

SURVEY OF LAVERSTOCK & FORD PARISH

September/October 2014

In September 2014, as a consequence of the Community Governance Review, and subsequent to a resolution by Salisbury City Council to incorporate the Parish of Laverstock & Ford into their parish, LFPC commissioned an initial ballot of households within our parish using a combination of both postal and on-line voting. The questions asked were:

- 1. Laverstock and Ford Parish Communities to remain independent of Salisbury.**
- 2. Laverstock and Ford Parish Communities to be wholly absorbed by Salisbury.**

The original ballot submissions have not been retained. Between 85 and 90% were on-line and the remainder were written submissions on a ballot paper delivered by hand to all residents. These written submissions had to be returned via ballot boxes positioned across the parish. The online survey had a setting that only allowed one response from each IP address.

The ballot produced a total of 1010 responses with only 7 indicating a preference for Laverstock & Ford Parish being absorbed by Salisbury City Parish. This was a 99.3% vote in favour of Laverstock & Ford Parish remaining independent of Salisbury and clearly indicated the wishes of our residents.

Residents were asked to record their postcode on the submission. Approximately 48% came from Laverstock, 28% from Ford and Old Sarum, and 24% from Bishopdown/Hampton Park.

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Parish Clerk
Laverstock & Ford Parish Council

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