Southbourne Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan 2013 to 2029

The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012

Regulation 20: Publicising a Neighbourhood Development Plan

1. Introduction

1.1 Under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended), the Council has a statutory duty to assist communities in the preparation of Neighbourhood Plans and Orders to take plans through a process of examination, referendum and adoption. The Localism Act 2011 (Part 6 Chapter 3) sets out the local planning authority’s responsibilities for Neighbourhood Planning.

1.2 This report confirms that at the Full Council meeting on 15 December 2015, Chichester District Council resolved to 'make' the Southbourne Parish Neighbourhood Plan 2013 to 2029. This means that the Southbourne Parish Neighbourhood Plan 2013 to 2029 has been brought into legal force and it now forms part of the statutory development plan for Southbourne Parish. Consequently decisions on whether or not to grant planning permission in Southbourne Parish will need to be made in accordance with Southbourne Parish Neighbourhood Plan 2013 to 2029, unless material considerations indicate otherwise.

2. Background

2.1 The neighbourhood area for Southbourne covers the whole of the Parish of Southbourne.

2.2 The Southbourne Parish Neighbourhood Plan was examined by Jeremy Edge BSc (Hons) FRICS MRTPI who, in May and August (addendum) 2015, recommended that the Southbourne Parish Neighbourhood Plan as modified by his recommendations should proceed to referendum. Following this the Examiner’s modifications were agreed by Southbourne Parish Council and Chichester District Council.

2.3 On 8 September 2015, the Decision Statement, a report that outlines all the Examiner’s modifications and confirms acceptance by all parties, was agreed by Cabinet.
2.4 On 5 November 2015, the Southbourne Parish Neighbourhood Plan successfully passed its referendum with 87.7% of the votes agreeing that Southbourne Parish Neighbourhood Plan be used in Development Management decision making.

2.5 On 15 December 2015 Chichester District Council resolved that the Southbourne Parish Neighbourhood Plan, Submission Plan (incorporating Examiner’s modifications and all modifications as per the Decision Statement) be ‘made’ and become part of the Development Plan for Southbourne Parish.

3. Conclusion

3.1 It is therefore confirmed that the Southbourne Parish Neighbourhood Plan 2013 to 2029, Submission Plan (incorporating Examiner's modifications and all modifications as per the Decision Statement), complies with the legal requirements and basic conditions set out in the Localism Act 2011, and as a result of Full Council resolution of 15 December has been ‘made’.

3.2 In accordance with Regulation 20 of the 2012 Regulations, Chichester District Council has published the Southbourne Parish Neighbourhood Plan on its website together with details of when and where it can be inspected and has requested that Southbourne Parish Council publish the Neighbourhood Plan on the Parish website. The Parish Council will place a copy of the Southbourne Parish Neighbourhood Plan in Southbourne Library and Southbourne Village Hall. Notices identifying where the Plan may be seen will be placed on the two noticeboards on Main Road (adjacent to Nutbourne Park and Slipper Road respectively) as well as on Stein Road. A notice will also be put in the local magazine, The Village. The District Council has notified all persons who asked to be notified of the making of the plan and when and where it can be inspected.