

Sedgeberrow Submitted Neighbourhood Plan Consultation



RESPONSE FORM

Under Regulation 15 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, Sedgeberrow Parish Council has submitted its Neighbourhood Plan to Wychavon District Council. In accordance with Regulation 16, Wychavon District Council would like to invite comments from individuals and organisations on the submitted Neighbourhood Plan.

This consultation runs from Monday 18 July to 5pm on Monday 5 September 2022.

All comments will be made publicly available and identifiable by name and organisation (where applicable). The personal information you provide on this form will be held and processed in accordance with the requirements of Data Protection Legislation. More information on how we will hold your data can be found at:

<https://www.wychavon.gov.uk/privacy-policy>

Please fill in your details in the boxes below:

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Please state which part of the Neighbourhood Plan (i.e. which section, objective or policy) your representation refers to (please use a separate form for each representation):

Environmental Policy

Please use the space below to make comments on this part of the Neighbourhood Plan.

The plan does not contain an environmental policy. The Steering Committee maintain that this is because of time constraints. The lack of transparency by the Steering Committee does not make explicit what these time constraints are. This is a further example of where it appears convenient to not have a policy because it may detract from the Steering Committee's chosen site for development.

One of the Parish Councillors who has lived in the village all of her life has expressed concerns that Springfield Nurseries (The Steering Committee's chosen development site) is the source of a spring which drains into the brook on Winchcombe Road. Building on this land would cause problems with the spring and potentially increase the flood risk to an area of the village that has suffered significant flooding in the last 15 years and many times before that. It doesn't appear that the particular Councillor's comments have been considered.

The plan refers to the Steering Committee's chosen site as an 'eye sore'. This is emotive language designed to influence and nothing could be further from the truth. (See Figures 1)

There is also significant evidence that the Steering Committee's chosen site, rather than being an "eye sore" and a brownfield site has been rewilded and is host to diverse wildlife, please see the following video footage <https://youtu.be/xfPhWG2yvz4> and <https://youtu.be/c9Rea695xJA>

Without an environmental policy, parishioners can't make an informed and valued judgement of the options put before them.



Figure 1 - Springfield Nurseries (is this really an eyesore?)

Please use a separate form for each representation.

Please state whether you would like to be notified of the Council's decision on the Neighbourhood Plan proposal:

Yes

No

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