

2024 HNBP Review Consultation Statement

Harvington Neighbourhood Development Plan (HNBP) was published in July 2019 and adopted in September 2019 as part of Wychavon District Council (WDC) Development Plan, in accordance with Regulation 19 of The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

Since the HNBP adoption date a number of changes have taken place in the Planning environment including:

- Changes to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) published in December 2023 and presented to Parliament January 2024.
- A written ministerial statement made to Parliament in May 2021 introducing the scheme which sets out the Government's preferred discount market tenure for Housing schemes.
- Review and updating of the South Worcestershire Development Plan (SWDP) which is currently in the examination process.
- Advances in local and regional cycleway provision.

In light of these environmental changes Harvington Parish Council (HPC) initiated a 2024 review of the HNBP to ensure the plan remains valid and fit for purpose. The review has been established using the WDC guidance document 'procedure for modifying a Neighbourhood Plan' together with advice and guidance from WDC on the most appropriate review approach. This information and advice has identified the need to make additions to existing policies which do not change the strategy of the plan. The HNBP review has, therefore, opted for 'Option 2- Material Modifications'

Once the revised SWDP has been approved and adopted a further review of the HNBP will be undertaken to assess if a more detailed update is required to ensure compliance with the NPPF and SWDP.

In February 2024 HPC set up a steering group to look at and review the HNBP. This group comprised of 3 Parish Councillors, 4 volunteer residents and the parish clerk. The HNBP has now undergone this review by the steering group and two sections have had additions made. Section IH2 Housing mix and T2 Provision for Cycle Ways. The introduction has also been amended to indicate the plan period and revisions.

In consultation with WDC further updates to NPPF references, mapping and web links have been made to the HNBP.

Harvington PC undertook a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and concluded that the material changes made would not have an environmental impact.

Consultation 14

- The consultation 14 version of the HNBP was put onto the HPC website for public viewing.
- A clear link was put on the first page of the PC website that linked directly to the revised NDP.
- Consultation letter and survey form were produced and delivered inside the village newsletter to every house in Harvington

- All residents, stakeholders and businesses in the Parish were contacted and given information about the changes to the HNNDP and invited to complete the survey. (See note below)
- Hard copies of the plan were placed in the repurposed BT Kiosk, Ellenden Farm Shop and St James Church.
- Collection boxes were placed in the Shop Leys Rd, Ellenden Farm Shop and St James Church to collect the returned survey forms.
- A QR code allowed people to complete the survey online.
- A public presentation was given at the PC meeting in March.
- Posts were put on the village Facebook pages with the QR code to facilitate survey completion.

Note

Harvington PC contacted WDC to ask advice on who should be consulted apart from residents. Based on this advice we contacted the following stakeholders and businesses. All emails contained the consultation leaflet that included the survey and QR code to the online version as well as the consultation version of the NDP.

- South Lenches PC – HPC requested an agenda item. The response was in the minutes dated 11th March 2024 Quote - Item 69.4 Draft revision of the Harvington Neighbourhood Plan: Comments: Nil.
- Salford Priors PC – HPC clerk contacted them by telephone and there was no comment from them.
- Norton & Lenchwick PC – HPC clerk contacted them by email on 4th March 2024. There was no comment from them.
- Harvington First School – HPC clerk contacted the acting head Helen on 4th March 2024. There was no response.
- The Golden Cross pub landlord Mr Rob Phillips was contacted by email by HPC clerk on 4th March 2024 and no response was received.
- Rev Richard Thornley St James Church – contacted by email on 4th March 2024. The response form was returned and included in the responses spreadsheet.
- The Coach and Horses pub, Ellenden Farm shop and the Village shop in Leys Rd were all contacted and given the survey form. None responded.

Harvington PC also had a detailed response from WDC and all points and corrections were addressed before submission of the RHNDP document to regulation 16.

The consultation 14 period started on 1st March and ended on 16th April to fulfil the six weeks required.

The HPC has reviewed comments and made appropriate responses.

All the documents needed have been collated and forward to WDC for the Regulation 16 consultation.

Documents included

Harvington NDP Pre-Submission Consultation Responses March 2024

Consultation letter and survey.