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SUMMARY:

Landscape- Home

- Why we live here
- Moving for shop
- Missing the history -'mind blowing' history (field systems/ drove trails)
- Whole area is beautiful (views at every corner)
- Public rights of way

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- 1) Lunch times: despite views of M3, beautiful views wildflowers, butterflies (walk to location)-relaxing (Magdalen Down)
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SUMMARY:

Connection to Nature: link to simplicity and something unchanged. Family feeling- a place for families

- Pride in cared for heritage
- Connectedness (Upham)
- Birds, peace, contrast to A272
- Inspirational
- Sense of changing seasons.
- Feels like you have had a break- refreshing and brings perspective
- Powerful and emotive historical places
- Connectedness to the past

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- 1) Magdden Hill: conservation, beauty, cowslips- stunning to drive past. Link from countryside
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SUMMARY:

Background needs to be explained- why? What the reasons? Left pressure?

Itchen constraints need to make sense. What were the drivers?

Big Issues: ? of access including Pilgrim's Way/SDW

Sense of Place:

1. Importance of access where possible (scope for improvement)
2. Wildlife connectivity- extends well beyond the study area (including but not limited to) upper reaches of the Itchen Valley
3. Landscape and Views e.g. glimpses of Winchester, views of SDNP from Winchester

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30	GOT_30	Park and Ride this side of the city
33	GOT_33	Lack of awareness/availability of circular/other walks- people go to certain areas which puts pressure on them
34	GOT_34	Itchen Way- lovely until Winchester
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36	GOT_36	Lack of access- need green bridge across M3
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41	GOT_41	B3046 boarders River Itchen- views across the watercress meadows
43	GOT_43	Access for wheelchairs/pushchairs (generic issues across open areas
46	GOT_46	Topography: hill out of Winchester makes less approachable to explore
47	GOT_47	Erosion of banks
50	GOT_50	Ugly access for cyclists between Winchester at Chilcomb
51	GOT_51	Confusing access for cyclsits to NCN of Shawford Downs, S Winchester P&R, Hockley viaduct
52	GOT_52	No pavements. Narrow lanes danger to cyclists and pedestrians. More development will exacerbate problem
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17	CTH_17	Wilfred Owen: route march over Winchester inspired line in poem. Broader cultural inspiration during difficult time. Awareness and public awareness.
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21	CTH_21	Watercress and Winterbournes Project: HLF funded. Domestic water efficiency- link up with Cultural Heritage
22	CTH_22	Don't know what there is across the park
23	CTH_23	Trackways/ paths not connected to cultural heritage value re Winchester Cathedral, Pilgrims Way, Monarch Way. (Links between Winchester and religious land ownership . Low resource= leaflets. BLUE BADGE GUIDES)
24	CTH_24	Lots of people doing individual work around cultural heritage- not well joined up
25	CTH_25	More on folk customs/ history. Could be linked to improved signage and access routes.
26	CTH_26	Where to find information? More info on landscape and wildlife not heritage.
27	CTH_27	WW1 and 11 links. Again disconnected activities- small projects not well connected.
28	CTH_28	Literary inspiration not well known.

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30	CTH_30	Connection to Farming Heritage: farm to fork- where food comes from. Communication/Sustainability
32	CTH_32	Churches: Access and understanding. Diversifying use e.g. camping and cakes. Maintenance and care- most significant building in an area.
33	CTH_33	Local Heritage Lists: extract info and produce interpretation, walking routes and trails.
<u>Landscape Experience</u>		SHEET 2
17	LE_17	Traffic and noise pollution NOT restricted to M3 and major route- visual impact also. Also airport and motorbikes e.g. M27 C9
18	LE_18	Litter- area wide. Opportunities: signage? Litter bins? Education- respect the countryside. Fly tipping and building waste
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29	LE_29	Change in landscape
30	LE_30	80% farmers- how it is managed is important. Incentives? LANDSCAPE DETERMINED BY HOW IT IS FARMED
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Getting Out There	GOT_13	84	Busy/fast roads
Getting Out There	GOT_14	85	Access to SDW from Winchester City railway station
Getting Out There	GOT_15	86	Urban access to NP- knowing where to go from Winchester City Centre to access the NP e.g. signage, walker/bike route, information
Getting Out There	GOT_16	87	Poor gateway for public access. Unwelcoming
Getting Out There	GOT_18	88	Noise from M3
Getting Out There	GOT_21	89	The vulnerability of cars parked at Cheesefoot Head car park to THEFT
Getting Out There	GOT_22	90	Very bad access (dangerous
Getting Out There	GOT_23	91	Geared around vehicles not cycle/foot access. Huge barrier
Getting Out There	GOT_25	92	Major barrier road- physical and perceived
Getting Out There	GOT_26	93	Perception of safety in car parks
Getting Out There	GOT_27	94	Change of land use(festivals and events
Getting Out There	GOT_28	95	Crossing A272 safely at Cheesefoot Head
Getting Out There	GOT_29	96	Change of use causing traffic and congestion
Getting Out There	GOT_30	97	Park and Ride this side of the city

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Getting Out There	GOT_33	98	Lack of awareness/availability of circular/other walks- people go to certain areas which puts pressure on them
Getting Out There	GOT_34	99	Itchen Way- lovely until Winchester
Getting Out There	GOT_35	100	Dog walks disturbing wildlife impacting on river quality
Getting Out There	GOT_36	101	Lack of access- need green bridge across M3
Getting Out There	GOT_37	102	Need honeypot visitors centre/ better comms with WCC visitor centre
Getting Out There	GOT_38	103	Lack of ROW between Itchen Valley and A272
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Getting Out There	GOT_41	106	B3046 borders River Itchen- views across the watercress meadows
Getting Out There	GOT_43	107	Access for wheelchairs/pushchairs (generic issues across open areas
Getting Out There	GOT_46	108	Topography: hill out of Winchester makes less approachable to explore
Getting Out There	GOT_47	109	Erosion of banks
Getting Out There	GOT_50	110	Ugly access for cyclists between Winchester at Chilcomb
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Getting Out There	GOT_52	112	No pavements. Narrow lanes danger to cyclists and pedestrians. More development will exacerbate problem
Getting Out There	GOT_59	113	No/little info on SDNP in Winchester
Getting Out There	GOT_60	114	No access from Winnal Moors to SDNP
Getting Out There	GOT_62	115	Need joined up approach to access across all organisations. Currently disjointed.
Getting Out There	GOT_63	116	Messy crossing of M3 from Twyford Down to St Catherine's Hill
Getting Out There	GOT_64	117	Signage and information: about physical, intellectual, sensory etc. access so that underrepresented groups are confident to explore and have an idea of what they will see/find/learn
Getting Out There	GOT_65	118	Toilets- lack of car parking, litter bins, rubbish management
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Connecting to History	CTH_12	120	Where chalk drains into river- why Winchester is here- link from Iron Age. - Tree congestion- view intrusion and impacts on fish. Needs open and grazing. EMOTIVE
Connecting to History	CTH_13	121	Barrows: People don't know what they are looking at. Lack of connection. Sacred landscape. Practical destruction
Connecting to History	CTH_14	122	New Developments: feel a connection to the landscape. Help people feel it is their heritage. Sense of Ownership. Jane Seymour Connection: Marwell Zoo- animals as public draw but what about history.
Connecting to History	CTH_15	123	Historic Routes: Issues is people don't know the history of these historic routes e.g. pilgrimage, corpse road.
Connecting to History	CTH_16	124	Graze downland is part of national heritage- how to preserve?
Connecting to History	CTH_17	125	Wilfred Owen: route march over Winchester inspired line in poem. Broader cultural inspiration during difficult time. Awareness and public awareness.

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Connecting to History	CTH_18	126	Natural Amphitheatre. WW11 significance. Public awareness. Modern issue re BOOMTOWN. Lack of visibility of park at 'new' cultural events in Boomtown.
Connecting to History	CTH_19	127	Twyford Pumping: growth of big cities. Not well known steam demo. Skills issue as run by volunteers (older . Water efficiency = strong learning value- modern/contemporary value of water use)
Connecting to History	CTH_20	128	Damage to St Catherine's Hill: cyclists/walkers damage sites. Overgrown so cannot see information
Connecting to History	CTH_21	129	Watercress and Winterbournes Project: HLF funded. Domestic water efficiency- link up with Cultural Heritage
Connecting to History	CTH_22	130	Don't know what there is across the park
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Connecting to History	CTH_24	132	Lots of people doing individual work around cultural heritage- not well joined up
Connecting to History	CTH_25	133	More on folk customs/ history. Could be linked to improved signage and access routes.
Connecting to History	CTH_26	134	Where to find information? More info on landscape and wildlife not heritage.
Connecting to History	CTH_27	135	WW1 and 11 links. Again disconnected activities- small projects not well connected.
Connecting to History	CTH_28	136	Literary inspiration not well known.
Connecting to History	CTH_29	137	Traditional skills and practices e.g chalk cob walls (need to record where they survive- links to the New Forest, farming practices, language and dialect.)
Connecting to History	CTH_30	138	Connection to Farming Heritage: farm to fork- where food comes from. Communication/Sustainability
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Landscape Experience	LE_17	141	Traffic and noise pollution NOT restricted to M3 and major route- visual impact also. Also airport and motorbikes e.g. M27 C9
Landscape Experience	LE_18	142	Litter- area wide. Opportunities: signage? Litter bins? Education- respect the countryside. Fly tipping and building waste
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Landscape Experience	LE_25	149	Important to understand a managed landscape and impact on those that manage it (cost/litter/fly tipping - managed landscape should not be too restrictive. SD needs to be able to evolve.)
Landscape Experience	LE_26	150	More access= more litter, cars, need for toilets, signage, potential for traffic accidents- who manages the impacts and threats.
Landscape Experience	LE_27	151	Damage to landscape and burrowing animals
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Landscape Experience	LE_30	154	80% farmers- how it is managed is important. Incentives? LANDSCAPE DETERMINED BY HOW IT IS FARMED
Landscape Experience	LE_31	155	Farm diversification (e.g. Boomtown: are users coming to experience the SDNP? Educational opportunity? BUT needs to have landowners on board.)

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39	Map1_39	BIKERS: people using park as through route- how to encourage people to stop, stay, value.
40	Map1_40	Local employment- cutting down on traffic? London commuters.
<u>Map 2</u>		
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15	Map 3_15	X
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21	Map 3_21	Expand PROW network/permissive paths. Quite a network around Twyford but less going north. Challenges for cycling N to S. Circular routes
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25	Map 4_25	Natural flood management- channel restoration in the Itchen
43	Map 4_43	Wildlife crossing along rural/other roads- reduce roadkill/increase habitat connectivity
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48	Map 4_48	Cycle/BW links from Twyford/Shawford to Winchester
60	Map 4_60	Improve SDW cycle route between Chilcomb and Winchester with additional Habitat Corridor creation
64	Map 4_64	P&R links to rover valley. A272 links from Gypsy Lane to Science Centre. Info on walks locally- in each village. Public transport links to Science Centre/ villages
92	Map 4_92	Walks/cycle routes from Science Centre as hub for car park

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Opportunity Mapping	Map3_17	166	Environmental stewardships e.g. pollinator connections. Also an attraction for visitors and residents. Could be part of a network for people and wildlife
Opportunity Mapping	Map3_18	167	Twyford Down/Old Winchester Hill- cultural heritage and historic ways in/ routes that are part of the cultural heritage. Pilgrimage- Cathedral. Utilise those things that make this areas really unique and distinctive of the place (architectural design themes . Tell the story of what is unique and joins in with the Downs-an important and historic relationship)
Opportunity Mapping	Map3_19	168	Local access for multiple ages etc. and Winchester as a destination that incorporates the NP. Lack of shopping diversity

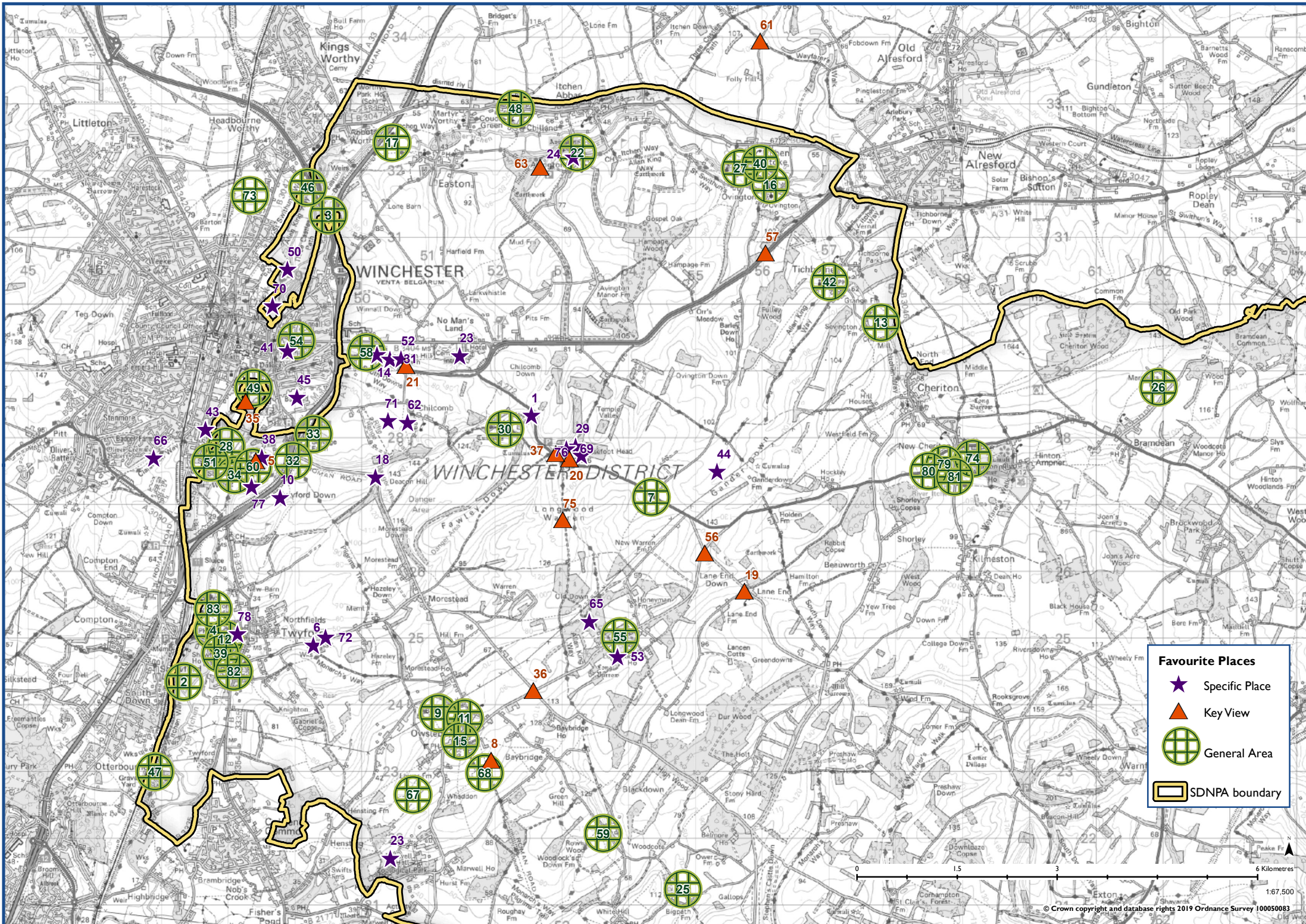
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Workshop I

Map showing the attendee's favourite places in the project area



Favourite Places

- ★ Specific Place
- ▲ Key View
- ⊞ General Area
- ▭ SDNPA boundary

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Workshop I Description of favourite places

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Session I: Favourite Places in the Landscape

Map 1

- 1) Matteredly Bowl: iconic views looking NW (concerns re Boomtown)
- 2) River Itchen: being by the river, biodiversity, feel of landscape
- 3) Entry into NP: no signage not a full sense of being in the NP. Coming in from A34 some awareness but limited
- 4) Shawford Water-meadows and wider Itchen Valley: varied and beautiful, interesting water-meadows to look at and investigate.
- 5) St Catherine's Hill: view out to the west back across downs and valley. Hill Fort. Historic significance. Steep driving.
- 6) Twyford Supply Works: historic significance. Hazeley Down bottled spring water. Treatment works. Story of chalk supplying water.
- 7) Entry into study area- open downs views and character#

Map 2

- 1) Key view looking south from Owslebury (highest village in Hampshire)
- 2) Henstring Valley- local beauty spot
- 3) Golf course, Hockley- views to 10m And history of landscape
- 4) Owslebury feels connected to Winchester
- 5) River Itchen very valued- 'green highway'
- 6) River Itchen- where river rises
- 7) Magdalen Hill Down
- 8) Increase communication around family and mix into the community
- 9) Lovely walks in River Itchen (Ovington)
- 10) Along River Itchen
- 11) Roman History- Winchester
- 12) Views heading SE towards Exton
- 13) Views from Cheesefoot Head

SUMMARY:

Landscape- Home

- Why we live here
- Moving for shop
- Missing the history -'mind blowing' history (field systems/ drove trails)
- Whole area is beautiful (views at every corner)
- Public rights of way

Map 3

- 1) Lunch times: despite views of M3, beautiful views wildflowers, butterflies (walk to location)-relaxing (Magdalen Down)
- 2) Cycling through Avington Park. Small nature conservation area- views stunning. Link to simplicity, unchanged, link to history
- 3) Science Centre: family focus, happy family together. Marwell Wildlife- family focus, outdoors, hands on experience with family wellbeing.
- 4) Avington House: BRILLIANT BRILLIANT! Still there, well cared for.
- 5) Upham Access: village with a base from where people can access landscape- connectedness.

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- 6) Bramdean/Four Marks: early morning birds (Mistle thrush scarce, waiting for a cuckoo)-
forestation = wildlife. Links to nature- contrast to A272
- 7) Itchen River: getting away while not far away. Immediate connection to nature. More than a
new and green space- tranquillity of water inspirational
- 8) Inspirational steps of Keats- sense of changing seasons, birdlife.
- 9) Cheesefoot Head: historic place. Powerful. Emotive- sorrowful but powerful and significant.
Connectedness to the past. **Our Heritage**
- 10) Feels like quintessential SD- feels like you've had a holiday or a break- refreshed perspective.

SUMMARY:

Connection to Nature: link to simplicity and something unchanged. Family feeling- a place for families

- Pride in cared for heritage
- Connectedness (Upham)
- Birds, peace, contrast to A272
- Inspirational
- Sense of changing seasons.
- Feels like you have had a break- refreshing and brings perspective
- Powerful and emotive historical places
- Connectedness to the past

Map 4

- 1) Magdden Hill: conservation, beauty, cowslips- stunning to drive past. Link from countryside
to city
- 2) Physical Access: +ve close proximity to nature, countryside, being able to walk from the city
to the downs and the river. -ve needs better sustainable connectivity e.g. cycling from
Winchester to Twyford *green bridge @ St Catherine's Hill.
- 3) Wildlife Connectivity: Deacon Hill and Seway Farm- migrating bird using the Itchen as a
corridor= wildlife in action Important stop over with 40 years of bird data. Currently poorly
managed- Southern Water must take part!
- 4) SW Itchen Way: down by St Catherine's Hill- nice to walk with children, nice tree lining, can
follow to pub near Shawford and then get the train back
- 5) College Water Meadows: where the chalk draining to the valley and generated the creation
of Winchester. Views of Cathedral, chapel and St Catherine's Hill.
- 6) View towards Haging Tower- expanse of downs with hint of Winchester beyond
- 7) Cheesefoot Area: 360 degree view of whole area (Winchester/N Wards)
- 8) St Catherine's Hill: Iconic cultural heritage site: iron age fort, maze, views of and relationship
with city of Winchester, Pilgrims etc.
- 9) Water-meadows around Twyford: quality of chalk stream habitat and wildlife. Access via
Shawford station for urban communities outside the NP (the locks etc)
- 10) Path from Itchen Stoke to Ovington along Itchen- perfect chalk stream access.
- 11) St Giles Hill: beautiful site with magnificent views. Very few people know about it.
- 12) Tichbourne: quintessential English village
- 13) St Cross Church: timeless view of church in water meadows untroubled by adjacent city
- 14) Gander Down: ecologically connected to Valley- important for farmland birds. Landscape
character is identical- Kings Way footpath draws you out.
- 15) Bar end Leisure Centre Site: accessible urban green space on fringe of path- playing fields.
Soften the edge- we must avoid planning creep creating a hard edge on the NP boundary.

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- 16) Hidden valley out to Abbots Worthy etc. Underpass of N end of Nuns Walk is terrible access. It's a lovely walk and a transition to the beautiful village, river and church etc. of Itchen Stoke. Underpass below M3 is barrier and bad pinch point.

SUMMARY:

Background needs to be explained- why? What the reasons? Left pressure?

Itchen constraints need to make sense. What were the drivers?

Big Issues: ? of access including Pilgrim's Way/SDW

Sense of Place:

1. Importance of access where possible (scope for improvement)
2. Wildlife connectivity- extends well beyond the study area (including but not limited to) upper reaches of the Itchen Valley
3. Landscape and Views e.g. glimpses of Winchester, views of SDNP from Winchester

Map 5

- 1) Intimate network of country lands and footpaths- great cycling
- 2) Attractive villages along the valley
- 3) Good access for locals. Easy walking along the waterways- incl. those who are less mobile. To walk and see the Downs you have to be fit.
- 4) Winnall Moor: ecology. Access so close to city
- 5) Footpaths along river
- 6) Magdalen Down: chalk grassland which is rare in this landscape where it has generable been converted to arable. Good access for users. Butterfly conservations management to have diverse habitats
- 7) Longwood- a ruined country house setting- mature parkland landscape remains
- 8) As one enters the city the joy of both rural and the beauty of our closest urban area
- 9) Perfect country lane feel as you travel through the wooded area
- 10) The view gives a wonderful feeling of space
- 11) The view as you travel east from Alresford on the A31 (before Rodford Lane) used to be stunning but the trees in the central reservation now obscure the wonderful panorama.
- 12) Butterfly conservation grassland
- 17) Mature yew wood. Sunken land
- 18) View/biodiversity/historic
- 19) The stunning open view as you come out of the woodland
- 20) Chilcomb- medieval hamlet
- 24) Attractive views to Avington Park. A small pocket of an intimate landscape within the setting of the downs.
- 28) Stunning views over a well persevered parkland just off the SDW
- 31) Longwood
- 32) Whitshute Ridge: calcareous grassland owned/managed by WCC although outside area links into NP.
- 44) Owslebury Valley to Marwell.
- 45) Forming the old Roman Road across farm and woodland.
- 58) Cheesefoot Head
- 59) Winnal Moors
- 70) Chilcomb- hangers
- 71) Hazeley Valley
- 75) Land to Barton Meadows Nature Reserve- ecology and access created

APPENDIX F Workshop I Session I detail

- 77) Itchen Valley is the landscape surrounding Middle Farm- woods, farmland, tranquility
- 78) Longwood: uninterrupted horizons and great swathes of fields and woodland. Tranquil and relatively undisturbed. Again relates to agriculture.
- 81) Cheesefoot Head- unique natural amphitheatre. Somewhat depleted now since it's crisscrossed with tracks and a pain to link with during the big events that cause many to vacate the area but still beautiful in between.
- 83) Plague Pits Valley
- 84) Twyford Church
- 87) The whole of the Itchen Valley exists as a result of farming activity down the ages. Sheep are no longer prevalent but the fact that farming
- 88) Watercress meadows and flood plains bordering the B3046 through Cheriton. Indicative of a way of life that has now passed but photographs exist that prove these special places have not changed and that still sustain local wildlife.
- 90) The whole of the River Itchen- a unique chalk stream supporting quite individual and different ecosystems.
- 95) Twyford- historic village
- 96) Twyford- members