

Parish Priority Statement Working Party (PPSWP): Update No 1

Context

Slindon Parish Council (PC) asked an interested group to form a Working Party (WP) to produce a Parish Priority Statement (PPS). The PPS to be delivered to the South Downs National Park Authority by the PC before 20th October 2023.

The PPS will be produced through consultation with the community - residents, businesses and organisations.

Plan & Dates

June.	July. <i>10th PC meet.</i>	August. <i>14th PC meet.</i>	September. <i>11th PC meet</i>	October. <i>9th PC meet</i>
Stage 1.	Stage 1/ 2.	Stage 2.	Stage 3.	18th submit
22nd WP formed. 28th leaflet drop.	10th response return. Analyse responses. Define stage 2 info. gathering/analysis	Info gathering. Analysis Start draft of PPS	Draft/Review PPS	

Update

The Working Party (2 councillors and 3 volunteers) formed on the 22nd June. A leaflet comprising open questions was delivered to all residential properties on 28th June. Engagement with businesses, charities and other organisations is in progress. WP members are attending parish activities to encourage community engagement and responses.

Risks

The biggest risks to the PPS relate to the challenging timeline coinciding with the peak summer holiday period.

Budget

To date: £30 printing

The WP estimate a total spend less than £250. Potential costs include room hire for focused engagement with the community Stage 2 is to be defined and has potential to incur further printing costs.

There is potential for an Extraordinary PC meet to be necessary. The 20th October is the SDNP deadline for submission of the PPS. This does not align well with PC deadlines for submission for the 9th October PC meet.

WP requirements of the PC

The WP ask that the PC -

- Make timely budgetary provision for potential future expenditure.
- Agree in principle to an EPC meet if it becomes necessary
- Ensure PC members are available outside of the PC meet cycle to receive informal updates so that there are no surprises
- Ensure PC members are available to provide timely feedback or input, in particular during the PPS drafting work. This does not align to the PC meet cycle and will be time constrained.
- The WP understands how the SDNP will make use of PPSs in decision making. The WP wishes to understand how the PC will use the PPS to ensure that those requirements are also met.