



**Horsham
District
Council**

Representation Form

Ashington Neighbourhood Plan 2019-2031

The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended) - Regulation 16

Ashington Neighbourhood Development Plan

In light of recent announcements regarding COVID-19 Horsham District Council has reviewed its protocols regarding the consultation process for neighbourhood plans, a number of which were published for public consultation shortly before the government imposed the nationwide lockdown.

In order to continue to progress neighbourhood plans, we have made a decision to restart with the consultation process with measures we feel are in accordance to the government guidelines.

Ashington Parish Council has prepared a Neighbourhood Development Plan (ANP). The Plan sets out a vision for the future of the parish and planning policies which will be used to determine planning applications locally. In accordance with Regulation 16 of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012 (as amended), the ANP and associated documents will go out to consultation:

Wednesday 17 June to Wednesday 12 August 2020 for 8 weeks inviting representations on the draft submission plan, basic conditions statement, consultation statement and the full Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA).

Copies of the ANP Neighbourhood Plan and supporting documents are available to view on the Horsham District Council's website:

<https://www.horsham.gov.uk/planningpolicy/planning-policy/currentconsultations>

Documents will not be made available in deposit locations due to the current COVID-19 pandemic. If local residents have difficulty in engaging online we have provided a telephone number and email address below. Members of the public are encouraged to leave their details for an officer to contact them back if they need further information.

Email: neighbourhood.planning@horsham.gov.uk – SAS@southdowns.gov.uk

Telephone: 01403 215398

All comments must be received by Midnight on Wednesday 12 August 2020

There are a number of ways to make your comments:

1. Please use the above web address above to make your representation online ; or
2. Complete this form and email it to: neighbourhood.planning@horsham.gov.uk ; or
3. Print this form and post it to: Neighbourhood Planning Officer, Horsham Council, Parkside, Chart Way, North Street, Horsham, RH12 1RL

All comments will be publicly available, and identifiable by name and (where applicable) organisation. Please note that any other personal information provided will be processed by

Horsham District Council in line the Data Protection Act 1998 and General Data Protection Regulations. Horsham District Council will process your details in relation to this preparation of this document only. For further information please see the Council's privacy policy: <https://www.horsham.gov.uk/privacy-policy>

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 which paragraph your comment relates to by completing the appropriate box.

PART A	Your Details
Full Name	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED]
Postcode	[REDACTED]
Telephone	[REDACTED]
Email	[REDACTED]
Organisation (if applicable)	
Position (if applicable)	
Date	12 th August 2020

PART B

To which part in the plan does your representation relate?

Paragraph Number:	4.3 & 4.4	Policy Reference:	ASH1
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Do you support, oppose, or wish to comment on this plan? (Please tick one answer)

Support

Support with Modifications

Object

Comment

Please give details of your reasons for support/opposition, or make other comments here:

I have no outright opposition to the proposals but an additional 225 properties is a lot for a small village with scant amenities, it could be accommodated but only if the infrastructure was there.

- The only public transport available is an hourly bus service to either Worthing or Horsham / Crawley, there is no service to where the nearest doctors and dentists are in Steyning and Storrington and neither does it extend to Brighton as one of your previous statements suggested. Ashington has no doctor or dentist surgeries.**
- The above being the case means that the 225 properties will have at least an additional 450 totally car dependent people on already inadequate roads.**
- The A24 is now frequently at a standstill at Washington and again into Storrington which is where the doctors and middle schools are, this increase can only exacerbate the problem and I suspect that because of this, many will soon use the single track country lane through Warminghurst which will become very dangerous considering the agricultural traffic.**
- Ashington has one small Coop mini market which although useful will be entirely inadequate for the amount of new people anticipated so there will be many more hundreds of car movements a day to out of town supermarkets.**
- The Government is now pushing hard for us to all get fitter and cycling to work and for leisure is key to the future. There are no provisions here for cycle lanes which means people cannot safely cycle for leisure, certainly not to work.....I speak from experience here I was a cycle commuter to Worthing from Ashington, the A24 was not a pleasant place to be.**
- For the proposed development west of the school I was rather surprised to see a traffic survey of Church Close which serves some 21 properties and is a cul de sac so can only see a handful of cars a day. What was the purpose of this when within 50 yards you have the road to the school and would see at least a 50 fold difference in traffic movement than that of Church Close and surely much more meaningful to your junction calculations, rather a waste of time and money I would have thought.**
- The junior school will need to be extended so land must be retained for this purpose not expensive new build close by that gives the new owners first choice for the school, long standing residents to my mind are more deserving.**
- The Parish Council have provided this plan I know, even so, the above really must be addressed as I fear more accidents and casualties will result, safety for all is paramount.**

What improvements or modifications would you suggest?

- **Addressing all of the above for 225 new units is the way to go but I would prefer just the Chanctonbury Nurseries 95 which could probably just about be accommodated with all access from Rectory Lane.**
- **Church Lane will be exceptionally busy during school hours were the development behind to take place, not good right past our listed church and nearby wildlife and ancient sites too.**
- **School runs by car really must be discouraged so we need convenient safe walking and cycling, we all know about emissions and concentrated short car journeys.**
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(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.

Do you wish to be notified of the local planning authority's decision under Regulation 19 of the Neighbourhood Plan (General) Regulations 2012 in relation to the Ashington Neighbourhood Development plan?

Please tick here if you wish to be to be notified: