



Summary Outputs from the 1st round of Lyminge Parish engagement on a Neighbourhood Plan

What is a Neighbourhood Plan?



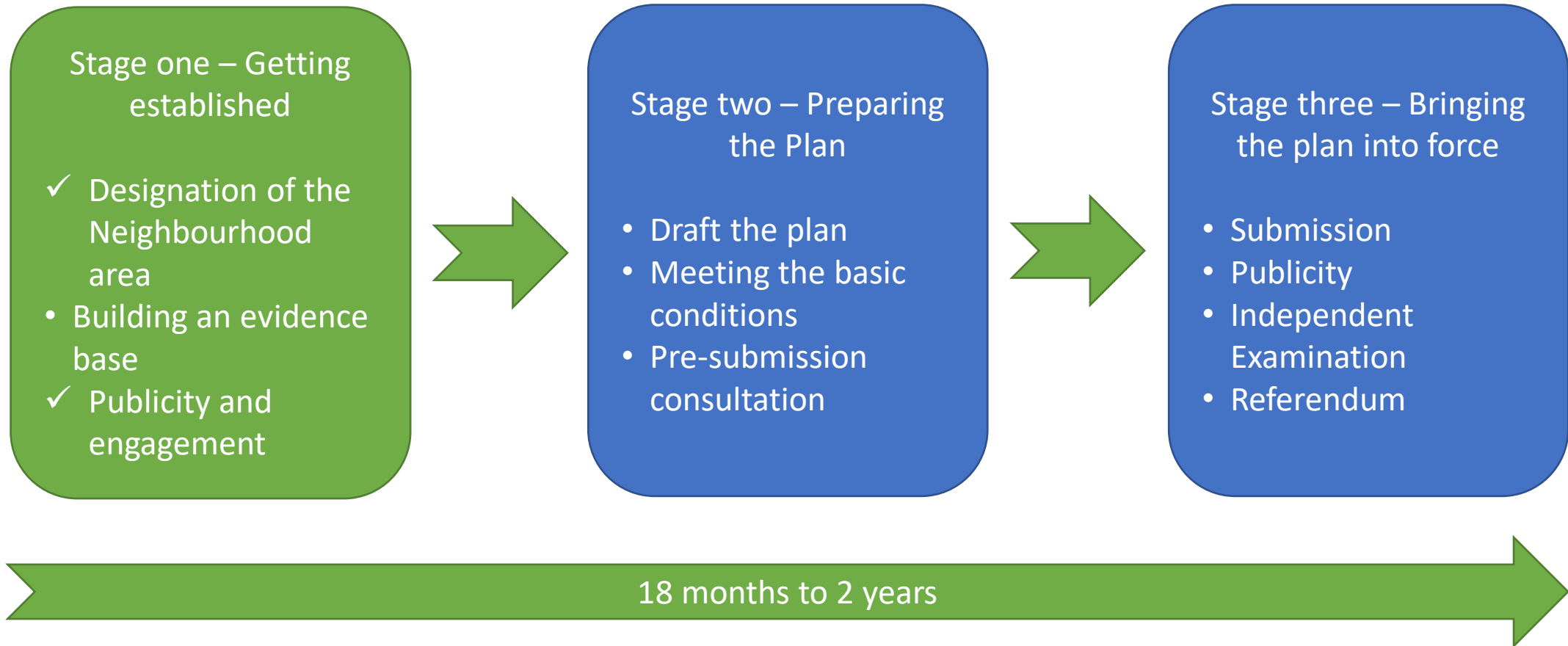
A Neighbourhood Plan puts in place planning policy for a neighbourhood area to guide future development. It is about the use and development of land and allows local community representatives to have a say in proposed future developments. It also deals with a wide range of social, economic and environmental issues (such as housing, employment, design, heritage and transport) and will be used by us, your parish council, to help us make the best decisions for the community.



The Plan will
cover all of
Lyminge Parish



There is a three stage process – this was the engagement for stage 1



What did we do



We completed six 2 hour sessions across the three villages in the Parish. These events were based on a 'market place' approach where information was presented alongside spaces for residents to provide their thoughts and opinions. They were facilitated by members of Lyminge Parish Council (8 of 12 councillors attended)

The events were on the following days:

- Lyminge – 27th September & 8th October
- Etchinghill – 24th September & 5th October
- Rhodes Minnis – 30th September & 1st October

We asked residents who attended their opinions based on 5 questions:

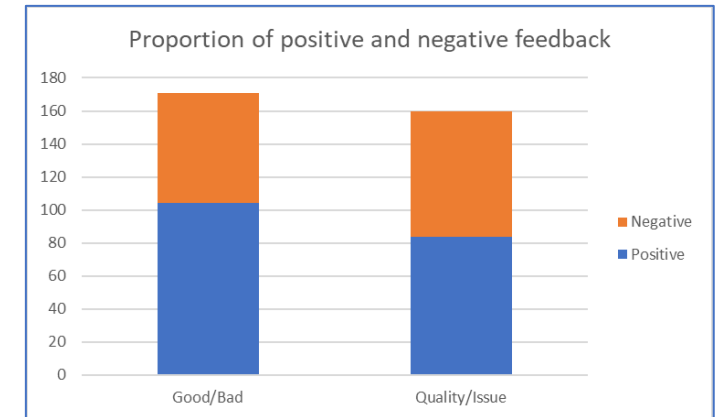
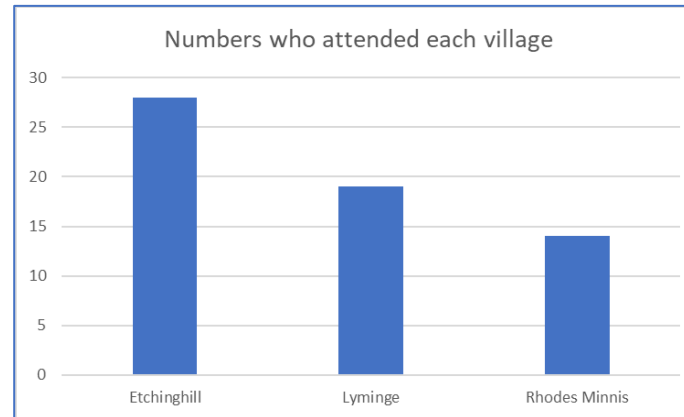
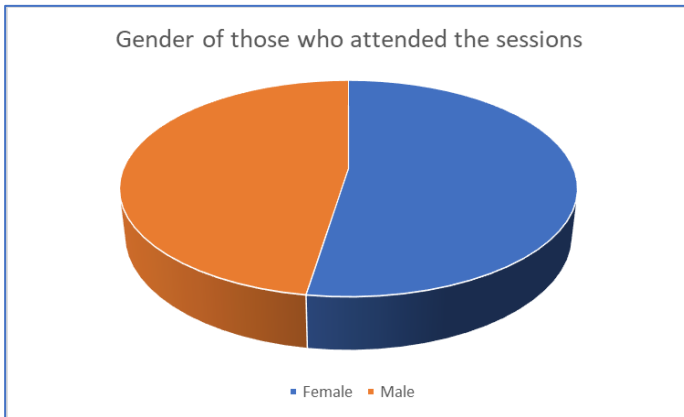
1. What is Good about Lyminge Parish
2. What is bad about Lyminge Parish
3. What are the Qualities of this as a place to live in
4. What are the Issues of this as a place to live in
5. What changes would you like to see



Who attended



- Excluding councillors 61 members of the public attended the event, this included 57 adults and 4 children. All contributed towards the outputs of the event.
- More women than men attended the events (although we did not ask those who attended what gender they identify as).
- Etchinghill was the village with most attendees
- 403 individual pieces of feedback were captured and will be summarised in this document
- Where it was possible to discern 57% of feedback was positive about the village
- 72 ideas for improvement were identified for the Neighbourhood plan and parish council to address



Bad Feedback Word Cloud

housing speeding vacant etchinghill wasted needs
office lack limit village footpath building
road pavement area shops
cut speed buildings houses boundary
equipment dog post poor lots
older space walking station
play dangerous old waste field
lyminge along makes tree children
built repair gone used parking traffic
friendly

What are the Qualities and Issues

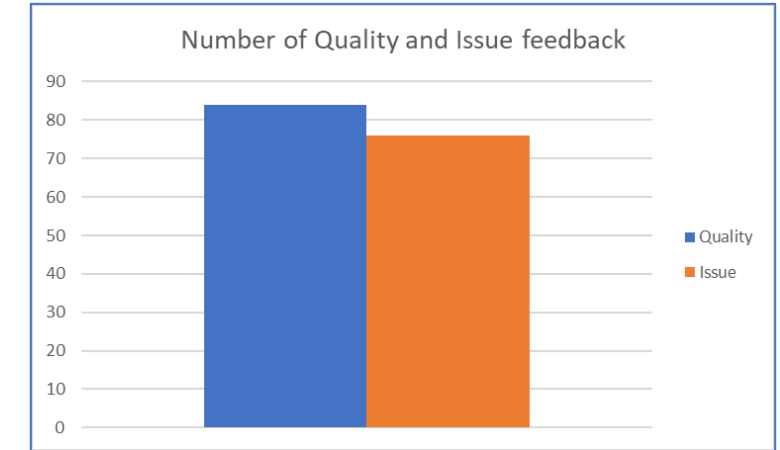


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Qualities of Lyminge Parish Word Cloud



Issues of Lyminge Parish Word Cloud



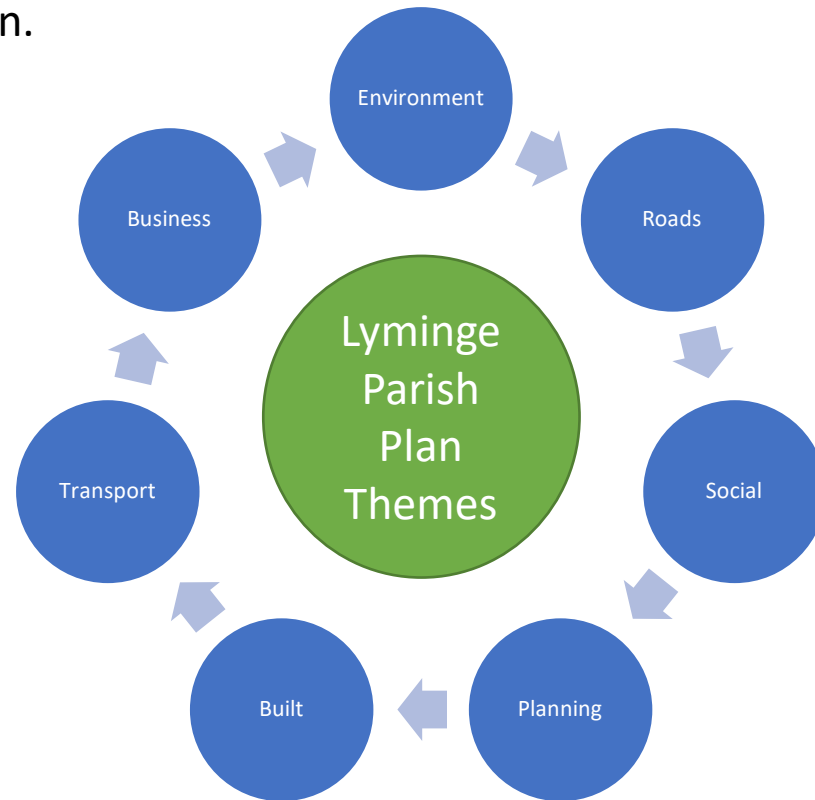
Issues for Lyminge Parish seem to focus around:

- Road quality and speeding through the villages
- Bus services – expense, frequency and connectivity to commuting train lines
- Sewage capacity – especially in light of development planned in and around Etchinghill
- Cycle safety

Proposed changes



For this workstation members of the public were asked to capture on sticky notes what changes they would like to see in the neighbourhood plan. There were 79 proposed changes. That could be broken down into 7 themes that could be use to structure the Neighbourhood Plan.



The changes can be shared with local leads.

Changes: Planning



Proposed action	Owner	Completion Date
Not Too Many Houses		
Zebra crossing on station road		
Appropriate housing only to maintain character of the village		
Any development should be appropriate to scale of village and safeguard biodiversity		
Keep the former children's play area in Mount Pleasant Road as a designated green space		
local purchase of Methodist church land if decision to sell off		
Community Garden in Mount Pleasant		
Community Garden in MOD land behind Meridan (Etchinghill)		
More houses to encourage young people so make them affordable		
Save our Minnis		
Increase Conservation areas		
The old railway line from Peene would be a great bridleway to Etchinghill		
Need a conservation area in Lyminge		
New developments to have net positive impacts on biodiversity and nature based ecosystem services		
Protect our ancient trees in Ethelburga Grove		
Designate a conservation area		

Changes: Roads



Proposed action	Owner	Completion Date
Where Teddars Leas Rd meets Canterbury Road have double yellow lines to make junction safer (<i>mentioned twice</i>)		
Need 20 mph throughout the village		
20 mph along key parts of frequent pedestrian movement		
Quiet lanes on rural roads, promoting horse riding & walking		
Speed restrictions on cut throughs - longage Hill, Minnis and Gates Lane		
Make villages safer by reducing the speed limit in them		
40mph speed limit from roundabout until 30 mph at Etchinghill		
The hedges along the roads are being trimmed but the ground encroachment is not being dealt withmaking the roads narrow		
Extend 30 Mph speedlimit south of Parish		
Reduce speed limit to 40 Mph south of Parish		
Traffic lights after housing is built		
Traffic calming measures on Brady Road		
Need 20mph speed limit in villages		
Better roads		
Illuminated speed limit sign (preferably with 20 mph speed limit)		
Traffic calming measures with 20 mph speed limit in the village		
20 mph speed limit through the whole village and speedbumps on station road		

Changes: Social



Proposed action	Owner	Completion Date
Open up railway line as a path for walkers and cyclists		
More exercise equipment in other villages		
Hearing loop in Tayne centre		
Cycle route along the former Elham Valley Line		
No Air B&B		
Upgrading of playground is urgent		
Bring back the young people		
Air B&B - restrict		
More first aid training in the village		
Safe Cycle routes		
More community events		
Community Fridge		
Music/food festivals - utilise Tayne Field		

Changes: Environmental



Proposed action	Owner	Completion Date
Mount Pleasant green area plant wild flowers		
More Recycling e.g. Crisps and Tetra packs		
Farming landscape should be managed better encourage bio diversity		
Parcels of land designated as environmentally necessary e.g. 10m strip along local fields retained if houses built		
Field between Brady Road and Skeete Road - would love this to become a woodland area		
Change Wildflower shape		
More woodland areas and wild meadows		
More wildlife parks		
Duck House needed in woodland pand - village hall to stop predators killing ducklings		
Make Westfield a wild meadow		
MOD Land in Etchinghill make it a wild meadow to stop weeds		

Changes: Built



Proposed action	Owner	Completion Date
Make footpaths access for prams		
Improve Etchinghill playpark. Currently slippery! Needs improving and better for older children		
Footpath out of Etchinghill village past the garage		
Footpath from Meridan Park out of Etchinghill village past the garage		
Footpath along the railway line		
Use old railway line to walk to Lyminge		
More signs for public footpaths		
Just wish we could have a better park in Etchinghill		
Better lighting on footpaths		
More Housing to help young people stay in the village		
Less signs on entrance to Station Road and replace with trees		

Changes: Business and Transport



Proposed action	Owner	Completion Date
Do something about the old post office		
Possible redevelopment of the old post office		

Proposed action	Owner	Completion Date
More buses go through Etchinghill as there is only one		

Next step



Next Steps are to communicate these findings, complete the evidence base and then mobilise the groups to start drafting the neighbourhood plan. In the mean time the council should consider progressing the actions and changes that they can from the recommended changes

