



Laverstock & Ford Parish Council

Incorporating Milford, Bishopdown Farm, Old Sarum & Longhedge

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Working Party

Strengths • Possibility for online meetings • Reduced admin burden on the staff team	Weaknesses • Online communication difficulties • Danger of becoming a 'talking shop' with limited purpose • Agenda and Minutes not available to community • Decision- making deferred to PC.
Opportunities • Residents/community groups could be invited to join. • Open discussion • Development of innovative ideas and proposals	Threats • Could develop into a community lobby group rather than part of the decision-making process of the PC. • Need to determine role and length of non-PC members to avoid 'take-over'!

Sub Committee

Strengths • Status, recognition as part of the PC formal decision-making structure. • Publication of Minutes and Agendas • Open to the public	Weaknesses • No delegated spending powers. • Decision- making deferred to PC
Opportunities • Opportunity for councillors to develop formal committee skills, e.g., role of Chair. • Open discussion • Development of innovative ideas and proposals.	Threats • Lack of Status • Non-Attendance • Lack of quorum