SWAB Neighbourhood Plan Withdrawal Statement

Bramber Parish Council

October 2017

Introduction

The purpose of this document

This document provides a record of the written notification from Bramber Parish Council of their intention to withdraw from the membership of the cluster designation of Steyning, Wiston, Ashurst and Bramber (SWAB) Neighbourhood Development Plan Area¹ for the purposes of creating a neighbourhood plan.

Withdrawal

Within this statement, we as the qualifying body must publicise on our website:

- a statement setting out details of the withdrawal ("the withdrawal statement");
 and
- the withdrawal statement may be inspected online on the District Council, South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA) and Parish Council website respectively

Background

Horsham District Council and SDNPA approved the area application on 17th and 18th September 2014 to have the parish of Bramber designated as part of the cluster of four parishes as a Neighbourhood Plan area (SWAB), for the purposes of producing a neighbourhood plan. **Bramber Parish Council** formally requested to withdraw from SWAB on the 5 October 2017².

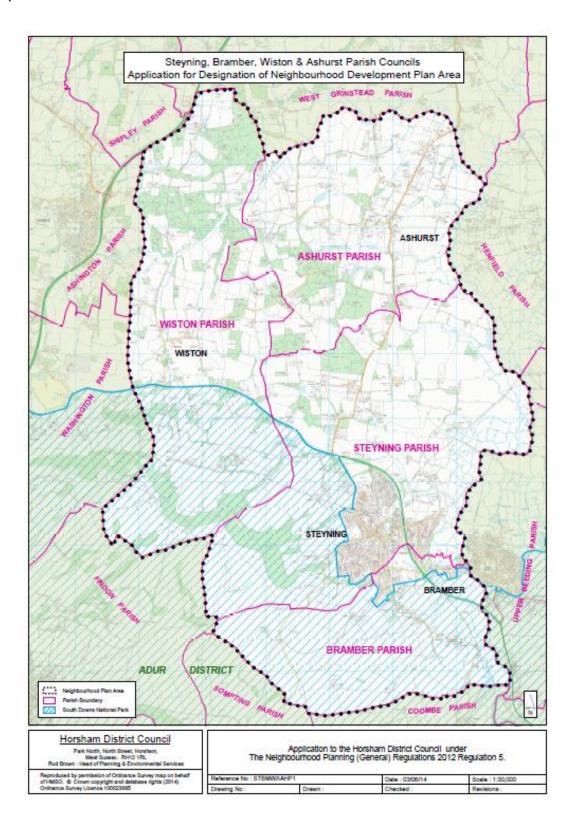
Outcomes

Horsham District Council and SDNPA have accepted the formal request by **Bramber Parish Council** on the 5 October 2017 to have the parish of Bramber withdrawn from the SWAB neighbourhood plan cluster.

Any further applications by Bramber Parish Council to designate their parish area for the purposes of producing a neighbourhood plan will require another formal request for designation in accordance with the Neighbourhood Plan Regulations (General) 2012 (as amended).

¹ Please refer to Appendix 1 – Map of Cluster Designation SWAB

² Please refer to Appendix 2 – Letter of formal withdrawal from SWAB (Bramber Parish Council 5/10)



Appendix 2 Letter of Withdrawal

Dear Mr Kwan,

I write to inform you that Bramber Parish Council, at its meeting on 6th September 2017, voted unanimously to withdraw from the SWAB Neighbourhood Plan.

Councillors regretted having to make this decision as they understand and appreciate all the hard work by councils and members of the public. However Bramber Parish Council felt that the goal of getting a Plan accepted by the residents of Bramber would have a better chance of success if it completed the outstanding work on its own by utilising the very valuable output already achieved.

Bramber Parish Council will now asses the viability of completing their Plan by re-planning the necessary activity and determining the availability of people and funding to ensure success. We look forward to working with you under this revised arrangement.

Yours sincerely,

Roger Potter, Chairman Bramber PC.