

Drivers for change are the external factors that influence what the Partnership Management Plan says and how it is delivered. As part of the process of reviewing the Management plan we have looked at these with our partners. The table sets out the things that we all thought would have an impact on the plan over the next 5 years. This helped us make the decision to change the outcomes in the Plan and on the areas we have identified as priorities for the next 5 years.

Driver	Theme	Relevant Government Policy/Issue	Status
<b>Policy</b> (Continued)	Natural Capital & Ecosystem Approach	Natural Capital Committee Reports Treasury and ONS focus on NC Valuation Increasingly mainstreamed in UK policy Defra 25 Year Strategy Proposed Agricultural Bill UK Clean Growth and Industrial Strategy Proposed update of the National Ecosystem Assessment 2022	↑ Increased Importance
	Local Plan for The South Downs	Revised NPPF and guidance Housing White Paper UK Industrial Strategy LEPs Strategic Investment Plans DCMS White Paper/ACE Strategy Housing White Paper	↑ Increased Importance
	Flood risk management	Revised NPPF and guidance Proposed Agricultural Bill Changes in approach to management structures. Southern Regional Flood and Coastal Committee Increased focus on Natural Flood Management from EA and the water sector partners.	↑ Increased Importance
<b>Institutional</b>	Further Education Review	Government Policy and focus on apprenticeship schemes.  Increased funding for apprenticeships within the sector (especially the new Landscape and DCMS sector focus).	↑ Increased Importance
	Changes in land ownership	Pressure on Local Authority Budgets Prioritisation of front line and statutory services Impact upon existing agricultural economy by Brexit arrangements.	↑ Increased Importance
	Restructure of agencies	Glover Review Pressure on budgets and staffing resources within the statutory agencies. Shift in priorities as a response to changing policy environment.	↑ Increased Importance
<b>Economic / Financial</b>	Growth deals	UK Industrial Strategy LEPs Strategic Investment Plans	↓ Decreased Importance
	Rural Communities	South Down Economic Profile Proposed Agricultural Bill	↑ Increased Importance
	Visitor Economy	Tourism Action Plan 2016 Defra 8 Point Plan Discover England Tourism Sector Deal	↑ Increased Importance
	Economy – Local Economic Partnerships South East Regional Tourism Board	UK Industrial Strategy UK Clean Growth Strategy LEPs Strategic Investment Plans and role in Rural Economy DCMC White Paper/ACE strategy Housing White Paper Revised NPPF and guidance	↔ Remains an important Driver
	Funding	Reduction in available research funding as a result of exiting the EU programmes. Increased competition for HLF and other external funding. Increased need to demonstrate high impact and effectiveness of policies/programmes. Glover Review.	↔ Remains an important Driver