

Laverstock & Ford Parish Council – Written Update

- Laverstock and Ford Parish Council has voted to commence a Neighbourhood Plan for our Parish. A Neighbourhood Plan Team of resident volunteers have come forward to take forward the Neighbourhood Planning process over the next two years.
- We hope to meet with Salisbury City Council Chair and Vice Chair in early November to agree areas of mutual benefit for collaboration but still await confirmation that this meeting is to take place.
- The legal arrangements and planning authorisation for our new 55 Hectare Country Park at Riverdown Park are finally in place. The Developers have indicated that they will begin landscaping of earthworks and building of 6 new Play Parks at the earliest opportunity. Once these are complete the Country Park will be passed to us and our partners, The Land Trust, to manage as high value green space in perpetuity. We envisage the latest transfer will take place will be Spring 2018.
- The first of the 8 new Play Parks at our Longhedge settlement may be completed as early as December of this year. We have met recently with the Developers and discussed details of handover of new green spaces. This included ensuring that there are paths in place for cyclists and pedestrians to cross to Old Sarum green spaces.
- We will be supporting two national First World War remembrance events in 2018. A contribution to Ribbon of Poppies at Old Sarum and a contribution to Centenary Woodland at the new Country Park at Riverdown Park.