

Introduction

- 38.1 Slaugham is a compact village located around the junction of Hammerpond Lane and Park Road, approximately half a mile west of the A23. Originally one of the 'iron villages' of the Sussex Weald, it is situated on a ridge between two small river valleys running north to south. It is surrounded by attractive countryside comprising farmland and woodland. The village lies within the High Weald Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.
- 38.2 Due to the size of this settlement, the Council does not wish to encourage any further development in or around Slaugham. A positive decision has been made not to draw a built-up area boundary around the settlement. This means that the Countryside Area of Development Restraint policies will be applied within, as well as around, the village.

Policies and Proposals

Conservation Area

- 38.3 Slaugham was designated a Conservation Area in 1984. Despite the small size of the village, Slaugham includes a variety of building styles and ages including a number of buildings which are timber framed, red brick with half tile hung and tiled roofs and others which are constructed with sandstone blocks occasionally with stone roofs. To the southern end of the village is the parish church of St Mary, which forms an attractive focal point. The southern side of the churchyard provides views towards the ruins of Slaugham Place, an Elizabethan mansion which is now a scheduled ancient monument.

