



The Courtyard (Ascot Racecourse) High Street, Ascot, Berkshire SL5 7JF

Notes of NP Revision meeting held on Teams, 24/09/2204

Attendees:

Sunningdale Parish Council: Cllr Anne-Catherine Buxton (ACB)

Nikki Tomlinson (NT), Deputy Clerk

Sunninghill & Ascot Parish Council: Cllr Robin Wood (RW)

Olivia Marsden (OM), Project Administrator

For discussion:

1. Recruitment of new Planning Consultant.

2. Review work needed on current policies.

Item	Item / Topic	Action
1.	Recruitment of new Planning Consultant. As Chris Bowden is leaving Navigus Planning, recruitment of a new Planning Consultant is required. Chris has recommended his external colleague Alison Eardley as a possible replacement.	NT to contact Alison and request to meet over Teams
2.	Review work needed on current policies. (See table below).	
3.	Schedule future meetings to review Neighbourhood Plan. Every 6 weeks – bi- monthly.	NT to send doodle polls
4.	Grant application. OM to continue with Neighbourhood Plan grant application for up to £10,000.	ОМ
5.	Navigus invoice. SPC and SAPC to pay 50% of the invoice each.	OM & NT

Policy	Policy	Action
Review 1.	 NP/EN1 Gaps between villages: Discussion was held about the opportunity to designate green spaces within our respective parishes, and the green gaps between our villages. CB suggested flagging up spaces which are "demonstrably special" to the community. For key areas: gather evidence, local people to say which areas are unique and need protecting. Examples can include allotments, playing fields and village greens. N.B. these sites don't have to be accessible to the general public, but they should have particular standing and importance. CB also stated that this designation gives the same level of protection as green belt. It is important to define the existing gap policy, including areas which aren't in public ownership. DH: make a list of spaces. 	Both parish councils to draw up a list of existing green spaces and identify ones which have particular value to the local community. OM, NT.
2.	 NP/EN4 and EN4.2 Biodiversity: CB reiterated the importance of ensuring that the new requirements for Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) are reflected in the revised Neighbourhood Plan. Look at areas that could contribute to BNG in our respective parishes. CB flagged up the need to show how new development can maximise biodiversity through design. This is laid out in RBWM's Sustainable Design and Construction SPD: pp sdc spd document 0 (1).pdf 	Both parish councils to look at areas that could contribute to BNG. DH, LE
3.	NP/H1 Development Briefs: • CB stressed the importance of providing clear policy documents on good and bad design. Consult RBWM's policies on design in the planning section.	Consult RBWM's policies on design in the planning section. DH
4. 5.	Mix of Housing Seek guidance from BLP Policy HO2 NP/DG3.1 Good design:	Consult BLP Policy HO2. DHBoth parish
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	 Discussion was held about what constitutes "good" and "bad" design. CB suggested recording streets where it looks urbanised and ones where it doesn't, gathering evidence to support the case. DH mentioned that streetscapes have changed over the years, as businesses have come and gone. A-CB raised the issue of parking and garages. CB replied that care has to be taken to describe whether garages are too close to the building line. It would be useful to gather evidence of places where design is considered to be poor. 	evidence of design, both good and bad. • CB to send examples of sustainability and biodiversity from other NP ACB, RW
6.	 NP/DG4: Heritage Assets: CB suggested making a list of non-designated heritage assets, that is, assets of local heritage merit. What's the criteria? That needs to be determined. There was brief discussion about who defines a heritage asset, and the potential problems it could cause for homeowners. Are we protecting older buildings and structures for the sake of it? It was pointed out that a designation can lead to improved maintenance. 	Both parish councils to make a list of non-designated heritage assets. OM, NT.
7.	Retail Needs updating as classes orders have changed. Too many food outlets. Pizza in Sunningdale	Update on policy required – CIIr TBA
8.	 NP/T1 Parking and access: There was considerable discussion about the huge problems of parking in both of our parishes, parking is at a premium in all of our village centres, with Sunninghill particularly badly affected. Various proposals have been put forward over the years, but no solution has been reached. Do we develop our own parking standards? CB suggested this would be sensible. A survey needs to be carried out throughout our parishes, identifying parking problems. 	DH and RW CB to send Census results

9	A dialogue needs to open with the cycling and walking groups in our parishes. Many cycle paths are not suitable, and some footpaths are not safe. Care needs to be taken with cycling and walking groups.	Cllr Hilton (SPC) and Cllr Richardson (SAPC) to become involved at a later stage.
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