



LAVERSTOCK & FORD PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting Date: Monday 21 October 2024

Agenda Item: 24.137

Subject:	Bishopdown Land Transfers
Prepared by:	Gale Pettifer, Clerk
Purpose of Report:	To consider proposals for land adoption in Bishopdown Farm.
Background:	<p>Council has been asked to consider adopting various parcels of land in Bishopdown Farm, as laid out in Appendix 1.</p> <p>The parcels of land in question are currently owned by Howard Pearce.</p> <p>It is proposed to transfer these to the Council.</p>
Key Points:	<p>The parcels of land are included in Appendix 1:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. WT170755 - Land adjacent to Hilltop Way (shown Blue on the Savills Blue) and the Country Park. 2. WT219418 - Land off Tryhorn Drive Title Register WT219418. <i>For the avoidance of doubt, this excludes the land at the end of Neal Close which is included in the same title.</i> 3. WT17755 - Land off Oldfield Road. 4. WT170755 - Land adjacent to Community Centre. 5. WT1676316 - 7 Dunley Way, Bishopdown. 6. WT170036 - 32 Dunley Way, Bishopdown. 7. WT156793 – Land north of Apostle Way.
Implications	<p>The transfer of some of the land included in this report may have benefit to the Parish Council.</p> <p>Other parcels, however, have implications for ongoing costs, such as grass cutting and tree maintenance, and staffing resources in terms of monitoring and management. There are also issues with public access and Rights of Way.</p> <p>The transfer of land would incur legal costs.</p> <p>Ongoing maintenance could have implications for the precept.</p>
Recommendation	It is recommended that the Council defer a decision until further information is obtained and a comprehensive report can be made available.