

1. South Downs National Park Authority Cycling and Walking Strategy 2017-2014

1.1 The SDNPA has published its Cycling and Walking Strategy covering the period from 2017 to 2024 (circulated to members). It sets out the NPAs aim and direction for the future of cycling and walking activities in the South Downs. The strategy includes:

- A Vision Map of strategic routes, promoted trails and identified aspirational routes
- Key delivery actions and priorities, most of which are subject to additional funding and resource.

2. Sheep Worrying in Sussex

2.1 The Sussex National Farmers Union (NFU) is looking to run a Spring campaign on sheep worrying, and in particular would like to run a few events over the weekend of the 3rd & 4th March at key locations across Sussex to highlight the impact of sheep worrying to the public. The NFU would welcome any support and input from partner organisations.

2.2 Following the last WSLAF meeting Peter Bradbury contacted Katy Bourne, Sussex Police and Crime Commissioner, on behalf of WSLAF regarding sheep worrying in West Sussex. Her response, acknowledging concerns and outlining actions has been circulated to members.

3. Adoption of Adur Local Plan 2017

3.1 The Adur Local Plan was adopted on 14th December 2017. Details can be viewed on the [Council's website](#).

4. Centurion Way – extension

4.1 SDNPA is continuing with planning work on an extension of the Centurion Way from West Dean to the South Downs National Trail. A planning application for the route is being prepared for submission in spring/summer. Parish Councils and statutory consultees will be consulted and a number of public consultation events will be scheduled to give stakeholders and communities an opportunity to view plans and discuss the proposed extension with project officers.

5. Richard Mercer

5.1 Richard Mercer passed away in December 2017. He had been an active member on the High Weald Sub-Forum, which advised the main West Sussex Local Access Forum until 2011, and regularly attended WSLAF meetings as an observer. He worked, on behalf of the Ramblers, to improve access for walkers, particularly in the north east of the County.

6. WSCC Rights of Way (ROW) Committee and Definitive Map Changes

6.1 The next meeting is scheduled for 20 February 2018. All papers can be found on the [Rights of Way Committee web pages](#).

7. Neighbouring LAFs

7.1 South Downs Local Access Forum (SDLAF)

The last meeting of the SDLAF was on 23 January. Next meetings are scheduled for:

- 17 April 2018
- 17 July 2018
- 23 October 2018

WSLAF link member: Tricia Butcher / Glynn Jones

7.2 Brighton & Hove Local Access Forum

Next meetings are scheduled for:

- Thursday 12 April 2018
- Thursday 12 July
- Thursday 11 October 2018
- Thursday 17 January 2019

7.3 East Sussex Local Access Forum

Next meetings are scheduled for:

- 21 February 2018

7.4 Surrey Local Access Forum (SLAF)

Next meetings are scheduled for:

- Monday 16 April
- Monday 16 July
- Monday 15 October

Jane Noble, Forum Officer