

Nuthurst Parish Plan: Annual Progress Report: 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018

No.	Project	Output	Comment	Any Problems?	Outstanding Action
1	<p>Monitor planning applications to ensure compliance with the Neighbourhood Plan and the Parish Design Statement</p> <p><i>Cllrs Court, Hydes</i></p>	<p>1) Micklepage, Nuthurst DC/17/0815, Applicant's appeal against HDC/PCN refusal not yet determined.</p> <p>DC/18/1046 – removal of window and alter roof - room above garage – officers recommended approval, PCN agreed as only 3 upstairs bedrooms was NP compliant.</p> <p>DC/18/1883 – reinsertion of window – officers recommended refusal, PCN agreed as would be 4 upstairs bedrooms.</p> <p>DC/18/2076 – alter roof above garage but no window - officers recommended approval, PCN agreed as only 3 upstairs bedrooms was NP compliant.</p> <p>2) Millers Mead gypsy, Nuthurst, DC/17/2534, appeal for 5 gypsy pitches dismissed (not in NP).</p> <p>DC/16/2062 appeal to retain crossover/hard standing dismissed – enforcement order confirmed and crossover/hard standing to be removed by 29 Dec 2018. Applicant has challenged the Planning</p>	<p>1) Planning is very time consuming. All applications are very closely scrutinised and carefully monitored because as developers can be very deceptive in describing their applications</p> <p>2) Five successes in defending our NP at little Homefield, Forest House Cottage, House at Dun Horse pub, Coombe Cottage and Keatings/Hollyhocks.</p> <p>3) There are still continuing threats to our NP and PDS, For example NP site (a) Swallowfield Nursery - awaiting full application which needs to comply fully with NP; and non NP sites (b) Ghyll House Farm, Sedgwick and (c)</p>	<p>1) Continued failure in some cases of HDC Planning Officers to recognise and uphold our NP and PDS. For example officers recommending approval when the applications very clearly do not meet the NP for example Coolhurst Close, Micklepage and Little Homefield (overturned by PCN). This has occurred despite many letters to Senior Planners and meetings to explain our position.</p>	<p>1) Continue to press HDC Officers to fully uphold our NP/PDS</p> <p>2) Ongoing very close scrutiny of planning applications, commenting on them and carefully monitoring the outcome</p>

		<p>Inspector's decision – judge will decide whether to dismiss or allow it to go to Court .</p> <p>3) Bar Lane, Copsale DC/17/2216 – 4 gypsy pitches – not in NP, strong objection from PC – officers recommended approval, PCN agreed on chair's casting vote.</p> <p>4) Coolhurst Close, Monks Gate. NP site for 9-12 houses. Permission given last year for 10 houses. DC/18/1792 sought 5 more houses on NP site. PC objected. HDC said 9-12 houses indicative, not mandatory. Officers recommended approval. PCN agreed on chair's casting vote.</p> <p>5) Little Homefield, Mannings Heath. DC/18/1849 – not in NP – application for 6 houses behind NP site (opposite Dun Horse) and behind houses on A281. Strong objection from PC. Officers recommended approval, but PCN refused as contrary to NP.</p> <p>Dun Horse pub, Mannings Heath. DC/17/2293 – refurbishment of pub with two flats upstairs was approved. DC/17/2294 – house in side garden. Not in NP. Strong objection from PC. Refused. Appeal submitted. PC has</p>	<p>The Meads, Micklepage, Nuthurst.</p> <p>4) Help much appreciated from MHAG, MoGRA and FoNM members and the public for commenting on planning applications.</p>	<p>2) Developers trying, often by devious means, to circumvent our NP</p>	
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2	To raise public awareness of the Parish Design Statement <i>Cllr Hydes</i>	Published on NPC and NP websites, Parish Notice Boards and in LINK. Councillors trained on PDS	Action complete	HDC not fully recognising PDS	Continue to press HDC to recognise. PC to state whether compliance or not with PDS on all relevant Planning Applications
3	To up-date the Parish Council's website so that it can be better used to convey information to, and receive information from, the public <i>Cllr Nelson, Clerk</i>	1) New website completed & running 2) Includes tables on potholes reported to WSCC by PC & programmed Highway works in Parish 3) Recently updated to be `Public Sector Bodies Websites & Mobile Applications No. 2 Accessibility Regulations 2018 compliant	Updating website and Facebook becoming quite time consuming. Regular update on planning matters	None	Continue to update regularly and monitor new legislation
4	To monitor the frequency of the events listed under project 3(i) of the three year plan <i>Cllr Nelson, Clerk</i>	1) Facility to `report an issue /event' eg: flooding, faulty street light, road accident.	Facility not being used by residents	Consequently, PC does not have any data on incidents	Continue to promote website and reporting facility

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5	To monitor the facilities listed under project 3(ii) of the three year plan <i>Cllr Nelson, Clerk</i>	1) Facilities, e.g. community facilities & clubs included on website, with links when available 2) Included in Resilience Plan	Resilience Plan updated annually and included on website	None	Clerk will continue to monitor changes in facilities and contact details
6	To reduce traffic speeding and improve road safety in the Parish <i>Cllrs Court, Mercer/Nelson, Turner, Clerk</i>	1) Village Gateways <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Six Village Gateways erected • WSCC advised most of the proposed locations in the hamlets were unsuitable. • Not all residents in the hamlets want the gateways installed. 4) St Andrews School Safety Zone	Installation of gateways in hamlets to be included on APM agenda in March 2019, residents to vote on the proposal WSCC to update Safety Zone, will include Flashing Lights on Nuthurst Street and pavement improvements in Harriots	Not all residents agree with the installation of the gateways on A281 None	Include on APM Agenda March 2019 Continue to monitor, work programmed for 2019/20 but may slip to 2020/21

		<p>5) Community Speed Watch Group formed</p> <p>6) Proposal for Pedestrian Crossing on A281, MH</p>	<p>Close, but speed will not be reduced to 20mph</p> <p>Predominantly on A281, Need 5 to 6 volunteers before Sussex Police will carry out training. Advertised on PC website, noticeboards, Facebook page and the Link</p> <p>Need to gain support, prepare and circulate petition and include details on PC website, noticeboards and Facebook</p>	<p>Volunteers not coming forward (so far Roger Cato, Mrs Mercer and Clerk have volunteered)</p> <p>Due to cost County Councillor Nigel Jupp advised installation unlikely.</p>	<p>Continue to promote scheme</p> <p>Continue to promote proposal</p>
7	<p>Maintain and replace bus shelters</p> <p><i>Clrs Dixon, Turner</i></p>				
8	<p>Produce Information on walks in the Parish</p> <p><i>Clr Hydes</i></p>	<p>Ten circular walks published on NPC website. Six Parish Walks successfully held in 2018, 5 led by Clr Hydes and one by Clr Nelson. One was a themed walk on "Trees in Sussex".</p>	<p>Initial project completed very successfully. Monthly photo completion dropped because of insufficient entries</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Further walks planned for 2019 (next walks on 6 Jan and 3 Mar 19), with at least one themed walk.</p>
9	<p>Improve the look of the Parish by maintaining and enhancing green spaces</p> <p><i>Clr Hydes</i></p>	<p>1000 mixed daffodil and narcissus bulbs planted in Monks Gate, Nuthurst, Maplehurst, Copsale and</p>	<p>Bulb planting project complete.</p>	<p>Awaiting WSSC permission to plant bushes between Lime</p>	<p>Support Tree Council and Community Groups initiative to plant a</p>

		Sedgwick. Free crocus planted in Mannings Heath. Free tulips given to Copsale Hall. Lenten lillies planted in Nuthurst		Kiln Road and Church Road Mannings Heath	tree/trees in each hamlet to commemorate those killed in first world war.
10	Modernise (green) lighting columns <i>Cllr Court, Clerk</i>	1) 10 lighting columns replaced in Mannings Heath in 2017 2) Remaining column opposite Village Hall in Mannings Heath replaced in Dec 2018. 3) Lighting Column knocked down on A281 in Monks Gate in Dec 2017	All columns now replaced Light glares into windows and not everyone wants the light replaced. Requested quote from SSE for replacement 'soft white light' (insurance claim)	None WSCC advised light should be replaced.	Completed Continue to chase SSE for quotation