



Parish Plan –Recommendations and Implementation

Recommendations – Recreation Ground

- Concern expressed at the health risk that dog fouling creates near play areas on the recreation ground. Provide fencing to keep children’s play equipment, including swings and roundabout safe from dogs.
- Dog owners must clean up after their animals either using the bin provided or taking home the waste for disposal.

Outcome	Options	Partners	Action/Comment
Reduce the health risk created by dog fouling.	a) Fence and secure play areas on recreation ground.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • WCC Animal Welfare 	WMPC investigated and decided against any further action.
	b) Introduce Dog Control Order if offending dog owner known.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • WCC Animal Welfare 	N/A
	c) Provide more bins to deposit dog faeces.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • WCC Animal Welfare 	Additional bins provided.
	d) Public notices on health risk of dog fouling are posted at selected areas.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • WCC Animal Welfare 	More notices provided.

Recommendations – Sport and Leisure

- Introduce new clubs and societies including bowls and yoga. Individuals who have expressed an interest in the formation of new clubs and societies should now make contact with each other via the website or through parish news.
- The provision of activities for children should be explored either in isolation or in conjunction with other initiatives within the parish.
- The West Meon and Warnford Sports and Social Club should consider putting in a ramp access to alleviate these concerns.
- The West Meon and Warnford Sports and Social Club should consider developing junior coaching programmes in as many sports as possible.
- The Parish Council and West Meon and Warnford Sports Club should jointly examine the feasibility of meeting some of the sporting and leisure ‘wish list’ expressed through the questionnaire.

Outcome	Options	Partners	Action/Comment
Increased access to sport, leisure and recreation opportunities.	a) Undertake survey on need for new clubs or societies – what interests exist?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • WCC Sports and Recreation 	WMPC investigated and decided against further action as believe that village already has adequate number of clubs/societies.
	b) Identify lead individuals to initiate any local interest via web site in a range of activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council 	N/A
	c) Investigate neighbouring parishes to assess their activities and aspirations, identify common areas for further development.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council 	N/A
	d) Individuals who have expressed an interest in the formation of new clubs and societies should now make contact with each other via the website or through parish news	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council 	N/A

Outcome	Options	Partners	Action/Comment
	e) Investigate if Rifle Range could be converted for dual function with indoor bowling, which would also improve utilisation of building.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • West Meon Sports and Social Club 	Still under investigation.
	f) Contact village school & hold open meeting to identify what activities for young people need to be explored.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • HCC Youth Service • Village school • Other Local schools 	No demand identified.
	g) Establish junior coaching programmes on selected sports.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • West Meon and Warnford Sports Club • WCC Sports and Recreation 	Already in existence; no further action needed.
	h) Install an access ramp for disabled.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • West Meon and Warnford Sports Club 	Being investigated by the Sports Club.
	h) Extend sporting and leisure “wish list” activities as expressed through the questionnaire.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • West Meon and Warnford Sports Club • WCC Sports and Recreation 	N/A

Recommendations - Church

- Consideration should be given to arranging concerts, recitals etc to judge support for such events.

Outcome	Options	Partners	Action/Comment
A well maintained church.	a) Contact PCC to ascertain if they are prepared to hold concerts, recitals, etc within the church.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • PCC 	Still being considered.
	b) Examine other parishes to ascertain how they fund church maintenance and if it is used for community events.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCC • Parish Council 	PCC investigating.
	c) Carry out straw poll to ascertain what events parishioners might support.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • PCC 	PCC already had a meeting with parishioners to discuss funding and uses of the Church.

Recommendations – Parish Council

- Parish Council to arrange a list of Parish Councillors to be displayed on notice board with contact detail
- Parish Council to arrange for a list of contact names and telephone numbers for all Parish organisations to be displayed on the notice board and in the Parish News.
- Monthly Parish reports to be posted on the website.

Outcome	Options	Partners	Action/Comment
Improve awareness of the Parish Council and its work.	a) Parish Clerk to display details in PC Notice Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council 	Completed
	b) Parish Council to collate list of contacts for parish organisations and display on web site and notice board – or village shop.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • Village organisations 	Completed
	c) It is assumed that minutes of PC meetings are suggested in Parish Plan - these should be displayed on notice board and entered on to web site.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council 	Completed
	d) Consideration should be given to holding a regular “surgery” of Parish Councillors on rota basis.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council 	N/A

Recommendations – Environment

- Whenever proposals are submitted to the planning authorities for new buildings or the conversion of existing ones, due account must be taken of the Village Design Statement, with due regard to minimising impact on the wildlife.
- Landowners must be encouraged to maintain their rights of way and to take action against horse riders using footpaths and motorcyclists using bridleways.
- Consideration should be given to the use of “kissing” gates when stiles are to be replaced. (Environment)
- If the proposed South Downs National Park should go ahead, then the implications need to be made more widely known.

Outcome	Options	Partners	Action/Comment
Enable residents to enjoy the natural environment while protecting and maintaining it for the future.	a) Taking due account of the Village Design Statement is already a requirement of Planning Sub Committee.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • WCC Strategic Planners 	Completed
	b) A possible question to be submitted in WCC’s Development Control planning application documents as to what impact the development would have on protected and rare species of wildlife.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • WCC Development Control 	N/A
	c) Request letter from HCC to landowners on maintaining rights of way.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • HCC 	Martin Cowell to monitor.
	d) Public awareness campaign on footpaths and bridleways.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • HCC 	Martin Cowell to monitor.
	e) Set out plans where “kissing” gates would be appropriate where cattle are present and approach landowner.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • HCC 	Review of all footpaths undertaken by Martin Cowell.

Outcome	Options	Partners	Action/Comment
	f) Raise a public awareness meeting or campaign within the village and invite ANOB to give presentation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • Natural England • WCC Planning? 	Felicity Hindson has been regularly updating WMPC on progress of South Downs National Park and its implications to West Meon.

Recommendations - Housing:

- That in considering any housing development within the parish of West Meon the Councils (Winchester and West Meon) shall take due note of the findings of the Parish Plan and the Village Design Statement (VDS)
- That the Councils shall adhere to the published definition of Affordable Housing and the published criteria which establishes a local (West Meon) connection against which any connection shall be judged.
- That having established the criteria the Councils shall take this into account when determining if there is a genuine need for additional affordable housing within the Parish.
- That the Councils shall take into account the concerns of the parishioners, as expressed through the Parish Plan questionnaire with regard to the rate, type and quantity of housing development within the parish.

Outcome	Options	Partners	Action/Comment
That future housing development within the parish is appropriate in style and nature	a) Carry out rigorous assessment of local need and potential future sites.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • WCC Strategic Housing • CAH Housing Enablers 	Housing Association regularly updates list and also WMPC.
	b) Issue clear definition of affordable housing and social housing on exception sites for local need.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • WCC Strategic Housing 	Completed
	c) Discuss with WCC if more control can be placed with Parish Council in determining allocation of housing on exception sites.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • WCC Strategic Housing 	WMPC has drawn up S106 – still has to be approved by Winchester City Council (WCC).
	d) Create a greater dialogue with WCC Housing to determine future requirements for housing in Parish.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • WCC Strategic Housing 	WMPC has ongoing discussions with WCC re housing.
	e) Discuss with WCC the use of sites identified in urban capacity study for future housing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • WCC Strategic Housing 	WMPC has ongoing discussions with WCC re housing.

Outcome	Options	Partners	Action/Comment
	f) Request an update of previous surveys undertaken (2003) to ascertain type, quantity and time scale of any requirement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • WCC Strategic Housing 	WMPC has been updated regularly on the 'need for housing' in West Meon.
	g) Consideration be given to extending village envelope.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • WCC Strategic Planning 	Unlikely WCC will consider extending the village envelope.

Recommendations - Transport

- It is recommended that Blue Line and Stagecoach be asked to examine the degree of difficulty of embarking and disembarking for disabled people at the bus stops within the parish boundaries.

Outcome	Options	Partners	Action/Comment
Improved access to public transport	a) Parish Council to contact Blue Line and Stagecoach with regard to disabled people when embarking and disembarking at the bus stops within the parish boundaries.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • HCC Transport • Bus Operators? • Parish Council 	WMPC has expressed concern from time to time on this issue; waiting for white bus lines to be drawn on road next to Thomas Lord.

Recommendations – Community

- It is recommended that the Parish Council should give consideration to raising the profile of the village on the A32 by installing appropriate signage.
- It is recommended that young people should have the opportunity to be more involved in parish life

Outcome	Options	Partners	Action/Comment
Raise the profile of the village	a) Investigate grants that would finance West Meon “welcome” sign (or gateway) at extremities of village on A32.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • HCC Highways 	An extensive application for funding was made to the Leader Funding but WMPC were turned down. Pam Collins continues to investigate funding sources and grants available.

Outcome	Options	Partners	Action/Comment
Increased involvement of young people in parish life.	a) Contact local groups involving young people – scouts, brownies, youth theatre etc. and hold workshops related to the findings of the Parish Plan.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • HCC Children’s Services • Local youth groups 	Still being investigated; interested people to contact Tina Over.

Recommendations – Transport and Roads

- It is recommended that the Parish Council should as a matter of urgency pursue with Winchester City Council and Hampshire County Council efforts to introduce further traffic calming measures to effectively reduce speeds within the parish boundary.
- As a matter of urgency, efforts should be made to improve the safety of the crossings of the A32 at the junctions of the High Street and Station Road.
- It is recommended that the Parish Council should undertake a study, jointly with Winchester City Council and Hampshire County Council into the practicality of making improvements to current pavements and the provision of additional pavements.
- It is also recommended that Highway Bye Laws should be invoked, with the possible assistance of the Hampshire Constabulary to prevent unauthorised parking on pavements. The Parish Council is also requested to take action when necessary to ensure that all trees and hedgerows adjacent to pavements are kept properly trimmed and maintained at all times.

Outcome	Options	Partners	Action/Comment
Improved road safety	a) Hold discussions with HCC, WCC and Police Authority on A32 and other local highways on measures to introduce further traffic calming schemes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • HCC Highways • WCC Highways 	New traffic calming measures were introduced in 2009; WCC has carried out before and after surveys. So far, it is believed the measures have slowed traffic down and police have been speaking to the bikers to 'educate' them on the need to control speed.
	b) In conjunction with Hampshire Constabulary and Police Authority undertake speed and noise survey of vehicles using A32.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • HCC Highways • WCC Highways 	N/A
	c) Adopt crossing control for school pupils.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • HCC Highways • WCC Highways • HCC Education 	This is still being discussed.

Outcome	Options	Partners	Action/Comment
	d) Investigate if “pinch points” or “central island” could be installed to improve safety of crossing A32	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • HCC Highways • WCC Highways 	HCC remain reluctant to consider these.
	e) Complete traffic calming scheme on south side of village.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • HCC Highways 	Completed
	e) Highway Bye Laws should be invoked, with the possible assistance of the Hampshire Constabulary to prevent unauthorised parking on pavements.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • Police • HCC Highways • WCC Highways 	Revamped bellmouth entry to the Cross has been completed to prevent parking on pavements.
	f) Parish Council to ensure that all trees and hedgerows adjacent to pavements are kept properly trimmed and maintained at all times.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council 	Ongoing

Recommendations – Education

- It is recommended that the Parish Council should in conjunction with the Governors of the School seriously consider the introduction of a “walking bus” to the school in which parents would either use the Village Hall Car Park as a drop off or pick up point. Parking for pick up / drop off of children in Church Lane, except in an emergency, should be strongly discouraged.
- That the Parish Council should advise the Local Authority of the potential demand for continuing education in West Meon and make them aware of the facilities available.
- It is recommended that the Parish Council examine how it can better consult with young people and respond to the views of young people relating to the findings of the Parish Plan.

Outcome	Options	Partners	Action/Comment
Reduce the traffic generated by the ‘school run’	a) Discuss the introduction of a “walking bus” to the school which parents would either use the Village Hall Car Park as a drop off or pick up point.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • School Governors • HCC Education • HCC Highways • WCC Highways 	WMPC in discussion with West Meon School to draw up a ‘Walking to School’ programme.
	b) Investigate possible parking restrictions in Church Lane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • HCC Highways • WCC Highways • School Governors • HCC Education 	West Meon School has regular discussions with parents encouraging them to park elsewhere.

Outcome	Options	Partners	Action/Comment
More opportunities to learn.	a) Demographic Survey to be undertaken to ascertain future schooling requirements for the village.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • HCC Education • ACE • Other training providers 	N/A
	b) Internet Café in village shop could provide after school and adult training in computer skills.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • West Meon Community Shop Association • School • ACE 	Internet café has been established and is popular in the village.

Recommendations – Police and Safety

- It is recommended that the Parish Council should approach the Hampshire Constabulary advising them of these comments and seek to raise the level of visibility around the parish.
- It is recommended that the Parish Council seek people to set up a Neighbourhood Watch scheme.
- It is recommended that the Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service be requested to conduct a survey of Hydrant and other emergency water provision in the Woodlands area to ascertain if this is sufficient.

Outcome	Options	Partners	Action/Comment
Increased feeling of safety in the Parish.	a) Hold discussions with Hampshire Constabulary and Police Authority aiming to raise the level of visibility around the parish.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • Hampshire Constabulary 	Police attend WMPC meetings regularly and advise of changes to staffing etc. More PCSOs are available and regularly seen on bicycles now.
	b) Parish Council in collaboration with Hampshire Constabulary and Police Authority to hold a meeting in Village Hall with regard to seeking potential volunteers to undertake a Neighbourhood Watch scheme.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • Hampshire Constabulary • Neighbouring parishes NW schemes 	Neighbourhood watch scheme has been re-established.
	c) Parish Council to write to Hampshire Fire and Rescue to request a survey of Hydrant and other emergency water provision in the Woodlands area to ascertain if this is sufficient.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • Hampshire Fire & Rescue 	N/A

Recommendations – Health Care

- It is recommended that the Parish Council should request that the West Meon Practice re-examine the provision of Saturday surgery.

Outcome	Options	Partners	Action/Comment
Better access to health care provision.	a) Parish Council write to Practice to ascertain the practicalities of holding a surgery on Saturday mornings and the wider implication with local Health Authority	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parish Council• Hampshire PCT• Local GP	N/A