

Slinfold Neighbourhood Plan II Working Group

Meeting Minutes

Date: 9th July 2024

Present: Ed Skeates (Chair), Paula Smith, Tony Hall, Nigel Smith, Liz Cox, Keith Feltham, Vince Pyle
Apologies: Adrian Roberts, Emma Grundy, David Lewis

1. Previous minutes and Actions – Inaugural meeting

2. Introduction

Terms of Reference noted

Frequency of meetings agreed as monthly

New government housing priority gave added impetus to moving forward on SNP but also caution with regard to spending too much time and money if wholesale changes to the Planning system were on the cards.

ES outlined how previous Working Group had functioned with emphasis on Working Group members to be self-sufficient and take initiative

Currently no funding for SNPWG so currently no administrative resource for minutes etc
ES agreed to take notes for this meeting.

3. Basis of review for SNPII

Two guidance papers on The Future of Neighbourhood Plans for Parishes with Made Plans (Herefordshire 2020 and Horsham 2019, previously circulated) were discussed. The preliminary view is that SNPII is going to be somewhere between 'Material' and 'Substantial' Modifications but the Examiner will likely determine that in due course.

4. Following the Agenda items discussed:

Evidence

Importance of reliance on up-to-date evidence which will need to be refreshed since SNP I. In particular the demographic info from Census of 2011 to be reviewed for 2021. **Action LC**

Suggested to also contact Slinfold Primary School for any data on recent enrolments. **Action LC**. The Evidence listed in SNPI needs to be reviewed for updates.

SNPI – What worked well and what didn't?

Cobblers – Why was the SNP Policy for 17 units with a focus on elderly disregarded by HDC?

East of Hayes Lane – Discussion around HDC withdrawing numbers from SNPI. Opportunity to rewrite Policy 7 for East of Hayes Lane to include numbers etc. **Action PS**

Scout Hut – A critical piece of community infrastructure that was not delivered. NS is already focused on this and agreed to be key contact person on this for SNPWG. **Action NS**

Slinfold Design Statement – discussed that this was really a parallel piece of work to the SNP but SPC had delegated the SNPWG to take this forward as a workstream. TH agreed to take this action forward. **Action TH.** ES suggested future walking tour of sites to review what worked well/ not well in design terms.

Lower Broadbridge Heath Farm – not in SNPI (HDC refused its inclusion) but following successful appeal, now making significant contribution (133) to SNPII housing numbers. Consequently, to be included with corresponding Policy to be written. **Action PS**

Infrastructure - Transport, Highways, footpaths, public open Spaces. Local Green Spaces, Sustainable Urban Drainage (SUDS), sewers, flooding etc. To be a significant part of SNPII and VP to champion workstream for future meetings. **Action VP**

Funding – Discussion around no current funding from SPC but Locality funding for 24/25 has now opened so opportunity to source funds to be investigated. **Action NS**

5. Project Plan

A timeline for items to be brought forward for discussion/deep dive at subsequent meetings and consultations and communications to be set out. **Action ES.**

6. Actions carried forward

Volunteer required to:

- store and administer SNPII data in shared drive.

- update and maintain input for SPC website re SNPII.

- refresh SNPI Evidence list.

Next meeting: 7.00pm 20th August 2024 Parish Room (TBC)