

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN: DRAFT DOCUMENT FOR PRESENTATION TO PARISH COUNCIL

Working Groups: Footpaths, Cycle paths & Bridleways and Transport & Parking

Footpaths, Cycle paths & Bridleways

Objectives:

1. Facilitate walking/cycling to school, church and village facilities as much as possible^{1,5,6,10,11,12,17,18}
2. Link Westhampnett to neighbouring Parishes and therefore network of routes beyond^{10,11,12,15,17}
3. Ensure paths maintained in an appropriate condition so are safe to access and use^{4,11,12,17,18}

Footpaths:

1. Conversion of lane between Dairy Lane and Coach Road to Public Footpath (not suitable for horses due to traffic on A27)
2. Links to other Parishes:

Initiative	Benefit
i. Footbridge over the A27 connecting the two parts of Coach Road. Improve pavement along Coach Road to end	Allow continuous easy access from Westhampnett to Oving and on to Tangmere to encourage use of all villages' facilities
ii. Continuous pavement from Park Hotel roundabout to Rolls Royce roundabout, as part of 300 houses development or in combination with opposite side of Madgwick Lane	Enables safe access from Westhampnett Parish to Chichester
iii. East Lavant end of Stocks Lane to East Lavant village over Goodwood land (see also Cycle paths/Bridleways below)	Would connect paths to the Trundle and access to Lavant facilities.
iv. Westerton to Halnaker or Boxgrove over Goodwood land (see also Cycle paths/Bridleways below)	Connects to Stane Street and national network, as well as Boxgrove village facilities

3. Improve exit of Westerton/Maudlin footpath: re-route around the back of houses on former Coach & Horses site and Everymans garage, to exit opposite westbound bus stop. This will allow pedestrians to use existing crossing, improving safety and ongoing access to old A27 footpath/cycle path
4. New path to link new 300 houses to church and school footpath
5. New Stane Street road crossing outside St Peter's Church, Westhampnett OR continuous pavement from exit of 300 houses along north side of Stane Street to St Peter's Church
6. Improve surface of pavement on Maudlin old road. Hedgerow & vegetation control is currently part of the remit of Westhampnett Volunteers
7. Review all options for the riverside path at the point planning is submitted

Maintenance

1. Upgrade Rolls Royce to Westerton path – consider webbed matting or similar to maintain safe and easier access during wet months and encourage use for walking or cycling to/from school
2. Repair Tarmac footpath from Westerton to Maudlin to preserve access to bus stop in Maudlin
3. Extend/upgrade path from church to school, connecting 300 homes, to encourage use for walking to school

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Cycle paths/Bridleways

1. Links to other Parishes:

Initiative	Benefit
i. Convert current footpath to Bridleway from Rolls Royce roundabout to Westerton and beyond up to New Road	Joins Cycle Route in Claypit Lane to New Road
ii. Ensure new access over Goodwood land from New Road to Boxgrove is Bridleway	Enables continuous cycle route from Westhampnett to Boxgrove, Stane Street and national network
iii. Ensure new access over Goodwood land from Stocks Lane to Chalkpit Lane is Bridleway	Enables continuous cycle route from Westhampnett to Lavant and beyond

2. Upgrade/create cycle route to fully-designated lane on Stane Street from Park Hotel roundabout to Maudlin roundabout, through Westhampnett to improve safety and encourage Westhampnett residents (especially those in new developments) to cycle to school and work.
 - a. Upgrade of section from Park Hotel roundabout to Rolls Royce is already in hand under remit of WSCC
 - b. New section from Rolls Royce to Maudlin roundabout to be created

Maintenance

1. Review and improve signage in Claypit Lane (see Fig 1 below):
 - a. at Northern end, to improve visibility of the sign so cyclists don't take more dangerous route along Madgwick Lane
 - b. to improve signage
 - i. Mixed use stretch sign shows inaccurate visualisation
 - ii. Cycle-only lane in road should be marked in both directions as is two-way.
 - c. Remove southbound sign on pavement to avoid cyclists' use of pavement. This is high-pedestrian traffic at school opening/closing times
 - d. Remove northbound sign on pavement for same reason as 1c

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Fig 1: Claypit Lane Cycle Route Signage



1a.



1b.



1c.



1d.

Transport & Parking

Objectives:

1. Promote non-car travel within and between Parishes^{5,6,15,17,18}
2. Ensure sufficient safe parking^{2,7,8,9,18}
3. Define measures to ease traffic flow and related issues^{1,8,9,13,15,18}
4. Ensure safe and cohesive solutions to parking, visibility, pedestrian crossing & cycle/footpaths^{1,8,9,14,17,18}

Transport

1. Improve road signage and visibility

Initiative	Benefit
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Introduce 30 mph signage in Westerton ii. Introduce 'Children Playing' signs in Westerton 	Discourage speeding and improve safety for residents
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> iii. Re-site flashing 30mph signs in Westhampnett: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Eastbound: move west towards council depot to provide an earlier deterrent to speeding on Stane Street b. Westbound: move sign east from its current location to between 30mph marker at Maudlin boundary and Maudlin roundabout 	Reminder of speed limit to road users on entry to both hamlets
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> iv. Implement 30mph roundel reminder signs at exit of Park Hotel roundabout onto Stane Street 	Makes clear existing 30 mph speed limit between roundabout and village
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> v. Improve visibility/signage/speed controls/deterrents at Westerton crossroads 	Ensure temporary event signs do not block line of sight when exiting Westerton
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> vi. Implement traffic calming, change junction and improve pedestrian crossing to access footpath/bridleway at Maudlin roundabout 	Reduction in traffic speed - prevention of accidents involving pedestrians
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> vii. Investigate need for additional street lighting in residential roads, subject to consideration of green and ecological concerns 	Improve night time visibility in residential areas (with minimum light pollution and impact on wildlife)

2. Ensure all roads are well-maintained and potholes repaired promptly to:
 - a. Preserve long term viability of road surface
 - b. Reduce flood risk
 - c. Improve safety
 - d. Reduce damage to cars

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Fig 2: Resurfacing and pothole repairs required as at August 2016:

Resurfacing Required	
i.	Westerton Lane from Claypit Lane to Westerton Crossroads as surface worn
ii.	Full length of Richmond Road, Westerton to repair potholes and damaged surfaces and permanently fix loose drain covers (update: now partially done – August 2016)
iii.	Kennels Hill from Woodcote roundabout to junction with Pook Lane, including pot holes outside entrance to Goodwood House and along nearside of northbound lane along Kennel Hill to boundary of Parish
Recurrent Potholes to be Permanently Filled	
iv.	Outside entrance to Dudman's quarry on New Road
v.	Along edge of southbound stretch of New Barn Hill between entrance to Goodwood House and Westerton crossroads
vi.	Along westbound stretch of New Road between Westerton crossroads and Woodcote roundabout
vii.	Claypit Lane, outside second entrance to Woodcote

3. Traffic calming initiative along Madgwick Lane within 30 mph zone (we believe this will be extended to Rolls Royce roundabout with the build of 300 homes)
4. Collaborate closely with Goodwood to ensure comprehensive and effective traffic management during events.
5. Look at options to improve traffic flow for heavy vehicles entering and leaving the Viridor Waste Management Site on Stane Street/Coach Road. Current suggestions:
 - a. entry and exit off A27 into Coach Road
 - b. entry via Rutland Way, exit via Stane Street

At present, there is no information regarding feasibility or funding – this is to be investigated.
6. Look at feasibility of establishing car share/car club in the locality
7. Improve bus services and promote bus use within the Parish₃

Initiative	Benefit
Promote route 99 on new Westhampnett Community website	Increase bus usage and therefore reduce car traffic
Reinstate 99a on Sundays & public holidays	7 day bus services
Promote route 55 on new Westhampnett Community website	Increase bus usage and therefore reduce car traffic
Reinstate 55a on Sundays & public holidays	7 day bus services
Publicise route C1 operated by Sainsbury's (Monday only). Investigate need and possibility of creating a stop in Maudlin and/or Westhampnett on Stane Street	Increase bus usage and therefore reduce car traffic

5. Improve parking in the Parish, including planning ahead for new Community Hall

Initiative	Benefit
i. Create and manage overflow parking during peak usage of facilities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. School b. Church car park c. Community hall 	Control of overflow parking and minimise nuisance to neighbouring residents
ii. Ensure better parking facilities for houses in Maudlin, especially outside and opposite old Coach & Horses pub	Improve visibility for road traffic and pedestrians, increasing safety

Footnotes: ref. Westhampnett Parish Council 'Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire' (NPQ) circulated to residents in summer 2013.

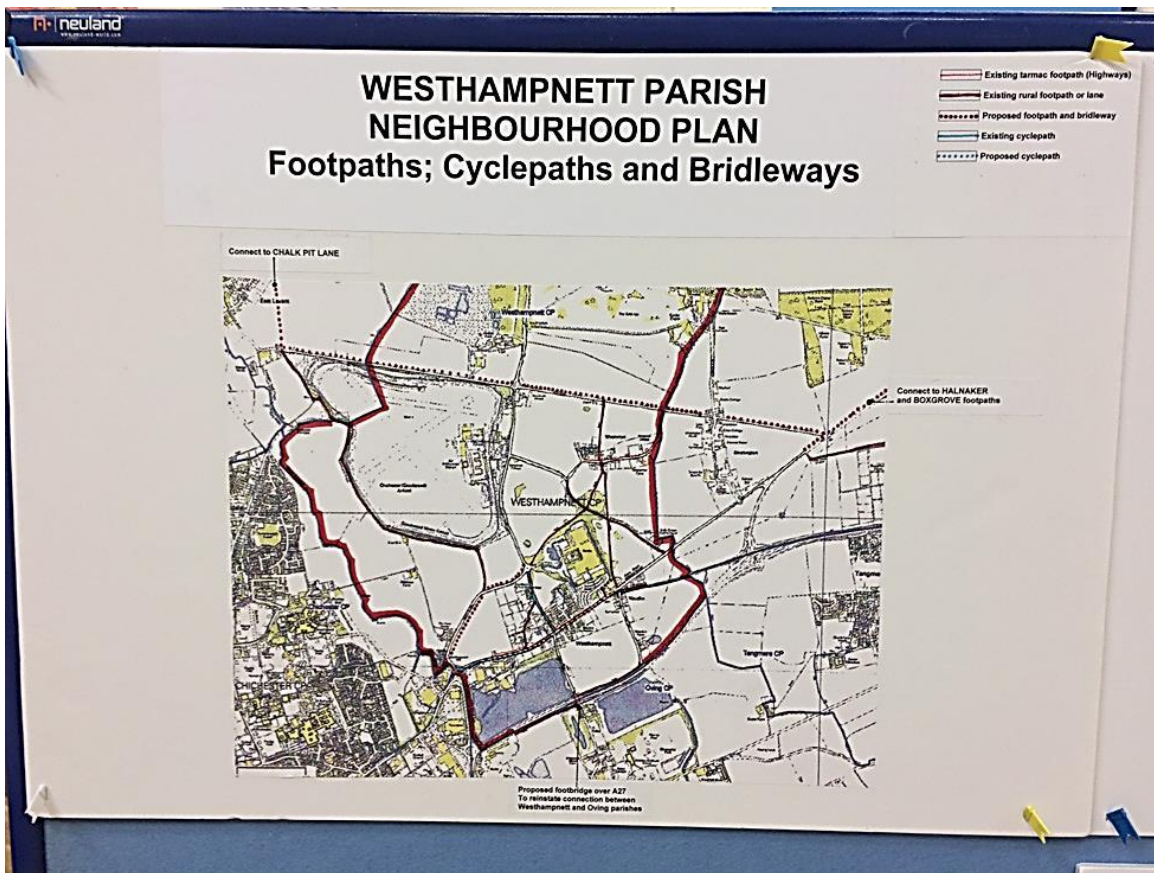
1. Question 12: How far, on average do people in your household travel to school, college or work?
Question 13: How do they normally travel to school, college or work?
2. Question 16: Which, if any of the following facilities do you believe we should seek to provide to meet current or future needs? (Sub item - car parking for school drop-off and pick-up; parking for residents)
3. Question 26: What do you think are the main potential difficulties associated with any future development within our community? (Sub item – quality of public transport)
4. Question 27: Does anyone in your household assist in the community in any way? (Sub item – footpath maintenance)
5. Question 32: Can you get around to participate in the activities outlined above? If so, please state how. If not, please state why. (All sub items apply)
6. Question 33: If you rely on public transport, please number which you use in order of priority. (All sub items apply)
7. Question 34: What vehicle parking facilities do you have – for how many cars? (Sub item 'insufficient')
8. Question 35: If you rely solely on your car for transport, what issues impact on its use?
9. Question 36: Do you experience problems from any of the following? (all sub items apply)
10. Question 37: Footpaths – what are your walking habits? (All sub items apply)
11. Question 38: Do you consider the condition, provision and width of footpaths within our community satisfactory? (All sub items apply)
12. Question 39: Cycling - What are your cycling habits? (All sub items apply)
13. Question 41: Do you think we should do more on green issues? (Sub item 'access to car sharing scheme')
14. Question 48: Street lighting. (All sub items apply)
15. Question 51: General – do you think we should collaborate more with adjoining Parishes, in order to pool or share services and facilities? (Sub item community transport)
16. Question 52: Would you encourage more tourism into our Parish area? (sub items 'walking', 'cycling')
17. Question 56: Young Persons – How do you travel around the local area? (All sub-items apply)
18. Question 60: What are the top 3 issues that are of particular interest to you and why? (various verbatim answers apply)

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Display boards from the presentation of the draft vision proposals 5/11/16



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