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Public Meeting Leaflet

PUBLIC MEETING

Our Village, Our Plan

To see, hear and contribute to the latest on the

LAVANT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

come to

St Nicholas' Church

Saturday, 7th June

Have your Say. Drop in anytime from

10am until 3pm

Free refreshments will be available

Contact Points:

lavantneighbourhoodplan@gmail.com / 07503 637472

Come and get the latest on:

The Housing Needs Survey Results

Hopefully you completed and returned the Housing Needs Survey left for you at the beginning of May. The results of this important survey are being collated for us by Chichester District Council, and will help us determine the village need for housing, as well as the preferred type and size of housing developments in Lavant over coming years. Come along and see what everyone had to say.

Beating the Bounds Walkabout – provisional date Saturday 6th Sept

Come along and find out more about this ancient custom and how it will be enacted in Lavant. The South Downs National Park Authority will be supporting the event and it will be a great opportunity for the whole family to learn more about the village and contribute your ideas and thoughts on the special and distinctive landscape qualities of Lavant and how these can be conserved and improved, and how best to integrate new developments. So pull on your walking boots or wellies, grab the kids and the dog and come and take part: it'll be great fun.

“What I love about Lavant” – Photo Competition

To help us find out more about what you think are the most valued parts of Lavant, we have launched a photographic competition – open to all ages. Have a go, pick up an entry form and send in your photos of a favourite landscape or building, a view, the wildlife: whatever it is that you love about Lavant. Entries will be judged in 3 age categories: Under 11 years; 11-16 years and 16+ years. **The closing date is Wednesday 18th June. Come along and help judge the entries at the Neighbourhood Plan tent at the Village Fete on Saturday 21st June.** Entry forms are also available on the Lavant Parish Council website at www.lavantpc.org.uk

And there will be more on:

Parking, Traffic Management, Footpaths...

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Photo Competition Information

PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION - “What I love about Lavant”



Join in our photographic competition and help us identify the sights of Lavant that you love!

Competition closing date 18th June 2014

The winners will be awarded the title, ‘Lavant Photographer of the Year’

There are 3 entry categories: Under 11 yrs, 11-16 yrs, and Over 16yrs

The competition will be judged by visitors at the Lavant Village Fete on **Saturday 21st June** and prizes awarded to the winners of each age group category.



LAVANT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

“What I love about Lavant”

Competition Rules

- Photos must be minimum 6” x 4” and maximum 10” x 8”, portrait or landscape.
- Photos to be mounted on a piece of card – any size (eg back of a cereal packet).
- Photos can be produced from film or digital cameras and either home produced or trade processed.
- All entrants must reside in Lavant and have taken the photo themselves.
- On the reverse side, on the back of the mount, please include Lavant entrant’s name, address, telephone number, age group, where and when taken and the title of the photograph.
- All photos must have been taken of Lavant & be a recent photo (within the last 2 years).
- **Competition closing date 18th June 2014** and entries to be delivered, after initial telephone call to: Diane Kelly – 01243 527181.
- Photos will not be returned.
- By entering the competition, all entrants will be agreeing to photos being used for publicity purposes, ie; advertising posters, web site, local newspapers and Parish news.
- The winner will be awarded the title, ‘Lavant Photographer of the Year’
- There are 3 entry categories: Under 11 yrs, 11-16 yrs, and Over 16yrs
- The competition will be judged by visitors at the Lavant Village Fete on **Saturday 21st June** and prizes awarded to the winners of each age group category.

ENTRY FORM

Entrant’s Name:

Address:

Tel No:

Age Group (please circle): Under 11yrs 11-16yrs Over 16yrs

Title of your Photo:

Where & when your photo was taken:


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Public Meeting Notice Boards

Our Village, Our Plan.....Have your say!

INFRASTRUCTURE

A review of the infrastructure in Lavant is underway following in the footsteps of studies in relation to housing needs and landscape.

<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Roads and Traffic Management▪ Parking	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Footpaths, Cycleways and Bridleways▪ Flooding and Drainage
	<p>Responses to the recent <i>Housing Needs Survey</i> and concerns raised at previous community meetings have highlighted the unacceptable impact of the increasing numbers of vehicles on the A286 and through other parts of Lavant.</p> <p>Lavant is not an isolated community and pressure on the road system as a 'rat run' will escalate with the hundreds of houses planned for Westhampnett in the CDC Local Plan.</p>

Our Village, Our Plan.....Have your say!

Footpaths

The village evolves over time and many of the existing footpaths were laid out in the era of the horse and cart and local employment. Today, communication and connections within the village remain important but we have to cope with the often competing demands of leisure and traffic. *The challenge is to consider what we will require over the next 15 years to help to improve our environment and make the village more accessible.*

Traffic + Pedestrians

Lavant is already experiencing an increase in east-west traffic as the roads are used as a back route 'rat run' to avoid congestion on the Chichester southern by-pass.

WSCC Highways are aware that this traffic will increase due to housing developments to the East and West of Chichester and that the problems caused by lack of footpaths will need to be addressed.

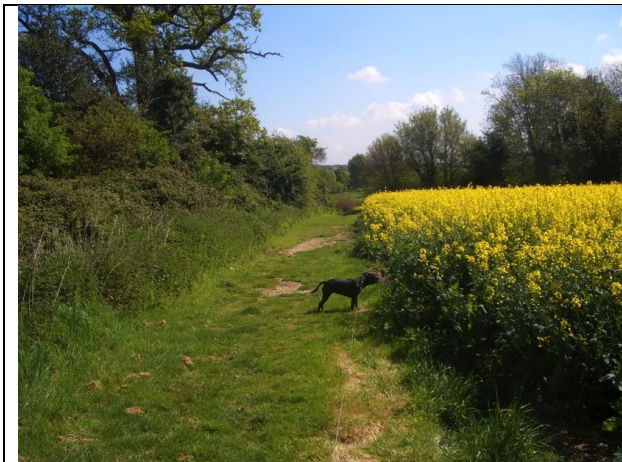
There is no continuous east-west footpath from the Parish boundary at Fordwater Lane to the A286 via Pook Lane	There is no footpath from the Memorial Hall to the A286 main road
There is no footpath From Fordwater Lane to Lower Road	<div></div> The existing footpath alongside the A286 is seen to be dangerous in some key locations (eg where it passes over Centurion Way opposite the garage)

Leisure

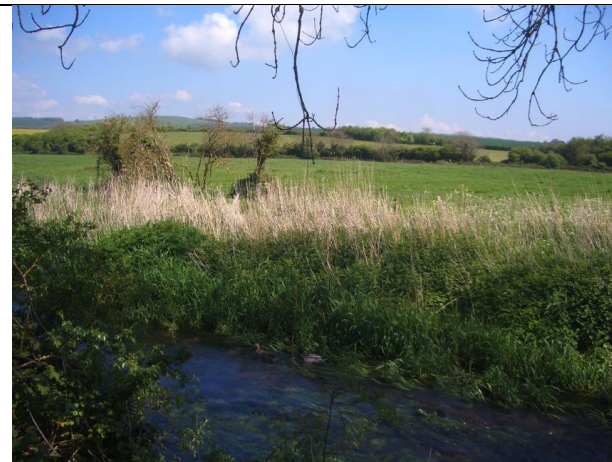
Lavant is at the entrance to the South Downs National Park.

There are potentially four new footpaths which would enhance our community and provide better access. You may wish others to be considered.

- Completion of the cycle track linking Centurion way to Kingley Vale
- Formalisation of an old link from Marsh Lane to Centurion Way via the water works
- A new path from the vicinity of the play area to the village green along the north bank of the river and the Marsh Lane bridge
- A new path alongside the road from the A286 to the Memorial Hall



The existing path from the football field to the Memorial Hall providing casual access from A286 to the Memorial Hall



A new footbridge near the children's play could link to the Village Green via the Marsh Lane bridge

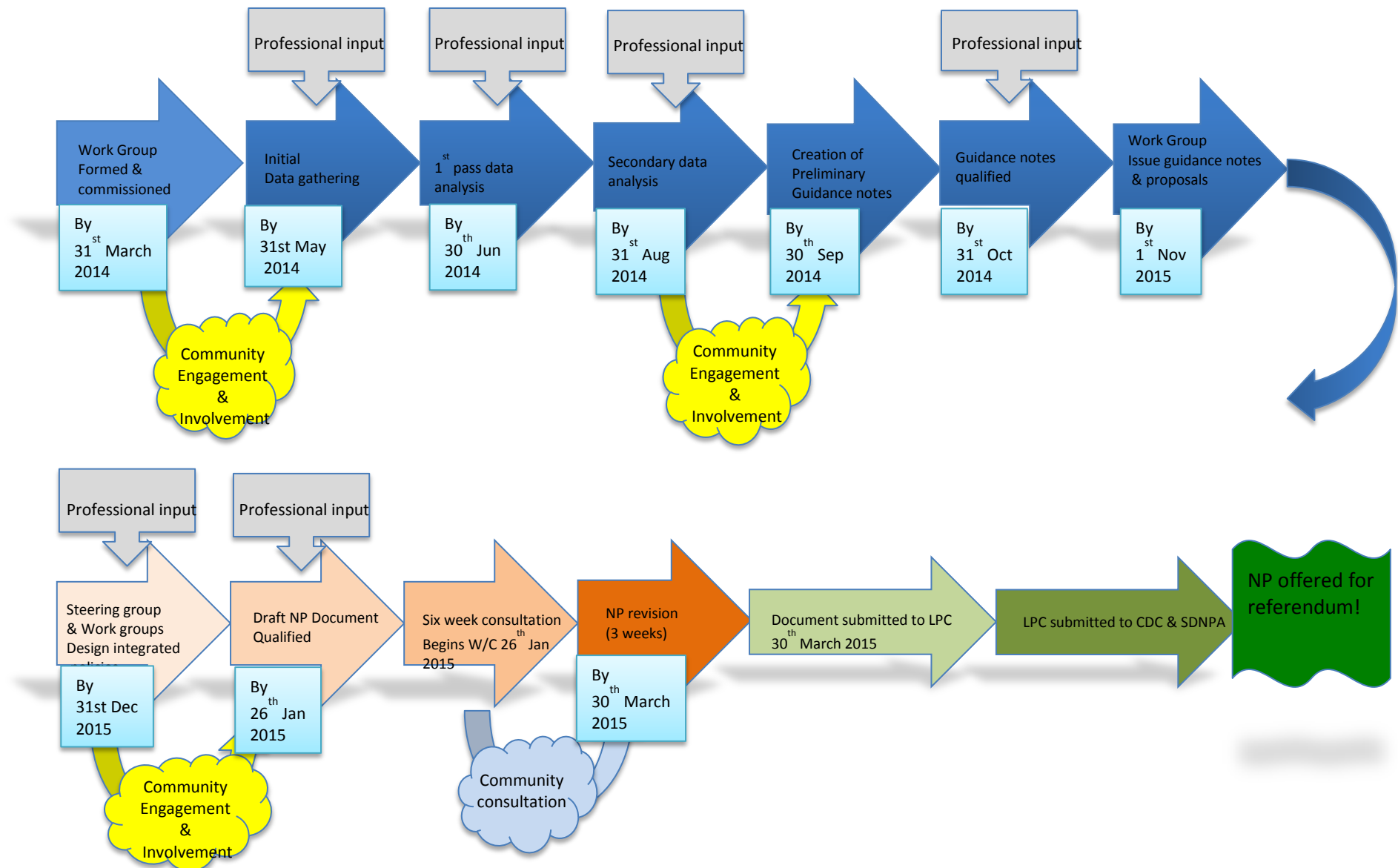


The unregistered footpath near the waterworks in Marsh Lane is well used

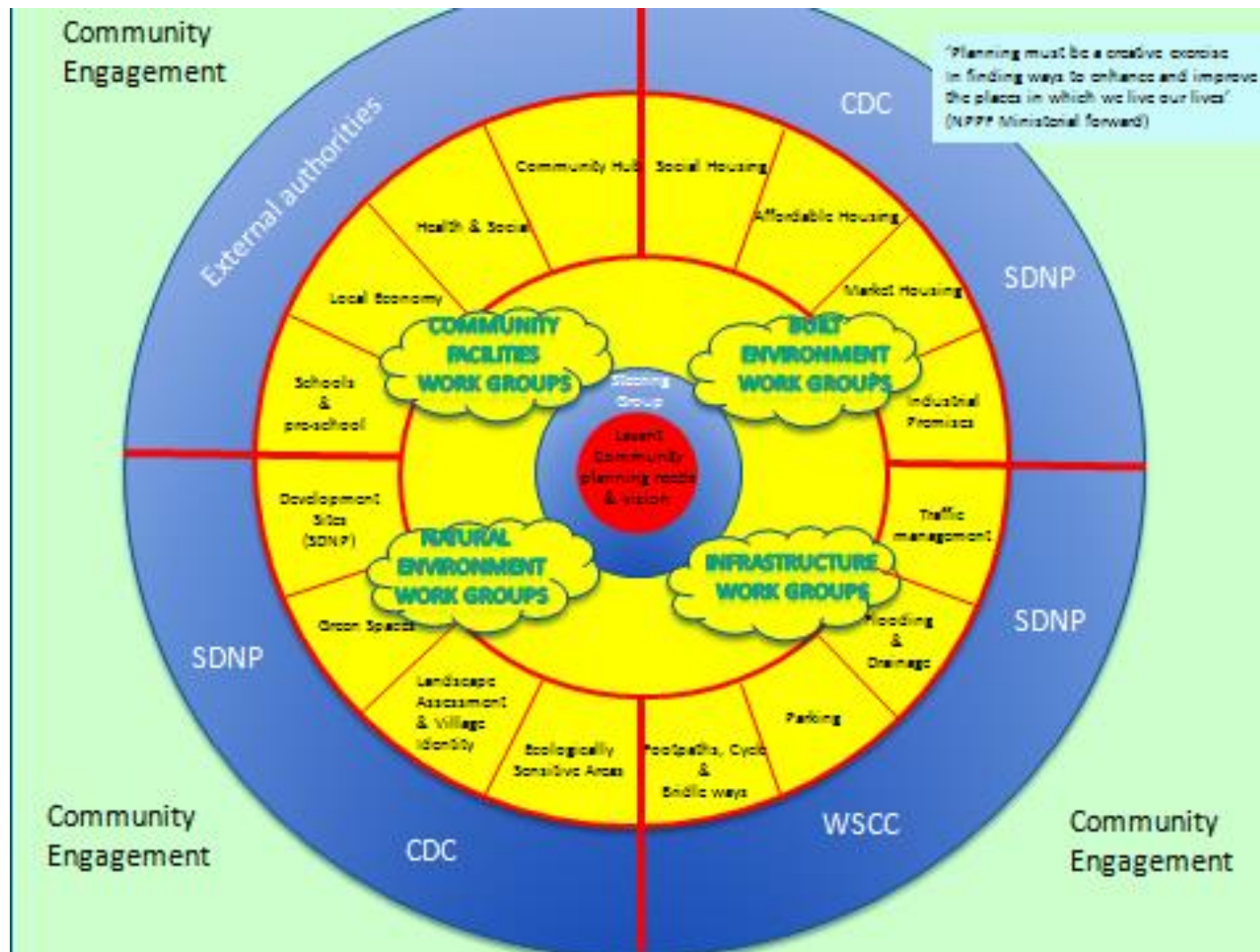
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Neighbourhood Plan

– Key Milestones



Lavant Neighbourhood Plan – Working Groups Representation



What is a Neighbourhood Plan?

- **The Localism Act 2011 introduced statutory Neighbourhood Planning in England**
 - It enables communities to draw up a Neighbourhood Plan for their area and is intended to give communities more of a say in the development of their local area (within certain limits and parameters).
- **Our Neighbourhood Plan will be used by CDC and SDNPA as part of their planning processes**
 - We can influence where we want new homes, shops and offices to be built
 - We can influence what new buildings should look like
 - We can influence landscape decisions

Why is a Neighbourhood Plan important?

- A Neighbourhood Plan is the most effective way by which a community is able to influence planning decisions
- It will impact planning decisions for the next 10 – 15 years
- We live in a desirable area. Without a NP our community will be an easy target for developers.

Together we can influence planning policy; individually we cannot

Our Village, Our Plan.....Have your say with a local Landscape Character Assessment !

To complement other landscape studies, the *Lavant Neighbourhood Plan* has to record and include the special and distinctive landscape qualities observed by local people.

Background

The landscape of the South Downs National Park is recognised as of exceptional beauty.

Fashioned by nature and the communities who live within it, the natural and built environment of Lavant and its environs needs to be conserved and enhanced together with its wild life and cultural heritage.

As a gateway to the **Southdowns National Park** the *Lavant Neighbourhood Plan* must therefore recognise and respect the Qualities of the Park as well as the special + distinctive qualities of the local Lavant landscape.

These qualities need to be understood so that they can be maintained and improved for future generations to inherit – perhaps the true definition of sustainability.

As Lavant Residents we must therefore collectively identify the distinctive qualities and make judgements that ensure land-use changes and development proposals are planned to achieve an appropriate relationship with their surroundings.

Some things to consider



Looking across the water meadows to N Lavant



The pressure of development within Lavant, seen in the unsuccessful application for 92 houses on the 'Daffodil Field', has highlighted the need for a proper consideration of landscape issues in the ***Lavant Neighbourhood Plan*** to include:

- ❖ Diverse, inspirational landscapes and views
- ❖ Tranquil and unspoilt places
- ❖ Integration of new enterprises to support the economy
- ❖ Integration of new housing developments within the landscape
- ❖ Opportunities for recreation and learning
- ❖ Historical features and cultural heritage
- ❖ Opportunities for providing appropriate dwellings for the Lavant community
- ❖ Conservation of Wildlife habitats

Community Consultations – ‘Future Gazing’

Some issues have been highlighted by Lavant residents during previous consultations

- ❖ **Housing will be required** although numbers and type have yet to be confirmed. These should include homes for singles and retirement use without having to relocate from the village.
- ❖ **Preservation of green space** or enhancement of these spaces
- ❖ **Some Development is acceptable** – small scale and phased is best
- ❖ **Re-use of brownfield sites** and existing developed areas as well as changes to land use
- ❖ **Maintenance of strategic gaps** and prevention of sprawl
- ❖ **Retention of character**
- ❖ **Increased land-use for allotments**, community orchard etc. for localising food production
- ❖ **Integration of landscape** with new development
- ❖ **Enhancement of recreational facilities**
- ❖ **Mitigation of traffic nuisance and danger** including traffic calming, access and parking

BUT.....others issues also need further consideration:

- ❖ **Improvements to Centurion Way** as an off-road ‘spine’ to link the separate parts of Lavant
- ❖ **Changes to footpaths** to provide better and safer connections
- ❖ **Retaining the setting of historic landmarks** (e.g. Iron Age entrenchments of Devil’s Duke and Listed Buildings)
- ❖ **Maintenance and improvement of areas for wildlife and of Biodiversity** (e.g. village pond, restoration of wetlands)
- ❖ **New buildings that not only reflect the character of the village** but also minimise energy use, optimise the use of sustainable materials and methods of construction to meet de-carbonisation targets.

THE LOCAL LANDSCAPE CHARACTER ASSESSMENT

'Beating the Bounds'

In Mediaeval times, residents collectively surveyed the parish boundaries each year. This custom was called “*Beating the Bounds*”.

On Saturday 6th September the residents of Lavant will have the opportunity to contribute to a Local Landscape Character Assessment and to record their observations and comments by re-establishing this tradition.

Andrew Berriman, a local historian, has said *“Beating of the Bounds was profoundly important in Mediaeval times. No one back then had maps of any sort. The only way to pass on to succeeding generations exactly where was the parish boundary was by walking around it particularly with youngsters in attendance so that they in their turn could later pass on this important information.”*

A Community Walk around the settlement of Lavant will therefore collectively determine the special + distinctive landscape features as a key component of the *Lavant Neighbourhood Plan*.



This structured community walk between 6 waypoints will provide an opportunity to be part of a creative exercise to improve the place in which we live:

- ❖ For residents to record their own observations
- ❖ To provide a long term vision of what residents want their village to be in the future

The Area

This is planned within and immediately adjacent to the Settlement Area boundary of Lavant and includes land which is sensitive to development. It does not include the whole Parish.

Considerations

A core purpose of this Landscape Assessment is to help the process of managing change to the village. This will prevent the encroachment of inappropriate development and help to retain its character. The assessment by residents will therefore include the making of judgements that ensures land-use change and development proposals are planned to achieve an appropriate relationship with their surroundings and the core of the village.

Following the *Housing Needs Survey* there is an assumption that Lavant will have to accommodate, with least impact, a phased provision of 75+ new dwellings over a period of 15 years. **Waypoints** have therefore been selected to allow consideration of potential new development in the context of the existing settlement area and key landscape features.

The Waypoints



6 Waypoints have been selected at strategic locations where people can **see, consider and record** the key aspects of the settlement edge and the environmental issues in relation to improvement and development.

The Waypoints will be staffed by representatives from the Lavant Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group as well as others from SDNP and those with a specialist knowledge of the flora, fauna and history of Lavant.

The intention is also to provide **activities for children** en route to encourage their involvement. The logistics of providing transport between some Waypoints is also being considered for those less able to walk.

The Route

A counter-clockwise circular route on public land is planned to start at the Primary School and finish at the Allotments (opposite St Nicholas' Church). The route heads first to West Lavant, then via Centurion Way to Mid Lavant, East Lavant and North Lavant.

WAYPOINT REF	LOCATION	LOCATION	PURPOSE
Start	Lavant Primary School		Sign in, Assembly and Briefing
01	Bridge at junction of footpath from W Lavant/ Centurion Way	West Lavant	Consideration of school site and view of the Downs and potential for a cycle route to Kingley Vale
02	East boundary of Football pitch	Mid Lavant	Consideration of Recreational Area/ earthworks
03	North boundary of Village Green opposite Marsh Lane	East Lavant	Consideration of link to Mid Lavant including Blake's Way cycle route
04	N end of Warbleheath Close (close to old Railway station)	Mid Lavant	Consideration of buffer zone to water meadows
05	West end Hayes Close	North Lavant	Consideration East Mead industrial Estate
06	Junction Lavant Down Rd/ Centurion Way (by seat)	North Lavant	Consideration of North Lavant
Finish	Allotments		De-brief/ Feedback

WAYPOINT PROFORMA for completion by Residents

IMPACT ASSESSMENT + KEY OBSERVATIONS *Example responses shown*

WAYPOINT Nr: 05	SITE REF: East Mead Industrial Estate
DATE: 06/Sept NAME:	Current Use: Industrial premises on short term leases
Openness of Site – e.g. proximity of trees/ woodland. Special + Distinctive qualities: Enclosed but could be opened to the north	Gradient / Topography of Land (eg flat, gently sloping) Gently sloping land towards the east.
Visual Impact of Site on Settlement Boundary: None	Preservation of Existing Views/vistas/ strategic gap Distant views to the East from within the site; views into the site are poor
Likely Water levels Drains to the east	Potential visual/physical Impact on immediate Environment This could be improved by
Possible Impact on Existing nearby Housing. Possible to improve by	Surrounding Environmental Features Housing.. which is attractive/ unattractive / fits the landscape /is just right
Suitability of any Access Good direct from A286	Impact of Traffic generated Access direct from the A286 would be good/poor possible / have serious impact on trees etc.
Potential precedent to any future/ extended development None – enclosed site	Links to existing village Infrastructure Should be readily accessible although surface water drainage to be satisfied by SUDS. Capacity of foul drainage may be problematical
Previous land use (contamination?) Decontamination likely requirement	Potential added value to Village Additional housing + more sustainable commercial use for small businesses
Potential for small scale economic Development Yes as mixed use e . g	Sustainable/ Walk to village facilities Some distance but possible via Centurion Way. Footpath on A286 inhospitable

WAYPOINT – BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SITE + KEY CONSIDERATIONS

Lavant East Mead Industrial Estate



Brief History

- 1917/18 - When Industry came to Lavant - courtesy of UK Government!
A Wood Distillation Factory for the production of Acetone was being built for the War Office. The Board of Trade commissioned an aerial ropeway of about 7 miles, from Earham North Wood to supply the bulk wood.
- The factory was never completed, however, the ropeway survived until 1922 supplying W Pearce (Bentwood) Ltd, a timber mill and factory making bent wooden hoops.
- 1939 - Return to military use - rifle-butt production and after the war returning to hoops and furniture manufacture.
- In 1946 Lines Brothers (Tri-ang) purchased the site and invested in new buildings resulting in increased employment. Lavant's household numbers increased with the building of Northside and St Nicholas estates in the 1950s.
- Tri-ang collapsed in 1971. *GoodWood Playthings* continued production of wooden toys until 1975. Subsequently the site was divided up into separate units and later with further investment, into a mini industrial estate.

Key Issue:

This area has the potential to address a substantial proportion of Lavant's Housing Needs in conjunction with some commercial / employment units. There are issues with flooding due to lack of maintenance on older part of the site.

Some Key Considerations if change of use:

Pros: + Close to centre of population. + East side of A286. + Easy access for pedestrians.

Cons: + Loss of manufacturing premises + Unlikely to be an alternative site available locally.

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Display Board Advertising Next Meeting

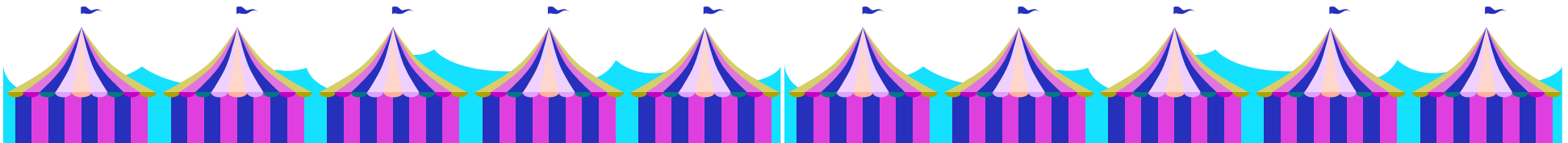
COME AND MEET US AGAIN

at the

LAVANT VILLAGE FETE

on

SATURDAY 21st JUNE



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Volunteer Vacancies Display Board

VOLUNTEER VACANCIES

Can you spare a few hours on an irregular basis? Are you interested in how the village develops over coming years?

We need your help – check out the skills we are looking for and see what you could do for the village:

What do you enjoy doing:	What you could help us with:
Going for walks round the village?	Delivering and/or collecting leaflets and questionnaires
Being in the great outdoors whilst admiring the unique sites around the village?	Join the Natural Environment Work Group and help with Beating the Bounds Walkabout
Getting things organised and done?	Help coordinate activities on the Beating the Bounds Walkabout
Leading a team?	Come and set up and lead our Community Facilities work group – focused on things like schools / local economy / health & social / community hub
Investigating and researching?	Come and help out with our Infrastructure work group – focused on traffic management / flooding & drainage / parking / footpaths, cycle and bridleways
Writing reports / business plans?	Help us design and build our final Neighbourhood Plan document (based on information provided by others on the team)
Working with young people?	Come and join our Community Engagement group and help get the younger members of the village involved and engaged with the project

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Article in Chichester Observer on 12 June 2014

Affordable housing need for village

Chichester Observer 12/6/14

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HOUSING was high on the agenda for more than 90 Lavant residents attending a neighbourhood plan meeting.

A housing needs survey, completed by 43 per cent of villagers, showed 'residents' commitment' to the area as most people have lived in Lavant for

an average of 23 years.

Elaine Mallett, a member of the neighbourhood plan steering group, said: "More affordable housing is needed in coming years, particularly for younger families; those setting up home for the first time; and more mature residents seeking to down-size or move to

sheltered accommodation.

"Several residents felt inspired to get involved with the neighbourhood plan process and many visitors left positive and constructive comments on the information displayed, which will all contribute to the Lavant neighbourhood plan project

over coming months."

More information about the survey data is set to be displayed at the Lavant village fete on Saturday, June 21.

A village walk, called beating the boundaries, will help determine part of the village's landscape character assessment.

Appendix 7g

Responses to Comments Received at Public Meeting on 7th June 2014

LAVANT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN



COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC MEETING 07 JUNE 2014 - ST NICHOLAS' CHURCH

	WHAT YOU TOLD US	WHAT WE WILL DO
1	Pleased with remarks & progress to ensure Lavant remains a "village". Hope something can be done about the "rat run".	To address the 'Rat Run' as part of the INFRASTRUCTURE studies
2	Presentation excellent. Explains the situation. Would prefer a single housing development rather than lots of smaller ones otherwise we will fill up all our green spaces in Lavant. Kingley Vale link is a good idea. Will more houses draw more people – making Lavant larger than a village?? Westhampnett is a worry as this might cause a rat run. Need road improvements. Don't want the village to be spoiled and become too large.	The purpose of the NP is to plan the development of the village and not let it happen by chance or opportunism (as with the Raughmere Field/ 'Daffodil Field' planning application) in an unplanned way. It will provide a framework for development of the village.
3	Why is East Lavant not included in the BtB???? Was given the answer/reason as the boundary would have been too big to include East Lavant and people wouldn't be able to manage to walk round. Not convinced and feels there might be ulterior motive – that East Lavant residents don't want more houses in their patch!!! Really good that people can have their say & will be listened to – as usually councils/MPs decide on where houses will be built. We do need to include the whole village!! Many thanks, excellent presentation.	We will incorporate East Lavant in addition to the village green. We were conscious of distance and may have to divide the BtB into 2 parts.
4	Very impressive & well thought out display. Link village green to play area etc, a bridge over the river would be ideal. I take my grandchildren down to the village green and then they ask to play on the swings, which means we have to use the busy main road – a link across the river would be fantastic. Need affordable private sheltered housing for the elderly to enable them to stay/live near family in the village. 20mph speed limit through Pook Lane please – really dangerous road and notices on Fordwater lane to slow down etc,	Traffic calming will be considered as part of the INFRASTRUCTURE studies
5	Footpaths – the more the merrier & these will link the whole village. Re; housing development – 1 possible site without high intensity – site south of the garage/west of Centurion Way/behind the school. This would bring the density back into the village – potential site for a village shop too. An ideal development would be to build some small cottages across the green, rebuild the memorial hall – making it a more modern facility/community hub, have a "village pub", not restaurants & all would be next to the church – the perfect village!	To be considered in the next stage of work when Options / Alternatives have to be reviewed
6	Very impressive exhibition, congratulations! Will definitely try and join you all in the Beating of the Bounds.	

7	Kill the speed! Lavant is a village and the speed limit should really be 20mph. Maybe we could have speed flashing lights in various places as well as traffic lights near the Earl of March where houses are literally on the edge of the road. Possibly speed cameras as well. Best of all would be a bypass.	Traffic calming and road alignments will be considered as part of the INFRASTRUCTURE studies
8	We've just moved into the village and its clear that a shop is missing – for such a large village. Maybe we do need a bypass – integrate the shop, housing development & bypass.	Traffic calming and road alignments will be considered as part of the INFRASTRUCTURE studies
9	A beautifully presented exhibition that was extremely informative. It is reassuring that the future of Lavant village rests in such intelligent and articulate hands. I look forward to the walk on the 6 th Sept to assess the area in more detail “on the hoof” and to meet more local residents. Thank you	Important for as many residents to participate in <i>BtB</i>
10	Sheltered accommodation for the elderly. A collection of houses with shop/café for provided meals (perhaps also open to other Lavant residents). Good presentation.	To be considered in the next stage of work when Options / Alternatives have to be reviewed
11	Food for thought – but there are so many hyper-thetical issues involved.	This is our research stage and therefore any suggestions are hypothetical at this time
12	Lower Road – East Lavant's name should be the original “Bottom Lane”.	The NP exercise is bringing out various historical aspects of the village
13	Parking at Yarbroom on the main road is really dangerous. Cant get pushchairs through. Good presentation – self explanatory and very clear. Why is East Lavant not included in the boundary for BtB??? Should be whole village included.	Traffic calming and road alignments will be considered as part of the INFRASTRUCTURE studies. We will incorporate East Lavant in addition to the village green. We were conscious of distance and may have to Divide the BtB into 2 parts
14	Getting people enthused - think you are doing what we can. Today's numbers suggests the penetration of involvement.	The number of new attendees is very encouraging and our plan is to increase further
15	The best site for development, in my opinion is opposite Warble Heath Close. If a river bank was built and ground level raised by a metre there would be enough ground for required houses. Flood plain runs away to the east. A good presentation, thanks	To be considered in the next stage of work when Options / Alternatives have to be reviewed
16	Lots of room for concentration. Pleased to see results of housing survey	
17	Useful, in depth. Nice to know we have a say in type of housing & where they will go.	
18	Power to the community!!! Excellent display/info. Keep it up!!	
19	Need to extend BtB & take in East Lavant – why leave it out??? Improving of foot and cycle paths essential for efficient functioning of such a wide-spread village as it develops further – also for amenity & leisure. Very impressive work done so far.	We will incorporate East Lavant in addition to the village green. We were conscious of distance and may have to divide the <i>BtB</i> into 2 parts
20	Informative, well advertised. The field to the right of No. 4 waypoint – planning applied for?	To be considered in the next stage of work when Options / Alternatives have to be reviewed

21	Very informative, so much that I have volunteered for leaflet distribution.	
22	No more new cycle paths!	
23	Brilliant, clear & informative display. No excuse for people not to participate now. Avoiding crossing the main road or making it safe would be good.	Traffic calming and road alignments will be considered as part of the INFRASTRUCTURE studies.
24	Thank you, very well presented.	
25	Full map of Lavant should include boundary to Summersdale and Hunters Rest. Also to boundary with West Stoke to include Trumley, Trumley Barns. We at Trumley are excluded!!	In order to focus the NP and to complete it within a reasonable timeframe we have had to limit the scope of work (ie it does not cover the whole Parish). However, we do believe that such areas need to be referred to in the NP as strategic gaps and rural areas and will do so.
26	Thank you, beautifully displayed and written, well done.	
27	Informative & useful.	
28	Very informative, impressive presentation	
29	Survey – comprehensive & great response. Surprised by the length of time some people have lived in the village, suggests general appreciation of area, but would be nice to increase opportunities to connect all areas of the village.	New footpath connections are seen as a real benefit supported by the number of comments
30	Cycle path along Springfield and connexion to the next part onwards to West Dean is not clearly signposted & people are always asking which way it is. Would be good to connect to Kingley Vale.	The improvement of Centurion Way and connections are seen as worthwhile by many people and organisations
31	What a lot of work has been done – thankyou & we are willing to help. Contact details left.	
32	Houses at Westhampnett are a threat in terms of roads/traffic – Whitehouse Farm west of Centurion Way – could be potential development area. People use local roads as short cuts/rat runs – so anything to reduce this. Very interesting & professional presentation.	Traffic calming and road alignments will be considered as part of the INFRASTRUCTURE studies.
33	Comprehensive & professional. Nice tea & cakes – thankyou.	
34	I think our Neighbourhood Plan is in very good hands. A very intensive amount of work has been done and it is very impressive – so thank you for all your efforts.	
35	Engagement with business? Maybe a survey like the housing needs. Premises & expansion.	Engagement with businesses and landowners is being put in place.
36	Raughmere Farm field – not daffodil. Footpath down Pook Lane not the road from 286. Footpaths are needed to make it safe. Centurion Way – who is responsible for maintenance. Needs to be made a proper right of way.	The improvement of Centurion Way is seen as a key consideration

37	Why is East Lavant not included – does this mean no houses will be built in East Lavant?	We will incorporate East Lavant in addition to the village green. We were conscious of distance and may have to divide the BtB into 2 parts
38	We need a shop and more community facilities.	To date we have lacked the resource to pursue this further and a volunteer is still needed to lead the workgroup on Community Facilities. It is a facility widely requested by the community.
39	Brilliant show – Lavant had a great team – keep up the good work!	
40	Pleased to hear about the good working relationship between the Steering Group and SDNP	The Steering Group anticipate that this will continue as contacts expand when the NP is developed further.
41	How many houses are required over and above the local need? Incremental development preferred.	The results of the Housing Needs Survey have not yet been analysed and further discussions are required with SDNP as the primary planning authority to verify numbers. CDC do not allocate any land in the local plan for housing outside of the CDC/SDNP boundary line
42	Excellent display. Very Clear	
43	Thanks to the Steering Group who deserve support from the village	Volunteers continue to be needed
44	What is the process to get the NP approved? Is the village vulnerable to developer planning applications in the interim?	Inspection of the NP by an independent examiner followed by a community referendum.
45	Development of the field south of the garage would create problems for the existing houses to the north. What about land north of the allotments?	To be considered in the next stage of work when Options / Alternatives have to be reviewed
46	New footpath linking the village green is excellent idea	Viability to be checked out with landowners
47	The history of the Industrial estate needs some correction as it is not the site of the original cordite factory in 1916-18 which was further east. Some employment opportunities (not ammunition!) should be maintained. Existing leases have been bought out beyond 2016	The industrial estate will be a topic for further discussion with SDNPA. At the present time the intention of the owners is not known. At the present time we believe that housing alone will not be permitted on this site.
48	Can the <i>BtB</i> be put on the website so that people who cannot do this on 06/September can do it in their own time?	Yes, excellent idea. We will include the route, the Waypoints and the comments sheets for people to complete at their leisure.

Appendix 8a

Notes from the Village Fete Stand



Notes on the Village Fete Stand 21st June 2014

Location

Our pitch was located just beyond the cricket boundary, furthest of any pitch from the hall, with allotments next to us to our right; no other pitch was near us.

Equipment

The gazebos where great. Rogers was ideal for our needs, with Alan's smaller one alongside for the photo competition. Easy to put up and take down – with four people.

The new sail flags, looked very professional, but wind direction and strength meant they kept showing mirror wording, so we tied one to the side of the gazebo.

Tables where supplied, and delivered to and returned from our pitch.

The balloons where fun for a very few young children, but in truth a bit of a fag.

The stickers where used by Suely to number the pictures for the competition, but did not attract any demand – if they had been in colour they might have had more appeal.

The display stand worked again well, but SDNPA need to splash some cash and get more plastic support clips as at last count we had 21, and to do our simple star needed 24. G-clamps to the rescue. (as an aside we failed to order 4 short pole extensions, SDNPA sorted it for me with the kind help of Nat)

The new boards where well presented, and available in good time, from ProCopy.

I should have brought along the laminated parish map showing Lavant split between CDC and SDNPA, as yet again it would have helped visitors to the display understand better.

We ran out of the sticky "hooks", but improvised with doubled up selotape.

Support

Big Thank You, to all helpers and stand manners. I must mention Suely's husband Robert who was a great support all day, as well as Clare, Marilyn, Suely, Peter Johns, Chris Turner, Adrian & our new volunteer whose name I do not know – *the very tall lady*.

In the end I had the right number of the right type of people, who all got stuck in and helped, so the build was straight forward, we were ready in an hour, the take down even quicker. The stands where well manned during the afternoon – not overmanned.

The Fete

We where nicely busy all through the afternoon. Again we had the opportunity to engage with people (if they wanted to talk) and I found all but one visitor supportive, interested and very complimentary of what we are doing and the quality of the presentation. We could not undertake a head count as it simply was not practical without a hand counter. Peter Johns told me that there had been 140 votes in the Photo competition.

The few comments we got: -

1. 20 is plenty signs down Two Barns Lane
2. I want a shop. Why have we not got a shop?
3. Don't need any more houses – I have no children
4. What is the point of the housing survey? At the end of the day it's down to what people can afford.
5. Beating the Bounds. Still suspicious about leaving out East Lavant from BtB. Does the Parish Council have an ulterior motive?
6. You should do a *contaminated land* search on East Mead Industrial site, as your starter for this area, by asking CDC.
7. What time and where will BtB start? (from I think non-residents but interested and would like to participate)
8. Where is the Rat-Run?

Point 6 above was made by a lady who was over informed, and I was suspicious of her motivation, as she was slightly obsessive about us doing work to find out if the land was contaminated (she implied it was). She left me with the impression she was an ex disgruntled CDC employee with an axe to grind.

Volunteers

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I had two separate conversations with a gentleman and his wife, he is thinking about coming on board to help the project (work commitments allowing). He might well come to our next Steering Group meeting on the 10th July. Sorry I am hopeless with names he told me and I have forgotten.

Photo Competition

And the winner is.....the gentleman who donated the prize!

Worth it?

Yes, Defiantly. We where visible, we engaged with more people, gained support from virtually everyone, and left them with impression we were very professional in our approach to striving to improve our village.

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22nd June 2014