

LOCAL PLAN CONSULTATION 2024

1.7 I agree that SS Climate Change Strategy should relate to its strategic planning responsibilities. I agree that the planning system and Local Plan should be used as a mechanism to encourage sustainable patterns of development, promote carbon resilient design, and protect the natural environment.

1.8 I agree that SS, in line with the NPPF (2003), should place climate change and mitigating its impact at the centre of their policy making, favouring sustainable development as a priority.

1.9 – 1.11 The Local Plan should focus on development and required infrastructure in areas that would impact the local community and environment least.

1.17 I agree that the SS Local Plan should be updated in line with the revised NPPF (2023) with regard to protection of the Green Belt.

2.8 I agree that Tier 1 villages are assessed as having the greatest access to services and facilities relative to other settlements, with Tier 4 settlements the lowest. Tier 5 villages including Lower Penn, have no access to services and facilities and are, therefore, unsuitable for development.

3.7 I agree that SS should plan for their own objectively assessed needs for housing and other development, as well as any needs that cannot be met in neighbouring areas provided that it does not result in the loss of any Green Belt.

5.3 I agree that SS should allocate suitable brownfield sites first and foremost and ensure that neighbouring authorities are doing likewise.

The policies published should be applied fairly, supported by realistic, objective decisions that protect local communities, the green environment and the wellbeing of all residents.