

Liss Village Day

For 2015, the Liss Village Day at Newman Collard Playing Fields is being held on **Sunday 13th September at 12.30pm**

It has been decided to join the Village Day with a Liss Athletic Football Club event following their very successful "Pompey Legends Day" last year. In this way the combined resources of the Newman Collard Playing Field Trust and Liss Athletic Football Club can offer a wider range of events for your enjoyment.

For this one Sunday, skip Sunday lunch and come to the Liss Athletic Barbeque from 12.30pm

Liss Junior School looking for new school governors

The governing body is currently looking for people from the community to join in the overall management and direction of the school, and would particularly like to hear from those with a little time to spare and an interest in primary education.

Some business skills would be especially useful but are not essential. Enthusiasm and willingness to work as a team are the key qualities we need.

Meetings are held at 6pm for a couple of hours and the commitment would be to about four meetings per term.

For more information, please call the chair of governors, Caroline Pritchard on 07767 361931 or email ljsgovernors@lissjunior.hants.school.uk

Some dates for your diary

31st August 2pm Liss Forest Fun Day, Liss Forest recreation Ground

24th October 10am-1pm Neighbourhood plan forum, Village Hall

31st October 10am-1pm West Liss Pavilion project exhibition, Village Hall

9th December— late night Christmas shopping evening in the centre of the village

Parish Council Meetings 2015

	Time	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Council	7.30pm	20		21	19	16	21
Planning	7.30pm	27	24	14	12	9	7
Highways	7.30pm		3			2	
Buildings	7.00pm			7		30	
Grounds	7.45pm			7		30	
Finance	7.30pm	13			26		

Anyone for Tennis?

The tennis courts at Newman Collard can be booked at Jade News, Station Road.

Adults £3.00 per hour, young people (under 18) £1.50 per hour, plus a refundable deposit for the key.



Liss welcomes a royal visitor

It was a great honour to welcome HRH Princess Alexandra to the Crossover Centre.

HRH Princess Alexandra was delighted by the facilities that the Crossover Centre provides for the children of the village and took time to speak to a number of the children individually.

One lucky child even got to play a game of table tennis with Princess Alexandra, which we are sure will be a lasting memory for him in years to come.



2nd Liss Beer & Music Festival

On August 29th 'The 2nd Liss Beer & Music Festival' takes place at The Triangle Centre. The event kicks off at 2pm, with a range of beers on sale. For non beer drinkers there will be Pimms, wine, ciders and of course soft drinks. Food will be available in the car park to keep you going!

There will be bands playing through the day to keep you entertained including The Hanging Tree Band in the evening.

Tickets are on sale now from the Triangle Centre

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The Liss Neighbourhood Plan Are you involved?



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

WEST LISS PAVILION Exhibition of new design at Village Hall

A lot has happened with regard to the design of the new West Liss Pavilion in the last few months, and so we will be holding an exhibition to present the new plans to the residents of Liss and Liss Forest and to listen to your feedback.



The exhibition will be held at Liss Village Hall on **Saturday 31st October** from **10am until 1pm**.

We will have a number of boards to display the new design and members of the Pavilion committee will be present to answer any questions you may have and to listen to your feedback.

The Exhibition is open to families from all areas of Liss and Liss Forest who are very welcome to come and view our plans.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN QUESTIONNAIRE

You should find a questionnaire about housing included with this edition of Village Voice.

It would be very helpful to the Neighbourhood Plan group if you could complete the questionnaire and return it to either Jade News or the Triangle Centre as soon as possible. Alternatively you can post it to Liss Parish Council, Hillbrow Road, Liss, Hants, GU33 7LA

If your questionnaire has gone missing, you can download one from www.lissnp.org.uk or collect one from Jade News or the Parish Office behind the Village Hall.



*Please complete and return the questionnaire
To find out more on how you
can get involved with the neighbourhood plan
please contact us on **01730 892823**
or visit the website at www.lissnp.org.uk*



LISS FLOOD ACTION PLAN

Liss Parish Council and local residents are putting together a Flood Emergency Plan, to try to minimize the effects of flooding of the River Rother and to prevent the flooding of homes in the village as happened in the winter of 2013/14.

We are being strongly supported by agencies such as Hampshire County Council, the Environment Agency and East Hampshire District Council.

One action we are trying to progress is to identify immobile or otherwise vulnerable people who could be affected by flooding in the following areas of Liss Village:

Mill Road
The Roundabouts
Woodbourne Close
The lower part of Station Road (between Western Road and the Railway Station)
Newfield Road
Upper Mount

By 'otherwise vulnerable' we are suggesting those who are mentally incapacitated in some way that may mean they are unaware of the seriousness of local flood warnings.

If you, or someone you know, lives in one of the areas above and could benefit from practical help in the event of a flood warning, for example to help with the use of sandbags etc to prevent water entering their house, please let us know by contacting us on 01730 892823 or by writing to the Parish Office, Hillbrow Road, Liss, GU33 7LA