



CONSULTATION STATEMENT

# Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan Review 2011-2029

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## 1. Executive Summary

1.1 This Consultation Statement has been prepared to fulfil the legal obligations of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2021. Section 15(2) of Part 5 of the Regulations sets out that a Consultation Statement should contain:

- a) Details of the persons and bodies who were consulted about the proposed neighbourhood development plan;
- b) Explain how they were consulted;
- c) Summarises the main issues and concerns raised by the persons consulted;
- d) Describes how these issues and concerns have been considered and, where relevant, addressed in the proposed Neighbourhood Development Plan.

1.2 The Consultation Statement serves as a record of the efforts made to engage with the community and gather their input, as well as a validation of the community's involvement in the Neighbourhood Plan Review process. It provides detail on the aims of the consultation process, as well as detailing the engagement undertaken and provides a detailed summary of the Regulation 14 (Pre-Submission) Consultation and the outcomes of these.

1.3 This Consultation Statement should be read in conjunction with that which was for the Made Neighbourhood Plan. This consultation statement covers the period of the Modification Neighbourhood Plan and details engagement from summer 2022 to the present day.

## 2. Introduction

### What is the Consultation Statement?

2.1 The consultation statement for the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan Review provides an overview of the process undertaken to engage with the local community and gather their opinions and ideas. The objective of the consultation statement is to outline the steps taken to consult with residents, businesses, and other stakeholders in order to ensure that the Neighbourhood Plan Review is inclusive and representative of the community's needs and aspirations.

2.2 The statement describes the methods and approaches employed to gather feedback, such as public meetings, workshops, surveys, and online platforms. It highlights the importance of reaching a wide audience and making the consultation process accessible to all members of the community.

2.3 The consultation statement also presents a summary of the key findings and themes that emerged from the consultation process. It highlights the main concerns, priorities, and suggestions put forward by residents and stakeholders in relation to various aspects of the Neighbourhood Plan Review, such as housing, infrastructure, environment, and community facilities.

2.4 The statement concludes by emphasising the significance of community engagement in the Neighbourhood Plan Review process and how the feedback received has been incorporated into the drafting and updating of the Plan. It affirms the commitment of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group and parish council to ensuring that the Neighbourhood Plan Review accurately reflects the desires and aspirations of the community.

2.5 Overall, the consultation statement serves as a record of the efforts made to engage with the community and gather their input, as well as a validation of the community's involvement in the Neighbourhood Plan Review process.

### **3. Aim of consulting on the Neighbourhood Plan process**

3.1 The Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan Review engagement process had several key objectives. These were to:

- Inform residents, local businesses, and other stakeholders about the neighbourhood planning process and invite their participation: The aim was to ensure that everyone in the community was aware of the plan and had the opportunity to contribute their ideas and opinions.
- Facilitate consultation events at critical junctures in the process: The plan aimed to involve the community at key stages, such as during the formulation of draft policies or the review of proposed developments. This ensured that residents' input was sought at the right times and that they had the chance to influence the plan's outcome.
- Engage with the community in various ways: Recognising that different members of the community may have different preferences and availability, the plan sought to engage people through multiple channels. This included public parish council meetings, surveys, online platforms, and drop-in sessions. By providing a range of options, the plan aimed to involve as many people as possible and ensure that everyone had a chance to contribute in a way that suited them.
- Make information readily available and accessible: The plan aimed to ensure that information about the plan, its progress, and its implications were easily accessible to the community. This included providing clear and concise summaries, distributing

materials through various channels, and offering multiple formats for information dissemination.

- Provide prompt feedback on consultation events: After each consultation event, the plan aimed to gather and analyse feedback as quickly as possible. This enabled the community to see how their input had been received and considered and allowed for transparency and accountability in the planning process.

3.2 By adhering to these objectives, the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan Review engagement process aimed to ensure that the community's opinions and concerns were an integral part of the plan's development.

## 4. Background and history of the process

4.1 This is the review of the Neighbourhood Plan. The Neighbourhood Plan was originally made by Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council in May 2017. The Neighbourhood Plan was supported by the relevant documents including a Consultation Statement. This Consultation Statement supports the review of the Neighbourhood Plan and does not cover the original Neighbourhood Plan.

4.2 The Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan is a community-led initiative aimed at shaping the future development of Sherborne St John, a village located in Hampshire, England. The plan was initiated in 2015 and has been driven by a group of local volunteers known as the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan Group. The Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan was made by Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council on 18 May 2017.

4.3 The Neighbourhood Plan put the Parish Council in a strong position to ensure that planning decisions aligned with the local priorities outlined in the plan. However, as planning policies continuously change, it is now necessary to update the plan to reflect current national and local policies and therefore the Parish Council are undertaking a Review of the Original Neighbourhood Plan.

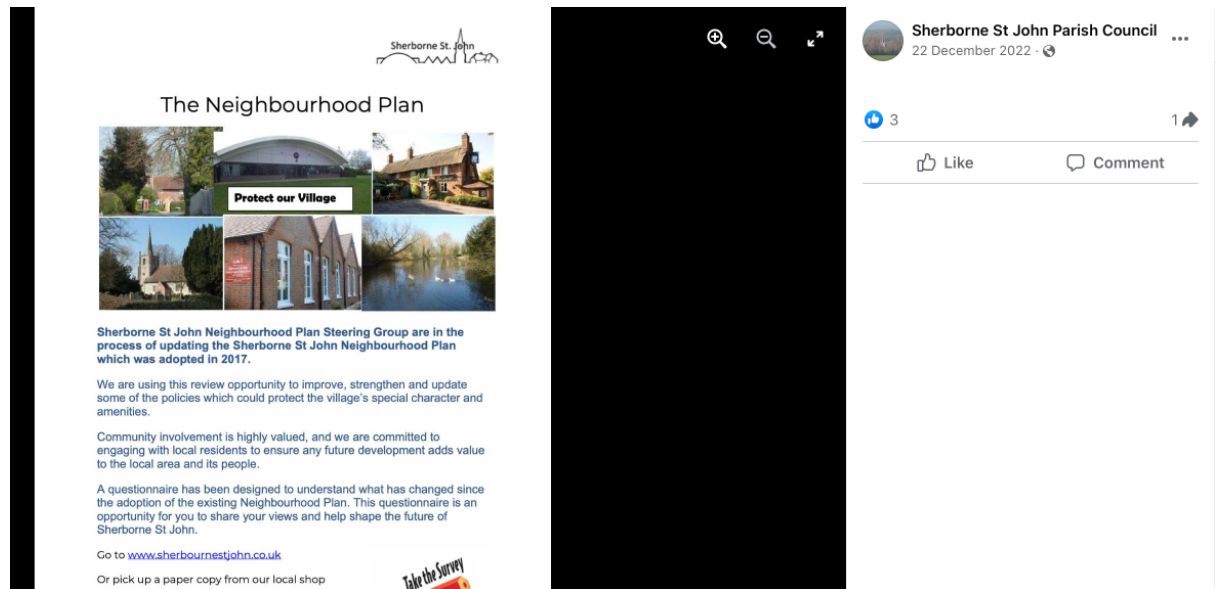
4.4 The development of the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan Review was undertaken by the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group on behalf of Sherborne St John Parish Council.

### How was the Steering Group recruited?

4.5 An advertisement was put in the Villager, Facebook and volunteers were also sought at various Parish Council meeting where people

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were asked if they would like to volunteer to be on the Steering Group.



*Fig 1: Extract of recruitment of volunteers on SSJ Parish Council Facebook page*

4.6 Despite an initially low response rate to the call for volunteers, a sufficient number of individuals stepped forward to contribute their time and expertise to the whole neighbourhood process.

4.7 Regular meetings were established to foster collaboration and ensure effective communication among the volunteers. Correspondence channels were established to facilitate ongoing discussions, share updates, and address any concerns or challenges encountered along the way. This proactive approach to maintaining regular contact helped to keep all involved parties engaged and informed throughout the entire process.

4.8 To enhance the effectiveness of the whole neighbourhood process and provide guidance to the volunteers, ET Planning was appointed as planning consultants in the summer of 2022. ET Planning brought

their expertise and experience in community development and planning to the table, assisting with various stages of the process. Their role was to support the volunteers, providing advice on best practices, helping to overcome obstacles, ensuring that the project adhered to relevant regulations and guidelines and writing planning policies.

4.9 With the guidance and support of ET Planning, the volunteers were able to navigate the complex challenges associated with the whole neighbourhood process more effectively. Their expertise and input helped to shape and refine the vision and goals of the initiative, ensuring that it was aligned with the needs and aspirations of the community.

4.10 Overall, despite the initial challenges posed by a low response rate, the commitment and collaboration of the volunteers, along with the guidance provided by ET Planning, have enabled the whole neighbourhood process to progress smoothly. The ongoing dedication and teamwork among all involved parties have laid a strong foundation for the successful realisation of the community's vision for the future.

#### Timeline and events in the Neighbourhood Plan Review process

4.11 In summer 2022, it was agreed that a review of the neighbourhood plan was necessary to address new challenges and opportunities that had emerged since its initial development. The Parish Council recognised the importance of reassessing the plan to ensure it remained relevant and responsive to the evolving needs of the community. To facilitate this review process, ET Planning was subsequently appointed by the Parish Council to provide consultancy support. Known for their expertise in urban planning and community

- 4.12 An initial meeting was held in December 2022 with officers at Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council and the ET Planning who are the consultants who were assisted to support the plan development and provide support with document preparation. During this meeting, attendees discussed possible changes to the NP with officers providing high level feedback on these changes.
- 4.13 Following the meeting with BDBC, a questionnaire survey was undertaken in December 2022 and closed in January 2023. Through this process 125 responses were received online and 16 paper copies received. These findings can be found in Appendix C and more information on this can be seen in section 5 have informed the review of the Neighbourhood Plan.
- 4.14 Following the completion of the questionnaire and the analysis of the results, it was evident that the expertise of several consultants would be required in order to further develop and implement the community's vision for Sherborne St John.
- 4.15 The need for landscape consultants was identified to assist in the local gap and key views policies which were strongly desired by the local community. In addition, heritage consultants were recognised as essential in order to properly acknowledge and protect the historical significance of Sherborne St John. The assistance of AECOM was also sought after for the development of a Design Code for Sherborne St John. To support these necessary engagements, the community was successful in securing funding through a grant provided by Locality. This grant funding would allow for the commissioning of the landscape and heritage consultants, as well as the collaboration with AECOM for the Design Code.

- 4.16 Following the evidence base, the policies for the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan were drafted by ET Planning. The drafting process took into account the feedback and suggestions provided by the community through the questionnaire and engagement events as well as the evidence base documents.
- 4.17 Once the policies were drafted, they underwent a thorough review and were refined to ensure that they were aligned with the aspirations and objectives of the community. This review process involved consulting with various stakeholders, including those who had produced the evidence base for the Neighbourhood Plan.
- 4.18 Upon completion of the review process, the Regulation 14 Consultation for the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan commenced in September 2023. The purpose of this consultation was to seek feedback from the wider community and interested parties on the proposed policies and their potential impact.
- 4.19 The consultation period lasted for six weeks commencing in September and concluding in November 2023. During this time, members of the community were encouraged to review the draft policies and provide their comments and suggestions. Various methods of engagement were utilised, including online platforms, a drop-in sessions on 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023, to ensure that all residents had the opportunity to participate and have their voices heard, more information on this can be found in section 6 which details the pre-submission consultation.
- 4.20 The feedback received from the Regulation 14 Consultation has been carefully considered and used to inform any necessary revisions to the policies.

## 5. Household Survey

5.1 The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, in collaboration with the Parish Council, recognised the need for a comprehensive and systematic approach to gather insights and opinions from the local community. The purpose of this exercise was to ensure that the Neighbourhood Plan accurately reflected the desires and aspirations of the residents.

5.2 After thorough consideration, the steering group agreed that a questionnaire would be the most effective method to gather the views and information needed. This decision was based on several key factors.

5.3 Firstly, a questionnaire would enable us to reach a wider audience, ensuring that as many community members as possible had the opportunity to provide their input. This approach would be convenient for respondents, allowing them to complete the questionnaire at their own leisure and in their preferred location.

5.4 Secondly, a questionnaire would provide a structured format to collect standardized data. By using a consistent set of questions, we could gather relevant information in a uniform and comparable manner. This approach would facilitate analysis and interpretation of the responses, ultimately informing the drafting of the Neighbourhood Plan.

5.5 Finally, a questionnaire would allow the steering group to cover a broad range of topics. By including questions about various aspects of the community, such as housing, infrastructure, and sustainability, we could ensure that all key areas were addressed. This

comprehensive approach would enable us to capture a holistic snapshot of the community's thoughts and ideas.

5.6 In light of these considerations, ET Planning drafted the questionnaire on behalf of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group and parish council. The questionnaire was carefully designed to elicit the necessary information while remaining user-friendly and accessible to the community members.

5.7 The final draft of the questionnaire was then reviewed and approved by both the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group and the parish council, ensuring that it effectively captured the core objectives of the Neighbourhood Plan.

5.8 Ultimately, the decision to utilise a questionnaire was made with the aim of engaging the local community and gathering their valuable insights and opinions. This approach will ensure that the Neighbourhood Plan truly reflects the needs, desires, and aspirations of the residents, making it a robust and effective tool for the development of the community.

5.9 The questionnaire went out to consultation between Monday 28 November 2022 to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023. The questionnaire was widely advertised in the local community through various channels. It was featured in the Villager Parish Magazine, which reaches a large number of residents in Sherborne St John. Additionally, a post was made on the Sherborne St John Facebook page, ensuring that it reached those who are active on social media.

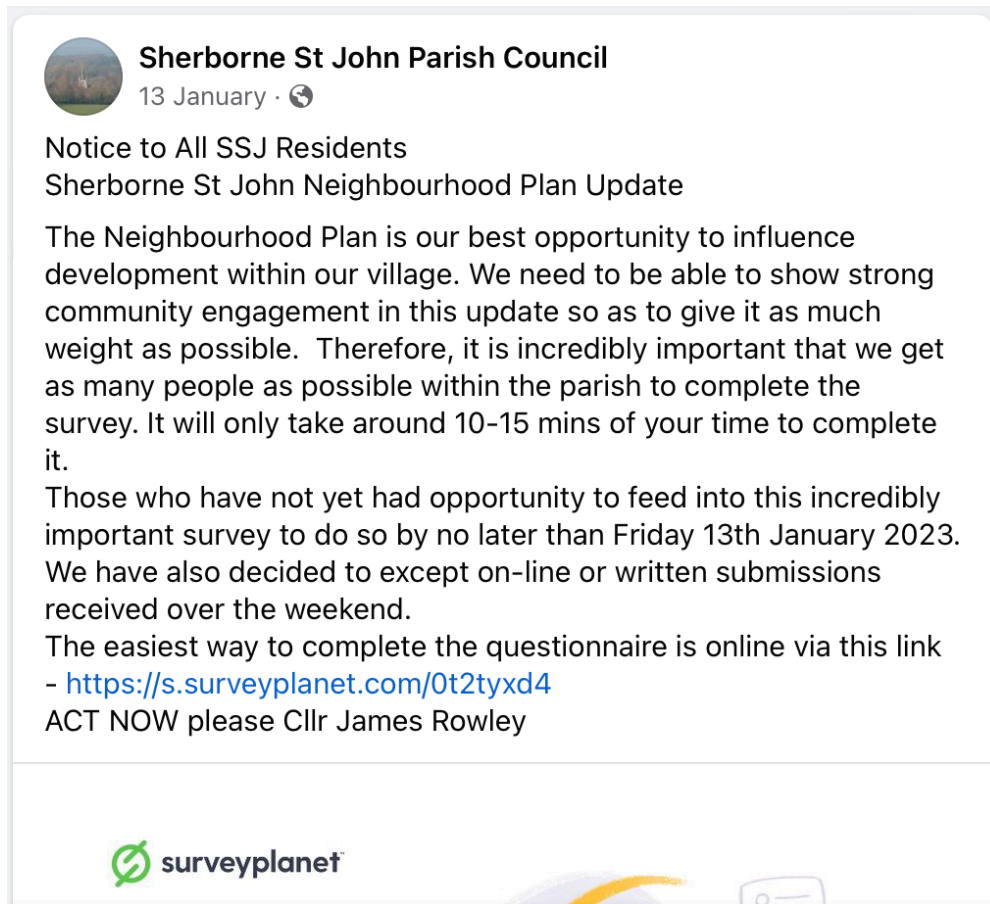


Fig 2: Extract advertising the survey on Facebook

5.10 Furthermore, efforts were made to reach those who may not have internet access or social media presence. Hard copies of the questionnaire were made available at the local shop for residents to pick up. This ensured that everyone had a chance to participate, regardless of their preferred method of communication.

5.11 A summary of the responses received can be reviewed in more detail within appendix E, however in summary the results are provided below:

- 143 responses were received from residents who all lived in Sherborne St John and had a RG24 postcode.
- The majority of respondents were in the 60-64 age range, with no respondents under the age of 30.

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- 95% of respondents agreed with the current vision and objectives of the Neighbourhood Plan. Of the 6 people who did not agree, half disagreed with objective 1 due to concerns about infill and new development changing the village's character.
- The countryside, views, green spaces, and footpath connections were among the things residents liked about living in Sherborne St John.
- Speeding and traffic safety were the main concerns raised by residents in terms of improvements needed in the village.
- Other areas for improvement mentioned by residents include footpaths, biodiversity, local green spaces, physical appearance of new development, and parking.
- The majority of respondents agreed that local green spaces should be protected.
- Respondents were divided on which specific green spaces should be protected, with Sherborne St John Village Green receiving the most votes and Vidler's Farm receiving the fewest.
- A third of respondents were aware of other local green spaces that should be protected, including Cranesfield pond, Chute Recreational Park, Kiln Farm, land behind the pub, and Spring Close.
- All respondents voted in favour of including a Local Gap in the Neighbourhood Plan.
- Two-thirds of respondents considered specific views in the village to be important and should be considered in the Neighbourhood Plan.

- The views from the village pond, Chute Recreation Ground, Mill House hill, and watercress meadows received the most votes.
- All but one respondent supported the inclusion of a new policy to protect designated heritage assets.
- The majority of respondents supported the policy intent to include specific design guidelines for new homes and extensions in the Neighbourhood Plan.
- Nearly all respondents supported the policy intent to protect and enhance biodiversity in new development.
- The majority of respondents supported the inclusion of a policy to protect dark skies, although some expressed concerns about safety and crime prevention.
- General comments from respondents included the desire to maintain the village's character, increase amenities and infrastructure, improve footpaths, and enhance biodiversity and wildlife in the area.

5.12 Following the completion of the questionnaire, the feedback received from residents was carefully reviewed and analysed by ET Planning and the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group. The aim was to gain a comprehensive understanding of local opinions and concerns, in order to ensure that the draft Regulation 14 Consultation document would accurately reflect the needs and desires of the community.

5.13 The responses from the questionnaire provided valuable insights into various aspects of the Neighbourhood Plan, including housing, infrastructure, environment, and community facilities. Residents' feedback helped to identify key priorities and concerns, as well as highlight any potential gaps or areas for improvement.

- 5.14 The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group took the feedback into consideration when drafting the Regulation 14 Consultation document. By addressing the concerns and suggestions raised by the community, the draft document aims to be as inclusive and representative as possible, ensuring that it aligns with the aspirations of the residents.
- 5.15 The goal of the Regulation 14 Consultation is to gather further feedback and input from the community, creating an opportunity for residents to review and comment on the proposed policies and strategies outlined in the draft document. This iterative process ensures that the Neighbourhood Plan is a collective effort, shaped by the input and perspectives of the entire community.
- 5.16 The feedback received from the questionnaire was instrumental in shaping the content of the draft Regulation 14 Consultation document, as it provided an evidence-based understanding of the community's needs and aspirations.

## 6. Other consultation/engagement exercises prior to the Regulation 14 Consultation

### Liaising with Local Green Space landowners

6.1 The Local Green Spaces evidence base document provides detailed information on the land that is proposed to be designated as Local Green Space in Sherborne St John. As part of the evidence-gathering process, land registry searches were undertaken to identify the ownership status of the identified green spaces.

6.2 Furthermore, efforts were made to engage with landowners wherever possible during the formulation of the evidence base. Letters were sent to known landowners prior to the Regulation 14 Consultation, notifying them of the proposed designation and seeking their input and feedback. This direct communication aimed to foster a collaborative approach and ensure that all perspectives were considered in the decision-making process.

6.3 The information gathered from the land registry searches and the responses received from landowners were utilised to build a robust evidence base for the proposed Local Green Spaces in Sherborne St John. This evidence base serves as the foundation for the designation of these green spaces, highlighting their importance and the reasons for their inclusion in the Neighbourhood Plan.

6.4 For more in-depth information about the land registry searches and the engagement with landowners, interested individuals can refer to the Local Green Spaces evidence base document. This document provides a comprehensive understanding of the evidence-gathering process and the considerations taken into account during the designation of Local Green Spaces in Sherborne St John.

## Design Code Review

6.5 Upon receiving a draft of the Sherborne St John Design Code, we recognized the importance of ensuring consistency with the local plan policies, the Design and Sustainability SPD, and, most importantly, the Sherborne St John Design Code itself. To achieve this, we sought the a review of the Design Code by Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council and in particular, the council's urban designer.

6.6 We understand the vital role that the borough council plays in ensuring high-quality design and development in the area. Therefore, we wanted to involve their input in reviewing the draft. We requested comments from the council's urban designer, who provided us with valuable feedback regarding the draft code.

6.7 It is worth noting that the borough council had also provided comments on other design codes within the borough. This further emphasised the significance they place on design quality and consistency across the area.

6.8 Following the comments received from the urban designer, we forwarded them to AECOM, the organisation responsible for the Design Code, to action them within a subsequent revised version. By doing so, we aimed to ensure that the final Sherborne St John Design Code aligns with the input and recommendations of the borough council and is comprehensive in its coverage of design principles and guidelines.

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6.9 Before formally consulting on the Regulation 14 Neighbourhood Plan, SSJ PC took the decision to seek feedback on the draft Neighbourhood Plan from Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council. A draft of the Regulation 14 Neighbourhood Plan was shared with them, and the Parish Council asked for their insights and suggestions on the content and draft policies.

6.10 The Council provided us with valuable feedback, which enabled us to make several changes and refinements to the Neighbourhood Plan. Through their expertise and knowledge of the local area, they were able to identify areas where improvements could be made and suggested practical solutions to address potential issues.

6.11 SSJ PC and ET Planning carefully considered their feedback and incorporated their suggested changes into the final version of the Regulation 14 Neighbourhood Plan before initiating the formal consultation process. This collaboration with the Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council has ensured that the Neighbourhood Plan is comprehensive, well-informed, and reflective of the needs and aspirations of the local community.

6.12 By engaging with the Council early in the process, we have been able to take a proactive approach to improve the Neighbourhood Plan prior to its public consultation. This has not only instilled greater confidence in the Plan but also given us the opportunity to address any potential concerns or issues that may have arisen during the consultation process.

## **7. Pre – Submission (Regulation 14) Consultation and summary of key responses**

### About the Regulation 14 Consultation

7.1 Neighbourhood Plan regulations require that a statutory consultation period of a minimum of 6 weeks is undertaken by the qualifying body (the Town Council) on the final draft plan prior to its submission to the Local Planning Authority in advance of their statutory Regulation 16 consultation.

7.2 Following the evidence gathering and review of information available including the commissioning of evidence base documents to inform the review of the Regulation 14 Neighbourhood Plan. A formal public consultation into the Pre-Submission version of the Neighbourhood Plan and supporting evidence base documents began on Monday 25th September 2023 for six weeks and finished at midnight on Monday 6 November 2023. The consultation lasted for a minimum of 6 weeks as per the regulations.

7.3 According to The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, before a plan proposal for a neighbourhood development plan is submitted to the Local Planning Authority, the Parish Council as qualifying body must follow certain steps. These steps include publicising the details of the proposals, providing information on where and when the proposals can be inspected, outlining how to make representations, and specifying the deadline for receiving these representations. The qualifying body must also consult with any relevant consultation body that may be affected by the proposals and send a copy of the proposals to the local planning authority.

7.4 Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council were asked to provide a list of the statutory bodies to be consulted and their contact details (see Appendix A) and these were contacted at the start of the consultation.

7.5 A purpose built website was produced for the NP consultation which was available to view via [www.ssj-np.co.uk](http://www.ssj-np.co.uk).

7.6 The Modified Neighbourhood Plan and supporting documents could be viewed or downloaded online. Reference/hard copies of the Neighbourhood Plan and evidence base, as well as paper copies of the response form, are available to view in key locations within the parish at:

- Sherborne St John Village Hall, Kiln Road, Sherborne St John, Basingstoke RG24 9HR (10:00-14:30 Mon – Fri).
- Sherborne Village Store, Sireburne Close, Sherborne St John, Basingstoke, RG24 9YZ (07:30-21:00 daily)
- St Andrews Church, Sherborne St John, Basingstoke, RG24 9HT (Please contact the Church for opening hours on tel: 07897 562134)
- Swan Pub, 3 Kiln Road, Sherborne St John, Basingstoke, RG24 9HS (Monday – Friday: 11:00-23:00- Sat 09:30-23:00- Sun: 09:30-22:30)

7.7 The hard copy document of the questionnaire was prepared for members of the public to record their comments on the draft Neighbourhood Plan, an electronic version was also available on the consultation webpage on [www.ssj-np.co.uk](http://www.ssj-np.co.uk). A copy of this can be viewed in appendix E.

7.8 Public notices were also placed in notice boards across the Parish. A copy of the notice can be found in Appendix D.

7.9 Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council also published the Regulation 14 Consultation on their planning policy consultations website. The extract of this can be seen in appendix C.

7.10 The Consultation was also publicised via The Villager magazine which goes to every household in the parish. The extract of this can be seen in appendix C.

7.11 A public consultation open evening was also held on the Neighbourhood Plan on Friday 6th October 2023 between 7-10pm at the Sherborne St John Village Hall. At this event residents had the opportunity to learn more about the plan and offer their comments and suggestions. Around 30 local residents attended this event.

7.12 This event comprised of the Parish Council renting the village hall, a presentation was given by the lead member of the Steering Group and a representative of ET Planning. 6 tables were then set up which had a hard copy of the Neighbourhood Plan and its evidence base documents as well as a volunteer/representative who talked through each document. Attendees were then able to ask that representative any questions they had on various aspects of the questionnaire. Hard copies of the questionnaire were also available to be filled in or returned at a later date. A photograph of the event can be seen in appendix B.

7.13 Topics raised at the public consultation event on 6<sup>th</sup> October included:

- Importance of maintaining Sherborne St John as a separate village, with the Local gap strongly supported.
- Perceived view that no more development is needed within the Parish

- High quality design is needed if windfall development is to be delivered.
- The value of protecting Local Green Spaces and how we can place value on this to retain them.

### Consultation with Statutory Consultees

7.14 On the day the consultation commenced emails were sent to the Statutory Consultees (as outlined in Appendix A). This email gave full details of the Public Consultation, i.e. dates of consultation, dates of open evening, address of web site which provided links to the Neighbourhood Plan and Questionnaire, and address to which responses could be submitted, it also outlined key locations where hard copies of documents were being held (as outlined in Appendix C).

7.15 Representations were received from a number of those statutory consultees who replied (as shown in Appendix A), only the following suggested changes to the Neighbourhood Plan:

- Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council

7.16 More information on their comments can be seen in the summary of representations, available to view in the next section.

### Summary of representations

7.17 A total of 85 responses were received to the consultation. 32 responses were received via email, 51 by the online form on the website, 2 responses were returned via paper forms.

7.18 Of those who responded:

- 62 supported the Neighbourhood Plan

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- 14 provided comments on the neighbourhood plan which neither supported nor objected.
- 9 objected to the neighbourhood plan.

7.19 The following table contains a concise summary of each representation. The full and detailed representation has been taken into account in each instance. The table also provides the Parish Council's decided action in relation to the comment.

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Reference	Consultee name	Organisation	Support/Objection/Comment?	Summary of comment	Suggested action/change
1	Charlotte Mayall	Southern Water	Comment	<p>Thank you for your email inviting Southern Water to comment on the Regulation 14 Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>Having checked our service area maps I confirm we do not provide either water supply or wastewater collection services to Sherborne St John parish. We would therefore have no comments to make on the Plan.</p>	Noted. No change required.
2	Richard Carr	Transport for London	Comment	<p>Thank you for consulting Transport for London (TfL). I can confirm that we do not wish to comment on the Neighbourhood Plan.</p>	Noted. No change required.
3		Rushmoor Borough Council	Comment	<p>Thank you for consulting Rushmoor Borough Council on the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan. We have no comments to make at this time, but please continue to notify us of future consultations.</p>	Noted. No change required.

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Reference	Consultee name	Organisation	Support/Objection/Comment?	Summary of comment	Suggested action/change
4	Louise Dandy	Historic England	Comment	<p>Thank you for consulting Historic England about your Neighbourhood Plan. As the Government’s adviser on the historic environment, Historic England is keen to ensure that the protection of the historic environment is fully considered at all stages and levels of the local planning process.</p> <p>We welcome the production of this neighbourhood plan and are pleased to see that the historic environment of your parish features throughout. Although your neighbourhood area does contain a number of designated heritage assets, at this point we don’t consider there is a need for Historic England to be involved in the detailed development of the strategy for your area, but we offer some general advice and guidance below, which may be of assistance.</p> <p>The conservation officer at your local Council will be the best placed person to assist you in the development of the Plan with respect to the historic environment and can help you to consider and clearly articulate how a strategy can address the area’s heritage assets. We recommend the inclusion of a glossary containing relevant historic environment terminology contained in the NPPF, in addition to details about the additional legislative and policy protections that heritage assets and the historic environment in general enjoys.</p> <p>Finally, we should like to stress that this advice is based on the information provided by Sherborne St John Parish Council in their correspondence. To avoid any doubt, this does not reflect our</p>	Noted. No change required.

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				<p>obligation to provide further advice on or, potentially, object to specific proposals which may subsequently arise as a result of the proposed neighbourhood plan, where we consider these would have an adverse effect on the historic environment.</p>	

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5	Beata Ginn	National Highways (nee Highways England)	Comment	<p>Thank you for inviting National Highways to comment on the above consultation.</p> <p>National Highways has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as strategic highway company under the provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 and is the highway authority, traffic authority and street authority for the strategic road network (SRN). The SRN is a critical national asset and as such Highways England works to ensure that it operates and is managed in the public interest, both in respect of current activities and needs as well as in providing effective stewardship of its long-term operation and integrity.</p> <p>We will therefore be concerned with proposals that have the potential to impact the safe and efficient operation of the SRN, in this case the M3 motorway.</p> <p>We have reviewed the above consultation and have 'No Comments'</p>	Noted. No change required.
6	Sally Sokoloff	Member of public	Support	<p>Overall I strongly support the update and commend the energy and good sense of those who put it together. In particular, the strategic/local gap between SSJ and Basingstoke is well presented and justified in the Plan Update. The gap is a key characteristic of SSJ. It's the one salient point that visitors and new residents, as well as older residents, note and value about the parish. (One minor point. In the Local Gap Study: the Elm Road allotments appear to fall outside the SSJ Settlement</p>	Noted, the Elm Road allotments have been proposed as a Local Green Space, justified in line with Para 103 of the NPPF.

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				boundary AND outside the Strategic Gap. This is odd: is it a small error in mapping? Shouldn't it be included in one or the other?)	
7	Tom Wignall	National Gas (submitted by Avison Young obo National Gas)	Comment	<p>National Gas Transmission has appointed Avison Young to respond to the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 14 Consultation.</p> <p>They state that they have no record of their assets within the plan area and provide a link to their website for more information about their assets. They also encourage consultation on any proposals that could affect their assets and provide contact information for further inquiries. They mention that their high-pressure gas pipelines are essential to the national gas transmission system and advise contacting the Health and Safety Executive for sites affected by these pipelines. They also mention that they have land rights for their assets, which restricts certain activities, and provide guidelines for working near their assets. They provide a website for further information and for checking if their transmission networks may be affected by proposed developments.</p>	Noted. No change required.
8	Tom Wignall	National Grid (submitted by Avison Young obo National Grid)	Comment	National Grid Electricity Transmission has appointed Avison Young to respond to the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 14 Consultation. They state that they have no record of their assets within the plan area and provide a link to their website for more information about their assets. They also encourage consultation on any proposals that could affect their assets and provide contact information for further inquiries.	Noted. No change required.

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9	Suzie McGann	Whitchurch Town Council	Comment	Whitchurch Town Council wish you good luck with your Neighbourhood Plan consultation.	Noted. No change required.
10	David Wilson	Thames Water	Comment	<p>The resposdee notes that Sherborne St John Sewage Treatment Works appears to be working within its flow projections, albeit with struggles in infiltration during some winters. Groundwater levels and overflow spills in the catchment are being monitored and surveyed for further investigation and remediation.</p> <p>Care needs to be taken when designing new networks to ensure they don't cause flooding or surcharge.</p> <p>The provision of wastewater/sewerage infrastructure is essential to any development and failure to upgrade the infrastructure network could result in adverse impacts such as flooding and pollution.</p> <p>The Neighbourhood Plan should ensure that there is adequate infrastructure to serve all new developments and that capacity is taken into account when planning new developments.</p> <p>Thames Water recommends early engagement with developers to establish the demand for infrastructure and surface water drainage requirements.</p> <p>Thames Water offers a free Pre-Planning service to confirm capacity and identify any necessary upgrades.</p>	Noted. No change required.

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				<p>The Neighbourhood Plan should include a specific reference to the provision of wastewater/sewerage infrastructure in a policy.</p> <p>Flood risk sustainability objectives should consider the need for water and sewerage infrastructure development.</p> <p>Proper provision for surface water drainage should be made by developers to reduce the risk of sewer flooding.</p> <p>More specific comments on site allocations will require details of the type and scale of development and anticipated phasing.</p> <p>Developers should contact Thames Water to discuss their proposals and may need to include our information in their planning applications.</p> <p>Upgrades to sewerage network assets may require up to three years lead time for planning and delivery. A drainage planning condition may be requested to ensure infrastructure is in place before occupation of the development.</p>	

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11	Jessica Wells	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Comment	<p>The Local Planning Authority (LPA) commends the hard work done on the modified draft Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>The Plan has a significant increase in policies and the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Planning group should be proud of their achievements.</p> <p>The Plan aims to influence development proposals in a positive way and has locally distinctive policies on design and environment protection. The LPA has provided suggestions for the Parish Council to consider before submission to ensure the success.</p> <p>The response is organized into two parts, one assessing the plan against the "basic conditions" and the other providing a detailed assessment of different parts of the document.</p> <p>The LPA believes the proposed modifications are material but do not change the nature of the Plan and therefore a referendum may not be required.</p> <p>The LPA is available for further discussion and assistance. LPA suggests reviewing the supporting text for SSJ Policy 2 to clarify its relationship to the housing mix policy and provide more information on why a mix of dwelling sizes is required.</p> <p>LPA recommends adjusting the wording of SSJ Policy 3 to make it applicable to non-residential uses as well.</p> <p>LPA suggests reviewing and improving the clarity and robustness of SSJ Policy 4: Design Code, including expanding certain bullet points and considering the wording regarding compliance with the code.</p> <p>The LPA recommends strengthening the justifications for Local</p>	<p>Noted. The majority of the changes suggested have been undertaken as a result of the representation received, these can be reviewed in more detail in paragraph 7.24 of this consultation statement.</p>
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			<p>Green Spaces 5 and 6 to more clearly demonstrate how they meet the requirements of the NPPF.</p> <p>The LPA suggests clarifying criterion 1 of SSJ Policy 6 (Local Gap) by potentially adding the requirement of physical separation.</p> <p>The LPA recommends providing additional explanation about how the integrity of the gap would be assessed, as well as specifying the details of green infrastructure opportunities in the area.</p> <p>The LPA suggests strengthening and clarifying SSJ Policy 7 (Biodiversity and Ecology) by updating the wording, specifying the data to be considered, and using a more robust map for wildlife corridors.</p> <p>The LPA suggests reconsidering the requirement for all proposals to submit information on light pollution minimization, as it may not be reasonable for all types of applications.</p> <p>Clarification is recommended for SSJ Policy 10 (Heritage) regarding the red and blue lines and the inclusion of additional important views.</p> <p>Annex A provides minor changes and suggestions for improvement in the Neighbourhood Plan, including numbering, updating monitoring data, expanding references and explanations, and correcting spelling errors.</p>	
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12	Matthew Walsh	Member of public	Object	<p>The respondent provides thanks for receiving a letter about a proposed local green space (LGS08) and mentions that they were not aware that the curtilage of their property, Spring Cottage, was included in the plan. They mention that upon inspection, it appears that the gardens of at least two other houses are also within the proposed green space. The respondent comments on the poor quality of mapping in the area and provides an image highlighting their curtilage in red.</p> <p>While the respondent has previously supported the initiative and provided data for the Wildlife Corridor Map, they cannot support any proposal that would impose more restrictions on their land, as it is already a listed property in a conservation area. The respondent brings up the fact that as a private landowner, they were not consulted about the matter and suggests that the boundary of LGS8 be moved west to exclude their curtilage or that the entire southern boundary be moved further north away from the houses.</p>	Noted. The boundary of LGS 8 has been amended to reflect comments received.
13	Dawn Amer-Lumley	Member of public	Support	<p>The respondent is expressing their support for the updated neighbourhood plan, specifically agreeing with its vision and objectives. They also agree with maintaining a strategic gap between the village and Basingstoke settlement, as well as the objective of providing a managed level of housing for downsizers and young families. They also value maintaining the rural feel of the village and preserving its dark skies.</p>	Noted. No change required.

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14	Elizabeth Rees	Member of public	Support	The respondee wishes to express their support for the Neighbourhood Plan. They do not support the idea of linking cycleway routes into Basingstoke. They believe that most cyclists prefer to ride into the countryside rather than an urban area. They also suspect that developers might use the provision of cycleways as a way to gain support for their plans.	Noted. No change required.

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15	Mark Bewsey	Rydon Homes Ltd	Object	<p>The respondee is writing on behalf of their client, Rydon Homes Ltd, to comment on the draft Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>They support the principle of the plan and recognise its benefits to the community. They acknowledge that the plan does not allocate any specific sites for housing, but they want to highlight their client's interest in a particular site. They mention that Rydon has an option on the site, which has been promoted through the BDBC Call for Sites, and it is available and suitable for development. Rydon intends to bring forward development proposals for a high-quality residential development on part of the land while retaining a large area of parkland to preserve the strategic gap. They suggest that the proposed development could include a walking and cycling route, linking with nearby public rights of way and aligning with the BDBC Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan Consultation. They provide a masterplan and a vision document for the site.</p> <p>In addition to their specific site, they emphasise the importance of considering the strategic context and the state of the district-level Local Plan. They note that the Local Plan is outdated and a review is required, and that the council cannot demonstrate a five-year housing land supply. They highlight the requirement for the Neighbourhood Plan to contribute to sustainable development and be in general conformity with the strategic policies of the area. They suggest that the Neighbourhood Plan should be flexible enough to respond to an evolving strategic context and should not solely rely on the emerging BDBC Local Plan for site allocations. has commented on various policies in the draft Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan. They suggest revisions to Policy 1 to clarify the circumstances in which development outside</p>	<p>Noted. Previously, the Rydon at Sireburne Close was allocated and has subsequently been implemented. The Parish Council and Steering Group through discussions with Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council have decided to not allocate a site through this Neighbourhood Plan. It should be noted that there is no requirement for Neighbourhood Plans to allocate sites.</p> <p>Comments in relation to the Local Gap have been noted and considered against the evidence base for the Local Gap produced by Scarp. This is also</p>
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			<p>of the settlement boundaries could be supported, given the strategic context of an outdated development plan and lack of housing land supply. They also suggest that the Neighbourhood Plan could guide speculative development proposals on unallocated sites in the absence of an up-to-date Local Plan or housing land supply.</p> <p>Regarding Policy 6, they argue that their site should not be included within the Local Gap as it does not contribute to the landscape setting or sense of separation between settlements. They propose that their development would limit new development to the established line of existing housing and would maintain the gap between Sherborne St John and Basingstoke, while also creating a new local green space that does not currently exist on the southwestern edge of the village.</p> <p>For Policy 7, they argue that the volunteer research walk used for the biodiversity survey was not in line with industry standard guidelines, and the Wildlife Corridor Map included sightings of non-native species and did not consider ecological value or rarity. They suggest updating the Neighbourhood Plan to reflect the current policy on Biodiversity Net Gain.</p> <p>Finally, for Policy 8, they criticize the Key Views Study for not including specific views of the site and for lacking a local analysis and assessment of smaller parcels of land.</p> <p>The respondee concludes by expressing their support for the Neighbourhood Plan and their interest in discussing their land interests with the Steering Group.</p>	<p>pertinent for key views.</p> <p>No changes have been decided to be actioned as a result of the comments received.</p>
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16	Shawna Campbell	Member of public	Support	The respondent is expressing their belief in the importance of having a plan for the future. They envision a green and open space where they can raise their children and grandchildren. They highlight the cleanliness and freshness of their village, and emphasise the value they place on maintaining a high standard of housing and community care. They express a strong desire for the best quality of life in their village.	Noted. No change required.
17	Sarah Conlan	Rydon Homes Ltd	Object	<p>The respondent supports the idea of a Neighbourhood Plan but expresses concern about the potential impact on their development site at Cranesfield. They argue that the draft plan may prevent much-needed housing from being delivered on the site, despite its availability and suitability for development. They highlight the need to consider the strategic context, including the outdated district-level Local Plan and the lack of a five-year housing land supply.</p> <p>They propose revisions to the first policy about settlement boundaries and building in the countryside. The suggestion is to clarify when development outside of settlement boundaries could be supported, especially considering the lack of housing land supply.</p> <p>The second policy is about local green spaces. The objection is regarding the inclusion of certain land in the designation, as it could prevent development from happening and goes against national policy. The objection also states that the designated land does not have significant ecological value and there are already other protections in place for certain features. The suggestion is</p>	<p>Noted. With regard to the appeal at Cranesfield, the Borough Council provided a number of strong reasons for refusal.</p> <p>Comments in relation to the Local Green Spaces have been noted and considered against the evidence base.</p> <p>No changes have been decided to be actioned as a result of the comments received.</p>

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				to instead enhance the site's biodiversity and offer public access.. They offer to meet with the Steering Group to discuss their concerns and suggestions.	
18	Mary Gee	obo Rope Family	Object	The landowners of land at Cranes Farm in Sherborne St John have objected to the inclusion of their land in the draft Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan (SSJNHP) as Local Green Spaces. They argue that the plan has not been positively prepared and is being used to restrict development. They also state that the proposed Local Green Spaces on their land do not meet the criteria set out in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and do not hold particular local significance. They believe that the plan is being used to prevent the development of their land, which has been positively promoted through the planning process. They conclude that the draft SSJNHP is being used to stifle the sustainable growth of the village.	Noted. After reviewing the comments received, the Local Green Space evidence base report has been amended, however the LGS remains within the Neighbourhood Plan.
19	Susan Burlingham	Member of public	Support	The respondent has gone through the Village Plan and is in agreement with its content and conclusions. They believe that the plan adequately addresses the requirements of the village and appreciate the authors for their commendable effort.	Noted. No change required.
20	Adam Rattray	Member of public	Support	The respondent expresses their admiration for the authors of the neighborhood plan and commends them for their excellent work. They believe that the plan effectively addresses the future needs of the village in a well-balanced and considerate manner. Furthermore, they fully support the implementation of the plan.	Noted. No change required.
21	Jenna Burlingham	Member of public	Support	The respondent strongly backs the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan and does not have any further input or	Noted. No change required.

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				suggestions. They are pleased with the plan and its alignment with community input.	
22	Graeme Foreman	Member of public	Support	The respondent supports the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan	Noted. No change required.
23	Emma Foreman	Member of public	Support	The respondent supports the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan	Noted. No change required.
24	Daisy Foreman	Member of public	Support	The respondent supports the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan	Noted. No change required.
25	Robin Rattray	Member of public	Support	The respondent supports the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan	Noted. No change required.
26	Isla Rattray	Member of public	Support	The respondent supports the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan to protect the village.	Noted. No change required.
27	Kevin Harrall	Member of public	Support	The respondent confirms their full support for the village plan in its entirety.	Noted. No change required.
28	Rosemary Harrall	Member of public	Support	The respondent confirms their full support for the village plan in its entirety.	Noted. No change required.
29	Beatrice Harrall	Member of public	Support	The respondent confirms their full support for the village plan in its entirety.	Noted. No change required.
30	Toby Harrall	Member of public	Support	The respondent confirms their full support for the village plan in its entirety.	Noted. No change required.

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31	Harry Clarke	Member of public	Object	<p>The respondent is generally supportive of the new Neighbourhood plan but has a few further comments. They also criticise the feedback form provided for not being conducive to thoughtful and considered feedback. They chose not to use it.</p> <p>The respondent is critiquing a neighbourhood plan and its supporting documents for being vague in their description of key locations. They argue that the use of imprecise descriptive language instead of established systems such as longitude and latitude or grid references has made it difficult for readers to understand the intended locations.</p> <p>The author provides an example where the narrative describes a footpath while the accompanying map indicates a specific point location. They argue that this confusion undermines the document and the consultation process, as respondents may not have been able to accurately interpret and provide feedback on the plan. Ultimately, the author deems the process of consultation on this specific point invalid due to the vagueness of the author's intent. The respondent is providing feedback on a proposed view in a neighbourhood plan. They argue that the current view, which is maintained through regular cutting-back using diesel-powered tractors, is unsustainable and not in line with national policy and the declaration of a climate emergency. They suggest that the view should not be added to the register of significant views and propose revisiting the original neighbourhood plan to consider more sustainable views.</p>	Noted. The Scarp Views document provides detail of key views with the scope of the view shown in this document, this is above and beyond the evidence base of comparable policies in the Borough. No change required.

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				The respondent also expresses support for more cycleways to promote active mobility.	
32	Devika Samlal	Member of public	Support	The respondent wishes to thank those who have worked tirelessly to update and address the needs of our local community through the Neighbourhood Plan. The respondent is broadly supportive of the proposed improvements and the implementation of the plan. Additionally, they express frustration with the feedback form, stating that it did not accept their address and that they are using email as an alternative means of providing feedback and acceptance of terms and conditions.	Noted. No change required.
33	Julie Adlam	Member of public	Comment	The respondent is expressing their concerns about the omission of the Piggary on Weybrook Golf Course, questioning if it is a listed building. They also mention that habitat surveys have not been conducted near a specific area and state that they have not seen any photographs of the view. They then ask if there has been enough consideration given to their location, emphasising that they are still in Sherborne St. John.	Noted. These have been reviewed.
34	Lindsay Berry	Member of public	Comment	The respondent notes that people moved here to live in a village. They then note that a village by definition is a collection of homes with a population up to 2500 residents. In 2021 we had 2484 residents so by now we must have exceeded our quota - let's stop there.	Noted. No change required.

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35	Michael Vonka	Member of public	Support	This looks like a well thought through plan. It significantly strengthens our current NP with more specific and clear policies. I like the multiple policies which are all very relevant and will ensure any future development that may happen should be in the right places for the local community and with respect to the special places in our village.	Noted. No change required.
36	Kathryn Vonka	Member of public	Support	The respondent notes that they really like the new Neighbourhood Plan and think it will help protect special areas in our village. The respondent notes that they especially like the biodiversity policy which will help protect the environment	Noted. No change required.
37	James Vonka	Member of public	Support	The respondent notes that its good that we have a stronger neighbourhood plan. I think it will help our village. I like the policies that protect landscapes and views so we can continue to enjoy them as we walk round the village	Noted. No change required.
38	Stephen Burns	Link Treasury Services Limited	Support	The respondent notes that they believe this is a very good plan and agree with the plan and its policies.	Noted. No change required.
39	Peter Lake	Member of public	Support	The respondent notes that the NP is in line with their objective to maintain a a clear non-development zone between the village and Basingstoke. The local gap proposed in the SSJ Neighbourhood Plan supports this.	Noted. No change required.

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40	Colette Vonka	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes that having reviewed the documents in relation to the SSJ Neighbourhood Plan they would like to add my wholehearted agreement to the the provisions set out to both enhance, protect and mainatin the rural feel of this small village and all the housing and amenities within it. I am not opposed to development and understand the need for it, but development should be in the right places ensuring that it does not compromise the heritage, visual amenity, public enjoyment and sanctity of the local community. the repsondee believe this Neighbourhood Plan works to do that. the respondee notes that they therefore fully support.	Noted, no action required
41	Peter Roberts	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes that they fully support this plan, the objectives and vision are spot on. The respondee notes many thanks for your hard work in putting this together	Noted, no action required
42	Rod Harding	Member of public	Support	The respondee did not leave a comment but clicked the support option.	No change required
43	Lynda Harding	Sherborne s with Pamber PCC	Support	The respondee notes that they fully support the neighbourhood plan and commend the document which has taken into account the feedback of the local community. It is particularly important that the village keeps its rural character separate from the Basingstoke environs. Particularly important to me is the need to preserve the wildlife habitats around the village, and the current work that is being undertaken in the village to introduce wildlife corridors is being successful in increasing wildlife diversity.  The respondee notes that they would oppose any substantial housing development in the village; in particular this would have	Noted, no action required

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				an impact on traffic through the village which has increased significantly recently. The respondee notes they would also like to see support for the village school, which is a vital part of the community and brings together many local families.	
44	Chris Gwynn	Member of public	Support	The respondee did not leave a comment but clicked the support option.	No change required
45	Aman Nandhra	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes that they agree with the neighbourhood plan to protect SSJ. They note their biggest concern is the housing developments on chineham lane and kiln farm which we strongly oppose against and have submitted detailed views on the planning portal. Speculative development should not go ahead and SSJ's beauty should be protected at all costs. Green spaces should be protected and not destroyed or built on that will increase co2 emissions from cars.	Noted, no action required
46	Elaine Montegriffo	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes that the NP is a very comprehensive document. They provide thank you for the hard work on putting the documentation together to represent our views and to safeguard the nature and character of our village.	Noted. No change required.
47	Nicholas Montegriffo	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes Well done! Let's protect our village from speculative and unnecessary development	Noted. No change required.
48	Cathy Shaw	Member of public	Support	The respondee supports the Neighbourhood Plan but suggests amendments to Map 7 Elm Road is referred to as Chapel Road - suggest this is updated to avoid confusion.	Noted.

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49	Cathy Shaw	Member of public	Support	The respondee did not leave a comment but clicked the support option.	No change required
50	Matthew Shaw	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes that they strongly support this Plan.	Noted. No change required.
51	Robert Shaw	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes that this is a very well written Plan, I am fully supportive.	Noted. No change required.
52	Craig Manley	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes that they support the SSJ Neighbourhood plan, in particular the protection of the Strategic Gap and the protection of Local Green Spaces within the plan in order to protect the rural character of the village.	Noted. No change required.
53	Marie Manley	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes that they are in support of the neighbourhood plan, especially in preserving the strategic gap and green spaces in Sherborne st John to maintain the rural village character of the village.	Noted. No change required.
54	Caitlin Manley	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes they have enjoyed growing up in a rural village and would not like Sherborn St John to become just another suburb of Basingstoke. The respondee supports the Neighbourhood plan and especially the provision for green spaces and to protect the strategic gap.	Noted. No change required.
55	Veronica Brocchin-Swales	Member of public	Support	The respondee did not leave a comment but clicked the support option.	No change required
56	Richard Brocchin-Swales	Member of public	Support	The respondee did not leave a comment but clicked the support option.	No change required

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57	Mags Attridge	Member of public	Support	<p>The respondent notes that they are in support of the Neighbourhood Plan - specifically Objective 2: To retain Sherborne St John as a viable rural village with its own distinct identity by means of a 'Local Gap' which will maintain the visual and physical separation between the village and Basingstoke Town and Objective 4: To protect, and where possible, enhance local green spaces within the Parish.</p> <p>It is important that the village remains separate from surrounding rural areas of Basingstoke and continues to object to the large volumes of housing which is encroaching towards the village</p>	Noted. No change required.
58	Emma Foreman	Member of public	Support	<p>The respondent notes that they support this Neighbourhood Plan. I am particularly concerned to protect the strategic gap between the village and Basingstoke and to preserve the rural environment of the village. I am also very concerned about the increased traffic which would undoubtedly result from any further large-scale housing developments.</p>	Noted. No change required.
59	Peter Venning	Member of public	Object	<p>The respondent did not leave a comment but clicked the object option on the form.</p>	it is unclear why the consultee objected, therefore this is noted with no action possible.
60	Mr Matthew James	Hampshire County Council	Object	<p>The respondent notes that the County Council as a landowner welcomes the update to the Sherborne St John neighbourhood plan but has concerns in respect of the Local Green Space Policy 5. The County Council owns Vidlers Field, adjacent to the</p>	Noted, the SSJ Local Green Space evidence base aims to address the

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				<p>settlement boundary, that is affected by the draft policy. The site is already protected by strategic gap, countryside and local gap policies in adopted development plan documents. Whilst there is a right of way across the site, the land is not public open space and has been managed as grazing land and arable land in recent times. There is limited evidence in the supporting documentation that the land is 'demonstrably special' as defined in paragraph 102(b) of the NPPF.</p> <p>Application of a Local Green Space policy would duplicate existing policies and prejudice the ability to consider sustainable growth to the settlement to meet future needs. This is particularly so because of proposed designation of Local Green Spaces elsewhere around Sherborne St John that, taken together, form a significant tract of land, inconsistent with paragraph 102(c) of the NPPF. The Parish Council is requested to review the purpose and extent of this policy and designations, including the removal of Vidlers Field from the policy, to be consistent with national policy and in general conformity with the development plan.</p>	<p>concerns raised by the resposdee and more detail has been provided in relation to a number of Local Green Spaces.</p>

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61	Margaret Cammish	Member of public	Support	<p>The respondee notes that they support this updated SSJNP.</p> <p>The respondee notes that they wish the unique identity and heritage of our community to be protected and kept separate from that of Basingstoke by the preservation of a strategic gap. They also wish the rural feel of our historic village to be preserved and in addition for our surrounding wildlife to continue to be protected from over-development in the area.</p> <p>Also of huge importance is the integrity of our water supply, and the risk of flooding which would be impacted by further development in the area.</p>	Noted, no action required
62	Kevin Harrall	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes that they fully support the draft neighbourhood plan.	Noted, no action required
63	Ron Leeds	Member of public	Support	The respondee did not leave a comment but clicked the support option.	No change required
64	Marion Leeds	Member of public	Support	The respondee did not leave a comment but clicked the support option.	No change required
65	Jackie	Member of public	Object	The respondee considers the protection of green spaces and wild life that exists within the area & surrounding woods of Vyne national trust. This is a corridor for wild deer & their numbers have significantly decreased due to increased traffic & construction of new homes.	Noted, no action required
66	Elena Turton	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes that they fully support this plan which reflects the needs of the village and its inhabitants.	Noted, no action required

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Reference	Consultee name	Organisation	Support/Objection/Comment?	Summary of comment	Suggested action/change
67	Naomi Warren	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes that It is essential that the Neighbourhood Plan’s vision that Sherborne St. John maintain its identity as a small and successful village, not only for cultural and historic reasons - further expansion will destroy the heritage for which the village is known. Preserving the strategic gap around the village is of the utmost importance in order to preserve and protect the flora and fauna that inhabit the surrounding countryside- we have a duty to protect the vast biodiversity that surrounds the village. Simply, without the plan’s vision, Sherborne St John would no longer be a village, certainly not one that is celebrated as a conservation area. Any future building should be agreed in line with the objectives which are clearly set out within the Neighbourhood plan.	Noted, no action required
68	Matthew Warren	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes that It is key to retain the village as a village, not as a suburb of Basingstoke. Basingstoke & Sherborne St John are two separate places with separate identities, both have positives & negatives, depending upon your personal viewpoint. Therefore, the strategic gap between should be maintained. This includes maintaining or enhancing the flora & fauna within & around the village.	Noted, no action required
69	Adam Rattray	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes that they fully support the neighbourhood plan, which seems to me to address the needs of the village, its special environment, and our need to think about the future in a considered and environmentally careful way.	Noted, no action required
70	Alison Nortcliffe	Member of public	Support	The respondee did not leave a comment but clicked the support option.	No action required.

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71	Jane Lee	Member of public	Support	The respondee supports the neighbourhood plan	Noted, no action required
72	Adam Lee	Estate Agency	Support	The respondee supports the neighbourhood plan	Noted, no action required
73	Trevor Lee	Estate Agency	Support	The respondee supports the neighbourhood plan	Noted, no action required
74	Megan Lee	Estate Agency	Support	The respondee supports the neighbourhood plan	Noted, no action required
75	Natasha Rougier	Member of public	Support	The respondee supports the proposed Neighbourhood Plan	Noted, no action required
76	Susanna Sanusi	Member of public	Support	The respondee did not leave a comment but clicked the support option.	No action required.
77	Juliet Crawley	Member of public	Comment	The respondee notes that Sherborne St John shouldn't becoming a part of outer Basingstoke, citing compromised strategic gaps, overstretched water supplies, and overburdened amenities. They emphasise the importance of maintaining farmland and natural woodland for a pleasant living environment.	Noted, no action required
78	Alex Jackson	Member of public	Object	The respondee did not leave a comment but clicked the object option.	it is unclear why the consultee objected, therefore this is noted with no action possible.

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Reference	Consultee name	Organisation	Support/Objection/Comment?	Summary of comment	Suggested action/change
79	Hugh Barnard	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes in relation to the Design Code there are a few typos in the document, such as 'well design' instead of 'well designed' and 'Paage' instead of 'Page'. The Chute Sports Pavilion is not mentioned under features on page 11. There is a question about whether it should be '16th' instead of '6th' and '19th' when referring to CA3 dwellings. On page 60, the phrase 'is not be acceptable' reads poorly. However, overall, the document is commended for its effort and provides a well thought out study of the local built environment. It emphasises the importance of protecting the country feel of the village and the need for green spaces. The inclusion of solar panels is not mentioned much in the document.	Noted, we will liaise with AECOM to resolve these.
80	Katherine Harmer	Member of public	Support	The respondee did not leave a comment but clicked the support option.	No change required.
81	Alex Jackson	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes that they strongly support the various articles stipulated in the report all of which accurately demonstrate excellent reasons why Sherborne St John needs to be protected and any respective building They then note that projects should be very carefully considered for these reasons going forward.	Noted. No change required.
82	Margaret Barnard	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes that they are both impressed and very grateful for the effort put in to protecting the village from poor design and overdevelopment by unsympathetic large scale developers. Sympathetic design is fundamentally important to maintain the general historic character and nature of the village going forwards in time. In particular the separation of the village from the surrounding and ever encroaching town. The respondee	Noted. No change required.

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Reference	Consultee name	Organisation	Support/Objection/Comment?	Summary of comment	Suggested action/change
				notes that we need to retain the many existing green farm areas and park like spaces around the village, so as to maintain and enhance the village identity. The respondee then notes that it is a thoroughly good appraisal well done.	
83	Sian Woodward	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes that they are grateful to all those who worked up this plan. The respondee notes that it is fair, objective and represents the views of the village.	Noted. No change required.
84	Chris Woodward	Member of public	Support	The respondee notes that they are supporting this plan that has been built using dynamic local community feedback and builds on a strong history of protecting our village from ill-considered development whilst being open to the needs of our community. The respondee agrees with the plan and its policies that aim to protect against poor development in the wrong places.	Noted. No change required.
85	Mr and Mrs Barnett	Member of public	Comment	In relation to Rooksdown, Cranesfield and Vidlers Farm Chineham Lane, the respondee notes that the three proposed development proposals will encroach on the strategic gaps in the area. If these plans are approved, it will result in the construction of 600 residential properties. This increased population will likely result in more pollution and have negative consequences for the community and wildlife in SSH. The wildlife in SSJ has already been affected by previous developments in the area over the past decade, with their habitats being reduced to a few fields. Additionally, the construction of more residential houses will eliminate the strategic gaps between SSJ and Basingstoke, potentially turning SSj into a housing estate rather than a village.	Noted. No change required.

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				This would also mean that there would no longer be a need for a parish council or the extra council tax associated with it.	

### Late representations

7.20 Four representations were received on Tuesday 7th November 2023, and therefore after the consultation had closed. As these representations were received late, they were not recorded within the above table or statistics of those who responded, however all four late responses stated that they supported the neighbourhood plan.

### Summary of issues raised within the representations

7.21 The above table shows strong support for the draft Neighbourhood Plan. Most respondents to the survey expressed general support for the neighbourhood plan and its aspirations. They recognised its potential to shape the development and growth of the community in a positive manner. Many respondents highlighted the importance of preserving the unique character of the neighbourhood, and protecting the natural environment. Of particular relevance, the inclusion of the Local Gap continued to have particularly strong support.

7.22 However, a small proportion of respondents expressed concerns and reservations regarding the neighbourhood plan. Specifically, these respondents expressed dissatisfaction with the designation of their land as a local green space. They felt that this designation could restrict their ability to develop or use their land as they had originally intended.

7.23 While it is important to note these concerns, it should be highlighted that these respondents constituted a minority of the overall responses. The majority of respondents supported the neighbourhood plan and recognized the benefits it could bring to the community.

## Changes made to the Neighbourhood Plan as a result of the Regulation 14 Consultation

7.24 This section summarise the changes made to the Neighbourhood Plan for each of the Policies and other sections, these are in relation to comments made via the Regulation 14 Consultation.

- Cover Change: The date on the cover of the report has been updated to November 2023. Additionally, the word "submission" has been included on the cover instead of "pre-submission."
- Removal of subheading numbers: Subheading numbers have been removed throughout the report for clarity.
- Update to paragraph 52: Paragraph 52 now reflects the Council motion that was passed in 2022 which sought to removal housing requirements from certain villages in the Borough.
- Paragraphs relating to housing requirement: The paragraphs relating to the housing requirement have been moved from SSJ Policy 2 to SSJ Policy 1 supporting text.
- Inclusion of residential development: Residential development has been included as part of SSJ Policy 1.
- Additional paragraphs in Supporting Text for SSJ Policy 1: Additional paragraphs have been added in the supporting text for SSJ Policy 1 to provide more information on the policy and the need for smaller homes.
- More detail in criterion of Policy 4: The criterion of Policy 4 now specifies that the developments should be high quality and include architectural detailing. It also emphasises the importance of appropriate scale and massing.
- Smaller Area of LGS 8: The area of LGS 8 has been reduced to reflect the garden boundary.

- Additional paragraphs in Supporting Text of SSJ Policy 6: Additional paragraphs have been added to the supporting text of SSJ Policy 6 to provide more detail on the integrity of the gap and how green infrastructure is expected to be delivered.
- Inclusion of physical separation: Physical separation has been included as part of SSJ Policy 6.
- New supporting Text for SSJ Policy 7: New supporting text has been added to SSJ Policy 7 in relation to the zone of influence.
- New Wildlife Corridor Map: A new wildlife corridor map has been included for SSJ Policy 7.
- Amended wording in SSJ Policy 7: The wording in SSJ Policy 7 has been amended to reflect the legal requirements of biodiversity net gain. It also includes information on the wildlife corridor and its expectations.
- Additional supporting text on SSJ Policy 9: Additional supporting text has been added to SSJ Policy 9 in relation to light pollution.
- New supporting text for SSJ Policy 10: New supporting text has been added for SSJ Policy 10 in relation to conservation areas and the settings.

## 8. Conclusion

8.1 The consultation statement for the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan Review outlines the process undertaken to engage with the local community and gather their opinions and ideas. The statement aims to provide a detailed account of the steps taken to consult with residents, businesses, and other stakeholders in order to ensure that the Neighbourhood Plan Review is inclusive and representative of the community's needs and aspirations.

8.2 The statement describes the various methods used to gather feedback, such as public meetings, workshops, surveys, and online platforms. It highlights the efforts made to reach as many community members as possible and make the consultation accessible to all.

8.3 The statement also presents a summary of the key themes and findings that emerged from the consultation process. It highlights the main concerns, priorities, and suggestions expressed by residents and stakeholders in relation to different aspects of the Neighbourhood Plan Review.

8.4 Based on the feedback received, the statement concludes by outlining the next steps in the Neighbourhood Plan Review process. It emphasizes the importance of incorporating the community's input into the Plan and ensuring that it accurately reflects the desires and aspirations of the residents.

8.5 Overall, the consultation statement serves as a comprehensive record of the consultation process undertaken for the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan Review. It demonstrates the commitment of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group and parish council to

engaging with the community and ensuring their participation in shaping the future of the area.

## Appendix A: Statutory Bodies

During the Regulation 14 Consultation the following bodies were consulted at the start of the consultation, these were contact via email or post. Households and businesses were notified via

The statutory consultees were compiled in accordance with Schedule 1 The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

<b>Body required by the regulations</b>	<b>Method</b>	<b>Response</b>
Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Email	Yes
Hampshire County Council	Email	Yes
West Berkshire Council	Email	-
Wokingham Borough Council	Email	-
Hart District Council	Email	-
East Hampshire District Council	Email	-
Winchester Council	Email	-
Test Valley District Council	Email	-
Policy and Crime Commissioner	Email	-
The Coal Authority	Email	-
The Environment Agency	Email	-
English Heritage (now Historic England)	Email	Yes
The Marine Management Organisation	Email	-
Network Rail	Email	-
The Highways Agency (National Highways)	Email	Yes

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<b>Body required by the regulations</b>	<b>Method</b>	<b>Response</b>
Mono Consultants	Email	-
Mobile UK	Email	-
North Hampshire Clinical Commissioning Group	Email	-
NHS West Hampshire Clinical Commissioning Group	Email	-
Hampshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	Email	-
Public Health Hampshire	Email	-
Bramblys Grange for the Primary Care Network (GP Partner and North Hampshire CCG Primary Care Lead)	Email	-
Scottish and Southern Energy	Email	-
Southern Gas Networks	Email	-
National Gas Transmission	Email	Yes
National Grid	Email	Yes
South East Water	Email	-
Southern Water	Email	Yes
Thames Water	Email	Yes
The Homes and Communities Agency (Homes England)	Email	-
<b>Local Councils bordering the Neighbourhood Plan Area</b>		
Rooksdown Parish Council	Email	-
Monk Sherborne Parish Council	Email	-
Pamber Parish Council	Email	-
Bramley Parish Council	Email	-
<b>Businesses/local organisations</b>		

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<b>Body required by the regulations</b>	<b>Method</b>	<b>Response</b>
National Trust	Email	-
Basingstoke West District Scouts	Email	-
Sherbones with Pamber Church	Email	Yes
R W Armstrong	Email	-
M & R Auto Repairs	Email	-
Harlequin Printers	Email	-
Glaze Fix	Email	-
Ultra Magic	Email	-

**Local Councils bordering Neighbourhood Area**

<b>Consultee</b>	<b>Method</b>	<b>Response</b>
Rushmoor Borough Council	Email	Yes
Surrey Heath Borough Council	Email	-
Waverley	Email	-
Bracknell Forest	Email	-
Reading	Email	-
All Parish Councils mailing list (provided by BDBC – contains email addresses for all Parish Councils in BDBC)	Email	-

**Additional bodies**

<b>Consultee</b>	<b>Method</b>	<b>Response</b>
The Mayor of London	Email	-

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The Civil Aviation Authority	Email	-
Office of Rail Regulation	Email	-
Transport for London	Email	Yes
NHS South of England	Email	-
NHS England	Email	-
Highway Authority	Email	-
Policing Body	Email	-
Ministry of Defence	Email	-

**Local Consultees**

Although not a compulsory requirement, landowners whose land was Local Green Spaces were consulted upon, those with known email addresses were emailed. Whilst those who did not have known email addresses these were posted where possible. This accounted for a higher number of objections in regard to Local Green Space as landowners were specifically written to and informed of the start of the consultation and how to respond.

## Appendix B: Publicity for the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan Modification – Publicity

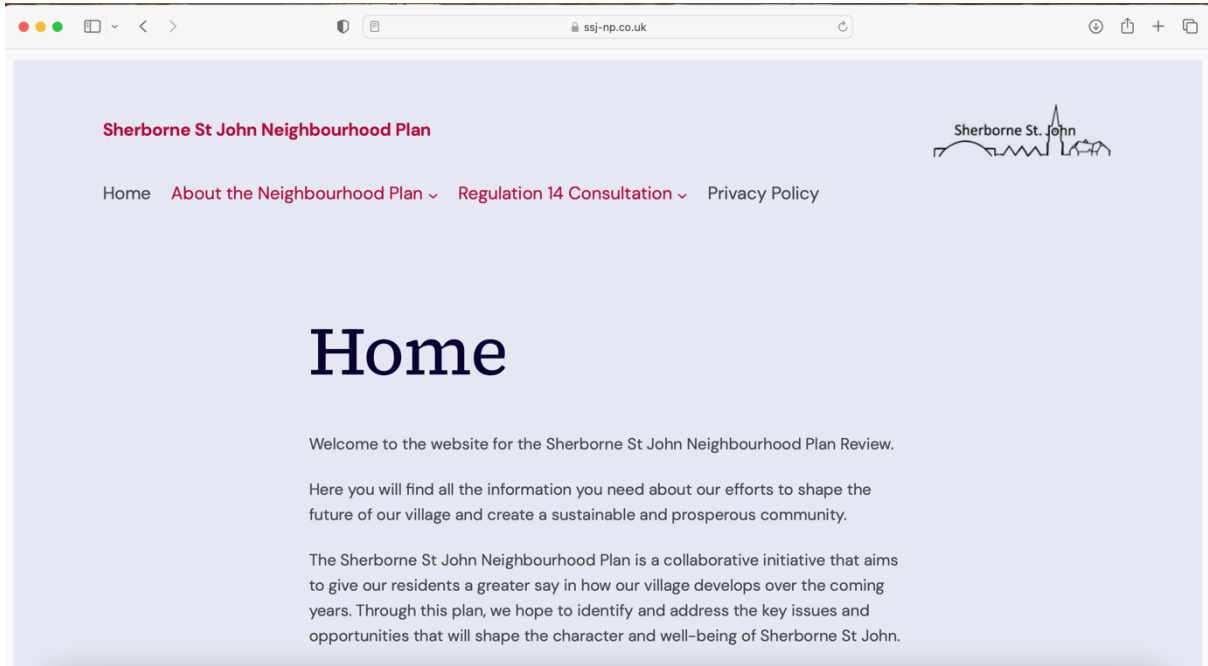
### 1. Social media (posted on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2023)

The screenshot shows the Facebook profile of Sherborne St John Parish Council. The profile picture is a circular image of a church spire. The cover photo shows a road sign for Bramley, Sherfield, Post Office, Dark Lane, and Basingstoke. The page has 200 followers and 2 following. The main post, dated 5 minutes ago, is titled "Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan Review - Have Your Say!" and contains the following text: "Calling all residents of Sherborne St John! We want to hear your thoughts on the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan as it undergoes consultation. The Regulation 14 consultation will be open for a period of six weeks, starting on Monday 25th September 2023 and ending at midnight on 6th November 2023." Below the text, it says "To make it convenient for you, we have made copies of the plan and evidence base available online at [www.ssj-np.co.uk](http://www.ssj-np.co.uk)... See more". The post includes a link to the consultation site and a "See more" button. The page also features an "Intro" section with contact information and a "Photos" section with a "See All Photos" link.

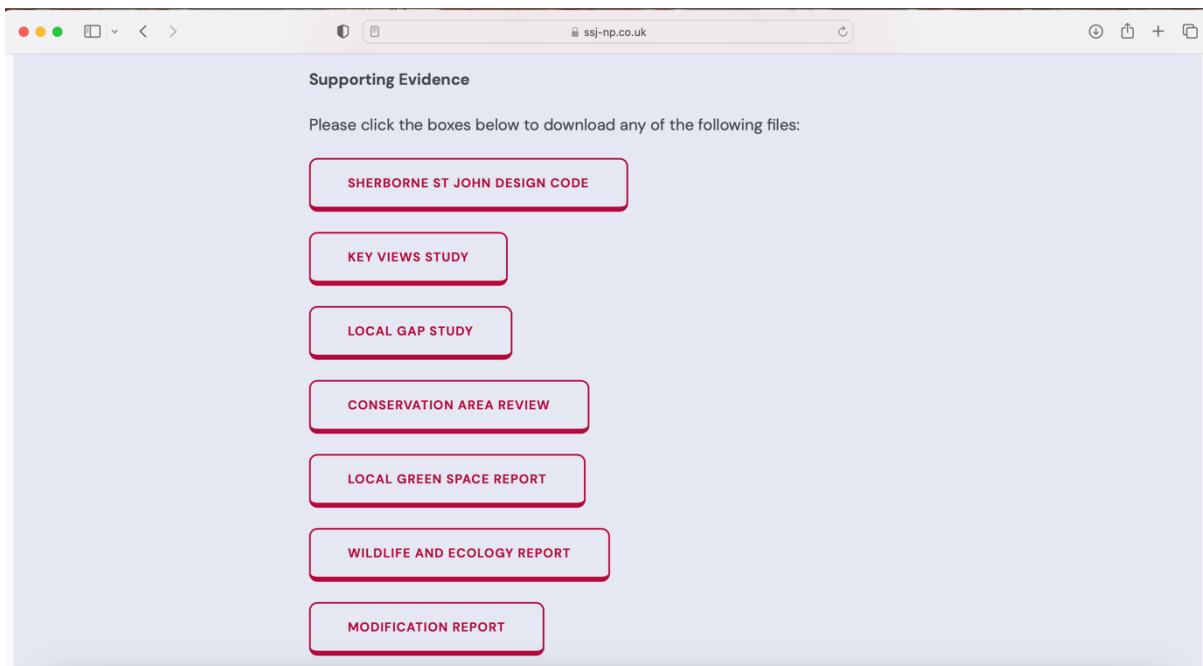
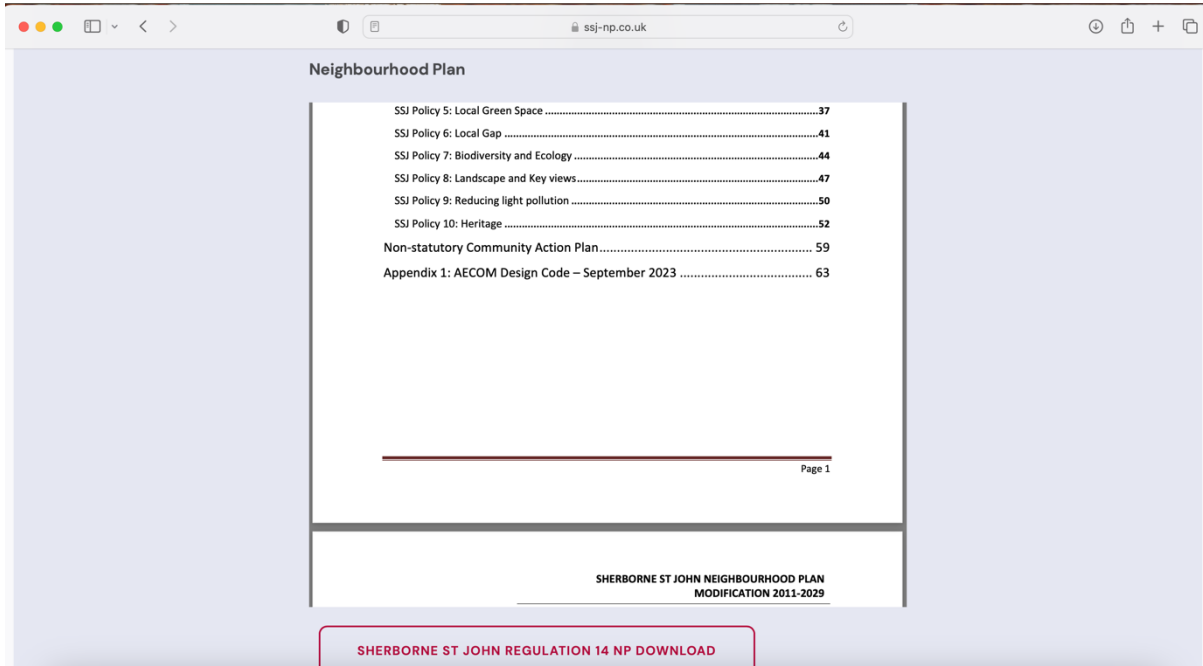
### 2. Sherborne St John Parish Council website

Extracts from the purpose built consultation website ([www.ssj-np.co.uk](http://www.ssj-np.co.uk))

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### 3. Extract of Article from The Villager Local Magazine which went to all households (October 2023)

#### Comings and Goings

After a number of false starts we at long last have a new Parish Clerk, Dan Faulkner. Dan comes to us from a previous Clerks role for a large council on the Isle of Wight. The Parish council look forward to working with Dan in the future. Welcome Dan to SSJ

With the new Clerk it means we say goodbye to our locum, Mel Camilleri, who has been with us for over a year. Mel guided us through some turbulent times. The Parish Council wish her well in her future endeavours.

#### Sherbornes with Pamber/St. Andrews

The Parish has a new vicar, the Revd. Stewart Deering. I've met Stewart a couple of times and he attended our last Parish Meeting. All I would say is that I think the Parish is lucky to have a Vicar of Stewart's beliefs and positivity as its new Vicar. The Parish Council looks forward to working with Stewart going forward. Welcome Stewart, Becky and their children, Henry, Toby and Annie to the Parish.

#### Parish Office

With the new Clerk now in role the Parish Council are looking to set up a Parish Office in the Village hall. The office would be available a half day a week and would be the first port of call for Parishioners to engage with the Parish Council.

Details need to be finalised and I would hope that dates/times will be published in the next Villager issue.

#### SSJ Neighbourhood Plan

The final draft of the revised Neighbourhood Plan has been submitted to BDBC and other statutory authorities for their review and sign-off.

Part of this process is a 6 week review for Parishioners to have their views considered.

The Parish Council hopes that you managed to attend the open forum on the 6th October to take a look at the revised SSJ Neighbourhood Plan and to submit your comments on the same.

For those of you who were unable to attend full details of how to get your review comments considered can be found on the SSJ web site, [www.sherbornestjohn-pc.gov.uk](http://www.sherbornestjohn-pc.gov.uk).

For those unable to attend in person on the 6th October, the Neighbourhood Plan and associated documents are available for review online at [www.ssj-np.co.uk](http://www.ssj-np.co.uk). On the [www.ssj-np.co.uk](http://www.ssj-np.co.uk) website, you will also find an electronic questionnaire where you can submit your comments.

The Parish Council's point of contact for the revised Neighbourhood Plan remains Cllr Rowley, [james.rowley@sherbornestjohn-pc.gov.uk](mailto:james.rowley@sherbornestjohn-pc.gov.uk). However please copy the Clerk, [clerk@sherbornestjohn-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@sherbornestjohn-pc.gov.uk) on any emails you may send to Cllr. Rowley  
The view from BDBC is that SSJ will not be required to take any more housing development BUT....

#### Planning

With the BDBC delay, approximately 1 year, in moving forward with the new Local Plan, this in turn delays the new SSJ Neighbourhood plan. This delay has seen developers submit a number of applications, two of which impact SSJ;

- Weybrook Farm ( 220 houses )
- Kiln Farm ( 350 houses )

A formal planning application is about to be submitted for the Weybrook Farm development and the Parish Council understands that the application for the Kiln Farm development is also being developed. These x 2 applications, whilst not directly within the Parish, will have a major impact on the Parish with increased traffic, changes to road layouts etc. For example the Weybrook Farm application includes the following:

- Up to 220 homes (including 40% affordable housing at mix of sizes and tenure incl. First Homes)
- Housing mix of predominantly 2 & 3 bed family houses, with some 1 & 4+ bed homes

- A new roundabout from the Aldermaston Road (A340), including new footway to provide access to two new bus stops

Also Rydon homes are about to appeal the decision not to give planning permission for the 26 houses at the back of Cranesfield. The zero allocation in the revised Neighbourhood Plan will be a key point in fighting this appeal.

#### Speeding

Like a bad smell this issue never goes away and it seems various motor cyclists use the A340 as a

race track late evenings/early mornings.

With the possible new developments at Kiln Farm and Weybrook Farm these developments can only mean increased traffic in and around the village. Combine increased traffic with parking issues along Vyne Road then what is currently an issue on certain days of the week and/or times of day, could get worse.

An attendee at the next Parish Council meeting, Wednesday, 25th October, will be Inspector Paul Freeman from Hampshire police. Inspector Freeman will listen to our concerns and we in turn will listen to his proposals. If you do intend to attend on the 25th October, please be nice to Inspector Freeman, he is but the messenger.

#### Chute Pavilion

The next six months will see a number of 'must do' repairs to the Chute initiated. A number of these repairs might require the Pavilion to be closed for a short period of time. Further details to be provided as and when the repairs are scheduled.

#### Lengthsman

The Lengthsman service has unexpectedly ceased. The Parish Council has set up an alternative.

If there are any outstanding jobs around the village /parish that you think need looking at then please do contact the Clerk, [clerk@sherbornestjohn-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@sherbornestjohn-pc.gov.uk)

#### 2022/2023 - Finances

The half year review of the Parish Finance has shown the Parish is in very good shape.

#### General

The PC meets on the last Wednesday of each month in Chute Pavilion

Going forward the planning session will start @ 7.15 p.m. and the council meeting @ 7.45 p.m. As always it would be good to see parishioners at these meetings.

Richard Morgan  
Chair, SSJ PC

b) Other extracts of The Villager providing regular updates on the Neighbourhood Plan

# Hampshire County Councillor report – Calleva Division October 2023

## Sherborne St John Parish Council

Local residents will be aware that the village has been under some pressure from speculative developments over the last couple of years. The Parish Council therefore took the decision last year to review and update the Neighbourhood Plan, which had been approved in 2017. This is one of the best ways we can ensure that the character and separate identity of the village can be safeguarded.

What's in the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan, you may ask? It outlines a set of policies and proposals that will guide the development and growth of our community in the coming years. It covers a wide range of topics, including the design of housing, heritage, open space, access to the countryside and environmental conservation.

places in the village, their design and appearance will be in keeping. This approach was well supported by most residents who responded to the initial consultation undertaken back in January. Things are moving on now. The consultation for the Neighbourhood Plan is here! From Monday 23rd September 2023 till 6th November 2023, the Neighbourhood Plan will be available to comment on for a period of six weeks. This is a crucial opportunity for residents to comment and help us shape the future of our village.

Throughout the consultation period, there will be several ways to provide your comments and feedback. An online platform will be available on the designated website, where you can view the documents and express your thoughts. Additionally, printed forms will be available in key locations such as at the village shop and Village Hall, alongside paper copies of the Neighbourhood Plan itself. On Friday October 6th 7.30-9.30pm, there will be an open evening at the village hall.

Let's seize this opportunity to support and shape Sherborne St John's development to reflect our shared vision and values and to ensure our village remains a wonderful place to live and work. Don't forget to visit the website, review the Plan, and give us your valuable feedback. The website details are available from the Parish Council Website (see [www.sherbornestjohn-pc.gov.uk/The\\_Neighbourhood\\_Plan](http://www.sherbornestjohn-pc.gov.uk/The_Neighbourhood_Plan)).

*Cllr James Rowley*



*The view across part of the proposed local gap from Chindham Lane*

**1. Schools**  
Residents may be aware of the recent news story regarding schools in England, due to close permanently as a result of their buildings containing unsafe concrete. School buildings in England to shut over concrete safety fears - BBC News

No Hampshire school is being closed. Cranbourne College in Basingstoke is the only site where RAAC has been identified among Hampshire County Council's maintained schools. Temporary works have already been undertaken to one section of the building to make sure it is safe and another area has been taken out of use since the beginning of the year. However, the school is expected to open as normal at the start of the autumn term.

**3. Solar panels for homes schemes - Solar Together**  
I have mentioned this scheme before, whereby residents can join in the bulk buying of solar panels or batteries for their homes, which both reduce energy bills and boost local renewable energy generation. A new round has opened and residents have until 27 October to register their interest online, for free and without obligation - [www.hants.gov.uk/solartogether](http://www.hants.gov.uk/solartogether).

**4. Roads**  
Hampshire County Council has pledged to spend an additional £7.5m a year over the next three years to fix thousands more potholes. This is on top of the £13.5m currently being spent a year on reactive pothole and road defect repairs. Progress is already being made, with road defects being fixed at a record rate in May and June alone, 19,697 potholes and other problems were repaired and 33,671 square metres of surface design and micro asphalt was laid.

**5. Covid-19 vaccinations**  
A Covid-19 vaccine programme was started last month as a precautionary

measure following the identification of a new Covid-19 variant. It will be offered to those most at risk from winter illness, including all adults 65 years old and over, front line health and social care workers, carers aged 16 to 64 and pregnant women. An annual flu vaccine will also be available at the same time, where possible.

**6. Vaping**  
Following an increase in young people experimenting with vaping, Hampshire County Council has pledged continuing support for a series of education and enforcement measures to tackle the increasingly pressing issue of teen vaping. In total, 20.3% of children nationally have tried vaping, up from 15.8% in 2022 and 13.9% in 2020.

Steps include writing to families of children in secondary schools with information about vaping to highlight the risks and the support available, redeveloping education and awareness schemes to encourage behaviour change and to reduce uptake; Trading Standards carrying out enforcement operations to deter underground sales of vapes and tackle illegal vapes.

In other news on vaping, Hampshire residents can now recycle vapes at any Household Waste Recycling Centre, helping to avoid disposal in general waste, which is a fire risk. HWRCs can accept all types of vapes. The guidance is not to dismantle them before disposal, unless the batteries can be safely removed for separate recycling.

Single-use vapes contain lithium-ion batteries which can catch fire if broken. This is an increasing problem across the country. In Hampshire, the County Council estimates one fire a month on average in a waste truck or waste facility can be attributed to a battery, faulty electrical item or disposable BBQ. A battery was the suspected cause of a significant fire at the Portsmouth Materials Recovery Facility in 2021, which closed the site for three months.

*Cllr Rhydian Vaughan MBE  
Flt.com/telrhidian*

### Clothes swap for MacMillan & Dementia UK

**Saturday 28th of October 3pm - 5pm @ Sherborne St John Village Hall**

Women's, Men's & Children's clothes all welcome in all sizes we just request that all items are in good condition. Any clothes left after the event will be donated to Sherborne St John Primary School for their Bags2School collection.

£5 entry and a voluntary bag of clothes. 10 items free with your entry and every thing is 50p thereafter. Cake, tea, coffee, pimm's & Prosecco will be available on entry and cake will be 50p a slice. We would love to see as many of you there as possible to raise some money and have some fun - however if you can't make the event we would be very grateful for donations of clothes and cake!

**Any questions please contact Jamie on 07982806764**

## News from the Pambers & Little London

I hope you are all enjoying this summer with its entirely unpredictable weather, switching happily from monsoon-style storms to baking heat and parched earth. And yet there are those who continue to deny climate change.

Pamber Parish Council has informed me of a wealth of initiatives from Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council. These range from details of efforts as diverse as a Cost of Living Fund, through a Building Improvements Fund to the Hampshire Business Awards. There is also an invitation to those generous-hearted people who have space and time to consider

fostering an unaccompanied asylum-seeking child, and other similarly altruistic opportunities. I would encourage those who may be interested in any of the above to consult the B&D website. Input from residents is also requested on changing the way the

are pleased to note that a couple of the boxes have provided excellent homes for families of house sparrows.



On the subject of photos, in the last issue I somehow managed to fail to get printed the one of the young man clearly enjoying an activity not involving a screen. So here he is!

Have a good August! And don't forget the annual War Horse Walkthrough Pamber Forest on the August Bank Holiday/Monday, a lovely social occasion which raises funds for a very good cause.

**B 44** bdowmies.villager@gmail.com  
War Horse Walk info:  
simon@matcsweb.co.uk

## Sherborne St John Parish Council

We are still looking for a new parish clerk - anyone with the necessary experience can apply. We would again like to thank Mel, our former, for all the help she gives us.

### SSI Neighbourhood Plan

This is an ongoing process with a lot of work being done by Councillor James Rowley. We hope to submit our plan to the Local Plan when published. This will help us with any planning applications that come forward.

### Planning

The Parish Council keeps a close eye on all planning applications so that they stay within keeping with the village. A meeting was held with the developer

at Bob's Farm which produced some changes to the layout and landscaping.

### Lengthsman Scheme

This is ongoing with 3 visits a year. This scheme helps us keep areas tidy in the village that need attention; including hedges being cut back for clear sight lines for traffic.

### Chute Playing Field

The Chute is one of our proud assets - giving children a good play area; and the tennis courts and our popular football ground are well used.

### General

Reports given at the June Meeting from the County Councillor Rhydian Vaughan and Bough Councillor David

McIntyre included information that pot holes and speeding remain high on the list of complaints. It is hoped to repair all potholes as soon as possible - but Hampshire is a large county.

All Parish Council meetings are held at the end of the month - dates are on the notice board. Everyone is welcome to come and attend these meetings and raise any concerns with us.

*Councillor Mrs Jane Bechelet.*



**Please see below for the items we are currently short of - thank you!**

Foodbank Centre, open Monday to Friday 10:00 - 15:00  
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PARISH COUNCIL

Summer is almost upon us. Hoping everyone enjoyed the three recent May Bank Holidays and are also making use of the lengthening days and better weather to spend more time outdoors in and around our lovely village.

**July Parish Council Meeting**

A decision was made by the Parish Council recently that we should try to hold at least one or two of our meetings per year at the Village Hall rather than at The Chute. This will give some parishioners who find it difficult to attend normally an alternative and more central venue. The meeting to be held on July 26th will take place in the Village Hall.

**SSJ Neighbourhood Plan**

A draft version of the revised Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan has been submitted to the Local Plan team at Basingstoke and Deane.

The revised plan has been strengthened in areas such as protections of green spaces, strategic gap and key views, as well as watercourses, biodiversity and wildlife by creating a Conservation Area Plan.

If you have any questions around the new plan please contact Cllr Rowley, james.rowley@sherbornestjohn-pc.gov.uk.

**Parish Clerk**

The council are still looking for a new Parish Clerk. The role has been re-advertised with a view to getting an experienced clerk to apply.

Continued thanks to Mel Camilleri, our Locum Clerk, who has kept the council running over the last few months.

**Lengthsman Scheme**

The Lengthsman service has been extended again for this financial year and we keep adding jobs to the list for future visits.

If there are any outstanding jobs around the village and wider parish that you think might be suitable for the Lengthsman then please contact the Clerk, clerk@sherbornestjohn-pc.gov.uk.

**Planning**

At time of writing, no further movement or decisions on any of the major developments proposed in and around the village. The Parish Council received a revised plan, for review and comment at the April meeting, for Bob's Farm. This is a variant of the previous submissions and covers provision of nine dwellings and associated landscaping on the existing barn and storage site.

**2023/2024 Precept**

You will have seen that the Precept for Sherborne St John Parish has increased around 4% for 2023-24. This is less than £3 per year per household for most of the houses in the village and the Parish Council has worked hard to keep this to a minimum against the significant increases in costs in almost every bill, especially our energy costs.

**Borough Councillors**

At the elections on May 4th, one of the three borough seats for the Rooksdown and Sherborne St John Ward was up for selection. The existing councillor, Jay Ganesh was re-elected and the Parish Council look forward to continuing to work closely with Jay and our other two Borough Councillors, Simon and David especially around the opposition to the local developments at Kiln Farm and Weybrook Golf Club.

**General**

Just a reminder that the Parish Council meets on the last Wednesday of each month (except August) at the Chute Pavilion. With the obvious exception of July's meeting as mentioned earlier in this article.

Planning starts @ 7.15 p.m. and the council meeting @ 7.45 p.m. As always it would be good to see parishioners at these meetings.

*Cllr Carl Davies*

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**Kiln Farm**

As in last month's Villager the main topic of concern for the Village is the proposed development of Kiln Farm with 350 houses. The Parish Council sincerely hopes that many of you reading this have already sent in your objections to Basingstoke and Deane BC. The Parish Council has also been working with the same consultant for the Neighbourhood Plan to produce a report to support our objections.

**If you have not sent your objection as yet – we urge you to do so – its not too late.**

At the time of writing we have not had any further details of the possible development of Weybrook Farm – if we do we will let you all know.

As a village we really do not wish to be joined to Basingstoke, to lose our individuality, our community and our identity as a lovely village we are all very happy to live in.

**Neighbourhood Plan**

Following the consultation exercise in January, work is nearing conclusion on

the 1st draft of the review of the NP, which is due to be submitted for initial comments to the local planning team at Basingstoke later in April. Once these comments are received & included, the draft plan will be submitted for the Reg 14 consultation stage by the summer, to be followed by further local consultation before its finalised.

We have commissioned and completed specialist reports on landscape/key views and the local gap, heritage and protecting the conservation area, with support from planning consultants ET Planning using Locality grant funding. Local volunteers have produced a wildlife ecology report. A design code is to be produced by AECOM which will accompany the plan, seeking to ensure that future new development is more in keeping with the character of the village. The plan will include stronger policies on heritage, protecting local greenspaces, the landscape and the maintaining the local gap between the village and Basingstoke.

On housing, we are subject to pressure from a number of speculative sites at the moment. We expect that the NP will help to protect the village against speculative development, but much also depends on the selection of major housing sites within the Local Plan by the borough council, which is due out in Autumn this year.

**The Kings Coronation**

An event which has not happened for 70 years is about to occur – I am of

course referring to the Coronation of King Charles III on the 6th May 2023, especially as very few of us remember the last one.

**The Village extends its warmest Congratulations to our new King and Queen Consort.**

On this occasion most of the events are in the Village Hall and in Sherborne's Social Club over the Coronation weekend, the Parish Council having decided not to hold its own events for a number of reasons including affordability and confliction with other organisations.

One Neighbourhood -You may have noticed a number of "One Neighbourhood" signs around the village. The first meeting was a success with over 60 attending and a few local "road" groups have been set up which will run themselves.

It is lovely to hear about that happening, it strengthens our local community atmosphere.

**Parish Clerk**

The Parish Council is still looking for a Parish Clerk following the departure of Mrs Penny Mayo last July.

*Councillor Linda Agnew*



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## PARISH COUNCIL

A belated Happy New Year to all parishioners. I hope that 2023 is less of an 'annus horribilis' than 2022 was what with the passing of HM Queen Elizabeth II, other less painful but equally sad events and the turbulence that the PC experienced.

### Planning

With the BDBC delay, approx. 1 year, in moving forward with the new Local Plan, this is turn delays the new SSJ Neighbourhood plan.

This delay has seen developers submit a number of applications, two of which impact SSJ;

- Weybrook Farm ( 220 houses )
- Kiln Farm ( 350 houses )

No formal planning application for either of these proposals has yet been submitted but applications for both are expected in the January/February timeframe.

The development of 26 houses at the back of Cranesfield has yet to be decided but the Parish Council understands that a number of objections e.g. landscape and conservation concerns, have been submitted by council officers and statutory bodies

We wait with bated breath as to the outcome.

### SSJ Neighbourhood Plan

The process of developing a revised SSJ Neighbourhood plan, in support of a revised BDBC Local plan, is a marathon not a sprint. Developers are trying to exploit the current delay in the process of revising both plans, see above Planning.

However it's important to note that our current Neighbourhood Plan is still a 'live' document.

The Parish Council has engaged a planning consultancy to help revise the current Neighbourhood Plan, ET Planning Ltd.

The PC has received the anticipated funding in order to develop a new Neighbourhood Plan.

If you want to contribute to the development of the new SSJ

Neighbourhood Plan, then Cllr Rowley, is your point of contact.  
james.rowley@sherbornestjohn-pc.gov.uk

### Coronation Celebrations

The PC anticipates holding an event to celebrate the coronation of HM King Charles III on or around the 6th May.

Current thinking is a bit vague as to what and when so any ideas/suggestions gratefully accepted. Please contact the PC clerk on clerk@sherbornestjohn-pc.gov.uk

### Speeding/Flooding

Some limited progress with speeding on the A340 between the two 30 mph signs. The police admit that there is a problem but....

Our new borough Councillor, David McIntyre, is chasing.

I recognise the other main issue is speeding along Elm Road - the destruction of the bollards by white van man early in January is an example of said speeding.

There is also the issue of flooding in Kiln Road, sometimes making it impassable on foot.

The management of the roads is the responsibility of HCC. Whilst the PC can take HCC to task, that's all that we can do.

There have been a number of requests for the PC to install cameras, etc. To put this into perspective the installation of a Gatso camera is north of £20k with on-going maintenance adding another £1k per annum. This expense is about 50% of the SSJ an annual precept of approx. £45k. You can then perhaps understand that the PC's only way forward is to be a continual pain to BDBC/HCC and the local police.

### Chute Pavilion

Our existing gas supply contract for the Chute expires at the end of March.

However our current supplier has refused to offer us a new fixed price contract because of the current volatility in the energy market.

The renewal tariff is significantly more than the current tariff.

We've yet to see the renewal offer from our electricity supplier.

The PC has always planned for the Chute to be self-funding but the increment re: the gas supply and an anticipated like price increment to the electricity supply puts that plan into jeopardy.

The next six months will see a number of 'must do' repairs to the Chute initiated. A number of these repairs might require the Pavilion to be closed for a short period of time. Further details to be provided as and when the repairs are scheduled.

### Amor Armitage

Some of you may have read about the horrific accident that Amor suffered on December 17 resulting in her hospitalisation in Mexico. Amor runs a number of yoga classes at the Chute.

The PC understand that a JustGiving page raised over £100k enabling Amor to be flown home. She is now in intensive care in the UK where her treatment will continue for a number of months.

### Parish Councillor

We now have a new Councillor, Jane Bechelet. Welcome Jane.

### Parish Clerk

By the time this article is published we will have a new Parish Clerk.

MANY thanks to Mel Camilleri, our Locum Clerk, who kept us sane and sensible over the last 6 months.

We have three candidates for the position, all of whom offer a selection of useful skills/experience.

### Lengthsman

The Lengthsman service has been extended for this fiscal year, April 2022 thru to March 2023.

If there are any outstanding jobs around the village /parish that you think might be suitable for the Lengthsman then please do contact the Clerk, clerk@sherbornestjohn-pc.gov.uk

### 2022/2023 - Finances

The PC anticipates a 4% increase to the SSJ Precept that forms part of the wider BDBC council tax. This increase is about £1.37 per annum for a band D house.

The PC understands that the BDBC element of your Council Tax bill will be frozen for the year 2023/2024.

### General

The PC is now back to meeting on the last Wednesday at the Chute Pavilion each month.

Going forward the planning session will start @ 7.15 p.m. and the council meeting @ 7.45 p.m. As always it would be good to see parishioners at these meetings.

**Richard Morgan**  
Chair, SSJ PC

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## 4. Image from the Consultation Event on 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023



## Appendix C: Notification letter to list of statutory consultees and other consultees

Dear sir/madam,

I am writing on behalf of Sherborne St John Parish Council to inform you that the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan is currently undergoing a review, and we would appreciate your input during the Regulation 14 consultation. This consultation period will commence on Monday 25th September 2023 and will run for a period of six weeks, closing at midnight on 6th November 2023.

The Neighbourhood Plan will be available for public comment and review during this time. To facilitate this, we have made copies of the plan and evidence base, as well as paper copies of the response form, available to view at:

- Sherborne St John Village Hall, Kiln Road, Sherborne St John, Basingstoke RG24 9HR (10:00-14:30 Mon – Fri).
- Sherborne Village Store, Sireburne Close, Sherborne St John, Basingstoke, RG24 9YZ (07:30-21:00 daily)
- St Andrews Church, Sherborne St John, Basingstoke, RG24 9HT (Please contact the Church for opening hours on [tel:07897 562134](tel:07897562134))
- Swan Pub, 3 Kiln Road, Sherborne St John, Basingstoke, RG24 9HS (Monday – Friday: 11:00-23:00- Sat 09:30-23:00- Sun: 09:30-22:30)

Additionally, we will be holding an open evening for the Neighbourhood Plan at Sherborne St John Village Hall on Friday 6th October between 7-10pm, where you will have the opportunity to learn more about the plan and offer your comments and suggestions.

In addition to the physical copies, the Neighbourhood Plan and associated documents can also be viewed online at [www.ssj-np.co.uk](http://www.ssj-np.co.uk). For your convenience I have attached an electronic copy of the Neighbourhood Plan to this email.

On the website, you will find an electronic questionnaire where you can submit your comment.

Alternatively, comments can also be submitted via:

- email to: [consultation@ssj-np.co.uk](mailto:consultation@ssj-np.co.uk) or

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- via post to: Sherborne St John Regulation 14 Consultation, ET Planning, 200 Dukes Ride, Crowthorne, RG45 6DS

We look forward to receiving your comments and suggestions. Your input will play a valuable role in shaping the future of Sherborne St John.

Thank you for your participation. We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Sherborne St John Parish Council

Email sent by ET Planning on behalf of Sherborne St John Parish Council

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## Basingstoke and Deane Website – publicising the Regulation 14 Consultation

**Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan**

### Neighbourhood Plan Review

The Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan (2011-2029) was made at Full Council on 18 May 2017. In late 2022, Sherborne St John Parish Council notified the borough council on their intent to review and update the plan.

### Regulation 14 Consultation

The Regulation 14 consultation is open from 25 September through to 6 November 2023.

[Further information on the consultation, along with all the consultation documents can be found on the dedicated Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan website.](#)

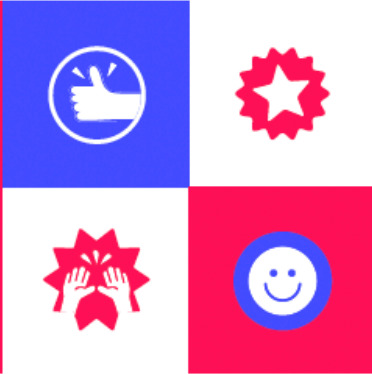
### Strategic Environmental Assessment and

#### Related

- [About neighbourhood planning](#)
- [Progress of neighbourhood plans](#)
- [View list of all neighbourhood plans](#)

## Appendix D: Public Noticeboard poster

# Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 14 Consultation



The Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan is currently undergoing a review, and we invite the public to participate in the Regulation 14 consultation. This consultation period will commence on Monday 25th September 2023 and run for a period of six weeks, concluding at midnight on 6th November 2023.


During this time, the Neighbourhood Plan will be accessible for public review and comments. The full list of documents and the questionnaire can be found at [www.ssj-np.co.uk](http://www.ssj-np.co.uk).

Reference copies of the Neighbourhood Plan and other documents and paper response forms can be viewed at:

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Additionally, we are hosting an open evening on Friday 6th October at the Village Hall, from 7-10pm, where you can learn more about the Neighbourhood Plan and provide feedback.

For those unable to attend in person, the Neighbourhood Plan and associated documents are also available for review online at [www.ssj-np.co.uk](http://www.ssj-np.co.uk), this can also be accessed by scanning the QR code below. On the website, you will find an electronic questionnaire where you can submit your comments.



Scan the above QR code with your phone camera to view the consultation website

We encourage all members of the public to participate in this important review process. Your feedback will help shape the future development and protection of our community. Together, we can ensure a sustainable and inclusive future for Sherborne St John.



## Appendix E: Hard copy of Regulation 14 questionnaire

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### **Sherborne St John Regulation 14 Neighbourhood Plan Consultation Form**

The Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 14 consultation runs from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September to midnight on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023. The Regulation 14 consultation provides an opportunity for the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan and its supporting documents and evidence base to be presented to consultees and key stakeholders.

All comments received will be considered by the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group and Parish Council to provide a revised version of the Neighbourhood Plan. A Consultation Statement will be published with the revised Neighbourhood Plan which will include a summary of all comments received (including respondents names and organisations, where appropriate) and how these have been considered which will be submitted to Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council.

Your comments can be submitted by email to: [consultation@ssi-np.co.uk](mailto:consultation@ssi-np.co.uk)

Or by post to: Sherborne St John Regulation 14 Consultation, ET Planning, 200 Dukes Ride, Crowthorne, RG45 6DS.

The consultation closes at **midnight on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023**. Comments received after this time may not be considered.

### **CONSULTATION FORM**

#### **Are you responding as; (tick one)**

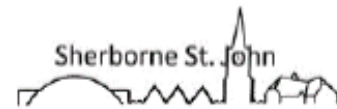
Individual

On behalf of an organisation

On behalf of a client

#### **Your details:**

<b>*Name:</b>	
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<b>Company: (if applicable)</b>	
<b>*Address Line 1</b>	
<b>Address Line 2:</b>	
<b>*City/Town:</b>	
<b>*Postcode:</b>	
<b>Email Address:</b>	
<b>Agents Details: (if applicable)</b>	

*Fields marked \* are compulsory.*

**Q1: Do you wish to; (tick one)**

Comment       Support       Object

**Q2: Is your comment; (tick one)**

General       Specific

**Q3. If your comment is specific, please state below which part of the Neighbourhood Development Plan your representation refers to. (e.g section title, objective, policy, paragraph number).**



**Q4. Please use the space below to make your comments on this part of the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan. Additional sheets may be attached to this form.**



**Q5. SSJ village currently has very limited cycleway links. If opportunities arise in the future to provide linking cycleway routes to adjoining areas of Basingstoke, would you support this? (tick one)**

Yes

No

We are unable to process anonymous responses, please tick the box to confirm that you have read and accept the privacy statement below:

*Privacy statement*

*The purpose of this consultation is to help develop the Sherborne St John Neighbourhood Plan Review. The information you provided on this consultation form will be solely for the use and development of the Neighbourhood Plan. Your comments will be shared with third parties associated with the Neighbourhood Plan and published. Where appropriate, responses from organisations will be published together with the name of the organisation and employee. Any other personal data will not be published but may be shared with third parties for the purposes of collating responses for use associated with the production of the Neighbourhood Plan.*

*We do not use any of the information you provide for direct marketing or other non-Regulation 14 activities.*

*Your participation is voluntary. You are entitled to ask that part, or all, of the record of your involvement in the survey be deleted or destroyed.*

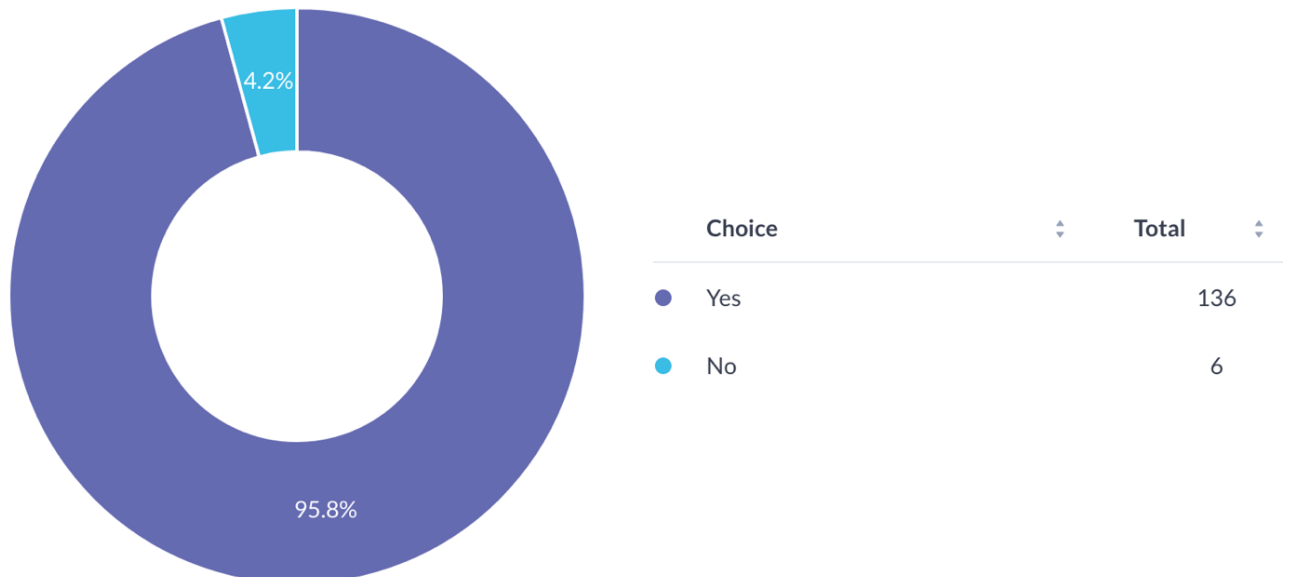
Alternatively, you can email your responses of the questionnaire to [consultation@ssi-nd.co.uk](mailto:consultation@ssi-nd.co.uk).

## Appendix F: Summary of results from questionnaire undertaken December 2022 – January 2023

### Demographics of those responding

- 143 responses were received throughout the consultation period.
- All respondents lived in Sherborne St John and entered a RG24 postcode.
- A range of respondent ages answered the questionnaire with the majority of respondents who provided an age in the 60-64 age range (37 respondents).
- Everyone who responded to the questionnaire were aged 30 or older

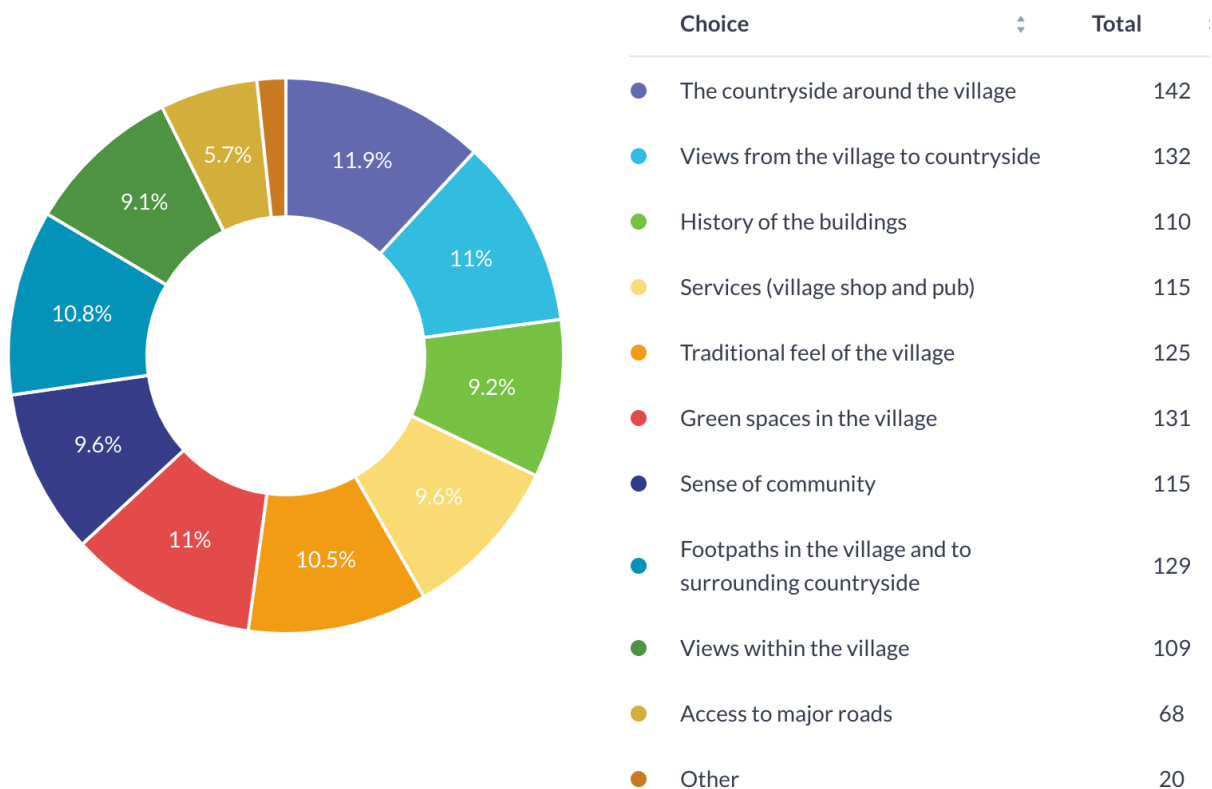
### Question 1 - Do you agree with the vision and objectives?



### Question 2 - If NO, please explain why

- Half of those who disagreed (with question 1), disagreed with objective 1 due to lots of infill and new development changing the feel of the village
- Of those who disagreed (with question 1), all agreed that they want to prevent excess development and protect green space

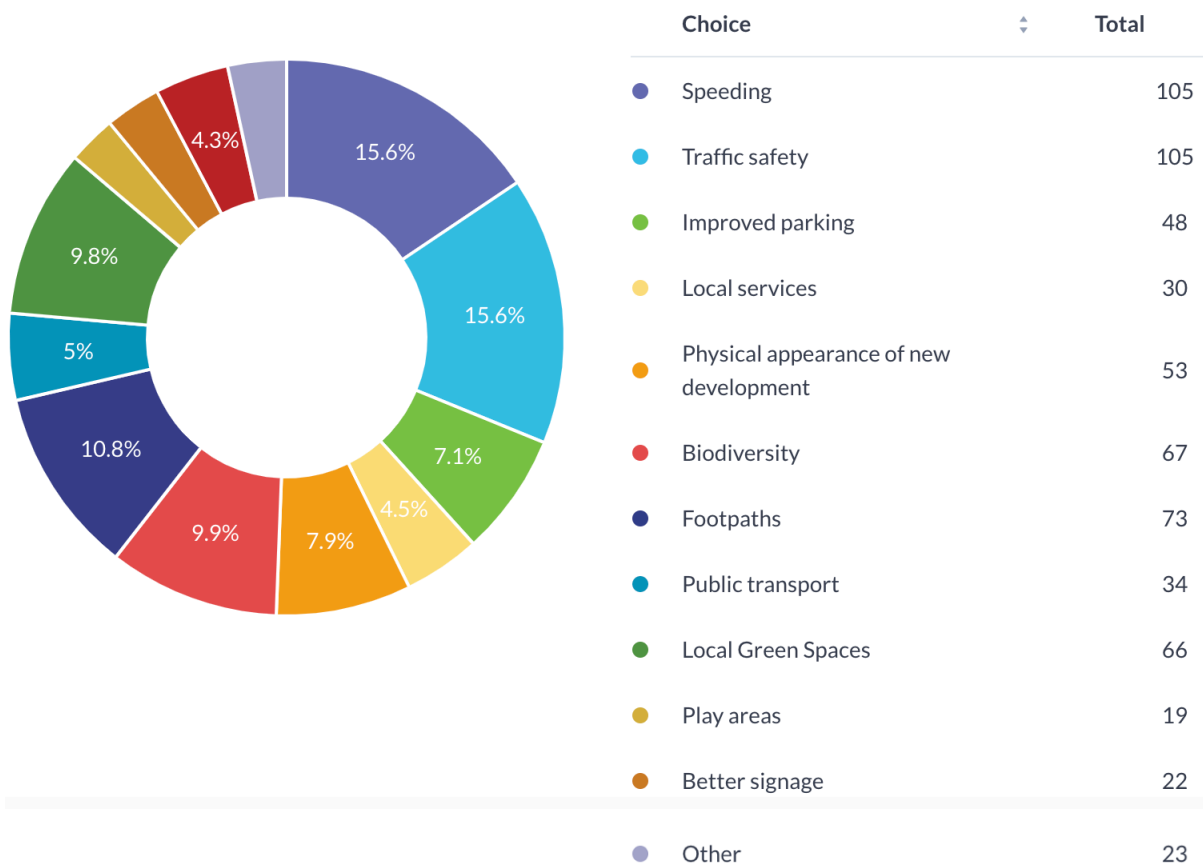
**Question 3 - What do you like about living in Sherborne St John? Please tick all that apply**



For those who selected other and provided their own comments, these noted:

- A quarter enjoyed the sense of community and tranquil village feel
- Half of the respondents enjoy the links and connections via public transport
- Many mentioned the church and success of the parish council
- Some enjoyed the sports facilities

**Question 4 - What would you like to see improved in Sherborne St John? Please tick all that apply.**

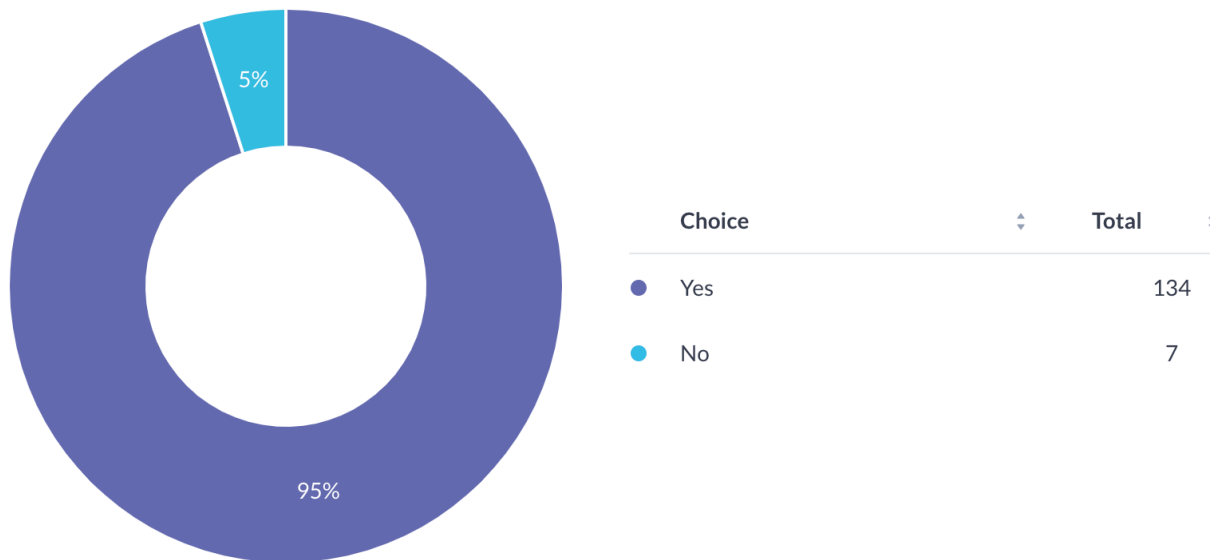


For those who selected other, and provided their own options:

- Many mentioned improved maintenance of roads and facilities
- Many mentioned improved services, specifically a doctors and post office
- A few mentioned less new development in the rural areas
- A few also mentioned an increase in cycle lanes as well as more streetlights

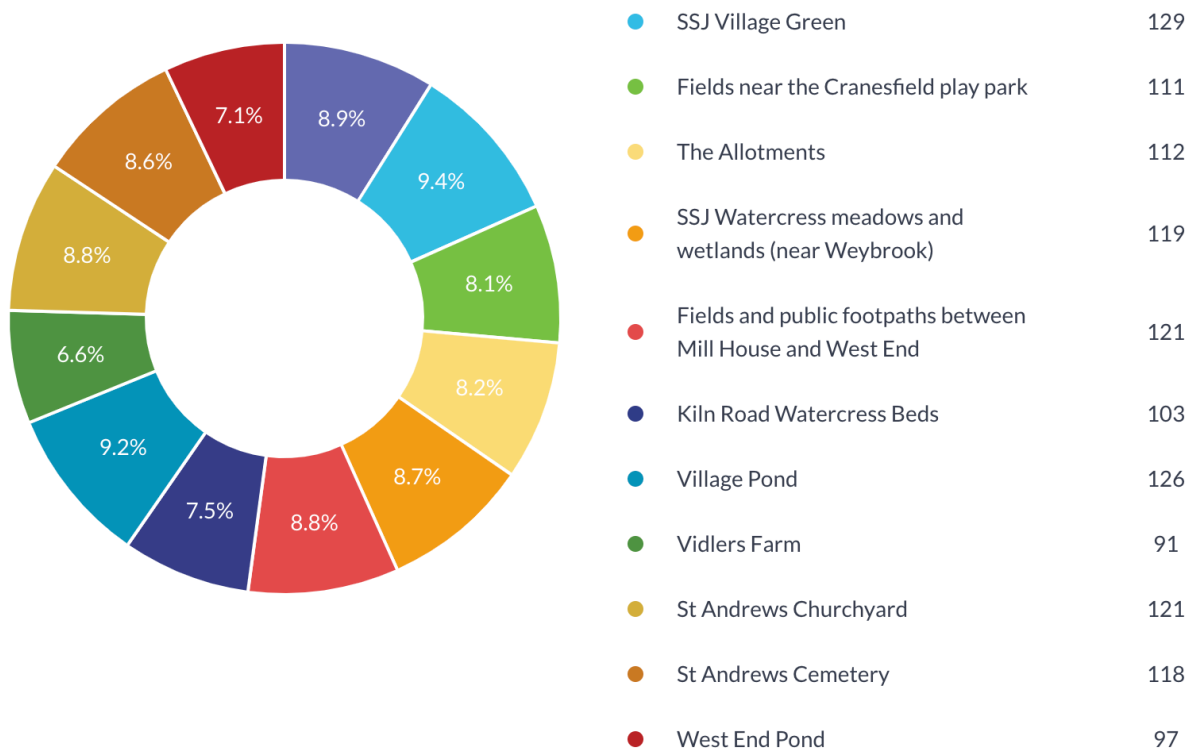
**Question 5 - The National Planning Policy Framework enables local communities to identify and give special protection to green**

**areas of land with particular importance to the local community. It is our intention to include a new policy on Local Green Spaces with the intent that these can only be built on in exceptional circumstances. Do you agree with this policy intent?**

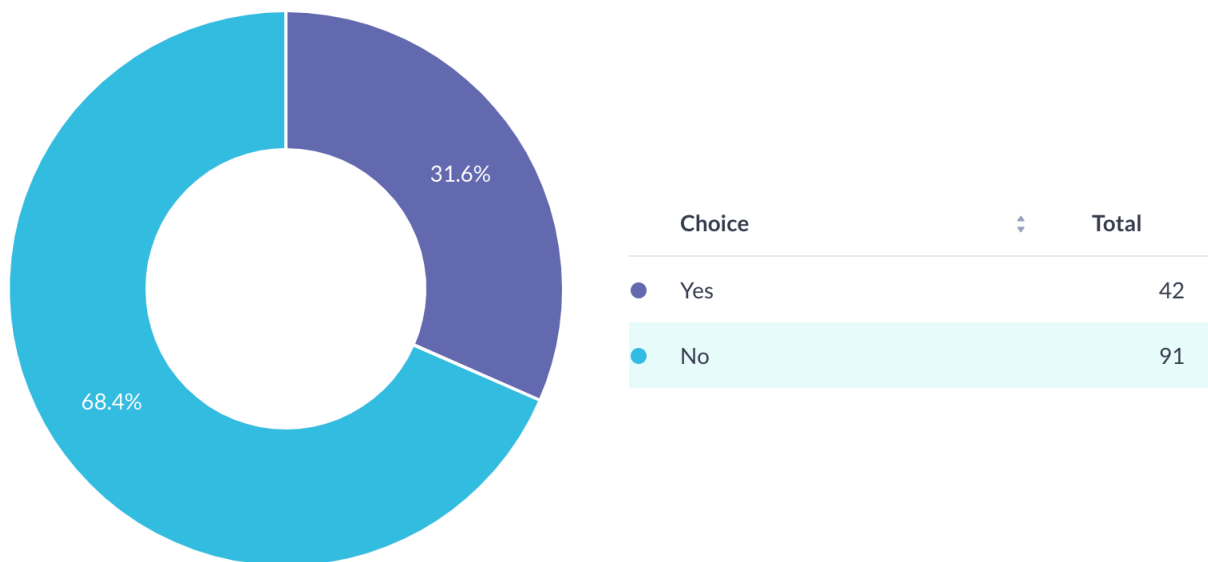


**Question 6 - Several possible Local Green Spaces have been identified; please can you tick any that you think should be included as a Local Green Space within the Neighbourhood Plan.**

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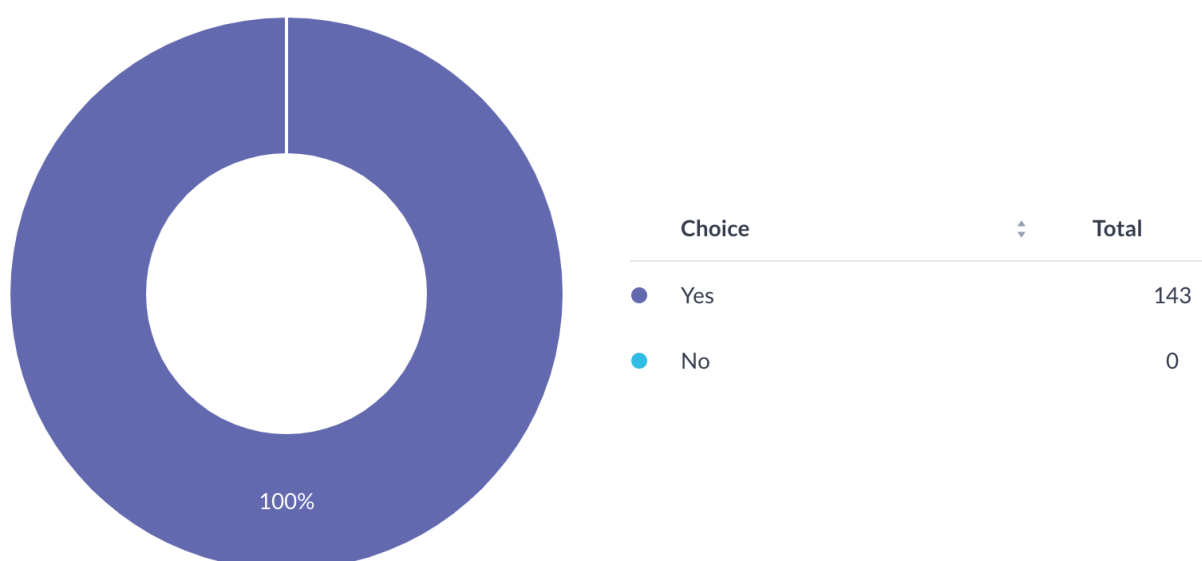
## Question 7 - Are you aware of any Local Green Spaces that you would like the Neighbourhood Plan Review to consider allocating within the Neighbourhood Plan?



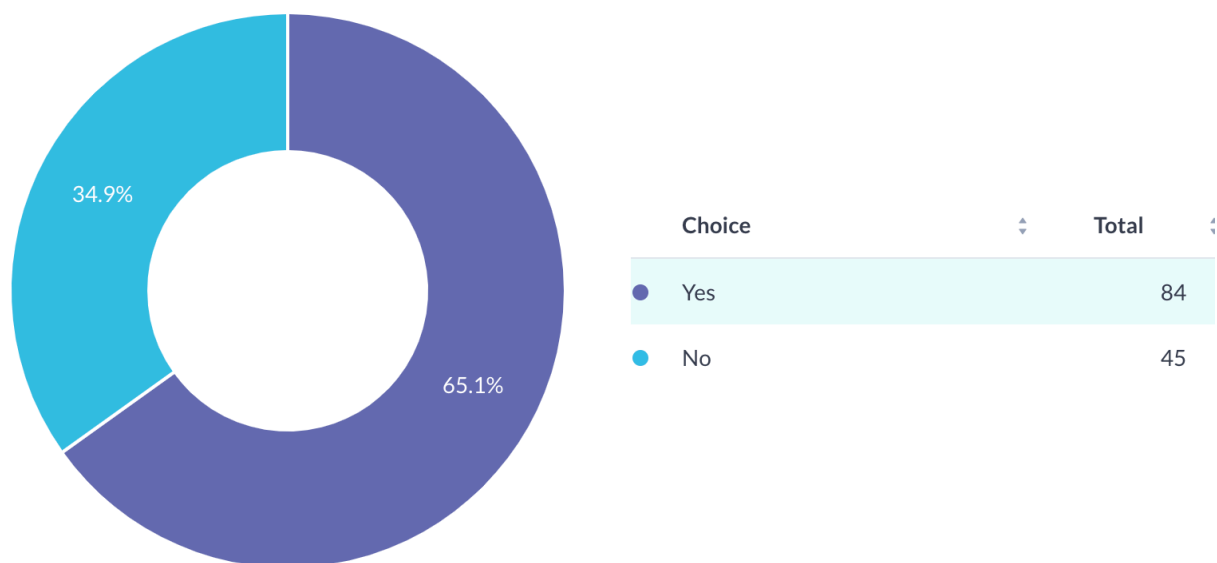
**Question 8 - If YES to Q7, please list below any Local Green Spaces that should be considered and add any detail as to why they are considered to be important to the local community**

- For those who said yes, comments related to:
  - Wanted to protect the land around footpaths and walks
  - There were quite a few comments for other LGS, suggestions were:
    - Cranesfield pond
    - Land around Chute Recreational Park
    - Kiln Farm
    - Land Behind the pub
    - Land surrounding Spring Close

**Question 9 - The Neighbourhood Plan Review could include a policy which proposes a Local Gap, the intention of this Local Gap would be to retain the separate character and identity of Sherborne St John as a village distinct from Basingstoke. Do you agree with this policy intent?**

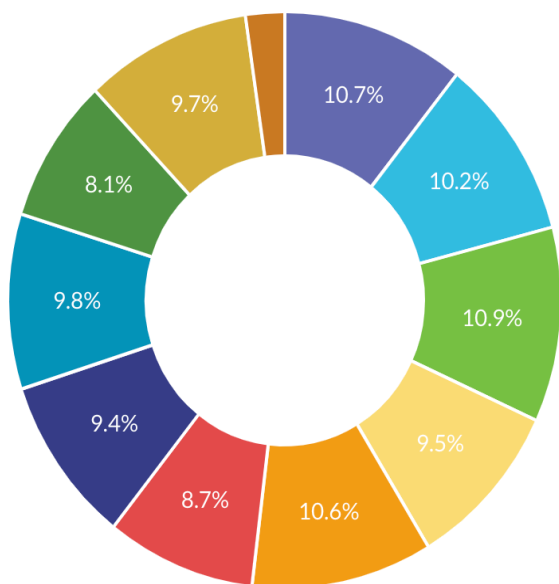


**Question 10 - The existing Neighbourhood Plan (in Map 5, page 29) identifies several important views out of and towards the village. The Neighbourhood Plan will review the existing important views and seek to include new important views. Is there a particular view within the Parish that you consider should be an important view in the NP review?**



**Question 11 - Several additional views have been identified; please can you tick any that you feel that should be included within the Neighbourhood Plan.**

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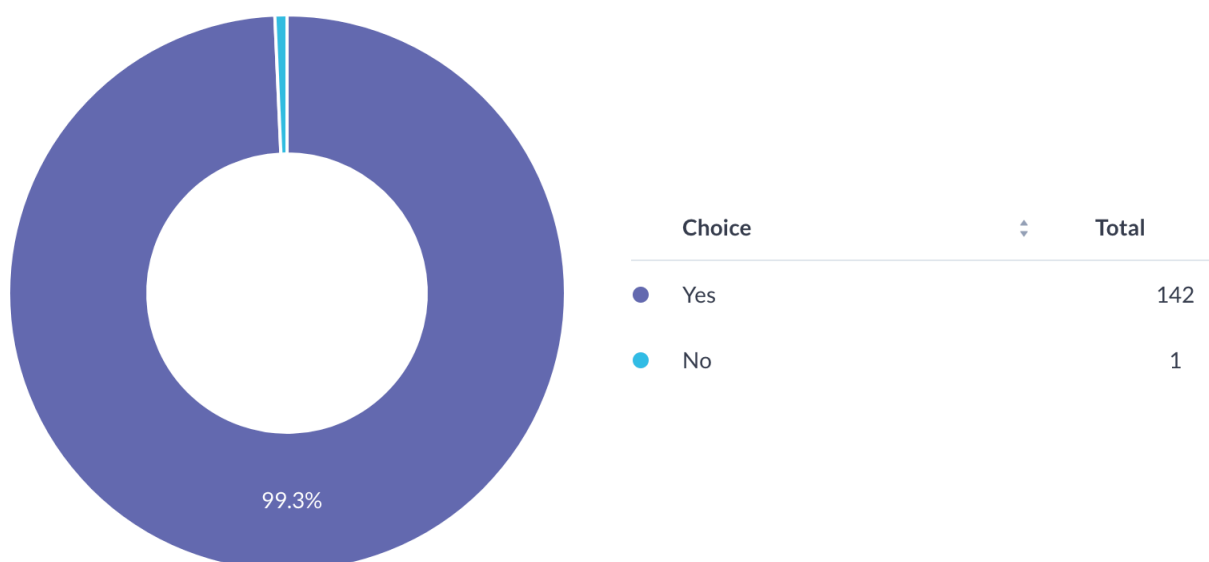


Choice	Total
Views across the fields from the Chute Recreation Ground and adjoining footpaths	126
Views from the public footpaths by the watercress meadows (footpath from Mill House to West End)	121
View from village pond across the pond into the fields and countryside	129
View from cemetery into open fields and countryside	112
Views from public footpath on the hill at Mill House back towards the village	125
Views from the public footpaths by the sewage works back into the village	103
Views into fields and open countryside from Cranesfield play park	111
Views from the top of Vyne Road across to Egerton woods	116
View from Dixon`s Corner footpath across the golf course	96
Views across Vidlers Field from the footpath from the Swan Public House	115
Other	27

**Question 12 - If you have any additional views, please describe their spatial location. Please provide as much detail as possible so we are able to identify them:**

- Those who voted other for question 11, their comments related to:
  - the view towards Gales Garage
  - A few also mentioned the views along Kiln Road as well as the views across the allotments

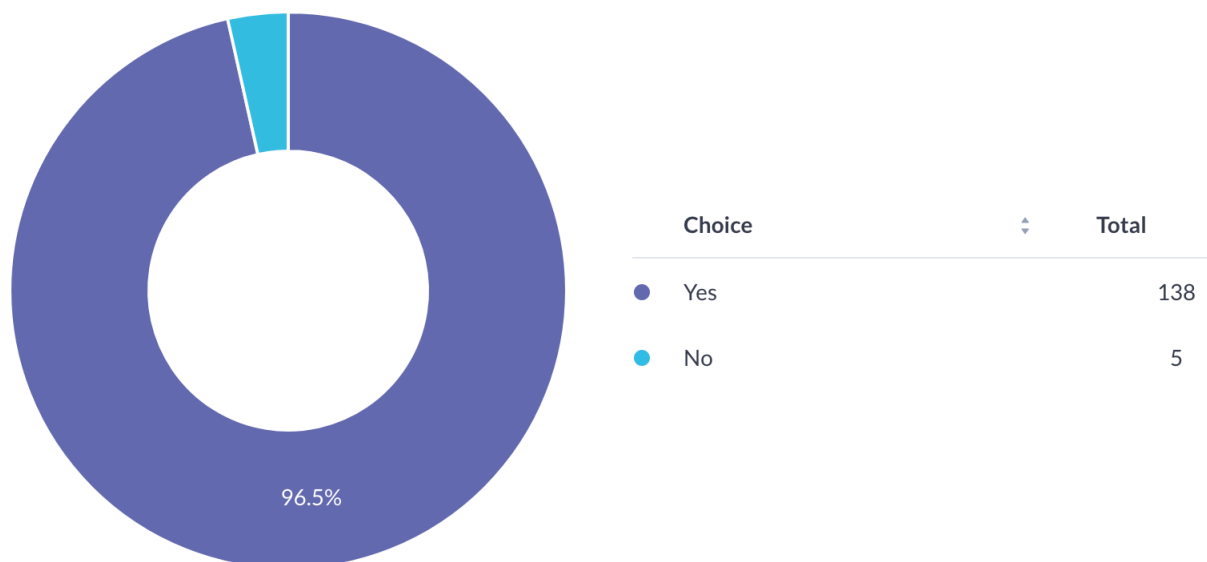
**Question 13 - There are a number of designated heritage assets in the Parish, including listed buildings, the Vyne and its Registered Park and Garden and the Conservation Area. It is our intention to include a new policy to protect and enhance the Parish’s heritage for the benefit of existing residents, tourists and future generations. Do you agree with this policy intent?**



**Question 14 - If NO, please provide reasons why**

No reasons given for voting no (for voting no question 13)

**Question 15 - The current Neighbourhood Plan policy requires that development should ensure that the rural character and natural assets of the Parish are conserved and, if possible, enhanced. It is our intention to include a policy on Design which looks at different areas in the Parish and looks to provide detail on what new homes and extensions should look like within these areas. Do you agree with this policy intent?**



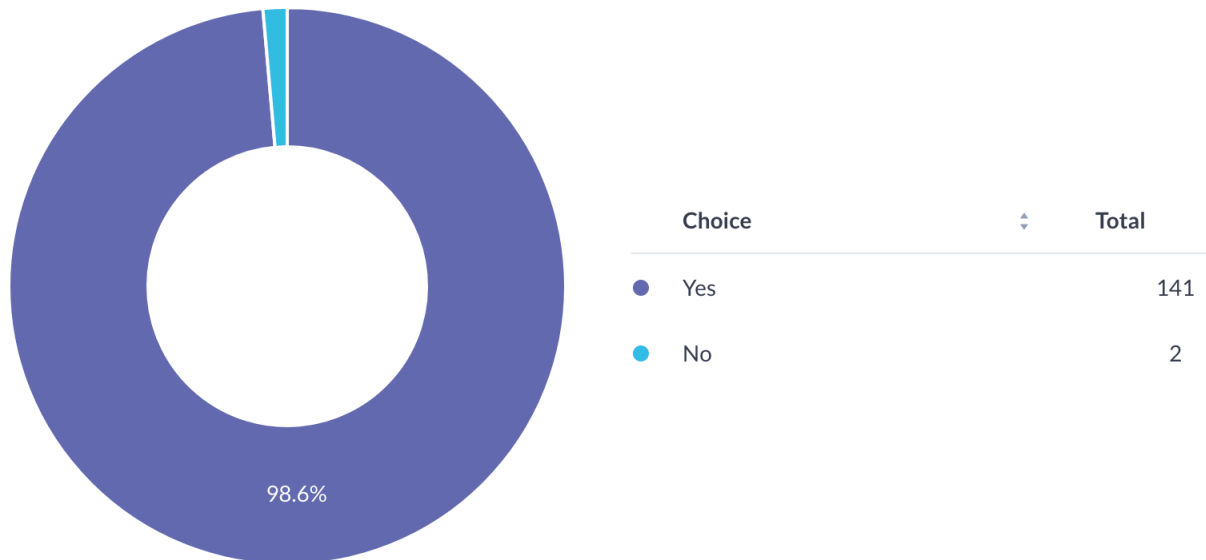
**Question 16 - If NO, please provide reasons why:**

Of the 5 who voted no (for question 15)

- Free reign on their design
- More modern deigns

**Question 17- The Parish contains a wealth of wildlife and species and we are keen that these areas are given consideration within the Neighbourhood Plan Review. It is the intention to include a policy for new development to protect and conserve biodiversity**

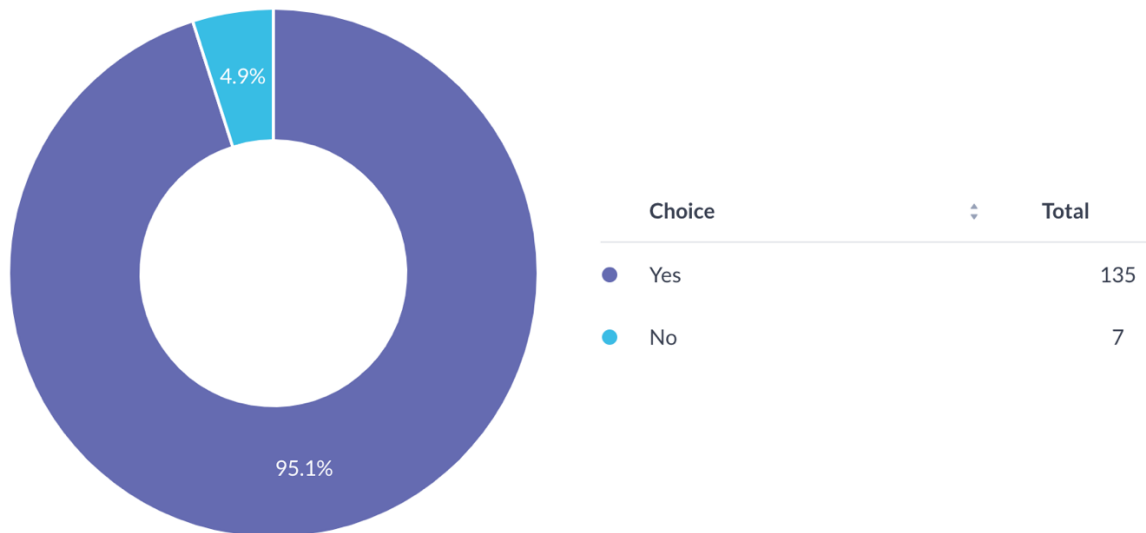
**and where possible enhance it. Do you agree with this policy intent?**



**Question 18 - If NO, please provide reasons why**

For those who answered no (to question 18), none of the answers were relevant.

**Question 19 - Sherborne St John has limited street lighting. Much of the village and wider Parish is unlit. We would like to include a dark skies policy which would seek to minimise light pollution from new developments. Do you agree with this policy intent?**



**Question 20 - If NO, please provide reasons why:**

For those who voted no (to question 19) most mentioned safety of drivers and pedestrians as well as crime prevention

**Question 21 - Do you have any other comments on what should be included within the Neighbourhood Plan Review?**

- A number of general comments were received, many comments related to the need to try and keep the village separate to Basingstoke and to stop expanding, whilst allowing small scale development, keeping the character of the village and keeping a good housing mix.
- A few comments related to maintaining/improving the biodiversity and wildlife of the village.
- Many comments related to maintaining/improving footpaths.
- Many comments related to an increase in amenities and infrastructure with a new school, doctors and traffic calming measures all suggested several times.