



Leisure

5H: A place to visit

286 responses

Response counts

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Comments received	8
Question 17: What visitor attractions would you like to see on the redeveloped site?	100
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Question 19: What do you think is special about this part of the National Park that could attract visitors and can you suggest how it could be enhanced as part of the 86 redevelopment?	

Comments received

(R7/session 60914; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

As a Heritage Railway enthusiast, I believe there may be a possibility to have a portion of the area held for a railway museum. If I am correct, just on third party accounts and rumour, the grounds still have sections of the original branch line servicing tracks going towards some of the older buildings in need of repair. Along with the above point, if exceptions could be made on renovation budgets, external monetary services such as Camelot, and local contributions, the Adur Valley Line / The Steyning Line could be rebuilt, if anything similarly to the Bure Valley Railway. If either of these sound like potentially sound ideas to yourself / yourselves, please let me know and I'd be happy to have a further discussion about the ideas.

(R51/session 60894; Shoreham District Ornithological Society)
Created August 2nd 2022

Opportunities to enhance Nature Based Recreation and Wellbeing SDOS funded, constructed, and continues to maintain a seat close to the west side Adur riverbank opposite the "Riverside" section. This provision has been in place for many years. Walkers and birders can take a rest here with a pleasant view across to the greenery opposite, barely aware of the old industrial buildings behind. Users regularly observe the Peregrines on the chimney, Ravens around the works, Common Sandpipers on the river and Kingfishers perched on overhanging bushes. All this "wellbeing" benefit will be lost if development is permitted directly facing onto the river without the screen of existing mature overhanging vegetation or if the development is higher or more prominent than existing buildings. The Society has for many years organized walks into Anchor Bottom to

the north of the site to attempt to observe the special species associated with the quarry. Access to the Cement Works site, however, has always been problematic and we encourage the SDNP in the development of a plan to consider the potential of parts of the site for nature conservation and associated nature-related recreation. There is a substantial ecological literature on the nature conservation value of abandoned mineral workings and it is likely that areas such as the 'Moonscape' presently have ecological interest that might be developed by future sympathetic management.

(R72/session 60917; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

It would also provide a fantastic addition to our tourism with people visiting an amazing area of chalk land habitat; it could be part of the double bus tour for tourist who get taken to Devils Dyke and the Cement Works could/should be included to this.

(R32/session 60873; Brighton & Hove Schools Wellbeing Service)
Created August 2nd 2022

Conservation Sitting within an area of outstanding nature beauty, it feels clear to me that the natural integrity of the site remains intact. Within that, I am sure that I am not alone in feeling that this site does not need to become a further housing development – in favour of there being many many other areas that could benefit from regeneration instead. With my work, I currently lead on active pursuit programs that support young people with mood related mental health need. We use a variety of outdoor / outbound activities to make meaningful change in their lives. The challenges associated to this, is that there are no organised outbound adventure / outdoor provides within this area of the southeast. Any reference to previous youth groups or charities which took young people outdoors have long since been unprioritized, and capitalised venture providers have taken their place, generally alienating the vast majority of the families and young people from low social economic backgrounds. Yet the need to positive interaction, conservation and youth engagement with the outdoors remains as current as it has ever been. This aside, what is also apparent from our engagement with families and young people is that the understanding and appreciation for the need for conservation for what is literally on their doorstep has seemingly little or no localised focus; and therefore, it strikes me that we are not making enough of the resources on our doorstep as a result. Creating new jobs I suppose this is where my views converge. It strikes me that the site lends itself wonderfully well to the possibility of a mixed usage which focuses predominantly on the outdoor / outbound adventure industry; things such as mountain biking, orienteering, BMX, skate, crafts, woodwork, local conservations, conference and training for schools, forest schools, zip lining and more.... Using this area to bring together education, conservation, outbound adventure companies and industry strikes me as a perfect blend, whilst maintaining the iconic look and feel of the site. Outdoors vs Conservation vs Learning I work very closely with the Developing Mountain Biking in Scotland team. With their approach, huge funds have been allocated to the development of not just the trail network but promoting the sport and industry to enhance awareness of community participation in conservation but to also create a much-needed boost in their tourist industry. Of course I would love to see this site supporting local mountain biking clubs but the site itself and its locality has the ability to appeal to a much more focused and ambitious action of bringing more diverse groups / areas and industry together, perhaps to have the same emphasis on developing tourism by embracing an mixed outdoor activity centre which can: supports local communities with jobs and training vs works in partnerships with schools in the Adur / B&H area to support conservation and lend itself to utilising the natural resources of the site and locality to attract like-minded outbound companies to support these localised initiative whilst bringing in tourism revenue.

(R57/session 60900; The Aquifer Partnership (TAP))
Created August 2nd 2022

There is a great opportunity here: - To capitalise on the site's location as a gateway to the downs, linking green infrastructure and providing valuable corridors for biodiversity

(R61/session 60905; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

I very much approve of the idea of making the riverside an attractive area and making use of the waterfront. However I believe SDNP are missing an opportunity both to save money and to provide a major educational, tourist and possibly research facility.

(R62/session 60906; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

Please do not entertain the idea of a zip wire attraction as this will, without doubt, disturb the Peregrines - a protected species.

(R68/session 60912; West Sussex Local Access Forum (WSLAF))
Created August 2nd 2022

2. The site is close to an area of high population on the Sussex Coastal Plain. In particular it is close to the town of Shoreham, which is identified in numerous reports as an area of high deprivation and poor health, (References below). Easy access to the open spaces of the SDNP will improve the health, leisure opportunities, and general quality of life for many people. We are glad to see this point acknowledged in the policy section SD56 of the July 2019 South Downs Local Plan p175.

Question 17: What visitor attractions would you like to see on the redeveloped site?

(R206/session 53526; member of public)
Created June 7th 2022

Waterside access, including a free to use public slipway

(R196/session 53606; member of public)
Created June 8th 2022

Shopping and cycling

(R197/session 53690; member of public)
Created June 8th 2022

Amphitheatre - type creative space or something like the covered Biomes at the Eden Project and make it a proper cultural, educational and multi-user space. Could also be used for event and Wedding hire - just something cool and architecturally brilliant. Think less council naff 80s buildings and more commercial aspirational

(R208/session 53703; member of public)
Created June 8th 2022

A wetlands to attract aquatic life; nature trails and an environmental education centre (great to attract school trips), shops, eateries, etc

(R203/session 53949; member of public)
Created June 10th 2022

A substantial leisure complex, like the Guildford Spectrum Centre, plus outdoor facilities

(R153/session 53964; member of public)
Created June 10th 2022

National park exhibitions. Historical exhibitions. Sussex biodiversity exhibitions

(R112/session 54076; member of public)
Created June 11th 2022

Rewild this site as the SDNP is so wildlife depleted. No housing, no shops, just wildlife.

(R94/session 54186; member of public)
Created June 13th 2022

I'd prefer more sympathetic attractions around the National park, Biodiversity, Green Issues etc with the unique setting of the National park and its flora and fauna and history at it's core.

(R142/session 54348; member of public)

Created June 14th 2022
Nice walks, skate park, fishing

(R216/session 54416; member of public)
Created June 15th 2022

Indoor ski and ice skating centre. Big cinema, restaurants, amusements

(R78/session 54414; member of public)
Created June 15th 2022

Maximise the building of new housing. The focus should not be on visitor attractions.

(R135/session 54443; member of public)
Created June 16th 2022

Multi-storey aquarium, large scale adventure park. Let's make this the best place for children and young teenagers to want to visit in the country.

(R119/session 54505; member of public)
Created June 17th 2022

Engagement with National Park activities - a visitor centre? Cafe, outdoor adventure e.g. zip wire or high ropes

(R209/session 54553; member of public)
Created June 19th 2022

minimal. some footpaths

(R145/session 54557; member of public)
Created June 19th 2022

mini-Eden type centre and go-ape/activities

(R134/session 54643; member of public)
Created June 21st 2022

I'm afraid I have a very strong idea for this section; I would like the leisure to include the longest indoor piste (with real snow) in the world. The site is over 1km long from the site entrance to the top of the cliff to the east side of the 'moon scape'. The success of the idea is dependent on the gradient, but, rough calculations would suggest a gradient suitable for a 'green' slope, i.e. a beginner slope could be built. The piste could also be 100m wide. The nearest indoor really snow piste is Hemel Hemstead and that is about 160m long. Imagine a piste 6 times longer than that! It would be truly like skiing in the ALPS.

(R164/session 54096; member of public)
Created June 21st 2022

Cafe/restaurants plus nature viewing/ walks

(R129/session 54811; member of public)
Created June 23rd 2022

a dry ski or indoor ski slope, powered with renewables and using the depth of the site, walking and cycling tracks around the wilded and enhanced mosaic

(R139/session 54943; member of public)
Created June 24th 2022

An information centre about the cement works that used to be there. A wildlife/nature info centre. A zip wire across the moonscape

(R173/session 54989; member of public)
Created June 25th 2022

I would like to see the existing more open areas developed into a place for nature that is still accessible to the public for enjoyment and an educational experience. There could be some more recreational activities available on this part of the natural site, as the landscape allows but nothing that takes away from the enjoyment of a more peaceful location. There could be more in the way of cafes, visitor centre, shop, theatre, art gallery in the cement works area as this would generate income to maintain the site

(R186/session 55093; member of public)
Created June 28th 2022

I'm not sure the site lends itself as a location of a visitor attraction, other than a garden for the local community to enjoy for picnics and walking with a cafe and visitor centre. I'd like to see houses, office space, warehousing for online businesses to use for storage and a spa hotel - we have nothing like a spa hotel locally and I think it would be popular. A film studio would be amazing on this site as well - it's been well reported that there's a massive demand for film studio and virtual production space. This site would lend itself well for something like this.

(R219/session 55134; Greening Steyning)
Created June 29th 2022

We would like to see a site that attracted people to benefit from being in nature, such as a woodland camping venue with opportunities for woodland craft, meditation and connecting with the natural seasons.

(R172/session 55230; member of public)
Created July 2nd 2022

Outdoor facilities for young people able to access the site safely by bicycle. A cycle workshop/cafe perhaps (eg "the Sidings" to commemorate the railway history). A way to walk and cycle around the perimeter of the site below the cliffs.

(R117/session 55250; member of public)
Created July 3rd 2022

a swimming lake, access to the river for paddle boarding, nature reserve, picnic area

(R74/session 55269; member of public)
Created July 4th 2022

Restaurants and cafes near the river suitable designed to respond to potential flooding... ie on stilts with walkway so an art gallery celebrating the chalk cliffs area and a nature

reserve and pathways

(R205/session 55260; member of public)

Created July 4th 2022

A bird hide would be an asset but the site should not attract a large footfall of visitors which would result in undermining biodiversity on the site. If the chimney were to be used as an important Swift nesting site then this would be an important attraction. Footpaths should be designed in such a way as to avoid visitors causing degradation of biodiversity.

(R83/session 55267; member of public)

Created July 4th 2022

Ideally I would love to see a 'cement works museum' which celebrates a lost manufacturing process. There are things like mining museums in other parts of the country but I am not aware of anything that educates people about the production of cement. As long as any attraction is cultural/educational I think it would be acceptable. So a performance space, for example, is an interesting idea. I would love to see a 'South Downs visitor centre' created which could act as a focal point for the whole of the South Downs National Park. I would also love to see a nature conservancy centre which could educate visitors about the rare and special aspects of chalk downland and hopefully intrigue them with visible projects to re-introduce endangered species for example.

(R179/session 55304; member of public)

Created July 5th 2022

Entertainment venue (concerts etc) Riverside park, Cinema, Countryside area, heritage attractions,

(R149/session 55308; member of public)

Created July 5th 2022

Visitor centre (a way to remember the sites past), cafe, shop, toilets, mini golf, pond or boating lake, or access to river for leisure activities.

(R146/session 55327; member of public)

Created July 5th 2022

Bat and bird watching or any quiet natural pursuit

(R201/session 55338; member of public)

Created July 6th 2022

Rights of way

(R183/session 55368; member of public)

Created July 7th 2022

An opportunity to visit the bowl and the clifflands in particular (without disrupting nature). Pedestrian access to the river would also be a bonus as at the moment, access is poor and involves walking over fields.

(R133/session 55416; member of public)

Created July 7th 2022

History of the cement works and the downs link would be nice

(R104/session 55482; member of public)
Created July 9th 2022

A CAFE, restaurant, some sort of evening entertainment/attraction (maybe a cinema). Go Ape style attractions. Zip line etc. skate boarding/ mountain biking facilities. Dry skiing.

(R113/session 55940; member of public)
Created July 12th 2022

Swimming pool with slides and fun activities, go ape type outdoor net adventure area. Toboggan run would be amazing

(R98/session 56023; member of public)
Created July 15th 2022

Loving the idea of the cable car (similar to The Needles), rock climbing, star gazing (would be amazing) and also open air events.

(R176/session 56372; member of public)
Created July 16th 2022

A small museum/nature visitor centre, a place where schools could bring children to learn and understand about their local environment.possibly a viewing platform

(R140/session 55534; member of public)
Created July 17th 2022

Unsure. Something wildlife-related perhaps.

(R136/session 56490; member of public)
Created July 18th 2022

Activity centre on the Riverside section for canoe / SUP would be natural given the level to which this happens on the river already, in addition to cafes and restaurant to provide break points on SDW and other walks that intersect this area. Skate park, BMX track, Assault course / outdoors activities on bowl/moonscape. Sculpture park a great idea too. Using the moonscape for gigs seems like a good idea - some sort of test of the acoustics might be needed. Small museum room to site's origin seems to make sense to me, to explain this scarring on the natural rolling hills.

(R107/session 56637; member of public)
Created July 19th 2022

A visitor centre whose scope covers the industrial heritage and environmental aspects of the site, with an adjacent cafe, possibly using one of the existing low buildings. Developing and enhancing the biodiversity of the eastern area of the site. Taking this further to incorporate paths, hides and other features such as wildlife ponds (if feasible on this surface)

(R187/session 56735; member of public)
Created July 20th 2022

Walking and cycling trails, cafes, green spaces, exercise areas. All the options on your list have merits and would be attractive, some more than others. Visitor centre and National Park shop and cafe is a good idea. Anything encouraging outdoor activities that have low impact on the surroundings.

(R75/session 56810; member of public)

Created July 21st 2022

None

(R207/session 56817; member of public)

Created July 21st 2022

Leisure Centre

(R148/session 56870; member of public)

Created July 22nd 2022

Nature, Local History & Industrial Heritage visitor centre

(R141/session 56885; member of public)

Created July 22nd 2022

The site should connect with access from the South Downs, not just from the A283. We could start with a new swimming pool, water centre, then move on to cycle tracks, a ski slope and restaurants. There should be a clear need to develop the north-eastern area as natural habitat used by people, not the other way around. The area of the current works should be sufficient for siting the necessary infrastructure.

(R168/session 56899; member of public)

Created July 23rd 2022

Active leisure opportunities that complement what this part of the SDNP has to offer

(R159/session 56908; member of public)

Created July 23rd 2022

I would like the industrial heritage of the site to be preserved and enhanced with natural planting to form a nature park. I think something like Landschaftspark in Germany would be amazing. Maybe a small cafe, a bird watching hide, a small education centre. Maybe if activity based fun is needed - some sort of go ape/zipwire activity or abseiling down the facade of the cement works building??

(R79/session 56961; member of public)

Created July 25th 2022

out door rock climbing sounds good, maybe an abseil thing, nothing too intrusive or loud

(R195/session 56984; member of public)

Created July 25th 2022

I do not see this as a place for "attractions". I see the interior of the site and riverside as suitable areas for walking trails, interpretation trails and cafes. I am assuming that a local shop would be mandatory. The new development at Thakeham (although the housing

sustainability is dire) has a shop / cafe central to the site.

(R101/session 56990; member of public)
Created July 25th 2022

Maintain some of the site as is so maintaining some of the ecological uniqueness but primarily use it for recreation opportunities, and filming etc

(R212/session 57028; member of public)
Created July 25th 2022

A major museum incorporating as many examples as possible of the larger elements of the cement making process. If possible, preserve one example of each of the components of the process so that visitors can appreciate its scale.

(R182/session 57984; Kingsley Parish Council, Hampshire)
Created July 25th 2022

Attractions that promote outdoor pursuits (walking, cycling, river activities). Zip-wires are currently very fashionable.

(R184/session 57024; member of public)
Created July 25th 2022

None

(R221/session 57159; member of public)
Created July 26th 2022

Skateboard park, Eden style dome, swimming pool

(R103/session 56917; member of public)
Created July 26th 2022

Attracting visitors to the site would entail increased traffic flows and a necessity for additional parking. The South Downs National Park extends approximately 50 miles east of the site and approximately 50 miles west of the site providing thousands of acres of downland, woods and fields to be explored and enjoyed by visitors.

(R124/session 57177; member of public)
Created July 26th 2022

Just better access to the river for boat users and a nature area on the riverside

(R211/session 57853; member of public)
Created July 27th 2022

South Downs Visitor Centre with parks, camp site, shops, cafe, youth hostel, stables, and cycle centre. Sports centre to include: gym, ice skating, ski slope, swimming pool, rock climbing, water sports, zip wire, mountain boarding, skate boarding, cycle track Music / Concert venue / studios & practice venue Bus Museum and artefacts/ Cement Works Museum & Heritage Centre Wild Life Centre and sanctuary for birds, fish & plants utilising the river. Education & Innovative Centre for arts, science & technology. Tree top restaurant built in keeping with the country side. Art gallery for local artists. Riverside hotel & leisure

facilities with jetty

(R165/session 57543; member of public)
Created July 29th 2022

Recreation, learning etc etc

(R99/session 57553; Findon Parish Council)
Created July 29th 2022

17. Visitor attractions should be sympathetic to the ethos of the National Park. Included should be a museum/cultural heritage education centre with public conveniences and café, nature reserve with clearly marked trails and bird hides and riverside activities.

(R132/session 57586; member of public)
Created July 29th 2022

A centre recognising historic use, services for walking and cycling traffic in addition to services provided by any retail development

(R110/session 57734; member of public)
Created July 30th 2022

Nine in particular that aren't in the options already.

(R137/session 57747; member of public)
Created July 30th 2022

I would prefer the first and second options, retaining geo and biodiversity..with the possibility of a small cafe, but nothing that is going to increase the traffic and create a disturbance to natural wildlife.

(R76/session 57798; member of public)
Created July 30th 2022

A sympathetic approach allowing Bird watching, plant studies & geological survey work would be appropriate. To support your efforts to re-wild the area.

(R220/session 57858; member of public)
Created July 31st 2022

Nature trails with a guide. Safe Dog walking areas. Information centre. Cafe/restaurant. Fishing.

(R222/session 57864; member of public)
Created July 31st 2022

Riverside - a small cafe with toilets would be useful for cyclists on the Downs link. Cement works - exhibition hall/visitor centre ?eden project type attraction Cliffs - leave alone mainly as habitat for wildlife. If there's a stable area nearer the cement works then a climbing wall/zip wire might be interesting Bowl - eden project type attraction Moonscape - rewild some of it and keep the area which gets too hot as a nod to how it looks now. Also it would improve the look from above.

(R96/session 57924; member of public)
Created August 1st 2022

These would relate to the objectives for the site - if it is nature recovery then perhaps a nature trail focusing on plants and butterflies, interpretation. Potentially a family cycle route integrated with the Downslink

(R126/session 57939; member of public)
Created August 1st 2022

Other than public access for walking and enjoying time in a natural environment - none.

(R87/session 57957; member of public)
Created August 1st 2022

Nature trails, viewing platform over the Adur valley

(R163/session 57979; member of public)
Created August 1st 2022

Adventure park for children and other outside children activities. Gardens.

(R130/session 57941; member of public)
Created August 1st 2022

A Big Ask. Externally: A state of the art Skateboard Park. A Crazy Golf course (such like the Jurassic Falls one in N. London). A zip wire. A walk-round nature reserve. Internally, Within part of the original cement works: Cafe/ restaurant. A Cement Works musuem. Possibly an Art Gallery celebrating noted Sussex artists(eg. Ravilious!) and exhibition space for local artists in surrounding villages. Some boutique artisan shops. Internally, newbuild: A small sports hall for recently increasingly popular court games, as Handball and Padel Tennis to serve the South Coast. A small leisure pool with Jacuzzi, sauna etc, and a small work out gym for the locals. Possibly a small inexpensive hotel, with S. Downs Way etc walkers in mind. Oh, yes, concerts in the quarry sound good!

(R202/session 57977; member of public)
Created August 1st 2022

I think a natural amphitheatre for entertainment at the Bowl seems like a perfect solution. I think a mixed use space makes sense to me but I think it all needs to fit together.

(R158/session 57982; member of public)
Created August 1st 2022

nature walks, sculpture trail - attractions that are sensitive and naturalistic - I think conserving and enhancing the flora and fauna and natural habitats is important. Cafe, visitor centre (industrial / farming museum); perhaps craft centre based around artist and craft workshops.

(R102/session 57990; member of public)
Created August 1st 2022




Lakes, SDNP heritage and Downland Centre, River activities - kayaking, boating. Nature observation hides for - birds/cliff habitats. Cycle routes - along riverside and extending

round whole perimeter of site.

(R143/session 57986; member of public)
Created August 1st 2022

A local / South Downs museum - linking up some of the great local museums such as the Sussex Archaeological Society (who have a great archive in the Marliapins in Shoreham which is hardly visited); the Steyning Downland Scheme; plus a focus on the geological finds in the chalk. Many of us visited the chalk quarry as part of fossil hunting geology school trips. In addition, leisure outdoors activities such as climbing and an outdoor all-year ski run, or a downhill mountaineering biking run, would be a huge benefit. As an example, Llangrannog Ski Centre in Wales is in a similar environment.

(R10/session 60845; Cycling UK Brighton and Hove)
Created August 2nd 2022

Along with the SDNPA's duties to protect the landscape and biodiversity, we need to see:  Car free development as a first option.  Effective decarbonisation and motor vehicle traffic reduction both on site, and in the type of journeys made to the site, with minimal car parking whilst ensuring that people with disabilities have access and are not disadvantaged.  Excellent active travel and sustainable public transport provision with full accessibility for disabled people.

(R11/session 60846; Cyrrus Brighton City Airport)
Created August 2nd 2022

Brighton City Airport would like to see attractions that have limiting structures of height and minimise bird attraction to the site.

(R20/session 60856; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

A community space such as Pines Calyx, and an accessible and fairly priced cafe/bike stop/Southdowns visitors centre would be nice. Park spaces, and possible new routes that connect to the ridge-ways could be equipped with stopping points for something like bird spotting and views.

(R38/session 60879; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

walking and horse riding. No point in making any more ignorant comments - at least I can say I've taken part.- but my preference, if at all possible, would be for a reservoir.

(R51/session 60894; Shoreham District Ornithological Society)
Created August 2nd 2022

In our submission we also seek to draw the attention of the SDNP authority to the potential of this site for the enhancement of nature-based recreational activity in the lower Adur Valley. We believe there is an opportunity here to develop a large site for quiet nature-based recreational activity which would be an appropriate use, both from the perspective of minimizing disturbance to important breeding species, and in the context of the ambitions for ecological regeneration and rewilding that are implicit in the Adur Regeneration Project.

(R81/session 60919; member of public)

Created August 2nd 2022

I realise this is too late for the consultation, however my suggestion would be to dam up the open end that faces the old works and puddle the entire bowl creating an enormous above river level surface water reservoir. Having worked for a water company, I am aware that despite naturally occurring aquifers, West Sussex is desperately short of supply reserves. With its proximity to the Arun River and Sussex Pad flood plain this would also aid pumping into it as well as possible overflow discharge to the river. This suggestion would I believe, have the advantages of setting up a water sports venue at Down's level coupled with the obvious height to create a potential use as a kinetic battery...a mini "electric mountain" as it were, such as used in North Wales etc. A brand-new nature reserves which would not only contribute to a growing population with a dwindling water supply that also doubles as an emergency battery for off peak/wind generated electricity storage and provides an aquatics nature reserve. ...win win win. A tourist attraction with a truly negative carbon footprint. Lack of water really is not going to be a one in fifty years event.

(R12/session 60847; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

I have a proposal for the creation of a Heritage Building skills academy. Linked with S.P.A.B Society for the protection of Ancient Buildings. Whilst working at Amberley Museum and Heritage Centre as their Heritage and Education lead, I created a workshop called 'Life and Lime'. Focussing on the social history of lime production, kilns and vernacular buildings making use of lime and concrete historically and more recently in this area. During this time I took part in training with SPAB in grinding and mixing various lime mixes and using them to repair various local buildings. I raised the idea that the cement works would be a wonderful setting for a much needed building and historic heritage skills academy. With an education provision onsite and an outreach programme. They were interested in supporting this idea as partners. Amberley Museum and Heritage Centre were also keen on partnering to any Lime or Cement based education project as they also have historic Lime Kilns and a strong history linked with the Cement works, river barges and ways of transporting lime and other materials. I have always felt that there could be a wonderful opportunity to make use of this iconic site which I find rather beautiful in the same way that some of the previously 'ugly' or brutalist architecture is now considered to be of huge value. If an opportunity to be part of this project came about where I could take part as a volunteer or within an upcoming role I would be very keen to contribute. In my recent previous role locally I worked on a project called 'Growing Communities' with The Conservation Volunteers and Adur and Worthing Council. This project had huge potential but was curtailed in many ways by the pandemic. I feel that there is potential to create a new Community Project that brings in the same values of Sustainability and Wellbeing based at the new site to support whatever plan is chosen to take it forward. I wish you the best of luck with the Consultation and the future of the site.

(R2/session 60855; Adur and Worthing District Council)
Created August 2nd 2022

No comments

(R21/session 60857; Greening Steyning)
Created August 2nd 2022

In honour of the venue's location within South Down's National Park, we would like to see a site that attracted people to benefit from being in nature, as well as learning about its immense value to us as human beings. Such as a woodland camping venue with opportunities for woodland craft, meditation and connecting with the natural seasons as well as a fully equipped education centre for school groups and others interested to learn about the natural world and nature in Sussex

(R31/session 60872; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

We did at the time produce a brochure in an attempt to whet some appetites, but although members of the public were very enthusiastic, the authorities appeared to have deaf ears. I have enclosed the brochure providing some information as to what we were suggesting, although now possibly requires some updating. Also see: www.sussexamazona.org.

(R32/session 60873; Brighton & Hove Schools Wellbeing Service)
Created August 2nd 2022

because what comes with it, is a little know but highly valuable history associated to it industry and development – highly worthy of its own visitors centre and a wonderful frontage image for a mixed outbound / conservation centre.

(R35/session 60876; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

Inspiration for the cement works should be drawn from this and consideration should be given to using the cement works site as a wildlife parc, at least for birds. Aviaries sit well in the old lime quarry and the history of the site is celebrated. The quarry remains intact as it was left. It is run with sustainability at the forefront along with protection of wildlife on the site, and in their countries of origin. Below are some photos of the aviaries . I cannot recommend the park and the experience more highly. Entrance costs are high but this does not stop the visitors coming.

(R45/session 60887; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

I would also be happy to see some leisure facilities, such a skate park, BMX track, zipwire and possibly a ski slope. It is a unique site providing opportunities for some out of the ordinary sports/leisure facilities

(R50/session 60893; SDNPA Specialists Team)
Created August 2nd 2022

Complementary to the site's sensitivities, particularly on the east part.

(R52/session 60895; Shoreham Society)
Created August 2nd 2022

I think the cement works could be a centre for all sports & recreation activities locally. We have so many ways to get fit, gain experiences and use our environment but no where this is co-ordinated. There is kayaking, off-road biking, hiking, horse riding, sailing, SUP, kiting, wild swimming, fishing, learning to fly etc. if the cement works became an eco lodge with

accommodation & camping with an information centre set in a beautiful environment it could tie together all the wonders of our area. It could also be used for mental health retreats and physical training camps encompassing all number of fitness regimes. Using the downs & the river we could have a powerful and impressive asset and create meaningful employment and training Name Redacted, June 7, 2022 at 9:32 pm An eco visitor attraction similar to The Eden project will provide plant and nature, arts and culture while letting the area flourish. I would love to work there too Name redacted, June 8, 2022 at 9:35 pm In addition to my previous comments, perhaps the following might also be considered. 1. Include a small marinas with some accommodation but including mature trees and gardens to minimise the impact of possible cement building. 2. The site has a wonderful view of the river and Lancing College which would make a beautiful situation for a good restaurant, cafe and artisan shop. 3. Rather than a dry ski slope changed to a proper indoor snow slope as there are none available in this part of the world. (Check internet). 4. Include a big rock climbing facility as yet again I don't think is available locally. 5. I think that these combined with many other suggestions would provide a much needed asset to Sussex as well as a tourist and visitor attraction which would encourage visitors to explore other attraction and make Sussex a real tourist attraction as well as providing facilities and work to the local residents. I think it must be a multi attraction centre so as to attract the widest possible facilities. The opportunities for a site of this size Will Never be available again. A real one off that needs to be done right. Name redacted, June 7, 2022 at 11:58 am I would propose a mega sports Center with Olympic sized swimming pool, climbing facility, tennis courts. Possibly a canoe /paddle board centre on the river bank section. Additional bike rental facility. Name redacted, June 7, 2022 at 3:51 pm The other side of the A283 could be leisure based, lodges/hotels/cafes/restaurants. picnic sites by the river, parking for walkers/ramblers/cyclists all wishing to enjoy the River Adur and Adur Valley Let's have an Eden Project or let it just go naturally back to nature, Name redacted, June 7, 2022 at 7:30 pm

(R61/session 60905; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

We have just visited the Iron Gorge Museums in Shropshire and the Cement Works provides a wonderful chance to develop an industrial archeological site . The Story of Cement : Past Present and Future . This could include its environmental impact— the past , present and future industrial and chemical processes. The cement industry itself could be involved in the presentations and its research into building materials.—probably our largest industry. I am sure such a facility would become a focus for school visits and to tourism without spending huge amounts on destructive dismantling

(R63/session 60907; Upper Beeding Parish Council)
Created August 2nd 2022

An eclectic range of possibilities, such as: • South Downs Visitor Centre with parks, camp site, shops, cafe, youth hostel, stables, and cycle centre. • Sports centre to include: gym, ice skating, ski slope, swimming pool, rock climbing, water sports, zip wire, mountain boarding, skate boarding, cycle track. • Music / Concert venue / studios & practice venue. • Bus Museum and artefacts/ Cement Works Museum & Heritage Centre. • Wild Life Centre and sanctuary for birds, fish & plants utilising the river. • Education & Innovative Centre for arts, science & technology. • Tree top restaurant built in keeping with the countryside. • Art gallery for local artists. • Riverside hotel & leisure facilities with jetty.

(R65/session 60909; Washington Parish Council)
Created **August 2nd 2022**

It particularly welcomes the initial proposals to create high quality, sustainable hospitality and leisure development and recreational accommodation to improve facilities for visitors to the Park.

(R67/session 60911; Whaleback)
Created **August 2nd 2022**

A natural amphitheatre, a landmark restaurant/café celebrating views of the Adur Valley, educational/visitor centre, tourist accommodation. Car parking for facilities should be limited, and events should be facilitated with a shuttle service from Shoreham station. Recreational activity should be encouraged along the river (noting concerns about the current).

(R69/session 60913; member of public)
Created **August 2nd 2022**

see above - must complement the park and develop STEM and outdoor learning - how can we link with universities?

(R9/session 60920; Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) Sussex)
Created **August 2nd 2022**

Visitor attractions supporting the SDNPA's purpose and duties, responding to climate change, nature recovery, green solutions and outdoor country exercise and activities should predominate. Cultural attractions like the Eden Project, a mini Tate Gallery, out posted museum or outdoor theatre may also be appropriate.

(R199/session 58013; member of public)
Created **August 2nd 2022**

Nature reserve

(R91/session 55861; member of public)
Created **August 2nd 2022**

Nature trails that connect beyond the site to the coast and SDNP, art trails, showcase natural habitats (possibly using zip wires) gardens, Dark Skies centre - culture and heritage centres, watersports activities

(R127/session 53652; member of public)
Created **August 2nd 2022**

I think the site would be best suited to a leisure attraction. Particularly a zip world type development. It would really attract people to the National Park and is a real opportunity to educate those people on the South Downs. Also restaurants along with smaller scale 'green' tourism such as wildlife routes, accessible walks, bird watching etc. But I would love to see a zip world! Pending the impact on the wildlife.

(R223/session 58070; member of public)
Created **August 2nd 2022**

Visitor centre that provides information about this site and the region more broadly. The area has a long history of industrial activity in the site and along the adur (salterns, navigation to upper beeding and steining, railway...)

(R224/session 58050; member of public)
Created **August 2nd 2022**

Nature related respecting its location within the National Park. For example, botanical gardens, and artwork installations.

Question 18: What visitor attractions would you not like to see on the redeveloped site?

(R197/session 53690; member of public)
Created June 8th 2022

A ████ Travelodge-type hotel

(R208/session 53703; member of public)
Created June 8th 2022

Fun fairs, circuses, please do not create another theme park!

(R203/session 53949; member of public)
Created June 10th 2022

Large shops

(R153/session 53964; member of public)
Created June 10th 2022

Linkages with Sussex University and Kew Gardens to promote biodiversity

(R90/session 54020; member of public)
Created June 10th 2022

Water sports- as a watersport person, the river is both unattractive and unsuitable, and there are far better locations close by. The visitor attractions should sit comfortably within the wider sdnp landscape.

(R112/session 54076; member of public)
Created June 11th 2022

Rewild this site as the SDNP is so wildlife depleted. No housing, no shops, just wildlife.

(R94/session 54186; member of public)
Created June 13th 2022

I would not like large scale visitor attractions such as music venues, cable cars, etc

(R142/session 54348; member of public)
Created June 14th 2022

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(R216/session 54416; member of public)
Created June 15th 2022

Supermarkets

(R78/session 54414; member of public)
Created **June 15th 2022**

Zip wires or similar.

(R135/session 54443; member of public)
Created **June 16th 2022**

N/A

(R119/session 54505; member of public)
Created **June 17th 2022**

Eden Project

(R209/session 54553; member of public)
Created **June 19th 2022**

any

(R145/session 54557; member of public)
Created **June 19th 2022**

mini-Eden type centre, cycling rest point/repairs/sales and mountain bike trials, and go-ape/activities

(R134/session 54643; member of public)
Created **June 21st 2022**

If a 1km indoor piste with real snow was built, this would all the site needs as a visitor attraction because it would be the longest indoor piste in the world.

(R164/session 54096; member of public)
Created **June 21st 2022**

Any large crowd pullers

(R129/session 54811; member of public)
Created **June 23rd 2022**

anything which adds to pollution

(R139/session 54943; member of public)
Created **June 24th 2022**

Funfair type attractions.

(R173/session 54989; member of public)
Created **June 25th 2022**

Skate parks, anything motorised, noisy etc

(R186/session 55093; member of public)
Created **June 28th 2022**

Anything noisy or obstructive - a theme park would be a no-go, for example. An eden project or centre parks idea sounds lovely but I'm really dubious of the viability of a project like that.

(R172/session 55230; member of public)
Created **July 2nd 2022**

Any garish shiny edifices ;-)

(R117/session 55250; member of public)
Created **July 3rd 2022**

anything concrete - skate park. Not film site. not music venue

(R74/session 55269; member of public)
Created **July 4th 2022**

Anything that will draw in large scale crowds regularly. Fine for filming or festivals because these would not be regular so less impact o. The biodiversity and nature.

(R205/session 55260; member of public)
Created **July 4th 2022**

Zipwires and cable cars!!. To have these on a site that has precious birds of prey is ridiculous.

(R83/session 55267; member of public)
Created **July 4th 2022**

Ones designed for 'enjoyment'

(R179/session 55304; member of public)
Created **July 5th 2022**

Shopping mall, Fast food park, huge car parks

(R149/session 55308; member of public)
Created **July 5th 2022**

Fairground rides etc

(R146/session 55327; member of public)
Created **July 5th 2022**

Anything that is noisy or needs a lot of parking

(R201/session 55338; member of public)
Created July 6th 2022

Anything other than a natural environment

(R183/session 55368; member of public)
Created July 7th 2022

Visitor attractions should celebrate and reflect the history of the site and area. No cinemas (etc) required.

(R171/session 55391; member of public)
Created July 7th 2022

Most!

(R175/session 55405; member of public)
Created July 7th 2022

footpaths & cycle paths

(R133/session 55416; member of public)
Created July 7th 2022

Soft play

(R104/session 55482; member of public)
Created July 9th 2022

Certainly no fast food outlets like McDonald's et cetera. Nothing amusement park related. Make sure the activities need to centre around outdoor sports et cetera

(R113/session 55940; member of public)
Created July 12th 2022

Cinema, we don't need another

(R98/session 56023; member of public)
Created July 15th 2022

n/a - open

(R176/session 56372; member of public)
Created July 16th 2022

Anything that involves a shopping centre. A cable car type ride that could ruin the vista

(R140/session 55534; member of public)
Created July 17th 2022

Anything that contributes to noise or light pollution or anything that harms the environment.

(R136/session 56490; member of public)
Created July 18th 2022

Cinema, theatre.

(R107/session 56637; member of public)
Created July 19th 2022

The attractions need to be fairly modest - I would not want to see large expanses of tarmac car park on the site to support significant visitor numbers.

(R187/session 56735; member of public)
Created July 20th 2022

Zip wires, anything motorised, not sure about cable car, feels artificial and invasive. Climbing wall could work if feasible.

(R75/session 56810; member of public)
Created July 21st 2022

It is not a theme park

(R207/session 56817; member of public)
Created July 21st 2022

Theme Park

(R148/session 56870; member of public)
Created July 22nd 2022

Anything that would gridlock the main roads

(R141/session 56885; member of public)
Created July 22nd 2022

It should be a low noise venue, in keeping with the rest of the Park - it is not a place for an open air arena/concert venue, since this would produce people density that erodes the naturalness of its surroundings. It should not be perceived as a potential Glastonbury site.

(R168/session 56899; member of public)
Created July 23rd 2022

No 'theme park' attractions!

(R159/session 56908; member of public)
Created July 23rd 2022

definitely not a music venue. shoreham airport has previously successfully hosted festivals so not needed here and it would be too disturbing to wildlife/biodiversity. no skatepark, go karts etc

(R79/session 56961; member of public)

Created July 25th 2022
fun fair type thing like at the Needles!

(R195/session 56984; member of public)
Created July 25th 2022

Any sort of "theme park".

(R101/session 56990; member of public)
Created July 25th 2022

Provided developments are sympathetic then anything goes

(R212/session 57028; member of public)
Created July 25th 2022

Anything unrelated to its industrial past.

(R182/session 57984; Kingsley Parish Council, Hampshire)
Created July 25th 2022

Anything that is commercial - multiplex cinema, retail park (big or small), theme park, etc.

(R184/session 57024; member of public)
Created July 25th 2022

Anything which turns what should be restored downland into a formal and commercial leisure and tourism honeypot, with all the associated damage that goes with it. National Parks are about quiet, informal recreation and this should be one highly tranquil place, IF the SDNPA steps up to the plate and fully honours NP Purposes and the spirit of why the South Downs National Park status was so strongly fought for, over nearly a century.

(R221/session 57159; member of public)
Created July 26th 2022

fairground

(R103/session 56917; member of public)
Created July 26th 2022

As previously stated I do not believe that the site has much of particular value to offer visitors.

(R124/session 57177; member of public)
Created July 26th 2022

We cannot attract visitors unless there are new public transport options such as light rail. We cannot increase vehicular traffic.

(R211/session 57853; member of public)
Created July 27th 2022

Theme Parks, Casinos, Fun Fairs, Bowling Alleys, Night Clubs.

(R156/session 57287; member of public)
Created July 27th 2022

Visitor centre, water sports, leisure walking and cycling options as well as commuter cycling routes

(R165/session 57543; member of public)
Created July 29th 2022

Expensive and exclusive options

(R99/session 57553; Findon Parish Council)
Created July 29th 2022

18. Visitor attractions should not include intrusive amenities such as skateboard park or outdoor music venue.

(R132/session 57586; member of public)
Created July 29th 2022

Cinema, bars, bowling etc. This is well catered for in the nearby towns and city

(R110/session 57734; member of public)
Created July 30th 2022

Not a Chessington or Alton Towers or Brighton Pier!

(R137/session 57747; member of public)
Created July 30th 2022

Nothing that is going to bring coaches to the area and ruin it.

(R82/session 57785; member of public)
Created July 30th 2022

A "sensitively ve, naturalistic" development is needed in my view, without large scale touristic initiatives but possibly with an outdoor arts venue if the Bowl can be cleaned of any potential contaminants.

(R76/session 57798; member of public)
Created July 30th 2022

Coffee shops, zip wires, anything destructive.

(R220/session 57858; member of public)
Created July 31st 2022

Skate park.

(R222/session 57864; member of public)
Created **July 31st 2022**

Skate park as this always seems prone to graffiti and would look unsightly.

(R96/session 57924; member of public)
Created **August 1st 2022**

Assuming there was a nature recovery and enjoyment-led option, there is an option for a cafe. The size/capacity of any cafe or centre would be determined by the visitor plan and projected footfall

(R126/session 57939; member of public)
Created **August 1st 2022**

None

(R87/session 57957; member of public)
Created **August 1st 2022**

Inside play areas e.g. Urban Jump or lazerquest

(R163/session 57979; member of public)
Created **August 1st 2022**

Cinema, bowling, mainstream chain organised attractions

(R130/session 57941; member of public)
Created **August 1st 2022**

Large hotel, or any high-rise structures.

(R202/session 57977; member of public)
Created **August 1st 2022**

No industrial use or too much housing. It would be nice if any business use was fitting for the area which I would like to see as supporting wildlife, nature - a national park in the national park!

(R158/session 57982; member of public)
Created **August 1st 2022**

live music /festival amphitheatre; motor sports - anything with a lot of noise and light! - or that attracts thousands of visitors (in cars) in one go.

(R102/session 57990; member of public)
Created **August 1st 2022**

No fast food e.g McDonalds. No big retail such as Tesco either.

(R143/session 57986; member of public)
Created **August 1st 2022**

Indoor large building like shopping malls, bowling, fast food restaurants. Skate park. There are plenty of those in the surrounding larger towns only 5 mins drive away.

(R11/session 60846; Cyrrus Brighton City Airport)
Created August 2nd 2022

Please see our response to question 17. To add some more context, it would be preferred if any future attractions did not contain any of the following: • Tall structures that exceed the height of the existing chimney, and ideally kept to the height of the existing lower-level structures. • Significant Floodlighting such as those used at Sport pitches or Golf ranges. • Firework or laser shows • Large soft landscaped areas which could potentially create new habitats for loafing, feeding or nesting birds. • No areas of open water • The use of renewable energy such as Solar Panels & Wind turbines without the appropriate Aerodrome Safeguarding assessment which show no operational impact to the airport.

(R20/session 60856; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

Anything that is overpriced and not accessible for the public.

(R38/session 60879; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

I suppose but not motor bikes, please. which could in time be used as a leisure facility, perhaps (but I don't mean high-speed boating).

(R51/session 60894; Shoreham District Ornithological Society)
Created August 2nd 2022

Disturbance factors at the present time To date, Dudman's activities and noise generation appear to have been insufficient to disturb the Peregrine Falcons or Ravens. In our view, however, leisure or sporting activities such as zip-wire or ski-slope facilities within the Bowl and adjacent Moonscape would be highly likely to cause visual and noise disturbance that could result in the permanent abandonment of the nest sites of both Ravens and Peregrine Falcons. We are of the view that adventure based recreational activity at this site would result in disturbance to vulnerable bird species already present and that the Plan should therefore aim to enhance the ecological interest and accessibility of the site.

(R55/session 60898; Sussex Ornothological Society)
Created August 2nd 2022

5. Recreational impacts on wildlife The Adur Valley is already heavily impacted by recreational activities and would undoubtedly support more bio-diversity if these impacts could be reduced. Separately the River Adur sub-group of the Ouse and Adur Catchment Partnership has already noted the detrimental effect recreational waterbourne activity is having on the Adur south of the A27, including on the River Adur SSSI and the reserve in Shoreham owned by the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB). Given this, we would be strongly opposed to any plans to use the Cement Works site as a new base for water activities on the Adur, and/or for any launch points for water craft being included in such plans, as this would further exacerbate the problems that waterborne recreational activities are causing nature on the river.

(R2/session 60855; Adur and Worthing District Council)
Created August 2nd 2022

No comments

(R21/session 60857; Greening Steyning)
Created August 2nd 2022

Attractions that will lead to large crowds or significant noise or physical disturbance of the site.

(R50/session 60893; SDNPA Specialists Team)
Created August 2nd 2022

Attractions and uses heavy in traffic, noisy and of high footfall.

(R63/session 60907; Upper Beeding Parish Council)
Created August 2nd 2022

Inappropriate uses would include: • Theme Parks (Funfairs) and • Late-night entertainments (Night Club, Casino, all-night music)

(R67/session 60911; Whaleback)
Created August 2nd 2022

Any use that is reliant on the private car for visitors should be discouraged.

(R69/session 60913; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

not keen on something dominant like a ski slope

(R9/session 60920; Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) Sussex)
Created August 2nd 2022

CPRE believes that there is no obvious reason to consider zip lines, retail and business and other sporting or arena developments.

(R199/session 58013; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

Anything attracting large numbers of cars on the road

(R91/session 55861; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

Large scale attractions (theme parks)

(R223/session 58070; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

Development that ignores the natural and historic aspects of the surroundings.

(R224/session 58050; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

Anything consumerism led, such as shopping centres

Question 19: What do you think is special about this part of the National Park that could attract visitors and can you suggest how it could be enhanced as part of the redevelopment?

(R206/session 53526; member of public)
Created June 7th 2022

Access for walking, cycling and water activities

(R197/session 53690; member of public)
Created June 8th 2022

There are very few places to stop off on the South Downs, so somewhere people could come to visit and learn about the industrial heritage and wider SSSI and how the land has been shaped. It'd be great for everyone and super exciting. If you used your own dark skies policy, it could be amazing for star gazing as the road isn't currently lit.

(R208/session 53703; member of public)
Created June 8th 2022

I think that any National Park has a duty to promote nature, the environment, climate change news, sustainable living, etc. Make it educational and eco friendly in every way. I.e. no McDonalds and KFC, but instead offer Farm shops and locally grown foods, deli's wine shops, cheese shops, make it upmarket!

(R203/session 53949; member of public)
Created June 10th 2022

Attracting more visitors to where too much traffic is already a problem, is not a good idea anyway

(R153/session 53964; member of public)
Created June 10th 2022

To create a wonderful landscape to roam through containing indigenous plants

(R90/session 54020; member of public)
Created June 10th 2022

The exposed chalk cliffs are unusual and special and could be used or celebrated or both.

(R112/session 54076; member of public)
Created June 11th 2022

Chalk Downland wildlife.

(R94/session 54186; member of public)
Created **June 13th 2022**

The industrial heritage of this part, its location close to the river and the history around the area could all be used to enhance the redevelopment

(R142/session 54348; member of public)
Created **June 14th 2022**

Views, walks, fishing

(R166/session 54370; member of public)
Created **June 15th 2022**

Not too many people visiting, its tranquil

(R216/session 54416; member of public)
Created **June 15th 2022**

Large brown field site, space of entertainment complex

(R78/session 54414; member of public)
Created **June 15th 2022**

The Downs Link and the South Downs Way are more than enough as existing visitor attractions for this site. The redevelopment should focus on maximising the number of new houses with excellent and easy access to both.

(R135/session 54443; member of public)
Created **June 16th 2022**

Views straight onto the Downs - we should use the site to encourage people to visit and explore the area.

(R119/session 54505; member of public)
Created **June 17th 2022**

Rolling hills, sea/beach, River Adur

(R145/session 54557; member of public)
Created **June 19th 2022**

Easy access to the downland and riverside walks to Steyning, Bramber, Upper Beeding and Southdowns way.

(R134/session 54643; member of public)
Created **June 21st 2022**

If the AAP recommended: The longest indoor piste with real snow in the world 200 beautiful residential houses Lots of shared outdoor, parkland setting space An ecology corridor between the SDNP and the new village Access to the park on foot only A mixed use of other buildings so that the new community could be self sustaining A new, clever, integrated underpass connecting the riverside with the site Access to the river side as a river side walk and all buildings producing enough energy to sustain their own heating

needs, the new village would be a wonderful place to visit and live and would contribute positively to the SDNP.

(R164/session 54096; member of public)
Created June 21st 2022

It is a blot on the landscape when seen for the western side of the Adur valley. The old plant needs to be removed and the moonscape re wilded if possible with a view to the public understanding more about wilding and nature. E.g a small Nepp castle

(R129/session 54811; member of public)
Created June 23rd 2022

its site above the Adur and view across to Botolphs is unique....

(R139/session 54943; member of public)
Created June 24th 2022

The industrial heritage is interesting

(R173/session 54989; member of public)
Created June 25th 2022

This is still quite a rural area and leads on to some fabulous walks both on the hills and riverside. A sympathetic development that doesn't include housing estates (Riverside seems suitable for any housing and would be limited in size) could only add to the appeal of such a wonderful area. Excessive housing development would be unsustainable as there are no local amenities to support a larger population.

(R186/session 55093; member of public)
Created June 28th 2022

The views across the downs to the sea!

(R219/session 55134; Greening Steyning)
Created June 29th 2022

Connection to the South Downs way, easy access from London via Brighton and riverside and South Downs habitats make this location unique

(R172/session 55230; member of public)
Created July 2nd 2022

It's proximity to the Downs Link, and cycle access, and to the South Downs Way as an interesting short diversion.

(R117/session 55250; member of public)
Created July 3rd 2022

The animals and plants and the grass lands. Nature should be at the heart of the development.

(R74/session 55269; member of public)

Created July 4th 2022

The chalk cliffs and the river. And the opportunity to cycle there and beyond to the South Downs Way. Building on this already regularly used path, facilities for eating and socialising at this juncture with its landmark Chimney could be a lovely gathering place for families for weekends and leisure time. Restaurants cafes and bars. Art Gallery and

(R205/session 55260; member of public)

Created July 4th 2022

Whilst it should be accessible to the public it should not be turned into some kind of theme park. The attractions of the site should be its contribution to biodiversity. A cafe would be ideal on this location so that walkers and bikers could take a break. Hides and educational boards explaining the biodiversity of the area would help preserve its special features.

(R83/session 55267; member of public)

Created July 4th 2022

Odd question! Surely one of the most important aspects of a national park is to preserve natural beauty, and to attract more visitors is surely detrimental to that aim?

(R179/session 55304; member of public)

Created July 5th 2022

The thing that is most special about it is that you have a blank canvas to design something that will attract visitors to the national park. Since the creation of the national park, the most change that most people have seen is the addition of a few signs saying that this is a national park. This is an opportunity to perhaps create a "gateway" to the national park, to educate and inspire people to visit this and other areas of the national park.

(R146/session 55327; member of public)

Created July 5th 2022

Beautiful views interesting biodiversity

(R201/session 55338; member of public)

Created July 6th 2022

Leave it as an old quarry like lots of others on the downs.

(R183/session 55368; member of public)

Created July 7th 2022

River access, Downs link access plus the SSI areas

(R171/session 55391; member of public)

Created July 7th 2022

It's very accessible, even by non-motorised users. A zip wire might be interesting...

(R175/session 55405; member of public)

Created July 7th 2022

don't know

(R104/session 55482; member of public)
Created July 9th 2022

It's location. And it's uniqueness in what it could provide to the area in terms of offerings.

(R113/session 55940; member of public)
Created July 12th 2022

Sculpture or activity trails to get people walking a set route but take in the views. The views and sounds of the Downs are amazing

(R176/session 56372; member of public)
Created July 16th 2022

The cement works is an iconic blot on the landscape. The development needs to be easy to access and have tranquil areas in sympathy with the national park

(R136/session 56490; member of public)
Created July 18th 2022

Proximity to SDW and other walks that intersect this area - so needs cafes and restaurant to provide break points on these walks. Activity centre on the Riverside section for canoe / SUP would be natural given the level to which this happens on the river already.

(R107/session 56637; member of public)
Created July 19th 2022

Creating a visitor attraction based on the biodiversity of the site would offer an amenity for local people that could open their eyes to what can be achieved elsewhere on the chalk downland.

(R187/session 56735; member of public)
Created July 20th 2022

Riverside aspect, variety of fauna and flora, chalk downs. If it cannot be returned to nature as suggested in the past, then restoring as much as possible and development for recreation and leisure in a lovely setting would, d be good.

(R75/session 56810; member of public)
Created July 21st 2022

Nothing

(R207/session 56817; member of public)
Created July 21st 2022

This location is a perfect to create space for the community, where the building can be renovated or remodeled. There's easy access from neighbouring towns and villages. Would provide an abundant jobs for the neighbourhood and beyond.

(R148/session 56870; member of public)
Created July 22nd 2022

Nature Reserve, South Downs Way stop off point

(R141/session 56885; member of public)
Created July 22nd 2022

In taking visitors from the A283 up to the farthest North East corner of the site, it will be possible to have one of the most far-reaching views of Downs and the Sea, before moving west towards Lewes and Seaford - spectacular!

(R168/session 56899; member of public)
Created July 23rd 2022

The downland, the river, the Downs Link & South Downs Way The links need improving as mentioned in answer to a previous question - namely widening and surfacing. Also low visual impact signage - which the French seem to do so much better!

(R159/session 56908; member of public)
Created July 23rd 2022

it sounds like the secret and hidden ambience of the site is unique and special and should be preserved. so maybe we shouldn't be too keen to encourage hoards of visitors?

(R79/session 56961; member of public)
Created July 25th 2022

The river. I think spending on the river to make it accessible for personal low key water activities like kayaking and paddleboarding would be good. Bird watching stuff up in the cliff area. The views

(R198/session 56976; British Horse Society)
Created July 25th 2022

I am responding on behalf of the British Horse Society, the UK's largest equestrian charity representing the country's 3 million equestrians. As with many areas in the country, and especially the south east, busy main roads have rendered connectivity of public rights of way to either side impossible. This particular area is no exception to this issue. Within the local area, there are just over 1700 passported horses contributing in the region of £10 million to the economy per annum, much of it local. Furthermore, the two National Trails in close proximity to the site means there are likely to be many more equestrians wanting to use these from further afield, either for days out or as part of a long distance ride or as a riding holiday to the area. Currently, however, non motorised users (NMUs) must use an at grade crossing point north of the Quarry site (bridleway 3209 – South Downs Way) which is a very dangerous crossing and has long been the subject of requests for a signalised crossing. We believe the solution to crossing this road safely for NMUs would be to make use of the underpass running under the A283 (Shoreham Road), linking the riverside area on the western side of the road to the Cement Works on the eastern side. As this underpass was designed to be big enough for use by vehicular traffic, we believe the opportunity should be taken to use and restrict this underpass to NMUs and to create a link to the Downs Link on the western side with the South Downs Way on the eastern side for all users. The British Horse Society would be very willing to work with SDNPA and the developers to ensure the best outcome for NMUs.

(R195/session 56984; member of public)
Created July 25th 2022

I do not see the whole site as an attraction. Certain parts could be made attraction. Amberley chalk pits is an example but that has already been done! See my answer 17.

(R101/session 56990; member of public)
Created July 25th 2022

It is almost at the precise centre of the SDNP and to that end there should be an opportunity for it being a showcase that is all that is good about the SDNP and much much more

(R212/session 57028; member of public)
Created July 25th 2022

Its industrial heritage. A significant museum as in the above comments.

(R182/session 57984; Kingsley Parish Council, Hampshire)
Created July 25th 2022

No comment

(R184/session 57024; member of public)
Created July 25th 2022

As a tranquil refuge from the pressures of modern urban living and working, this place could become a beacon for people in the conurbation and other surrounding settlements to experience nature in a fully restored downland landscape.

(R221/session 57159; member of public)
Created July 26th 2022

See Q17

(R103/session 56917; member of public)
Created July 26th 2022

I do not believe that this site should encourage visitors unless the whole integrated design is so brilliant that it becomes a showcase to demonstrate the combination of housing, employment, nature and green energy in one location.

(R124/session 57177; member of public)
Created July 26th 2022

The national park should encourage walkers and cyclists but not more car users. It would be good to have more 'walks for all' surfaced footpaths that can be used all year as some current paths can get very muddy

(R211/session 57853; member of public)
Created July 27th 2022

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it can support and provide the key objectives of the National Park. It can preserve and enhance the natural beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage of the site. Promote opportunities for the understanding and enjoyment of the special qualities of the National Park to the Public. Seek and foster economic wellbeing for the local communities within the National Park. Provide the community access to open spaces, social, cultural and educational benefits and well-being. Be inspirational from the interaction with nature supported by a strong healthy economy.

(R156/session 57287; member of public)
Created **July 27th 2022**

The river - ensure walking and cycling routes along the river are kept

(R165/session 57543; member of public)
Created **July 29th 2022**

Industrial history, riverside context and ecology

(R99/session 57553; Findon Parish Council)
Created **July 29th 2022**

19. The diverse landscapes, the protected species already present, the riverside and the downland setting all make the site attractive to visitors. Any development needs to be sympathetic to the setting.

(R132/session 57586; member of public)
Created **July 29th 2022**

The regeneration of a once industrial site, the regeneration of the landscape destroyed by industrialisation. A centre of excellence in regeneration and transformation.

(R110/session 57734; member of public)
Created **July 30th 2022**

The cliffs, bowl and moonscape combination must be fairly rare and should be enhanced as much as possible, whilst also recognising the potential for recreational purposes as well.

(R137/session 57747; member of public)
Created **July 30th 2022**

Creation of a Nature Trail, bird hides, bat friendly areas with low lighting. Creation of an area like Woods Mill for the education of children.

(R82/session 57785; member of public)
Created **July 30th 2022**

The topology and the juxtaposition of the natural landscape with the progressively healing/rewilded scars of human excavation would provide ample attraction without the need for large scale structures.

(R76/session 57798; member of public)
Created **July 30th 2022**

It is a fabulous brutalist building site, with an important industrial heritage - the fact that it is in ruins & nature is claiming it back makes it unique. Embrace this.

(R222/session 57864; member of public)
Created **July 31st 2022**

The biodiversity would be a big pull especially if it was encouraged.

(R96/session 57924; member of public)
Created **August 1st 2022**

The chalk-habitat which is a rare habitat and which has declined markedly. Creating first-class chalk habitats would be cheap and simple because of the nature of the site. Indeed, much of it is already in place

(R126/session 57939; member of public)
Created **August 1st 2022**

It has the potential to be chalk grassland, linking to anchor Bottom and Mill Hill.

(R87/session 57957; member of public)
Created **August 1st 2022**

Views over Downs and Adur valley

(R163/session 57979; member of public)
Created **August 1st 2022**

It is an area within the park that can take visitors with little ground impact, but give them access to the pleasures of being outside in the countryside.

(R158/session 57982; member of public)
Created **August 1st 2022**

This area (I think) is the 'thinnest' part of the National Park - it is like a 'gateway', so is a good point for an introduction to the Park that showcases the natural beauty, flora and fauna of the South Downs, and as well as industrial heritage.

(R102/session 57990; member of public)
Created **August 1st 2022**

Incredible Downland natural habitat for leisure eg hiking, cycling, birdwatching, combined with river activities.

(R143/session 57986; member of public)
Created **August 1st 2022**

It is right in the centre of the South Downs Way. The local area has an amazing history going back to the Normans. This location is a superb base from which to visit the South Downs both East and West. It is the perfect location for an amazing high end hotel, with associated restaurants, as a healthy, all year round activity base. Using this as a base to embrace and explore the South Downs and the River Adur is key. The river can't be underestimated as a resource - the popularity of all water activities has exploded in Shoreham in recent years, so this could be an amazing base for river day trips, kayaking,

SUPing, etc. Good examples of this locally are the small boat ferries that link Bodium Castle downstream; the kayaking & SUPing on the River Arun at Pulborough; Sussex Yacht Club in Shoreham. Another great example is the Weald & Downland Museum in Singleton. If this development embraces all of these, then it will be a success.

(R20/session 60856; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

The chalk downs/aquifers and streams and the river Adur is a jewel that should be celebrated. It is a precious asset.

(R66/session 60910; West Sussex County Council (WSSC))
Created August 2nd 2022

Should any hedgerows / trees be planted along PRoWs, thought should be given to: - not obscuring the unique views this site gives, - preventing tree roots from damaging the surface of the PRoWs, and - an ongoing maintenance plan to keep vegetation from encroaching the PRoWs.

(R2/session 60855; Adur and Worthing District Council)
Created August 2nd 2022

This part of the National Park is where the Downland meets the River Adur. The Adur River Landscape Recovery project has the potential to see a healthy river Adur, connected to its floodplain with thriving ecosystems and habitats running through a wildlife-friendly farmed landscape that supports life and provides biodiversity, carbon storage, and natural flood management for Bramber, Beeding and Shoreham. The Riverside site might provide eco-tourism opportunities for visitors looking to connect with the river and Downland, with opportunities for habitat interpretation boards, bird hides and other wildlife viewing points, or a visitor centre and cafe. However, the current proposals set out in the Area Action Plan could potentially conflict with the Landscape Recovery Project, and further discussion is welcomed.

(R21/session 60857; Greening Steyning)
Created August 2nd 2022

Connection to the South Downs way, easy access from London via Brighton and riverside and South Downs habitats make this location unique

(R50/session 60893; SDNPA Specialists Team)
Created August 2nd 2022

Wildlife, walking, cycling, industrial heritage, access to river.

(R60/session 60904; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

My idea is to create something similar to the Eden Project (The Eden Project). It had a similar history, and has been transformed into an important cultural and scientific site, which generates jobs and attracts tourists to the area.

(R63/session 60907; Upper Beeding Parish Council)
Created August 2nd 2022

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(R67/session 60911; Whaleback)
Created August 2nd 2022

Views of the Arun Valley (that should be maximised from new buildings/public space) and accessibility to the South Downs Way (that should be maximised with excellent new connections).

(R69/session 60913; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

covered above (previous questions)

(R9/session 60920; Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) Sussex)
Created August 2nd 2022

This part of the National Park sees a key cut through of the Downs by the River Adur. The valley's development since the 'Ice Age', is said to have produced considerable wealth in Mediaeval times. So the clearance of the Downs the recreation of the Adur valley's development in Roman and Norman times, Coombe's, Botolph's churches, the former Erringham chapel and long house, the area's war time experience and training camps, its ancient pilgrim and drover routes, even the old rail route to Guildford, offer many potential stimuli for considering the importance of this area historically and safeguarding its future.

(R199/session 58013; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

Wildlife, flora and fauna

(R91/session 55861; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

Unique illustration of industrial heritage and ensuing bio-diversity and re-naturing. Proximity to Adur River and connection with Shoreham - as a Sustainable Port (and Biosphere). Watersports from the river West Sussex is a huge draw for nature loving and adventure seeking visitors - this could be a key attraction. Proximity of the coast to the SDNP - need to make sure there are good connections between to 2 for cyclists, walkers, families and horseriders

(R223/session 58070; member of public)
Created August 2nd 2022

The exposed geology, habitats that has created and the industrial heritage are of special interest. These could be integral to the redevelopment.

(R224/session 58050; member of public)

Created **August 2nd 2022**

The Adur valley has amazing views and is a natural stopping point on the South Downs way. We often walk from Mill Hill and the area is one of our favourites. It could be a focal point for wildlife education, biodiversity and other aspects such as industrial history