#### Dear Jonathan,

Thank you for consulting us on the Draft v4.0 West Wickham Neighbourhood Plan, I have reviewed the plan and have the following comments:

- The Neighbourhood Plan does not include any detail relating to surface water flood risk or surface water management, with reference to new developments and how to mitigate this going forward. Information on surface water flood risk can be found in the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment for South Cambridgeshire and reference should also be made to the Cambridgeshire Flood and Water Supplementary Planning Document (SPD). This information should be included to ensure that development coming forward is considered in all aspects, including flood risk and strive to further promote sustainable drainage techniques (SuDS).
- We advise that policies such as CC/7 *Water Quality*, CC/8 *Sustainable Drainage Systems* and CC/9 *Managing Flood Risk* of the 2018 South Cambridgeshire District Council (SCDC) Local Plan are referenced within the Neighbourhood Plan.
- In relation to the Cambridgeshire Flood and Water SPD, which has been adopted by South Cambridgeshire District Council, reference should be made regarding the principle of designing surface water drainage into a development.
- The neighbourhood plan should particularly reference water quality and quantity, to protect chalk streams, and to ensure development does not increase flood risk within the parish.
- Reference should be made to Chapter 14 of the NPPF, as this relates to flood risk.
- With reference to the flood risk, it is noted that the Parish of West Wickham is made up of areas of low, medium and high risk of surface water flood risk. There is some useful information on the <u>gov.uk website</u> on surface water flood risk, as well as in the South Cambridgeshire Strategic Flood Risk Assessment.

In addition to the above, links to documents referenced and other useful information have been included below:

- Cambridgeshire Flood and Water SPD: <u>https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/asset-library/imported-assets/Cambridgeshire Flood and Water Suplementary Planning Document.pdf</u>
- Surface water and sustainable drainage systems (SuDS) planning webpage: <u>https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/business/planning-and-development/flood-and-water/flood-risk-management/sustainable-drainage-systems-suds</u>

- Surface Water Drainage Guidance for Developers: <u>https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/asset-library/imported-assets/SWGFD%20FINAL%20-%20November%202019.pdf</u>
- Surface water flood maps: <u>https://flood-warning-information.service.gov.uk/long-term-flood-risk/map</u>
- South Cambridgeshire Strategic Flood Risk Assessment: https://www.scambs.gov.uk/planning/local-plan-and-neighbourhood-planning/theadopted-development-plan/stages-in-the-preparation-of-the-local-plan-2018/strategic-flood-risk-assessment-september-2010/

If you require any clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

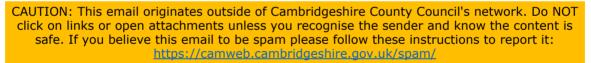
Kind regards, Joely Norris Senior SuDS and Flood Risk Officer Flood Risk Team

Upcoming annual leave:



**From:** Neighbourhood Planning <Neighbourhood.Planning@greatercambridgeplanning.org> **Sent:** 18 January 2022 09:14

Subject: West Wickham Neighbourhood Plan – Submission public consultation



### Dear Sir / Madam

West Wickham Parish Council submitted the Neighbourhood Plan for its parish to us (South Cambridgeshire District Council, SCDC) on 3 December 2021, along with its supporting documents. You have received this email because you are a consultee or have asked to be notified.

We are now seeking your views on the West Wickham Neighbourhood Plan before it is considered by an examiner and can proceed towards a referendum.

# Comments can be submitted to SCDC between 9am on Tuesday 18 January and 5pm on Tuesday 15 March 2022.

We are extending the usual period of 6 weeks when comments can be submitted to ensure that everyone can have access to the planning documents.

#### How can I make comments?

There are a number of ways that you can comment:

- By using the online consultation system: <u>https://consultations.greatercambridgeplanning.org/</u>
- By emailing us at <u>neighbourhood.planning@greatercambridgeplanning.org</u>
- By writing to us at Planning Policy Team, SCDC, Cambourne Business Park, Cambourne, Cambridge, CB23 6EA

Please include your name, and both your postal and email addresses with any comments so we can keep you informed on the progress of the Neighbourhood Plan.

Where can I view the Neighbourhood Plan and its supporting documents?

To view the Neighbourhood Plan and its supporting documents, visit: <u>https://www.scambs.gov.uk/planning/local-plan-and-neighbourhood-planning/west-wickham-neighbourhood-plan/</u>

To meet the national regulatory requirements, we would normally have a hard copy of the West Wickham planning documents available to inspect in our offices in Cambourne. Due to the ongoing impact of the Covid-19 pandemic our offices currently are not open to the public. We are having to adapt the way we carry out consultations to ensure everyone's safety whilst still complying with current national regulations. Therefore, during the consultation, a request can be made to the Policy Team for a hard copy of these documents by

- Telephoning us at 01954 713000
- emailing us at <u>neighbourhood.planning@greatercambridgeplanning.org</u>.

Within West Wickham parish copies of the documents will be available within the Community telephone boxes in the parish. The locations of these boxes in West Wickham are as follows:

- In front of the Old School, 22 High Street, West Wickham CB21 4RY, and
- Opposite Westview, 47 Streetly End, West Wickham CB21 4RP.

## What is the West Wickham Neighbourhood Plan?

A Neighbourhood Plan is a way for communities to take a proactive approach to deciding the future of the places where they live and work. Once 'made' (adopted) a Neighbourhood Plan has the same legal status as the district wide Local Plan, and alongside the Local Plan will be used in deciding planning applications that fall within its area. Further information is available on our website: <a href="https://www.greatercambridgeplanning.org/emerging-plans-and-guidance/neighbourhood-planning/">https://www.greatercambridgeplanning.org/emerging-plans-and-guidance/neighbourhood-planning/</a>

The West Wickham Neighbourhood Plan sets out a range of planning policies which cover many issues that are considered important to the local community.

We look forward to receiving your comments on the West Wickham Neighbourhood Plan. <u>Receiving future updates</u>

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