

SOUTH DOWNS NATIONAL PARK DESIGN REVIEW PANEL

Date of meeting:	26/02/2016
Site:	Rotherlea, Petworth
Proposal:	Erect 33 dwellings, access and parking.
Planning reference:	SDNP/15/01862/FUL
Panel members sitting:	Mark Penfold (Chair) Paul Fender Merrick Denton-Thompson Adam Richards John Starling
SDNPA officers in attendance:	Genevieve Hayes
Item presented by:	Vivien Summerill (Summerill Architects) Sally Adams (WSCC) Bob Hull (Henry Adams)
Declarations of interest:	None

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COMMENTS

	Notes
1.0 Workshop discussion/questions with applicants	<p>Further to the Design Review Panel presentation on 18th January, 2016, the applicants have taken on board the Panel's comments and had since explored the possibility of moving the road to the east in preparation for the workshop meeting. The applicants explained that after investigation, three drainage soak aways had been identified, located centrally under the carriageway making the feasibility of moving the road less likely due to cost implications. They also had reservations about gardens backing onto the amenity space of the retirement/care home.</p> <p>Quantum's for housing was discussed, and the Panel asked what Chichester has identified as the housing need for Petworth. The applicants said that they were sticking to the accommodation schedule that had already been agreed by WSCC and CDC, they had no reason to go back to them before a layout plan had been agreed with SDNPA and unless the housing types/numbers needed to change for design reasons.</p> <p>The Panel and Applicants worked together testing out scenarios for a block layout and identified potential road layout/shared surface areas, open spaces, green links and ways in which to create a defined public realm.</p> <p>The necessity of involving a Landscape Architect at this stage was relayed to the applicant, so that the next design iteration can clearly show landscape context the how the landscape setting has informed the design.</p> <p>Discussions are ongoing and it was agreed that another workshop session would be beneficial and should be scheduled to take place once the architect had worked up evolved drawings with information taken from today's session.</p>