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Subject:	RE: Wimborne St Giles - Neighbourhood Plan Submission Consultation (h)

Hello Nick and thank you for the invitation to comment on the Wimborne St Giles Neighbourhood Plan that has been submitted for examination.

There are a number of typos and omissions of words that one would have expected would have been resolved in this more or less final version. For example, in 'Vision' p9 the penultimate line reads '...that it in ...' when presumably it should be '...that is in...'. Similarly in the description of the Village Green, p56, 'It village green..' should be 'The village green..'. Furthermore, there are a number of split infinitives throughout which interrupt the flow of reading.

Whilst welcoming the attention to National Landscape matters in the NP, the Partnership is, as previously stated, disappointed that the neighbourhood planning opportunity has not been extended to the whole of the parish areas.

Although the style of NPs tends to be rather more relaxed than Local Plans they are, nevertheless, important elements of the Development Plan. The reference in 2.9 to AONBs and development should, therefore, more precisely echo the wording of NPPF 182, 'The scale and extent of development within all of these designated areas [AONBs & NParks] should be limited'.

In terms of accuracy in 2.11, the CCAONB Landscape Character Assessment 2003 was undertaken before the East Dorset one in 2008 and therefore the CCAONB one is not 'subsequent'.

Para 3.4 the Registered Park and Garden status is usually for the design, layout, and content related to designers and historic periods in the creation of such parks rather than the ownership of it by a particular family, so that seems to need a 'tweak' to get the balance right.

P10, 5.2, the link to the parish web site and character assessments does not work.

The section on heat pumps, 5.24, seems quite extensive for a NP, but crucially it does not mention that heat pumps rely on electricity to fuel them. Furthermore, until renewable sources of electricity are readily available it seems that electricity will remain an expensive fuel.

The character of the core of the village is a key feature. However, terminology does have to be precise and I would strongly advise that the term 'water meadows' is checked for accuracy. I say that as the descriptive text relates more to flood plain meadows. As you may know, water meadows are heavily engineered structures that are actively flooded and then speedily drained via manual hatches and sluices. The process involved using the flood water to warm the fields at the end of winter [and protect them from frosts] so that, when quickly drained, the warmer fields would produce a flush of early grass for the farm's grazing animals. Flood plain meadows are simple meadows that occasionally flood when river flows are high but the water onto the fields is not controlled by hatches, sluices, and feeder / drainer channels. This applies to 5.42 and Policy 10.

Policy 11, dark skies and external lighting, please remove 'if possible' from the second sentence.

Policy 13 seems slightly relaxed in relation to the criterion on lighting requirements; they must, in this IDSR, meet IDSR criteria.

P39 & p40 have illustrations showing roof lights, which can be problematic. Earlier in the NP the light pollution capacity of roof lights has been identified so it can be confusing to include illustrations with roof lights as that could give an indication that roof lights are acceptable in this IDSR.

The Outliers Map7 shows development sites that are at more than easy walking distance from the core of the village. The inclusion of those sites contradicts the argument being put forward that development should reinforce and support the village and its life.

Whilst I appreciate that the NP has been progressing prior to the amendment to s.85(A1) of CRoW Act 2000 that did come into force at the end of 2023. That duty is a considerable enhancement on the previous s.85 duty and it applies to Parish and County Councillors as well as many other 'relevant authorities'. It is important that those making and using the NP understand the implications of that statutory change, and the need to demonstrate how decisions further the purposes of AONB designation, namely conserving and enhancing natural beauty. <u>CC-NL_Section85_4ppA5Leaflet-2024-FINAL.pdf (cranbornechase.org.uk)</u>

I hope those comments are helpful to you and I would, of course, be happy to clarify any of the points.

Regards Richard

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From: NeighbourhoodPlanning <NeighbourhoodPlanning@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk> Sent: Monday, August 12, 2024 4:25 PM Subject: Wimborne St Giles - Submission Consultation (h)

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to let you know that a final version of the Wimborne St Giles Neighbourhood Plan has been submitted to Dorset Council for examination.

Dorset Council, as the local planning authority, is required to carry out a consultation on the submitted plan. The consultation is due to commence on **12 August** and run until **24 September 2024**. This will give individuals the opportunity to comment on the content of the plan or how it was produced.

The plan and supporting documents can be viewed online via the following link: https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/w/wimborne-st-giles-neighbourhood-plan

Kind regards

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