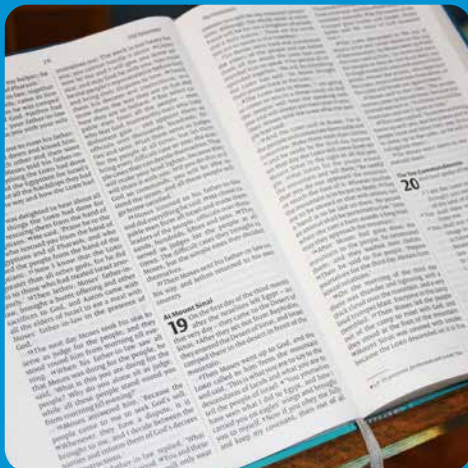


All Saints Wick

Know, Love & Follow Jesus



This is our Parish Profile





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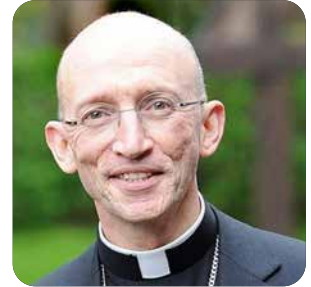




Introduction

Proclaiming the Mystery of Faith

In 2025 this diocese celebrates the 950th anniversary of witness and evangelisation from a mission base in Chichester, building on the earlier mission founded by St Wilfrid at Selsey. 2025 also marks the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea with its reminder of the formative claim upon us of the catholic creeds.



These anniversaries are more than historical footnotes. They speak powerfully about the richness of faith and mission that is our inheritance locally and universally.

Inspired by that inheritance, we seek to be a household of faith that is endlessly curious about how the Holy Scriptures and the sacraments of the New Covenant enable us to know, love and follow Jesus Christ in today's noisy and distracted world.

If God is calling you to join us in the task of proclaiming the mystery of faith in some part of this diocese, we pray that the contribution of your gifts and experience will enrich our witness and deepen your own discipleship.

We take very seriously the call to diversity and radical inclusion as characteristic of the Church's mission. For this reason we welcome applications from ordained women and Global Majority Heritage clergy, who are under-represented in those who serve this diocese.

+Martin
Bishop of Chichester

Dear Enquirer,

Thank you for taking the time to read our parish profile. We hope and pray that the next few pages will give you an insight into who we are, where we sense we are heading and whether the Lord is calling you to investigate further the role of Vicar here.

For the last few years, All Saints' vision has followed the Diocese's aim of wanting to see people come to know, grow in love for, and live to follow Jesus. This has given us a focus on evangelism (come to know Jesus); teaching, prayer and worship (grow in love for Jesus); and whole-life discipleship (live to follow Jesus).

All Saints is an evangelical church who believe in the priority of preaching the Bible, and during Ordinary time we usually follow an expositional preaching series which is then followed up with discussion each week in homegroups.

We believe in the ongoing role of the Holy Spirit not only in bringing people to faith, but through gifts and fruit to equip God's people for spirit-filled ministry. All Saints has had a long history of prioritising prayer ministry which is offered after our main services.

We are a church that has increasingly looked to bring the light of Jesus to our community, through involvement in local schools, organisations, community events and the use of our buildings for both the church and community.

We are an Anglican church with members from a rich and diverse range of Christian church backgrounds.

We are excited to see who God is calling to lead us forward.



Ann



Clare

Ann Macaulay & Clare Purdom

Churchwardens

Our new vicar

In May our PCC held a prayer morning focussing on the following three questions:

1. What kind of church are we?

2. What are the important things that we do?

3. What have we achieved?



Following on from this we are seeking a person:

- Who is prayerful and faithful to the teaching of the Bible and open to the leading of the Holy Spirit. Someone who enjoys preaching.
- Who is pastoral and able to respond graciously to people showing the love and compassion of Christ.
- Have a prophetic vision, wisdom and insight to discern the new things God is calling us to.
- Who is collaborative in leadership – both a team leader and team player.
- Who is keen to work with the congregation and PCC to develop our vision.
- Who is enthused by the opportunities to work with our team of preachers, licenced lay readers, retired clergy and ordinand and to continue to develop gifts and ministries within the congregation.
- Who is understanding of the nature and needs of the community we serve.
- Who values Holy Communion as an intrinsic part of worship.
- Who is inspired by the opportunity to embrace a wide range of styles of worship.

Since 2014 All Saints' PCC, along with our partner church Lyminster, has unanimously agreed on accepting the leadership, teaching and preaching ministry of men and women.

The challenges and opportunities ahead

We recognise that we are not perfect, that we need to develop and grow in our faith and ministry and to support our new vicar in responding to the opportunities and challenges we recognise that we are facing:

Partnership

Developing our ongoing partnership with St Mary Magdelene's Church, Lyminster pending a longer-term proposal by the Diocese of Chichester for reorganisation. In that partnership we seek to reach out to the those moving into the area in the rapidly developing north Littlehampton housing estates which straddle our parishes. We have a large team of service leaders and preachers and hope that, going forward, we may be able to plant a church in the north Littlehampton area.

Buildings and spaces

We have moved our main service to Wick Hall (owned by the church) as our congregation had outgrown the church and as there are better (but not perfect) opportunities to provide for our young people. However, space is still an issue, as our youth have to walk back up to our garden room in the grounds of the church to meet during services, creche have to share with children's groups and we are growing towards reaching the hall capacity congregation wise. We need God centred inspiration!

10am

Our 10am congregation is a relatively new one (although new members are not all necessarily new Christians), and was, like so many things, knocked by covid. We have gradually rebuilt since covid and are very grateful to God for giving us the gift of the leadership of our curate well into our time of vacancy to continue developing opportunities for fellowship before and after services and reintroducing opportunities for prayer ministry. Going forward a challenge remains in terms of the variety of both service and worship leadership meaning that people are never quite sure what to expect!

Messy Church

This was held regularly prior to covid but was paused during covid and has not as yet been re-established on a regular monthly basis. It was attended by around 60 children and parents/carers. We also seek to develop pathways for young families from Splat! and tots to Alpha and Sunday services.

Wick Hall finances

Our hall has been quite profitable in recent years but with spiralling energy prices we are expecting to run at a loss this year. We have been looking at ways to address this in terms of energy saving, increasing use, making increases to rents and contribution as a church for our use of the hall. Although our church finances are healthy, we are about to focus on giving as we had hoped to use money from the hall to repay an Archdeacon's loan (that has paid towards the re-roofing of the hall) but will need to find this year's repayment from other sources.

Our worshipping community



All Saints church building

Our worship services are informal, but adhere to the forms outlined in Common Worship. Clergy do not robe but wear clerical shirts and collars.

Sundays

9am

Weekly communion service with a mix of traditional hymns and more modern worship songs held in All Saints Church.

Refreshments and fellowship are shared after the service. The service is attended by 30-40 adults.

10am

Morning service with communion at least twice a month. Worship is band led and generally modern. This service is held in Wick Hall with refreshments before the service which begins at 10.30am.

During this service we offer a crèche, a children's group (known as Super Saints) and a youth group.

Prayer is offered after this service. The service is attended by 65-85 adults and 10-20 children and young people.

Online congregation

12-15 households join the live 10am online stream from their homes in this country and abroad. The edited version of the service has around 80 viewings per week on YouTube.



Wick Hall



Splat!



“What? Jesus rose from the dead. Really? I didn’t know that. If that’s true, that’s life changing.”

Guest on Alpha

Overview of Sunday services

	9am – All Saints Church	9.30am – Wick Hall	10am – Wick Hall	Evenings
1st Sunday	Communion	Splat! (Families/ children focussed)	Morning Worship	7.30pm – Zoom gathering to pray
2nd Sunday	Communion		Communion with children’s and youth groups	8pm – Worship at Wick Hall
3rd Sunday	Communion		Morning Worship with children’s and youth groups	6pm – Prayer meeting at All Saints Church
4th Sunday	Communion		Communion with children’s and youth groups	
5th Sunday	Communion		Morning Worship (communion paused in vacancy) with children’s and youth groups	

8pm

Held once a month in the evening on the second Sunday of the month. This service offers an invitation to linger in God’s presence, worship, hear from God and receive prayer. It is attended by 30–40 adults and 1–5 members of our youth group.

Splat!

Launched in the vacancy, Splat! is a fun filled faith celebration especially for families sharing the gospel in creative and child friendly ways through story-telling, craft, games, music and lots of fun!

This congregation meet once a month at 9.30am on the first Sunday. It is attended by 20–25 adults and 20–25 children and younger youth.

Weekdays

9.30am on Wednesday

A communion service similar to 9am on Sunday, attended by 9–15 adults.



Messy Church

Prior to the covid pandemic Messy Church was held monthly on Friday afternoons during school term times. Since the pandemic Messy Church has been held once a year on Good Friday. Attended by 50–60 children/young people and their families.

Occasional offices

We usually conduct between 3–5 of each of the occasional offices (weddings, funeral, baptisms/thanksgivings) each year.

Our worshipping community *continued*



Younger children

Our children (aged 0-11) are part of the 10am service as it begins and stay in for the first song. They then make their way into the Small Hall where they have a time of free-play/games, before coming together on the carpet for a biscuit and 'Bible Story Time', this is followed by a Bible themed craft activity. The numbers of those attending varies, but usually is between 10-18 children.

Youth

A younger youth group meet during the 10am service on 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th Sundays. In the evening on the 2nd Sunday a pizza and prayer social was recently launched - attended by 6 youth members; the plan being to encourage them to stay to the 8pm service. On 4th Sunday the youth band meet to practise, this has 5 members.



Home groups

Our homegroups continued to grow in recent years with almost 100 people now in one of twelve homegroups. These provide great opportunities to reflect on a Bible passage and talk from the Sunday service, as well as supporting and praying for one another. Some groups meet in person while others meet virtually.

Alpha

We have a long tradition of running Alpha, which has continued in the vacancy. We have had a number of exciting Alphas in the last couple of years, with two members of our most recent group becoming Christians. There has been a mixture of people from church backgrounds and those who knew almost nothing about Jesus or the Bible at all.

Tots on Tuesday

Every Tuesday we set up a lovely, fun, friendly place for pre-school children to come with their adult! Most of the session is set up for children to be playing while adults connect over a cuppa. At the end,





"I have felt so welcome here. Thank you."

Tots on Tuesday mum



we have a 10 minutes story and song time, which ends with one of the team sharing what's happening at All Saints, including inviting people to Messy Church, Family Service and Super Saints. One of the main goals for the group is that anyone who walks through that door feels loved, special, welcomed into a community and not alone. Most weeks there are around 13 adults and their children, and nearly every week there's someone new. It's a wonderful place to be. We would love to see more people come through to Family Service (now called Splat!). That's the next goal.

Men's ministry

The men's ministry usually meets termly. We met at a local cafe called Creative Heart for breakfast and to listen to a guest speaker. Up to 30 thirty men attend, a number of whom were from the church congregation, but also some men that had been invited through the football ministry or were friends of church family members.

Women's ministry

The woman's breakfast is a relaxed bring and share breakfast that runs on a Saturday every term. We have breakfast and enjoy community and friendship with each other. This is followed by a female speaker. At our last breakfast, 32 women came. At the moment it is an in-church event, but going forward we hope to make it more of an outreach event.

Parish Away Days

For many years we have held parish away days usually annually or bi-annually, our most recent being September 2022 when around 100 members of All Saints came together for the day at Lodge Hill. The focus was on what it means to be a part of God's family at All Saints as we meet together and reconnect again after the Covid 19 separation.

Churches Together

All Saints is an active member of Littlehampton Churches Together.

Community



Garden Room Café and Information Centre

Wick Garden Room Café and information centre is open on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and it is run by volunteers. The Garden Room café offers coffee, teas, biscuits, and cakes, all free of charge. The number visiting the Garden Room Café and the office facility is on average 46 people a month. People sometimes just come on their own, may have arranged to see a friend, or come to look at the leaflets and booklets available and enquire about where to get advice. Others call in for office services help, such as printing and photocopying. Whatever the reason, a warm welcome awaits all who visit the café. In 2023 we are developing our offer through the purchase of board games.



“My role takes me to a lot of community events, but there is a really lovely atmosphere here.”

Visitor to ‘Friday coffee’

Friday coffee

The Friday coffee morning started in the church in March 2017. The number of people coming to our coffee morning has risen, and is now usually around 30–40. It’s a safe place for people to come and find friendship. There’s plenty of chatter and laughter – with the added enjoyment of eating cakes, pastries and scones, drinking coffee and tea. A mix of church members and people from our local community come; some come every week and others only occasionally. During the year themed mornings are held and also special coffee mornings held to raise funds for charities such as Mcmillan Cancer relief, the Snowdrop trust and Littlehampton Churches together summer camp for which over £1,000 was raised in 2023.

Football

Every Tuesday evening during term-time, we host a fun and friendly hour-long men’s football session. 18 men are part of the group and on any given Tuesday we usually have between 8–12 present. These men are either members of All Saints Church, are Christians from other churches or are friends and contacts who are not part of any church. It’s great to see friendships developing and to see these relationships beginning to link in with other church activities.

Knit & Natter

Knit & Natter meets every Monday morning (10am–12noon). It offers the opportunity for a time of knitting over a cup of coffee but also for a time of sharing, nattering, supporting each other and eating cake. Up to 14 people attend regularly; from both the church family and



“Knit & Natter is a really lovely group. Knitting benefits my mental health with the knitting and friendships.”

Julie, ‘Knit & Natter’

wider community. The group usually meet in the Garden Room but also have an annual outing for a Christmas breakfast.

Schools

We are pleased that our clergy and other members of our church have opportunities to go into local schools to lead assemblies and give a tour of All Saints Church. Themes vary from Bible references to themes that fit in with the individual school’s programme. Of the 10 schools, 5 are Church Schools (2 Catholic and 3 Church of England) and 5 are community schools. But the doors are open so it’s a privilege to walk through them either virtually or in person.

Summer camp

For twenty years, children from years 5 and 6 have gathered at Lodge Hill for a week of fun, games, prayer, worship and stories of hope and love from the Bible. Last summer, the 60 children and 40 leaders (some as young as 14), had another memorable, joyful time. Summer Camp is about embracing nature and creation, fun and games, food and friendships. It’s finding peace in the woods,

joy in the sound of the birds singing and laughter in the friendships made. It’s also a chance to discover more about the life of Jesus and about His stories of love, hope and peace. We are thrilled that this year two young leaders (teenagers) committed their life to Jesus.

Wick Hall

Wick Hall has served the community for over 100 years. A variety of local groups use the hall on a regular weekly basis including: Zumba, dance and sports groups, 1st Wick Rainbows and Guides and Roundabout playgroup. At weekends the hall is also hired out for one off events including children’s parties and community fund raising events.

Wick Action Group

We have a church representative in a group in Wick comprising of three local Councillors and a Community Support Champion who meet to establish positive opportunities for the people of Wick. As part of this group, we hosted a number of film afternoons in Wick Hall for families under the name of ‘Wick Flicks’. This year the event was attended by 80-100 people and gave opportunities to get to know members of our community. The Wick Action Group also organises a school uniform-swap based at Morrisons supermarket and promotes community activities.

Members of our church are involved in a number of local ministries such as prison ministry and Creative Heart. During the year we support local charities including the Littlehampton food bank, Operation Romania Trust and Friends of Mombasa Children.



The Garden Room

Finance

All Saints Church Financial Summaries

Income	Total 2022	Total 2021
Income from donations, giving, legacies, charitable activities and other trading activities	£93,499	£103,732
Investments	£158	£6
Other receipts	£1,963	£2,494
Total Received	£95,620	£106,232
Expenditure	£140,943	£70,776
(Includes money transferred to hall fund for major works)	(£24,000)	
Net Income or (net expenditure)	-£45,323	£35,456
Bank A/cs 1st January 2022	£76,204	
Bank A/cs 31st December 2022	£31,282	

All Saints Church and Wick Hall to 31st July 2023

Income	
Giving	£35,251
Gift Aid	£8,454
Fees	£1,319
Outreach income & donations	£308
Hall hire	£9,639
Leaving gifts	£1,983 in addition to donations given in 2022
Total	£56,954
Expenditure	
Parish share	£26,250
Clergy expenses	£2,597
Expenses - printing etc	£3,179
Insurance	£579
Building maintenance	£3,115
Utilities	£7,699
Outreach	£1,444
Accounts, fees & licenses	£2,592
Leaving gifts	£3,439
Wick Hall cleaner's salary	£1,551
Archdeacon's loan	£10,000
Total	£62,445

For full account details please visit: www.allsaintswick.org.uk/402/Annual-Meeting-Reports

Our team

Curate (Assistant Minister)



Mark Rodger joined All Saints as Curate in July 2020. Mark is expecting to move on in December 2023.

Licenced Readers and Preachers



Roger Purdom – a former headteacher and church pastor, licenced for leading, preaching and ministry.



Eileen Ross – retired headteacher licenced as a reader.



Janet Webb – licenced as a reader.



Bekah Legg – CEO of Restored with a masters in theology.



Rod Ostler – leader with permission to officiate.

Ordinand



Nat Gillett – oversees Super Saints. He is due to move on to a role as curate in June/ July 2024.

Churchwardens



Ann Macaulay



Clare Purdom

Treasurer



Janis Myres

Safeguarding Officer



Julia Eastaugh

Worship Leaders

We have 7 worship leaders who take turns to lead the worship at our 10am service.

Ministers of communion

We have 7 trained ministers of communion who serve at both 9am and 10am.

Members of the congregation read the Bible and lead intercessions at services.

The local area



Wick is a great place with a mix of new and older housing, shops and businesses, within which are some areas of real need with one ward being listed within the 10% of most deprived areas in England.

There are two primary schools within easy walking distance of the vicarage. The nearest Church of England Primary School is in the neighbouring village of Climping, 2.5 miles away. The nearest secondary school is The Littlehampton Academy (Woodard Trust) whilst the nearest Church of England Secondary school is Bishop Luffa in Chichester. There is a wide range of pre-school provision in the area. Wick has doctors, a dentist and a range of local shops including two supermarkets.

Littlehampton has a swimming and sports centre, outdoor tennis courts and football clubs/pitches with a range of sporting activities being found in the surrounding area. There is a theatre and cinema complex, many play parks, an amusement

park, a museum and a large range of restaurants and cafes. Littlehampton has a train station with a regular service to London Victoria (up to 4 trains an hour) and to stations along the coast including the larger shopping centres of Worthing, Brighton and Chichester. There are also frequent bus services to local towns.



Buildings



All Saints Church (154 Wick Street)

All Saints Church was built in 1881 as a mission hall by Lyminster Parish and became a parish in its own right and a member of The Littlehampton and Wick Team Ministry in 1970s. In 2015/16 the team ministry was dissolved and All Saints became a benefice with St Mary Magdelene, Lyminster. Both are parishes in their own right.

In the grounds of the church is a garden room – used on Sundays for youth work; also used for PCC meetings, small social events and two mornings a week for our garden room café and information centre open to the public.

There are accessible toilet facilities in the church. Doors from the vestry provide access to the garden room. New glass front doors have made the church feel more open and welcoming.

Wick Hall (76 Wick Street)

The PCC of All Saints are the trustees of Wick Hall. Wick Hall comprises a large front hall, and a smaller rear hall, kitchen and 5 toilets. There is a small play area to the rear of the hall and a recently re-surfaced car park at the front of the hall. In 2011 the small hall was totally renovated; the toilets were modernised and a new rear entrance door was installed to enable wheelchair access. In 2021 work took place to remove



the stage in the main hall and replace it with a worship platform and redecorate to make it more suitable for Sunday worship. In 2022 the hall was re-roofed and has recently had new front doors added.

All Saints Vicarage

On the same site as Wick Hall but accessed from Beaconsfield Road is our vicarage which was purpose built in 1989. It has four bedrooms, a bathroom and separate shower room upstairs and downstairs a kitchen/diner which can be two separate rooms, a living room and utility room. The study and downstairs cloakroom are at the front of the house and are separated from the living area by an internal door. The gardens surround the vicarage on three sides; whilst to the front of the house is parking for 4-5 cars.



Parish details

The Parishes of All Saints, Wick and St Mary Magdalene, Lyminster

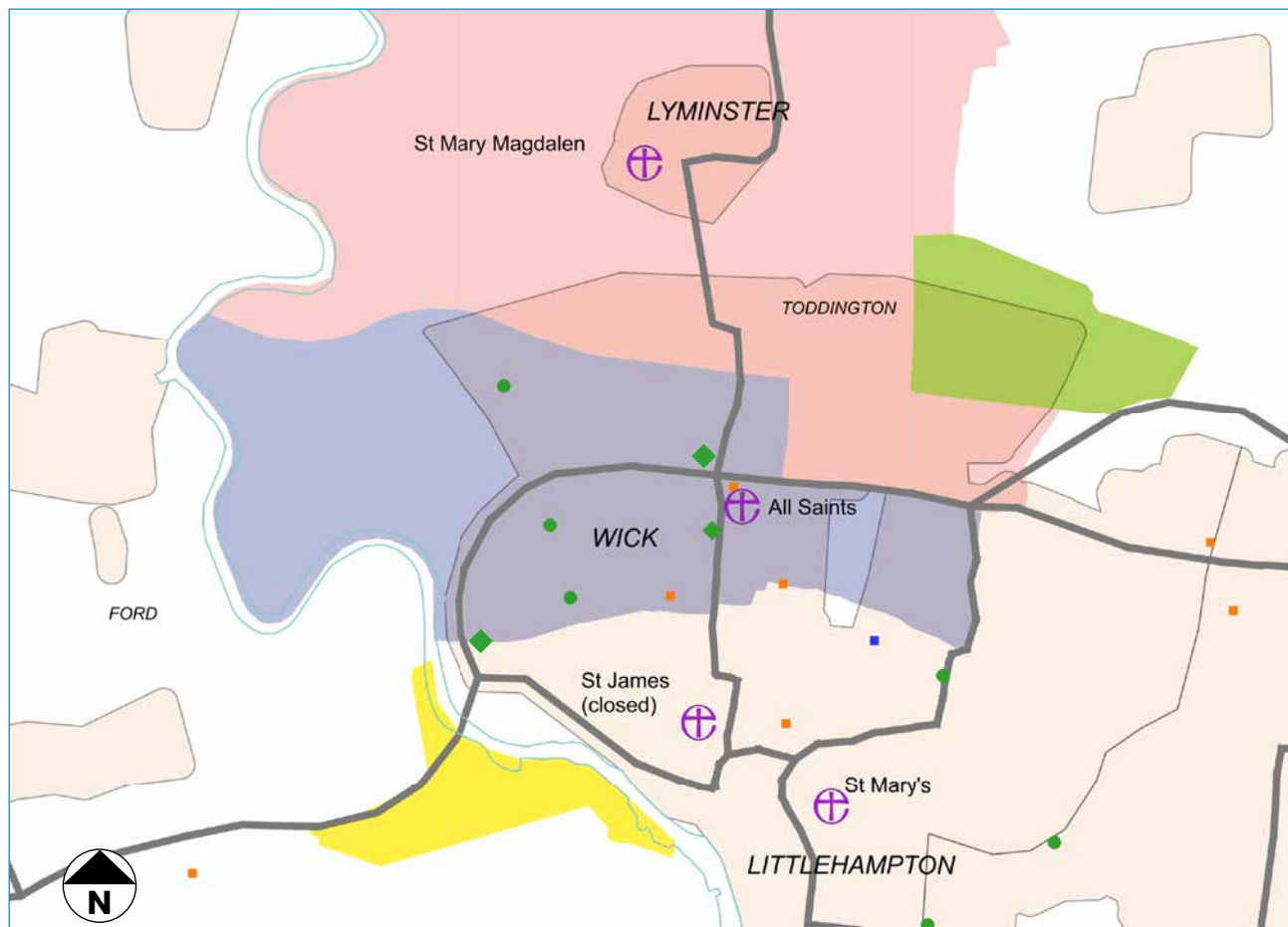


Figure 1 – Ecclesiastical and Civil Parishes, relative to new housing developments

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September 2023

All Saints serves the parish of Wick, a suburban area of Littlehampton, West Sussex, with 9,500 people living in 3,300 households. There is a new development to the North West of some 600 houses and 5,000 houses are being built nearby to the North of the church.

Population increase around 5,750.
By development site:

Name	Houses	Est. population
North Littlehampton	1,500	3,450
West Bank	1,000	2,300

Population estimates based on ONS average household of 2.3 persons.

Key

⊕ Churches

Indicative proposed housing development

■ Committed, under construction
■ Strategic, in development plan

Church parishes

■ Lyminster
■ Wick

Schools

■ Primary
■ Secondary

Shops

◆ Superstore
◆ Medium parade
● Convenience
■ Urban area

Location



To the south

The coastal strip with lovely, family friendly beaches – a proper seaside resort.

To the west

The river Arun with the harbour, two yacht clubs and bustling café scene and the West Beach Local Nature Reserve which is part of the Climping Beach Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).

To the north

The South Downs National Park, the gently undulating Low Weald and the historic town of Arundel.

To the east

Rustington and the Worthing/Brighton conurbation with many attractions, leisure facilities and shopping.



*God is good,
All the time.
All the time,
God is good!*

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