

Neighbourhood Plan Community Engagement Meeting 20 Feb 2022.

Comments from attendees

Welcome Board

Better to have the referendum in May 2023 – coinciding with the local elections – better turn out!

Vision and Objectives - *Apologies for my typo – 2035 is the date given by HDC.*

Objective 9 – 2025 should be 2035 Carbon neutral by 2025 – what a laugh

I support numbers one to eight of your objectives. Not sure about Hart becoming a carbon neutral authority by 2025

One – eight of objectives I agree with. Not convinced we can be carbon neutral by 2025

I support all initiatives, and nine. The objective is only to support HDC initiatives

Support number nine – we have to do this even if it seems a massive task. But there need to be a planned behind it with the rigorous follow-up

Historic environment

I think the village is ... Age – not Stone Age

Merely maintaining heritage assets is not sufficient. The context of the assets must also be protected ie the area surrounding an asset provides a context, and the views of the assets from afar are also important

It is important not to underplay significance of the countryside in Winchfield generally to its historical place in Hart, not just the heritage assets and conservation areas

Does the heritage statement apply to non-designated heritage assets? E.g. Winchfield Court

Let's hope you discuss any designations with landowners before you put them forward unlike the LGS designation proposal!

Built Environment

Please keep monitoring the land North of Winchfield Court. The open space with trees, shrubs, animal corridors and beauty is being spoilt and the residential character of Winchfield Court is being spoilt – help!

Update available energy sources for utilities current availability is not sustainable

Proposal (c)i. Again does this apply to non-designated heritage assets e.g. Winchfield Court

The key message is to keep Winchfield rural, as a resource for the whole district. This comes across well.

Development design – perhaps we should make more of the fact that small rural villages up to 5000 houses are expensive in carbon terms – therefore they should not be expanded

Proposal (b) – “do not involve the loss of gardens” – an extension built onto a house will involve a loss of part of a garden. (b) should also be reworded and “significant contribution....” etc needs to be defined

Proposal (g) vehicle parking within the plot will not always be possible – particularly given your later policy on residential parking spaces

An extra policy (m) is suggested – all new buildings should contain a suitably positioned (Swift Brick) (For swifts to nest in) other local authorities are doing this

Point (L) (EV charging points) would like this to have the same impact on changes to existing sites. Why do we not have 2 to 4 charge points at the village hall, or the station car park, or the canal car park?

Planning approval should recognise that developers often use misleading descriptions of aspects of new housing which if not recognised could lead to undesirable long term effects e.g. describing bedroom as a Home Office might result in a lower provision of parking spaces than is deemed necessary by current regulations. Similarly the potential effect of designs which would facilitate later extensions or conversions should be considered in assessing the sustainability of proposed developments

Housing Mix

The parking spaces policy replicates the same policy in the existing WNDP. That policy was overruled by planning inspector in the land North of Winchfield Court appeal (2019). He considered it to be unduly restricted and allowed the lower number of spaces proposed

I don't understand why a home with an office/study should have an extra car parking space

Car parking – on this basis, home with four bedrooms and study would have five parking spaces. (Our house would have five spaces) crazy it has 2!

It is not easy to grow old in Winchfield – no roads or safe paths to village hall etc or station – no bus – no transport – this needs sorting to make it safe and happy for all age groups

Potholes need priority – shocking!

Not in favour of affordable housing scheme, there are no real poor people in Winchfield compared with inner cities

Provision for walkers/pedestrians

Developers should not be able re-purpose bedroom for other use - ie study

Don't see Winchfield as a good place for affordable housing due to the need to run a car

Overhead lines and outdoor lighting

Completely support this

Agree re lighting – in fact should go further. All new buildings should have a covenant which forbids “on all night” security lights. Only lights which react to movement should be permitted

Overhead cabling is also very vulnerable to gales and snow

Damn shame that lighting was very recently put down the road to Phoenix Green!

Parish and community

Support this

Have we captured what is important to you (Parish & Community)

Support three castles way through Winchfield being off road

Plots of land to the North of Winchfield court. This is outside the Winchfield settlement boundary. Is there any update of what is intended on these plots?

Do not want the canal car park and environs to be overdeveloped

Winchfield is on many cycle routes for health/well-being. Potholes to be filled in

Winchfield footpaths

Please keep up the work on the footpath is. It is much appreciated

The canal is a footpath and part of cycle routes e.g. King Alfred way

We need to make it possible to maintain a centre somehow – Winchfield is so spread out

Very good idea – pushchairs and wheelchairs

Excellent idea - make country walks available to all

Natural environment

Where and when are new areas to be planted with trees?

SSSI canal is also a conservation area in its own right

Local working groups on some of our ancient woodland that is not being managed to improve biodiversity

What constitutes “material harm”?

Need to put on your site links to views, landscape character assessment, all Michelle Bolger's work – we need to be able to access it easily

Don't cut the verges where the snowdrops are coming up it should be done in November

Increase the size/widths of the hedgerows into the fields to promote biodiversity

Protection of important views

The view on Pale Lane towards Winchfield Court has been spoiled by the removal of trees greenery and the clearing of the land

LGS 4 – does the designation extend to land outside Winchfield Court? Specifically, it should include land North of Winchfield Court as presented and mapped in the Section 53 agreement August 1985

They can't be designated until the revised plan is passed (LGSs)

Should/could the field next to the Barley Mow PH be designated as a community asset to allow it to continue to be available for cricket matches/Guy Fawkes displays/dog obedience lessons etc

Winchfield Court has lost its most treasured “open space” due to the new inhabitants!

Why is the settlement boundary so small – there is no possible development within it and that that is not a satisfactory position

A process of stakeholder engagement with the owners of these locations is required to develop harmony.

How on earth did a situation arise when two privately owned parcels of land were put up for designation by the NDP team without the prior knowledge of the landowners

Shapley Heath Garden Village (SHGV)

Shapley Heath not needed

No Hart DC budget for 2022/23 – good news

All documents, including those prepared by external consultants, are available on the Winchfield Parish Council website. <http://www.winchfield-pc.org.uk/community/winchfield-parish-council-7804/neighbourhood-plan/> Choose the second option 'Neighbourhood Plan Revision, 2020 - 2022'