

THE 5 PARISHES

OF ASHURST, BRAMBER, STEYNING, UPPER BEEDING & WISTON

COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN

2014 – 2024

OUR COMMUNITY GOALS:

An even better place to live
Opportunity for all
Better health for all
Staying and feeling safe

What is a community plan?

The community plan is a plan **for the community by the community** collected from individuals and groups, prioritised and presented as a document and produced to ensure their views, visions and aspirations are considered when planning future infrastructure and services changes. It is a plan to set an agenda for and, to encourage, the local community to take control of the development of their own community.

Why is a community plan needed? Because, it is the soundest basis for seeking solutions to problems and, to apply for grants and funding for new community driven projects.

Why not one for each parish? The five parishes have a lot in common: they are served by the same secondary and primary schools, leisure centre and library. The health centre and Patients Participation Group (PPG) serve the majority of the area. Many of the community's hopes and concerns are shared: care for the elderly in the community, public transport links, policing and the South Downs National Park.

What effect will it have? At district, county and national level, the fact that the five parishes have clustered together will make an impression as the Community Plan will be owned by some 12,000 people – 10% of the population of Horsham District.

What will be the outcome? The idea of the 'big society' together with the Government's Rural White paper in 2000 – setting out the agenda for the countryside and rural communities - is founded on communities working together in partnership, to deliver local projects that will benefit the sustainable economic, social and, environmental growth of the community.

The Community Plan will help the five parishes to gain benefits because the Localism Act 2011 suggests that the views of local people must be respected and, even in difficult times, governments and councils promote new initiatives – sometimes unexpected ones. The five parishes will stand to gain because they can show what they believe is relevant to the people who live and work in the community supported by valid evidence. The plan will be used to elicit support from local and national government as well as ensuring that local government, as well as other decision making bodies, take into account the needs and concerns of the community when deciding on how changes in the community are going to be made.

The Community Plan will also be used by the Parish Councils as a focus for their future strategies.

What are the benefits? The Community Plan will be used as;

- Statistical evidence to support grant applications
- A focus for the Parish Councils to strategise for the future ensuring that they meet the needs of the community
- An important element for the Parish Councils' Neighbourhood and Town plans
- An agenda for the community to ensure that all the needs of the community are taken into consideration by local, district and county government. Such as: Extra care provision for the elderly, satisfactory public transport, effective policing, affordable housing for local people, good schooling, safe activities for children to enjoy healthy outdoor past-times, free car parking

Introduction

The Steyning & District Community Partnership

The Steyning & District Community Partnership was created in 2001 by a number of community groups in conjunction with the Parish Council and under the guidance of the Countryside Agency and, Action In Rural Sussex(AIRS). The district comprises Small Dole, Upper Beeding, Bramber, Ashurst and Steyning. In 2004 a management group was formed, made up of community minded volunteers together with representatives from the parish, district and county councils, to oversee potential projects and to seek funding opportunities for them. In May 2007 the Partnership was incorporated as a company Limited by Guarantee.

The Visitor and Tourism group within the Partnership is very active working on tourism related projects.

Over the last few years the Partnership has successfully completed the following projects on behalf of the community:

- Additional parking spaces in Newmans Garden car park.
- Lobbying and successfully retaining the High Street toilets.
- Setting up and maintaining a Community Website – www.steyningsouthdowns.com.
- Collating and maintaining an Economic Benchmarking database for the area we cover. A Tourist Information Point – generously housed in the Post Office it contains a touch screen linking to the Steyning website enabling visitors to readily access information about the area. The Post Office staff are also on hand to answer questions personally. A large brochure rack full of information on local events and attractions is also available.
- Created a Steyning and District map, beautifully illustrated and informative. It is distributed through local hotels/shops/restaurants etc. and can be downloaded from the Steyning website. This is self-funding and, will be an on-going project as the map and adverts will be regularly re-printed to make sure details are current.
- Walking leaflets that cover 4 circular walks taking in Steyning and neighbouring villages. More walks will be added in the future
- Fingerposts have been provided within Steyning town centre to guide visitors around the town. Each fingerpost is finely crafted out of cast iron to blend in well with the old world feel of the town.
- An updated version of 'Explore Steyning' leaflet was completed in 2012 and was professionally distributed within 1 to 1.5 hours drive time.
- The Steyning District Food and Drink Festival was launched in September 2013 and was a tremendous success, bringing more visitors to the area and gaining positive press coverage.

This event will be repeated in 2014 and hopefully it will become a regular on the events calendar.

In late 2011 the Steyning & District Partnership was tasked and funded, by HDC to put together a community plan for Bramber, Upper Beeding, Ashurst and Steyning and soon after Wiston asked to be included. The Partnership started by asking for volunteers from the community to form a steering group which met in January 2012 and, appointed a group of local residents and parish councillors to form the Community Planning Group (CPG). The CPG could have applied a number of techniques to seek community views, but it decided on the most commonly used, the household questionnaire. The questionnaire was put together with help from AIRS (Action in Rural Sussex) and in March 2012 questionnaires went out to all houses in the parishes. Drop-off points were set up in strategic places around the parishes and over 250 people responded.

There were 4 goals set by the Community Planning Group as recommended by AIRS:

An even better place to live
Opportunity for all
Better health for all
Staying and feeling safe

People were asked what they thought of these goals and how they related in reality to the community and what changes that they would like to see to improve those goals. They were also asked to provide their top three priorities relating to each goal.

In October 2012 the CPG invited local groups, societies, representatives from all the schools, churches, police, charities, special interest groups such as Age Concern and Neighbourhood Watch, care homes and other stakeholders. The meeting was held at Wiston House and was attended by over 60 people who saw a presentation of the results of the questionnaire. Everyone was invited to express their views.

Survey Results

All the results were quantified and those issues with a number of responses have been included in this report. It should be said that the majority of respondents were from Steyning and therefore, the results may not truly reflect the ideals of the other 4 parishes ie: local shops and facilities – on this point it is worth noting that there were general negative responses stressing the reliance cars, and the lack of social space/activity in the other 4 parishes. This was not supported statistically, because the majority of responses came from Steyning which skewed the results in favour of Steyning.

However, in the main, all responses followed a similar pattern and as Steyning is the demographic service centre for the 5 parishes and, as some of the key issues related around those services, the CPG felt that the survey results were relevant.

An Even Better Place to Live

An Even Better Place to Live
Positive
(46%) Local shops & facilities
(44%) Friendly community
(27%) Access to beautiful countryside/lovely surroundings
(11%) Free parking
(10%) Local clubs & societies

An Even Better Place to Live	
Positive	
(9%)	Architecture
(5%)	Walking opportunities
(5%)	Public transport

The shops and facilities referred to are, in the main, those of Steyning. This is also true of the positive view taken of the wealth of clubs and societies. People really appreciated the rural location, the quiet and access to it for leisure purposes. The emphasis on public transport, in both this section and the allied negative one, next, may be related not only to the recent surveys relating to a round of County Council cuts, but also a sense of isolation within some parts of the community.

An Even Better Place to Live	
Negative	
(28%)	Speeding/traffic management problems/condition of roads
(24%)	Parking
(15%)	Inadequate/cuts to bus services
(15%)	Dog fouling
(12%)	Litter
(6%)	Unaffordable/insufficient/ density of housing

All of the above 5 issues were, although not statistically, present in responses from those outside as well as in Steyning.

An Even Better Place to Live	
Priorities	
(26%)	Maintain/improve public transport links
(16%)	Management of parking, particularly on Steyning High St.
(10%)	Improve cleanliness/ combat litter & dog fouling
(9%)	Lower speed limit to 20mph
(7%)	Affordable housing
(7%)	Better youth provision
(5%)	Maintain existing services

The CPG took the top 5 priorities in each theme to determine the community-driven projects. The management of parking, speed limits and affordable housing were considered to be the responsibilities of the Parish, District and County Councils as they were infrastructure issues. The three top priorities were mirrored in answers to the other 3 questions, although these may not have come out in the top 5 or 6 for each. Again, the emphasis on public transport may be closely linked to the timing of the publicity over County Council cuts to funding for rural public transport.

Other positive action based contributions included: sports facilities at Upper Beeding, a bus stop at Pound Lane/Deacon's Way, a community cafe/social club in Upper Beeding, a residents parking permit system for Steyning, a larger, competitive supermarket in Steyning, a footpath to Shoreham, a direct bus to Horsham, public toilets in Upper Beeding, South Downs National Park to use the cement works site as a tourist centre, an Upper Beeding river walk, an Italian bistro, a grow-and-share fruit and vegetable scheme, skateboard park, pedestrianisation of Steyning High St., cycle routes to Ashurst, Washington and the Downs, a pedestrian crossing on A283 and, twinning the area with somewhere overseas.

However, the top two priorities were: maintaining transport links and improving cleanliness and dog fouling.

The CPG considered the priorities and felt that the concern over transport links for the elderly and those unable to drive, was a key problem as it was possible that further cuts in public funding for the existing transport links could be under threat. It therefore considered community transport a priority and recommended:

Priority Project 1

The setting up of the 5 parishes Community Transport Initiative Group (CTIG) which will develop a cohesive community transport plan, based on need and, bringing together all existing community transport groups to provide a comprehensive transport system – using mini-buses and cars driven by volunteers – for the greater good of the wider community.

The objective being to provide a 'dial-a-ride' community service to adjacent large towns, supermarkets, doctors' surgeries, dentists etc..

The CTIG will seek funding available under the Localism Act to provide the infrastructure and work with Parish, District and County councils, bus companies and existing community mini-bus service providers to determine which services are likely to survive and how the 'gaps' could be filled by expanding the current community mini-bus services by getting more community involvement and support over the long term

Respondents prioritised 'Improve cleanliness and combatting litter/dog fouling' and the CPG felt that litter-picking, weeding, cutting back of vegetation and dog-fouling were principally, the responsibility of the parish councils and was being dealt with as best as it could be with the funding available. However, the key problem was a lack of awareness of the few affecting the community as a whole and recommended;

Priority Project 2

The setting up of a Community Communication Group (CCG) that would be responsible for raising community awareness across a broad spectrum of community issues. The CCG's objective would be to create a 'Community Magazine' funded by the community for the community with the main purpose of raising awareness about key issues that affect the well-being of the community. It would not be a Your Steyning or Your Village type of advertising based magazine, but a communication tool with the sole intent to highlight and gain support from the community, on community-driven issues.

The philosophy behind the 'Big Society' remains sound in that in engendering community spirit we build a caring and inclusive community. Via the magazine the CCG will provide a non-commercial voice for the community and will support this with a community website and Facebook page to provide a communication 'hub'.

Although the parishes have saved the Youth Service, the CPG felt that there should be activity/sport based support for the service, run by the community for the community. The CPG recommended:

Priority Project 3

The setting up of a Community Youth Group (CYG) to work with the wardens, youth service worker and, other stakeholders, to create a long term strategic plan for working with the youth of the parishes to build better relationships with the community, to feel part of the community and, to help build a strong positive youth culture based on respect for the community they live in. The CYG will be tasked with putting together a youth council to help facilitate this and to create together, both cultural and sporting activities to promote a healthy outdoor lifestyle.

The CYG and youth council will work together to ensure that in an ageing population youth do not feel disenfranchised.

Action plan

Issue	Action	Key Partners	Timescale
Maintain/improve public Transport links	Set up Community Transport Initiative Group a local community action group to develop a cohesive community transport plan, based on need and, bringing together all existing community transport groups to provide a comprehensive transport system – using mini-buses and cars driven by volunteers – for the greater good of the wider community. To raise the issues with the PCs for them to support the initiative and to put pressure on WSCC and bus companies to maintain services	Community, PCs, WSCC, Bus companies, existing local transport community groups, other stakeholders	Medium Term
Management of parking	Responsibility of PCs	PCs, WSCC	On-going
Improve cleanliness/ Combat dog-fouling	Set up Community Communications group a local action group to create a 'Community Magazine' funded by the community for the community with the main purpose of raising awareness about key issues that affect the well-being of the community.	PCs, Wardens and Sussex Police, community	Short Term
Speed limits		PCs, WSCC and Sussex Police	Medium Term

Affordable Housing	Already being considered by PCs and WSCC	PCs, WSCC	Long Term
Better youth provision	PCs already taken over Youth Service. To set up the Community Youth Group (CYG) a local action group to work with the wardens, youth service worker and, other stakeholders, to create a long term strategic plan for working with the youth of the parishes to build better relationships with the community, to feel part of the community and, to help build a strong positive youth culture based on respect for the community they live in. To also instil a culture of a healthy outdoor lifestyle	PCs, Wardens, Youth worker, Community	On-going and Short Term
Maintain existing services	Raise issue with PCs	PCs, WSCC	On-going

Action plan of other issues raised from survey

Relay ideas to PCs to consider	PCs	Timescale Long Term

Opportunity for All

Opportunity for All
Positive
(28%) Local education
(18%) Local shops
(13%) Local tourism
(9%) Local countryside

This was the question most respondents found the hardest to answer and, many left their questionnaires blank at this point. However, among respondents, there is a strong sense that we should be proud of our local schools and the Steyning High street shops. There is also a sense that the area has a lot to offer of historical value, and in terms of the countryside and, the National Park, all of this should, somehow be capitalised upon. However, no respondent was specific as to how this could be achieved.

Opportunity for All
Negative
(20%) Lack of employment
(10%) Empty/struggling/insufficient shops
(6%) Insufficient public transport
(4%) High business rates

The emphasis here on 'lack of employment' may relate to a number of factors, not least that the area is seen as rural and so such a lack is to be expected – which also makes sense of the fact that so many left this section entirely blank. There is, however, a great fondness in Steyning, for the High St shops, and a will to see them succeed. The public transport issue, high in people's minds following the County Council survey and cost savings, is a relevant one both for bringing people in to shop and use the area's facilities, and taking people out for education/leisure and retail purposes.

Priorities
(18%) Help for/promotion of local businesses
(14%) Improved public transport
(13%) Support and activities for the young
(9%) Do more to promote area/local tourism
(5%) Local apprenticeships
(3%) Affordable housing

Other positive action based contributions included: SDNP to use cement works site as a tourist centre, faster broadband, a larger supermarket, Upper Beeding community centre, use Downs for outward bound education activities based in area, lower business rates, more pre- and after-school childcare, better play equipment in pub gardens, a community business hub for those working from home, a hydrotherapy pool/rails for exercise at the leisure centre swimming pool, a stand-alone tourist information centre, public toilets at Tree Tops car park, a local toy shop, reasonably priced clothes and shoe shop, a community garden project, more and better signage for walking routes, encourage science and technology industries, bring back the Bath Tub Race, growth of tourism through SDNP, involvement of the schools in the community, help for business start-ups, a public arts centre, promote and hold more local history events.

The Steyning and District Partnership has a very active Visitor and Tourism group and is working to improve the tourism opportunities and has already set up a Tourist Information Centre in the Post office in Steyning and has created leaflets on local walks. It is working with the parish councils on other tourism initiatives one of which, for example, is to improve the entrances to Steyning to attract more visitors.

The Partnership has worked with WSCC on an economic development survey in conjunction with the Steyning and District Business Chamber and the report for this can be found on the Partnership's

website. This report highlights the need for business development in the community and the need to provide local employment for school leavers.

The CPG felt that there was insufficient support for youngsters leaving school without going on to higher education, who wanted local employment and more should be done to (a) encourage local businesses to provide work experience; (b) to have a policy to employ local people first; (c) to provide apprenticeships.

Transport will be dealt with by the CTIG and Affordable Housing is a project for the local councils.

Action plan

Issue	Action	Key Partners	Timescale
Help for/promotion of local businesses	Responsibility of the Steyning and District Business Chamber and PCs	Business Chamber, PCs	Medium Term
Improved public transport	On-going issue with PCs and bus companies. Creation of CTIG may improve local services	PCs, community, bus companies, WSCC	Medium Term
Do more to promote area/local tourism	The Steyning and District Partnership's Visitor and Tourism Committee are active on this issue and working with PCs	Partnership, PCs, Business Chamber	On-going
Local Apprenticeships	Raise issue with Business Chamber	Business Chamber, local businesses, PCs	Medium Term

Action plan of other issues raised by survey

Issue	Action	Key Partners	Timescale
Faster broadband; Lower business rates; A community business hub for those working from home; Encourage science and technology industries to locate to area; A stand-alone tourist centre; Use of SDNP as outward bound education activities centre; more pre and after-school care; Public toilets at Tree Tops car park; More and better signage for walking routes; Grow tourism through SDNP;	Pass information to Business Chamber and to PCs	Business Chamber, PCs, SDNP	Medium Term

Involve schools in the community; Promote and hold more local history events			
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Better Health for All

Better Health for All
Positive
(55%) Steyning Health Centre

As previously said, the majority of respondents were from Steyning so this result may not have complete overall parish application; however, it is interesting and positive that, in the light of many changes to health provision in Steyning, the Health Centre receives a very strong positive response.

Better Health for All
Negative
(19%) Loss of Briton's Croft/ sheltered accommodation
(5%) Inadequate appointment system at Steyning HC

The much-publicised reduction in County funding affecting the elderly have probably inflated this top figure a little, as the issue is very much on people's minds, but this does not mean it is not a concern. The appointment system at the Steyning Health Centre seems to be one of few downsides to the new Health Centre at Steyning, but applies in a statistically greater way to Upper Beeding, where the respondents showed real concern about the availability of appointments.

Better Health for All
Priorities
(28%) Increased services/care provision for the elderly
(11%) Better access to GP services in Upper Beeding
(11%) Better access to services/ appointments
(5%) Activities aimed at the young

Other positive action based contributions included: a Saturday surgery at Steyning, rebuilding Briton's Croft, a community centre aimed at the elderly, cycle racks, provision of dental hygienist, a subsidised fitness programme, health screening for all over 40s, support for dementia sufferers and

their carers, a bus service to Worthing hospital, better playground facilities for under 4s and over 12s, more direct communication between Steyning Health Centre and patients, more support for families with children with ADHD, more mental health support, access to retinopathy and other services in Steyning itself, an NHS dentist, outdoor bowls, a swimming club, a fence around the Memorial Field playground, make the High St. cigarette-free, transport to Health Centre for old/incapacitated.

The respondents highlighted their concern over the closing of Britons Croft and Adur View and the cutting of frontline care budgets so, the CPG recommended:

Priority Project 4

The setting up of a Community Care Initiative Group (CCIG) that would be responsible for working with existing agencies and groups to prepare and action a strategic plan to support the elderly, disabled and vulnerable in the community, through a network of volunteers to supplement those services provided by government agencies. In addition the CCIG, through its volunteers, would ensure that all those in need are aware of what support is available to them from the government agencies, charities and other support groups.

The strategic plan will cover issues such as care through home help, bus and car services to and from doctors' surgeries and hospitals, house maintenance, gardening etc. The CCIG will work with the wardens and other stakeholders to create a workable plan to support the community's ageing population.

Action plan of key priorities

Issue	Action	Key Partners	Timescale
Increased services/care provision for the elderly	Form the Community Care Initiative Group (CCIG) a local action group that would be responsible for working with existing agencies and groups to prepare and action a strategic plan to support the elderly, disabled and vulnerable in the community, through a network of volunteers to supplement those services provided by government agencies.	Community, WSCC, Government Agencies, Local Doctors, PCs, existing support agencies, other stakeholders and Wardens	Medium Term
Better access to GP services in Upper Beeding	Discuss concerns with Doctors, NHS Trust and PPG	Local Doctors, NHS Trust, PPG	Short Term
Better access to services/appointments	Discuss concerns with Doctors, NHS Trust and PPG	Local Doctors, NHS Trust, PPG	Short Term
Activities aimed at the young	To form a Community Youth Group (CYG) to work with the wardens, youth service worker and, other stakeholders, to create a long term strategic plan for working with the youth of the	PCs, Wardens, Youth Worker, other youth groups and stakeholders	Short Term

	<p>parishes to build better relationships with the community, to feel part of the community and, to help build a strong positive youth culture based on respect for the community they live in. The CYG will be tasked with putting together a youth council to help facilitate this and to create together, both cultural and sporting activities to promote a healthy outdoor lifestyle.</p>		
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Action plan of other issues raised from survey

Issue	Action	Key Partners	Timescale
<p>Medical: Saturday surgery at Steyning Health Centre; Support for dementia sufferers and their carers; Direct communication between Steyning Health Centre and patients; More support for families of children with ADHD; More mental health support; Access to retinopathy and other services; Health screening for over 40s</p>	<p>Discuss issues with doctors, NHS Trust and PPG</p>	<p>Doctors, PPG, NHS Trust</p>	<p>Short/ Medium Term</p>
<p>Social: A community centre for the elderly; A subsidised fitness programme; Better playground facilities for under 4s and over 12s; Bus service to Worthing; More cycle racks; Skateboard park; Fencing around play areas; Transport to health Centre for elderly and disabled; Steyning High Street cigarette free</p>	<p>Raise issues with PCs and community groups</p>	<p>Pcs, community groups</p>	<p>Short Term</p>

Staying and Feeling Safe

Staying and feeling Safe
Positive
(40%) Sense of community/neighbourliness
(17%) Perception low crime area
(13%) Community wardens
(11%) Good street lighting
(8%) Visible policing

There was a very strong sense from respondents, and not just those in Steyning, that having a strong sense of community and knowing/talking to one's neighbours fostered a feeling of greater security. There is also no doubt amongst the respondents that the PCSOs and community wardens were important to the sense of feeling safe in the community.

Staying and Feeling Safe
Negative
(20%) speeding traffic
(11%) poor street lighting
(10%) gangs of youths/teenagers
(10%) antisocial behaviour

Speeding traffic, particularly on the A283 by-pass, continues to be a concern and some respondents would like to see the speed limit reduced to 40/50 mph. Although poor street lighting was highlighted respondents did not define whether this was through the twittens or the main streets.

Staying and Feeling Safe
Priorities
(36%) More visible policing/foot patrols
(20%) Reduction of speed limits/action on speeding
(16%) Improved street lighting
(9%) Facilities for young people
(6%) Action against antisocial behaviour

Other positive contributions included: a supported crossing near the school (Horsham Road), speed cameras on bypass, 40/50mph limit on bypass and, a pedestrian crossing at the Upper Beeding Village Hall. It should be noted that speed trials have been done on the A283 by-pass and which showed only a small percentage of speeding motorists/motorcyclists.

The perception of crime is far greater than the actuality as the community at large is considered by HDC as one of the safest to live in and because of this there is little likelihood of increased patrols and it will be vital for the community to work together so that the youth have a range of activities to help reduce Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB). The wardens are operating a very good youth plan in Upper Beeding and the CPG believe that this should be rolled out into the whole community. The wardens are a significant asset to the community and have been the major reason why the community is generally free of ASB.

Action plan

Issue	Action	Key Partners	Timescale
More visible policing and foot patrols	Discuss concerns with the Local Police Inspector	PCs, Sussex Police	Short Term
Action against ASB	Raise awareness of local community that area is one of safest in district. Discuss concerns with wardens Local Police Inspector and create action plan similar to that in Upper Beeding	Pcs, Youth Worker, Community Youth Group (CYG), Youth Council, Wardens, Sussex Police	Short term
Reduction of speed limits	Arrange meeting with WSCC and Sussex Police	WSCC,PCs, Sussex Police	Medium Term
Improved street lighting	Evaluate lighting in streets and twittens and present findings to WSCC	WSCC	Short Term
Youth facilities	Evaluate existing facilities. Draw up plan for both cultural and outdoor sporting and recreational activities by liaising with community youth worker and other community groups, local schools etc.	PCs, Youth Worker, Community Youth Group (CYG), Youth Council, Wardens. Other youth groups	Short Term

Action plan of other issues raised from survey

Issue	Action	Key Partners	Timescale
A supported crossing near School in Horsham Road; Speed cameras on A283 by-pass; 40/50mph speed limit on by-pass; Pedestrian crossing at the Upper Beeding Village Hall	Raise issues with PCs/WSCC	Pcs, WSCC	Medium Term

What next?

The concern for the future is that rural communities will be marginalised in all services in favour of the major towns and cities. The key for the future is that communities will have to pull together to fill the 'gaps' that may be left by funding issues from central government. The questionnaire highlighted key concerns of the community:

- Transport
- Health & well-being
- Emergency services/frontline care
- An ageing population and people in isolation
- Fuel poverty
- Policing
- Jobs and economic development
- Housing

To address these issues, the Community Plan will only work if it is embraced by the community and its success will rely solely on people in the community coming forward to volunteer for the different community groups. It may be that not all the priorities are achievable and, that other priorities may be highlighted by the community groups once they are up and running. The CPG has hopefully, provided a catalyst for creative thinking from the community to find ways to work together to fill in the 'gaps' that funding cuts are likely to create in rural communities. Only by working together, will our rural community continue to thrive and prosper.

The Community Plan, needs to be used by the five parish councils as a focus for on-going work community projects and its lifespan is expected to be 5 years.

The Horsham District Community Partnership's role is to action the Horsham District Community Strategy that has been created, amongst other things, to promote social, economic and environmental well-being and, this community plan will be fed into the Community Strategy for Horsham District.

By working together in partnership, the people in the community can make a difference by delivering local projects that will benefit the sustainable economic, social and, environmental growth of the community.

Issued by the Community Planning Group on behalf of the Steyning and District Community Partnership

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