



Liss Parish Council Action Plan for 2023/2024

During the Council year 2023/24 Liss Parish Council will undertake the following actions:

- Maintain, improve and promote the use of recreation grounds, open spaces and the Village Hall and Liss Pavilion.
- 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 Authority and Hampshire County Council.
- Engage with the community, including parishioners, local businesses, community groups and organisations in Liss, including by maintaining an up-to-date website and social media presence in the village, in line with the Community Engagement Policy.
- 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.
- Work with and support local groups for the improvement of the facilities, environment and social and economic wellbeing in the community.
- Deliver speedy and transparent decisions through full meetings of the Council, supported by appropriate committees and working groups.
- Maintain good financial practices, ensuring transparency and value for money, continuing to build on the reporting capacity of the new finance software.
- Identify and secure sources of funding to advance LPC priorities.
- Promote training and induction and ongoing support for members of staff and councillors.
- Maintain good governance, including adhering to relevant benchmarks to achieve Quality Status of the Local Council Award Scheme.
- Fulfil responsibilities as Sole Trustee to three Charities: (West) Liss Recreation Ground (Charity number 301871), Village Hall; (Charity number 301872) and Parish Allotments (Charity number 237190).

Key projects for 2023/2024 include:

- **Funding:** Deciding priorities for the use of CIL funds allocated directly to Liss Parish Council, drawing on previous and future community engagement, and accessing other sources of investment, including SDNPA CIL.
- **Highways priorities:**
 - Completing the school zone proposals.
 - Exploring options for highways improvements using the Community Funded Initiatives Scheme, in particular on Andlers Ash Road and Forest Road, following delivery of the gateways project, school zone works on Hill Brow Road and addition of two courtesy crossings on Station Road.
- **Facilities priorities:**
 - Completing delivery of the Mill Road Community Garden.
 - Delivering the pump track at West Liss Recreation Ground
 - Working with partners on pitch improvement programmes and drainage improvements at Newman Collard, West Liss and Liss Forest recreation grounds.
 - Renovating the children's play area at Liss Forest.
 - Undertaking an improvement programme to enhance the allotment sites.
- Developing proposals for enhancement of the village centre with Hampshire County Council, East Hampshire District Council and the South Downs National Park Authority.
- Contributing to nature recovery through green space projects to enhance biodiversity and protect the environment.
- Liss Neighbourhood Plan: working with the SDNPA to review and refresh the SDNPA Local Plan and Liss Neighbourhood Plan.