



LAVANT NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2016 - 2031

CONSULTATION STATEMENT Volume 2: Appendices

Lavant Parish Council

November 2016

Appendix 1a

Neighbourhood Plan Meeting Notes 3rd October 2013

NP meeting 3rd October 2013.. consolidated Feedback

Q1: Which groups in the community do you think need to be included in the consultation? How do we encourage them to come?

Groups

Elderly *via, Lunch Club, Lavant Friendly Club, Church, WI*

Lavant Friendly Club

Lavant Women's Institute

Open House Club

Royal British Legion

Young *by age segment including teenagers*

Lavant Cricket Club

Lavant Football Club

Short Mat Bowls Club

Business

Lavant Valley Allotment Association *via, AGM, Newsletter*

Lavant C.E. Primary School

- play group

-Toddlers

-parents

-staff

-Friends of Lavant School

Lavant House School

Churches

Pubs

Accommodation B&B

Stables

Farmers

Goodwood Estate

Hyde Martlet - Social Housing

Lavant Horticultural Society

Lavant Memorial Hall Committee

Lavant Players

Lavant Village Fete Committee

St Wilfrid's Hospice Lavant Valley Support Group

Groups Participation

Universal view was that the SG or WG would have to go out to meet the "group", no realistic possibility of "groups" attending some event. A questionnaire to groups was viewed in passing but rejected as quickly because it would not be filled in. One-to-one appeared to be the favoured way forward, with a semi pre-structured interview/fact finding discussion. Issue is with some groups need to get beyond the gatekeeper (Chairman) to ensure a more universal view of the "Group" is obtained. Presentations to AGM's, insertions into group newsletters were given as examples. Any discussion should be around the "Group" ambitions and vision for the future and the key follow up question. *What is holding you back?*

Good quality and frequent feedback on progress of project/status and so forth was viewed as key. Mention of displays (pop-ups) at community events as an exemplar. Web site was mentioned, in or by the Parish site. I did get concern for those who do not have access to a PC.

Q2: What needs and issues are important for Lavant's future?

The following is a list of initial individual (unedited) responses to the question:

Housing, social, old age, social housing, amount of housing, cater for all age groups, especially older/younger

Work opportunities

Old age / retirement issues

Transport, transport routes, traffic/roads

Amenities, bus service, shop, dentist, surgery, facilities

Village identity, maintain the gap, separation from city, preserving integrity/boundaries, development between Lavant and Chichester, correct numbers of developments and their location

Footpaths

Car parks

Infrastructure - all aspects of water, flooding, build infrastructure support (roads/ water/internet /traffic)

Communication – BT broadband, mobile, better mobile communications, BT internet, signal strength

Look of Lavant around St Nick's

Relationship with SDNP, links with SDNP

Goodwood

Control of developments

The following notes were captured from 4 x 15 minute group sessions during which the groups discussed the above question:

1. **Preserving the green space between Chichester and Lavant.** The groups discussed the need for the village to maintain its individuality. The current gap between the village and Chichester was regarded as very important. It was felt strongly that the village must protect itself against becoming another suburb of Chichester. In particular, the proposed 'daffodil field' development should be defeated, as should any other development which threatens to reduce the green gap between Lavant and Chichester. It was thought that the village should seek to strengthen its links with the SDNP and CDC in order that Lavant's needs (as defined by the Lavant community) might be promoted and catered for.

2. **A hub for the community.** A place where members of the community could meet and interact. A community centre, perhaps with a bar, facilities for the young, a surgery, a shop. There was a suggestion that the community could apply for lottery funding to build a new community building. There was discussion about the best location for such a building. People talked about the fact that the Lavant community is 'strung out' and would benefit from future developments 'filling in' adjacent to existing developments to create more of a central village hub. Suggestions included: behind the Earl of March pub, or the industrial estate in Mid Lavant.
3. **Lack of adequate pavements and footpaths.** Pedestrians are currently unable to walk safely on several roads in the village. There are key routes, which have no pavement or footpath. Safe use of pavements and footpaths is also an issue for wheelchair users.
4. **Employment within the village.** There was discussion about the fact that the village industrial site appears to be 'running down' with fewer businesses operating within it. The groups talked about how Lavant might capitalise on its unique location, such that Lavant might be an attractive location for new businesses. Lavant could be promoted as a 'Gateway to the South Downs National Park' and as result, might be an ideal location for specialist leisure services, such as cycle hire, guided walks, craft based products etc. Lavant encompasses part of the Goodwood estate and so there may be opportunities to capitalise on the various racing events etc.
5. **Building developments.** There was a lot of discussion about the need to influence future developments such that the following are addressed:
 - a. Density of buildings to be reduced and gardens to be larger (as compared to recent developments in Lavant)
 - b. Developers should contribute to community e.g. via support for community projects such as community hub, shop, parking, elderly care, sheltered accommodation
 - c. Provision of affordable housing for local young people
 - d. Provision of adequate car parking spaces both within new developments and to service the need for parking around the village school and St. Nicholas
 - e. Diversity of housing needs to be taken into account – young and elderly
 - f. Developments should not increase the 'stretched' layout of Lavant, but should infill to create more of a central village layout. Thus protecting green space and at the same time creating a more central community layout.
6. **Catering for our elderly.** Currently there is no provision of housing specifically designed to cater for the needs of those elderly residents who can no longer live independently, but require some form of support. The groups talked about the advantages for the community if elderly residents had their accommodation needs met within the village; as opposed to having to leave the community in order to have their needs met.
7. **Communications.** The groups discussed the need to improve the quality and strength of mobile phone signals and internet connections.

8. **Infrastructure.** The groups raised the following two issues, which due to time constraints did not get discussed at length:
- a. Roads, transport routes, traffic control and safety.
 - b. Water, sewerage and flooding

The last group concluded with a plea, that as members of the Lavant community, we need to make the most of what we've got!

Q3 = How do we get everyone's views

Verbal comments made:

- Information sheet - Mail shot to every home informing about the Neighbour plan coupled with a possible home visit.
- Having an open meeting to start the process (My comment - we have in some respect already started the process).
- Poster around the village.
- Website for this project.
- Pop up meetings to cover groups and meeting points, including bus stops, playground, dogs' walkers and Mums at schools.
- Lavant News – Notice
- Notice at the local doctors surgery
- Local Radio
- School Project?
- Difficult target groups to get their views – Young People, people who are not involved in village activities – how do we get them involved.
- What is the message – is going to be common pack of information?
- Need a keep action plan to get the message across and get people involved.

Written comments

* Do people have any Views???

Assume they do

Who should be consulted?

- Everyone
- Residents
- Working in Lavant
- Schools
- Church
- Users of the facilities in Lavant
- Businesses

How?

- Survey
- Focus groups
- Meeting in busy places
- Opportunistic survey

- Flyers to all – invite to meeting/ presentation and questionnaires
- Local reps cover small areas – the person to speak to
- Email address/website to send comments/responses to
- Letter box (local Rep) to drop into
- Need to be careful that people with strong views don't input comments by different means to be counted more than once.
- Leaflet Campaign
- Posters in prominent places(school/hall/churches etc)
- Have a date set for gathering for people to come together to share their views (should they have them)
- Run an **OPEN SPACE** type project to collect and distil these views.

Issues?

- Facilities for healthy a community
- For both young and old
- Safe environment
- Jobs
- Housing – planning, location, town/green field ,affordable and sheltered
- Traffic problems esp A286 – do we need a bypass??
- Transport issues
 - buses to Chi and elsewhere
 - Cycle track
- Industrial site – Employment
- Local assisted accommodation (elderly care)
- Facilities
 - memorial hall
 - cricket club
 - football
 - playground
 - allotments
- River Lavant – Flood protection, pond.
- Maintain Community facilities – football field
- Involving the village in the environment
- Making a place for a shop
- Land for development – no flood risk

Nick Reynolds as a Host

03/October NP MEETING NOTES St Nics NP.NRcomments03oct13mtg

1.QUESTION

WHAT NEEDS AND ISSUES ARE IMPORTANT FOR LAVANT'S FUTURE?

2.RESPONSES (no order, no priority, no edit, not repeated where mentioned several times)

- Maintaining the Strategic Gap north of Summersdale to retain Lavant identity as separate community
- Design of any development to be 'right' for the village....not Wimpey Boxes

- Ban heavy lorries from the A286
- More attempt to foster a full village feeling – not the North/South divide
- Maintain a Rural Character/ protect beautiful setting
- Conserve historic buildings and heritage
- Ensure River Lavant is properly maintained as an attractive feature of the village
- Put in footpath along Pook Lane from the Memorial Hall to the A286
- Encourage people to maintain their gardens with community awards
- New housing must be in character
- Shop
- Improve sewerage Infrastructure and install in line with housing
- Needs to be inclusive.....to hear the voice of the whole village
- Warden housing for the elderly
- Upgrade the industrial estate
- An improved website regularly updated
- Speeding on A286 not taking notice of signs
- Parking on pavements – no room for pushchairs to pass
- A safer play area for children
- Size of population – Lavant is a village and we don't want it to be part of a town m- if it gets too big you will have to increase size of school and infrastructure
- Conserve the spirit of Lavant as a country village but not to mummify with sterile “picturesqueness”
- Cultivate an accommodating spirit towards accepting change – new housing needed and new young blood.

3.DISCUSSION

- Housing to be appropriate for the community of Lavant – CDC have the figures
- Memorial Hall is in wrong location for a focal point. A shop, in the right location, could double as a focus/ meeting place/ drop in
- Protect Lavant as a community and not as an adjunct of Chichester
- Footpaths could be used to knit the various parts of Lavant together – particularly East Lavant and Centurion Way
- All age groups needs to be considered but importantly the young and the elderly
- Pre-school is needed
- Retain the Industrial estate for employment – need to consider fibre optic for communications – different types of business than the heyday of the 60s when the Industrial estate was a large employer. Small business and workshops
- Employment linked to housing requirement not realistic as many work outside Lavant who live in Lavant and vice versa.
- More imagination – passive controls – to manage the speed issues on the A286 and better active controls (stop lights, signs that compare speed with limit, etc)

- New housing may provide opportunity to create a new Lavant centre – could this contain a doctor surgery?.
- Self build and community build should be considered as an option for housing development

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Appendix 2a

Community Engagement Strategy

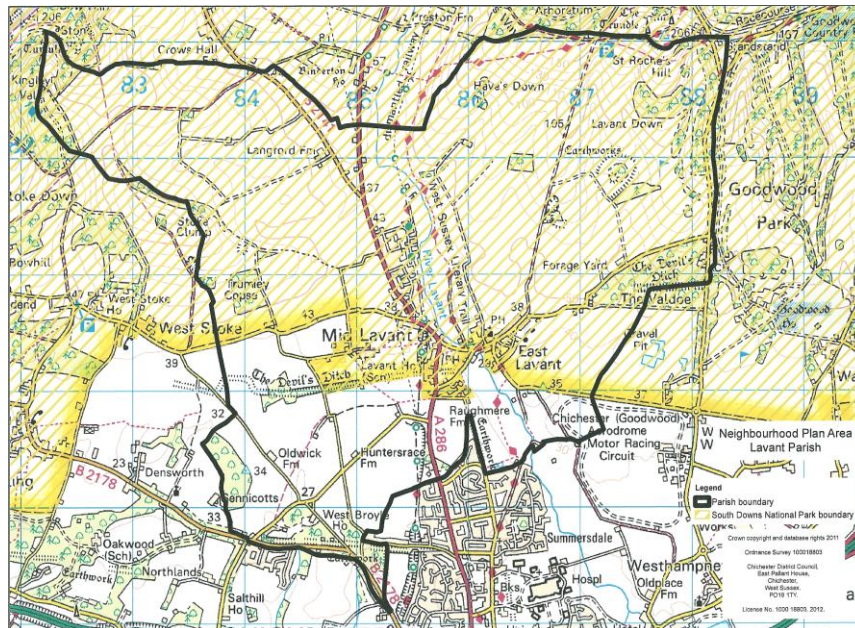
Lavant Neighbourhood Plan Community Engagement Strategy Feb 2014

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1. Context/Purpose

Context: Lavant is a village of approximately 1600 people within 750 households, situated within the recently designated South Downs National Park, only 2 miles north of Chichester. According to local authority data, there are 45 people on the housing waiting list for a Lavant property of their own. Recent census data (March 2011) also reveals that 43 properties were classified as unoccupied (holiday lets, B&B cottages, second homes and vacant properties).



As can be seen from the map above, showing the Lavant Parish boundary, the village does not have an easily identifiable centre. Rather, the village is split into three main residential areas: East (the more historical part); Mid, including North (mainly post 1970 housing developments); and West (more outlying properties).

A successful NP is entirely dependent on the involvement of sufficient, representative, community individuals, groups and enterprises to drive the project forward to completion. Without them the project will falter at an early stage. Appropriate community engagement is therefore going to be key to this success.

Purpose: To ensure that every person within Lavant has a fair opportunity to contribute to the delivery of a successful Neighbourhood Plan for the village of Lavant, West Sussex, via LPC/CDC/SDNPA and a public referendum, that will influence planning decisions for the next 10-15 years.

2. Aim / Communication Objectives

Aim: To have a clear understanding of how the population of Lavant is made up (its demographic profile) and how each sector is best communicated with, and to develop appropriate techniques (see section 6) to ensure successful communication with each sector. An agreed Vision Statement,

referred to in all aspects of the project, will assist the NP project to remain focused and prevent any accidental “drift” away from its original intentions.

Communication Objectives:

To engage with the right people, at the right time, about the right things; and to provide appropriate and timely support to both the Steering Group and any Working Groups or Parties, such that the work of the project moves forward in accordance with agreed milestones, through to the ultimate delivery of the NP by the planned date and a successful public referendum.

3. Insight

The following demographic data has been extracted from the March 2011 Census:

Household Size Profile

	Lavant Parish	Indexed on South East
All Occupied Households	734	
1 Person in Household	28%	97
2 People in Household	41%	116
3 Person in Household	16%	106
4 People in Household	11%	79
5 or more People in Household	4%	59

Household Composition Profile

	Lavant Parish	Indexed on South East
1 Person Household	28%	97
Family with No Children	41%	116
Family with Dependent Children	16%	106
Family with non-dependent Children	11%	79

Household Tenure Profile

	Lavant Parish	Indexed on South East
All Occupied Households	734	
Owned: Owned outright	33%	102
Owned: Owned with a mortgage or Loan	28%	79
Shared Ownership (part owned and part rented)	2%	148
Social Rented: Rented from Council (LA)	5%	87
Social Rented: Other	20%	259
Private Rented: Private landlord or Letting Agency	7%	50
Private Rented: Other	1%	93
Living Rent Free	3%	244

Age Profile

	Lavant Parish	Indexed on South East
Total	1,656	
0-4	6%	92
5-18	15%	92
19-22	4%	70
23-39	16%	76
40-59	30%	111
60-79	24%	133
79+	5%	91

The age breaks above reflect life stages: pre-school, school, university, family formation, middle age, retirement & old age. The village currently has a predominantly ageing population where 59% are aged 40 or over (the National Average is 49%), which has the capacity to skew the outcome of the ultimate NP. However, this ageing population will potentially be of lesser dominance in the village by the time the NP is rolling out across its ultimate life of 15 years. By then, the demographics may have moved and a younger village, with potentially different priorities, will exist. It is important to ensure that the younger elements of the village are engaged in the NP process and that the ultimate NP delivers against their expectations.

In developing the NP we should be concerned that for the long-term social cohesion of our community Lavant needs to grow the family formation age group (23-39) so that it has a more balanced age profile. The ownership structure of Lavant's housing stock is worth reflecting on as we consider the best way forward to produce a vibrant and balanced community.

Lavant could be considered a dormitory village in some respects as a minority of residents will be aspiring Chichester residents, with only a transient, short-term view of what Lavant might offer them. However, their needs are still relevant as when they leave they are likely to be replaced by other transient residents.

Chichester is a thriving city with attractive and sought after property. It also has a busy commercial centre, which in itself is surrounded by a number of retail industrial estates. The closeness and facilities offered by Chichester will have an impact on the views of villagers regarding the preferred degree of separation sought from Chichester and the eventual infrastructure or community facilities offered within Lavant itself.

Experience with an earlier shop project showed that the village has the capacity to stop a project in its tracks if it doesn't gather sufficient common support, particularly amongst influential key individuals. Every effort must be made to get key influencers on board early and keep them there.

4. Stakeholders

Village partners: all villagers and everyone on the electoral roll of LPC, identified ambassadors and key influencers, resident associations/groups, schools, businesses, churches/PCC, external users of village facilities (sports clubs etc).

External expert partners: CDC, SDNPA, Environment Agency, Infrastructure providers, Funding providers (Locality, SDNPA, WSCC, CDC).

5. Proposition and Top-Line Messaging

- The whole community has an active role in ensuring the future of development in Lavant. “Get involved, come and have your say...”
- A successful NP is within our control and will deliver a Lavant that meets the needs and expectations of the whole community.
- There are important consequences of NOT developing a NP. Sticking our heads in the sand is not an option, unless we’re prepared to accept these consequences.

6. Outline of Approach

Key techniques:

- developing a logo/brand image to be used consistently throughout the project
- regular public meetings (broadly quarterly but linked to project milestones)
- surveys on particular topics as required to support Working Group research
- a final questionnaire to all households
- regular press updates to keep a high profile
- attendance at village “events” (eg fete)
- permanent exhibition of current/key information in central location
- use of banners/posters
- use of technology (email, website, mobile phone, Facebook, Twitter)
- use of ambassadors
- invitations to speak at local groups
- involvement of minority groups – youth particularly, but driven by census data and local knowledge
- pop-up activities
- suggestion boxes
- diary of activities

7. Resources

Roles and Responsibilities:	Leader – EM Press contact – CRe Church link – LC Ambassador link – CRO(?) Team members – SP, HS, MH, DK
Budget allocated:	£2350 identified in initial overall NP budget, including room hire and printing costs
Funding:	As sourced via LPC applications, sponsorship, etc
Delivery by:	The Steering Group and Working Groups
Key contacts:	Steering Group, other Working Groups, Finance Lead

8. Interdependencies

The Steering Group and all working groups will have a need to engage with the community, either on an ongoing basis or from time to time with specific focus. All CE activities should therefore be coordinated through the CE Working Group to ensure no duplication or wasted effort/resources/budget.

9. Risks and Assumptions

Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigation
Lack of volunteers to wkg gps	High	High – potentially terminal	All SG and WG members to encourage involvement
Disenfranchisement of minority groups	Medium	High	Develop active programme to include minority groups
Key influencers are not kept on-board	Medium	High	Ensure regular communication and opportunities to be involved
Community does not buy in to proposed policies	Medium	High	Ensure high quality communication and involvement throughout process
Despite community involvement, the final referendum does not achieve a majority vote in favour	Medium	High – terminal	Public involvement in the whole process and clear comms are key
Key personnel (stg or wkg gps) lose enthusiasm to carry on	Medium	Medium	Keep focus on including more/new volunteers, so that turnover is mitigated
Insufficient funds available for CE activities	Medium	Medium	Regular updates to Stg Gp and Finance Lead. Early warning of possible shortfalls.

Assumptions:

Sufficient funding is available to carry the CE activities through to completion

10. Strategic Options

1. The Steering Group brings in professional outside help to run the project to completion. This is an expensive option, and available funding negates this approach.
2. The Steering Group delivers most of the work itself, using external expert resources as necessary, with a minimal number of volunteers from the wider community. Experience with prior projects demonstrates this is a risky approach, with a high likelihood of failure due to lack of sufficient community support.
3. Creation of a number of working groups, thereby spreading the work load and lessening the more expensive type of funding/external resources required. Each working group will run under the leadership of Steering Group members (probably, but not essentially); involving interested and willing volunteers from the wider community. Each working group will have a particular focus and will work towards delivering the relevant parts of the NP, but liaising with and referring to other working groups to ensure co-ordinated progress and ultimately delivery of a fully integrated NP.

11. Recommendations

Formally agree the Top-Line Messages. These must be tested with the community and amended if necessary.

Formally confirm Strategic Option 3 is the preferred approach, and the one believed most likely to deliver the required outcome of maximum buy-in from the community.

Re-assess the budget required for the delivery of a successful community engagement plan, and seek further funding if necessary.

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- **Consultation Meetings** with stakeholders.
- A dedicated **webpage** hosted on the Lavant Parish Council website. All key documents and meeting notes are on this website ensuring full transparency.
- A dedicated **email address**. Over time a database of contact names has been established, which forms the basis of any electronic communications.
- A dedicated **mobile phone number**, to ensure that any parties who are unable to use electronic methods for communication have a way of contacting the Steering Group.
- Regular **progress updates** in the local church magazine, which is circulated to many (but not all) parishioners.
- Regular **progress updates** in the LPC newsletter, which is delivered to all parishioners and posted on the LPC website.
- **Press articles** in the Chichester Observer to highlight forthcoming events and to report on recent events.
- **Pop-up stalls at village events**, e.g. Village Fete, Allotments Open Day, Flower Show, Lavant Community Day
- Development of a brand **Logo** to ensure recognition of LNDP activities/communications.
- Use of **surveys and questionnaires** to gather data.
- **Public events** at key times to inform stakeholders and gather views.
- Regular **leaflet** distribution to all properties in the parish, notifying of forthcoming events and providing outcomes of public meetings and other key progress updates.

Appendix 3a

Public Meeting Leaflet & Survey (24.02.14)

**This survey will be collected
during the week commencing 17th
February. Alternatively you can
post it into one of the dedicated
boxes at:**

**Lavant Memorial Hall ;
St Mary's Church;
St Nicholas' Church;
Lavant Primary School;**

**or bring it with you to the public
meeting.**

PUBLIC MEETING

Love your village?

Want to influence how it develops?

Lavant Memorial Hall

Monday 24th February at 7pm

to discuss the

LAVANT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Come along and have your say...

Contact Points:

lavantneighbourhoodplan@gmail.com / 07503 637472

Dear Lavant resident / enterprise

Lavant Parish Council has committed to actively supporting the development of a Neighbourhood Plan, through which the village will influence where and how any future developments take place; including visual, natural, environmental and infrastructure impacts. The responsibility to develop a plan lies with all of us and once approved by Lavant Parish and Chichester District Councils and the South Downs National Park, will provide a strong framework for future planning decisions over the next 15 years. We would, therefore, urge you to attend the next public meeting on Monday 24th February to have your say, and ensure our Neighbourhood Plan reflects the views of as many of us as possible. Whether you attend or not, please take a few minutes to fill out the short survey opposite, so that the NP Steering Group can start to gather your current views about where the Plan should focus and how you are kept informed. **The survey page will be collected during the week commencing 17th February. Alternatively, you can post it into one of the dedicated boxes (see back for list), or bring it with you to the public meeting.**

Thank you and we hope to see you soon.

Councillor Ian Hutton, Chair of Lavant Parish Council

LAVANT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - INITIAL SURVEY

What do you think the Neighbourhood Plan should focus on?

Please give a score from 1-10 to as many or as few of the following as you wish:
(1=little importance to you, 10=great importance to you)

Housing (e.g. New / Affordable / Sheltered /where / how many)	
Roads / Traffic Management / Parking	
Flooding and Drainage	
Environment / Use of Open Spaces / Footpaths	
Outside Recreational Spaces	
Business and Employment (e.g. Shop / Post Office /Office Spaces)	
Community Buildings (e.g. school / medical /meeting places)	
Please add any other suggestions you may have	

What do you think is the best way to involve the people of Lavant?

Please give a score from 1-10 to as many or as few of the following as you wish:
(1=little importance to you, 10=great importance to you)

Public meetings	
Leaflets	
Open events at the weekend	
Newspaper	
Webpage	
E mail	
Road show	
Posters	
Via Associations / Societies	
Please add any other suggestions you may have	



Appendix 3b

Article in Chichester Observer (06.02.14)

the heart of the stories that matter to you

How the neighbourhoods are dealing with the plans

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WITH all the parishes at different stages in their plans, the *Observer* takes a look at how some are getting on with their planning blueprints.

Currently, around 19 parishes in the Chichester district are seeking to prepare and adopt neighbourhood plans.

This figure comes from a meeting of the district council's development plan panel on January 16.

There are thought to be some 900 communities across the country seeking to create neighbourhood plans, with 12 plans in the process of being examined by an inspector.



LAVANT

Lavant neighbourhood plan is finally gaining momentum and a steering group is holding a meeting to gauge residents' views.

"The steering group is pleased to be working with Lavant Parish Council," said Caroline Reynolds, a member of the group.

"The purpose of this meeting is to continue the decisions that have already taken place and to start formulating some decisions. We have just ended up delaying so much."

The steering group is going to 'carry on regardless' of the result of an appeal looming for plans to build 92 homes on land known by residents as the Daffodil Field.

"A leaflet including an initial survey is being distributed to every one of the 750 houses in the village," said Mrs Reynolds.

The steering group will discuss recreational spaces, housing provision for all ages, retaining the rural character of the village in the face of housing and traffic pressures and being part of the South Downs National Park.

"You won't be talked at, but will have lots of opportunities to get over your ideas and comments and concerns," said Mrs Reynolds. "Please come and have your say."

A public meeting will take place at Lavant Memorial Hall at 7pm on February 24.

Appendix 3c

Community Survey Feedback (02.15)

LPC Neighbourhood Plan STEERING GROUP

Community Survey February 2014

Initial Survey - 20% response rate

Total responders 143 who gave a usable score

Focus	Raw score	Rank	%
Housing	884	5	13%
Roads / Traffic Management / Parking	1125	2	17%
Flooding and Drainage	1128	1	17%
Environment / Use of Open Space / Footpaths	1000	3	15%
Outside Recreational Spaces	755	7	11%
Business and Employment	912	4	14%
Community Buildings	782	6	12%
Total all individual scores	6586		

Involvement		Rank	%
Public Meetings	872	2	15%
Leaflets	1006	1	18%
Open events at weekend	645	3	11%
Newspaper	518	7	9%
Webpage	609	4	11%
E mail	547	6	10%
Road Show	422	9	7%
Posters	600	5	11%
Via Associations / Societies	487	8	9%
Total all individual scores	5706		

Comments lifted from the near 150 responses to the Feb 2014 door drop short survey

N.B. I have reproduced exactly what was written, some may seem incomplete or ambiguous but that was what was written by the responder.

The number below simply allows me to group each responders total comments, and separates from the next, it has no other significance.

- 1 ..name removed
- 2 name removed
 - Film club for kids
 - community shop
 - school council
 - Lavant Road practice, Practice Manager - Tiffany Boulton

- 3 name removed
- 4 name removed
- 5 name removed
- 6 name removed
- 7 Public footpaths should not be used for parking (Yarbrook)
- 8 Tennis court to be put back onto Lavant Green?
- 9 Road surface of St Nicholas Road
20mph in village
- 10 mobile shop on wheels like library
- 11 coffee shop / meeting place
surveys- talking to people
all of above will also give word of mouth
- 11 Additional parking areas / formalised
Parking on verges (Grass grid/crete)
- 12 No to new housing - village is big enough
- 13 Control of car parking at night on the A286. Serious risk of a major accident
- 14 It would be preferable for Lavant residents to decided not Summersdale / Chi
1-2 times a year the community get together & tidy up areas or do a project of some kind. Be
proud of our village - Lavant. EG Clear ditches
- 15 A coffee shop / book swop in general stores - as a community focus
- 17 Consider one way traffic in estate roads
Webpage could have high score! Facebook & Twitter may work
- 18 To many villages spoilt already by being to large
- 19 Prefer none at all (Housing)
Traffic through Mid -Lavant - constant noise due to speed, volume and size, night and day.
Vibration to property is a huge worry
For those who are unable to come to meetings and there are many reasons why, it would be
useful to be informed by leaflet. Not all of us have computers
- 20 Broadband speed
- 21 Upholding 30mph limit
Parking along the road at Yarbrook cars park half on pavement, must be difficult for push
chairs & wheelchairs
- 23 Lavant is an English village we must keep it that way
That the bus shelter at Yarbrook be moved nearer to the footpath, with vehicles parked it is
not possible to sit or stand in the shelter and see the bus approaching! And it is a very cold
place to wait
- 25 Sheltered with in the village 20Speed Control
- 26 Housing: There is no more room
Hunters race bridge getting shubbery cut back hard, as could scratch car when pulling into
side
- A readers letter page in the Lavant news airing good things, bad things
- 28 Lavant News
- 29 Lest block any housing proposals on the river flood plains
Hand in Leaflets - do not collect it's to much trouble
- 30 Tennis courts?
- 31 Small groups of housing, style & density to be in keeping with existing, not on flood plain
Community building: existing hall very important - others?
Need to consider sewage disposal can cope how does existing VDS fit with these new plans?

- Consult with / engage with large landowners
population: now what is it?, What do we want it to be in 5-10 years?
- 32 Give us a shop
Would be great to have a safe footpath to reach Long Meadow for dog walking Road very
- 33 dangerous
- 34 Updated playground/clean as very slippery & dangerous.
Maintenance of Centurion Way, stinging nettles dog poo!
Facebook?
- 35 Found this ambiguous - not sure if it is important to me or community in general
- 36 5 sheltered in East Lavant
- 37 Community growing space
New "Council of Elders" group
- 38 Affordable - 25 opposite station
- 39 Open market family housing = 4 bed
- 40 Parking on estate roads / verges
- 41 Traffic calming - speed bumps - needed along Pook lane
- 42 Parking on the pavement along Yardbrook should be stopped and enforced by law.
Not everybody as a computer or webpage to let everybody know what is going on in the village
is by house to house drop of leaflets to everybody in Lavant
- 43 Shop/Post Office - Urgently needed
Public meetings - interesting to see how many turn up tonight
- 44 Plat park needs restoring
- 45 Maintain village identity from Chichester
- 46 Sort / Control the noise / traffic chaos caused by Goodwood events and airfield generally
- 47 We should have "traffic calming" devices on Pook Lane, or 20mph signs
- 48 (Housing) None
- 49 All of the above (scored all at 10) are inevitably interrelated
Lavant News (It will print exactly what you want to say (Unlike newspapers) despite delay
Try to avoid over enlargement / retain village type atmosphere. No more building on Green
- 50 Field sites. Small number sheltered affordable if brown site option available
- 51 Sewage works need updating
Definitely no large developments. Lavant is not suitable. Small groups up to '5' houses, built
of local flint, in 'carefully' considered areas.

Robert Newman
7th March 2014

Appendix 3d

Leaflet drop

LAVANT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**WHAT'S HAPPENING IN LAVANT?**

An Open Meeting was held on 24th February 2014 in the Memorial Hall. Over 80 people came along and had their say :

HOUSING: One of the important issues was about phasing. Should 5 houses a year be built over the next 15? Or 15 houses every 5 years? How many are needed? Who wants and needs these houses? Where should they go? What should they look like?

LANDSCAPE + ENVIRONMENT: We should blow our trumpet louder! Lavant is the gateway to the South Downs National Park and is an asset that should not be ignored. We need to make the most of the green spaces, Centurion Way, the allotments and a centre for the village.

VISION - Lavant in 15 years' time: Should maintain its individuality and identity as a rural village. Lavant should be a safe place to live (traffic, roads and parking) and provide extra community meeting facilities .

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: Leaflets and meetings were considered the best (but not the only) way to keep people informed and give everyone opportunities to meet, discuss and decide.

Results of the Initial Survey

143 (20%) of you completed and returned the initial survey included in the last leaflet. **A huge thank you to everyone who took the time to feedback your thoughts.** *On the back, you can see the results:*

WHAT NOW?

Many people have offered to help with research.....but there are still people in the village under-represented - parents, people with physical disabilities and teenagers. **PLEASE get in touch** if you can help: lavantneighbourhoodplan@gmail.com or call 07503 637472.

THE NEXT OPEN MEETING

Make a date in your diary. Drop in anytime, have some tea and cake, and find out what's going on and how you can help.

SATURDAY (from 10am to 3pm)**7TH JUNE 2014 at****St Nicholas' Church****LAVANT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

What do you think the NP should focus on?	Rank	%
Flooding and Drainage	1	17%
Roads / Traffic Management / Parking	2	17%
Environment / Use of Open Space / Footpaths	3	15%
Business and Employment	4	14%
Housing	5	13%
Community Buildings	6	12%
Outside Recreational Spaces	7	11%

What is the best way to involve people?	Rank	%
Leaflets	1	18%
Public Meetings	2	15%
Open events at weekend	3	11%
Webpage	4	11%
Posters	5	11%
E mail	6	10%
Newspaper	7	9%
Via Associations / Societies	8	9%
Road Show	9	7%

These results, together with all the additional comments that were provided, can be found on the Neighbourhood Plan pages of the Lavant Parish Council website: <http://www.lavantpc.org.uk/> This information will be used to help inform and influence the work of the various work groups going forward.

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Have your say