



## Representation Form

# Southbourne Parish Neighbourhood Plan Review 2019-2037

## The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 - Regulation 16

Southbourne Parish Council has prepared a Neighbourhood Plan Review. The plan sets out a vision for the future of the parish and planning policies which will be used to determine planning applications locally.

Copies of the Southbourne Parish Neighbourhood Plan Review and supporting documents are available to view on Chichester District Council's website:

<http://www.chichester.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplan>.

**All comments must be received by 5:00 pm on 3 June 2021.**

There are a number of ways to make your comments:

- Complete this form on your computer and email it to:  
[neighbourhoodplanning@chichester.gov.uk](mailto:neighbourhoodplanning@chichester.gov.uk)
- Print this form and post it to us at: **Neighbourhood Planning East Pallant House 1 East Pallant Chichester PO19 1TY**

### Use of your personal data

All comments in Part B below will be publicly available and identifiable by name and (where applicable) organisation. Please note that any other personal information included in Part A below will be processed by Chichester District Council in line with the principles and rights set out in the General Data Protection Regulation 2016 (GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018, which cover such things as why and for how long we use, keep and look after your personal data.

### How to use this form

Please complete Part A in full in order for your representation to be taken into account at the Neighbourhood Plan examination.

Please complete Part B overleaf, identifying to which paragraph your comment relates by completing the appropriate box.

<b>PART A</b>	<b>Your Details</b>
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<b>Organisation (if applicable)</b>	
<b>Position (if applicable)</b>	
<b>Date</b>	23 May 21

## PART B

To which part of the document does your representation relate?

Paragraph Number	5.28	Policy Reference:	SB2
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**Do you support, oppose, or wish to comment on this paragraph?** (Please tick one answer)

Support  Support with modifications  Oppose  Have Comments

**Please give details of your reasons for support/opposition, or make other comments here:**

### Community Feedback - Key Matter Priority 1 – Utilities infrastructure/sewage treatment

The main priority and concern for the residents of Southbourne and Nutbourne is the inadequate capacity of waste water treatment at Southern Water's Thornham Plant, coupled with the inability of local pumping stations to cope with existing demand.

Save Our Harbour Villages have said 'the capacity will run out in 2024' for treatment, due to already planned developments. The local pumping station at Nutbourne has to be regularly 'pumped out', as it is unable to cope with existing demand.

Waste water problems at the almost completed Priors Orchard development, adjacent to the Plan area, are well known locally, and well documented via the Parish Council and Planning online.

In September 2020 Southern Water were issued with a formal warning by the Environment Agency due to a failure at Thornham Treatment Plant.

In 2019, Ofwat fined Southern Water £126 million.

CDC have recently (2021) filed a complaint against Southern Water.

The Plan does not fulfil this key community priority.

The statement that on SB2 para 5.28 'Southern Water ..... confirm that new reinforcement is likely to be necessary' is far too weak and will leave the plan area exposed to even more waste water breakdowns, plus the potential for pollution and environmental damage in Chichester Harbour.

Recently after several weeks without significant rainfall, Thornham Waste Water Treatment Plant made a discharge of untreated effluent in to Chichester Harbour.

During a recent interview (15 April 21), the following question was asked of Southern Water:

*With climate change maps predicting that some sites would be under water in 100 years' time, Carol Purnell (Con, Selsey) asked what plans Southern Water had for the works. The response – that coastal erosion and sea level rises would be discussed as part of the drainage and wastewater planning management process in the next year or so – raised even more concerns.*

(Continue on separate sheet if necessary)

**What improvements or modifications would you suggest?**

Network reinforcement and infrastructure capacity improvements MUST be in place before any development commences, and not just 'likely to be necessary'.

I have no confidence in the existing waste water capacity.

This investment is required before I/we can support the Neighbourhood Plan.

(Continue on separate sheet if necessary)

If you have additional representations feel free to include additional pages. Please make sure any additional pages are clearly labelled/addressed or attached.