

Liss Parish Council

Action Plan for 2020/2021

During the Council year 2020/21 Liss Parish Council will undertake the following actions:

- Maintain the open spaces for which the council is responsible, including the three recreation grounds, and facilities such as the Village Hall and Liss Pavilion, to the required standard;
- Comment on all planning applications which fall within or impact on the Parish;
- Represent the views and promote the interests of the parish of Liss, particularly in relation to East Hampshire District Council, the South Downs National Park and Hampshire County Council;
- Communicate with parishioners of Liss by maintaining an up-to-date website, (www.lissparishcouncil.gov.uk), maintaining a social media presence, including a Twitter feed (@LissCouncil) and Facebook page, representation at village events and regular publication of Village Voice newsletters;
- Listen, investigate and respond to issues identified by the parish of Liss and, if appropriate, to signpost to the correct person/ organisation for resolution/ further progression;
- Working with key local groups for the benefit of residents, including the Liss Forest Residents Association and the Flood Action Group;
- Deliver speedy and transparent decisions through full meetings of the Council, supported by appropriate committees;
- Maintain good financial practices, ensuring transparency and value for money;
- Working to identify and secure sources of funding to advance LPC priorities;
- Promoting training and induction and ongoing support for members of staff and new councillors.

Key projects for 2020/2021 include:

- Covid-19: helping the village recover and learn from the experience of Covid-19, in consultation with the community, using our services and funding and through support to and from other organisations, such as the district and county councils and local voluntary groups;
- Liss Neighbourhood Plan: working with the SDNPA to set up arrangements for the implementation and monitoring;
- Identifying priorities for the use of CIL funds allocated directly to Liss Parish Council, with work to be led by the new Project Review Group and to include community consultation;
- Highways priorities: delivering the additional courtesy crossings in West Liss and identifying opportunities to tackle speeding throughout Liss;
- Facilities priorities: providing new toilets in the Village Hall, improving leisure facilities at West Liss Recreation Ground and delivery of a Community Garden on land between Woodbourne Close and The Oval, subject to the availability of funding;
- Community engagement: promoting greater engagement of the council with other community groups and organisations in the village in line with the Community Engagement Policy;
- Governance: making further progress towards attaining the Quality Level of the Local Council Award Scheme;
- Financial framework: completing the transition to a more effective and transparent accounting system for the Council.