

**Teams meeting for Ascot, Sunninghill & Sunningdale Neighbourhood Plan, on 29/07/25 at 11am:**

1. Likely timescale for the NP refresh: Alison Eardley, Planning Consultant
2. Extent of the changes: Light touch approach with minimal changes to key policies. Parish council officers to work on key task list jobs.
3. Proposals for going forward: Olivia Marsden/Esther Cope, Sunninghill & Ascot Parish Council
4. Update on RBWM Local Plan: Lucinda Pinhorne-Smy & Ian Motuel, RBWM
5. Any other issues.

**Introduction**

Planning Policy Manager RBWM – Ian Motuel

Senior Planning Policy Officer – Lucinda Pinhorne-Smy

Sunningdale Parish Council (SPC) Chair of Planning – Anne-Catherine Buxton

Planning consultant - Alison Eardley

Sunninghill & Ascot Parish Council (SAPC) Project Administrator - Olivia Marsden

SAPC Clerk – Esther Cope

SPC Deputy Clerk – Nikki Tomlinson

**1. Timescales**

- To finish the draft plan – Christmas 2025?
- Reg 14 (Pre-submission consultation and publicity) would take us to February 2026
- Parish Councils to provide statement of changes Reg 15 (Plan proposals)
- Examination to decide if referendum is needed

**2. Extent of changes**

- Alison provided an update to RBWM of progress so far
- Aim is to do a light touch refresh. For any new policies we would like to add can these be included in the Local Plan to avoid referendum. E.g. green space, townscape? Housing mix? Heritage? Movement (walking & cycling). No new site allocations will be required.
- SAPC/SPC NP, successfully awarded a Locality Grant previously, before community funding was withdrawn.

**3. Proposals for going forward**

- Schedule of works needs to be clarified between the parish councils. **Olivia & Nikki to coordinate.**
- Costs involved to be presented to Finance Committee – Can CIL funds be used? **Ian to check.**

#### **4. Early stages of project planning of the new local plan**

- It is understood a Townscape Study is not going to be a key focus
- Key focus areas may include –
  - Housing needs
  - Economic needs
  - Green belt / Grey belt
  - Retail
- What are the strategic policies / what are the non-strategic policies
- Nonstrategic NP can have a different view from the LP
- Timetable
  - Approved by cabinet (Feb 2025) and submitted to government.
  - 3-month early engagement period (Jan 2026).
  - Official start date May 2026. 30-month process – October 2028 live date?
- Funds awarded for green belt assessment. Consultant to be appointed.
- Transport modelling early work

#### **5. RBWM support required**

- Mapping layers from RBWM needed
- The screening required and process support
- RBWM feedback on emerging document
- Clarification about CIL funding for costs of NP revision.