

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP NEWSLETTER MAY 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
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Next meeting 18th June, 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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Flood Risk:

We still await the 100-year flood risk data, re-modelled following the improvements to the sea defences, from the Environment Agency. Originally expected at the end of February, at the time of going to print, we don't believe we'll receive this until the end of May at the earliest. This is delaying the completion of the Neighbourhood Plan, which can now be expected to run into 2025.

Evaluation of Sites:

For car parking options at New Passage, the Group continues to have discussions with landowners. For Shaft Road, we have written to SGC to establish how, with their support, this could be delivered.

Although planning has been approved for further small industrial units at Pilning Forge, the Group understands from the land agent that the owners will await the outcome of the Neighbourhood Plan to then consider an alternative residential use.

Luke Hall MP for Thornbury & Yate:

Our meeting for 19th April was postponed to 10th May, so we will report on our presentation to him next month.

Bristol Zoo Project:

Further to our meeting with BZP, the Group has written to SGC to indicate our support, but to also raise issues around cycleways, footpaths, roads and traffic management.

Advising Other Neighbourhood Plan Groups:

Having been on our journey for 3½ years now and gained lots of experience, we were asked to meet with Almondsbury who are just starting off. Also, we were asked to present on Neighbourhood Planning with SGC on their Town and Parish Council Forum in April.

