

South Wootton Neighbourhood Plan Update to 2036 checklist

Neighbourhood Plan Policy	Relevant NPPF section/paragraphs	Commentary – analysis of whether Neighbourhood Plan policy still consistent with 2021 NPPF	Conclusion – is Neighbourhood Plan still consistent with 2021 NPPF
SWNP Policy E1 Landscape Character	Section 13 – Protecting Green Belt Land Section 11 – Making Effective use of land	<p>Consistent with content No 13 No 143 (d) <i>SWNP – protect mature trees and hedgerows in growth areas. Such features should be enhanced as part of any adjacent development.</i> <i>NPPF – Safeguarded land is not allocated for development.</i></p> <p>No 145 <i>Local planning authorities should plan positively to enhance their beneficial use.</i> <i>To retain and enhance landscapes.</i></p> <p>Consistent with content No 11 No 120 (a) <i>Encourage benefits from rural land – enable new habitat creation or improve public access to the countryside.</i></p>	Yes
SWNP Policy E2 Sustainable Drainage	Section 14 – Meeting the challenge of Climate change, flooding and coastal change	<p>Consistent with content No 14 No 154 (a) <i>SWNP – Sustainable drainage schemes.</i> <i>NPPF -Avoid increased vulnerability to the range of impacts arising from climate change, care should be taken to ensure that risks are managed through suitable adaption measures</i></p> <p>No 169 <i>Major developments should incorporate sustainable drainage systems.</i> <i>Take advise from lead local flood authorities</i></p>	Yes

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		<p><i>Appropriate minimum operational standards</i> <i>Maintenance arrangements to ensure acceptable standards of operation for the lifetime of the development.</i></p>	
SWNP Policy E3 Open Space	Section 11 – Making Effective use of land	<p>Consistent with content No 11 No 120 (b) <i>SWNP – Open Spaces – protect against built developments.</i> <i>NPPF - Undeveloped land can perform many functions, such as for wildlife, recreation, flood risk mitigation, cooling/shading.</i></p>	Yes
SWPC Policy E4 Strategic landscape framework	Section 12 – Achieving well-designed places	<p>Consistent with content No 12 No 130 (b) <i>SWNP – Visual impact of growth areas should be minimised by appropriate landscaping.</i> <i>NPPF - Planning Policies and developments should ensure that developments are visually attractive as a result of good architecture, layout and appropriate and effective landscaping.</i> No 131 <i>Trees make an important contribution to the character and quality of environments and help mitigate and adapt to climate change. Planning Policies should ensure that streets are tree lined and trees are elsewhere within the development.</i></p>	Yes
SWPC Policy E5 New Growth Areas	Section 11 – Making effective use of land	<p>Consistent with content No 12 No 120 (a) <i>SWNP – Estate developments should include planting programmes.</i> <i>NPPF - Use schemes to achieve net environment gains – such as development that would enable</i></p>	Yes

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	<p>Section 12 – Achieving well-designed places</p> <p>Section 15 – Conserving and enhancing the natural environment</p>	<p><i>habitat creation or improve public access to the countryside.</i></p> <p>No 130 (b) <i>Developments are visually attractive as a result of good architecture, layout and appropriate and effective landscaping.</i></p> <p>No 131 <i>Trees make an important contribution and help mitigate and adapt to climate change. Ensure new streets are tree lined and elsewhere in the development.</i></p> <p>No 174 (a,b,d,e) <i>Enhancing the natural environment.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Protect and enhance valued landscapes</i>• <i>Recognise the character and beauty of the countryside, including the benefits of trees and woodlands.</i>• <i>Maintain the character of the undeveloped coast.</i>• <i>Minimising impacts on and providing net gains for biodiversity.</i>	
SWPC Policy H1 Growth Areas		<p>Consistent with content No 11</p> <p>No 119 <i>SWNP – Growth areas to provide all sections of the population with dwellings appropriate for their needs, good quality of life</i></p>	Yes

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	Section 11 – Making Effective use of land	<p><i>NPPF - Promote an effective use of land in meeting the needs of homes and other users, ensuring safe and healthy living conditions.</i></p> <p>No 124 (a & e) <i>Support development that makes efficient use of land taking into account the identified needs of different types of housing and other forms of development.</i> <i>The importance of securing well-designed, attractive and healthy places.</i></p> <p>No 125 (a & b) <i>Plans should contain policies to optimise the use of land and meet as much of the identified need for housing as possible.</i> <i>The use of minimum density standards should also be considered for other parts of the plan area, set out a range of densities that reflect the accessibility and potential of different areas.</i></p>	
SWNP Policy H2 Encouraging High Quality Design	Section 8 – Promoting healthy and safe communities	<p>Consistent with content No 8</p> <p>No 92 (b) <i>SWNP – Highest quality design taking into account the character of the village. Safe and accessible environments.</i> <i>NPPF - Healthy, safe and inclusive places which are safe and accessible so that crime and disorder do not undermine the quality of life. Pedestrian and cycle routes, high quality public open space</i></p>	Yes

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	Section 12 – Achieving Well-designed places	<p>Consistent with content No 12</p> <p>No 126 <i>The creation of high quality, beautiful and sustainable buildings, good design.</i></p> <p>No 127 <i>Plans should set out a good clear design vision, design policies should be developed with local communities.</i></p> <p>No 128 <i>National design Guide and National Model Design Code reflects local character and design preferences. Creating beautiful and distinctive places with a high quality of design.</i></p> <p>No 129 <i>Design guides and codes whoever prepares them, should be based on effective community engagement and reflect local aspirations.</i></p> <p>No 130 (a,b,c,d,e,f) <i>Developments should:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Function well and add to overall quality of the area</i>• <i>Be visually attractive as a result of good architecture, layout and effective landscaping.</i>• <i>Be sympathetic to the local character and area and history.</i>• <i>Optimise potential to accommodate and sustain an appropriate mix of development, support local facilities and transport networks.</i>• <i>Create places that are safe, inclusive and accessible.</i>	
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	<p>Section 14 – Meeting the challenge of climate change, flooding and coastal change</p>	<p>No 131 <i>Trees make an important contribution to the character and quality of environments and mitigate climate change.</i></p> <p>No 134 (a & b) <i>Significant weight should be given to development which reflects local design policies. Outstanding or innovative designs which promote high levels of sustainability, or help raise the standard of design.</i></p> <p>Consistent with content No 14</p> <p>No 154 (a) <i>Avoid increasing vulnerability to the range of impacts arising from climate change. When new development is brought forward in area which are vulnerable, ensure that risks can be managed through suitable adaption measures.</i></p> <p>169 <i>Sustainable drainage systems</i></p>	
<p>SWNP Policy H3 Infill Development</p>	<p>Section 12 – Achieving well-designed places</p>	<p>Consistent with content No 12 <i>SWPC – Infill developments – sensitively designed, character and density, should not have significant harmful impacts on amenities of surrounding properties, impacts on local road network.</i></p> <p><i>NPPF – Beautiful and sustainable buildings, Good design, effective engagement between applicants, communities, local planning authority throughout the process.</i></p> <p>No 130 (a,b,c,d,e,f) <i>Add to the overall quality of the area.</i></p> <p><i>Visually attractive</i></p> <p><i>Sympathetic to local character and history</i></p>	<p>Yes</p>

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		<p><i>Strong sense of place</i> <i>Optimise site to accommodate and sustain an appropriate amount and mix of development.</i> No 132 <i>Design and style of emerging schemes, applicants should work with those affected to evolve designs that take account of the views of the community.</i> No 134 <i>Design codes and policies, outstanding or innovative designs should be used to help raise standards of design.</i></p>	
SWNP Policy H4 Local Character	Section 11 – Making Effective use of land	<p>Consistent with content No 11 <i>SWNP – Densities will be required to demonstrate that they respond to their context and help to preserve the open and green character of the village.</i> <i>NPPF – Achieving appropriate densities</i> No 124 (a,b,c,d,e) <i>Identify need for different types of housing and other forms of development.</i> <i>Local market conditions and viability</i> <i>The availability and capacity of infrastructure and services.</i> <i>The desirability and maintaining an areas prevailing character and setting, including residential gardens.</i> <i>The importance of securing well-designed, attractive and healthy places.</i></p>	Yes
SWNP Policy H5 Residential Garages	Section 12 - Achieving well-designed places	<p>Consistent with content No 12 <i>SWNP – Residential Garages – should be built in direct association with the house, of a size to accommodate modern car, not be prominently sites, not be built in blocks.</i> <i>NPPF – Achieving well designed places.</i></p>	Yes

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		<p>No 130 (a,b,c,d,e,f) <i>Planning Policies should ensure that developments will function well and add to the overall quality of the area</i> <i>Are visually attractive as a result of architecture, layout and landscaping.</i> <i>Are sympathetic to local character, including the surrounding built environment.</i> <i>Maintain a strong sense of place, building types, materials.</i> <i>Optimise the site to accommodate an appropriate amount and mix of development.</i> <i>Create places that are safe and where crime and disorder do not undermine the quality of life.</i></p> <p>No 132 <i>Design and style of emerging schemes. Taking into account the views of the community.</i></p>	
SWPN Policy H6 Affordable Housing	Section 5 – Delivering a sufficient supply of homes	<p>Consistent with content No 5 <i>SWNP - Affordable Housing, this should be dispersed in small groups throughout the development, be the same general design and not be conspicuous.</i> <i>NPPF – The needs of groups with specific housing requirements are addressed.</i></p> <p>No 62 <i>Those who require affordable housing, families with children, older people, students, people with disabilities, service families, travellers</i></p> <p>No 63 <i>Where the need for affordable housing is identified, planning policies should specify the type of affordable housing required.</i></p> <p>No 64</p>	Yes

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		<i>Support the re-use of brownfield land.</i>	
SWNP Policy B1 Retention of Local Shops	Section 6 – Building a strong, competitive economy	<p>Consistent with content No 6</p> <p><i>SWNP – Retention of existing local shopping facilities will be supported.</i></p> <p><i>NPPF – Planning Policies should help create the conditions in which businesses can invest, expand, adapt.</i></p> <p>No 81</p> <p><i>Support economic growth taking into account local business needs.</i></p> <p><i>Allow each area to build on its own strengths.</i></p> <p>82 (d)</p> <p><i>Be flexible enough to accommodate needs not anticipated in the plan, allow for live-work accommodation.</i></p> <p>84 (a & b)</p> <p><i>Sustainable growth and expansion of all types of business in rural areas.</i></p> <p><i>Development and diversification of agricultural and other land based rural business.</i></p>	Yes
SWNP Policy B2 Development of Local shops in growth areas	Section 6 – Building a strong, competitive economy	<p>Consistent with content No 6</p> <p><i>SWNP – Local scale retail development within growth areas will be acceptable subject to set criteria.</i></p> <p><i>NPPF - Planning Policies should help create the conditions in which businesses can invest, expand, adapt.</i></p> <p>No 81</p> <p><i>Support economic growth taking into account local business needs.</i></p> <p><i>Allow each area to build on its own strengths.</i></p>	Yes

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	Section 8 – Promoting healthy and safe communities	<p>No 82 <i>Set out a clear economic vision and strategy which positively and proactively encourages sustainable economic growth</i></p> <p>No 84 <i>The sustainable growth and expansion of all types of business in rural areas, through conversion of existing buildings and well designed new buildings. The retention and development of accessible local services and community facilities.</i></p> <p>Consistent with content No 93 (a,c,d) <i>Plan positively for the provision of community facilities, shops, meeting places.</i> <i>Guard against the unnecessary loss of valued facilities and services.</i> <i>Ensure that established shops, facilities and services are able to develop and modernise and are retained for the benefit of the community.</i></p>	
SWPN Policy B3 Home working	Section 6 – Building a strong, competitive economy	<p>Consistent with content No 6 <i>SWNP – New business development, that combine living and small scale employment will be encouraged.</i> <i>NPPF - Planning Policies should help create the conditions in which businesses can invest, expand, adapt.</i></p> <p>No 82 (d) <i>Be flexible enough to accommodate needs not anticipated in the plan, allow for live-work accommodation.</i></p>	Yes

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<p>SWNP Policy B4 Employment and Access</p>	<p>Section 6 – Building a strong, competitive economy</p>	<p>Consistent with content No 6 <i>SWNP – New employment development will be expected to provide adequate vehicle turning, parking and cycle parking for staff and customers</i> <i>NPPF - - Planning Policies should help create the conditions in which businesses can invest, expand, adapt.</i> No 85 <i>Ensure development is sensitive to its surroundings and does not have an unacceptable impact on local roads.</i></p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>SWNP Policy B5 Development of local business units in growth areas</p>	<p>Section 6 – Building a strong, competitive economy</p> <p>Section 8 – Promoting healthy and safe communities</p>	<p>Consistent with content No 6 <i>SWNP – Proposals for small scale storage/light industrial units/offices will be acceptable subject to criteria.</i> <i>NPPF - Planning Policies should help create the conditions in which businesses can invest, expand, adapt.</i> No 84 (a & d) <i>Sustainable growth and expansion of all types of business in rural areas.</i> <i>The retention and development of accessible local services and community facilities</i> Consistent with content No 8 No 93 (a,c,d) <i>Plan positively for the provision and use of shared spaces, community facilities, local shops etc to enhance the sustainability of communities and residential environments.</i> <i>Guard against the unnecessary loss of valued facilities and services.</i> <i>Ensure that established shops, facilities and services are able to develop and modernise.</i></p>	<p>Yes</p>

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SWPN Policy B6 Broadband provision	Section 10 – Supporting high quality communications	<p>Consistent with content No 10 <i>SWNP – Improve Broadband infrastructure.</i> <i>NPPF – Supporting high quality communications.</i></p> <p>No 114 <i>Advanced, high quality and reliable communications infrastructure is essential for economic growth and social wellbeing. Support 5G and full fibre broadband.</i></p>	Yes
SWNP Policy S1 Education	Section 8 – Promoting healthy and safe communities	<p>Consistent with content No 8 <i>SWNP – Appropriate financial contributions towards education provision.</i> <i>NPPF – Sufficient choice of school places to meet the needs of communities.</i></p> <p>No 95 (a & b) <i>Give weight to the need to create, expand or alter schools.</i> <i>Work with school promoters, deliver partners and statutory bodies to identify and resolve issues before planning applications are submitted.</i></p>	Yes
SWNP Policy S2 Community Infrastructure	Section 8 – Promoting healthy and safe communities	<p>Consistent with content No 8 <i>SWNP – Local infrastructure funding is applied to ensure that local facilities are developed in association with new residential development.</i> <i>NPPF – To provide the social, recreational and cultural facilities and services the community needs.</i></p> <p>No 93 (a,b,c,d,e) <i>Plan for the provision of shared spaces, community facilities, meeting places, open spaces.</i> <i>Local strategies to improve health, social and cultural well-being.</i> <i>Guard against the loss of valued facilities.</i></p>	Yes

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		<p><i>Ensure that established shops , facilities and services are able to develop.</i></p> <p><i>Ensure an integrated approach to considering community facilities and services</i></p>	
SWNP Policy S3 Play Areas	Section 8 – Promoting healthy and safe communities Open Space and Recreation	<p>Consistent with content No 8</p> <p><i>SWNP – Play areas for children shall be provided and maintained.</i></p> <p><i>NPPF – Promote social interaction.</i></p> <p>No 98</p> <p><i>Access to a network of high quality open spaces and opportunities for sport and physical activity is important for health and well-being of communities.</i></p>	Yes
SWNP Policy S4 Cemetery & Allotments	Section 8 – Promoting healthy and safe communities	<p>Consistent with content No 8</p> <p><i>SWNP – Land should be set aside for Cemetery space and allotments.</i></p> <p><i>NPPF – Enable and support healthy lifestyles.</i></p> <p>No 92 (c)</p> <p><i>Enable and support healthy lifestyles, where this would address local health and well-being needs ie. Healthier food, allotments.</i></p>	Yes
SWNP Policy T1 Walking & Cycling facilities	Section 8 – Promoting healthy and safe communities Open Space & Recreation	<p>Consistent with content No 8</p> <p><i>SWNP – Where appropriate footpaths and cycle routes should be incorporated with new developments.</i></p> <p><i>NPPF – Street layouts should provide for easy pedestrian and cycle connections.</i></p> <p>No 92 (a & c)</p> <p><i>Promote social interaction, easy cycle and pedestrian connections within and between neighbourhoods.</i></p> <p>No 100</p> <p><i>Enhance public rights of way and access and add links to existing rights of way networks including National Trails.</i></p>	Yes

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		No 130 (a) <i>Planning Policies and decisions will function well and add to the overall quality of the area for the lifetime of the development.</i>	
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