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From CPRE Wiltshire, Charmian Spickernell, CPRE Wiltshire Vice-Chairman

MESSAGE OF SUPPORT

The rail strategy with the proposed re-opening and opening of stations is strongly supported.

QUESTION

What role has/does the Nature Partnership have in the drafting of SWLEP policy?

RESPONSE

Thank you for the support you give to the Rail Strategy. SWLEP is pleased with the content of the strategy and the direction it gives us.

With regard to the Local Nature Partnership, I have not seen signs of its existence for a number of years. The SWLEP does work with the Wiltshire Wildlife Trust, LEADER groups, the Forestry Commission, National Parks, the NFU and the CLA and with a range of groups we co-ordinate, including the Rural Economy Steering Group, the Natural Capital Working Group and the European Structural Investment Fund Advisory Committee. It is though these groups, which help to shape SWLEP policy, that we work with organisations which normally might be on a Local Nature Partnership.