Stedham with Iping Neighbourhood Development Plan

Information Statement for Referendum on 6 May 2021



Introduction

A referendum on the Stedham with Iping Neighbourhood Development Plan will be held on Thursday, 6 May 2021. The referendum will be conducted based on procedures, which are similar to those used at local government elections.

The question to be asked in the referendum is:

'Do you want the South Downs National Park Authority to use the neighbourhood development plan for the Parish of Stedham with Iping to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?'

The neighbourhood area is the entire Parish of Stedham with Iping and is marked on the map below (boundary in red):



Can I vote?

You can vote in the referendum if you live in Stedham with Iping and:

- you are registered to vote in local council elections; and
- you are 18 years of age or over on Thursday, 6 May 2021.

You have to be registered to vote by Midnight on 19 April 2021, to vote in the referendum. You can check if you are registered to vote by calling 01243 521010.

Referendum Expenses

The Referendum expenses limit that will apply in relation to the Referendum is \pounds 2403.12. The number of persons entitled to vote in the Referendum by reference to which the limit has been calculated is 697.

Specified Documents

The relevant regulations state that we must make available the following documents:

- The referendum version of the Stedham with Iping Neighbourhood Development Plan
- The independent examiner's report on the draft Stedham with Iping Neighbourhood Development Plan
- A summary of the representations submitted to the independent examiner
- A statement setting out that the South Downs National Park agrees that the Stedham with Iping Neighbourhood Development Plan meets the basic conditions and relevant Regulations (included within the document known as the Decision Statement)
- A statement setting out general information as to town and country planning (including neighbourhood planning) and the referendum (included within the 'Stedham with Iping Neighbourhood Development Plan: Information for Voters, document)

A link to these documents is available online at

https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/neighbourhoodplanning/neighbourhood-development-plans/stedham-with-iping-neighbourhood-plan/ this webpage also includes all other documents relating to Stedham with Iping Neighbourhood Development Plan.

South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA) has decided that, due to COVID-19, viewing of printed copies of the documents is by **appointment only** at:

- Stedham with Iping, please contact the parish clerk by email <u>clerk@stedhamwithiping-pc.gov.uk</u> or by telephone please contact SDNPA on 01730 814810 who will arrange for the Parish clerk to contact you.
- South Downs National Park Authority offices, the South Downs Centre, North Street, Midhurst, West Sussex, GU29 9DH. In accordance with Covid-19 guidance, planned opening of the offices from Monday 12 April is as follows: Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm. Please call 01730 814810 or email <u>planningpolicy@southdowns.gov.uk</u> to make an appointment.