

SOBERTON PARISH COUNCIL

POLICY: PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Membership shall be six members of the Parish Council
Quorum shall be three members of the Committee

The Policy Committee shall meet three times a year.

Members are expected to prepare for every meeting and consider each item on the agenda sufficiently enough to form an opinion on any matters requiring a decision.

Should Planning applications be received that require a response before the next scheduled meeting of the Policy Committee Delegated Powers will be used.

Delegated Powers

To delegate to the Planning Applications and Appeals sub-committee consideration of planning applications and response on behalf of the Policy Committee where the Planning Authority requires a response before the next planned meeting of the Policy Committee. In such circumstances it is the responsibility of interested parties to formally respond to Winchester City Council or SDNPA through the planning process.

1. Planning

- a. To consider planning applications received from WCC and SDNPA and to make appropriate comments on behalf of the Parish Council
- b. The nominated Councillor will maintain a list of all planning applications affecting the Parish together with decisions made by WCC/SDNPA and report to the Policy Committee.
- c. To request public meetings with local residents and WCC/SDNPA Planning Departments on any major developments which are proposed for the Parish.
- d. To ensure that appropriate representation is made at all Planning Appeals, either written or oral, and to maintain a register of the outcome of all appeals.
- e. To ensure that the views of the Parish Council are represented at any reviews of planning documents or regulations.
- f. The nominated Councillor to be willing to attend meetings of the Winchester Planning Development Sub-Committee (waiting for SDNPA to see if there is an SDNP version of the sub-committee) when Soberton Parish Council has raised an objection to an application and this is contrary to the recommendation of the Planning Officer.

Procedure: The nominated Councillor to prepare the objection statement to be agreed by at least one other Committee

member and passed to the Clerk for filing.

- g. To consider strategic consultation documents issued by SDNPA and WCC
- h. Members are expected to prepare for every meeting by reading through the current planning applications document drawn up by the nominated Councillor sufficiently enough to form an opinion as to whether the planning application should be supported or provide reasons why not.

2. Village Design Statement

To review and update annually the Soberton and Newtown Village Design Statement.

3. Flood Action Planning and Enforcement

- a. To keep a map of all the ditches and culverts in the Parish.
- b. To ensure that any damage or lack of maintenance to ditches and culverts is reported to the appropriate householder/authority
- c. To update the Flood Action Spreadsheet.
- d. To ensure that possible flooding problems are taken into account when responding to planning applications.

