

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP NEWSLETTER JUNE 2024



News:

Who we are

The NP Steering Group is an independent group of parishioners currently comprising:

Chair - Richard Edwards

Vice Chair – John Miller

Treasurer - Gary Sheppard

Secretary – Robert Goard

Members: Mike Harrison, Nick Davies, Gill Cox, Peter Johnson.

Contact us via
neighbourhoodplan@pilningsevernbeach-pc.gov.uk or call 01454 632170.

Next meeting 16th July, 7pm at Emmaus Church, Severn Beach.

Shaping the future of our local area

An opportunity for residents to influence planning policy including:

How many new homes and where to build them

Areas for parking, transport, cycle ways and footpaths

Space for retail, office and community buildings

What new buildings should look like

Protecting and increasing green and recreation spaces

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<https://www.psbpc.co.uk/neighbourhood-plan>



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Flood Risk:

Another month has passed and the 100-year flood risk data, re-modelled following the improvements to the sea defences, is still not available from the Environment Agency. Their latest update gave no tangible progress, causing the Steering Group significant concern that we may face several more months of delay before it is available.

Evaluation of Sites:

Network Rail's study results for how 3 trains per hour service could be best managed at Severn Beach Railway Station, reports their preference to make the existing platform double sided and to build an additional track on the east side. This would reduce available space at the north end for possible parking and retail use.

We have requested a meeting with SGC to discuss parking options at both New Passage and Shaft Road.

Political Candidates Awareness of the NP:

We met with Luke Hall on 10th May, long before election announcements to brief him on the NP. We have previously met with and briefed Claire Young and are happy to speak with any other election candidates to ensure they understand the objectives of our NP.

Openness to Change:

The Steering Group has been working for 3 ½ years now gathering evidence and building on the wishes of residents to plan for opportunities that are to the benefit of the whole of the Parish. There will need to be changes, which will have to go somewhere and ideally in the most suitable and available places. If any are near you, please consider the overall benefits to the community and talk with us to help your understanding.

