



Shaping The Future Of Our Community Together

Sutton Poyntz Neighbourhood Plan

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Stage Two Survey

December 2017

This survey asks your opinion on specific points within the key topics. This extra detail is vital to enable the Steering Group to develop draft policies for the Neighbourhood Plan and identify other points of action for our community to take forward.

IMPORTANT

Please note that this is an opinion survey and should be completed by individuals.

The deadline for completing this survey form is Friday January 5th 2018.

Please refer to the map in the centrefold when completing this survey.

How to return your survey	You can hand deliver or mail it to:	Scan and email it to:	Contact any of the Steering Group members and they will make arrangements to collect it from you.
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Question 1

Context

The village location in a deep valley with a narrow chalk-bed stream fed by fresh water springs from a steep hillside catchment area makes it prone to flooding. Climate change coupled with further residential development means that we will need to be more proactive in flood prevention if we are to minimise the threat to people, property and wildlife habitat.

In order to reduce flood risk do you support a policy where all new developments will be planned so as to minimise additional surface water run-off from properties?

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

Question 2

Context

In terms of biodiversity, 'green corridors' can be described as narrow linear routes that provide sufficient habitat to support wildlife and allow its free movement along them. New development has to take account of a green corridor to avoid any adverse impact.

Would you support the designation of a Biodiversity Green Corridor?

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

Please include any comments on the suggested Green Corridor as shown on the map

Question 3

Context

The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) provides for the 'conservation and enhancement' of biodiversity in relation to new development, whereas the Weymouth and Portland Local Plan excludes 'enhancement'. The Neighbourhood Plan provides an opportunity to strengthen the local policy in this respect so that new development includes strategies for improving wildlife habitats and corridors, helps to reverse the decline of threatened species and reintroduce those that are already lost to the local area.

Would you support a Neighbourhood Plan policy that promotes the enhancement as well as the conservation of biodiversity?

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

Question 4

Context

In planning terms 'Green Spaces' are areas not proposed or allocated for development, that are designated as special to the community for reasons of recreational, historical, beauty, peacefulness or wildlife habitat importance. Planning policies can also ensure that development around green spaces is complementary and retains access where appropriate.

Do you agree with the creation of a list of important green spaces which would be protected in this way?

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

Section 4 Village Demography & Economics

Section 5 Character of Village

Section 6 Opportunities & Recommendations

Thank you for completing this survey form. If you would like to, please give your name and address below:

Name Address

Question 20

Context

The Place Appraisal has been drafted in an attempt to identify what is important about Sutton Poyntz, its setting, history, people and buildings. It is designed to give a collective view of the village's character and qualities and will provide a key point of reference that underpins the Neighbourhood Plan.

Do you have any comments on the draft Place Appraisal?

Section 1 Introduction

Section 2 Sense of Place

Section 3 Village Setting & Development

Do you agree that the following proposed sites should be designated for protection as green space within the Neighbourhood Plan subject to meeting the necessary criteria?

Map ref.	Description/nature of green space	Strongly	Agree	Disagree	Strongly
G1	Wet Woodland				
G2	Veterans Wood				
G3	Area of Fen				
G4	Water meadow				
G5	Marshy ground between trees along Osmington Brook				
G6	Rough pasture behind The Stables				
G7	Village Pond				
G8	Village Green				
G9	Puddledock allotments				
G10	Pig field and wooded area adjacent to allotments				
G11	Green Wedge				
G12	Field and Copse behind Old Bincombe Lane/Sutton Close				
G13	Mission Hall Orchard				
G14	Springhead Pub Garden				

Please identify below any other areas that you would add to the list:

Question 5

Context

Key views which are special to the community can also be protected not only to prevent them from being obscured by new development but also to ensure that its design is in keeping with the surroundings.

Do you agree that a list of key views to be protected in this way should be drawn up ?

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

Do you agree that the following views should be protected?

Map ref.	Description of key view	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
V1	To the east from the pond				
V2	From end of White Horse Lane				
V3	Up hills from Hunt's Yard				
V4	Up hills from Fox Cottage				
V5	Of hills from Plaisters Lane, from field across from Sutton Close				
V6	From gate just north of Morlands, Plaisters Lane				
V7	Of Plaisters Lane and hills across horse paddock by Puddledock Lane				
V8	Of village down Sutton Road from Sutton Knap				
V9	Along stream from bridge on Sutton Road				

Biodiversity and the Natural Environment

Map ref.	Description of key view	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
V10	From below Chalbury Hill fort west of the village				
V11	Green Hill north west of the village				
V12	Footpath on the hill north of the Beacon				
V13	Margaret's seat north east of the village				
V14	Osmington/Preston Parish boundary close to the White Horse				
V15	Of the village from the track below Winslow Hill				

Please identify below any other views that you would add to the list or indicate these with an arrow on the map.

Question 6

Context

Trees and hedges add to the character of the landscape, provide important amenity value and essential wildlife habitat and help to mitigate the effects of climate change. However, inappropriately located and unmanaged trees can present problems such as reduced light or visibility, damage from falling or root growth and fouling of overhead service cables.

Mainly as a result of financial pressures the Council has become much less pro-active on tree preservation matters. A Neighbourhood Plan tree policy would place certain obligations on the council and help to address this situation.

Do you agree that the Neighbourhood Plan should aim to strengthen current protections by including a policy based on the following statements?

a) Future development should only be permitted where it retains those trees, established orchards and hedges which have been assessed as contributing significantly to the character of the village or to local biodiversity.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

b) Where a significant tree is felled due to it being diseased, dying or dangerous, at least one replacement will be planted in a suitable location and will be of a species appropriate to the local area.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

c) The Neighbourhood Forum will be directly consulted on all tree applications, notifications and planning applications where trees, orchards and hedges may be adversely affected.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

Sports and Recreation

Question 18

Context

Under the Localism Act, land or property identified as of value to the community can be formally nominated as 'Assets of Community Value' and held on a register by the Borough Council. Once on the list, if the owner of the land or building wishes to sell, the community has a six month window to prepare a bid to purchase it.

Do you agree that the following are of significant value to the community?

Map Ref.	Land/Property	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
G7	Pond				
A1	Mission Hall				
HA6	Springhead Public House				
A2	Waterworks Museum				
G2	Veterans' Wood				
Any Others?					

Question 19

Context

Based on the feedback from the first survey, some people felt that the village lacked recreational facilities. Suitable locations for these would have to be found.

a) Which of the following additional community facilities would you support?

Type of Facility	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Village Green				
Village Shop				
Larger Meeting Hall				
Children's Play Area				
Sports Field				
Community Allotments				
Other (please describe)				

b) Do you have any suggestions for a suitable locations?

Question 16

Context

It is permissible to consider a site for housing outside the development boundary that would be restricted to 100% affordable housing (i.e. social rented or part-rented/purchased) with no open market housing, subject to community support and if there is sufficient local housing need.

Would you support the development of a site outside the defined settlement boundary for 100% affordable housing for local people?

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

Question 17

Context

The village has a Conservation Area which places planning constraints on the design and materials used for building. The draft Place Appraisal identifies different character areas in the village and the main features which distinguish them. These could be utilised to inform future design and construction materials used for both new housing and significant extensions.

Do you agree with each of the following statements?

a) Future development, wherever it happens in the village, should take greater account of nearby building design and materials.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

b) Future development, wherever it happens in the village, should take greater account of typical building design and materials, reflecting the building styles of the historic core (see map).

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

c) Contemporary/innovative building design should be encouraged, in areas other than the historic core (see map).

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

d) In those areas which are outside of the historic village core (see map) there is no need to reflect the surrounding design and materials.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

Question 7

Context

The nearest shops (Spar and Co-op) are over half a mile from the centre of the village. In the first consultation there was support for a shop to be introduced into the village to incorporate a tea shop and be an outlet for selling local arts & crafts and produce.

A location would need to be determined and in the absence of a commercial provider it may need to be operated as a community shop with volunteer staff.

a) Do you want a village shop?

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

b) What do you think should be sold in such a shop?

Type of Shop	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
'General store' items				
Locally sourced produce - for example fruit, vegetables				
Locally sourced arts and crafts				
Should it include a tea/coffee shop?				

c) How many hours per week would you be prepared to volunteer to work in the shop?

None 1 to 4 5 to 10 11 plus

d) Do you have any suggestions for a suitable location?

Question 8

Context

In the first consultation there was a desire for the creation of local jobs by encouraging an increase in the number of businesses with a view to attracting younger people.

Dependent on the type attracted, such an increase in the number of businesses could result in a small increase in motor traffic (from employees, customers and deliveries) and therefore general noise. This could also result in an increase in parking required for the additional staff, customers and deliveries. Locations would be required, which are currently not obvious.

a) Do you agree that on balance the benefits of attracting such new business outweigh the potential problems associated with increased traffic?

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

b) Would you be willing to accept the following types of business premises?

Type of Business Premises	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Dedicated work or office space provided within homes				
Office and light industrial units				
Storage and distribution units				

c) Do you have any ideas of suitable locations?

Question 9

Context
The quality and reliability of internet and mobile connection is becoming increasingly important to residents and businesses. In order to evaluate local mobile and internet coverage we are seeking feedback based upon your personal experience. So that we can accurately map coverage it would be useful for you to provide your postcode:

a) What best describes mobile phone reception at your home?

Excellent Variable Poor No reception Don't own a mobile

b) How satisfied are you with the speed of the internet connection at your home?

Very satisfied Satisfied Dissatisfied Very dissatisfied Do not have internet

c) How satisfied are you with the reliability of the internet connection at your home:?

Very satisfied Satisfied Dissatisfied Very dissatisfied Do not have internet

Question 10

Context
In the first consultation several respondents indicated a desire to encourage more tourism on a small scale. This could result in a small increase in motor traffic and therefore general noise and a requirement for additional parking.

a) Do you agree that on balance the benefits of attracting tourism outweigh the potential problems associated with increased traffic?

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

b) Would you like to see any of the following additional tourist facilities?

Tourist Facility	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
More B&Bs and hotels				
More holiday lets				
More campsites				
Community-led guided tours				
Other (please describe)				

Question 14

Context
The Neighbourhood Plan is not about stopping all future development. It is instead an opportunity to influence the level of housing growth in Sutton Poyntz up to 2036.

How many new homes do you think should be built within the village up to 2036?

1 to 10 11 to 20 21 to 50 More than 50

Question 15

Context
Sutton Poyntz has a 'defined development boundary' (see map) outside of which development is not usually permitted. Although this is intended to stop development spreading into protected open countryside it could also limit housing growth. We need to find out if you would consider any change to the development boundary to allow building on some fields and other areas.

Do you agree with each of the following statements?

a) The defined development boundary should be redrawn to create additional development opportunities.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

b) Housing should only be allowed within the existing defined development boundary.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

c) Some existing housing could be demolished to allow more new homes to be built there at a higher density.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

d) New house building should generally be allowed in the gardens of some existing homes.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

If you wish to add any comment to explain or qualify your answers to Question 15 please do so below:

Getting Around

... Question 12 continued

Do you agree that planning permission for any new housing should require the following?

(i) A minimum of two allocated off street parking places per home

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

(ii) A minimum of one unallocated visitor parking space for every four homes

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

(iii) A minimum of one electric vehicle charging point per home

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

Heritage

Question 13

Context

Separate and distinct to Listed Building Status, the National Planning Policy Framework provides for a lower level list of "locally important heritage assets" to be created. These assets are then given some planning protection in that their significant contribution to the character of the area must be taken into account when assessing the impact of any new development.

Using guidance from Historic England, we have looked at potential assets for a local list and assessed them using a scoring system. Those which scored sufficiently to meet the criteria are listed in the table below. Some of those proposed are individual properties, others are "street scenes" that include the frontages of numbers of houses.

a) Do you agree with the principle of creating such a list?

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

b) If yes, which assets on the list below should be included?

Map Ref.	Proposed Locally Important Heritage Asset	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
HA1	Cob Cottage, White Horse Lane				
HA2	Street scene in the Waterworks, including old Upper Mill house and Waterworks Cottages				
HA3	Street scene at top of Sutton Road, including Streamside Cottage, Hideaway Cottage and Budmouth Cottage				
HA4	Street scene at start of Mission Hall Lane, including Quackers, Myrtle Cottages and Springfield Cottage				
HA5	Mission Hall and Church Cottage, in Mission Hall Lane				
HA6	Springhead Pub, including the Pavilion and the surrounding trees				
HA7	The pond and its banks, with the street scene alongside the pond				
HA8	Street scene in Silver Street and around Sutton Mill				
HA9	Street scene at "the fork" including The Coach House in Brookmead, the Cartshed, Bellamy Cottage and 84 Sutton Road ("Hunt's Cottage") and the stream and wall opposite the Cartshed				
HA10	"The Cottage", Puddledock Lane				
Any Others?					

Getting Around

Question 11

Context

Following our earlier survey, resident concerns included speeding traffic, on-street parking, congestion and maintaining accessible public footpaths and lanes. Notable features of the area identified in our draft Place Appraisal are the 'green' environment with a lack of excessive street signs and pavements that add to the character of the area.

a) Should appropriate traffic management restrictions, e.g. road markings, bollards, signage etc. be introduced at key hazard points as indicated below? Please refer to map.

Map ref.	Location	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
H1	Winslow to Verlands Road				
H2	Cartshed/Bus stop				
H3	Sutton Road between the Mill House and Northdown Farm				
H4	East end of Mission Hall Lane just above the pond				
H5	Tight bend on Plaisters Lane just below Wyndings				

b) Should an adequate public car park be created in the village?

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

c) Do you have any suggestions for a suitable location?

d) Should all new future development include:

(i) Pavements ?

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

(ii) Street lighting?

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

Question 12

Context

Local Authority guidance on parking space provision for residential development recommends 1 or 2 allocated spaces per property up to 3 bedrooms and 1 unallocated (visitor) space per 5 properties.

In view of car ownership in Sutton Poyntz being 20 per cent higher than Weymouth, the Neighbourhood Plan provides an opportunity to proportionately strengthen this guidance. Although this could ease on-street congestion it could also result in higher property costs.

a) Do you agree that on balance the benefits of reduced congestion outweigh the potential additional housing costs?

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

Question 12 continues

KEY

- Neighbourhood Area
- Q2 - Green corridor
- Q4 - Green space
- V1 → Q5 - Key views
- ▲ Q11a - Hazard points
- Q12 - Locally important heritage assets
- Q14 - Defined Development Boundary
- Q16 - Village Historic Core
- Q17 - Assets of Community Value

