

## Slaugham Neighbourhood Development Plan 2014-2031

# The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 - Regulation 20: Neighbourhood Plan Adoption Statement

#### 1.0 Introduction

1.1 Under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended), the Council has a statutory duty to assist communities in the preparation of Neighbourhood Development Plans and Orders and to take plans through a process of examination, referendum and adoption. The Localism Act 2011 (Part 6 Chapter 3) sets out the Local Planning Authority's responsibilities under Neighbourhood Planning.

### 2.0 Background

- 2.1 The Neighbourhood Plan Area covers the whole Parish of Slaugham and was formally designated on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2012.
- 2.2 The Slaugham Neighbourhood Development Plan 2014 2031 was examined by Mr Andrew Ashcroft, who on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2019 passed the plan and recommended Mid Sussex District Council should, subject to the modifications in the examination report, proceed to referendum. Following this, the Examiner's modifications were agreed by Slaugham Parish Council on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2019 and subsequently agreed by Mid Sussex District Council Cabinet on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2019. The Decision Statement which includes all the agreed modifications was then published on the Mid Sussex District Council website.
- 2.3 On 25<sup>th</sup> July 2019, the Slaugham Neighbourhood Development Plan 2014 2031 successfully passed referendum with 430 (77%) of the votes cast agreeing that the Slaugham Neighbourhood Development Plan be used by Mid Sussex District Council for the determination of planning applications.
- 2.4 At the meeting of full Council on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2019, Mid Sussex District Council resolved that the Slaugham Neighbourhood Development Plan 2014 2031, Submission Plan (incorporating Examiners modifications and all modifications as per the MSDC Decision Statement) should be 'made' and become part of the Development Plan for the Parish of Slaugham.

#### 3.0 Conclusion

3.1 I confirm, that the Slaugham Neighbourhood Development Plan 2014 - 2031, Submission Plan (incorporating Examiners modifications and all modifications as per the MSDC Decision Statement), complies with the legal requirements and basic conditions set out in the Localism Act 2011, and as a result of the Council resolution of 25<sup>th</sup> September 2019 has been 'made' with immediate effect. The Decision, Neighbourhood Plan and details where these documents can be inspected are published on the Mid

- Sussex Website. This information has also been brought to the attention of people who live, work and carry out businesses in the Neighbourhood Plan area.
- 3.2 I confirm that the Slaugham Neighbourhood Development Plan 2014 2031 is part of the Development Plan of the Mid Sussex District Council Local Planning Authority Area as defined at Area Designation by Mid Sussex District Council on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2012. This means that the policies in the Neighbourhood Plan are now given full weight when decision makers assess Planning applications in the parish of Slaugham.
- 3.3 I am taking the above mentioned decision as I concur with the advice contained in the above report under the 1990 Act in relation to the Neighbourhood Development Plan.
- 3.4 I declare that I have no personal or prejudicial interest in respect of this decision.

SA Blonfield
isional Leader for Planning and Economy
30 <sup>th</sup> September 2019