### PILNING & SEVERN BEACH

## NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2024



### 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 <u>neighbourhoodplan@pilningsevernbeach</u> <u>-pc.gov.uk</u> or call 01454 632170.

Next meeting 14<sup>th</sup> January, 7pm at The Plough, Pilning.

# **Objectives and Policies of the NP likely to include:**

Allocation of sites for 246 homes to be built in the Parish to 2035, of which 35% shall be 'affordable'.

Allocation of site for up to 41 units of extra care accommodation.

Sites for parking relief at SB railway station and along the coastal path.

Sites for retail including pub/bar and takeaway.

Creating opportunities to improve local amenities through increased CIL funding.

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#### News:

#### Flood Risk:

Having received, on 14<sup>th</sup> October, paper copies of new flood maps based on the re-modelled sea defence data, from the Environment Agency (EA), we unfortunately had to wait a further 5 weeks to get the first part of the data electronically.

With that, we have been able to complete our Sequential Test and should have, in early December, held the combined meeting with South Glos Council and the EA to agree the approach needed to allow the building of some new housing in the Parish. We will report on that meeting in our next newsletter.

#### **Progressing the Neighbourhood Plan in 2025:**

We would like to wish everyone reading this newsletter a Happy New Year and to thank you for your patience. Most of 2024 proved to be very frustrating, with progress severely limited while we waited for the revised flood data. We can now be reasonably optimistic about getting the Neighbourhood Plan completed and adopted before the end of 2025. Our Project Plan has stood still for some time, but we can now re-visit it to map out the activities needed to reach completion. We'll report on this next month, identifying when the important stage of Regulation 14 public consultation is likely to occur.

#### **Planning Applications:**

In our review of applications to consider any impacts on the Neighbourhood Plan we continue to see inconsistencies in approvals, refusals and lack of enforcement. Our Ward Councillor is arranging a meeting with SGC planning to discuss, which the Steering Group will also attend.

#### **M49 Junction**

We understand now that construction won't start before Spring 2025, meaning the earliest completion would be Spring 2026.

