

## **SOUTH SWINDON PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Neighbourhood Plan Working Party**

**Full Council – 12 June 2018**

#### **1. Introduction**

The Neighbourhood Plan Working Party met on 17 May 2018 and this report contains the recommendations of the meeting.

#### **2. Report Details**

- 2.1** The Working Party reviewed the Statement of Community Involvement from Wroughton Parish Council which is a document that is required to be produced alongside the Neighbourhood Plan. The Statement of Community Involvement detailed the consultation work carried out to produce the Neighbourhood Plan including the assessment of responses from the general public.
- 2.2** The Clerk informed the working party that Wroughton Parish Council had 3 Councillors that were driving the Working Party and they also had support from a number of other local organisations. There was a core working party of about 7 people who did a considerable amount of work.
- 2.3** The Working Party produced a draft plan and the Parish Office took over and produced a more professional document.
- 2.4** The Working Party agreed that Karen Philmister, Planning Policy Officer at Swindon Borough Council should be invited to the next Full Council meeting to talk about Neighbourhood Plans.
- 2.5** The Working Party suggested that following this the Parish Council should hold a meeting for all local groups and organisations and members of the public to attend to gauge the interest in producing a Neighbourhood Plan and find sufficient people to work with the Parish Council on a Working Party. It was felt that this meeting should be held in September outside of the main holiday period.
- 2.6** The result of this meeting would then inform the decision of the Parish Council on whether to go ahead with the Neighbourhood Plan.

#### **3. Recommendations**

- 3.1** That the Parish Council arranges a meeting in September to engage with local groups and organisations and the public to find out the level of interest and commitment to produce a Neighbourhood Plan.
- 3.2** That the results of the September meeting be brought back to the October Full Council Meeting and a decision be made at this meeting on whether to go ahead with a Neighbourhood Plan.