**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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## PART B

#### To which part of the document does your representation relate?

| Paragraph Number | 2.18 | Policy Reference: |  |
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Do you support, oppose, or wish to comment on this paragraph? (Please tick one answer)

|  | Support |  | Support with modifications | Oppose | $\boxtimes$ | Have Comments |  |
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Please give details of your reasons for support/opposition, or make other comments here: The local area is defined by small hamlets which are separate communities with their own distinctive characteristics. The introduction of new homes, doubling the population, will not be in the same style, or character of the existing properties, and by doubling the number of residence, will obliterate the look of this beautiful part of West Sussex. The roads are already poorly maintained in the area, and the increase in traffic will require significant maintenance on more frequent basis. It is evident that the road budget isn't able to cope with the current level of traffic, and unless part of the plan is to significantly increase this in proportion to the population, we will see more danger to those using them. The roads are already unable to cope at peak times with the current levels of car usage, and junctions will have to either be redesigned, or an increase in pollution levels caused by standing traffic will be a major issue either to health, or the ascetics of this area. With the first recorded death in London relating to traffic pollution, I wonder if your risk assessment includes claims made by elderly residents whose health will be negatively impacted. One objective of this housing is to help keep the children of local residents within the area by providing affordable homes. I have yet to see a joined up assessment of what jobs will be available for their skills, and what salaries will be available to them in the local area that will enable them to buy these new homes. Let's be honest, these houses are for people working outside the area who want to commute for jobs which pay significantly more than the local companies. Unless you have a plan to increase local jobs by the amount of families which will be housed in the new development, then we can safely say they aren't for local people.

The sewerage for these new homes is not available, and we already see they overflow when the capacity isn't sufficient. In addition, the homes are on a flood area, and based on sea level predictions, you will be building homes which will be underwater within the ownership of their first residents. Is there a plan to increase sea defences to go with the housing development?

We regularly get wildlife like deer, hedgehogs and other animals in the local area. Reducing the green space will severely impact them, and their movement between and around the villages.

The local shops and businesses would not be able to support a massive influx of residents, and would either be overwhelmed, or be forced out of business as larger companies became part of the plan.

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

The number of houses needs to be significantly reduced, and form part of a joined up plan, involving transport improvement, flood protection, infrastructure and incentivising larger companies to within a short commute of the area. This needs to be done in line with the local skills and education, so that the children growing up in the area have the skills that the employers coming to West Sussex want, so they can stay here and afford the new homes. The young families working at the fast food outlets aren't the ones who will be able to afford these homes, and stay in the area.

An understanding of what makes the hamlets special is needed. Doubling a community is never going to be an improvement,

I am sure that there are sufficient brownfield sites which can be utilised. The nature of the city highstreet is changing, and this has been accelerated. Ultimately it will become a place for younger couples to live, enjoy the night life, bars and entertainment. This will be the future, and should be part of this 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.