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1 Introduction

1.1 Context

- 1.1.1 This report has been compiled jointly by the Steyning, Wiston, Ashurst and Bramber Neighbourhood Plan (SWABNP) Steering Group and Action in rural Sussex.
- 1.1.2 The purpose of this report, together with the Vision Paper, is to provide an overview of the information and evidence which has been gathered by the above organisations as the first stage in the development of the Neighbourhood Plan.

1.2 **Vision Paper:**

The vision paper is a separate document (found on the SWABNP website) that provides background evidence towards the Neighbourhood Plan. Its purpose is to capture the outcome of the SWABNP visioning workshop held with the Steering Group and to make recommendations for the consideration of the Steering Group. These recommendations relate to the vision, key objectives and land use planning policy scope of the SWABNP. It further sets out community engagement activities and evidence analysis which will be included in the Stage 1 Report. The recommendations reflect not just the outcome of the workshop but also initial insights into the national and local planning policy context of the SWABNP.

1.3 **Stage 1 Report:**

This report focuses on outlining the community engagement and evidence gathering activity which has been undertaken to date. It provides a statistical summary of the Plan area, sets out the information gathered by the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group and any sub-groups and provides details on consultations such as open days, community surveys and stakeholder events.

1.4 **Purpose of these reports:**

The purpose of the Stage 1 Report and the Vision Paper is to provide a comprehensive summary record of the extensive work which has been undertaken as part of the initial phase of developing the Neighbourhood Plan. The documents provide the context against which a baseline of understanding may be developed, thereby allowing the identification of the existing and emerging issues which the Neighbourhood Plan should seek to address.

1.5 **Function of these reports:**

These studies outline the approaches which have been taken in order to gather information about the locality, their functions are to:

- Outline what the Neighbourhood Plan can and cannot realistically achieve;
- Provide a summary of the activity undertaken and information captured as part of the first phase of the Plan's development;
- Set out the vision, key objectives and land use planning policy scope of the SWABNP;
- Ensure that those living in or adjacent to the designated Neighbourhood Plan area are made aware of the key issues identified in the first phase of consultation;
- Provide residents, stakeholders and statutory partners with robust evidence and a summary of the key issues in order to guide their future contributions to the Plan process;

2 Parish Character

2.1 Location

- 2.1.1 The parishes of Steyning, Wiston, Ashurst and Bramber are located in the south eastern portion of Horsham District in West Sussex.
- 2.1.2 A single main A road runs through the parishes and provides the primary means of transport connectivity. This is the A283 road which runs south- east to the main coastal A27 road at Shoreham-by-Sea and north-west towards Washington where it meets the A24 road which runs north from Worthing to Horsham and Dorking.
- 2.1.3 There are no railway stations in any of the parishes, with the closest stations being located at Shoreham-by-Sea, Lancing, Worthing and Horsham which provide south coast services eastwards to Brighton, westwards to Littlehampton, Bognor Regis and Chichester, and northwards to Gatwick, Dorking and London.

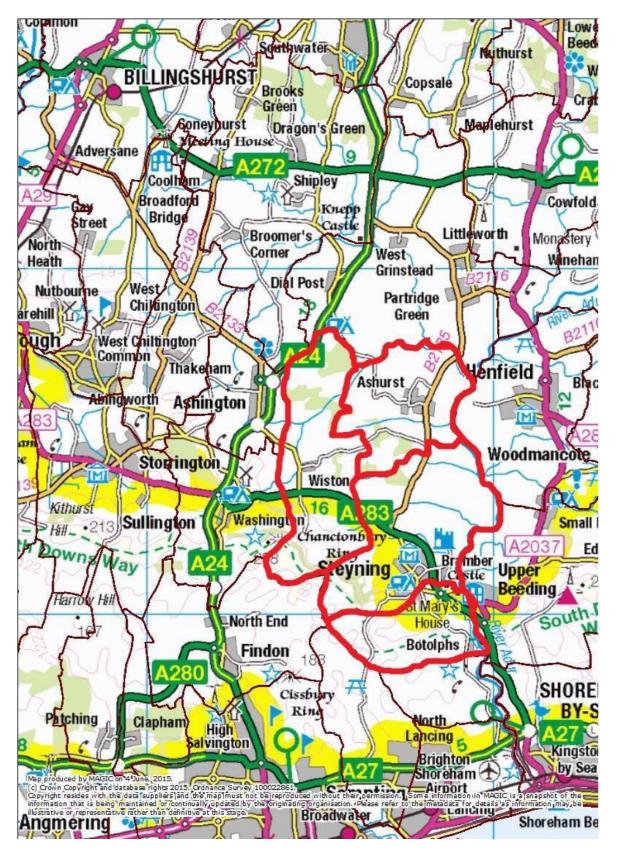
2.2 Characteristics

- 2.2.1 The SWAB area has a rich and unique built and natural heritage. Steyning's extensive conservation area incorporates its High Street and St Andrew's, its fine Saxon church. Bramber also has a conservation area together with an Ancient Monument area. In addition, there is an extensive range of listed buildings throughout the four parishes and these are scheduled in the appendices.
- 2.2.2 The parishes are predominantly rural and are characterised by their close proximity to the South Downs and their partial inclusion within the South Downs National Park, which encompasses portions of the Steyning, Wiston and Bramber parishes.
- 2.2.3 The River Adur constitutes the eastern border of the parishes of Ashurst, Steyning and Bramber as it works its way south to the sea at Shoreham. The river and its floodplain have a significant impact on the nature of the landscape along its path, both on its physical form as well as on the flora and fauna.
- 2.2.4 Development is primarily concentrated in the settlements of Steyning, Wiston, Ashurst and Bramber. Very limited numbers of dwellings or developed areas in the four parishes are located outside these locations. They are largely restricted to small clusters of houses, individual farmhouses and some industrial/business sites.
- 2.2.5 A range of services are available throughout the four parishes. The town of Steyning is the largest settlement located in the four parishes and, as befits its size, it contains the greatest number and range of services and facilities for residents. It has a health centre, a leisure centre, a primary school, a grammar school, a football club, a bowling club, a police station, a Post Office, a library, a number of churches, a museum, multiple banks, numerous shops, restaurants and food outlets.
- 2.2.6 Wiston parish has a small number of services including a licensed farmshop and adjacent tea room, Buncton Chapel where services are held monthly during the summer, two campsites, bed and breakfast and holiday cottage accommodation, a recreation ground, village hall, cricket pitch with small pavilion and car park and picnic site with access to

Chanctonbury Ring and the South Downs Way. Wiston House, a 16th Century Grade 2 Listed Building, is available for private hire, and is also home to Wilton Park, an international forum for strategic discussion.

- 2.2.7 Ashurst possesses very few services or facilities. These are limited to a recreation ground, the primary school, a public house, the parish church, the village hall and a bed and breakfast.
- 2.2.8 Bramber, located immediately adjacent to Steyning, has a small number of services and facilities, these being: the parish church, the remains of Bramber Castle, the Old Tollgate Hotel, the Castle Hotel, an Indian and a Chinese restaurant and a small business park with 8 businesses and a popular coarse fishing site at Passies Pond.

2.3 Figure 1 - Map of SWAB Parish Cluster



3 Consulting and Engaging with the Community

3.1 Context

- 3.1.1 Steyning together with the parishes of Wiston, Ashurst & Bramber agreed to form a "cluster" (SWAB) to create a joint "Neighbourhood Plan" for the next 15 yrs.
- 3.1.2 The well-publicised first Neighbourhood Plan public meeting took place on Saturday 1st November 2014, and was well attended by over 160 local residents. A brief presentation by Action in rural Sussex explained Neighbourhood Planning, its aims and the outline processes to be followed, and the various opportunities for local resident involvement. This was followed by a lively Q & A session.
- 3.1.3 Initially 35 residents expressed an interest to volunteer and take an active part in the Neighbourhood Plan process offering skills, assistance or wanting to join Focus Groups; this has now increased to over 70 residents.
- 3.1.4 The Steering Group aspired to consist of 16 people, with equal numbers of councillors and residents from each of the parishes. Unless a particular skill required an extra member to be coopted, any more over that number would be directed to an appropriate focus group.
- 3.1.5 A logo to be used in all publicity was agreed and a series of events and activities was drawn up where the wider community could be informed of how it could air its views to help influence the Neighbourhood Plan.
- 3.1.6 The list of activities and events, which would continue throughout the Neighbourhood Plan process, included:
 - Two drop-in Q&A sessions
 - Verbal & written monthly reports to Parish councils and Q&A with councillors (on-going)
 - Monthly news items in Your Steyning magazine & monthly newsletter handouts (on-going)
 - Informal contact and Q&A at monthly Farmers' Market in Steyning (on- going)
 - Letters to national and local stakeholders to alert them to the Neighbourhood Plan, including an invitation to engage directly
 - A regularly updated purpose built website to share news, details of progress, Steering Group meeting minutes, and all deliverable documents, for viewing by the public (on-going)
 - Co-hosting a major local business event at Wilton Park which included a focus on the Neighbourhood Plan
 - Responding to periodic emails & letters from residents, as time permitted (on-going)

• A Neighbourhood Plan working party has conducted an online youth survey, devised in partnership with local young people, to gather data from younger residents in areas that are relevant to them. This will supplement the data we have already gathered from local adults.

3.2 Previous Consultations across the Parishes

- 3.2.1 The four parishes have previously engaged with their own residents, at appropriate times and in a number of ways. For three of the parishes, a Parish Plan has been produced, and the information recorded in these will help to inform the Neighbourhood Plan. These are the Wiston Parish Community Led Plan 2013, the Ashurst Parish Plan 2006 and the Bramber Parish Plan 2009.
- 3.2.2 The Steyning & District Community Partnership worked during 2012/2013 with Simpson Consulting on the economic development of Steyning as part of a WSCC initiative to support the Economic Development of Rural West Sussex. This culminated in the production of the Steyning Business Plan.
- 3.2.3 The Steyning & District Community Partnership, working with Ashurst, Bramber, Steyning, Upper Beeding & Wiston produced a COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN 2014 2024. Although this primarily identified community and economic actions to be implemented, this document will be taken into account for the Neighbourhood Plan, particularly when researching infrastructure needs and requirements for the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL).
- 3.2.4 From the Parish Plans referred to in 3.2.1, some issues which were identified, and which will be taken into consideration for the SWABNP are listed below, with an update of where progress has been made.

3.2.5 Wiston Community Led Plan 2013

Traffic and Transport:

- Improve public and community transport
- Speeding and traffic and traffic calming measures /danger to pedestrians
- Lack of pavement in Hole Street

Community Facilities:

- Village Hall (Concerns regarding the condition and location)
- Children' play area (with seating)
- Care of elderly

Environment/Housing:

- Flooding and flood prevention
- Low cost affordable housing

Local Economy:

- Support and encourage local shops and businesses
- Support for young and old
- Job opportunities for young people

3.2.6 Ashurst Parish Plan 2006

Transport:

- To get a bus service in Ashurst Since the plan there is now 1 bus a week in Ashurst
- Lobby for speed restrictions and double white lines from north of village to Bines Green Common
- Investigate a cycling/walking route to Steyning

Community Facilities:

- Investigate a parish website this has now been carried out
- Start a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme
- Improve the play area and have multi-age range equipment on the Recreation Ground
- Over the last 3 years, the Ashurst community has worked together to raise money and get the new Village Hall built.

Environment/Housing:

• There is a need for some low cost affordable housing.

Local Economy:

- Support rural diversification of farms through the planning system
- Support the establishment of a local produce/village store

3.2.7 Bramber Parish Plan 2009

Housing

- Majority of residents favoured only small scale, in-fill, building that is in keeping with the historic and scenic nature of the area.
- Residents concerned about protection of flood plains and wished to ensure any future developments did not increase likelihood of flooding.

Actions:

- Council's comments to Horsham District Council re planning applications to take account of these views
- Separate planning meetings now held and publicised on the website.

Flood Planning and Waterway Maintenance

- 66% of respondents said they did not know about current flood provision.
- Whilst not all areas of the parish are at risk of flooding 89% of respondents wanted Bramber to have a Flood Plan.

Actions:

- Develop a flood plan.
- In order to do this a Flood Action Group was set up consisting of 2 parish councillors and a number of volunteers. This group has developed strong links with the Environment Agency, produced the flood plan for Bramber and now actively monitors the state of streams, drains and ditches in the parish. This includes ensuring that the Annington pump is working in times of bad weather.
- Ensure residents are aware through updates in the council's minutes and leaflets.
- At the recent Annual Parishioners' meeting almost 30 residents were present to hear the

presentation by the speaker from the Environment Agency on the future of the work of the Internal Drainage Board.

Community Safety

• 65% of replies said that CCTV was not wanted.

Action:

• Neighbourhood Wardens Report to be made more available e.g. website

Business and Tourism

- 72% were keen to support local businesses and farms.
- 52% thought we should do more to support tourism in the parish particularly walkers and cyclists.

Actions:

Liaise with Steyning Partnership – this has resulted in the Walks for All project which is now almost complete and gives families with wheelchairs and prams the opportunity to walk on the footpaths.

Transport

- Particular concern was expressed about the safety of crossing points on the bypass and the state of some footpaths.
- There were mixed views expressed about the calming measures in The Street.
- Residents wanted 20mph limit on The Street and 30mph on Clays Hill, although they were concerned about enforcement.

Actions:

- Parish Council to report residents' concerns to WSCC and monitor progress regularly.
- Clays Hill continues to be a concern as, although the 30 mph limit has been imposed, it is extremely difficult to enforce.
- A residents' petition has just been received for signage to be put on the hill. This has been implemented but needs regular monitoring.
- Implement the 20 mph limit on The Street.

3.2.8 **Housing Needs Surveys**

Three of the parishes had already undertaken Housing Needs Surveys. The parish of Bramber has now undertaken one as part of the Neighbourhood Plan Consultation work, and the information from all four will be used for the Neighbourhood Plan.

3.2.9 **Steyning Housing Needs Survey 2012**

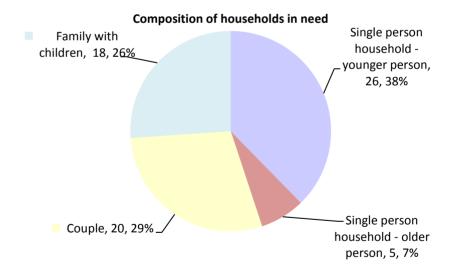
There are 69 households in housing need who have a local connection and who cannot afford to either purchase or rent on the open market. The breakdown of the types of households in need is provided below:

Household Type	Number of respondents
Single person households	31
Couple without children	20
Family with 1 child	8
Family with 2 children	10
Family with 3 children	n/a
TOTAL	69

Family with children – Number of children	Number of respondents
Family with 1 child	8
Family with 2 children	10
Family with 3 children	n/a
TOTAL	18

3.2.10 The household makeup of the 69 households in housing need with a local connection and who cannot afford to buy or rent on the open market are as follows and are also shown below.

Figure 2 Composition of households in need in Steyning Parish



3.2.11 Wiston Housing Needs Survey 2014

There are 8 households in housing need who have a local connection and who cannot afford to either purchase or rent on the open market. The breakdown of the types of households in need is provided below:

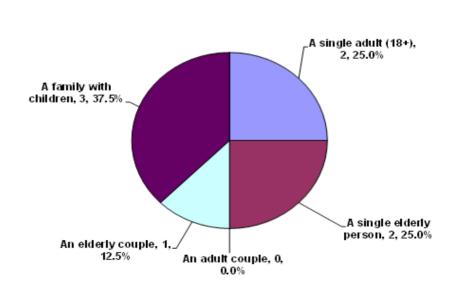
Household type	Number of respondents
A single adult	2 (25.0%)
A single elderly person (over 65)	2 (25.0%)
An adult couple (18-64)	0 (0.0%)
An older couple (Over 65)	1 (12.5%)
A family with children	3 (37.5%)
TOTAL	8

Family with children - Number of children	Number of respondents
1	2 (66.7%)
2	1 (33.3%)
3	0 (0.0%)
4	0 (0.0%)
5	0 (0.0%)
TOTAL	3

3.2.12 The household makeup of the 8 households in housing need with a local connection and who cannot afford to buy or rent on the open market are shown below:

Composition of households in need

Figure 3 - Composition of households in need in Wiston Parish



3.2.13 Ashurst Housing Needs Survey 2012

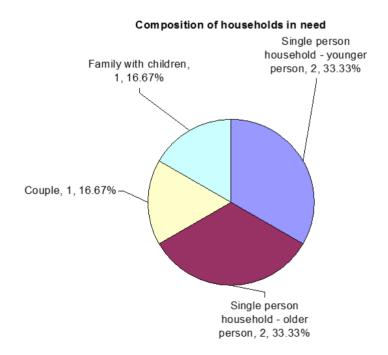
The Housing need survey of 2012 reported 6 households in housing need who have a local connection and who cannot afford to either purchase or rent on the open market. The breakdown of the types of households in need is provided below:

Household Type	Number of respondents
Single person households	4
Couple without children	1
Family with 1 child	0
Family with 2 children	1
Family with 3 children	0
TOTAL	6
Family with children – Number of children	Number of respondents

Family with 1 child 0
Family with 2 children 1
Family with 3 children 0
TOTAL 1

3.2.14 The household makeup of the 6 households in housing need with a local connection and who cannot afford to buy or rent on the open market are as follows and are also shown below:

Figure 4 - Composition of households in need in Ashurst Parish



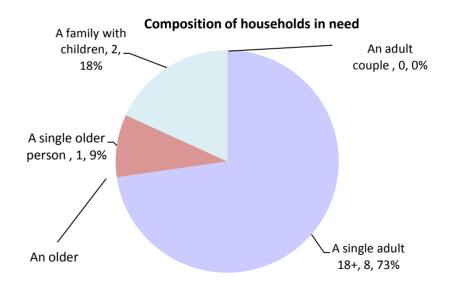
3.2.15 Bramber Housing Needs 2015

There are 11 households in housing need who have a local connection and who cannot afford to either purchase or rent on the open market. The breakdown of the types of households in need is provided below:

Household Type	Number of respondents
Single person households	8
A single older person (over 65)	1
An adult couple (18-64)	0
An older couple (Over 65)	0
A family with children (2)	2
TOTAL	11
Family with children – Number of children	Number of respondents
Family with 1 child	0
Family with 2 children	2
Family with 3 children	0
TOTAL	2

3.2.16 The makeup of the households in housing need with a local connection and who cannot afford to buy or rent on the open market is shown below:

Figure 5 Composition of households in need in Bramber Parish



3.2.17 More detailed information on each of the housing needs surveys can be viewed at

http://community21.org/communities/swab/plans/7280 steyning wiston as hurst bramber neighbourhood plan

3.3 **Survey Overview**

- 3.3.1 As part of the process of consulting with residents over the development of the Neighbourhood Plan, the Steering Group developed and undertook a survey in order to gather opinions and views on the issues which the Neighbourhood Plan should prioritise.
- 3.3.2 The survey was conducted using a questionnaire consisting of both closed and open-ended questions. This mix allows questions to focus on obtaining specific pieces of information tailored at responding to certain issues or themes (closed questions), whilst allowing a degree of freedom in the responses which people provide (open questions).
- 3.3.3 A total of 3,468 paper survey forms were delivered to each household in Steyning, Washington, Ashurst and Bramber Parishes with additional forms collected by hand from the Parish Office or downloaded from the Parish Council websites. Residents were asked to return their forms to various collection points in the Parish by 30th January 2015. A parallel web-based equivalent of the paper survey was also provided to allow residents to complete the survey electronically.
- 3.3.4 A total of 844 responses to the survey were received, of which 664 were via returned paper survey forms with 180 provided via the web-based equivalent.
- 3.3.5 The greatest number of responses to the survey (631 75.5%) were from Steyning, with 108 (12.9%) from Bramber, 56 (6.7%) from Wiston and 41 (4.9%) from Ashurst.
- 3.3.6 In terms of the duration of residence, the greatest number of respondents (382 46.0%) had lived in the community for 21 or more years, with 179 (21.5%) for between 11 and 20 years, 139 (16.7%) for between 5 to 10 years and 131 (15.8%) for fewer than 5 years.
- 3.3.7 The greatest number of respondents (408 48.9%) were aged 65 and over, with 326 (39.0%) aged between 45 and 64, 93 (11.1%) aged between 25 and 44 and 8 (1.0%) aged between 16 and 24.
- 3.3.8 With regard to the amount of housing currently available in each community, on a parish by parish basis, the greatest number of respondents indicated that it was currently about right in Steyning (262 43.5%), a few more were needed in Wiston (24 49%), it was about right in Ashurst (20 54.1%) and it was about right in Bramber (62 61.4%).

- 3.3.9 In terms of any new or additional housing need in responding households within the next 15 years: 335 (46.3% of respondents to the question) indicated that this was not applicable to them, whilst 248 (34.3% of respondents to the question) indicated a House, 156 (21.6% of respondents to the question) indicated a Flat, 148 (20.5% of respondents to the question) indicated a Bungalow, 36 (5.0% of respondents to the question) indicated a Studio, 31 (4.3% of respondents to the question) indicated a Park Home (mobile).
- 3.3.10 In terms of the nature of housing size in any new or additional housing need in responding households in the next 15 years: 311 respondents (43.7% of respondents to the question) indicated no such need; 211 (29.6% of respondents to the question) indicated 2 bedrooms; 201 (28.2% of respondents to the question) indicated 2-3 bedrooms; 91 (12.8% of responding households) indicated 1 bedroom; 75 (10.5% of respondents to the question) indicated 3-4 bedrooms and 19 (2.7% of those responding to the question) indicated 4-5 bedrooms.
- 3.3.11 In terms of the nature of preferred occupancy in any new or additional housing need in responding households in the next 15 years:
 - 278 respondents (38.1% of respondents to the question) indicated that it was not applicable to them;
 - o 211 (28.9% of those respondents to the question) indicated Open Market Houses;
 - o 178 (24.4% of respondents to the question) indicated affordable Starter Homes;
 - o 137 (18.8% of respondents to the question) indicated Retirement Housing;
 - o 83 (11.4% of respondents to the question) indicated Sheltered Housing;
 - o 64 (8.8% of respondents to the question) indicated Shared Ownership Houses;
 - o 64 (8.8% of respondents to the question) indicated Social Housing (Rented);
 - o 62 (8.5% of respondents to the question) indicated Self-Build Housing;
 - o 58 (8.0% of respondents to the question) indicated Private Rented Housing.
- 3.3.12 With regard to the current composition of housing in meeting the needs of the community, the greatest number of respondents indicated that:
 - They don't know about Studio Apartments (1bed) 253 (40.1%);
 - A few more Flats (1-2 bed) are needed 213 (32.3%);
 - The number of Bungalows was about right 273 (41.6%);
 - The number of Chalets was about right 281 (47.5%);
 - A few more Family Houses (2-3 bed) are needed 275 (40.0%);
 - The number of Family Houses (4-5 bed) was about right 293 (48.2%);
 - The number of Park Homes (mobile) was about right 241 (41.4%).
- 3.3.13 With regard to the current occupancy of housing in the community, the greatest number of respondents indicated that:

- o A few more Affordable starter homes are needed 325 (46.7%);
- A few more Care/Nursing homes are needed 220 (34.7%);
- \circ The number of Open Market houses was about right 256 (41.2%); \circ The number of Private Rented houses was about right 233 (38.4%); \circ The number of Retirement houses was about right 239 (37.2%);
- They don't know about Shared Ownership houses 268 (43.2%);
- A few more Sheltered houses are needed 199 (30.9%);
- They don't know about Social housing (rented) 228 (36.4%).
- 3.3.14 In terms of the scale and type of any new housing build, the greatest number of respondents indicated the following:
 - No to Larger estate(s) over 50 homes 644 (96.0%);
 - o No to Medium sized estates 25-49 homes 578 (88.5%);
 - Yes to Small development 10-24 homes 454 (62.8%)- except for Ashurst which was No – 21 (61.8%)
 - Yes to Individually released plots 546 (80.8%);
 - Yes to Re-development/conversions 578 (84.6%);
 - No to Garden in-fill development 350 (52.2%) –except for Wiston which was Yes -19 (47.5%)
 - No to Greenfield sites 576 (88.5%);
 - Yes to Brownfield sites 585 (82.3%);
 - Yes to a Controlled extension of the built-up area 380 (56.8%);
 - \circ No to Other options 77 (51.0%).
- 3.3.15 The greatest number of respondents (561 68.9%) indicated that it was very important that the Neighbourhood Plan should aim to ensure that new developments are in keeping with existing developments, with 144 (17.8%) indicating it was important, 83 (10.2%) quite important and 26 (3.2%) not at all important.
- 3.3.16 The greatest number of respondents (592 74.5%) indicated that they would support a community led approach to the delivery and management of housing and other community assets in the Neighbourhood Plan, with 146 (18.4%) indicating that they didn't know and 57 (7.2%) indicating no they wouldn't support such an approach.
- 3.3.17 The greatest number of respondents (516 64.1%) indicated that the facilities and health services in the community completely met their existing needs, with 276 (34.3%) indicating that they partially met their needs and 13 (1.6%) that it didn't meet their existing needs at all.
- 3.3.18 As to whether the current provision of community facilities (e.g. sport grounds/parks/village halls) was sufficient, the greatest number of respondents indicated that:
 - They didn't know whether the provision for young people (under 18) was currently sufficient – 345 (44.2%);
 - They thought that the provision for working age people (19-64) was currently sufficient – 541 (71.7%);
 - They thought that the provision for older people (over 65) was currently sufficient –
 574 (74.0%);

- They thought that the provision for people with special needs was not currently sufficient 576 (76.5%).
- 3.3.19 As to whether any additional facilities are required in the community, the greatest number of respondents indicated that:
 - There was a need for additional Youth clubs and groups 337 (46.4%);
 - There was not a need for additional Parks and other recreational facilities 351 (50.4%);
 - There was a need for additional Informal drop-in centres 339 (49.3%);
 - There was not a need for additional Performance event venues 377 (55.7%).
- 3.3.20 Respondents indicated that it was very important that the Neighbourhood Plan should aim to protect the following aspects of the community:

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Green and open spaces – 599 (74.4%);
Network of footpaths – 585 (72.9%);
Rural Aspect – 545 (68.8%);
Flora and Fauna – 541 (68.1%);
Views to and from Downs – 509 (82.9%)
Common Land – 490 (62.0%);
Recreation Grounds – 483 (61.1%);
Bridleways – 445 (56.1%);
Stopping Invasive Species – 425 (54.4%);
Sports Fields – 407 (52.8%)
Cycle Routes – 394 (50.1%);
Agricultural Roots – 371 (47.0%);
Allotments - 332 (42.0%);
Other – 34 (82.9%);
Other – 17 (70.8%);
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- 3.3.21 The greatest number of respondents indicated that the following aspects of the built environment were of concern to them:
 - o 424 (53.1%) indicated that Litter/fly tipping was of Serious Concern;
 - o 396 (50.7%) indicated that Location of new development(s) was of Serious Concern;
 - o 331 (42.5%) indicated that Inappropriate design of new developments was a Serious Concern;
 - o 327 (42.5%) indicated that Light pollution was of Some Concern;
 - o 260 (33.7%) indicated that Noise Pollution was of Serious Concern;
 - o 257 (35.1%) indicated that Surface Water Drainage was of Serious Concern.
 - 228 (29.8%) indicated that Sewerage was of Serous Concern;
 - 223 (28.6%) indicated that Recycling provision/Rubbish collection was of Serious Concern;
- 3.3.22 With regard to the forms of renewable/new energy that respondents wished to see developed in the community: 445 (57.6% of respondents to the question) indicated support for Solar Panels; 404 (52.3% of respondents to the question)

indicated support for Energy from waste; 210 (27.2% of respondents to the question) indicated support for Wind Farms; 131 (17.0%) of respondents to the question) indicated none of these options; 88 (11.4% of respondents to the question) indicated other options; 85 (11.0% of respondents to the question) indicated Fracking and 37 (4.8% of respondents to the question) indicated oil.

- 3.3.23 The form of transport which the greatest number of respondents identified that they use most frequently to travel within the community was the car (423 64.4%), walking (194 29.5%), bicycle (19 2.9%), bus (18 2.7%) and mobility vehicle (1 0.2%).
- 3.3.24 When asked whether there were sufficient parking facilities in the community, the greatest number of respondents indicated that:
 - In Steyning there were sufficient parking facilities 574 (73.2%);
 - In Wiston there were sufficient parking facilities 199 (69.6%);
 - In Ashurst there were sufficient parking facilities 204 (71.3%);
 - o In Bramber there were sufficient parking facilities 254 (65.6%).
- 3.3.25 The greatest number of respondents (596 89.2%) indicated that they would not support additional on-street parking.
- 3.3.26 The greatest number of respondents (376 55.7%) indicated that they would support additional off-street parking provision.
- 3.3.27 The greatest number of respondents (679 90.7%) indicated that they would like new housing built to incorporate off-street parking for its occupants.
- 3.3.28 The greatest number of respondents (601 85.1%) indicated that they would like parking capacity enhanced in line with additional/new development.
- 3.3.29 With regard to the bus service, the greatest number of respondents indicated that:
 - They were Satisfied with its Frequency (261 36.1%);
 - o They were Satisfied with its Cost (248 − 38.0%);
 - o They were Satisfied with the Bus routes (284 40.9%);
 - They were Satisfied with the Bus schedule (240 35.0%);
 - o They Didn't think about the Disability access (386 65.4%).
- 3.3.30 The greatest number of respondents (382 51.3%) indicated that they were satisfied with Access between villages, whilst 137 (18.4%) don't think about it, 102 (13.7%) were dissatisfied, 80 (10.7%) were very satisfied and 44 (5.9%) were very dissatisfied.
- 3.3.31 The greatest number of respondents (346 47.8%) indicated that they were satisfied with bridleways, whilst 232 (32.0%) don't think about it, 75 (10.4%) were very satisfied, 48 (6.6%) were dissatisfied and 23 (3.2%) were very dissatisfied.

- 3.3.32 The greatest number of respondents (284 39.0%) indicated that they were satisfied with cycle paths, whilst 175 (24.0%) don't think about it, 149 (20.4%) were dissatisfied, 67 (9.2%) were very satisfied and 54 (7.6%) were very dissatisfied.
- 3.3.33 The greatest number of respondents (407 61.2%) indicated that they don't think about disability access, whilst 132 (19.9%) were satisfied, 90 (13.5%) were dissatisfied, 18 (2.7%) were very satisfied and 18 (2.7%) were very dissatisfied.
- 3.3.34 The greatest number of respondents (457 60.9%) indicated that they were satisfied with footpaths, whilst 128 (17.1%) were very satisfied, 93 were dissatisfied, 51 (6.8%) don't think about it and 21 (2.8%) were very dissatisfied.
- 3.3.35 In terms of their current employment status, the greatest number of respondents were retired (428 52.9%), whilst 166 (20.5%) were employed full-time, 134 (16.6%) were self-employed, 102 (12.6%) were employed part- time, 23 (2.8%) had other classifications, 8 (1.0%) were unemployed and 6 (0.7%) were students.
- 3.3.36 Of those in employment, the greatest number (185 52.0%) indicated that they were employed in Professional and Specialist occupations, whilst 56 (15.7%) were employed in Service and Retail occupations, 56 (15.7%) were employed in other sectors, 25 (7.0%) were employed in Scientific and Technical occupations, 18 (5.1%) were employed in Manufacturing and Construction industries and 16 (4.5%) were employed in Farming and Forestry.
- 3.3.37 Of those respondents that were employed or self-employed, the greatest number 146 (39.5%) indicated that their primary place of work was within the community, whilst for 134 (36.2%) it was more than 10 miles from the community, for 67 (18.1%) it was within 10 miles of the community and for 23 (6.2%) it was within 5 miles of the community.
- 3.3.38 The greatest number of respondents (367 61.1%) indicated that they didn't know whether facilities in the community were currently adequate for office space/hub use, whilst 143 (23.8%) indicated that they were and 91 (15.1%) indicated that they were not.
- 3.3.39 The greatest number of respondents (374 65.2%) indicated that they didn't know whether facilities in the community were currently adequate for industrial use, whilst 119 (20.7%) indicated that they were and 81 (14.1%) indicated that they were not.
- 3.3.40 The greatest number of respondents (398 54.5%) indicated that the current shopping facilities in Steyning High Street could be improved through minor adjustments, whilst 262 (35.9%) indicated that there was no need for improvement and 70 (9.6%) indicated that it should be through significant alteration.

4 Community Views: Contributions from Neighbourhood Plan Thematic Groups

4.1 Introduction

- 4.1.1 In order to inform the development of the Neighbourhood Plan across the designated area, a number of thematic groups were established. Each of these was tasked with identifying the priorities and key issues by utilising the evidence gathered through the consultation and community engagement processes set out in the previous section. Additional evidence was also gathered, with further surveying and engagement undertaken.
- 4.1.2 Each theme group was constituted with at least one member coming from each of the four parishes that make up the cluster. This sought to ensure that the needs of each of the parish areas were considered in relation to that issue.

4.2 **Business & Economy Theme Group**

Background:

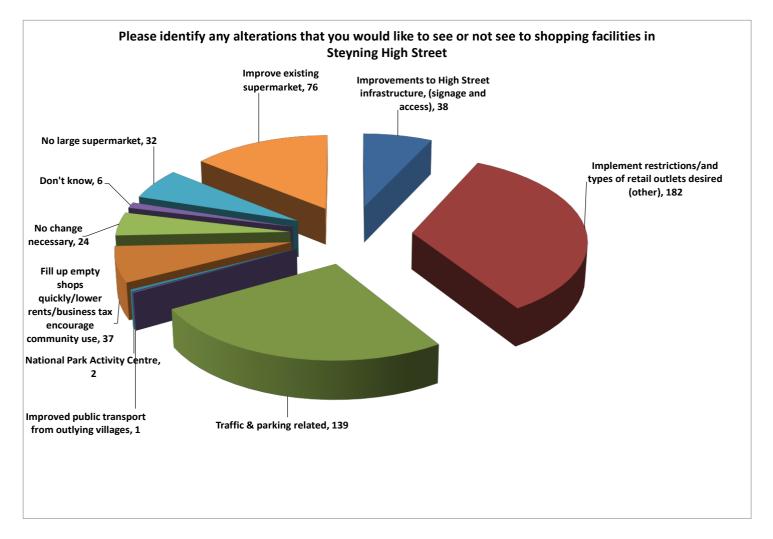
4.2.1 The business community is distributed throughout the SWAB area, although Steyning has the largest concentration of well-established and diverse retail premises, public houses and restaurants. The outlying villages have many diverse businesses run from small premises in a few small scale industrial units, on farms or at home. The largest employers are Steyning Grammar School, B&W research, SME based in Steyning and Wilton Park based in Wiston.

Methodology:

4.2.2 In order to fully assess the ongoing economic needs and desires of the SWAB business community account has been taken of the relevant aspects of the residents' survey. Further primary research and consultation was undertaken through a public meeting held at Wiston House, to which businesses across the SWAB area were invited. To promote engagement with the local business community a member of the focus group met with Steyning & District Business Chamber to raise their awareness of, and encourage their engagement with, the Neighbourhood Plan. A business survey was also sent with the meeting invitation. However, there was a very low and unrepresentative sample returned so this has not been included in the results indicated below. In contrast the meeting was relatively well attended and all four parishes were represented. All those who attended fully participated in the meeting and good feedback was received. It should also be noted that many business owners are residents in the SWAB area, so they have also had the opportunity to complete the residents' survey.

Outcomes:

Figure 4 - Views on changes to shopping facilities in Steyning High Street

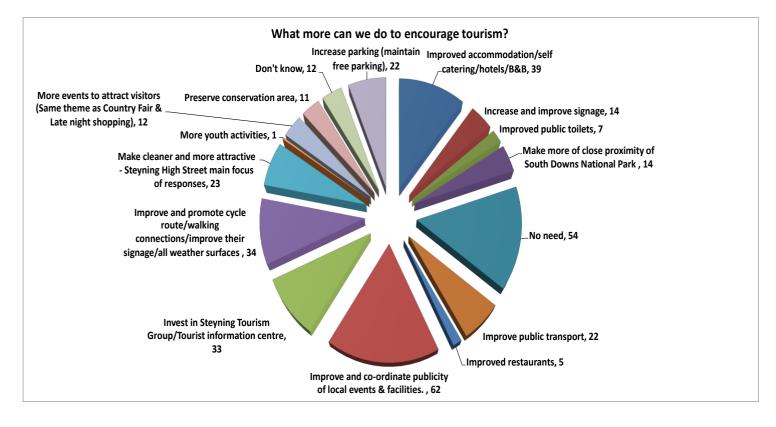


- 4.2.3 Results from both the residents' survey and the business meeting confirm that the main concern of most respondents is to ensure the continuing diversity of the retail offering in Steyning High Street. The survey revealed that a new supermarket is not wanted and would be seen as a considerable threat to the prosperity of the other retailers, although there is a call for the existing Co-operative Store to be upgraded. Many respondents cited the diversity of the High Street shops as being very appealing to both themselves and visitors alike.
- 4.2.4 The continuation of free parking was also considered a critical factor to the ongoing viability of the retail provision in Steyning. While this may not be a key issue in terms of planning and development, it must be taken into consideration as it is such an important feature to keep the High Street trade alive and the introduction of parking charges would be extremely detrimental given the close proximity of shopping centres such as the Holmbush Centre. The demise of the High Street would make Steyning

less attractive for existing and new residents and would deter tourists who are essential to the prosperity of many local businesses, and a key component in the continuing success of local trade. A less prosperous High Street would not be attractive to any prospective new businesses that may otherwise set up elsewhere.

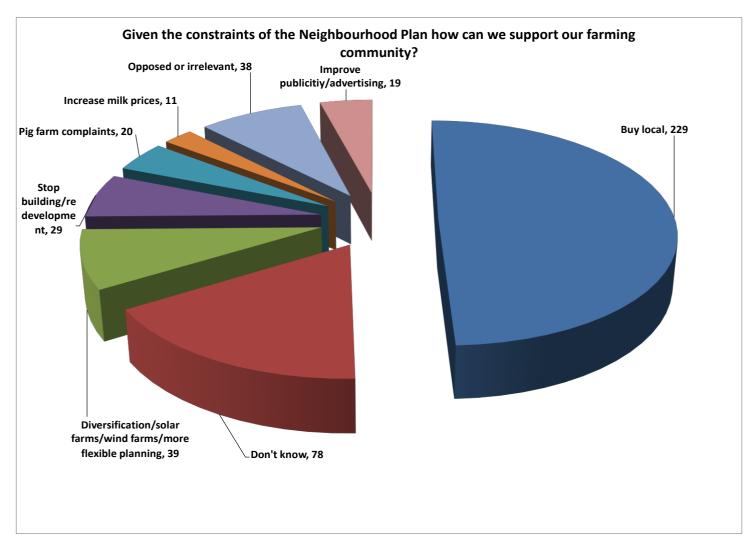
4.2.5 The ability for small and start-up businesses to take occupancy of the vacant premises was also a feature of the survey results, along with greater restriction in change of use from retail to residential status being granted for High Street premises.

Figure 5 - Views on methods for encouraging tourism



4.2.6 Improved signage around the town and from the Steyning Bypass in order to raise visitor awareness of events and attractions in Steyning and the South Downs National Park should be a priority.

Figure 6 - Views on supporting farming



- 4.2.7 There is a strong demand for the ability to purchase locally produced food and drink, the farmers' market and regular events are strongly supported and very popular. The demise of the established High Street retailers would also have a negative impact on the mobile businesses which regularly attend these events, which would in turn impact on the number of visitors the town currently attracts.
- 4.2.8 An important factor in the development and prosperity of small businesses is the provision of high speed broadband which is currently unavailable in the entire SWAB area. Many respondents stated current broadband speeds are having a very negative impact on their businesses, some have already relocated elsewhere, and others have to travel outside of the area in order to carry out updates to their websites or conduct essential online business. Faster broadband speed would attract businesses to relocate to

the area making use of the many empty buildings and providing valuable business to existing services suppliers and local retailers. There is no perceived demand for any additional industrial premises, as there is under-utilised capacity in many of the neighbouring towns and villages.

4.2.9 There is also a desire to encourage greater engagement between the Grammar School opportunities to promote local business to such a large local employer should be identified. Consideration should also be given to identify and provide higher quality career opportunities for some of the younger population, allowing them to remain in the area rather than being forced to move away in order to obtain a higher standard of living. With an ever aging population it is important to consider how the local economy may support the retention of younger people.

Summary - Residents and Businesses agree on the following:

- There is no demand for any further major retail development of Steyning High Street; the current diverse mix of small retailers should be retained as it serves the local community and visitors well.
- Car parking should remain free of charge. Parking charges would discourage locals and visitors alike from using the High Street and have a negative impact on trade.
- There is no identified requirement for further small industrial sites.
- Faster broadband speeds would assist existing businesses and encourage new business to set up in the area.
- Greater engagement between the School and local business should be encouraged.

4.3 **Community Theme Group**

4.3.1 The response to our survey appeared to be skewed to a larger number of older respondents. A further survey is being undertaken to ensure that a younger target demographic is better represented in the NP.

Health facilities and services:

- 4.3.2 The clear majority of replies indicated that their health facilities and services needs were completely met. About a third felt their needs were only partially met. A small minority felt their needs were not being met.
- 4.3.3 Those respondents that had to travel out of the SWAB NP area (mainly by car) were mostly for visits to Dentists, for diagnostic scans (X-ray etc), and for Ophthalmology or Opticians appointments. The third most significant reason for travel was for Private Medicine (which may overlap the above).

4.3.4 The majority of other responses were for specialist treatments not reasonably expected to be within SWAB area (for example cancer and chemotherapy treatment).

Availability of other facilities:

- 4.3.5 The responses were divided by age group but were open for any age group to comment upon.
- 4.3.6 Whilst the majority of respondents did not know if there were sufficient Community facilities for young people, a significant number expressed a need for more facilities for young people, especially sports facilities & permanent youth clubs.
- 4.3.7 The vast majority believe that people of working age (those aged 19-64 years) and older people (those over 65 years) are well catered for.
- 4.3.8 The responses did not take into account any publicity and the advertising of existing facilities and therefore indicate the perception of respondents (rather than actual availability).

What additional facilities are required?:

- 4.3.9 Specificity of responses was lacking with regard to location but seem to suggest strong localism, for example: Bramber residents would not necessarily respond to a lack of an appropriate village hall in Wiston.
- 4.3.10 Respondents thought there should be more sports facilities for young people including a skate park. A strong need was expressed for performance spaces, facilities for people with special needs ((dementia, mental health issues, learning difficulties, physical disabilities).
- 4.3.11 This is at odds with the responses to the previous question.

4.4 **Environment Theme Group**

Green Spaces

- 4.4.1 The survey results indicate strongly that green and open spaces together with conservation areas are highly valued. Along with houses and buildings of architectural or historical interest they should be protected, in particular where building schemes are proposed.
- 4.4.2 The majority of Survey responders felt that all aspects of the Natural Environment in the NP area important or very important and should be protected from any detrimental impacts, in particular from new developments. 74% of respondents felt that Green field sites and open spaces must be protected at all cost.

4.4.3 53% of residents are very concerned about the instances of fly tipping/litter-dropping in the area.

Climate Change/Renewable Energy

- 4.4.4 Climate Change will have a significant impact on us over the period of the Neighbourhood Plan period and the effects of these changes must be recognised and addressed by the Plan.
- 4.4.5 All New Build developments should be built to a high eco spec, taking into account energy saving features and to include solar panels wherever possible. (i.e. not in conflict with the Conservation area requirements.)
- 4.4.6 All new renewable energy developments should be sited carefully with due regard to landscape impact, amenity usage, views and local residents and transport access. Associated planning stipulations must be strictly adhered to. Installation of solar panels on buildings with large roofs such as industrial/farm buildings and supermarkets should be encouraged.
- 4.4.7 Survey responses indicated much stronger support for renewables over oil/fracking.
- 4.4.8 The cumulative impact of solar farms in the area needs to be considered by planning authorities. If the 2 applications currently in Appeal are approved they will provide enough energy for the NP area and no further developments should take place in the short to medium term.
- 4.4.9 More extensive/balanced planning consultations were to be encouraged prior to any future renewable initiatives.

Flooding

- 4.4.10 The Flood Committees of the Parish Councils should work together and with the Environment Agency in agreeing the outcome of the Internal Drainage Board project now being undertaken, taking into consideration the comments/suggestions received from the residents in the Survey.
- 4.4.11 New developments should not use areas prone to flooding. (Refer to Environment Agency's Flood Area maps).
- 4.4.12 New developments must adhere to strict design regulations as regards to water run-off.
- 4.4.13 Enhancement to natural environment should be encouraged to help defend against potential flooding.

4.5 **Heritage Theme Group**

4.5.1 The overriding importance of this area's heritage to its residents is reflected in the large number of responses received in the 3 'Heritage' questions included in the Residents' Survey.

Equal importance seems to be attached to the protection of both the area's natural heritage and to its historic built environment.

4.5.2 The points raised can be summarised as follows and are listed in order of frequency of response:

What are the most important heritage aspects?

4.5.3 Our Natural Heritage:

- The landscape and views
- o Our rural countryside and our natural environment
- The proximity of the Downs and the existence of the South Downs National Park
- Ancient woodland and extensive flora and fauna and the SSSIs
- The agricultural heritage of the area.

4.5.4 Our Built Heritage:

- o Steyning's unique High Street and numerous listed buildings
- o The history and character of the Conservation Area
- Protection of Steyning's green spaces
- Awareness of our heritage through education, continued community involvement and events
- The preservation and upkeep of the area's various local gems, eg its churches, the Museum and, in Bramber, the Castle and St Mary's.

What future changes might enhance our heritage?

- The most popular sentiment was that there should be no change!
- Better protection of our heritage;
- o Enforce existing safeguards and planning restrictions.

4.5.5 Natural Heritage:

- Not to build on green-field sites;
- Protect the flora and fauna;
- Protect the landscape and views;
- Not to build in the SDNP;
- Invest and if possible to extend the SDNP;
- Additional investment in farming.

4.5.6 Built Heritage:

- Any future development must be in keeping;
- The conservation area, including the High Street, should be expanded and protected;
- o Future investment should be made in our heritage buildings;
- o Increase and protect the area's parks.

What future changes might be detrimental to our heritage?

- o The primary concern was the scale of any future development;
- There was no support for any large development(s);
- Some small scale building would be tolerated if sympathetic to its existing surroundings. A considerable number of responses thought any development would be detrimental.

4.5.7 Natural Heritage:

- Primarily a failure to protect green sites;
- o No building in the SDNP including an overdevelopment of tourism.

4.5.8 Built Heritage:

- The High Street should not be altered, particularly by large companies or supermarkets;
- The conservation area must be protected.

4.6 **Housing Theme Group**

- 4.6.1 This is a brief summary of the views and future housing needs expressed by residents responding to the 2015 SWAB Residents Questionnaire survey.
- 4.6.2 Residents expressed additional future housing needs in all four SWAB parishes, broadly in proportion to the existing number of properties in each community.
- 4.6.3 Key future new housing needs are:-
 - Affordable / starter homes for younger adults & singles
 - More flats, especially 1 bedroom & studio apartments (1 bedroom)
 - o Small family homes 2 bed, 2- 3 bed houses, chalets or bungalows
- 4.6.4 In addition several residents requested additional housing provision for the older residents, including a nursing/care home, sheltered open-market homes. Older residents do not want to feel forced to move elsewhere to get appropriate care or support!
- 4.6.5 Other areas of new housing interest & need were local social housing, self- build projects, mobile homes.
- 4.6.6 Residents felt that there was no need for more new larger family homes (4- 5 bedroom), and wished to limit the height of any new builds to a 3 storey maximum.

- 4.6.7 Residents favoured mixed, well-designed housing, in keeping with existing local styles of architecture. Affordable homes (incl. rental & shared ownership) should be integrated with openmarket homes. New developments will ideally be on small estates & individual plots.
- 4.6.8 Residents expressed a strong preference for new developments to use brown-field sites (none were specifically suggested) with significant opposition to siting new builds on green-field sites & South Downs National Park land. The majority support extending parish housing boundaries in all four parishes, and there is strong support for idea of asset locks on community assets & community management of some affordable / social housing into perpetuity.
- 4.6.9 Finally we note that some local residents are opposed to any new housing development in the area. This view is contrary to the basic aims of Neighbourhood Planning, which is to maintain fully sustainable communities for the future, and to seize the opportunity to ensure that the focus of any new building development is based on the future needs of local residents.

4.7 Transport & Accessibility Focus Group

- 4.7.1 The main mode of transport within the cluster area is the car. There appears to be sufficient parking facilities, with free on and off street parking in Steyning considered a benefit to residents and a positive attraction to visitors. However, on-street parking can cause congestion at times, and each of the parish centre street layouts should be carefully examined to reduce traffic speed, facilitate useful short term on-street parking and generally improve the safety and environment for all users
- 4.7.2 Road safety is a major concern, with the A283 and B2135 in particular, needing improvement. The level and speed of traffic through villages, exacerbated by the use of country lanes as "ratruns", requires the implementation of traffic calming and better enforcement of the limits.
- 4.7.3 Attention is needed to the poor state of road surfaces; especially on routes connecting the villages and where constant water run-off from adjacent fields is an issue.
- 4.7.4 An efficient and comprehensive bus service is considered of prime importance in support of economic development and for mobility of those residents without cars. However, fares are deemed prohibitively expensive. The existing services from Steyning and Bramber to Brighton are adequate but have long journey times (90 mins). Services to Worthing are infrequent which makes journeys to the hospital and public services in Worthing impractical. There are no services connecting Wiston and Ashurst. Changes to routes and timetables are required along with the adoption of additional routes connecting the outlying villages, either by the existing providers or by expansion of the charity network. The aim should also be to synchronise bus and train timetables. There are many offers and facilities offered by the existing service providers (e.g multi pass) but they are poorly communicated.
- 4.7.5 More attention is needed for residents of limited mobility on improving accessibility between and around the outlying villages.
- 4.7.6 Non motorised transport between the villages is to be promoted not just for residents but also for visitors, thus encouraging tourism to the district.
- 4.7.7 For recreational walkers there is a good network of footpaths which needs to be protected from development but many are in need of repair or renovation.
- 4.7.8 There is a need for more footways for safe pedestrian and mobility scooter circulation within and between the villages. A barrier to the promotion of cycling as an alternative means of transport in the cluster area is the general perception that it is dangerous on the local roads. Progress can only be achieved by proper segregation of motor vehicles and other road users. The upgrade of footpaths to bridleways and/or cycle paths would improve the ability of cyclists and equestrians

to better connect safely between the villages, obviating the use of the main busy arterial roads.

5 Appendix 1: Selected Parish Statistics - Steyning

The following statistics and evidence are primarily drawn from the 2011 Census. These are used to provide an overview of the current status of the community. Other sources of data or information are acknowledged where applicable.

5.1 **Demographics**

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The usual resident population of the Parish is 5,990 people¹ (2,756 male, 3,234 female). Of these:

- 972 People aged 15 and under (16.2% of Parish population compared to 18.7% across the District and 19% across England)
- 3,429 People aged 16 to 64 (57.2% of Parish population compared to 61.9% across the District and 65% across England)
- 1,589 People aged 65 and over (26.5% of Parish population compared to 19.4% across the District and 16% across England)

Table 1 - Age structure of Parish

Age band	Parish Figure 2011	District Figure 2011
	(number and %)	(number and %)
0 to 4	274 (4.6%)	7,151 (5.4%)
5 to 7	186 (3.1%)	4,379 (3.3%)
8 to 9	108 (1.8%)	2,872 (2.2%)
10 to 14	318 (5.3%)	8,469 (6.5%)
15	86 (1.4%)	1,672 (1.3%)
16 to 17	182 (3.0%)	3,551 (2.7%)
18 to 19	132 (2.2%)	2,653 (2.0%)
20 to 24	235 (3.9%)	5,660 (4.3%)
25 to 29	185 (3.1%)	5,858 (4.5%)
30 to 44	938 (15.7%)	25,242 (19.2%)
45 to 59	1,264 (21.1%)	29,115 (22.2%)
60 to 64	493 (8.2%)	9,109 (6.9%)
65 to 74	769 (12.8%)	13,130 (10.0%)
75 to 84	549 (9.2%)	8,717 (6.6%)
85 to 89	166 (2.8%)	2,356 (1.8%)
90 and over	105 (1.8%)	1,367 (1.0%)
All Usual	5,990	131,301
Residents		

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5.2 **Economic status of residents²**

Of the 5,990 usual residents of the Parish, 4,198 were aged between 16 and 74.

- 2,886 (68.7%) of whom were economically active*:
 - \circ 1,401 were Employed full-time (33.4% compared to 40.3% across District) \circ 630 were Employed part-time (15.0% compared to 14.8% across District) \circ 605 were Self-employed (14.4% compared to 12.9% across District)
 - o 110 were Unemployed (2.6% compared to 2.7% across District)
 - 140 were Full-time students (3.3% compared to 2.7% across District)

*Economically Active - All people usually resident in the area at the time of the 2011 Census aged 16 to 74 and who were economically active (either in employment, or not in employment but seeking work and ready to start work within two weeks, or waiting to start a job already obtained). As defined by ONS (2014).

- 1,312 (31.3%) of whom were economically inactive*:
 - o846 were Retired (16.7% compared to 15.5% across District)
 - o 178 were Students (3.6% compared to 3.5% across District)
 - o160wereLookingafterhomeorfamily(2.6%comparedto4.2%across District)
 - o78wereLong-termsickordisabled(2.1%comparedto2.2%acrossDistrict)
 - o 50 were classified as Other (1.1% compared to 1.3% across District)

5.3 **Occupations**³

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- Of the 2,759 residents in the Parish in employment and aged between 16 and 74:
 - \circ 358 were Managers, Directors and Senior Officials (13.0% compared to 14.1% across the District).
 - o662wereProfessionalOccupations(24.0%comparedto19.1%acrossthe District).
 - o 390 were Associate Professional and Technical Occupations (14.1% compared to 14.8% across the District).
 - \circ 314 were Administrative and Secretarial Occupations (11.4% compared to 11.8% across the District).

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^{*}Economically Inactive - All people usually resident in the area at the time of the 2011 Census aged 16 to 74, who were economically inactive (anyone who was not in employment and did not meet the criteria to be classified as unemployed). As defined by ONS (2014).

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- o266wereSkilledTradesOccupations(9.6%comparedto11.1%acrossthe District).
- \circ 265 were Caring, Leisure and Other Service Occupations (9.6% compared to 9.7% across the District).
- \circ 188 were Sales and Customer Service Occupations (6.8% compared to 6.9% across the District).
- o 103 were Process, Plant and Machine Operatives (3.7% compared to 4.3% across the District).
- o213wereinElementaryOccupations(7.7%compared to 8.1%across the District).

5.4 **Qualifications & Skills**⁴

- Of the 5,018 usual residents in the parish aged 16 and over:
 - $\circ 861$ possessed no qualifications (17.2% compared to 19.5% across the District).
 - o 585 possessed Level 1 qualifications⁵ (11.7% compared to 11.6% across the District).
 - o853 possessed Level 2 qualifications⁶ (17.0% compared to 15.9% across the District).
 - o169 possessed Apprenticeship qualifications⁷ (3.4% compared to 3.4% across the District).
 - $_{\odot}$ 552 possessed Level 3 qualifications (11.0% compared to 12.8% across the District).
 - o1,829 possessed Level 4 and above qualifications (36.4% compared to 32.4% across the District).
 - o169 possessed Other qualifications¹⁰ (3.4% compared to 4.4% across the District).

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⁵ Level 1 qualifications cover: 1-4 O Levels/CSE/GCSEs (any grades), Entry Level, Foundation Diploma, NVQ level 1, Foundation GNVQ, Basic/Essential Skills.

⁶ Level 2 qualifications cover: 5+ O Level (Passes)/CSEs (Grade 1)/GCSEs (Grades A*-C), School Certificate, 1 A Level/ 2-3 AS Levels/VCEs, Intermediate/Higher Diploma, Welsh Baccalaureate Intermediate Diploma, NVQ level 2, Intermediate GNVQ, City and Guilds Craft, BTEC First/General Diploma, RSA Diploma 13 Apprenticeship.

 $^{^{7}}$ All people usually resident in the area at the time of the 2011 Census aged 16 and over whose highest qualification attained was Apprenticeship.

⁸ Level 3 Qualifications cover: 2+ A Levels/VCEs, 4+ AS Levels, Higher School Certificate, Progression/Advanced Diploma, Welsh Baccalaureate Advance Diploma, NVQ Level 3; Advanced GNVQ, City and Guilds Advanced Craft, ONC, OND, BTEC National, RSA Advanced Diploma.

⁹ Level 4 and above qualifications cover: Degree (BA, BSc), Higher Degree (MA, PhD, PGCE), NVQ Level 4-5, HNC, HND, RSA Higher Diploma, BTEC Higher level, Professional Qualifications (Teaching, Nursing, Accountancy).

¹⁰ Vocational/Work-related Qualifications, Foreign Qualifications (Not stated/level unknown).

5.5 Industry of employment¹¹

• The 2,759 usual residents aged between 16 and 74 in employment are employed in the following industries:

Table 2 - Industry of Employment

Industry	Parish Figure 2011	District Figure 2011
	(number and %)	(number and %)
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	33 (1.2%)	799 (1.2%)
Mining and Quarrying	2 (0.1%)	94 (0.1%)
Manufacturing	170 (6.2%)	5,031 (7.6%)
Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Conditioning Supply	20 (0.7%)	314 (0.5%)
Water Supply	11 (0.4%)	394 (0.6%)
Construction	190 (6.9%)	5,081 (7.7%)
Wholesale & Retail Trade	370 (13.4%)	10,195 (15.4%)
Transport & Storage	114 (4.1%)	4,047 (6.1%)
Accommodation and Food Service Activities	106 (3.8%)	2,762 (4.2%)
Information and Communication	118 (4.3%)	3,222 (4.9%)
Financial and Insurance Activities	165 (6.0%)	4,074 (6.1%)
Real Estate Activities	63 (2.3%)	1,194 (1.8%)
Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	241 (8.7%)	5,506 (8.3%)
Administrative and Support Service Activities	135 (4.9%)	3,738 (5.6%)
Public Administration and Defence	111 (4.0%)	2,948 (4.4%)
Education	375 (13.6%)	6,390 (9.6%)
Human Health and Social Activities	363	6,742 (10.2%)
Work	(13.2%)	
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	165 (6.0%)	3,616 (5.5%)
Activities of Householders as employers	5 (0.2%)	121 (0.2%)
Activities of Extraterritorial Organisations and Bodies	2 (0.1%)	31 (0.05%)

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5.6 **Housing**¹²

- There are 2,672 households located within the Parish. Of these:
 - o1,227wereowner-occupierhouseholds,ownedoutright(45.9%compared to 37.3% across the District)
 - \circ 824 were owner-occupier households, owned with a mortgage or loan (30.8% compared to 37.2% across the District).
 - \circ 15 were Shared Ownership (0.6% compared to 0.7% across the District).
 - o47 were Social Rented from Council (1.8% compared to 1.2% across the District).
 - o222wereSocialRentedOther(8.3%comparedto10.3%acrossthe District).
 - o 298 were Privately rented (11.2% compared to 11.8% across the District).
 - \circ 39 were Living Rent Free (1.5% compared to 1.5% across the District).
- *A household is defined as one person living alone, or a group of people (not necessarily related) living at the same address who share cooking facilities and share a living room, sitting room or dining area. As defined by ONS (2014).
- There are 2,772 dwellings¹³ located within the Parish. Of these:
 - o1,018 are Detached housing (whole house or bungalow) (36.7% compared to 38.6% across the District)
 - o697 are Semi-detached housing (whole house or bungalow) (25.1% compared to 26.5% across the District)
 - ○595 are Terraced housing (21.5% compared to 17.0% across the District)
 - o425 are Flats/apartments (15.3% compared to 17.2% across the District)
 - \circ 37 are Caravans or other Mobile or Temporary Structures (1.3% compared to 0.7% across the District).

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^{*}A dwelling is a unit of accommodation with all rooms, including kitchen, bathroom and toilet behind a door that only that household can use. As defined by ONS (2014).

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5.7 Transport¹⁴

Of the 2,672 households:

- 351 households had no car or van (13.1% compared to 11.8% across the District and 25.8% across England)
- 1,165 households had 1 car or van (43.6% compared to 39.6% across the District and 42.2% across England)
- 839 households had 2 cars or vans (31.4% compared to 35.5% across the District and 24.7% across England)
- 236 households had 3 cars or vans (8.8% compared to 9.1% across the District and 5.5% across England)
- 81 households had 4 or more cars or vans (3.0% compared to 4.0% across the District and 1.9% across England)

5.8 Health¹⁵

Of the 5,990 usual residents of the Parish were classified as having the following health status:

- ○2,851 were in Very Good health (47.6% compared to 50.6% across the District)
- o2,145 were in Good health (35.8% compared to 34.8% across the District)
- o742 were in Fair health (12.4% compared to 11.1% across the District)
- o181 were in Bad health (3.0% compared to 2.7% across the District)
- o71 were in Very Bad health (1.2% compared to 0.8% across the District).

5.9 Heritage¹⁶

The English Heritage classification of Listed Buildings shows that the Parish contains the following Grade I listed buildings and structures including:

- THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST ANDREW, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex I
- 9, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex I

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¹⁶ http://magic.defra.gov.uk/

5.9.1 Grade II Listed:

- KINGS BARN OLD COTTAGES, 1 AND 2, KINGS BARN LANE, STEYNING, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 67, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- THE OLD COTTAGE, 69, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 71 AND 73, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 75, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 83 AND 85, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 87, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 89-93, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 95 AND 97, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- CHANCTONBURY COTTAGE, 103, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- WATER TOWER AND SUN ROOM AT WAPPINGTHORN TO THE NORTH EAST OF THE HOUSE AND TO THE NORTH WEST OF THE FARM BUILDINGS, HORSHAM ROAD, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- HUDDLESTONE FARMHOUSE, 1 AND 2, HORSHAM ROAD, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- JARVIS, JARVIS LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- WYCKHAM MANOR FARMHOUSE, KINGS BARN LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- MOUSE COTTAGE, MOUSE LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- CHARLTON COURT COTTAGES, 1 AND 2, MOUSE LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- NEWHAM HOUSE AND THE TWO MEDIEVAL ARCHES IN THE GARDEN, SHEEP PEN LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- HORSEBROOK COTTAGE, WISTON ROAD, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- KELVIN HOUSE, 32, HIGH STREET|MAGNET HOUSE, 34, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 38, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- NYEWOOD HOUSE, 42, HIGH STREET|BARCLAYS BANK AND DOWN HOUSE, 40, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- THE POST OFFICE, 44, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 46 48 AND 50, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 52 AND 54, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 56, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 58, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 60 AND 62, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 66, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 74, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 78 80 AND 80A, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- WARWICK HOUSE, 98, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- MILL HOUSE, 126, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 11, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 17B, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- THE WHITE HORSE INN AND THE STABLES ADJOINING TO THE SOUTH WEST, 23, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- LASHMARS, 29 AND 31, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 39, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II

- 47 AND 49, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- GATEWICK, CHURCH LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 7, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- AMBERLEY COTTAGES, 25 AND 27, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 51 AND 53, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 4 AND 6, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- ROSEMARY COTTAGE, 14, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- CHANTRY COTTAGE, 30, CHURCH STREET|32, CHURCH STREET|SOUTH COTTAGE, 28, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- THE OLD PRIORY, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- FAGGS BARN, DOG LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- ORWELL COTTAGE, 22, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 64, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- THE MARKET HOUSE, 72, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 84 AND 86, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 94 AND 96, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- THE STAR PUBLIC HOUSE, 128 AND 130, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 138 AND 140, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- ROSEWELL COTTAGE, 7, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- DETACHED PORTION OF SPRINGWELLS HOTEL TO THE NORTH, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 13, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- LLOYDS BANK, 37, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- THE CHEQUERS INN, 41, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 53, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- WAPPINGTHORN, HORSHAM ROAD, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- CALCOT FARMHOUSE, HORSHAM ROAD, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- PENNS HOUSE, HORSHAM ROAD|PENN COTTAGE, HORSHAM ROAD, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- JARVIS HALL, JARVIS LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- WYCKHAM FARMHOUSE, WYCKHAM LANE|WYCKHAM FARM COTTAGE, WYCKHAM LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- OLD WORKHOUSE COTTAGES, 1 2 AND 3, MOUSE LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- THE WHITE HOUSE, NEWHAM LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- NEWHAM COTTAGE, SHEEP PEN LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- COURT MILL HOUSE AND ENTRANCE GATES, SIR GEORGE'S PLACE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 1 AND 2, CHURCH LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- OUTBUILDING ADJOINING GATEWICK TO THE SOUTH EAST, CHURCH LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- CLEMATIS COTTAGE, 19, CHURCH STREET|COURT COTTAGE, 21, CHURCH STREET|HARRY GOUGH'S HOUSE, 23, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- APRIL COTTAGE, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 33, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II

- 12, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 16, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- SAXON COTTAGE, 26, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- CHANTRY HOUSE, 34, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II*
- NORFOLK COTTAGES, 1-6, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 24, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- K6 TELEPHONE KIOSK, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- CAUSEWAY COTTAGE, 19, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- BAYARDS Listing BAYARDS, HORSHAM ROAD, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 27, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 33 AND 33A, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 124, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 76A, HIGH STREET|PRESTON HOUSE, 76, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- PENFOLD COTTAGE, 30, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- ELM GROVE, 3 AND 4, ELM GROVE LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- PENFOLD HALL, 55, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 1, 2, AND 3, WHITE HORSE SQUARE | 1 2 AND 3, CARLTON STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- GATEWAY IN THE GARDEN TO SOUTH OF GATEWICK Listing GATEWAY IN THE GARDEN TO SOUTH OF GATEWICK, CHURCH LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- HOLLAND COTTAGE, 13 AND 15, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- GABLE END, 31, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- THE FORGE, 10, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- THE NORFOLK ARMS, 18, CHURCH STREET|THE MODEL BAKERY, 20, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- CHANTRY GREEN HOUSE, 38, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- THE THREE TUNNS INN, 6, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 26, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- STAPLEFIELDS, HORSHAM ROAD, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- NORTHOVER FARMHOUSE, HORSHAM ROAD, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- ATHERTON, JARVIS LANE|AMBROSE, JARVIS LANE|MALTHOUSE COTTAGE, JARVIS LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- CHARLTON COURT, MOUSE LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- PEN COTTAGE, 1, SHEEP PEN LANE|WHITE HORSE COTTAGE, 2, SHEEP PEN LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 36, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 68 AND 70, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 90 AND 92, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 120 AND 122, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 134 AND 136, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II

- THE VILLAGE PUMPS AND THE DRINKING FOUNTAIN IN FRONT OF DETACHED PART OF SPRINGWELLS HOTEL, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- HOLLY COTTAGE, 15, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- THE CAVALIER, 25, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- WELLINGHAM HOUSE, 35, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 51, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- K6 TELEPHONE KIOSK, HIGH STREET (NR JUNCT WITH TANYARD LANE), Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- SMUGGLERS COTTAGE, CHURCH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- WAPPINGTHORN FARM DAIRY BUILDINGS, INCLUDING SILO TOWERS, LINKING WALL AND CIRCULAR DAIRY, HORSHAM ROAD, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- STABLE BUNGALOW AT WAPPINGTHORN FARM, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II
- BARN AT WAPPINGTHORN FARM, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II

5.9.2 Grade II* Listed:

- PENFOLD LODGE, 17A, HIGH STREET|PENFOLD HOUSE, 17, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II*
- THE STONE HOUSE, 21, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II*
- BARN TO NORTH WEST OF CHARLTON COURT, MOUSE LANE, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II*
- CHARLTON HOUSE AND GARDEN WALL, GATE AND RAILINGS TO NORTH EAST, 5, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II*
- SPRINGWELLS HOTEL, 9, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II*
- 1 3 AND 5, CHURCH STREET, Stevning, Horsham, West Sussex II*
- 61, 63 AND 65, HIGH STREET, Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex II*

5.9.3 Scheduled Monuments:

- Barrows and ditches on Steyning Round Hill Scheduling Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex
- Bramber Castle Scheduling Bramber, Horsham, West Sussex
- Group of salterns and a possible moat 250m east of Bramber Castle Scheduling Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex
- Cross dyke 760m WNW of Pepperscoombe Scheduling Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex
- Cross dyke on Steyning Round Hill, 700m south west of Pepperscoombe Scheduling Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex

5.9.4 Registered Parks and Gardens:

• None exist in the parish.

5.9.5 Registered Battlefields:

None exist in the parish.

5.10 **Biodiversity**¹⁷

- The South Downs National Park covers approximately one third of the parish's land area, primarily consisting of a zone to the south west of the settlement boundary and the Washington Road. The same portion of the Parish is located within the South Downs Environmentally Sensitive Area.
- No Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty exist within the parish.
- No Sites of Special Scientific Interest exist within the parish.
- No Local Nature Reserves are located within the parish.
- The Parish contains areas identified by Natural England as Priority Habitats and are subject to Habitat Action Plans:
 - oGood Quality Semi-improved Grassland Habitat − 5 sites: 3 sites are located around the sewage works in the east of the parish. 1 site is covering the rifle range in the west of the parish. 1 site at Steyning Round Hill.
 - oCoastal Floodplain and Grazing Marsh Priority Habitat multiple sites covering the full extent of the eastern border of the parish.
 - oLowland Calcareous Grassland Priority Habitat − 2 sites: 1 site is covering the rifle range in the west of the parish. 1 site at Steyning Round Hill.
 - ○Reedbeds Priority Habitat 1 site to the south of Wyckham Dale Farm.
 - ○Woodpasture and Parkland Habitat 1 site along Mouse Lane, from Charlton Court Cottages to the border with Wiston Parish.
 - oTraditional Orchard Priority Habitat 1 site at the northern edge of De Braose Way in the south of the Parish.
 - ODeciduous Woodland Priority Habitat multiple sites spread right across the Parish area. The greatest concentration is to the west of Pepperscoombe Farm, with others; to the south of the junction between the A283 and B2135, at Great Alder Wood and at Wappingthorn Wood.
- The following areas are subject to an Environmental Stewardship Agreement:
 - oEntry Level Stewardship Scheme 5 concentrations: adjacent to and south of the Sewage Works; surrounding Wappingthorn Farmhouse; north, east and west of Hammes Farmhouse; north east and south of Calcot Farm and a zone north of a line stretching directly eastwards from Sussex House to the River Adur.
 - oEntry Level plus Higher Level Stewardship Scheme Coverage of almost all ground located to the west of the Steyning settlement boundary and to the south of the Washington Road, with the exception of the area immediately surrounding Pepperscoombe Farmhouse. The other zone covers ground between the 4 points of Sussex House, the

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¹⁷ http://magic.defra.gov.uk/

- junction between the B2135 and A283, the Sewage Works and the River Adur at Stretham Manor.
- Organic Entry Level plus Higher Level Stewardship Scheme 2 sites 1 located to the
 east of Kings Barn Farm adjacent to the River Adur and 1 to the east of Wyckham
 Dale Farm adjacent to the River Adur.
- The following areas are in Woodland Grant Scheme 1:
 - o 1 site Wappingtham Wood.
- The following areas are in Woodland Grant Scheme 2:
 - ○1 site Wappingtham Wood.
- The following areas are in Woodland Grant Scheme 3:
 - o 7 sites: to the east of the Rifle Range; east of Huddlestone Farm; Huddlestone Farm; Wet Copse; 2 sites south of Wappingthorn Lodge and Great Alder Wood.

6 Appendix 2: Selected Parish Statistics - Wiston

The following statistics and evidence are primarily drawn from the 2011 Census. These are used to provide an overview of the current status of the community. Other sources of data or information are acknowledged where applicable.

6.1 **Demographics**

The usual resident population of the Parish is 219 people¹⁸ (111 male, 108 female). Of these:

- 33 People aged 15 and under (15.1% of Parish population compared to 18.7% across the District and 19% across England)
- 152 People aged 16 to 64 (69.4% of Parish population compared to 61.9% across the District and 65% across England)
- 35 People aged 65 and over (15.5% of Parish population compared to 19.4% across the District and 16% across England)

Table 3 - Age structure of Parish

Age band	Parish Figure 2011	District Figure 2011
	(number and %)	(number and %)
0 to 4	13 (5.9%)	7,151 (5.4%)
5 to 7	1 (0.5%)	4,379 (3.3%)
8 to 9	2 (0.9%)	2,872 (2.2%)
10 to 14	14 (6.4%)	8,469 (6.5%)
15	3 (1.4%)	1,672 (1.3%)
16 to 17	6 (2.7%)	3,551 (2.7%)
18 to 19	5 (2.3%)	2,653 (2.0%)
20 to 24	14 (6.4%)	5,660 (4.3%)
25 to 29	9 (4.1%)	5,858 (4.5%)
30 to 44	38 (17.4%)	25,242 (19.2%)
45 to 59	65 (29.7%)	29,115 (22.2%)
60 to 64	15 (6.8%)	9,109 (6.9%)
65 to 74	12 (5.5%)	13,130 (10.0%)
75 to 84	18 (8.2%)	8,717 (6.6%)
85 to 89	4 (1.8%)	2,356 (1.8%)
90 and over	0 (0.0%)	1,367 (1.0%)
All Usual	219	131,301
Residents		

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6.2 Economic status of residents¹⁹

Of the 219 usual residents of the Parish, 164 were aged between 16 and 74.

- 142 (86.6%) of whom were economically active*:
 - o 60 were Employed full-time (36.6% compared to 40.3% across District) o
 - 29 were Employed part-time (17.7% compared to 14.8% across District) o
 - 46 were Self-employed (28.0% compared to 12.9% across District)
 - o 2 were Unemployed (1.2% compared to 2.7% across District)
 - o 5 were Full-time students (3.0% compared to 2.7% across District)

*Economically Active - All people usually resident in the area at the time of the 2011 Census aged 16 to 74 and who were economically active (either in employment, or not in employment but seeking work and ready to start work within two weeks, or waiting to start a job already obtained). As defined by ONS (2014).

- 22 (13.4%) of whom were economically inactive*:
 - o 11 were Retired (6.7% compared to 15.5% across District)
 - o 2 were Students (1.2% compared to 3.5% across District)
 - o 5 were Looking after home or family (3.0% compared to 4.2% across District)
 - o 3 were Long-term sick or disabled (1.8% compared to 2.2% across District)
 - o 1 were classified as Other (0.6% compared to 1.3% across District)

6.3 Occupations²⁰

- Of the 140residents in the Parish in employment and aged between 16 and 74:
 - \circ 19wereManagers, Directors and Senior Officials (13.6% compared to 14.1% across the District).
 - \circ 22were Professional Occupations (15.7% compared to 19.1% across the District).
 - o 16 were Associate Professional and Technical Occupations (11.4% compared to 14.8% across the District).
 - o 15were Administrative and Secretarial Occupations (10.7% compared to 11.8% across the District).
 - o 23 were Skilled Trades Occupations (16.4% compared to 11.1% across the District).
 - \circ 20 were Caring, Leisure and Other Service Occupations (14.3% compared to 9.7% across the District).

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^{*}Economically Inactive - All people usually resident in the area at the time of the 2011 Census aged 16 to 74, who were economically inactive (anyone who was not in employment and did not meet the criteria to be classified as unemployed). As defined by ONS (2014).

- o 6 were Sales and Customer Service Occupations (4.3% compared to 6.9% across the District).
- ○8 were Process, Plant and Machine Operatives (5.7% compared to 4.3% across the District).
- o11wereinElementaryOccupations(7.9%compared to 8.1% across the District).

6.4 Qualifications & Skills²¹

- Of the 186 usual residents in the parish aged 16 and over:
 - o 26 possessed no qualifications (14.0% compared to 19.5% across the District).
 - \circ 26 possessed Level 1 qualifications 22 (14.0% compared to 11.6% across the District).
 - \circ 37 possessed Level 2 qualifications²³ (19.9% compared to 15.9% across the District).
 - \circ 2 possessed Apprenticeship qualifications²⁴ (1.1% compared to 3.4% across the District).
 - \circ 25 possessed Level 3 qualifications²⁵ (13.4% compared to 12.8% across the District).
 - \circ 58 possessed Level 4 and above qualifications 26 (31.2% compared to 32.4% across the District).
 - o 12 possessed Other qualifications²⁷ (6.5% compared to 4.4% across the District).

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 $^{^{22}}$ Level 1 qualifications cover: 1-4 O Levels/CSE/GCSEs (any grades), Entry Level, Foundation Diploma, NVQ level 1, Foundation GNVQ, Basic/Essential Skills.

²³ Level 2 qualifications cover: 5+ O Level (Passes)/CSEs (Grade 1)/GCSEs (Grades A*-C), School Certificate, 1 A Level/ 2-3 AS Levels/VCEs, Intermediate/Higher Diploma, Welsh Baccalaureate Intermediate Diploma, NVQ level 2, Intermediate GNVQ, City and Guilds Craft, BTEC First/General Diploma, RSA Diploma 13 Apprenticeship.

 $^{^{24}}$ All people usually resident in the area at the time of the 2011 Census aged 16 and over whose highest qualification attained was Apprenticeship.

²⁵ Level 3 Qualifications cover: 2+ A Levels/VCEs, 4+ AS Levels, Higher School Certificate, Progression/Advanced Diploma, Welsh Baccalaureate Advance Diploma, NVQ Level 3; Advanced GNVQ, City and Guilds Advanced Craft, ONC, OND, BTEC National, RSA Advanced Diploma.

²⁶ Level 4 and above qualifications cover: Degree (BA, BSc), Higher Degree (MA, PhD, PGCE), NVQ Level 4-5, HNC, HND, RSA Higher Diploma, BTEC Higher level, Professional Qualifications (Teaching, Nursing, Accountancy).

²⁷ Vocational/Work-related Qualifications, Foreign Qualifications (Not stated/level unknown).

6.5 Industry of employment²⁸

• The 140 usual residents aged between 16 and 74 in employment are employed in the following industries:

Table 4 - Industry of Employment

Industry	Parish Figure 2011	District Figure 2011
		(number
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Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	8 (5.7%)	799 (1.2%)
Mining and Quarrying	0 (0.0%)	94 (0.1%)
Manufacturing	11 (7.9%)	5,031 (7.6%)
Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air	1 (0.7%)	314 (0.5%)
Conditioning Supply		
Water Supply	1 (0.7%)	394 (0.6%)
Construction	12 (8.6%)	5,081 (7.7%)
Wholesale & Retail Trade	16 (11.4%)	10,195 (15.4%)
Transport & Storage	1 (0.7%)	4,047 (6.1%)
Accommodation and Food Service	5 (3.6%)	2,762 (4.2%)
Activities		
Information and Communication	5 (3.6%)	3,222 (4.9%)
Financial and Insurance Activities	44 (5.5%)	4,074 (6.1%)
Real Estate Activities	6 (4.3%)	1,194 (1.8%)
Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	9 (6.4%)	5,506 (8.3%)
Administrative and Support Service Activities	7 (5.0%)	3,738 (5.6%)
Public Administration and Defence	6 (4.3%)	2,948 (4.4%)
Education	11 (7.9%)	6,390 (9.6%)
Human Health and Social Activities	18 (12.9%)	6,742 (10.2%)
Work		
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	17 (12.1%)	3,616 (5.5%)
Activities of Householders as employers	0 (0.0%)	121 (0.2%)
Activities of Extraterritorial Organisations and Bodies	1 (0.7%)	31 (0.05%)

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6.6 Housing²⁹

- There are 89 households located within the Parish. Of these:
 - o8wereowner-occupierhouseholds, ownedoutright (9.0% compared to 37.3% across the District)
 - \circ 16 were owner-occupier households, owned with a mortgage or loan (18.0% compared to 37.2% across the District).
 - \circ 0 were Shared Ownership (0.0% compared to 0.7% across the District).
 - \circ 0 were Social Rented from Council (0.0% compared to 1.2% across the District).
 - 3 were Social Rented Other (3.4% compared to 10.3% across the District).
 - o 60 were Privately rented (67.4% compared to 11.8% across the District).
 - \circ 2 were Living Rent Free (2.2% compared to 1.5% across the District).

*A household is defined as one person living alone, or a group of people (not necessarily related) living at the same address who share cooking facilities and share a living room, sitting room or dining area. As defined by ONS (2014).

- There are 96 dwellings³⁰ located within the Parish. Of these:
 - \circ 39 are Detached housing (whole house or bungalow) (40.6% compared to 38.6% across the District)
 - o46 are Semi-detached housing (whole house or bungalow) (47.9% compared to 26.5% across the District)
 - o 7 are Terraced housing (7.3% compared to 17.0% across the District)
 - ○0 are Flats/apartments (0.0% compared to 17.2% across the District)
 - o4 are Caravans or other Mobile or Temporary Structures (4.2% compared to 0.7% across the District).

*A dwelling is a unit of accommodation with all rooms, including kitchen, bathroom and toilet behind a door that only that household can use. As defined by ONS (2014).

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6.7 Transport³¹

Of the 89 households:

- 3 households had no car or van (3.4% compared to 11.8% across the District and 25.8% across England)
- 24 households had 1 car or van (27.0% compared to 39.6% across the District and 42.2% across England)
- 45 households had 2 cars or vans (50.6% compared to 35.5% across the District and 24.7% across England)
- 11 households had 3 cars or vans (12.4% compared to 9.1% across the District and 5.5% across England)
- 6 households had 4 or more cars or vans (6.7% compared to 4.0% across the District and 1.9% across England)

6.8 Health³²

Of the 219 usual residents of the Parish were classified as having the following health status:

- o 113 were in Very Good health (51.6% compared to 50.6% across the District)
- $_{\odot}$ 72 were in Good health (32.9% compared to 34.8% across the District) $_{\odot}$ 25 were in Fair health (11.4% compared to 11.1% across the District) $_{\odot}$ 8 were in Bad health (3.7% compared to 2.7% across the District)
- o 1 were in Very Bad health (0.5% compared to 0.8% across the District).

6.9 **Heritage**³³

The English Heritage classification of Listed Buildings shows that the Parish contains the following Grade I listed buildings and structures including:

WISTON HOUSE, WISTON PARK, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex I

6.9.1 Grade II Listed:

- MALTHOUSE, CHANCTONBURY RING ROAD, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- ABBOTTS FARMHOUSE, HOLE STREET, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- COTTAGE ADJOINING SIDEWAYS ON THE EAST, HOLE STREET, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- GUESSGATE FARMHOUSE, SPITHANDLE LANE, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- 1-4, STOCKS HILL, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II

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- Listing THE GARAGES, NOS 1 TO 9 TO THE SOUTH EAST OF THE STABLES AT WISTON HOUSE, 1-9, WISTON PARK, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- HOOK FARMHOUSE, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- THE OLD RECTORY, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- ROUND ROBIN LODGE TO WISTON PARK, MOUSE LANE, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- BUNCTON MANOR FARMHOUSE, STEYNING ROAD, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- BUTCHERS FARMHOUSE, WATER LANE, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- POST OFFICE, WATER LANE|WISTON STORES, WATER LANE, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- BARN AT BROWNHILL, ON SOUTH SIDE OF FARMYARD, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- COTTAGES AT WISTON HOUSE TO THE SOUTH EAST OF THE STABLES AND GARAGES, WISTON PARK, WISTON PARK, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- SIDEWAYS, HOLE STREET, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- GUESSES FARMHOUSE, SPITHANDLE LANE, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- POLECATS, CHANCTONBURY RING ROAD, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- THE OLD SCHOOL, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- THE ROUNDHOUSE, IN THE GROUNDS OF THE OLD RECTORY, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- WEPPONS HOUSE, CHANCTONBURY RING ROAD, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- FAIR OAK FARMHOUSE, SPITHANDLE LANE, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- BUNCTON CHAPEL OF ALL SAINTS, STEYNING ROAD, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex
- YEW TREE COTTAGE, WATER LANE, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- GREAT BARN AT WISTON PARK, MOUSE LANE, WISTON PARK, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II
- FRENCHLAND HOUSE, ASHINGTON, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II

6.9.2 Grade II* Listed:

- THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST MARY, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II*
- THE STABLES TO THE SOUTH EAST OF WISTON HOUSE, WISTON PARK, Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex II*

6.9.3 Scheduled Monuments:

- Chanctonbury Ring hillfort and Romano-Celtic temples Scheduling Washington, Horsham, West Sussex
- Group of three saucer barrows and a pair of hlaews south east of Chanctonbury Ring hillfort Scheduling Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex
- Pair of hlaews 150m south east of Chanctonbury Ring hillfort Scheduling Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex
- Bowl barrow 380m south east of Chanctonbury Ring hillfort Scheduling Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex
- Bowl barrow 440m south east of Chanctonbury Ring hillfort Scheduling Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex
- Cross dyke and platform barrow 460m south east of Chanctonbury Ring hillfort Scheduling Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex

 Cross dyke in Court Plantation, 600m south west of Wiston Barn Scheduling Wiston, Horsham, West Sussex

6.9.4 Registered Parks and Gardens:

None exist in the parish.

6.9.5 Registered Battlefields:

None exist in the parish.

6.10 Biodiversity³⁴

- The South Downs National Park covers the southern third of the parish's land area, primarily consisting of a zone to the south of the A283 Washington Road. This zone also encompasses the South Downs Environmentally Sensitive Area.
- No Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty exist within the parish.
- Chanctonbury Hill Site of Special Scientific Interest exists within the parish. It covers an area extending south eastwards from Chanctonbury Ring, via Chalkpit Wood to Lion Bank.
- No Local Nature Reserves are located within the parish.
- The Parish contains areas identified by Natural England as Priority Habitats and are subject to Habitat Action Plans:
 - Lowland Calcareous Grassland Habitat Portions of 3 zones, all 3 located in the south western portion of the parish and crossing the boundary into Washington Parish.
 - Woodpasture and Parkland Priority Habitat 1 zone covering Wiston Park in a zone between Wiston in the south and the A283 Washington Road in the north.
 - Good quality semi-improved Grassland Priority Habitat 1 zone to the east of Chalkpit Wood.
 - Deciduous Woodland Priority Habitat Multiple sites, primarily concentrated in the south of the parish around Chalkpit Wood and Lion's Bank and around the Timber Yard south of the Buncton crossroads; in the north around the Firtree Plantation and at Capite Wood, Windsor Common and Coombewick Furzefield.
- The following areas are subject to an Environmental Stewardship Agreement:
 - Entry Level plus Higher Level Stewardship Scheme 3 primary zones exist: 1 in the very south of the parish encompassing all ground from the parish boundary up to the South Downs Way; 1 a zone the full width of the parish extending north from Wiston Park to the Phesantry (with the exception of

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³⁴ http://magic.defra.gov.uk/

the land surrounding Guessgate Farm) and a zone in the north east of the parish encompassing Binser's Wood and Muggenridge's Furzefield.

- The following areas are in Woodland Grant Scheme 1:
 - None exist in the Parish.
- The following areas are in Woodland Grant Scheme 2:
 - o1 small site located to the south of Brownhill Furze.
- The following areas are in Woodland Grant Scheme 3:
 - Multiple sites centred around 4 primary concentrations: 1 to the east of Woodmans Farm in the north of the Parish; a zone between Baldwin's Wood in the west and Fullingmill Copse in the east; to the west of Guessgate Farm and multiple pockets located to the south A283 Washington Road.

7 Appendix 3: Selected Parish Statistics - Ashurst

The following statistics and evidence are primarily drawn from the 2011 Census. These are used to provide an overview of the current status of the community. Other sources of data or information are acknowledged where applicable.

7.1 **Demographics**

The usual resident population of the Parish is 279 people³⁵ (141 male, 138 female). Of these:

- 38 People aged 15 and under (13.6% of Parish population compared to 18.7% across the District and 19% across England)
- 188 People aged 16 to 64 (67.4% of Parish population compared to 61.9% across the District and 65% across England)
- 53 People aged 65 and over (19.0% of Parish population compared to 19.4% across the District and 16% across England)

Table 5 - Age structure of Parish

Age band	Parish Figure 2011	District Figure 2011
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	(number and %)	(number and %)
0 to 4	16 (5.7%)	7,151 (5.4%)
5 to 7	4 (1.4%)	4,379 (3.3%)
8 to 9	2 (0.7%)	2,872 (2.2%)
10 to 14	14 (5.0%)	8,469 (6.5%)
15	2 (0.7%)	1,672 (1.3%)
16 to 17	10 (3.6%)	3,551 (2.7%)
18 to 19	7 (2.5%)	2,653 (2.0%)
20 to 24	17 (6.1%)	5,660 (4.3%)
25 to 29	8 (2.9%)	5,858 (4.5%)
30 to 44	39 (14.0%)	25,242 (19.2%)
45 to 59	71 (25.4%)	29,115 (22.2%)
60 to 64	36 (12.9%)	9,109 (6.9%)
65 to 74	31 (11.1%)	13,130 (10.0%)
75 to 84	15 (5.4%)	8,717 (6.6%)
85 to 89	5 (1.8%)	2,356 (1.8%)
90 and over	2 (0.7%)	1,367 (1.0%)
All Usual	279	131,301
Residents		

7.2 Economic status of residents³⁶

Of the 279 usual residents of the Parish, 219 were aged between 16 and 74.

- 162 (74.0%) of whom were economically active*:
 - $_{\odot}61$ were Employed full-time (27.9% compared to 40.3% across District) $_{\odot}$ 33 were Employed part-time (15.1% compared to 14.8% across District) $_{\odot}$ 55 were Self-employed (25.1% compared to 12.9% across District)
 - ∘ 6 were Unemployed (2.7% compared to 2.7% across District)
 - ○7 were Full-time students (3.2% compared to 2.7% across District)

*Economically Active - All people usually resident in the area at the time of the 2011 Census aged 16 to 74 and who were economically active (either in employment, or not in employment but seeking work and ready to start work within two weeks, or waiting to start a job already obtained). As defined by ONS (2014).

- 57 (26.0%) of whom were economically inactive*:
 - o 31 were Retired (14.2% compared to 15.5% across District)
 - o 9 were Students (4.1% compared to 3.5% across District)
 - ○10 were Looking after home or family (4.6% compared to 4.2% across District)
 - o 1 were Long-term sick or disabled (0.5% compared to 2.2% across District)
 - o6 were classified as Other (2.7% compared to 1.3% across District)

7.3 Occupations³⁷

- Of the 154 residents in the Parish in employment and aged between 16 and 74:
 - \circ 30 were Managers, Directors and Senior Officials (19.5% compared to 14.1% across the District).
 - 26 were Professional Occupations (16.9% compared to 19.1% across the District).
 - $_{\odot}$ 22 were Associate Professional and Technical Occupations (14.3% compared to 14.8% across the District).
 - o11 were Administrative and Secretarial Occupations (7.1% compared to 11.8% across the District).

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^{*}Economically Inactive - All people usually resident in the area at the time of the 2011 Census aged 16 to 74, who were economically inactive (anyone who was not in employment and did not meet the criteria to be classified as unemployed). As defined by ONS (2014).

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- ○28 were Skilled Trades Occupations (18.2% compared to 11.1% across the District).
- o 8 were Caring, Leisure and Other Service Occupations (5.2% compared to 9.7% across the District).
- $\circ 10$ were Sales and Customer Service Occupations (6.5% compared to 6.9% across the District).
- o 6 were Process, Plant and Machine Operatives (3.9% compared to 4.3% across the District).
- ○13 were in Elementary Occupations (8.4% compared to 8.1% across the District).

7.4 **Qualifications & Skills**³⁸

- Of the 241 usual residents in the parish aged 16 and over:
 - o 32 possessed no qualifications (13.3% compared to 19.5% across the District).
 - o 36 possessed Level 1 qualifications³⁹ (14.9% compared to 11.6% across the District).
 - o42 possessed Level 2 qualifications⁴⁰ (17.4% compared to 15.9% across the District).
 - o11 possessed Apprenticeship qualifications⁴¹ (4.6% compared to 3.4% across the District).
 - o 31 possessed Level 3 qualifications 42 (12.9% compared to 12.8% across the District).
 - \circ 81 possessed Level 4 and above qualifications⁴³ (33.6% compared to 32.4% across the District).
 - o8 possessed Other qualifications⁴⁴ (3.3% compared to 4.4% across the District).

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 $^{^{39}}$ Level 1 qualifications cover: 1-4 O Levels/CSE/GCSEs (any grades), Entry Level, Foundation Diploma, NVQ level 1, Foundation GNVQ, Basic/Essential Skills.

⁴⁰ Level 2 qualifications cover: 5+ O Level (Passes)/CSEs (Grade 1)/GCSEs (Grades A*-C), School Certificate, 1 A Level/ 2-3 AS Levels/VCEs, Intermediate/Higher Diploma, Welsh Baccalaureate Intermediate Diploma, NVQ level 2, Intermediate GNVQ, City and Guilds Craft, BTEC First/General Diploma, RSA Diploma 13 Apprenticeship.

 $^{^{\}rm 41}$ All people usually resident in the area at the time of the 2011 Census aged 16 and over whose highest qualification attained was Apprenticeship.

⁴² Level 3 Qualifications cover: 2+ A Levels/VCEs, 4+ AS Levels, Higher School Certificate, Progression/Advanced Diploma, Welsh Baccalaureate Advance Diploma, NVQ Level 3; Advanced GNVQ, City and Guilds Advanced Craft, ONC, OND, BTEC National, RSA Advanced Diploma.

⁴³ Level 4 and above qualifications cover: Degree (BA, BSc), Higher Degree (MA, PhD, PGCE), NVQ Level 4-5, HNC, HND, RSA Higher Diploma, BTEC Higher level, Professional Qualifications (Teaching, Nursing, Accountancy).

⁴⁴ Vocational/Work-related Qualifications, Foreign Qualifications (Not stated/level unknown).

7.5 Industry of employment⁴⁵

• The 154 usual residents aged between 16 and 74 in employment are employed in the following industries:

Table 6 - Industry of Employment

Industry	Parish Figure 2011	District Figure 2011
	(number and %)	(number and %)
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	16 (10.4%)	799 (1.2%)
Mining and Quarrying	0 (0.0%)	94 (0.1%)
Manufacturing	5 (3.2%)	5,031 (7.6%)
Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Conditioning Supply	0 (0.0%)	314 (0.5%)
Water Supply	0 (0.0%)	394 (0.6%)
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Administrative and Support Service Activities	11 (7.1%)	3,738 (5.6%)
Public Administration and Defence	2 (1.3%)	2,948 (4.4%)
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Activities of Householders as employers	0 (0.0%)	121 (0.2%)
Activities of Extraterritorial Organisations and Bodies	0 (0.0%)	31 (0.05%)

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7.6 **Housing**⁴⁶

- There are 110 households located within the Parish. Of these:
 - o 50 were owner-occupier households, owned outright (45.5% compared to 37.3% across the District)
 - o 24 were owner-occupier households, owned with a mortgage or loan (21.8% compared to 37.2% across the District).
 - ○0 were Shared Ownership (0.0% compared to 0.7% across the District).
 - ○0 were Social Rented from Council (0.0% compared to 1.2% across the District).
 - $_{\odot}$ 7 were Social Rented Other (6.4% compared to 10.3% across the District). $_{\odot}$ 26 were Privately rented (23.6% compared to 11.8% across the District). $_{\odot}$ 3 were Living Rent Free (2.7% compared to 1.5% across the District).

*A household is defined as one person living alone, or a group of people (not necessarily related) living at the same address who share cooking facilities and share a living room, sitting room or dining area. As defined by ONS (2014).

- There are 116 dwellings⁴⁷ located within the Parish. Of these:
 - $_{\odot}82$ are Detached housing (whole house or bungalow) (70.7% compared to 38.6% across the District)
 - o22 are Semi-detached housing (whole house or bungalow) (19.0% compared to 26.5% across the District)
 - o 6 are Terraced housing (5.2% compared to 17.0% across the District)
 - o 2 are Flats/apartments (1.7% compared to 17.2% across the District)
 - o1 are Caravans or other Mobile or Temporary Structures (0.9% compared to 0.7% across the District).

*A dwelling is a unit of accommodation with all rooms, including kitchen, bathroom and toilet behind a door that only that household can use. As defined by ONS (2014).

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7.7 Transport⁴⁸

Of the 110 households:

- 5 households had no car or van (4.5% compared to 11.8% across the District and 25.8% across England)
- 25 households had 1 car or van (22.7% compared to 39.6% across the District and 42.2% across England)
- 43 households had 2 cars or vans (39.1% compared to 35.5% across the District and 24.7% across England)
- 23 households had 3 cars or vans (20.9% compared to 9.1% across the District and 5.5% across England)
- 14 households had 4 or more cars or vans (12.7% compared to 4.0% across the District and 1.9% across England)

7.8 Health⁴⁹

Of the 279 usual residents of the Parish were classified as having the following health status:

- o 147 were in Very Good health (52.7% compared to 50.6% across the District)
- o 101 were in Good health (36.2% compared to 34.8% across the District)
- o 25 were in Fair health (9.0% compared to 11.1% across the District)
- o 5 were in Bad health (1.8% compared to 2.7% across the District)
- o 1 were in Very Bad health (0.4% compared to 0.8% across the District).

7.9 Heritage⁵⁰

The English Heritage classification of Listed Buildings shows that the Parish contains the following Grade I listed buildings and structures including:

• THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST JAMES, CHURCH LANE, ASHURST, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex I

7.9.1 Grade II Listed:

- GRANARY TO SOUTH WEST OF PEPPER HOUSE, PEPPERS LANE, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- EATONS FARMHOUSE, ASHURST, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- BINESFIELD, BINES GREEN, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- SOUTHBLOWS FARMHOUSE, BINES GREEN, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II

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- HORSEBRIDGE HOUSE, HORSEBRIDGE COMMON, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- KING'S BARN FARMHOUSE, PEPPERS LANE, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- THE FOUNTAIN INN, THE VILLAGE, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- FURXEFIELD COTTAGE, SPITHANDLE LANE, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- BROOKWOOD, HONEYBRIDGE LANE, ASHURST, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- DOVES COTTAGES, BINES GREEN, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- NORTHBLOWS FARMHOUSE, BINES GREEN, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- HOLLYBUSH COTTAGE, BINES GREEN, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- THE OLD HOUSE, CHURCH LANE, ASHURST, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- GRATWICKS, CHURCH LANE, ASHURST, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- COLLEGE WOOD FARMHOUSE, HORSEBRIDGE COMMON, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- FORMER SCHOOLMASTER'S HOUSE AT ASHURST PRIMARY SCHOOL Listing FORMER SCHOOLMASTER'S HOUSE AT ASHURST PRIMARY SCHOOL, SCHOOL LANE, ASHURST, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- GRANARY COTTAGE, THE VILLAGE, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- BLOQUES FARMHOUSE, THE VILLAGE, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- GRANARY AT EATONS FARM TO SOUTH EAST OF THE HOUSE, EATONS FARM, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- BLAKES FARMHOUSE, STEYNING ROAD, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- HILL'S FARMHOUSE, THE VILLAGE, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- GODSMARK'S FARMHOUSE, BINES GREEN, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- MARTINSLAND, BINES GREEN, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- OAK FORD COTTAGE, CHURCH LANE, ASHURST, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- BARN TO WEST OF PEPPER HOUSE, PEPPER'S LANE, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II
- BERGEN-OP-ZOOM COTTAGE, B2135, HORSEBRIDGE COMMON, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II

7.9.2 Grade II* Listed:

PEPPERS, PEPPERS LANE, Ashurst, Horsham, West Sussex II*

7.9.3 Scheduled Monuments:

None exist in the parish.

7.9.4 Registered Parks and Gardens:

None exist in the parish.

7.9.5 Registered Battlefields:

None exist in the parish.

7.10 Biodiversity⁵¹

- No Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty exist within the parish.
- No Sites of Special Scientific Interest exist within the parish.
- No Local Nature Reserves exist within the parish.
- The Parish contains areas identified by Natural England as Priority Habitats and are subject to Habitat Action Plans:
 - Coastal and Floodplain Grazing Marsh Priority Habitat located all along the eastern border of the parish adjacent to the River Adur. One site east of Blake's Farm along the side of one of the tributaries. Coverage along the northern border of the parish between Honey Bridge and Ford Clappers following the line of the drain.
 - o Traditional Orchards Priority Habitat 2 small sites: both located just south of Peppers Farm.
 - ODeciduous Woodland Priority Habitat Multiple sites predominantly located in the south of the parish. The greatest concentrations are to be found just north of Ashurst village, at Pepper Furzefield Wood/Little Pepper's Wood/Great Pepper's Wood/Middle Copse/North Wood, Calcot Wood, Love's Rough, Common Copse, Hawking Sopers Copse, North Wood and Jack o'Lantern Wood.
- The following areas are subject to an Environmental Stewardship Agreement:
 - Entry Level Stewardship Scheme Multiple sites, predominantly covering the northern half of the parish, with two sites in the southern half located to the east of New Wharf Farm/Wellen's Farm and to the west of Pepper Furzefield Wood.
 - oEntry Level Stewardship Scheme plus Higher Level Stewardship 2 sites: 1 site in the west of the parish at Common Copse and 1 site surrounding Daylands Farm in the north west of the parish.
- The following areas are in Woodland Grant Scheme 1:
 - 2 site 1 site east of Brookwood Farm in the north of the Parish. 1 site straddling the parish's south east border with Steyning Parish at Wappingthorn Wood.
- The following areas are in Woodland Grant Scheme 2:
 - o 3 sites 1 site to the west of Benfield Farm, adjacent to Church Lane. 1 site at Dove's Farm in the south of the Parish. 1 site straddling the parish's south east border with Steyning Parish at Wappingthorn Wood.
- The following areas are in Woodland Grant Scheme 3:
 - o8 sites 1 site to the west of Benfield Farm, adjacent to Church Lane. 1 site at Calcot Wood. 1 site at Great Pepper's Wood/South Copse/Dove's Ghyll. 1 site at Pepper Furzefield Wood/Middle Copse. 1 site at Common Copse. 1

⁵¹ http://magic.defra.gov.uk/

site at Hawking Sopers Copse. 1 site at North Wood. 1 site south of Moor's Head.

8 Appendix 4: Selected Parish Statistics - Bramber

The following statistics and evidence are primarily drawn from the 2011 Census. These are used to provide an overview of the current status of the community. Other sources of data or information are acknowledged where applicable.

8.1 **Demographics**

The usual resident population of the Parish is 785 people⁵² (393 male, 392 female). Of these:

- 112 People aged 15 and under (14.3% of Parish population compared to 18.7% across the District and 19% across England)
- 452 People aged 16 to 64 (57.6% of Parish population compared to 61.9% across the District and 65% across England)
- 221 People aged 65 and over (28.2% of Parish population compared to 19.4% across the District and 16% across England)

Table 7 - Age structure of Parish

Age band	Parish Figure 2011	District Figure 2011
	(number and %)	(number and %)
0 to 4	19 (2.4%)	7,151 (5.4%)
5 to 7	13 (1.7%)	4,379 (3.3%)
8 to 9	20 (2.5%)	2,872 (2.2%)
10 to 14	57 (7.3%)	8,469 (6.5%)
15	3 (0.4%)	1,672 (1.3%)
16 to 17	23 (2.9%)	3,551 (2.7%)
18 to 19	13 (1.7%)	2,653 (2.0%)
20 to 24	21 (2.7%)	5,660 (4.3%)
25 to 29	29 (3.7%)	5,858 (4.5%)
30 to 44	98 (12.5%)	25,242 (19.2%)
45 to 59	168 (21.4%)	29,115 (22.2%)
60 to 64	100 (12.7%)	9,109 (6.9%)
65 to 74	128 (16.3%)	13,130 (10.0%)
75 to 84	75 (9.6%)	8,717 (6.6%)
85 to 89	12 (1.5%)	2,356 (1.8%)
90 and over	6 (0.8%)	1,367 (1.0%)
All Usual Residents	785	131,301

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8.2 Economic status of residents⁵³

Of the 785 usual residents of the Parish, 580 were aged between 16 and 74.

- 373 (64.3%) of whom were economically active*:
 - ○163 were Employed full-time (28.1% compared to 40.3% across District)
 - o92 were Employed part-time (15.9% compared to 14.8% across District)
 - o97 were Self-employed (16.7% compared to 12.9% across District)
 - o 9 were Unemployed (1.6% compared to 2.7% across District)
 - ○12 were Full-time students (2.1% compared to 2.7% across District)

*Economically Active - All people usually resident in the area at the time of the 2011 Census aged 16 to 74 and who were economically active (either in employment, or not in employment but seeking work and ready to start work within two weeks, or waiting to start a job already obtained). As defined by ONS (2014).

- 207 (35.7%) of whom were economically inactive*:
 - ○145 were Retired (25.0% compared to 15.5% across District)
 - o25 were Students (4.3% compared to 3.5% across District)
 - o16 were Looking after home or family (2.8% compared to 4.2% across District)
 - o15 were Long-term sick or disabled (2.6% compared to 2.2% across District)
 - o6 were classified as Other (1.0% compared to 1.3% across District)

8.3 Occupations⁵⁴

- Of the 362 residents in the Parish in employment and aged between 16 and 74:
 - o 68 were Managers, Directors and Senior Officials (18.8% compared to 14.1% across the District).
 - ○97 were Professional Occupations (26.8% compared to 19.1% across the District).

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^{*}Economically Inactive - All people usually resident in the area at the time of the 2011 Census aged 16 to 74, who were economically inactive (anyone who was not in employment and did not meet the criteria to be classified as unemployed). As defined by ONS (2014).

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- o60 were Associate Professional and Technical Occupations (16.6% compared to 14.8% across the District).
- \circ 50 were Administrative and Secretarial Occupations (13.8% compared to 11.8% across the District).
- o23 were Skilled Trades Occupations (6.4% compared to 11.1% across the District).
- o25 were Caring, Leisure and Other Service Occupations (6.9% compared to 9.7% across the District).
- o20 were Sales and Customer Service Occupations (5.5% compared to 6.9% across the District).
- o8 were Process, Plant and Machine Operatives (2.2% compared to 4.3% across the District).
- o11 were in Elementary Occupations (3.0% compared to 8.1% across the District).

8.4 Qualifications & Skills⁵⁵

- Of the 673 usual residents in the parish aged 16 and over:
 - o81 possessed no qualifications (12.0% compared to 19.5% across the District).
 - $_{\odot}68$ possessed Level 1 qualifications 56 (10.1% compared to 11.6% across the District).
 - \circ 104 possessed Level 2 qualifications⁵⁷ (15.5% compared to 15.9% across the District).
 - o19 possessed Apprenticeship qualifications⁵⁸ (2.8% compared to 3.4% across the District).
 - \circ 86 possessed Level 3 qualifications (12.8% compared to 12.8% across the District).
 - \circ 282 possessed Level 4 and above qualifications 60 (41.9% compared to 32.4% across the District).
 - \circ 33 possessed Other qualifications⁶¹ (4.9% compared to 4.4% across the District).

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⁵⁶ Level 1 qualifications cover: 1-4 O Levels/CSE/GCSEs (any grades), Entry Level, Foundation Diploma, NVQ level 1, Foundation GNVQ, Basic/Essential Skills.

⁵⁷ Level 2 qualifications cover: 5+ O Level (Passes)/CSEs (Grade 1)/GCSEs (Grades A*-C), School Certificate, 1 A Level/ 2-3 AS Levels/VCEs, Intermediate/Higher Diploma, Welsh Baccalaureate Intermediate Diploma, NVQ level 2, Intermediate GNVQ, City and Guilds Craft, BTEC First/General Diploma, RSA Diploma 13 Apprenticeship.

 $^{^{58}}$ All people usually resident in the area at the time of the 2011 Census aged 16 and over whose highest qualification attained was Apprenticeship.

⁵⁹ Level 3 Qualifications cover: 2+ A Levels/VCEs, 4+ AS Levels, Higher School Certificate, Progression/Advanced Diploma, Welsh Baccalaureate Advance Diploma, NVQ Level 3; Advanced GNVQ, City and Guilds Advanced Craft, ONC, OND, BTEC National, RSA Advanced Diploma.

⁶⁰ Level 4 and above qualifications cover: Degree (BA, BSc), Higher Degree (MA, PhD, PGCE), NVQ Level 4-5, HNC, HND, RSA Higher Diploma, BTEC Higher level, Professional Qualifications (Teaching, Nursing, Accountancy).

⁶¹ Vocational/Work-related Qualifications, Foreign Qualifications (Not stated/level unknown).

8.5 Industry of employment⁶²

• The 362 usual residents aged between 16 and 74 in employment are employed in the following industries:

Table 8 - Industry of Employment

Industry	Parish Figure 2011	District Figure 2011
	(number and %)	(number and %)
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	4 (1.1%)	799 (1.2%)
Mining and Quarrying	0 (0.0%)	94 (0.1%)
Manufacturing	26 (7.2%)	5,031 (7.6%)
Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Conditioning Supply	0 (0.0%)	314 (0.5%)
Water Supply	3 (0.8%)	394 (0.6%)
Construction	32 (8.8%)	5,081 (7.7%)
Wholesale & Retail Trade	46 (12.7%)	10,195 (15.4%)
Transport & Storage	12 (3.3%)	4,047 (6.1%)
Accommodation and Food Service Activities	12 (3.3%)	2,762 (4.2%)
Information and Communication	23 (6.4%)	3,222 (4.9%)
Financial and Insurance Activities	20 (5.5%)	4,074 (6.1%)
Real Estate Activities	11 (3.0%)	1,194 (1.8%)
Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	52 (14.4%)	5,506 (8.3%)
Administrative and Support Service Activities	12 (3.3%)	3,738 (5.6%)
Public Administration and Defence	14 (3.9%)	2,948 (4.4%)
Education	47 (13.0%)	6,390 (9.6%)
Human Health and Social Activities Work	33 (9.1%)	6,742 (10.2%)
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	14 (3.9%)	3,616 (5.5%)
Activities of Householders as employers	0 (0.0%)	121 (0.2%)
Activities of Extraterritorial Organisations and Bodies	1 (0.3%)	31 (0.05%)

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8.6 Housing⁶³

- There are 338 households located within the Parish. Of these:
 - o196 were owner-occupier households, owned outright (58.0% compared to 37.3% across the District)
 - o100 were owner-occupier households, owned with a mortgage or loan (29.6% compared to 37.2% across the District).
 - ○0 were Shared Ownership (0.0% compared to 0.7% across the District).
 - o1 were Social Rented from Council (0.3% compared to 1.2% across the District).
 - o1 were Social Rented Other (0.3% compared to 10.3% across the District).
 - ○36 were Privately rented (10.7% compared to 11.8% across the District).
 - ○4 were Living Rent Free (1.2% compared to 1.5% across the District).
- *A household is defined as one person living alone, or a group of people (not necessarily related) living at the same address who share cooking facilities and share a living room, sitting room or dining area. As defined by ONS (2014).
- There are 348 dwellings⁶⁴ located within the Parish. Of these:
 - $_{\odot}$ 223 are Detached housing (whole house or bungalow) (64.1% compared to 38.6% across the District)
 - o60 are Semi-detached housing (whole house or bungalow) (17.2% compared to 26.5% across the District)
 - $_{\odot}11$ are Terraced housing (3.2% compared to 17.0% across the District) $_{\odot}$ 20 are Flats/apartments (5.7% compared to 17.2% across the District) $_{\odot}$ 5 are Caravans or other Mobile or Temporary Structures (1.4%

compared to 0.7% across the District).

*A dwelling is a unit of accommodation with all rooms, including kitchen, bathroom and toilet behind a door that only that household can use. As defined by ONS (2014).

8.7 Transport⁶⁵

Of the 338 households:	

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- 15 households had no car or van (4.4% compared to 11.8% across the District and 25.8% across England)
- 131 households had 1 car or van (38.8% compared to 39.6% across the District and 42.2% across England)
- 132 households had 2 cars or vans (39.1% compared to 35.5% across the District and 24.7% across England)
- 42 households had 3 cars or vans (12.4% compared to 9.1% across the District and 5.5% across England)
- 18 households had 4 or more cars or vans (5.3% compared to 4.0% across the District and 1.9% across England)

8.8 Health⁶⁶

Of the 785 usual residents of the Parish were classified as having the following health status:

- o 419 were in Very Good health (53.4% compared to 50.6% across the District)
- o 270 were in Good health (34.4% compared to 34.8% across the District)
- 72 were in Fair health (9.2% compared to 11.1% across the District)
 19 were in Bad health (2.4% compared to 2.7% across the District)
 5 were in Very Bad health (0.6% compared to 0.8% across the District).

8.9 Heritage⁶⁷

The English Heritage classification of Listed Buildings shows that the Parish contains the following Grade I listed buildings and structures including:

- ST MARY'S HOUSE AND THE GARDEN, THE STREET, Bramber, Horsham, West Sussex I
- CHURCH OF ST BOTOLPH, BOTOLPHS, Bramber, Horsham, West Sussex I
- BRAMBER CASTLE RUINS, THE STREET, Bramber, Horsham, West Sussex I

8.9.1 Grade II Listed:

- PEAR TREE COTTAGE, ANNINGTON ROAD, Bramber, Horsham, West Sussex II
- ANNINGTON HOUSE AND THE STABLES ADJOINING, ANNINGTON ROAD, Bramber, Horsham, West Sussex II
- VICARAGE COTTAGE, BOTOLPHS, Bramber, Horsham, West Sussex II
- MAUDLYN HOUSE, 1 2 AND 3, MAUDLYN PARKWAY, Bramber, Horsham, West Sussex II
- THE OLD PRIORY, THE STREET, Bramber, Horsham, West Sussex II

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- ST BOTOLPH'S, 1 AND 2, ANNINGTON ROAD, Bramber, Horsham, West Sussex II
- BANK COTTAGE, ANNINGTON ROAD|HIGH HOBBY, ANNINGTON ROAD, Bramber, Horsham, West Sussex II
- BURLETTS, BRAMBER ROAD, Bramber, Horsham, West Sussex II
- YEW TREE COTTAGE, THE STREET, Bramber, Horsham, West Sussex II
- MAUDLIN FARM COTTAGE, MAUDLIN LANE, Bramber, Horsham, West Sussex II
- ANNINGTON OLD FARMHOUSE, ANNINGTON ROAD, Bramber, Horsham, West Sussex II
- MAUDLIN FARMHOUSE, MAUDLIN LANE, Bramber, Horsham, West Sussex II
- THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST NICHOLAS, THE STREET, Bramber, Horsham, West Sussex I
- ST MARY'S LODGE, THE STREET|LITTLE ST MARY'S, THE STREET, Bramber, Horsham, West Sussex II

8.9.2 Grade II* Listed:

None exist in the parish.

8.9.3 Scheduled Monuments:

- Bramber Castle Scheduling Bramber, Horsham, West Sussex
- Group of salterns and a possible moat 250m east of Bramber Castle Scheduling Steyning, Horsham, West Sussex

8.9.4 Registered Parks and Gardens:

• None exist in the parish.

8.9.5 Registered Battlefields:

None exist in the parish.

8.10 **Biodiversity**⁶⁸

- The South Downs National Park covers approximately 90% of the parish's land area, the excluded portion consisting of the most northern part of the parish with the boundary being the line of development.
- Approximately 95% of the Parish is located within the South Downs Environmentally Sensitive Area. This covers the same area as falls within the South Downs National Park, however, it extends further northwards only excluding that land north of the Clays Hill road and The Street.

•	No Areas o	f Outstanding	Natural	Beauty	exist	within	the parish	١.
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- No Sites of Special Scientific Interest exist within the parish:
- No Local Nature Reserve is located within the parish.
- The Parish contains areas identified by Natural England as Priority Habitats and are subject to Habitat Action Plans:
 - o Good Quality Semi-Improved Grassland Priority Habitat 2 zones: 1 site surrounding Winding Bottom in the south of the parish and 1 site surrounding Steyning Bowl in the north west of the parish.
 - Coastal and Floodplain Grazing Marsh Priority Habitat 4 sites: 1 zone in the south east corner of
 the parish to the east of the drain but to the west of the River Adur; 1 zone at the drain located
 to the east of Annington Mere Farm; 1 zone to the south of The Street and to the east of the
 Drain; 1 zone to the north of The Street and east of Bramber Castle (remains).
 - Deciduous Woodland Priority Habitat Multiple small zones: 1 surrounding Bramber Castle (remains); 1 south of The Street and west of the Caravan Park; 3 zones to the west/north west of Annington Commercial Centre; 1 zone at Steyning Bowl; 6 small zones scattered across the south of the parish.
 - ∘ Traditional Orchards Priority Habitat 2 sites: 1 zone located east of Bramber Castle (remains) and 1 at the north-western end of Clays Hill Road.
- The following areas are subject to an Environmental Stewardship Agreement:
 - o Entry Level Stewardship Scheme One zone covering land between Annington Road and the A283 road, south of Maudlin Cottage and north of the Drain.
 - o Entry Level plus Higher Level Stewardship Scheme Multiple sites: including the western half of the parish with the exclusion of Annington Hill, the ground to the south of A283 but to the east of the drain and land just north of Maudlin Farm and east of Annington Mere Farm.
- The following areas are in Woodland Grant Scheme 1:
 - No sites in the parish.
- The following areas are in Woodland Grant Scheme 2:
 - No sites in the parish.
- The following areas are in Woodland Grant Scheme 3:
 - One small site located at Middle Maudlyn Farm