

Position Statement – Matter 11 South Downs National Park Authority Emerging Local Plan



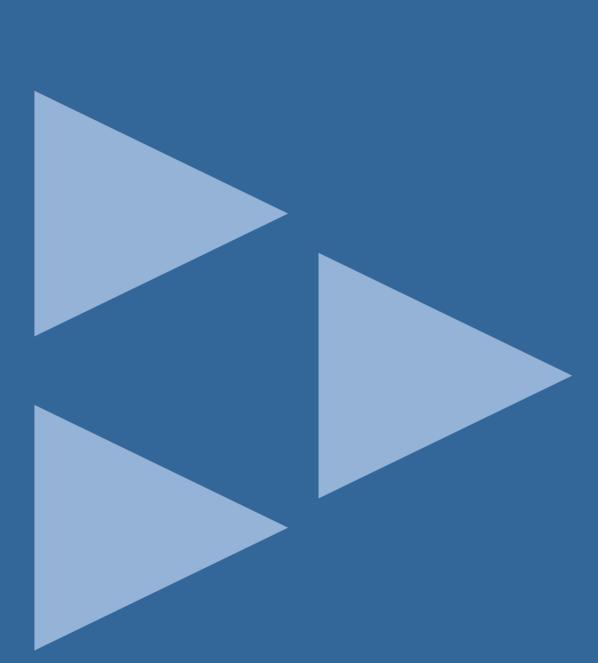
Allocation Policy SD93: Land south of Church Road, Steep

On behalf of: Steep in Need Charity and the Trustees of the Village Hall Memorial Trust

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## 1. Matter 11 – Policy SD93: Land south of Church Road, Steep

- 1.1 Henry Adams are advising the joint owners of the site, the Trustees of the Steep in Need Charity and the Trustees of the Village Hall Memorial Trust with regard to the proposed housing allocation Policy SD93: Land South of Church Road, Steep
- 1.2 Our clients confirm that they continue to support the allocation of the site for development as proposed in the original draft plan. Whilst noting that the Inspector does not have the proposed main modifications before him at this stage, they also accept the subsequent amendment from SDNPA that 20% of the site should incorporate public open space.
- 1.3 Our clients' aim is that any development is of high quality (including design, materials, layout etc) and complements the adjoining Village Hall so as to create a natural village centre with significant open space and public benefit in accordance with the 2012 Steep Parish Plan. There will be detailed public consultation and engagement with the Parish Council.
- 1.4 Our clients also wish to record that the site has never been open to the public as of right so that the current allocation is the only way in which public open space can be secured on it. The land has never been used as a village green and does not qualify for registration as a village green.
- 1.5 Village events such as fetes, bonfires and special occasions take place on open space owned by the Parish Council approximately 100 yards away at the other end of Church Road adjoining the school and opposite the Church.





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