draws an interesting connection to literature and other arts and encourages local children and adults to discover their own talents and get playing, singing, or drawing themselves.



COFFEE BAR

The Coffee Bar is **open**

Mon – Sat
9.30am – 12 noon

Serving drinks and delicious home made cake.



JENNY SPOUSE

Held her first coffee morning on 13th March in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care. All who came enjoyed the lovely spring sunshine and an amazing £370 was raised!

BRYANTS GREENGROCER

Fresh Fruit & Vegetables.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Beer Festival
Saturday 29th August





LISS NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - PUBLIC FORUM

SATURDAY 11th JULY 2015

9.45 AM

LISS VILLAGE HALL

Find out what is happening with the Liss Neighbourhood Plan and how we find sites for housing.

Have your say and get involved with preparing the plan

ALL WELCOME

Email: Lissneighbourhoodplan@gmail.com

Email sent week before event.

Good morning,

This is to let you know that the next Liss Neighbourhood Plan Forum is on Saturday 11 July in the village hall. It will start at 10.00 am but please do come from 9.45 am so that you have a chance to see some of the maps and displays. We will be finished by midday at the latest.

The Forum aims to update everyone on progress so far but most of the time will be spent on a workshop in which we want to discuss possible sites for putting the 150 or so homes we have to provide in Liss over the next few years. A number of possible sites have been suggested, which we would like to show you at the Forum, but we will not look at those sites in detail until we have heard your views. We particularly want views on the criteria we should use for judging which sites are most suitable for housing, and for what type of housing.

What are the things which are important to look at in choosing sites?

No decisions will be made at the Forum, but it is a vital step for us all.

We look forward to seeing you on the 11th July.

Kind regards,

Wendy Smith

Administrator

Liss Neighbourhood Plan

PUBLIC FORUM - SATURDAY 11TH JULY - FEEDBACK FORM

Please give us your thoughts on the sites you have seen today and let us have any comments. You may also know of alternative sites – again we would be grateful if you could let us know about them and give us your feedback. Alternatively you can email us at: info@lissnp.org.uk

Thank you.

Your contact details are optional but would be helpful to us if we need to discuss any of your points with you.

Name:

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How does the Liss Neighbourhood Plan choose sites for housing?

We have to find Greenfield sites for a minimum of 150 dwellings.

The Process: This is the process we are following:

- a. Draw up a list of possible housing sites.

We have a list of sites identified by the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment carried by the South Downs National Park Authority. We have some other sites that have been suggested to us and we would like the community to suggest others.

- b. Look at the sites and get to know them.
- c. Draw up a list of possible criteria which the community can use for judging what is good or bad about the sites
- d. Share the sites and the criteria with the community, and ask for comment and additional ideas. That is what we are doing at the Forum on 11 July and via the website after the Forum .
- e. After we have had feedback on the sites and the criteria, and added any new sites suggested, we will use the criteria to compare the sites and assess which come out best for new housing.
- f. At this stage we will also invite any developers or landowners who wish to make an input to the Neighbourhood Plan to give their views.
- g. We will then hold another Forum in the Autumn 2015 and ask the community what you think about the results of the site assessment.
- h. We will take account of what the community says about the site assessment, and also look at how the likely sites fit with other proposals in the neighbourhood plan. We will then revise the list of best sites as necessary to produce a list of proposed sites.
- i. We will also draw up development briefs for each of the sites, which will set out proposals for the mix of housing, the general layout of the site, access, and other issues.
- j. If all goes well we will consult the community on the possible sites and the development briefs as part of a consultation the whole plan at the beginning of 2016. We will then make any further changes to proposals before submitting the plan to the South Downs National Park Authority.

The criteria for assessing sites

We have drawn up a draft list of criteria based on:

- Those used by the South Downs National Park Authority for their Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment,
- The Liss Landscape Character Assessment incorporated into the Village Design Statement
- Work done for the Neighbourhood plan on housing need

The criteria fall into four groups. The first three groups are general criteria which could be applied to any site being considered for development. The fourth group is criteria which we think we may want specifically in Liss.

- a. Specific environmental protection designations which are likely to exclude sites from being developed. For example, Ancient woodland, nature conservation, SSSIs, SPAs, nature reserves, ancient monuments etc)
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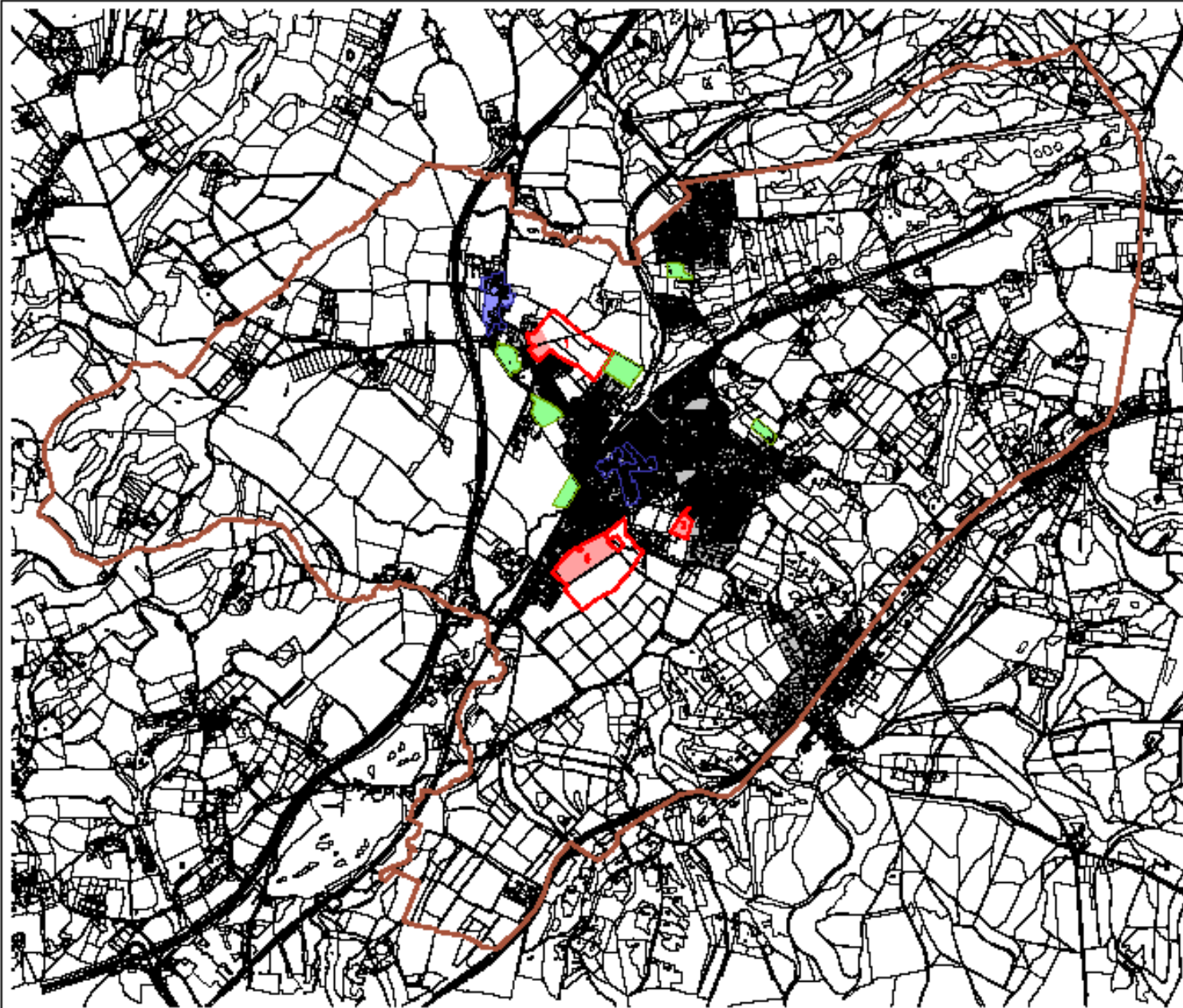
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We need comments and suggestions on all of the criteria, but particularly those in **group d.**
Which are most important to you? Are there others which we should include?

Please do look at our website: www.lissnp.org.uk to find out more about the Liss Village Neighbourhood Plan.

You can comment on the criteria or any other aspect of the Neighbourhood Plan by emailing info@lissnp.org.uk or write to The Administrator, Liss Neighbourhood Plan, The Council Room, Village Hall, Hillbrow Road, Liss, GU33 7LA or drop a note into the Parish Council Offices at the back of the village hall.



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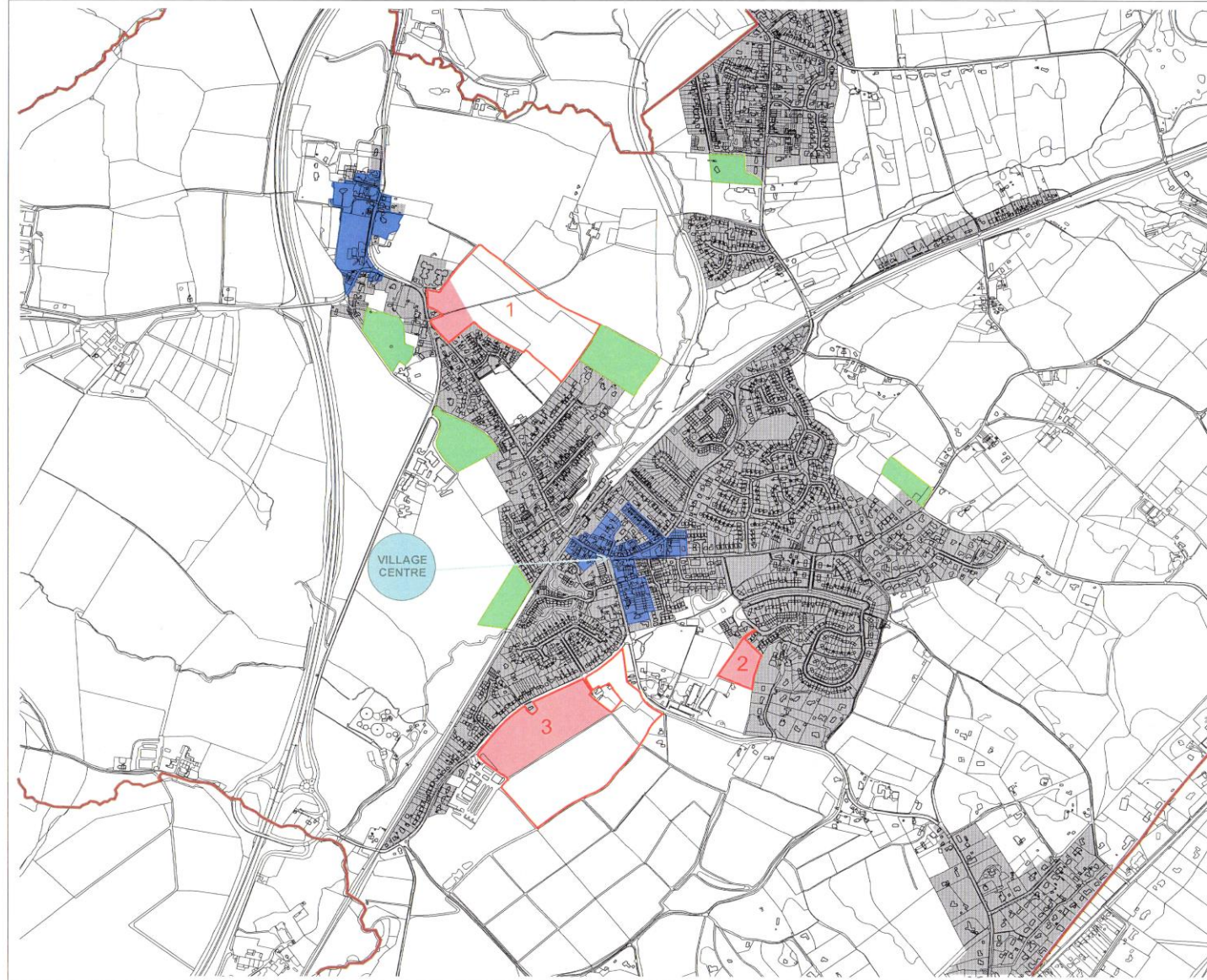
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The Liss Neighbourhood Plan (NP) Steering Committee

- John Dunt (Chairman)
- Roger Hargreaves (Project Manager)
- Susan Halstead
- Angela Wright
- Adam Tither
- Michael Oakley
- Phil Deacon
- Charmian Porton
- Roger Mullenger
- Dan Steer
- Stephen Mannerings
- Wendy Smith (Administrator)

The Task

- Identify sites for 286 new homes (150 green field) to be built by 2028
- Engage as many people in Liss as possible – all views are important
- Consider infrastructure and environmental issues
- Produce a PLAN by the end of the year (after engagement with potential developers and landowners)
- Further consultation with the Liss community and Liss Parish Council
- Scrutiny by South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA) early 2016
- Independent examination likely
- Referendum in village

Today

- Housing Need – Michael Oakley
- Environmental Issues – Roger Mullenger
- Community Facilities – Stephen Mannerings

HOUSING SITES AND CRITERIA

- The process for choosing sites – Sue Halstead
- Criteria for choosing sites – Michael Oakley
- Possible housing sites – Adam Tither

- Questions and Answers – open forum

Which criteria?

We have created a set of criteria to try to assess the quality and types of bio-diversity for each site considered.

Consideration to be given to the existence of ground water, streams and the effects of run-off caused by development.

There will need to be a Strategic Environmental Assessment; however, this will be done by specialist consultants.

Environmental Audit	
Bio-diversity	Status*
Trees needing preservation	H
Hedges needing preservation	H
Field Boundaries	H
Sensitive wet areas	N/A
Streams	N/A
Plants of interest	N/A
Animals of interest	I
Birds of interest	I
Butterflies of interest	
Historical interest	I
Impact on views	N/A
Nearby biosite	N/A
Flooding Risks	N/A
Immediate Action	
Tree Preservation Orders	Yes
Potential site improvements	
Flooding/run off	N/A
Hedges	Preserve
Right of way	
State	Good

* N/A, I(ntermediate, H(igh)

Environment group

Why

There are two main reasons for considering environmental issues

- to assist in the decision for the inclusion or exclusion of possible development sites
- to set guidelines for the development briefs of sites finally included in the Neighbourhood Plan

As a by-product of the process, more sites worthy of protection may be identified.



Fine field oak in West Liss

What have we done?

We have visited sites that have been identified as candidates for inclusion and produced summary information for each of our identified criteria.

Separately we have produced a sheet for each site, which describes in words and photos some of the key features of that site.

We have mapped significant trees on, or adjacent to, the identified sites which are not yet protected so that tree preservation orders can be assessed by EHDC.



What next?

We would now like feedback from residents on what we are doing and have done.

- are there any important criteria to be added to our list?
- are there any areas which could be considered for use as “Open Space” or “Green Space”

Ideas can be submitted via

- www.lissnp.org.uk/contact-us/
- survey form dropped into the Parish Council Office



Liss Housing Land Supply (2013) Table & Trajectory

Homes on Brownfield & Windfall Sites:

Completions 2011 – 2013 14

Permissions granted but not yet completed:

- 'Liss House' (NFU) 10 flats & 3 houses 13
- 'Spring Cottage', Mint Road, 2 houses (1 demolished) 1
- Smith's Garage Site 9/10
- 10 -12 Station Road shop/flat & 2 houses 3
- 'Old Heath Lodge', Plantation Rd. 2 houses (1 demolished) 1
- Liss Forest Post Office – 2 flats 2
- 'Tiercel', Brewells Lane, Rake 1
- 'Mill Race', Mill Road. Outline permission for 4 houses 4
- 71a & b Station Road. 6 flats 6
- Anticipated further windfalls 2014 to 2028 81

Total 2011 to 2028 136

This averages approximately 10 p/a compared with 13 p/a over 10 year period 2004 – 2013.

Homes Required on Newly Allocated Sites: 150

Total New Homes to be provided 2011 – 2028 286

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Design criteria

In addition to the SDNP assesment criteria the group have used the following principles established in the Liss Parish Plan and Village Design Statement should be applied when considering a potential development site:

1. No development should exceed 30no. units by a single developer to ensure that a varied style, mix and approach to housing is achieved
2. Social housing will be pepper-potted in the schemes to avoid areas of possible decline in the future
3. Amenity space should be included in the development if possible



Site 1
Farnham Road / Station Road

Area: 84,000m²
or 8.4 hectares
or 20 acres (approx)

(note: all figures are approximate and for comparison purposes only),



Site 1
Farnham Road / Station Road

A developers view of the site may be to accommodate 50 - 100, 1 to 2 bed houses on the site.

(note: proposal is indicative and for comparison / scale purposes only)

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Site 1
Farnham Road / Station Road

WG comments:

There is no satisfactory access due to limited visibility onto Farnham Road and the proximity to the junction with Station Road

The EHDC have previously commented that a roundabout in this location is not appropriate

It is a highly visible character area of the village

The site is a gap between West Liss and Liss which should be maintained



**Site 1
Farnham Road / Station Road**

WG suggestions:

Access could be linked to the existing housing estate

The new houses will be discrete yet have good connections to existing pathways, local walks, play spaces and the village centre

The feeling of open space when entering the village will be retained

There is the potential to open up the marsh area to the south of the site as amenity / wildlife walk space

Possible development:

Family houses due to the existing context and proximity to local play space

Have a soft edge to the housing line rather than linear streets to retain the rural character

Be limited to two storeys

Be a mix of materials as the surroundings have a mix of brick and render

Potential no. of units 30

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**Site 2
Inwood Road**

Area: 9,700m²
or 0.97 hectares
or 2 acres (approx)

(all figures are approximate and for comparison purposes only)



**Site 2
Inwood Road**

A developers view of the site may be to accommodate 20 - 40, 1 to 2 bed houses on the site.

(note: proposal is indicative and for comparison / scale purposes only)



**Site 2
Inwood Road**

WG comments:

Access could be linked to the existing housing estate

The new houses will be discrete yet have good connections to play spaces and the village centre

The existing site is unused and will have limited impact to existing residents
no key views are affected by development

Possible development:

EHDC have produced a development brief for the site and planning proposals have been submitted previously with further proposal expected

The groups only comment is any development should not exceed the height of the existing treeline to limit the impact to long range views

Potential no. of units: 25no.



**Site 3
Andlers Ash Road**

Area: 122,000m²
or 12.2 hectares
or 30 acres (approx)

(all figures are approximate and for comparison purposes only)



Site 3
Andlers Ash Road

A developers view of the site may be to accommodate 200 - 250, 1 to 2 bed houses on the site.

(note: proposal is indicative and for comparison / scale purposes only)



**Site 3
Andlers Ash Road**

WG comments:

Access to the site is good

The new houses will have good connections to play spaces and the village centre

No key views are affected by development

WG suggestions:

Three separate developments along Andlers Ash Road

Potentially locate elderly housing on the site nearest the village centre

Be limited to go no further into the site than the existing barn

Include a strong buffer / native tree belt to create boundary between the development and rising open landscape beyond



**Site 3
Andlers Ash Road**

Possible development:

Have at least a 5m buffer from the road with hedgerows to soften the edge of the scheme

Provide views through the scheme maintaining the connection to the open space behind

Include traffic calming measures on Andlers Ash Road such as a mini roundabout

Provide amenity space within each scheme and have pathways linking each development

Be limited to two storeys with a mix of detached and semi detached houses

Be a mix of materials as the surroundings have a mix of brick and render

Potential no. of units
30 + 30 + 25 = 85



**Example scheme
Upper Mount (off Andlers Ash Road)**

Provides amenity space within the scheme

Is limited to two storeys with a mix of detached and semi detached houses

Is a mix of materials as the surroundings have a mix of brick and render



**Site 4
Eden Lodge**

WG comments:

It is a disused site

It potentially re-enforces the old boundary of West Liss

The new houses will be discrete yet have good connections to existing pathways, local walks, play spaces and the village centre

The feeling of open space when entering the village will be retained

Possible development:

Provide details of the access proposals as the potential entrance is on a blind corner

Potentially provide a crossing for new residents

Have a mix of styles with smaller houses on the perimeter to respect the surrounding context

Be limited to two storeys

Potential no. of units 30

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**Site 5
Brows Farm**

WG comments:

Any new houses will be relatively discrete yet have good connections to existing pathways, local walks, play spaces and the village centre

The feeling of open space when entering the village will be retained

There is existing access to the site from the Farnham Road / Brows Farm

Possible development:

Be limited to the existing farm buildings to protect the long range views of St Mary's Church

Form a new communal amenity space which will act as a buffer zone to the existing houses on the other side of the field

Be limited to two storeys with a mix of detached, semi-detached and terraced houses

Potential no. of units 30

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Site 6
Riverside Close

WG comments:

The group suggest that the site is not appropriate for development as:

Vehicular access would require a long link road from the Farnham Road across existing farmland

The site does not have any natural boundary and may open up the possibility of future village spread

The site is separated from the village by the train line – to provide easy walking access to the village a bridge may need to be considered which is unlikely



Site 7
St Mary's Road

WG comments:

The site is designated as a wildlife site and a site of importance for nature conservation by the South Downs National Park. According to the assessment criteria, the site is therefore excluded



**Site 8
Rake Road**

WG comments:

It is a disused site

The new houses will be discrete yet have a good connection to the village centre

The feeling of open space when entering the village will be retained

Possible development:

Provide a new footpath as currently people have to walk on the road

Be larger family houses with a mix of styles

Be limited to two storeys

Be a mix of materials as the surroundings have a mix of brick and render

Potential no. of units 25

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Site 9
Hollywood, Liss Forest

WG comments:

The group suggest that it is unlikely the site is appropriate for development as:

A previous development proposal for the site was rejected by the council

The site extends the settlement boundary of Liss Forest

The site may be considered brownfield and not count toward the 150no. target






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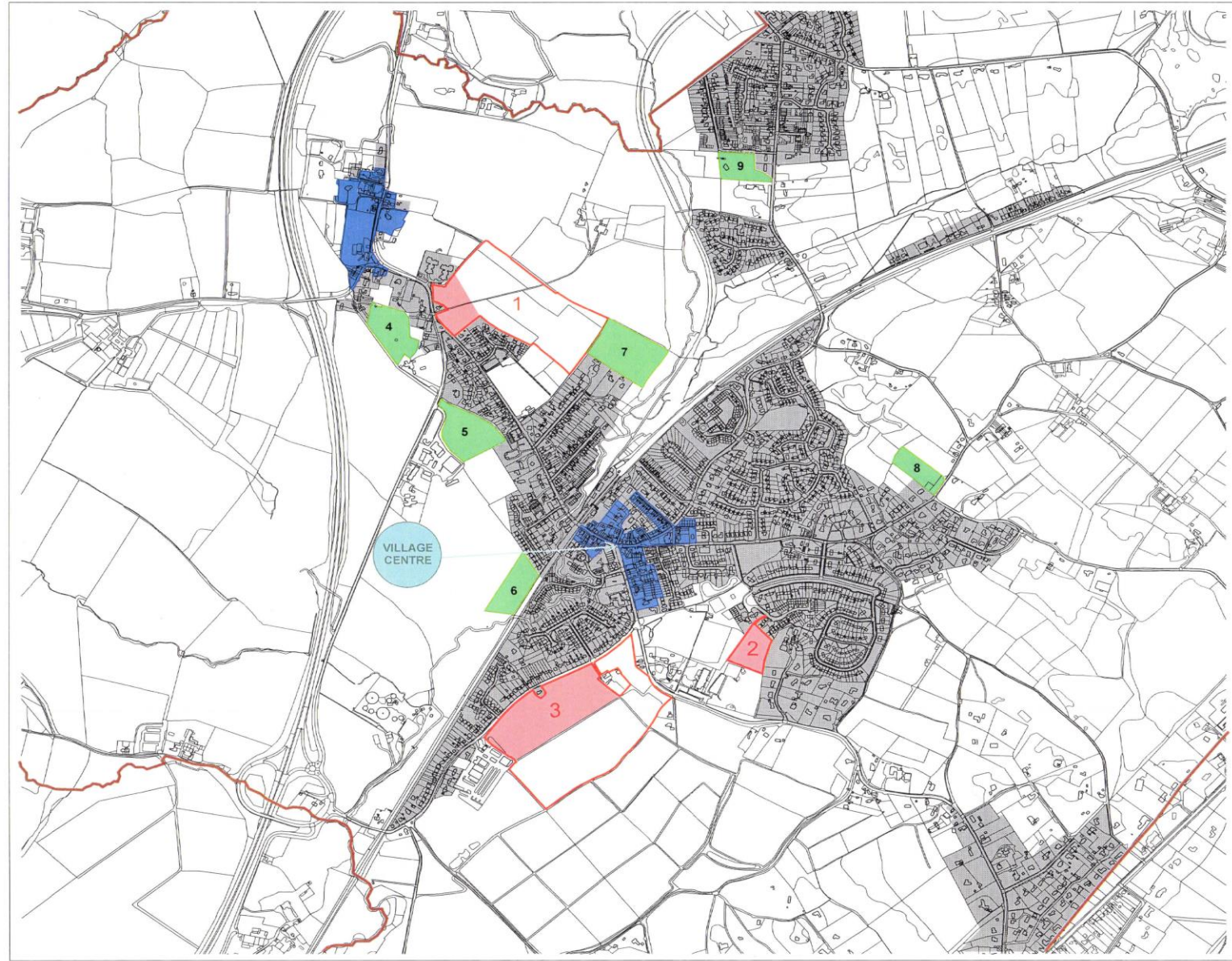


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OUR VILLAGE SCHOOL DRAWING COMPETITION 2015

In no more than 25 words, what inspired you to draw this picture?

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Thank you.

If you need additional copies of this sheet, please go to our website.

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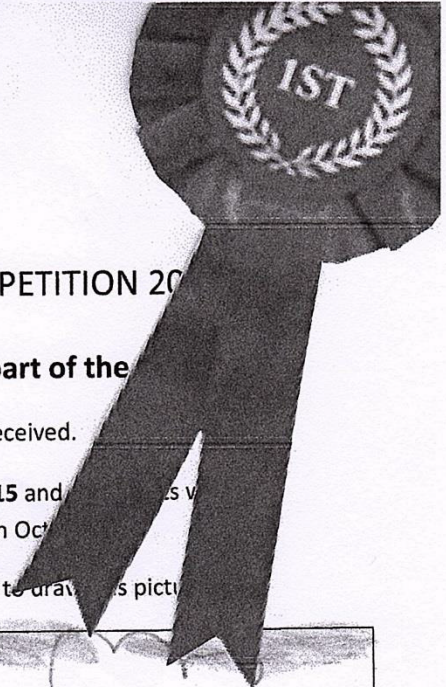
SCHOOL DRAWING COMPETITION 2015

We invite you to draw a picture in the box below showing **your favourite part of the village**.

Book-tokens will be awarded, based on age, for the most imaginative pictures received.

Please return your picture to the School reception by **Friday 11th September 2015** and your picture will be published at the next Neighbourhood Plan Forum to be held at the Village Hall in October.

Please include a short message on the reverse side indicating what inspired you to draw this picture.



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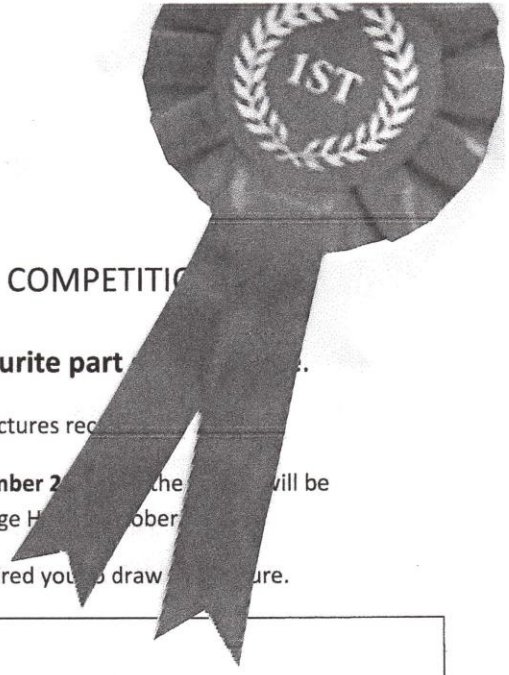
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Thank you.

If you need additional copies of this sheet, please go to our website.

Lissvillage

neighbourhood plan



OUR VILLAGE SCHOOL DRAWING COMPETITION

We invite you to draw a picture in the box below showing **your favourite part** of the village.

Book-tokens will be awarded, based on age, for the most imaginative pictures received.

Please return your picture to the School reception by **Friday 11th September 2010**. The winning picture will be published at the next Neighbourhood Plan Forum to be held at the Village Hall on **10th October 2010**.

Please include a short message on the reverse side indicating what inspired you to draw this picture.




RIVERIDE WALK WAY

Name: [REDACTED]


Age: 9 Class: DC

Parents contact number







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LISS PARISH COUNCIL Village VOICE

The Liss Neighbourhood Plan Are you involved?

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We hope you know by now that work is well underway on preparing a Neighbourhood Plan for the village. This is important because it will become part of the approved plan for the area. New planning applications will have to conform to the plan, not least over where new housing should go. And the great thing is, it is up to the community in Liss to prepare our own plan and decide what to put in it. We hope to produce a draft of the plan at the beginning of next year.

A packed public forum was held on 11 July which looked at possible sites for around 150 homes which have to be found on greenfield sites around the village. We need your views on those sites, or any other sites which you think should be considered. We also need views on the criteria we should use for deciding which are the best sites.

You can see all the sites on the neighbourhood plan website www.lissnp.org.uk, or call into the Parish Council Offices behind the Village Hall in Hill Brow Road. Do please comment over the summer, up until 14 September, by email info@lissnp.org.uk or drop in a note to the Parish Council Offices.

With this Village Voice is a questionnaire on housing needs in the village. Please help by completing and returning the survey. Another public forum will be held on 21st October so keep an eye out for further details, or drop us an email and we will put you on our list. There has been a huge amount of interest in the plan: **why don't you join in as well?**

USE IT OR LOSE IT! New Weekender Summer Bus Service

Hard work by Liss Parish Council has seen the introduction of a new Weekender Bus Service operated by Liss based company, Wheel-Drive.

The service runs via Hill Brow Road, the Railway Station and Station Road. Services run to Alton in one direction and Petersfield and onward to Uppark in the other.

Alton bound services leave Liss at 10:42, 13:42 and 16:42 on Saturdays and 10:57, 13:57 and 16:57 on Sundays and Petersfield bound services leave Liss at 09:32, 12:32, 15:32 and 18:32 on Saturdays and 09:42, 12:42, 15:42 and 18:42 on Sundays

Concessionary pass holders can travel for free on this service.

Please support this service, if usage is not high we could lose our weekend bus service forever.

COUNCILLOR CHANGES

We have some new faces on the Parish Council.



Rob Evans



Don Jerrard



Francis MacNamara

GIVE YOUR HEDGE A TRIM!

The arrival of summer has meant that hedges are growing quickly.

Please help pedestrians and motorists alike by keeping your hedges along pavements well trimmed.

Not only does it look nice - it's much safer too!



PACKED VILLAGE HALL HEARS UPDATE ON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Don't miss next forum on 24th October 2015

120 people packed into Liss Village Hall on Saturday morning, 12th July to hear about the findings so far in preparation for the Liss Neighbourhood Plan.

People have up until the end of August to give their views before a draft Neighbourhood Plan will be written.

A volunteer Steering Group was set up earlier this year to represent a cross-section of the community. Four sub-working groups of local people are gathering information on:-

- Housing Need and Site Criteria
- Housing Sites and Design
- Community Facilities, Infrastructure and Business
- Environment and Biodiversity.

Sir John Dunt, chairman of the Steering Group said: "I think it was an extremely useful forum. It is very important for us to get the views of all the Liss community. We shall be taking forward all of the points made as we develop the Neighbourhood Plan."



Age Concern Hampshire's team of highly-trained Village Agents volunteers work in rural communities across the county, signposting people to the information they need on issues such as day care, footcare, computer training, company at meal times, transport for shopping and medical appointments, finding reputable tradespeople and help around the home.

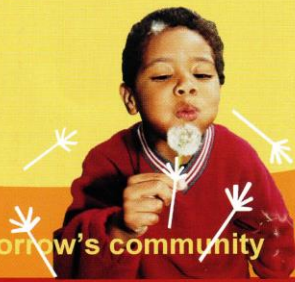
They can also tell you how to apply for Blue Badge parking permits, concessionary travel and financial benefits. They are a mine of information - helping to make life easier and enabling older people to remain self-reliant in their own communities. Some Village Agents also offer free home fire safety visits.

Age Concern Hampshire's Village Agents usually work in pairs and offer between four and six hours of their time each week to support people living in their local communities.

The Village Agent scheme is supported by Hampshire County Council. To find out more about how a village agent can help you, or how to become a Village Agent, telephone 0800 328 7154

Appendix 9

LISS NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN



laying the groundwork for tomorrow's community

Questionnaire

SUMMER 2015

WE NEED YOUR VIEWS NOW!

The preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan for Liss is in response to the decision of the South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA) for Liss to provide sites for 286 more homes by 2028 (150 on new "greenfield" sites and the remainder hopefully on existing "brownfield" sites).



The Parish Council has appointed a Committee to draft the Plan and once it has been adopted after extensive community consultation and a public referendum it will have the force of law. Consequently the Local Authority will be required to have regard to the Neighbourhood Plan when considering any planning applications for residential development and it is unlikely that Planning Permission will be granted for schemes that do not comply with the Neighbourhood Plan.

It is therefore essential that we do everything possible to get it right and the Steering Committee need to consult the community at every stage of its preparation. This is your chance to influence what types of houses are built and where they are built, and to clarify the need for more homes. Please therefore help us by **completing this questionnaire and returning it** to Jade News, the Triangle Centre or the Parish Office, behind the village hall, by **Friday 11th September 2015**.

LISS NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (NP) – QUESTIONNAIRE TO ALL HOUSEHOLDS IN LISS

1. Do you currently own your home or is it rented	Own		Rent	
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2. If rented is that from a Housing Association or a private landlord	Housing Association		Private Landlord	
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3. How long have you lived	a) at your present address (years) and		b) in Liss (years)	
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4. How many are there in your household	Adults		School age children	
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5. How many bedrooms do you have in your present house/flat	1, 2, 3, 4 or more			
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6. Would you like to or do you need to move	Like to move. If so when		Need to move. If so when	
	As soon as possible or		As soon as possible or	
	Within how many years		Within how many years	

7. Would you like a larger or smaller house/flat	Larger		Smaller	
Is this because you: (please tick one box)	Have a growing family		Want to downsize because children have left home or	
			Need sheltered or easier to run accommodation due to age or Health	

8. Will any member of your family need separate housing within the next 5 years	Yes		No	
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9. What would prevent you moving	Availability or	Cost/affordability	
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10. Are you on a Housing Association waiting list for a move	Yes	No	
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11. If you move would you need to stay in Liss or	Yes	No	
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expect to have to move away for family or work reasons	Yes	No	
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12. Do you think that we need more housing in Liss	Yes	No	
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If so	a) what size of house/flat (ie number of bedrooms) is most needed in your opinion		
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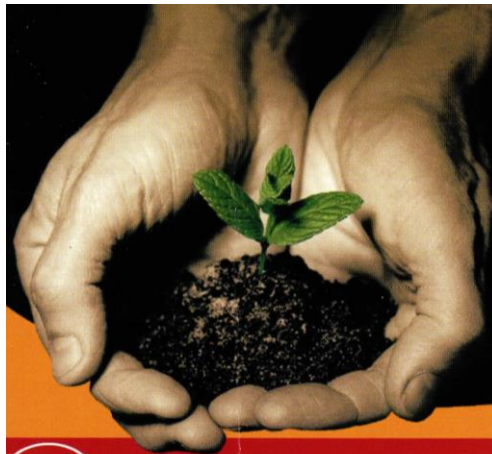
	b) where would you build these :		
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13. What is your age group	20-30	40-50	60-70
	30-40	50-60	Over 70

14. Why did you decide to live in Liss	For work	Retirement	
	Commuting	Closeness to family	
	Some other reason:		

15. Would you or your family be interested in "self build"	Yes	No	
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To find out more on how you can get involved with the neighbourhood plan please contact us on **01730 892823** or visit our website at www.lissneighbourhoodplan.org.uk



5 Reasons we need a neighbourhood plan

New Housing

The EHDC/SDNP Joint Core Strategy has allocated a minimum of 150 new homes to Liss by 2028 - a neighbourhood plan will shape where they go

Providing for future generations

neighbourhood plan can help to ensure that sufficient new affordable homes are built to allow families to stay in the local area

Protecting our landscape

We are rightly proud of being a "hidden village" - a neighbourhood plan can help ensure we keep the landscape we all love

Keeping Good Design

Our Village Design Statement sets out our expectations of good design in new development. A neighbourhood plan will strengthen this guidance

Providing Village Infrastructure

A neighbourhood plan will ensure at least 25% of money received from developers is spent in the parish on facilities for local people.

LISS NEWS

Second beer and music festival

THE SECOND Liss Beer and Music Festival will be held at the Triangle from 2pm to 11pm on Saturday, August 29. The entrance fee is £5 and there will be a variety of real ales and ciders, as well as food, wine and soft drinks. Live bands Hanging Tree Band and Elias Martell have been booked for the festival.

Neighbourhood Plan deadline

THE LISS Neighbourhood Plan needs to find greenfield sites for more than 150 houses and is asking people in Liss to help. At a well-attended public forum in July a number of possible housing sites were put forward and discussed. The deadline for Liss residents to express their views and suggest any other sites is the end of this month.

RAKE

Report: care home needs improvement

By Post Reporter
www.petersfieldpost.co.uk
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MANAGEMENT at a care home assessed as requiring improvement has said that it expects to quickly rectify issues raised.

Silver Birches, of London Road, Rake, was inspected in March by the Care Quality Commission and a report was issued in June in which four out of five categories required improvement and one justified an inadequate rating.

This week, in a statement to the Post, a representative of Larchwood Care, which owns the home, said: "We are working with the Care Quality Commission (CQC) to address issues identified during their inspection at Silver Birches care home.

"We expect to rectify issues quickly and that the home will, once again, be fully compliant."

The inspection of the 27-bed home took place on March 26, 27 and 30 and was unannounced. Silver Birches previously was inspected in July 2014.

In summary, the inspectors said the service was not always safe, effective, caring or responsive with each of those categories being described as requiring improvement.

Leadership was rated inadequate.

The CQC report states: "The service was not always well-led. The provider did not have suitable arrangements in place to regularly monitor, assess and drive improvement."

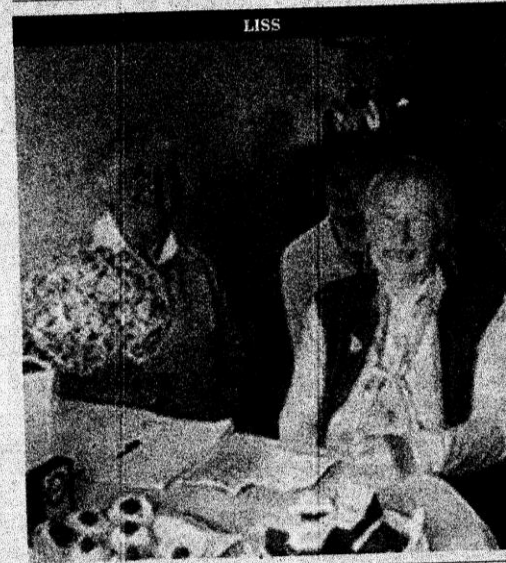
"Relatives, staff and healthcare professionals told us they did not always feel they could approach management with concerns and felt there was a lack of direction."

At the time of the inspection, 15 people were living at Silver Birches, which supports people with dementia and other mental health conditions, but there was no registered manager.

Management responsibilities were being shared by a registered manager from another home under the same provider, the deputy and another manager from the organisation.

The report said staff were not adequately trained or competent to deliver effective dementia care. Improvements had been made since the previous inspection.

'We are working with Care Quality Commission to address issues'



Money raised for Red Cross

A SUMMER open garden was held at Judy Medhurst's house to raise money for the British Red Cross. The event took place on Sunday, July 26, in torrential rain but nevertheless some braved the weather to enjoy tea and cakes and take part in the raffle, and £195 was raised. The next event, Judy's autumn berry coffee morning, will take place on Tuesday, October 13, between 10am and 1pm. It is hoped this event will take the total raised this year to more than £1,000. Judy would like to thank anyone for their support.

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Second beer and music festival

THE SECOND Liss Beer and Music Festival will be held at the Triangle from 2pm to 11pm on Saturday, August 29. There will be a range of ales, and JJ's ciders. Food will be provided by bar 41 in the car park. Keren and Simon start the music just after 2pm with a mix of pop, blues and folk songs. LEAF, who play rock and blues, alternative folk/rock band Elias Martell, and Hanging Tree Band will also perform.

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Liss in Stitches

LISS in Stitches is holding a magic shoes workshop with Lindsay Taylor at the Triangle from 10am to 4pm on Saturday. Anyone who would like more information on the workshop should visit www.lissin-stitches.wordpress.com for more details.

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Neighbourhood Plan needs people's views

LISS Neighbourhood Plan needs to find greenfield sites for more than 150 houses and is asking residents to help.

At a well-attended public forum in July a number of possible housing sites were put forward and discussed.

The work on the plan will go on to look at the sites and decide which are the best ones for taking new housing.

Chairman of the neighbourhood plan steering group Sir John Dunt said: "Choosing sites for housing is the most important decision the neighbourhood plan has

to make. We were very pleased by the interest at the public forum but we must be sure that we have considered all possibilities.

"We asked those at the forum to suggest any other sites they want us to consider, and also to give their views on how we should assess the sites.

"But we want views from anyone in Liss. I would be very pleased to receive views by the end of August."

The sites considered so far can be viewed at www.lissnp.org.uk

LISS FOREST

Fun day for families

LISS Forest Residents' Association family fun day will be held at Liss Forest Recreation Ground from 2pm to 5pm on Monday, August 31.

Entry is free and proceeds will be donated to local char-

ities.

Activities on the day will include a bouncy castle, a dog show, side shows, a coconut shy, fun races, a tug of war, games, a barbecue, maypole and teas.

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Amy Trusler with Barney, awaiting the results of the Dog with the Wagglest Tail competition. Photo sales no: PP15710-5



Dressed for the weather in Liss Forest. PP15710-1



1st Liss Scouts at Liss Forest.



Hannah Waino (left), Ella Groves and her sister Milly at Liss Forest.

PICTURES BY DINES MARLOW

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Time to have say on Neighbourhood Plan

HAVE you completed your Village Voice questionnaire?

Your views are very important to the Liss Neighbourhood Plan and so the deadline has been extended by a few days to ensure that everyone has a chance to complete a questionnaire.

The collection points are either Jade News, the Triangle or Liss parish offices and the final date to submit questionnaires is Friday, September 18. Further copies of the Village Voice and the questionnaire are available at the Liss Parish offices.

In July volunteers working on the Liss Neighbourhood Plan set out a number of possible sites for housing in Liss and asked for comments on those and for people to put forward other sites that should be considered.

The closing date was Monday and the response has been good, but if people get their views in within the next few days they will still be taken into account. Visit the Liss Neighbourhood Plan website at: www.lissanp.org.uk to see the sites and how to respond.

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Honey show in Liss

PETERSFIELD and District Beekeepers' Association will hold the 74th annual honey show at the Triangle at 2pm on Saturday.

Anyone who would like to attend the show should visit

the association's website at: www.petersfieldbeekeepers.org.uk or contact David Parkinson by e-mailing davidparkinson288@btinternet.com or calling 07785 346684.

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Next film to be shown at Triangle

THE TRIANGLE will be showing the film *The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* on Saturday and Sunday. Saturday's showing is at 7.30pm, and doors open at 7pm. Sunday's showing is at 2.30pm, and doors open at 2pm. Tickets will cost £6 in advance or £7 on the door. Dame Judi Dench, Dame Maggie Smith, Bill Nighy, Richard Gere, Dev Patel, Celia Imrie and Ronald Pickup all star in the film.

LISS FOREST

Network meeting

LISS business people can attend an informal networking meeting in Liss Forest at 11am on Wednesday, September 23. The meeting will be held at Gander Tax Services' premises. The usual small charge of £a applies to help cover the costs of the meeting.

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Fears over future of crossing

Plans submitted for side extension

A PLANNING application has been submitted for a two-storey side ex-

Christmas at The Queens at Selborne



(MINIMUM 6 PEOPLE)

STARTERS

- Roasted Tomato And Red Pepper Soup - with herb croutons
- Confit Of Duck Leg - with red onion mermelade
- King Prawn Cocktail on the bed of iceberg lettuce topped with cucumber in a marie rose sauce with a farmhouse bread

MAIN COURSES

- Traditional Roast turkey with all the trimmings
- Grilled Salmon fillet with herb crust, grilled Mediterranean vegetables, new potatoes and white wine sauce
- Roasted red pepper stuffed with wild rice, quinoa and olives with tomato gravy

FUDDINGS

... with brandy sauce

KEEP UP WITH THE LATEST NEWS
See the Post's website: www.petersfieldpost.co.uk

Trying out fire walk for charity

THE FLYING Bull in Bake is holding a charity fire walk on Thursday, November 5, in aid of Little Heroes Cancer Trust, which supports babies and young children diagnosed with cancer. The fire walk is open to anyone over the age of 18. There is a pre-fire walk seminar which is mandatory for all participants who wish to walk over the hot coals. The pub aims to raise more than £1,000 in sponsorship from the fire walkers.

Talk on Russian monarchs in Liss

THE NEXT meeting of Liss Area Historical Society will take place on Thursday, October 29, at 7.30pm at the Evangelical Hall in Liss For-

Neighbourhood plan exhibition and meeting in village

VOLUNTEERS for the Liss Neighbourhood Plan are putting on an exhibition in Liss Village Hall from 5-7pm on Friday and from noon-3pm on Saturday.

There will also be a public forum meeting at 10am on Saturday, with a number of short presentations to update people on the findings so far.

Although the information gathering phase has ended, there is still the opportunity to give feedback on the research done and the proposals on where housing should go in Liss.

The idea is that people can view the exhibition on Friday, and then come to the meeting to hear the proposals and to put their views across to the steering group and sub-working group members.

A short, new environment survey is on the website at www.lissnp.org.uk - just click on the link to fill in the survey.

The next phase is for the neighbourhood plan to be drafted, between now and the end of the year. It will be available for public comment in the New Year.

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Your Future
. . . your village

Your chance to have a say in the
growth and development of our village

VILLAGE FORUM

Saturday 24th October 10.00am

Liss Village Hall

and

EXHIBITION OF PROGRESS SO FAR

Friday 23rd - 5.00- 7.00pm

Saturday 24th- 12.00- 3.00pm



www.lissnp.org.uk
The Steering Group

email: info@lissnp.org.uk
Liss Neighbourhood Plan



Liss Village Neighbourhood Plan

Neighbourhood Forum

10 am 24 October 2015 Village Hall

Programme

1. Welcome
- Sue Halstead
2. Progress report on the neighbourhood plan
- Roger Hargreaves
3. Presentation on environmental issues
- Angela Wright
4. Presentation on housing sites
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About the Neighbourhood Plan

Under the 2011 Localism Act, Communities now have new rights and powers to shape development in their own area. We are doing this by producing a Neighbourhood Plan drawn up by our community. Once finally approved, by a referendum of everyone in Liss, it will become part of the statutory plan for the area.

Providing housing is the big issue, although there are many others as well. The Joint Core Strategy for East Hampshire requires a minimum of 150 dwellings to be built on Greenfield sites in Liss by 2028, but it is up to the neighbourhood plan to decide where these should go. Also, round 136 dwellings are likely to be built on windfall sites within Liss.

Choosing housing sites

A lot of sites have been put forward by landowners. We have the views of the South Downs National Park Authority on most of the sites and we have developed our own criteria for assessing sites, taking account of the views of the community. See on our website: www.lissnp.org.uk

Also, the view of the community seems to be that new housing should be in small amounts and not put all on one large site.

So, we are putting forward **5 preferred sites** each taking around 30 dwellings. But, there is a lot more work to be done to assess the suitability of each site. And, we are also still looking at some of the other sites, particularly as new information comes in.

Look at the plan overleaf. It shows all the sites put forward, and our preferred sites are Nos. 2, 3b, 3c, 4 and 5. What do you think?

Much depends on how the development of each site would be carried out. For example what sort of houses, bungalows or flats, how should they be laid out, parking, green space, and how to mitigate impacts on landscape? We are doing a lot of work on these. We are also looking at how new housing can meet the need of local people, such as the elderly, young people, and those needing starter homes. 40% of the housing must be affordable, and rented or sold at a reduced cost.

It's up to you

Look at our website: www.lissnp.org.uk for more information about the neighbourhood plan and the sites and do give us your views on the sites, not just the preferred sites, or you can fill in one of the feedback forms at the exhibition.

The Liss Village Neighbourhood Plan

Under the 2011 Localism Act, Communities now have new rights and powers to shape development in their own area. We are doing this by producing a Neighbourhood Plan drawn up by our community. It will:

- Set out a vision for how Liss should change in the future
- Propose where new development should go, including new homes
- Protect green spaces and other important aspects of the village
- Influence the quality of design of new development
- Influence the provision of infrastructure and community facilities

Once finally approved, by a referendum of everyone in Liss, it will become part of the statutory plan for the area.

What we are doing

Work started last year. The key task is to find sites for a minimum of 150 dwellings on Greenfield sites, That figure is set by the Joint Core Strategy for East Hampshire, but it leaves it to us to decide where these should go.

This exhibition concentrates on the housing sites, but also looks at key issues around protecting the environment.

The plan will also consider other issues we know are important to the community, such as the mix of housing including 40% affordable, the pressure on services such as schools and doctors, traffic and parking, and the quality of design We will share our work on these and other issues as soon as we can.

At the beginning of next year we will consult everyone on a draft plan, before finalising proposals and submitting a plan to the South Downs National Park Authority, who are the planning authority for Liss. They will ensure all the legal requirements have been met by the plan, and that formal objections are considered by an independent examiner before holding the referendum.

To know more, look at our website. www.lissnp.org.uk

PUBLIC EXHIBITION - FRIDAY 23rd AND SATURDAY 24th OCTOBER - FEEDBACK FORM

Please give us your thoughts and comments on any of the sites you have seen today, or anything else about the neighbourhood plan. Alternatively you can email us at: info@lissnp.org.uk but please include your postcode. Do also comment on the environmental issues raised. If you can, do complete the on-line survey on environmental issues, via Survey Monkey on our website: www.lissnp.org.uk

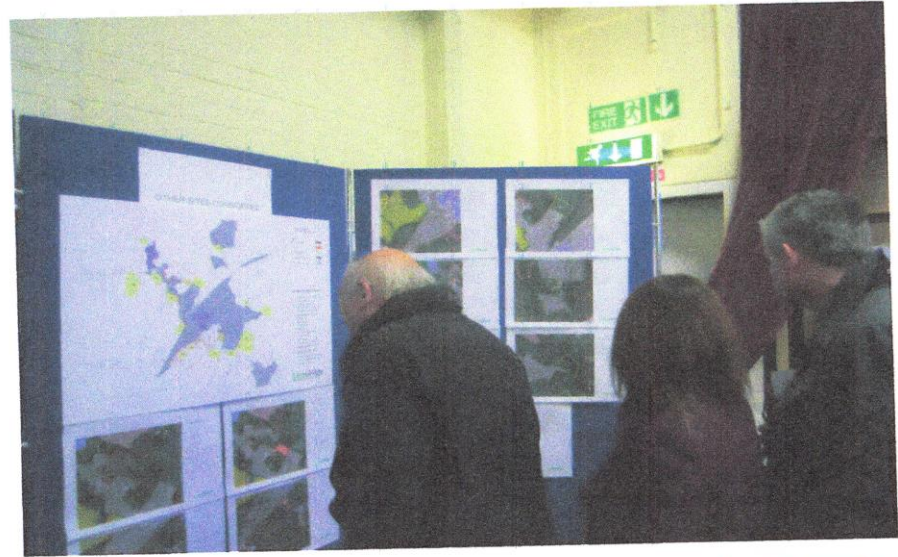
Thank you.

Please state the number or name of any site you comment on, as shown on the maps

Do please give us your Postcode, so that we know from which part of the village your comment is coming from











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Plenty of interest in plan

By Tom Wynn
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A PUBLIC forum meeting and an exhibition to help people find out more about the Liss Neighbourhood Plan has sparked plenty of interest.

The public forum meeting was held at Liss Village Hall at 10am on Saturday and attracted a healthy crowd.

Liss Parish Councillor and Liss Neighbourhood Plan project manager Roger Hargreaves said: "The forum went very well and we had 103 people in attendance, so it was standing room only at the back.

"We showed people the preferred sites for putting housing.

"We've been very pleased with the response of the people of Liss as we've had good attendances and good feedback. People asked a lot of

questions, and we have made no conclusions yet."

As well as the forum, an exhibition was held at Liss Village Hall last Friday and from noon on Saturday.

Cllr Hargreaves said: "We displayed all the preferred sites in the exhibition on Friday and Saturday.

"It is always difficult to comment until you see the plans, and now the people in Liss know what the preferred sites are it is easier for them to comment.

"We are asking people to respond on our website and feedback forms, as we need

the views of the community.

"There is no deadline for people to

give their feedback, but we would ideally like to hear from people in the next three weeks.

"We also want to hear from water companies on



CONTRIBUTED PICTURE

Standing room only at the back of Liss Village Hall before the Liss Neighbourhood Plan forum on Saturday.

drainage, and we may also need to talk to the highways.

"We will then start to work on the first draft of the neighbourhood plan, and we

hope to have the first draft done by the start of 2016.

"We will then put the first draft out and ask everybody for their comments.

"We hope to publish the final plan in March 2016 as it's very important we coincide with the South Downs National Park's Local Plan."

Horticultural society success

LISS Horticultural Society came second in the preliminary round of the Hampshire Federation of Horticultural Societies annual quiz through to the final in February. The team members were Daphne Frost, Jim Stratton, Peter Catt and Alan Horgan. The next meeting will be held at the Triangle at 7.30pm on Tuesday, November 3.

Next film to be shown at Triangle

THE FILM *Wild Tales* will be shown in Spanish with English subtitles at the Triangle centre on Wednesday, November 4. Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start. Tickets cost £5 in advance, or £6 on the door. There will be refreshments and a licensed bar. For details, call 01730 301000.

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Milestones talk for Liss society

LISS Area Historical Society will meet at the Triangle at 7.30pm on Wednesday, January 20. Julia Mayo will talk about 'Registering Life's Milestones: Births, Deaths and Marriages.' Visitors are welcome and entry costs £3. The subscription is £12 single or £23 per couple per year. Contact Penny Briggs on 01730 892297.

Extension plans are submitted

A PLANNING application has been submitted for a two storey back extension, porch and internal alterations at Poocock, Pooocks Lane, Hawkley, Liss. Anyone who would like to view plan and make comments should visit www.southdowns.gov.uk/planning and search for the planning reference number SDNP/15/06455/HOUS.

Reward offered after window is smashed

By Tom Warr
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01730 232607

A Liss businessman is offering a £4,000 reward after a window was smashed on his premises.

Terry Harris, who owns Harris Caravans in Farnham Road with his wife Shannette, will pay the reward after a successful prosecution.

Terry lives in a bungalow at Harris Caravans, and it was his bungalow which had a window smashed.

The incident happened at about 2.30am on Thursday, January 7, and it is not the first time that Terry's business has been targeted.

Back in 2013, a tractor was stolen from the green barn on his premises.

Terry said: "I had the tractor go missing a couple of

years ago, so we need to put a stop to this because it's causing problems.

"The alarm automatically went off and my wife rang the police. The police were here in a matter of minutes and they were very helpful.

"The £4,000 reward will be paid by Harris Caravans Limited once the person who damaged the window has been found and has been prosecuted.

"I'm a successful businessman, getting on, bringing business to Liss, and then I'm getting targeted."

Prior to last Thursday's incident, Terry had already invested a significant amount of money on security at his business.

"We've got top security," said Terry.

"We've got alarms, flood-

lights and security cameras."

Hampshire Constabulary confirmed they attended the scene at Harris Caravans.

A Hampshire Constabulary spokesman said: "We were called at 2.37am on January 7 to a business premises on Farnham Road to a report of a suspicious incident.

"It was reported a window had been smashed and the burglar alarm had sounded.

"Officers attended but no one was found to be on the grounds and no entry was gained.

"The investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information is asked to call 101 and quote 44160008745."

Terry is hoping to have an official opening of the new caravan campsite at Harris Caravans in the next couple of weeks.

'I'm bringing business to Liss, and I'm getting targeted'



Terry Harris, who owns Harris Caravans in Farnham Road with his wife Shannette, looks up at the smashed window at his bungalow.

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New Year barn dance in church

A NEW Year Scottish and Barn Dance will be held at St Mary's Church at 7.30pm on Saturday. There will be bagpipers at the door, and an interval with live music and refreshments. Admission is free, although there will be a retiring collection for a new church hall at St Mary's.

Application made for new garage

A PLANNING application has been submitted for a new garage at Oaklands, 50 Forest Road, Liss. Anyone who would like to view the planning application and make comments should visit www.southdowns.gov.uk/planning and search for the planning reference number SDNP/15/06189/HOUS.

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LISS

Exhibition set to reveal the latest progress with plan

WORK on the Liss Neighbourhood Plan is reaching a climax after a year of work by volunteers from the Liss community.

People can see what the plan is likely to say at an exhibition on Saturday, from 2pm to 5pm in Liss Village Hall.

The exhibition will give a good idea of what will be in the plan, and it is an opportunity to see how the work has been carried out, and what happens next.

The big issue is the selection of sites for a minimum of 150 dwellings. The

exhibition will show the preferred sites, why they have been selected and how they could be developed. It is also important to ensure that what is built meets local housing needs.

Other issues are the quality of design of new development, future community provision proposals for Local Green Space and protection of countryside, and the problems of parking and traffic in the village.

The public's comments and feedback are essential so they are urged to attend the exhibition.

LISS

Next Triangle film

THE FILM *Mr Holmes* will be shown at the Triangle Centre on Saturday.

Doors open at 2pm for the 2.30pm matinee showing, and at 7pm for the 7.30pm evening showing.

Tickets cost £6 in ad-

vance and £7 at the door, and there will be a licensed bar and refreshments.

Ian McKellan, Laura Linney and Hiroyuki Sanada star in the film.

For more information call 01730 301000.

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Exhibition draws villagers in

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AN EXHIBITION of the Liss Neighbourhood Plan attracted plenty of interest.

The exhibition was held at Liss Village Hall on Saturday afternoon and attracted a very healthy crowd.

Liss Neighbourhood Plan steering group chairman Sir John Dunt said: "We are very pleased as nearly 250 people attended, and they showed a considerable interest."

"The main purpose of the exhibition was to show the work that has been done in the last year to identify where to build 150 homes.

"Most people appreciated the hard work and appreciated our rationale."

"We displayed maps of the five sites we have chosen, and there will be between 25

and 35 houses at each site. "Two sites are along Andlers Ash Road, and they will take 30 to 35 houses each.

"Another site is up near Inwood Road, which would take up to 25 houses

"Another site is at Brows Farm, near the golf driving range, and that would take about 25 houses, and the last site is near Eden Lodge.

"We have examined up to 19 sites in some detail, against certain criteria.

"The major criteria were the distance to the centre of the village, being sensitive to the landscape, access issues

'Most people appreciated the hard work and our rationale'

such as roads, traffic and parking, and being able to deliver up to 40 per cent affordable housing."

The exhibition may have been a success, but the work on the plan continues.

"We're hoping to publicise a draft of the plan on our



Liss Neighbourhood Plan steering group chairman Sir John Dunt in a very busy Liss Village Hall.

website by early March," said Sir John.

"Liss Parish Council would then consider the plan, and if they are happy

we would have a six-week consultation with the village.

"We would then make any amendments and forward the plan to the South Downs

National Park Authority for their consideration. The final step would be a referendum of the village, which would be about this time next year."

PICTURE BY MALCOLM WELLS

Extension plans are refused

A PLANNING application for a single-storey front extension at Bennath, Mill Road, Liss, has been refused by planners. It was considered unacceptable because its size and design would detract from the character and appearance of the local area. It did not comply with policies of the East Hampshire Joint Core Strategy.

Eco-style building plans approved

PLANS for three additional eco-style holiday buildings at West Fork, Farnham Road, Liss, have received planning permission. Anyone who wants to view the approved plans should visit www.south-downs.gov.uk/planning and search for the reference number SDNP/15/03101/FUL.

LISS

Recruitment fair to boost volunteers for village groups

VOLUNTEERS are being sought to boost vital charitable groups and organisations working in Liss.

This free event is being hosted by the Triangle Centre to highlight the social, economic and emotional impact volunteers have on local services.

Triangle manager Sally Tanner said: "This is a prime time for people to come along, meet some of the groups in your local area and talk to them about what they are looking for and what you can offer."

at the Triangle from 2pm to 4pm on Saturday. No appointment is necessary.

Groups attending so far include: Liss Triangle Centre Office/Coffee Bar, Liss Band, Liss Infant School PTA, Crossover Youth Centre, East Hill House, Alzheimer's Society, Dementia Friends, St Mary's Church and Liss Brownies.

Any organisation wanting to book an exhibition space or wishing to display posters and leaflets should call 01730 301000.

The coffee bar will be

Workshop on oils to be at Triangle

PETERSFIELD Arts and Crafts Society (PACS) is holding an interiors in oils workshop with professional figurative artist Roger Dellar at the Triangle on Saturday. The workshop will run from 10am to 4pm, and it will concentrate on observing people in their environments and capturing light effects. Anyone who would like to attend the workshop should visit the PACS website at: www.petersfieldartsandcrafts.org.uk for more details.

Two-storey plans are submitted

There's lots more online...

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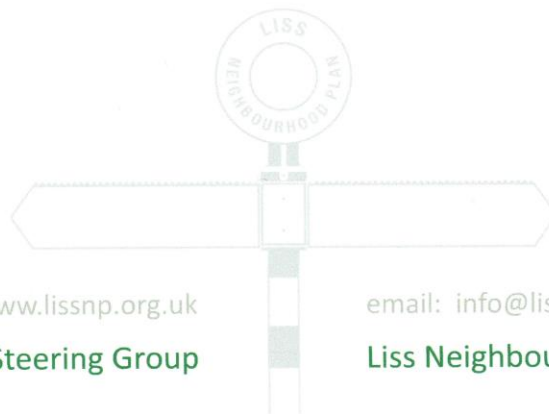
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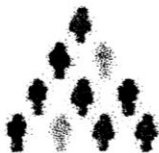
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Looking for work experience? Want to make use of your skills and meet new friends? Know someone who's bored after school/college or during the holidays? Gain new skills, boost your CV and give something back to a community that offers so much.

Find out all that volunteering
in Liss has to offer

Over 20 organisations will come together to offer information on activities and groups. See how the village runs and works together.

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