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Highways Information

New Forest wildfire and the A31 closure

A vehicle fire near Poulner Hill on 9 August spread into the central reservation and surrounding New Forest heathland. The A31 was closed in both directions between the M27 and Ringwood while firefighters tackled the incident and National Highways assessed and repaired the road.



More than 120 firefighters were involved during the response. A five-mile water pipeline supplied around 1,300 litres of water a minute, while police drones helped crews monitor hotspots and flare-ups. Residents and motorists were repeatedly asked to keep access clear, avoid narrow Forest lanes and follow the official diversion via the A326, A35, A3060 and A338.

After almost two weeks, the A31 reopened. National Highways resurfaced the carriageway, installed 800 metres of new safety barrier and replaced 1,500 metres of boundary fencing. Temporary speed and lane restrictions remained while fire-damaged structures were protected and the emergency compound was cleared.

The reopening was a major relief for residents, businesses and motorists. My sincere thanks go to Hampshire and Isle of Wight Fire and Rescue Service, the crews who came from across the country, National Highways, Forestry England, the police, council teams, commoners, volunteers and everyone who supported the response. More than 100 hectares were affected, and the recovery of heathland, habitats and ancient trees will take many years.

In order to avoid a similar disaster in Petersfield Hangers I did ask officers to temporarily close the BOAT's in our area to motorized vehicles however HCC Officers felt there was no risk and this request was refused. I will be working with Officers further to see if future pro-active programme can be put in place for future summers to reduce risks in our area.

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Faded or missing road markings: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/highways/report-a-problem/road-markings>

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Children and Young People

A new three-year plan for SEND support

Hampshire County Council and NHS Hampshire and Isle of Wight have developed a new three-year plan with parent and carer forums, schools, education settings, health and social-care professionals and voluntary organisations. The aim is that every child receives the right support at the right time, wherever they live in Hampshire.

The plan includes:

- Earlier access to locally based specialists, including educational psychologists, occupational therapists, speech and language therapists and specialist teachers.
- More SEND provision in mainstream schools and greater consistency from early years through to age 25.
- Investment in local provision so more children can attend school in their own communities.
- A stronger voice for children, parents and carers in shaping services and resolving issues earlier.

Government funding of £9 million will help launch the new Experts at Hand service, giving education settings faster access to specialist support and advice. The plan is an important starting point, but success must be measured by the real experiences and outcomes of children and families.

Read more: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20260624sendreformplan>

Results-day support through Hampshire Futures

I wished everyone receiving A-level and GCSE results well and shared Hampshire Futures advice for anyone whose results were not what they expected. A disappointing set of grades does not close off the future: careers advice, employment, apprenticeships and alternative routes remain available, and Plan B is still a plan.

Careers information: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/hampshirefutures>

Waste and Recycling Safety

Please recycle batteries and vapes safely

A recent fire in a Test Valley refuse-collection vehicle is believed to have been caused by a vape placed in household waste. Nobody was injured, but Hampshire and Isle of Wight Fire and Rescue Service had to attend. Lithium-ion batteries can ignite when crushed during collection, putting crews at risk and damaging vehicles.

- Never put batteries, vapes, mobile phones, laptops or other electrical items in household bins.
- Recycle batteries at participating supermarkets, retailers or Household Waste Recycling Centres.
- Take vapes to participating retailers or Household Waste Recycling Centres.
- Take phones, laptops and other electrical items to a Household Waste Recycling Centre.

Find local recycling options: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/wasteandrecycling>

Local Services and Business

Business-rates relief for pubs and live music venues

Eligible pubs and live music venues can receive 15% business-rates relief from 1 April 2026. EHDC has tried to identify and apply the relief automatically, but any business that believes it qualifies and cannot see the relief on its bill should check the criteria and apply. The Government has also announced 20% relief from 1 April 2027, with detailed eligibility expected in the next Budget.

Check eligibility and apply: <https://www.testvalley.gov.uk/business/land/business-rates/reliefs/pubs-and-live-music-venues-relief>

General Updates from HCC:

Explore the best of Hampshire on board the bus this summer with free travel for 5–15-year-olds

Children aged 5-15 travelling on local bus services can travel free throughout August, making it easier and more affordable for families to enjoy days out in Hampshire, visit friends and relatives, or simply get around during the summer holidays

[Explore the best of Hampshire on board the bus this summer with free travel for 5–15-year-olds | Hampshire County Council](#)

Hampshire students receiving exam results offered free advice and support on next steps

Our level 2 and 3 exam results helpline is ready to take calls

[Hampshire students receiving exam results offered free advice and support on next steps | Hampshire County Council](#)

Help available for Hampshire households facing urgent costs

Hampshire residents who are struggling with urgent household costs are being encouraged to check what support may be available through the Crisis and Resilience Fund

[Help available for Hampshire households facing urgent costs | Hampshire County Council](#)

Queen Elizabeth Country Park celebrates 50 years with summer festivities

Queen Elizabeth Country Park near Petersfield is marking its 50th anniversary with an exciting programme of events this summer, including the opening of a brand-new children's play area

[Queen Elizabeth Country Park celebrates 50 years with summer festivities | Hampshire County Council](#)

Funding available for local organisations helping Hampshire residents with money worries

Community and voluntary organisations across Hampshire are being encouraged to apply for funding to help residents build financial resilience and reduce the risk of future crisis

[Funding available for local organisations helping Hampshire residents with money worries | Hampshire County Council](#)

Hampshire GCSE students praised for their achievements as results day support continues

Students across Hampshire receiving their GCSE results are being congratulated for their hard work and determination, as Hampshire County Council continues to offer free advice and support to help young people plan their next steps

[Hampshire GCSE students praised for their achievements as results day support continues | Hampshire County Council](#)



LISS PARISH COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The meeting of Liss Parish Council took place at 7pm on 20th July 2026 in Liss Village Hall

Members

*Mr K. Budden (Chair), *Ms S. Baldwin, *Ms R. Crane, *Mr I. James, *Mr D. Jerrard, *Mr C. Olley,
*Mr C. Mort, Mr P. Payne, Mr A. Smith, Mr R. Smith, Mrs S. Stratford-Tuke,
Dr D. Turner and *Ms C. Williams

* Present

In addition to R. Lawrence (Assistant Clerk) and District Councillor Roger Mullenger.

95/26 Apologies

Members accepted apologies from Cllr Payne, Cllr A. Smith, Cllr Stratford-Tuke, Cllr Turner and County Councillor Nick Drew.

96/26 Declarations of Interests

Councillors were reminded of their responsibility to declare any pecuniary interest they may have in any item of business, no later than when that item is reached.

97/26 Chair's announcements

The Chair advised the following:

- a) Cllr Stratford-Tuke will be absent for the next few weeks while she undergoes treatment. We send her our very best wishes and look forward to welcoming her back when she is ready.
- b) The Chair attended the EHAPTC Annual General Meeting which took place on 24th June at 7.30pm in Grayshott Village Hall with a focus on local government reorganisation. Councillor Nigel Harrison chaired the meeting. Split into a committee for the whole and sub committees for mid Hants.
- c) A big thank you to 'Brass on the Grass' – Liss Band, for their wonderful open-air concert, which took place in the Memorial Gardens on Wednesday 8th July at 7.00pm. The event was well attended and enjoyed by all, and we are grateful to everyone who came along and supported it, helping to make it such a success. We wish the band the very best of luck in their competition in Devon this weekend.
- d) There will be no Full Council Meeting until September.

98/26 Adjournment for public participation

There were no members of the public present.

99/26 Update from the County Councillor

Cllr Drew had provided a written monthly update (see **Annex A**).
Cllr Drew was not present but welcomed any questions via email.

100/26 Update from District Councillors

Cllr Mullenger and Cllr James had each provided a written report, set out at Annex B, which they read to the Council.

101/26 Minutes of the meeting of Council of 15th June 2026

Resolved: That the minutes of the Council meeting of 15th June 2026 be approved as an accurate record (proposed by Cllr Mort and seconded by Cllr Olley with all in favour).

102/26 Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

103/26 Payments and receipts for the period 1st to 30th June 2026

Resolved: That the receipts and payments set out in **Annex C** for the period 1st to 30th June 2026, for the Liss Parish Council accounts, be approved (proposed by Cllr Williams and seconded by Cllr Olley with all in favour).

104/26 Report of the Extraordinary Planning Committee of 15th June 2026

Members noted the report of the Extraordinary Planning Committee of 15th June 2026.

The Chair reported that he had attended a meeting at the South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA). The Authority had received significantly more comments on the Regulation 19 consultation than anticipated and may seek to make amendments before publishing the documents. As a result, it is now expected that the Regulation 19 documents will not be submitted until mid-autumn. The current timescale indicates that the Regulation 19 documents are likely to be published in Spring 2027, with a final decision not expected until Spring 2028.

105/26 Report of the Highways Committee of 29th June 2026

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106/26 Report of the Facilities Committee of 13th July 2026

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107/26 Report of the Charities Committee of 13th July 2026

Members noted the report of the Extraordinary Planning Committee of 13th July 2026.

108/26 To note the Charities Accounts for the financial year 2025/26 and the outcome of the internal audit, as endorsed by the Charities Committee.

Resolved: That the Charities Accounts for Liss Parish Council for the financial year 2025/26 and the outcome of the internal audit as endorsed by the Charities Committee, be approved (proposed by Cllr Mort and seconded by Cllr Crane with all in favour).

109/26 Matters to report

Cllr Mullenger reported that he had attended a full council meeting at EHDC on Monday 16th July and joined a debate about the planning service losing a number of appeals. Cllr Mullenger noted that they will not be able to call in any planning proposals, there has been a reduction in the size of the planning committees and the future looks to be officer driven.

Cllr Ian James commented that he wished to congratulate Cllr Payne on his work in reviving the cricket team.

The Chair informed the Assistant Clerk and members that the Finance Committee meeting, originally scheduled for Monday 27th July, would be rescheduled to Monday 10th August, as it would otherwise not have been quorate.

Cllr Mort mentioned that there are currently no public electric vehicle (EV) charging points in Liss.

Cllr Baldwin noted that the large pothole in Liss Forest remains, despite part of the road having been resurfaced.

Cllr Williams mentioned the following:

Thank you to Liss in Bloom for the plants around the village which look great.

Liss Forest Residents Association Fun Day will take place on 31st August from 2pm to 5pm.

Liss Beer and Music Festival runs from Saturday 29th August to Sunday 30th August.

The Chair closed the meeting at 7hrs 23.

Date of next scheduled meeting: Monday 21st September 2026, 7pm

Signed:.....Dated:.....

Hampshire County Councillor Update July 2026 – Nick Drew

Highways and Transport Information

M3 Junction 9: major summer closures

The M3 Junction 9 improvement project is moving into another significant phase, with closures likely to create wider disruption around Winchester, the A34, A33 and surrounding villages.

- 3 to 5 July, overnight from 8pm to 6am: M3 northbound closed between Junctions 9 and 8.
- 6 to 30 July, Monday to Friday nights from 8pm to 6am: M3 northbound closed between Junctions 10 and 9.
- 9pm Friday 31 July to 6am Monday 3 August: full weekend closure of the Junction 9 roundabout and its connecting slip roads and local approaches.
- Further full-weekend closures are planned for 21 to 24 August and 11 to 14 September.
- The Junction 9 northbound entry slip road is expected to remain closed from 31 July until winter 2027.

During closures, please follow the official signed diversions rather than satnav directions, which may attempt to send vehicles through unsuitable local roads or back towards closed sections.

Project information and updates: [M3 Junction 9 improvements](#)

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Local Government Reorganisation: Hampshire begins Judicial Review

On 9 June, Hampshire County Council's Cabinet agreed that the Council should pursue a Judicial Review of the Government's decision on Local Government Reorganisation. Formal proceedings were commenced later in the month.

This is not an attempt to preserve the existing system. Hampshire County Council and the district and borough councils are due to be abolished under reorganisation. The issue is whether the replacement structure has been chosen lawfully, transparently and with proper regard to long-term financial sustainability.

The Government selected a five-unitary model which would divide communities across the Hampshire and Solent area and transfer valuable development opportunities and business-rate income into new authorities centred on Southampton and Portsmouth. Hampshire's concern is that the decision was taken without the underlying financial evidence and modelling being made available, despite repeated requests.

The structures being created will serve more than two million residents and could last for decades. If they are financially unsustainable, the consequences would be measured not simply in boundary lines but in poorer services, higher costs and potentially tens, if not hundreds, of millions of pounds over the next decade. Judicial Review is the only mechanism available to obtain answers and test whether the decision-making process was lawful.

Read the County Council's update: [County Council begins legal challenge over Government's LGR decision](#)

The housebuilding consequences for rural Hampshire

One particularly important aspect of the proposed boundaries is their effect on future housing development. Significant housing sites would be removed from New Forest, Test Valley and East Hampshire and transferred into the new authorities centred on Southampton and Portsmouth.

Those homes would then help the cities address their housing shortfalls, while no longer counting towards the housing requirements of the rural areas from which the land has been taken. New Forest, Test Valley and East Hampshire would still be expected to meet substantially increased Government targets, but with fewer planned development sites available to them.

The likely consequence is still greater pressure to identify greenfield land around villages and in the countryside. This is why the financial, planning and service-delivery effects of the chosen boundaries must be properly examined rather than dismissed as a technical argument about council maps.

The BBC report considering this issue is here: [Local government reorganisation and rural housebuilding](#)

County Councillor Grants Scheme reopens

Hampshire County Council's County Councillor Grants Scheme reopened on 1 July. Each County Councillor has an annual budget of £5,000 to support worthwhile projects in their division, with grants generally available from £100 to £1,000.

The scheme can support not-for-profit organisations and community groups, including youth and sports activities, village halls, social-support projects, environmental and outdoor initiatives and equipment such as defibrillators.

I would encourage organisations in Romsey Rural with a suitable project to review the guidance and contact me. Applications will be considered against the scheme criteria and the benefit they can provide to local residents.

Full details and the application form: [Hampshire County Councillor Grants Scheme](#)

Connect to Work: a new employment route for people with social care needs

A dedicated route has opened into the Connect to Work programme for people receiving social care support. This is a practical opportunity for residents with learning disabilities, physical disabilities, mental-health needs or other complex barriers to receive tailored help into sustainable employment.

Hampshire County Council has secured £18.7 million of national funding for the wider Connect to Work programme. Support is voluntary and individually tailored, and can include one-to-one help, training, job matching and continuing support for both the participant and the employer after work begins.

Employment is not simply about income. For many people it can provide independence, confidence, purpose and a stronger connection to their community. The right support can also help employers recruit and retain people whose abilities might otherwise be overlooked.

Information and registration: [Connect to Work](#)

Hampshire and the Solent economic update

The June Economic Dashboard showed that the Hampshire and Solent economy continued to grow at a solid pace in the three months to April, broadly in line with the United Kingdom as a whole.

There were encouraging signs from retail activity and some stabilisation in demand, although regional business activity softened slightly during May. Inflation remained above target but broadly stable, while local firms continued to report high input costs and evidence that some of those costs were being passed on to consumers.

The labour market remained stable but subdued, with PAYE employment and unemployment broadly flat in May. Pay growth in Hampshire and the Solent remained comparatively strong, despite some easing nationally. These figures underline both the resilience of our local economy and the continuing pressure on households and businesses.

Testwood Lakes and water safety

There was deeply distressing news from Testwood Lakes after a 15-year-old boy was reported missing while swimming on 24 June. A major multi-agency search followed, and Hampshire Police later confirmed that his body had been found. My thoughts remain with his family, friends and everyone affected by this tragedy.

The incident is a heartbreaking reminder that open water can be dangerous even in warm weather and even for confident swimmers. Parents and carers are encouraged to discuss the Water Safety Code with children and young people, including the “Float to Live” advice and the importance of calling 999 immediately in an emergency rather than entering the water to attempt a rescue.

Hampshire Safeguarding Children Partnership advice: [Water Safety for parents and carers](#)

Have your say on the future of policing

The Government is considering significant changes to policing across England and Wales, including the possibility of merging existing police forces into larger regional organisations. These decisions could reshape policing in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight for many years.

Policing works best when it understands and reflects the communities it serves. Whether residents support locally focused policing, see advantages in larger forces or have concerns about accountability and local identity, it is important that Hampshire voices are heard before decisions are made.

Complete the Police and Crime Commissioner’s survey: [Police Force Merger Consultation](#)

Please help tackle hare coursing in rural Hampshire

Hampshire and Isle of Wight Constabulary has continued patrols and enforcement activity against hare coursing. This is not a harmless rural pastime: it involves trespass, damage to crops and land, intimidation of farmers and residents, and organised criminality.

Residents should report suspicious vehicles or activity, particularly groups entering fields with dogs, to the police. Call 999 where an offence is happening or there is an immediate risk; otherwise report through 101 or the police online reporting service. Vehicle registrations, descriptions and locations can be extremely helpful, but nobody should put themselves at risk to obtain them.

General Updates

Hundreds of illicit vapes and cigarettes seized from premises in Ringwood and Totton

Illegal vapes, cigarettes and hand rolled tobacco with a total street value of over £3,000 have been seized from two retail premises in Ringwood and Totton following a joint operation between Hampshire County Council’s Trading Standards team and Hampshire and Isle of Wight Constabulary.

[Hundreds of illicit vapes and cigarettes seized from premises in Ringwood and Totton | Hampshire County Council](#)

Boost for electric vehicle use as Hampshire County Council unveils plan for 17,000 community chargers

People across Hampshire are set to benefit from the introduction of around 17,000 electric vehicle charge points, with new infrastructure set to be installed in local areas where ‘off-street’ charging from home is not an option.

[Boost for electric vehicle use as Hampshire County Council unveils plan for 17,000 community chargers | Hampshire County Council](#)

Hampshire and the Solent Combined County Authority formally established following parliamentary approval

The Hampshire and the Solent Combined County Authority (HSCCA) has been formally established following parliamentary approval of the statutory instrument, marking a major milestone in the creation of a new authority to lead strategic decision-making across the region.

[Hampshire and the Solent Combined County Authority formally established following parliamentary approval | Hampshire County Council](#)

Hampshire approach to domestic abuse highlighted at House of Lords committee

House of Lords evidence showcases Hampshire's partnership approach as new campaign warns of increased domestic abuse risk during major men's football tournaments.

[Hampshire approach to domestic abuse highlighted at House of Lords committee | Hampshire County Council](#)

New supported employment pathway opens for people with social care needs

Hampshire County Council has announced a new, dedicated gateway into its Connect to Work programme for people with social care needs, helping more residents move into and stay in meaningful employment.

[New supported employment pathway opens for people with social care needs | Hampshire County Council](#)

New Chair to lead Hampshire Skills Partnership in boosting skills and the local economy

The Hampshire Skills Partnership – a collaboration between Hampshire County Council, education and training providers, and businesses – has appointed Julie Milburn, Principal and Chief Executive Officer of Sparsholt College Group, as its new Chair.

[New Chair to lead Hampshire Skills Partnership in boosting skills and the local economy | Hampshire County Council](#)

Advice for staying safe and well ahead of red heat health alert

With temperatures set to reach and exceed 35°C in some parts of Hampshire this week, a red heat health alert will come into place across Hampshire from 1am tomorrow (Wednesday 24 June) until 11pm on Thursday 25 June.

[Advice for staying safe and well ahead of red heat health alert | Hampshire County Council](#)

Free summer holiday activities now open to book in Hampshire

Families across Hampshire can now book free holiday activity sessions as the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme returns for summer 2026.

[Free summer holiday activities now open to book in Hampshire | Hampshire County Council](#)

Hampshire confirms longer-term help for residents facing financial hardship

Hampshire residents facing financial hardship are set to benefit from a major package of support, agreed today by Hampshire County Council.

[Hampshire confirms longer-term help for residents facing financial hardship | Hampshire County Council](#)

Thousands of Hampshire residents to benefit from expanded weight management support programme

More Hampshire residents will be supported to improve their health and wellbeing after plans for continued investment in adult weight management services were approved today.

[Thousands of Hampshire residents to benefit from expanded weight management support programme | Hampshire County Council](#)

A system that works for all – New plan to transform special needs support in Hampshire

An inclusive education system that supports children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) from early years right through to adulthood - that's the vision of a new landmark plan to transform SEND support in Hampshire.

[A system that works for all – New plan to transform special needs support in Hampshire | Hampshire County Council](#)

County Council begins legal challenge over Government's LGR decision for Hampshire and the Solent area

Hampshire County Council has decided to proceed with a judicial review in relation to central Government's decision to reorganise councils across the Hampshire and Solent area.

[County Council begins legal challenge over Government's LGR decision for Hampshire and the Solent area | Hampshire County Council](#)

Boost for local communities as Hampshire County Councillors Grants Scheme opens this July

Vital support to local organisations, projects and initiatives that strengthen communities across the county will be available from Hampshire County Council's popular Members Grants Scheme which will reopen on 1 July 2026.

[Boost for local communities as Hampshire County Councillors Grants Scheme opens this July | Hampshire County Council](#)

Useful Links

Hampshire County Councillor Grants Scheme

The scheme reopened on 1 July, with grants of between £100 and £1,000 available to eligible not-for-profit organisations and community projects.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20260626MembersGrantsScheme>

M3 Junction 9 improvements

National Highways is publishing closure information for the next major construction phase, including overnight and full-weekend closures.

<https://nationalhighways.co.uk/our-roads/south-east/m3-junction-9-improvements/>

Connect to Work

A fully funded voluntary programme offering tailored employment support to disabled people, people with health conditions and residents facing complex barriers to work.

<https://www.prosperityhampshire.org.uk/connect-to-work>

Hampshire Safeguarding Children Partnership water-safety guidance

Practical advice for parents, carers, children and young people, including the Water Safety Code and Float to Live guidance.

<https://www.hampshirescp.org.uk/parents-and-carers/water-safety/>

Police Force Merger Consultation

Residents can share their views on the Government's consideration of larger regional police forces and the future of policing in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight.

<https://survey.alchemer.eu/s3/91139326/Police-Force-Merger-Consultation-Have-your-say>

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Report to Liss Parish Council - Monday 20th July 2026

Councillor grants

- Allowing for grants given and after discussions with potential applicants I have about £500 remaining.

Casework, Including

- A resident in Abri flats in Inwood Road asked about cycle storage. Ongoing.
- Overgrown hedges
- Slippery pavements (in the autumn).

Planning

- I have reported a couple of potential enforcement issues
- An enforcement notice has been issued at Princes Bridge Cottages
- I submitted comments on the SDNP revised plan about the Station Road allocation regarding the biodiversity damage and urbanisation aspects. EHDC suggested (amongst other items) that more development be allocated by SDNPA, primarily in Petersfield.
- I reported more fly-tipping near Flexcombe – now cleared.

Other

EHDC business

- A briefing was given about Community Area Partnerships, a requirement of LGR. There are different versions running or being piloted in different areas of Hampshire. The LGR shadow authority will be able to assess these working models. Liss will be included, probably starting in November.
- Community Asset Mapping, an assessment of local physical assets, like open spaces, and human assets, like community groups, is progressing. This is being supported by money removed from Community First's budget. Because the new Unitary authorities will be so extensive it is important that these local facilities are understood. Asset transfers to local organisations like parishes and not-for-profits could happen. This will mean those organisations taking on liabilities and risks, such as happened with the Triangle.

Local Government Reorganisation

- A briefing has been given to councillors. There are two Judicial Reviews lodged. Portsmouth over the debt that they will incur and be set-up to fail from day one. HCC over the decision-making process by the Minister. It is unlikely either will succeed. Councils are carrying on planning to the expected schedule.

Questions?

Roger Mullenger, 20th July 2026
roger.mullenger@easthants.gov.uk

Report to Liss Parish Council – Monday 20th July

The most significant thing I have to report is that district councillors received a briefing on the Community Area Partnership.

This briefing was advertised to councillors thus:

“... the Community Area Partnership or CAP as we are referring to it will be piloted in the central area, which is essential all of your wards and the area that I cover as CDO. You may recall this was spoken about a while ago when we first started talking about ABCD in the community team and how going forward it would change our ways of working as we head towards LGR. The CAP's will bring together town and parish councils, the VCSE, and public sector partners to co-design local solutions, influence decision-making, and deliver area-based action plans.”

It sums the briefing up very well, if you understand all the acronyms.

CDO = Community Development Officer

ABCD = ABCD scheme is Asset Based Community Development

LGR = Local Government Reorganisation

VCSE = Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise

I will leave the details to the parish council briefing.

But I will just mention the white paper on Local Government Reorganisation referred to parish councils just once. “They will be supercharged”. It also introduced the concept of neighbourhoods but did not define the term. Basically to replace the level of local representation somewhere around that the district councils provide now. The Community Area Partnership is the EHDC take on what this should be.

There is another initiative being run by the EHDC, the Community Asset Map. This is a separate project and separately funded but will play an important role in the Community Area Partnership scheme

Our district councillor August surgery will be held. Unlike many other local government meeting that close down for August. As a reminder they take place every first Saturday of the month between 10.00 and 12.00 in the Triangle Centre.

I still have some money left in my councillor approved grants pot. I am very keen to see it used for the benefit of Liss.

I would like to end by congratulating Paddy on his work in reviving the cricket team.

District Councillor Ian James

Receipts for Month 4				Nominal Ledger Analysis			
<u>Receipt Ref</u>	<u>Name of Payer</u>	<u>£ Amnt Received</u>	<u>£ Debtors</u>	<u>£ VAT</u>	<u>A/c</u>	<u>Centre</u>	<u>£ Amount</u> <u>Transaction Detail</u>
Balance Brought Fwd :		11,395.21					11,395.21
Banked 01/07/2026		20,000.00					
Top Up	BUS Instant 07410075	20,000.00			205		20,000.00 Top Up
Banked 09/07/2026		20,000.00					
Top Up	BUS Instant 07410075	20,000.00			205		20,000.00 Top Up
Total Receipts for Month		40,000.00	0.00	0.00			40,000.00
Cashbook Totals		51,395.21	0.00	0.00			51,395.21

Payments for Month 4				Nominal Ledger					
<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee Name</u>	<u>Reference</u>	<u>£ Total Amnt</u>	<u>£ Creditors</u>	<u>£ VAT</u>	<u>A/c</u>	<u>Centre</u>	<u>£ Amount</u>	<u>Transaction Detail</u>
01/07/2026	B&Q	DEBIT CARD	106.00		17.67	4300	210	88.33	Strimmer for LIB Team
02/07/2026	Redlynch	BACS	17,931.60		2,988.60	6150	700	14,943.00	Table Tennis x 2
						384	0	-14,943.00	Table Tennis x 2
						6000	700	14,943.00	Table Tennis x 2
02/07/2026	Fairlea Online	BACS	402.00		67.00	4136	150	335.00	Office Alarm Contract
02/07/2026	J R Luff	BACS	1,308.90		218.15	4300	210	1,090.75	Spring '26 Planting
02/07/2026	Chelsea Direct	BACS	120.00		20.00	4300	210	100.00	Watering System Service
02/07/2026	Ava Recreation	BACS	474.00		79.00	4230	200	395.00	Play Equip. Operation Inspect.
02/07/2026	Hampshire Grounds Limited	BACS	1,332.00		222.00	4235	200	1,110.00	Grass Cutting NC/MR/LF - June
07/07/2026	Cloudy IT	DD	72.00		12.00	4080	150	60.00	Rialtas Cloud License - July
07/07/2026	Screwfix	DEBIT CARD	16.99		2.83	4055	150	14.16	Work Trousers for JD
07/07/2026	Tesco	DEBIT CARD	18.15		3.02	4055	150	15.13	Batteries
09/07/2026	Tesco	DEBIT CARD	1.20			4055	150	1.20	Milk for Office
10/07/2026	BT	DD	366.12		61.02	4075	150	305.10	Phone & Internet
10/07/2026	BT	DD	-2.93		-0.49	4075	150	-2.44	Adjustment
14/07/2026	Landall	DD	58.71		9.79	4100	150	48.92	Copying & Printing - June
16/07/2026	Sage	DD	27.60		4.60	4080	150	23.00	Payronn Software - July
16/07/2026	PBA Consulting Solutions	BACS	66.00		11.00	4246	200	55.00	HB Treatment for RW - July
20/07/2026	Tesco	DEBIT CARD	4.20			4055	150	4.20	Milk & Tea Bags for Office
20/07/2026	Lloyds Bank	DD	9.13			4009	150	9.13	Bank Charges
22/07/2026	Salaries	BACS	2,684.98			4005	150	2,684.98	Pension Cont. - July
28/07/2026	Veolia ES (UK) Limited	DD	142.34		23.72	4250	200	118.62	Waste Collection - June
29/07/2026	Salaries	BACS	3,043.37			4000	150	3,043.37	Salaries - July
29/07/2026	Salaries	BACS	9,221.95			4000	150	9,221.95	Salaries - July
Total Payments for Month			37,404.31	0.00	3,739.91			33,664.40	
Balance Carried Fwd			13,990.90						
Cashbook Totals			51,395.21	0.00	3,739.91			47,655.30	

Receipts for Month 4				Nominal Ledger Analysis			
<u>Receipt Ref</u>	<u>Name of Payer</u>	<u>£ Amnt Received</u>	<u>£ Debtors</u>	<u>£ VAT</u>	<u>A/c</u>	<u>Centre</u>	<u>£ Amount</u> <u>Transaction Detail</u>
Balance Brought Fwd :		164,713.97					164,713.97
Banked 02/07/2026		1,573.83					
CCLA		1,573.83			1081	100	1,573.83 Dividends - June
Banked 09/07/2026		82.29					
Lloyds Bank		82.29			1080	100	82.29 Bank Interest
Total Receipts for Month		1,656.12	0.00	0.00			1,656.12
Cashbook Totals		166,370.09	0.00	0.00			166,370.09

Payments for Month 4				Nominal Ledger				
<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee Name</u>	<u>Reference</u>	<u>£ Total Amnt</u>	<u>£ Creditors</u>	<u>£ VAT</u>	<u>A/c</u>	<u>Centre</u>	<u>£ Amount</u> <u>Transaction Detail</u>
01/07/2026	Treasurers Acc. 00110939	Top Up	20,000.00			200		20,000.00 Top Up
09/07/2026	Treasurers Acc. 00110939	Top Up	20,000.00			200		20,000.00 Top Up
Total Payments for Month			40,000.00	0.00	0.00			40,000.00
Balance Carried Fwd			126,370.09					
Cashbook Totals			166,370.09	0.00	0.00			166,370.09

Receipts for Month 5				Nominal Ledger Analysis				
<u>Receipt Ref</u>	<u>Name of Payer</u>	<u>£ Amnt Received</u>	<u>£ Debtors</u>	<u>£ VAT</u>	<u>A/c</u>	<u>Centre</u>	<u>£ Amount</u>	<u>Transaction Detail</u>
Balance Brought Fwd :		13,990.90					13,990.90	
	Banked 06/08/2026	10,000.00						
Top Up	BUS Instant 07410075	10,000.00			205		10,000.00	Top Up
	Banked 14/08/2026	20,000.00						
Top Up	BUS Instant 07410075	20,000.00			205		20,000.00	Top Up
	Banked 20/08/2026	462.02						
	Charities	462.02		77.00	4091	150	385.02	Direct 365 Inv. Reimbursement
	Banked 28/08/2026	10,000.00						
Top Up	BUS Instant 07410075	10,000.00			205		10,000.00	Top Up
Total Receipts for Month		40,462.02	0.00	77.00			40,385.02	
Cashbook Totals		54,452.92	0.00	77.00			54,375.92	

Payments for Month 5				Nominal Ledger					
Date	Payee Name	Reference	£ Total Amnt	£ Creditors	£ VAT	A/c	Centre	£ Amount	Transaction Detail
03/08/2026	Public Works Loan Board	DD	3,278.94			6005	600	3,278.94	Pavilion Loan Repayment
03/08/2026	Direct 365	DD	462.02		77.00	4091	150	385.02	Feminine Hygiene
04/08/2026	Tesco	DEBIT CARD	1.20			4055	150	1.20	Milk for Office
06/08/2026	Screwfix	DEBIT CARD	138.37		23.07	4205	200	115.30	New sanding machine
06/08/2026	Timber Windows Southern	BACS	7,143.89		1,190.65	6150	700	5,953.24	Village Hall Windows - 40%
						387	0	-5,953.24	Village Hall Windows - 40%
						6000	700	5,953.24	Village Hall Windows - 40%
06/08/2026	Hampshire Grounds Limited	BACS	888.00		148.00	4235	200	740.00	Grass Cutting NC/MR/LF - July
06/08/2026	JRB Enterprise Ltd.	BACS	578.40		96.40	4245	200	482.00	Dog Waste Bags
06/08/2026	Cloudy IT	DD	72.00		12.00	4080	150	60.00	Rialtas Cloud License - August
10/08/2026	BT	DD	366.12		61.02	4075	150	305.10	Phone & Internet
11/08/2026	Tesco	DEBIT CARD	1.20			4055	150	1.20	Milk for Office
15/08/2026	Charities	BACS	1,780.86			105		1,780.86	VAT Reclaim - Charities
18/08/2026	Lloyds Bank	FPO	8.50			4009	150	8.50	Service Charges
18/08/2026	Tesco	DEBIT CARD	1.20			4055	150	1.20	Milk for Office
18/08/2026	Landall	DD	63.99		10.66	4100	150	53.33	Copier Charges - June
18/08/2026	Sage	DD	27.60		4.60	4080	150	23.00	Payroll - August
18/08/2026	Tesco	DEBIT CARD	1.20			4055	150	1.20	Milk for Office
18/08/2026	Tesco	DEBIT CARD	-1.20			4055	150	-1.20	Milk for Office
25/08/2026	Tesco	DEBIT CARD	1.20			4055	150	1.20	Milk for Office
26/08/2026	Salaries	BACS	8,898.93			4000	150	8,898.93	Staff Salaries - August
26/08/2026	HMRC	BACS	2,898.41			4000	150	2,898.41	Staff Salaries PAYE - August
26/08/2026	Hampshire Pensions	BACS	2,587.82			4005	150	2,587.82	Pensions Contributions - August
26/08/2026	Timber Windows Southern	BACS	1,785.98		297.66	6150	700	1,488.32	VH Windows - Final Payment
						387	0	-1,488.32	VH Windows - Final Payment
						6000	700	1,488.32	VH Windows - Final Payment
26/08/2026	BDO	BACS	1,008.00		168.00	4115	150	840.00	External Audit
26/08/2026	The Play Inspection Company	BACS	376.80		62.80	4230	200	314.00	Annual Play Equip. Inspections
26/08/2026	Amazon	DEBIT CARD	6.64		1.11	4090	150	5.53	Scotch Magic Tape x 3
28/08/2026	Veolia ES (UK) Limited	DD	171.02		28.50	4250	200	142.52	Waste Collection
Total Payments for Month			32,547.09	0.00	2,181.47			30,365.62	
Balance Carried Fwd			21,905.83						
Cashbook Totals			54,452.92	0.00	2,181.47			52,271.45	

Receipts for Month 5				Nominal Ledger Analysis			
<u>Receipt Ref</u>	<u>Name of Payer</u>	<u>£ Amnt Received</u>	<u>£ Debtors</u>	<u>£ VAT</u>	<u>A/c</u>	<u>Centre</u>	<u>£ Amount</u> <u>Transaction Detail</u>
Balance Brought Fwd :		126,370.09					126,370.09
Banked 04/08/2026		1,627.15					
CCLA		1,627.15			1081	100	1,627.15 Dividends - July
Banked 10/08/2026		65.84					
Lloyds Bank		65.84			1080	100	65.84 Bank Interest
Banked 11/08/2026		8,787.01					
HMRC		8,787.01			105		8,787.01 VAT Reclaim Month 1-4
Total Receipts for Month		10,480.00	0.00	0.00			10,480.00
Cashbook Totals		136,850.09	0.00	0.00			136,850.09

Payments for Month 5				Nominal Ledger					
<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee Name</u>	<u>Reference</u>	<u>£ Total Amnt</u>	<u>£ Creditors</u>	<u>£ VAT</u>	<u>A/c</u>	<u>Centre</u>	<u>£ Amount</u>	<u>Transaction Detail</u>
06/08/2026	Treasurers Acc. 00110939	Top Up	10,000.00			200		10,000.00	Top Up
14/08/2026	Treasurers Acc. 00110939	Top Up	20,000.00			200		20,000.00	Top Up
28/08/2026	Treasurers Acc. 00110939	Top Up	10,000.00			200		10,000.00	Top Up
Total Payments for Month			40,000.00	0.00	0.00			40,000.00	
Balance Carried Fwd			96,850.09						
Cashbook Totals			136,850.09	0.00	0.00			136,850.09	



LISS PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 3rd August 2026 at 7pm

MEMBERS

Cllr Baldwin *Cllr Budden✕ Cllr Crane *Cllr Jerrard
Cllr Payne *Cllr R Smith Cllr Stratford-Tuke
Co-opted members with no voting rights: *Mrs Halstead & *Mr Hargreaves

*Present ✕Chair

This meeting was clerked by Rebecca Lawrence, Assistant Clerk ("AC").

P72/26 Apologies:

Apologies were received from Cllr Baldwin, Cllr Crane and Cllr Stratford-Tuke.

P73/26 Declarations of interests and Role of Charity Trustee:

Councillors were reminded of their responsibility to declare any pecuniary interest which they may have in any item of business no later than when that item is reached.

P74/26 Approval of previous meeting minutes:

Resolved: That the minutes of the Planning Committee of 8th June 2026 and the minutes of the Extraordinary Planning Committee of 15th June 2026 be accepted as an accurate record. Proposed by Cllr Jerrard and seconded by Cllr Smith with all in favour.

P75/26 Matters arising from minutes of the previous meeting:

No matters were arising.

P76/26 Adjournment for public deputations:

No members of the public were present.

P77/26 Planning Applications Received:

77.1 SDNP/26/02088/LDP - 50 Andlers Ash Road, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7LR - Proposed single story rear extension:

Following discussion, the committee were in unanimous agreement that LPC has no objection to this planning application subject to roof windows being fitted with automatic blinds set to close at dusk or the use of a window finish which prevents light emissions to the outside; in line with Policy SD8 of the SDNPA Local Plan which aims to conserve and enhance the intrinsic quality of dark night skies.

- 77.2 SDNP/26/02098/HOUS - Tich Cottage, Warren Road, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7DD - Demolition of existing bay window to the south due to rotten condition including curved roof above. Construction of new sun room in the location of original bay window, construction of new roof over with a new spiral stairs providing access to new flat roof terrace over sun room only. Construction of new metal handrail and balustrade around perimeter of new roof terrace:**

Following discussion, the committee were in unanimous agreement that LPC has no objection to this planning application.

- 77.3 SDNP/26/02323/FUL - 16 Station Road, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7DT - Alterations to ground floor entrance screen to facade of retail unit:**

Following discussion, the committee were in unanimous agreement that LPC has no objection to this planning application.

P78/26 Planning Applications Approved. The Chair noted that the following applications were approved.

Ref Number	Address	Description	LPC Comment to Planning
SDNP/26/00158/HOUS	62 Newfield Road, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7BW.	Proposed single storey rear extension forming kitchen/dining room.	No Objection
SDNP/25/05063/DCOND	Wenham Holt Nursing Home, London Road, Hill Brow, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7PD.	Discharge of Condition 9 (LEMP) and 10 (Hard and Soft Landscape Major) for SDNP/25/00118/CND.	No Comment
SDNP/26/00473/HOUS	Brookside, 38 St Marys Road, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7AH.	Single storey rear extension.	No Objection
SDNP/25/04759/HOUS	Clarks, Huntsbottom Lane, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7EU.	Single storey extension to rear.	No Objection
SDNP/26/00090/LIS	Clarks, Huntsbottom Lane, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7EU.	Creation of a small new 10m2 utility room at rear of property, adjacent to the kitchen.	No Objection
SDNP/26/01209/CND	Bashford Lodge, Hill Brow Road, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7QA.	Section 73 application to vary Condition 5 of planning permission SDNP/18/01267/HOUS (09.07.2018) to amend the occupancy restrictions relating to the approved Water Tank conversion to allow ancillary short term holiday let accommodation associated with the main dwelling. (Description amended 17/07/26 and additional information received 17/07/2026).	No Objection
SDNP/26/02382/LIS	Little Brewells, West Brewells Lane, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7HX.	Replacement front door	No Objection

P79/26 Planning Applications Refused. The Chair noted that the following applications were refused.

Ref Number	Address	Description	LPC Comment to Planning
SDNP/25/03108/FUL	5 Chase Road, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7NA.	New dwelling and new vehicle access and hard standing to existing dwelling.	Objection
SDNP/26/00260/LDE	27 Newfield Road, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7BW.	Lawful Development Certificate Existing for change of use of land to Sui Generis.	Objection

P80/26 Planning Applications Split Decision. The Chair noted that the following applications were split.

Ref Number	Address	Description	LPC Comment to Planning
SDNP/25/03498/DCOND	The Oaks, 35 St Marys Road, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7AH.	Discharge of conditions 3 (Materials) 5 (bats/bird box) 6 (Energy) 8 (Drainage) 11 (Landscape) 12 (Rooflights) and compliance of conditions 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10 of approved application SDNP/24/01292/FUL.	Split Decision

P81/26 TPOs Received. The Chair noted that the following applications were received.

Ref Number	Address	Description	Views of LPC Tree Consultant
SDNP/26/02196/TPO	32 Inwood Road, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7LZ.	T1 - Oak - Crown lift to 3 meters above ground level at all compass points - No spread or height will be affected by these works.	The tree in question is not covered by a TPO but is owned by EHDC, and am assuming they are asking for permission from the wrong EHDC department.
SDNP/26/02521/TPO	Hatfield House, Plantation Road, Hill Brow, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7QB.	T3 - Western Red Cedar - carry out a crown raise over highways to approx 5.5m. Reduce each sector North, South, East and West by approx 1.5m leaving each sectors branch length approx 5-6m. Reduce the height by approx 2-3m leaving an over height of 14-15m. To also cut away from property by approx 1.5m.	Objection to the height reduction, as no reason is given as to why it is necessary.

P82/26 TPOs Approved. The Chair noted that the following applications were approved.

Ref Number	Address	Description	Views of LPC Tree Consultant
SDNP/26/01566/TPO	Blenheim Court Care Home, Farnham Road, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 6JA.	Oak tree x 1 - cracked limb growing towards the care home at the front of the property, reduce the weight load of the cracked limb by 1.5m to bring it back into shape as per photo supplied with application.	No Objection
SDNP/26/01428/TPO	Beauworth House, London Road, Hill Brow, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7QJ.	T1 - Beech - Crown reduce in height by 3m and lateral spread 2m, finishing height will be 17m and the spread radius 11m.	Objection

P83/26 TPOs Withdrawn. The Chair noted that the following applications were withdrawn.

Ref Number	Address	Description	Views of LPC Tree Consultant
SDNP/26/02196/TPO	32 Inwood Road, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7LZ..	T1 - Oak - Crown lift to 3 meters above ground level at all compass points - No spread or height will be affected by these works.	Deemed Withdrawal

P84/26 Update on Andlers Wood development and school courtesy crossing on Hill Brow (Condition 14 of Planning Consent SDNP/19/00669/FUL Andlers Wood development).

Cllr Smith reported that Andlers Wood had settled down and each house had its own snag list.

P85/26 SDNPA Local Plan for Reg 19 Consultation

The Chair reported that the South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA) had received significantly more comments than anticipated in response to the Regulation 19 consultation, with over 2,000 comments submitted. As a result, the SDNPA may propose amendments prior to publication. Consequently, it is now expected that the Regulation 19 documents will not be submitted until December 2026. An inspector will be appointed in January 2027. Based on the current timescale, it is expected that the new Local Plan will likely be published in spring or early summer 2028, depending on the extent of further changes.

The Chair closed the meeting at 19:08 hrs.

Next Meeting: Monday 7th September 2026

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Chair



LISS PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 7th September 2026 at 7pm

MEMBERS

*Cllr Baldwin *Cllr Budden✕ *Cllr Crane *Cllr Jerrard
*Cllr Payne Cllr R Smith Cllr Stratford-Tuke
Co-opted members with no voting rights: *Mrs Halstead & *Mr Hargreaves

*Present ✕Chair

This meeting was clerked by Rebecca Lawrence, Assistant Clerk ("AC").

One member of the public was also present.

P86/26 Apologies:

Apologies were received from Cllr R Smith and Cllr Stratford-Tuke.

P87/26 Declarations of interests and Role of Charity Trustee:

Councillors were reminded of their responsibility to declare any pecuniary interest which they may have in any item of business no later than when that item is reached.

P88/26 Approval of previous meeting minutes:

Resolved: That the minutes of the Planning Committee of 3rd August 2026 be accepted as an accurate record. Proposed by Cllr Crane and seconded by Cllr Jerrard with all in favour.

P89/26 Matters arising from minutes of the previous meeting:

No matters were arising.

P90/26 Adjournment for public deputations:

The member of the public present was given the opportunity to speak but declined.

P91/26 Planning Applications Received:

91.1 SDNP/26/02039/FUL - Copper Beeches Nursing Home, London Road, Hill Brow, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7PG - (Amended Plans and Description) Demolition of Copper Beaches and Silver Birch buildings and development of 27 no. dwellings including the restoration of Heathmount together with both private and public gardens/open space, car parking, conversion of existing outbuildings to offices, revised accesses, associated landscaping and drainage:

Following discussion, the committee were in unanimous agreement that LPC still maintains their previous comments: LPC have no objection to the design of the site, however would draw the case officers attention to the ridgeline height. LPC do want to see affordable housing.

The Regulation 19 Plan allocates only part of SDA29 Copper Beeches for 25 dwellings, despite the site previously being the subject of a planning application for 68 homes, including affordable housing. This raises questions as to whether the development potential of this previously developed site has been properly optimised.

The reduction in housing yield on SDA29 places additional pressure on the allocation of sensitive greenfield land at SDA28. We feel it is reasonable to ask whether a greater proportion of housing growth can be accommodated on SDA29.

Particular consideration should be given to whether the retention of Heath Mount unnecessarily further constrains the delivery potential of SDA29 as appears to possess very limited architectural or historic significance, and is now a fire gutted shell. It is unclear why its retention should limit further the overall development capacity of the site.

Liss Parish Council believe that the underutilisation of this brown field site places unnecessary pressure on the village's greenfield sites, that is fundamentally contrary to the ethos of a national park to protect the natural environment, and Government guidance regarding priority to brown field development.

P92/26 Planning Applications Approved. The Chair noted that the following applications were approved.

Ref Number	Address	Description	LPC Comment to Planning
SDNP/25/04898/HOUS	1 Opie Gardens, Farnham Road, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 6JQ.	Proposed rear orangery.	No Objection
SDNP/26/02782/PNTEL	Telecommunications Mast, Mint Road, Liss, Hampshire.	NOTIFICATION UNDER THE ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS CODE REGULATIONS 2003 TO UTILISE PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS. Upgrade of existing base station, comprising the internal upgrade of existing Alpha 8 monopole, equipment cabinet and all ancillary works thereto.	No Comment
SDNP/26/03061/SUPD	Wyld Green Lane, Lower Green, Liss, Hampshire.	Application Under Royal Mail Statutory rights Schedule 6 of the Postal Services Act 2000. Pouch Box Removal - Forest Road/Wyld Green Lane, Lower Green Liss, Hampshire.	No Comment
SDNP/26/01307/HOUS	Glen Thorne, Hill Brow Road, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7LE.	Single storey rear extension.	No Objection
SDNP/26/00840/HOUS	164 Forest Road, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7BX.	Demolition of existing single storey rear and construction of new single storey rear and side extension.	No Objection
SDNP/26/02778/DCOND	Saddlers, Farnham Road, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 6JU.	Discharge Conditions 12 - Dark Skies, 13 - External Lighting, 16 - Biodiversity Gain, of approved application SDNP/23/03297/FUL (as varied under SDNP/25/04290/CND).	No Comment
SDNP/26/00840/HOUS	164 Forest Road, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7BX.	Demolition of existing single storey rear and construction of new single storey rear and side extension.	No Objection

P93/26 Planning Applications Withdrawn. The Chair noted that the following applications were withdrawn.

Ref Number	Address	Description	LPC Comment to Planning
SDNP/25/02181/DDDT	25 Pine Walk, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7AT.	Remove a dead Silver Birch Tree located to the rear of 24 Pine Walk, Liss, GU33 7AT.	No Comment

P94/26 Planning Applications Split Decision. The Chair noted that the following applications were split.

Ref Number	Address	Description	LPC Comment to Planning
SDNP/26/02044/DCOND	Wenham Holt Nursing Home, London Road, Hill Brow, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7PD.	Discharge of Condition 23A (major multi res prior commencement) in relation to SDNP/23/03704/FUL.	No Comment

P95/26 TPOs Received. The Chair noted that the following applications were withdrawn.

Ref Number	Address	Description	Views of LPC Tree Consultant
SDNP/26/02483/TPO	The Grange Nursing Home, Farnham Road, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 6JE.	T2 - recommended for removal. T2 has significant indications of root plate heave to the north aspect, with the soil levels considerably raised, and the area being friable and aerated. T1 & T8 require pruning. Tree 1 has an included bark union at 19m with a lean over the garden, and is vulnerable (as with T2) due to the loss of a tree to the West aspect of it. 4m height reduction is necessary with the view of reducing wind loading by 35-40% Tree 8 has an extended west aspect limb going over the residents garden with a 'ball and socket' joint. This has been shown via pull testing studies to entail a strength loss of up to 30% , relative to a properly formed union. 3m reduction of the 11m limb, potentially entailing a reduction of wind loading by over 50% Trees 5, 8, 9, 10, G14 and 16 require deadwood or hanging limb removal.	No Objection
SDNP/26/02754/TPO	9 Kiln Field, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7SW.	T1 Mature multi stemmed Quercus robur > 25m (1 of 2 stems has failed within the last 5 days) - Fell remaining standing 1x stem as extensive root decay visible from failed stem, and there is a lean towards the property which is within striking distance.	No Objection

P96/26 SDNPA Local Plan for Reg 19 Consultation

The Chair reported that the South Downs National Park Authority is still working their way through the comments submitted in response to the Regulation 19 consultation. It is still expected that the Regulation 16 documents will not be submitted until December 2026.

P97/26 Neighbourhood Plan Survey

The Neighbourhood Plan Survey will be submitted to NALC by 25th September 2026.

P98/26 Planning Application SDNP/25/04472/FUL - Land to The South of 63-65 Inwood Road Liss, Hampshire.

- a. The bike track was totally unauthorised and ad-hoc and not in any way endorsed for use by LPC.
- b. LPC supported the idea of development of the site as per the neighbourhood plan, we also supported the officer's objection on the basis of no affordable housing provision.
- c. LPC welcomed any additional planting and would seek a condition that existing woodland was protected.
- d. LPC recognised Hampshire Highways had no objection to the new layout of the bell mouth off Inwood Road but still had our own reservations about parking capacity.
- e. Include a condition that the woodland is maintained and not under threat.
- f. Key objection is that LPC want to see affordable housing.

The Chair closed the meeting at 19:25 hrs.

Next Meeting: Monday 5th October 2026

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Chair



LISS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Finance Committee held on 10th August 2026 @ 7.00pm
Liss Village Hall

Members: *Cllr C. Williams (Chair), *Cllr K. Budden, *Cllr P. Payne,
*Cllr C. Olley, *Cllr A. Smith, and Cllr C. Mort.

*Present.

The meeting was clerked by Rebecca Lawrence, Assistant Clerk.

10/FIN/26 Apologies

No apologies were received

11/FIN/26 Declarations of interests

The Chair reminded Members of their responsibility to declare any pecuniary interest they may have in any item of business, no later than when that item is reached.
There were no declarations declared.

12/FIN/26 Adjournment for public participation

No members of public were present.

13/FIN/26 Minutes of the meeting and any matters arising of 2nd February 2026

Resolved: That the minutes of 2nd February 2026 be accepted as a correct record (proposed by Cllr Olley and seconded by Cllr Smith with all in favour).

14/FIN/26 Review of Liss Parish Council Accounts 2026/27 Q1

The Committee noted the accounts for the period 1st April to 30th June 2026.

15/FIN/26 Update on earmarked reserves

Members noted the levels of earmarked reserves as circulated.

16/FIN/26 Update and allocation of CIL, to include further information in support of application from EHDC

The Chair noted that the total amount of unallocated CIL was £46,504.27.

Cllr Smith proposed that the Committee should request a copy of the engineering report for the proposed new bridge before reaching a decision.

The Chair closed the meeting at 19:13pm.

Date of next scheduled meeting: 23rd November 2026.

Signed..... Dated.....

Liss Parish Council
Notice of conclusion of audit

Annual Governance & Accountability Return for the year ended 31 March 2026

Sections 20(2) and 25 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014

Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 (SI 2015/234)

	Notes
1. The audit of accounts for Liss Parish Council for the year ended 31 March 2026 has been completed and the accounts have been published.	This notice and Sections 1, 2 & 3 of the AGAR must be published by 30 September. This must include publication on the smaller authority's website. The smaller authority must decide how long to publish the Notice for; the AGAR and external auditor report must be publicly available for 5 years.
2. The Annual Governance & Accountability Return is available for inspection by any local government elector of the area of Liss Parish Council on application to:	
(a) Sarah Smith, Clerk and RFO to Liss Parish Council The Council Room, Village Hall, Hill Brow Road, Liss, Hampshire, GU33 7LA OR clerk@lissparishcouncil.gov.uk	(a) Insert the names, position and address of the person to whom local government electors should apply to inspect the AGAR.
(b) Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 10am to 2pm	(b) Insert the hours during which the inspection rights may be exercised.
3. Copies will be provided to any person on payment of £3 (c) for each copy of the Annual Governance & Accountability Return.	(c) Insert a reasonable sum for copying costs.
(d) Announcement made: Sarah Smith, Clerk and RFO to Liss Parish Council	(d) Insert the name and position of person placing the notice.
(e) Date of announcement: 26 th August 2026	(e) Insert the date of placing of the notice.

Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2025/26

We acknowledge as the members of:

LISS PARISH COUNCIL

our responsibility for ensuring that there is a sound system of internal control, including arrangements for the preparation of the Accounting Statements. We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, with respect to the Accounting Statements for the year ended 31 March 2026, that:

	Agreed		‘Yes’ means that this authority:
	Yes	No*	
1. We have put in place arrangements for effective financial management during the year, and for the preparation of the accounting statements.	☒	☐	prepared its accounting statements in accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations.
2. We maintained an adequate system of internal control including measures designed to prevent and detect fraud and corruption and reviewed its effectiveness.	☒	☐	made proper arrangements and accepted responsibility for safeguarding the public money and resources in its charge.
3. We have assured ourselves that there are no matters of actual or potential non-compliance with laws, regulations and Proper Practices that could have a significant financial effect on the ability of this authority to conduct its business or manage its finances.	☒	☐	has only done what it has the legal power to do and has complied with Proper Practices in doing so.
4. We provided proper opportunity during the year for the exercise of electors’ rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations.	☒	☐	during the year gave all persons interested the opportunity to inspect and ask questions about this authority’s accounts.
5. We carried out an assessment of the risks facing this authority and took appropriate steps to manage those risks, including the introduction of internal controls and/or external insurance cover where required.	☒	☐	considered and documented the financial and other risks it faces and dealt with them properly.
6. We maintained throughout the year an adequate and effective system of internal audit of the accounting records and control systems.	☒	☐	arranged for a competent person, independent of the financial controls and procedures, to give an objective view on whether internal controls meet the needs of this smaller authority.
7. We took appropriate action on all matters raised in reports from internal and external audit.	☒	☐	responded to matters brought to its attention by internal and external audit.
8. We considered whether any litigation, liabilities or commitments, events or transactions, occurring either during or after the year-end, have a financial impact on this authority and, where appropriate, have included them in the accounting statements.	☒	☐	disclosed everything it should have about its business activity during the year including events taking place after the year end if relevant.
9. (For local councils only) Trust funds including charitable. In our capacity as the sole managing trustee we discharged our accountability responsibilities for the fund(s)/assets, including financial reporting and, if required, independent examination or audit.	Yes	No	N/A
	☒	☐	has met all of its responsibilities where, as a body corporate, it is a sole managing trustee of a local trust or trusts.
10. We have put in place arrangements for the effective IT and data management in accordance with proper practices during the year under review.	☒	☐	has made suitable arrangements for its IT and data management and has complied with proper practices in doing so.

*Please provide explanations to the external auditor on a separate sheet for each ‘No’ response and describe how the authority will address the weaknesses identified. These sheets must be published with the Annual Governance Statement.

This Annual Governance Statement was approved at a meeting of the authority on:

15/06/2026

and recorded as minute reference:

92/26(C)

Signed by the Chair and Clerk of the meeting where approval was given:

Chair

SIGNATURE REQUIRED

Clerk

SIGNATURE REQUIRED

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Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2025/26 for

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	Year ending		Notes and guidance
	31 March 2025 £	31 March 2026 £	
1. Balances brought forward	522,030	602,580	Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the financial records. Value must agree to Box 7 of previous year.
2. (+) Precept or Rates and Levies	263,623	270,623	Total amount of precept (or for IDBs rates and levies) received or receivable in the year. Exclude any grants received.
3. (+) Total other receipts	84,107	96,621	Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook less the precept or rates/levies received (line 2). Include any grants received.
4. (-) Staff costs	111,075	94,117	Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all employees. Include gross salaries and wages, employers NI contributions, employers pension contributions, gratuities and severance payments.
5. (-) Loan interest/capital repayments	27,478	27,478	Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the authority's borrowings (if any).
6. (-) All other payments	128,627	242,769	Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cash-book less staff costs (line 4) and loan interest/capital repayments (line 5).
7. (=) Balances carried forward	602,580	605,460	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. must equal (1+2+3) - (4+5+6).
8. Total value of cash and short term investments	565,263	533,387	The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdings and short term investments held as at 31 March – To agree with bank reconciliation.
9. Total fixed assets plus long term investments and assets	415,526	410,512	The value of all the property the authority owns – it is made up of all its fixed assets and long term investments as at 31 March.
10. Total borrowings	406,095	389,267	The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB).

For Local Councils Only	Yes	No	
11 Do the figures in the accounting statements above exclude any trust transactions?	☒	☐	For guidance refer to the Practitioners' Guide sections 2.31 to 2.33.

I certify that for the year ended 31 March 2026 the Accounting Statements in this Annual Governance and Accountability Return have been prepared on either a receipts and payments or income and expenditure basis following the guidance in Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities – a Practitioners' Guide to Proper Practices and present fairly the financial position of this authority.

Signed by Responsible Financial Officer before being presented to the authority for approval.

[Signature]
Date 08/06/2026

I confirm that these Accounting Statements were approved by this authority on this date:

15/06/2026
as recorded in minute reference: 92/26 (d)
Signed by Chair of the meeting where the Accounting Statements were approved
[Signature]

Section 3 – External Auditor’s Report and Certificate 2025/26

In respect of

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1 Respective responsibilities of the auditor and the authority

Our responsibility as auditors to complete a **limited assurance review** is set out by the National Audit Office (NAO). A limited assurance review is **not a full statutory audit**, it does not constitute an audit carried out in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK & Ireland) and hence it **does not** provide the same level of assurance that such an audit would. The UK Government has determined that a lower level of assurance than that provided by a full statutory audit is appropriate for those local public bodies with the lowest levels of spending.

Under a limited assurance review, the auditor is responsible for reviewing Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return in accordance with NAO Auditor Guidance Note 02 (AGN 02) as issued by the NAO on behalf of the Comptroller and Auditor General. AGN 02 is available from the NAO website – <https://www.nao.org.uk/code-audit-practice/guidance-and-information-for-auditors/>.

This authority is responsible for ensuring that its financial management is adequate and effective and that it has a sound system of internal control. The authority prepares an Annual Governance and Accountability Return in accordance with *Proper Practices* which:

- summarises the accounting records for the year ended 31 March 2026 and
- confirms and provides assurance on those matters that are relevant to our duties and responsibilities as external auditors.

2 External auditor’s limited assurance opinion 2025/26

On the basis of our review of Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return, in our opinion the information in Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return is in accordance with Proper Practices and no other matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.

(continue on a separate sheet if required)

Other matters not affecting our opinion which we draw to the attention of the authority:

None

(continue on a separate sheet if required)

3 External auditor certificate 2025/26

We certify that we have completed our review of Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return, and discharged our responsibilities under the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, for the year ended 31 March 2026

External Auditor Name

ENTER NAME BDO LLP - Southampton AUDITOR

External Auditor Signature

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Date

23 August 2026 YYY

Newman Collard Pavilion Improvements

Summary

Since LPC took over management of the Newman Collard Pavilion in May 2026, the Clerk and Admin Officer have been meeting with all users. Various issues have arisen including the need for new tables, blinds and internal and external noticeboards. Internal noticeboards have already been sourced and put up as these were fairly low cost.

The following items require funding:

ITEM	COST	FUNDING PROPOSAL
6 lightweight tables (6ft by 2ft3)	£1,184.94	£400 DC Roger Mullenger £50 DC Ian James £734.94 LPC CIL
Blinds for Karate Room and Main Hall	£1,610	£1,610 LPC CIL
Baby Change Facility	£312.99	£312.99 LPC CIL
External Notice Board	tbc	Estimated £350
LPC CIL REQUIRED		£4,000

Other works which are required for H&S reasons will proceed alongside these improvements, including a full Fire Risk Assessment. These will come out of Newman Collard funds held.

Proposal

That LPC allocates £4,000 of LPC CIL to Newman Collard Pavilion improvements.

LPC CIL RECEIVED

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>TOTAL TO DATE</u>
18-19	6,281.18	6,281.18
19-20	5,033.48	11,314.66
20-21	162,171.53	173,486.19
21-22	193,604.68	367,090.87
22-23	50,914.98	418,005.85
23-24	10,744.42	428,750.27
24-25	0.00	428,750.27
25-26(1)	4,387.28	433,137.55
25-26(2)	39,037.78	472,175.33
26-27(1)	28,770.53	500,945.86

TOTAL RECEIVED:	£500,945.86
TOTAL ALLOCATED:	£454,441.59
<u>TOTAL REMAINING:</u>	<u>£46,504.27</u>

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	<u>AMOUNT ALLOCATED</u>	<u>AMOUNT SPENT</u>	<u>DATE SPENT</u>	<u>AMOUNT REMAINING</u>	<u>RESOLUTION</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
New Liss Pavilion - Construction Costs (Groundworks - Contractor progress Payment 2)	4135.72	4135.72	Sep-18	0.00	99/18	Approved and spent.
New Liss Pavilion - Internal Fit Out Costs (Chairs)	987.98	987.98	Apr-19	0.00	164/18	Approved and spent.
New Liss Pavilion - Internal Fit Out Costs (Chairs)	1157.49	1157.49	Apr-19	0.00	74/19	Approved and spent.
Path to new Petanque Terrain, Liss Forest Recreation Ground	2970	2970	Apr-21	0.00	09/PR21	Approved and spent.
Install of free equipment, Mill Road Community Garden	1595	1595	Oct-21	0.00	09/PR21	Approved and spent.
Install of watering system in village centre for hanging baskets	445	445	Jun-21	0.00	39/21	Approved and spent.
Village Hall Building Maintenance (Repainting and repair external windows)	5033.48	5033.48	Jun-21	0.00	77/20	Approved and spent.
Mill Road Community Garden	5000	5000	Oct-21	0.00	61/21	Approved and spent.
New public noticeboard, village centre	610	610	Jul-21	0.00	82/21	Approved and spent.
Two sets of moveable goal posts, WL & NC	3775.77	3775.77	Jan-22	0.00	137/21	Approved and spent.
West Liss Play Area	15000	15000	Jul-22	0.00	157/22	Approved and spent.
Sports Wall at Newman Collard	5584.98	5584.98	Jun-22	0.00	157/22	Approved and spent.
Fees associated with floodlight installation, Newman Collard	1151	1151	Mar-23	0.00	157/22	Approved and spent. Resolution approved up to £2,500 but full amount not required.
West Liss Play Area	10000	10000	Jul-22	0.00	201/22	Approved and spent.
Crossover youth project	5206	5206	Oct-23	0.00	241/22 144/23 89/24	Approved and spent. Resolution approved up to £7,500 but full amount not required.
Pump track at West Liss EMR 351	56,747.54	56747.54	Various	0.00	257/22 21/23 107/23 175/23	Approved and spent. Original allocation was £106,831.01. National Lottery award of £53,000 (and £47,613.47 & £2,470 returned to general CIL pot).
Install of free outdoor gym equipment at West Liss.	950	950.00	Dec-23	0.00	176/23	Approved and spent.
Table tennis at West Liss Recreation Ground	5550	5550.00	Jul-24	0.00	52/24	Approved and spent.
Additional outward facing bench at Mill Road Community Garden	815.56	815.56	Aug-24	0.00	89/24	Approved and spent.

New Speed Indicator Device	4,000	4000.00	Oct-24	0.00	103/24	Approved and spent.
Highways improvements					57/24 & 154/24	The £50,000 was subsequently reallocated to Village Centre Feasibility EMR.
Ecological appraisal of LPC sites	3,227	3226.90	Dec-24	0.00	55/24	Spent. Originally allocated up to £3,300. Invoice for £3,226.90 leaving £73.10 which was returned to unallocated CIL EMR 339.
Triangle Community Centre - paving works	5,040	5040.00	Feb-25	0.00	89/24	Approved and spent.
Riverside Walk Gate EMR 382	595	595.00	Sep-25	0.00	92/25	Spent. Gate complete (£595). Remainder of £2,000 sum allocated returned to unallocated CIL pot.
Riverside Walk Water Supply EMR 381	4,287	4287.17	Aug-25	0.00	92/25	Spent. Up to £4,300 allocated. £3, 287.17 spent in August 2025 for water pipe works. £1,000 paid to HR in November 2025. £12.83 returned to unallocated CIL pot.
Riverside Walk Path Improvements EMR 377	2,000	2000.00	Mar-25	0.00	155/24	March 25 & January 2026.
Pavilion Solar - EMR 385	1,150	1150.00	Feb-26	0.00	14/16	Approved and spent.
Wildlife Boxes EMR 383	500	500.00	May-26	0.00	109/25	Approved and spent.
Table Tennis - LF & NC EMR 384	10,355.14	10355.14	Jun-26	0.00	109/25	Approved and spent.
Table Tennis - LF & NC EMR 384	4,587.86	4587.86	Jun-26	0.00	50/26	Approved and spent.
Triangle LED Lights - EMR 386	3,984	3284.00	Jun-26	700.00	14/16	Approved and spent. £700 Underspend - return to unallocated pot? Nov. FinCo to consider.
Village Hall Windows - EMR 387	13,000	13000.00		0.00	14/16	Approved and spent.
TOTAL SPENT:		178741.59				
MUGA at Newman Collard (NCPFT lead) EMR 359	50000	5300.00	4/24 & 12/25	44700.00	32/24	Release of funds as follows: £3,000 for Design and Planning in April 24, £2,300 for Noise Assessment fee in February 25 and £2,750 for Planning Appeal Fee in December 2025. The last sum of £2,750 was reimbursed and returned to the pot in September 2026.

Village Centre Improvement Project - Match Funding EMR 358	50000	37571.50	Various	12428.50	227/22 & 143/23 & 154/24	£50,000 of the sum allocated for platform extension (2/6/22), £12,500 of which is allocated to fund a feasibility study. £12,428.50 spent on Network Rail feasibility study 03/24.
Liss Forest Recreation Ground play & leisure enhancements EMR 362	40000	34426.66		5573.34	33/23, 32/24, 103/24	Moveable football goals: £1,991.66 (20/3/23). Multi play unit: £25,085 (23/6/23 & 8/9/23). Drainage: £2,500 ditch digging (8/9/23) & £740 - of the £5,000 of the sum allocated for phase 1 of drainage works (55/23 a & b). £4,110 new fencing (22/5/24). £15,573.34 remaining: SDNPA CIL of £40,000 was awarded for remainder of works required in fenced play area so £10,000 of the original allocation of £50,000 was returned to the unallocated pot (Resolution 103/24).
Green space projects/ Environmental improvements EMR 367	5000	1655.83		3344.17	33/23	Additional environmental aspects to the Mill Road Community Garden. Other sums have also been sought for green space projects - to return to Facilities at a later date. £2,000 committed for water supply to orchard (Res. 85/23). £1,320 spent on connection (8/6/23).
Village Centre Feasibility and Preliminary Design Work EMR 380	130,000	80364.24	Mar-26	49635.76	154/24	Plus £10,000 from budget 24/25 to provide a total of £140,000 in EMR 380. HCC invoice for £80,364.24 (18/3/26).
SPENT OF PARTIALLY COMPLETED PROJECTS:		159318.23				

TOTAL CIL SPENT **338059.82**

TOTAL ALLOCATED **£ 454,441.59**



LISS PARISH COUNCIL

POLICY FOR MEMORIALS IN PUBLIC SPACES

Liss Parish Council (LPC) recognises the wish for memorial plaques in public spaces which are managed by LPC. Liss Parish Council will consider requests on an individual basis.

This policy has been produced with the following guiding principles:

- To be respectful and sympathetic to those seeking to install a memorial.
- To ensure the recreational use of open spaces is not compromised and ensure the quality of their appearance is maintained.

Terms and Conditions

- Liss Parish Council has the right to limit, in both location and number, the types of memorial in any one area.
- The appropriate donation must be received before the installation of any memorial takes place.
- Liss Parish Council does not accept applications for memorials for pets.
- Liss Parish Council is unable to agree to the interment or scattering of ashes at public open spaces within the parish.

Memorial Plaques

Liss Parish Council will consider requests for placement of a memorial plaque on an existing Parish Council bench. As benches have been provided through public funds, a charge will apply which includes a donation towards the original purchase, future maintenance of all benches plus the installation cost of the plaque. The donation is not allocated for maintenance of any specific bench.

1. The proposed inscription on a memorial plaque must be approved by Liss Parish Council. An enquiry should be sent to the Admin Officer on adminofficer@lissparishcouncil.gov.uk before any order is placed.
2. Plaques must be stainless steel and size 225mm x 75mm with 4 corner screw holes for fitting.
3. The applicant will be responsible for delivering the memorial plaque to the Parish Office to be installed on bench by LPC Groundsman.
4. No additional mementos such as statues or vases will be permitted alongside or placed on any bench. Liss Parish Council reserves the right to remove any such mementos or flowers.
5. Liss Parish Council reserves the right to remove or re-site a memorial plaque ten years from installation or sooner if the plaque is in a poor state of repair or the bench is no longer considered safe or fit for purpose. LPC will always aim to retain memorial

plaques where possible and retains the right to re-site a plaque should this become necessary.

6. Liss Parish Council's standards of maintenance will be accepted as keeping the bench fit for purpose and clean. This will involve occasionally removing algae and grime and repairing minor faults within the resources available.
7. Liss Parish Council is not responsible for the maintenance of memorial plaques. Memorial plaques must not be removed or inscriptions amended without the written approval of Liss Parish Council.
8. Liss Parish Council accepts no liability for damage to benches or plaques by a third party.
9. Liss Parish Council will keep a record of donors and their contact details in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulations. It is the responsibility of the donor to provide the Clerk with updated details in writing. Failure to do so could lead plaques being removed without notice to the donor.

Memorial Benches

Memorial Benches are to be supplied by the requester, but specification agreed with Liss Parish Council. Whether we can accommodate will depend on the specific site, existing availability and need/desirability. LPC will fit (any further cost for this to be agreed with LPC on request). No maintenance undertaken by LPC.

Memorial Trees/rose

Due to large numbers of existing trees and dependent on the level of demand, the planting of trees may not always be possible, however we do permit a memorial rose in the bed at the Memorial Garden.

1. An enquiry should be sent to the Admin Officer on adminofficer@lissparishcouncil.gov.uk
2. A donation and/or help maintaining the bed would be very welcome.
3. The rose will be solely owned by Liss Parish Council.
4. The applicant will be responsible for ordering and delivering the rose to the Parish Office for planting by LPC Groundsman. However, should the applicant wish to undertake the planting themselves, this can be accommodated.
5. Liss Parish Council will keep a record of donors and their contact details in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulations. It is the responsibility of the donor to provide the Clerk with updated details in writing. Failure to do so could lead to the Council being unable to give you notice if the rose needs to be moved/removed.
6. No additional mementos such as cut or plastic flowers, flowers in pots, statues or vases will be permitted alongside any tree/rose. Liss Parish Council reserves the right to remove any such mementos or flowers. However native spring bulbs may be planted around the base of the tree, with the Council's permission and agreement as to type.
7. Liss Parish Council will not accept responsibility or liability in respect of any damage to or loss of a memorial rose, including damage caused by a third party.

If you have any queries or need further information please don't hesitate to contact the Parish Office on 01730 892823 or [adminofficer@lissparishcouncil.gov.uk/](mailto:adminofficer@lissparishcouncil.gov.uk)
clerk@lissparishcouncil.gov.uk.

Liss Parish Council reserves the right to amend these regulations and to deal with any circumstances or contingency not provided for in the regulations as necessary.

Adopted by Liss Parish Council on 21st September 2026.

To be reviewed in 2029.