

### **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
- 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.

PART A	Your Details
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Organisation (if applicable)	
Position (if applicable)	
Date	1st June 2021

## **PART B**

To which part of the document does your representation relate?

Paragraph Number	Α	Policy Reference:	SB14

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 4 - Wildlife/ecological improvements

SB14 para A states that 'development proposals should take account of the protected and other notable biodiversity species in the neighbourhood area as set out in Appendix D'.

Appendix D (Sussex Biodiversity Record Centre Report) does not appear to show any survey details relating to the fields at the east of the plan area. As development proposals are linked to identification using Appendix D Records, Policy SB14 fails. In addition, Appendix D expires on 14 July 21.

Details of species recorded locally, including on i-record, include:

Breeding pair of kestrels, kite, buzzard, sparrowhawk, barn owl, jay, pheasant, greater spotted woodpecker, breeding pair green woodpeckers. Goldcrest. Long tail, coal, great and blue tits, variety of finches, robins, wrens, thrushes, hedge and house sparrows, blackbirds.

Frogs, toads, newts, hedgehogs, fox and roe deer.

At least 2 species of bat, identified using bat detector.

#### North of Cooks Lane:

Skylarks, linnets (flocks of up to 50 counted), whinchat (have been spotted using Cooks Lane area on migration route), yellowhammer – all RSPB red list birds.

Housemartin, swift, swallow, whitethroat, goldcrest

Trees and hedgerows are vital as navigation aids, and the land to the east of Inlands Road, Nutbourne, includes a line of poplars, cherry and field maple. To the south of the plan area, a line of lime trees subject to a Tree Protection Order cross the area designated as A259 access. Glorious fern banks line Priors Leaze Lane, and ancient hedgerows line Cooks Lane. All the above information appears to have been excluded from Appendix D.

Consultation Statement Appendix 22 Point 50 - Chichester Harbour Conservancy have suggested that the policies need strengthening as they do not feel they address the protection afforded by the AONB designation nor the Special Protection Area. They would prefer dwellings to be built north of the railway line (further from the AONB boundary). A recent report from Natural England describes Chichester Harbour as 'one of the most important sites for wildlife in the UK and globally important for migratory birds' now being in an 'unfavourable and declining' condition, 'a story of catastrophic decline' citing amongst other damaging factors 'coastal squeeze'.

A little known fact to those outside of the plan to the east of Inlands Road area is that it is already a thriving wildlife corridor. For example, the Nutbourne Marshes are home to deer raising their young in the reed beds, then migrating through the plan area to the east towards the south downs. A common seasonal sight.

It is therefore appalling that CDC have overlooked this diverse and abundant area in the Strategic Wildlife Corridors LPR December 2018. The corridor contains one of the most globally rare forms of water course – a chalk stream. The Neighbourhood Plan, despite mitigations, is nothing short of environmental destruction, which will inevitably impact the wonderful AONB and the South Downs.

Due to the looming expiry of Appendix D, and the omission of the plan area, I am unable to even consider the plan until a full wildlife and ecological survey of the whole of the unrecognised wildlife corridor has been conducted and published.

The plan does not deliver on the community key matter priority 4 of wildlife/ecological improvements; it does in fact deliver the complete opposite.

I cannot support this plan due to the environmental and wildlife devastation it will cause.

I urge CDC to consider alternative land options.

What improvements or modifications would you suggest?

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