

Section or policy number	Comments	Recommended Action
<p>Biodiversity &amp; Designated Landscapes Para 2.11</p>	<p>This section should acknowledge the two statutory Purposes of the South Downs National Park:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Conserve and enhance the natural beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage of the area.</li> <li>2. Promote opportunities for the understanding and enjoyment of the special qualities of the Park by the public.</li> </ol> <p>All relevant public bodies and utilities have a duty to have regard to these purposes.</p> <p>Reference should also be made to the Special Qualities of the National Park as set out in the South Downs National Park Management Plan which include the diverse landscapes and tranquillity.</p>	<p>Include reference to SDNP Purposes and Special Qualities.</p>
<p>3. Planning Policy Context</p>	<p>This section should refer to the West Sussex Minerals Local Plan (2003) which also forms part of the planning policy context for SSW. Policy 2 of the WS Minerals Local Plan relates to the safeguarding of mineral resources.</p>	<p>Include reference to West Sussex Minerals Local Plan.</p>
<p>4.8 Land Use Policies</p>	<p>To provide clarification it would be useful to state that once adopted the SDNP Local Plan will also be used to assess planning applications in the area of SSW within the National Park.</p>	<p>Include reference to SDNP Local Plan policies.</p>
<p>Policy 2 Site Allocations for Development</p>	<p>Site iv. Land off Amberley Road The SDNPA raised significant concerns about the potential detrimental impacts of development at this site on the setting</p>	<p>See recommended policy wording: Policy 2 iv;</p>

	<p>and the special qualities of the National Park on the first pre-submission consultation draft.</p> <p>Revisions have since been made to the allocation, but some concerns remain. In order to be assist the group in moving forward it is considered that if this allocation is to remain within the Plan, the criteria of the associated policy needs to be strengthened and the proposed Local Green Space should be a larger area to protect the setting and special qualities of the National Park.</p> <p>Attached is a appeal decision for Land to the west of Trevellan, Storrington. Here the Planning Inspector notes that development in the boundary area could have significant impacts on the special qualities of the SDNP and supports the importance of a gradual transition from the countryside on the edge of the National Park.</p>	<p>c) The scheme design <u>must provide a natural green transition from urban to rural by maintaining undeveloped transitional green space of sufficient depth and type so as to prevent the urban impact on the sensitive landscape, tranquillity and dark night skies of the adjoining South Downs National Park. This transition must be supported by considerable landscaping within the site to, over time, reduce the impact of the development on key views and prevent the formation of a hard urban edge to this part of Storrington.</u></p> <p><u>The development must minimise the level of lighting infrastructure, including street and domestic lighting required.</u></p> <p><u>Local Green Space</u></p> <p>Should provide minimum 60-80m protected green space back from Amberley Road along the entire length of the boundary with the National Park.</p>
<p>Policy 6 Washington Village Centre</p>	<p>Any proposal should have regard for Washington Conservation Area and its setting. Criteria iii should reflect Purpose I of the National Park and be reworded to state:</p> <p><u>The need to conserve and enhance the natural beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage of the South Downs National Park.</u></p>	<p>Revise policy criteria in line with National Park statutory Purpose.</p>
<p>Policy 7 Tourism Development</p>	<p>This policy has been revised since the first pre submission consultation. Criteria ii has been added, however this does not reflect Purpose I of the National Park and should be reworded to state:</p>	<p>Revise policy criteria in line with National Park statutory Purpose.</p>

	The design and access of the scheme will conserve <u>and enhance the natural beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage</u> of the South Downs National Park;	
Policy 12 Design	The SDNPA welcomes policy criteria to minimise light pollution within the National Park and in its setting.	