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# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE HELD IN THE KING SUITE, ANGMERING VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 27 OCTOBER 2026 AT 7.30PM

**Committee:** **Sylvia Verrinder (Chair)**
**John Oldfield, Norma Harris, Paul Bicknell, Carey Bennett, Alan Evans, James Thompson, Sally Taylor, Jo Thompson, (Co-opted Member of the Public) and Nikki Hamilton-Street (as Chair of APC)**
For the meeting to take place 3 committee members need to be present, this is known as quorum and is a legal requirement.

**Present:** **Councillors: Sylvia Verrinder, Norma Harris and Jo Thompson.**

**Acronym:** **Planning and Infrastructure Committee: PI; Angmering Parish Office: APC; West Sussex County Council: WSCC; Arun District Council: ADC; South Downs National Park: SNDP; Conservation Area: CA; Environment Agency: EA; AFAS: Angmering Flood Alleviation Scheme. Construction Management Plan: CMP; Traffic Regulation Order: TRO.**

| AGENDA ITEM | MINUTE NO. | | ACTION FOR |
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| 1 | PI26/138 | **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**<br>Apologies were received and approved for Cllr. Nikki Hamilton-Street, Cllr. Oldfield, Cllr Thompson, Cllr Bennett and Cllr Evans. Apologies were not received from Cllr Bicknell. | |
| 2 | PI26/139 | **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.**<br>NONE | |
| 3 | PI26/140 | **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**<br>Approval of the minutes of the meeting of the committee from **Tuesday 06 October** were agreed by all present and signed by the Chair. | |
| 4 | PI26/141 | **THE CHAIR'S REPORTS ON ANY MATTERS OF INTEREST AND THOSE OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING, BUT NOT INCLUDED IN THIS AGENDA** | |

| Authority & Committee | | Next Date 2026 | Comment |
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| ADC | Planning | 18th November | Agenda Awaited |
| | Planning Policy | 30th November | Agenda Awaited |
| SDNP | Planning | 12th November | Agenda Awaited |
| WSCC | Planning & Rights of Way | 3rd November | Agenda Awaited |
| | Community, Highways & Environment Scrutiny | 23rd November | Agenda Awaited |

**Meetings Attended**: There have been quite a few meetings regarding Climate Emergency & Change this month. These have been given by The National Emergency Briefing Network (NEB), Arun District Council (ADC), National Association of Local Councils (NALC)

and South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA). It appears that in view of the current Super El Nino and its probable impact on the UK, which was felt during this summer with the very high temperatures, and the impending storms and wet weather for the winter period, the matter of Climate Change is being taken more seriously. I shall be attending the Carbon Literacy Training given by the SDNPA on the 11 November, this is a full day event.

The Government has at last responded to the NEB petition (approx. 150K) to hold a UK-wide briefing on "Climate and Nature Risks". This is scheduled for debate on 16th November 2026 https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/767687. The House of Commons Petitions Team will e-mail to me a video and transcript afterwards. So, how robust will our MP speak out on behalf of her constituency.

WSCC has published two final reports which can be viewed on their website:

- Climate Change Mitigation Action Plan, and
- Climate Change Adaptation Action Plan.

The NEB has published their "A call to action for local councils". *"It is understood that under the Civil Contingencies Act 2004, councils have a responsibility as Category 1 Responders (????) for assessing and managing foreseeable risks to their communities, including through risk registers, resilience planning and emergency preparedness"* – After the 2012 flooding, Angmering formed an Emergency & Resilience Committee (no longer in existence) but does have a Plan that needs updating. So:

- How at risk, prepared and practised is Angmering?

**5 PI26/142 PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

No members of the public were present.

**6 PI26/143 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

To consider Arun District Council File Lists 295, 296 and 297:

**FILE LIST 295 NONE**

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**FILE LIST 296**

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| **A/149/26/T**<br>Reduce overall crown height to approximately 10m, reduce overall radial crown spread to 10m and raise crown to Approximately 4m clearance above ground level to 1 No. Lime tree.<br>**Comment on this Application by 5 November 2026**<br>**Decision: No objection**<br>**Comment: No comment** | **ADDRESS**<br>8 The Goves<br>Angmering |

**FILE LIST 297**

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| A/148/26/HH<br>Rear Extension<br>**Comment on this Application by 12 November 2026**<br>**Decision: No objection**<br>**Comment: No comment** | **ADDRESS**<br>Brise de mer<br>Ham Manor Way<br>Angmering |

**7 PI26/144 PLANNING APPLICATIONS NOT ON A WEEKLY LIST**

None.

**8 PI26/145 WEST SUSSEX COUNTRY COUNCIL PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

None.

9 PI26/146 **SOUTH DOWNS NATIONAL PARK PLANNING APPLICATIONS**
None.

10 PI26/147 **PLANNING DECISIONS – REFUSED**
None.

11 PI26/148 **LICENSING MATTERS**
None.

12 PI26/149 **CONSERVATION AREA REPORTS ALL MATTERS RELATING TO ANGMERING'S CONSERVATION AREA AND OTHER AREAS/INFRASTUCTURE OF SIGNIFICANT HERITAGE AND CULTURAL IMPORTANCE**
None.

13 PI26/150 **SOUTH DOWNS NATIONAL PARK (SDNP) - ALL MATTERS RELATING TO THAT PART OF THE PARISH IN THE NATIONAL PARK**
None.

14 PI26/151 **COMPLIANCE/ENFORCEMENT – ALLEGED BREACHES OF APPROVED APPLICATIONS AND OTHER PLANNING MATTERS NOT GRANTED PERMISSION.**
Withdrawal of proposed stopping up of highway at land at junction with Heathfield and Downs Way, Angmering BN16. Email received from Department of Transport 20 October 2026.

15 PI26/152 **APPEALS SOUGHT BY AN APPLICANT AS A RESULT OF AN APPLICATION REFUSED BY THE LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY ADC**
*SDNP:*
**The Woodman**, Arundel Road, Angmering, West Sussex BN16 4EU
Planning Inspectorate Reference: 6006529 / SDNPA Reference: SDNP/25/03093/FUL
Confirmation has now been confirmed that a proposed change of use from offices back to residential use has been granted. This item is now closed.

16 PI26/153 **CORRESPONDENCE**
None.

17 PI26/154 **ANGMERING HIGHWAYS SAFETY ACTION PLAN 2026**
2 Approval of Village Gates
9 A280 Roundabout markings and cutting back of vegetation
20 Lighting along Angmering Library path potentially being enhanced to improve safety
21 School Traffic Congestion
22 Bus stops – reminder that RTPI digital displays should commence at certain allocated stops throughout the village from end of January 2027.
23 Shelters and seating – it has been noted that some shelters have become dirty and littered. Reminder also given about the Stagecoach Team being in the village on Tuesday 10 November at 10am for residents to drop in and ask any questions about local bus services.

18 P126/155 **ANGMERING NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN 2026**
Due to the lack of Councilor's present at this P&I, this item will have to be deferred to the next meeting in either November or December. A good compliment of Councilor's need to be present to discuss the proposal and to make a strong recommendation to Full Council.

We have been in contact with the Local Plan Lead Officer at ADC informing him of the possible re-writing of our Neighbourhood Plan and seeking further information. We have received a reply and been informed that ADC will be writing a completely new plan away from the previous attempt in 2024 – "Direction of Travel", however some of the information in that document may be significantly relevant to their work being carried out. If by April 2027 the District Council is confident in the work being carried

out so far, then the 30-month process will commence which could take up to the end of 2029.

Based on the current standard method requirement for housing development within Arun District, they will be required to find land for 1,470 dwellings per annum, over the 15-year life of that plan, that is 22,050 dwellings. Regarding Angmering's allocation, over the 15-year plan period, which is 1,005 dwellings, (67 dwellings per annum). However, this may change as the previous plan's allocation did. These figures only provide an indication of the levels of growth. Once the "need" has been established then an assessment of the capacity, availability, and deliverability of sites will be undertaken.

The NPPF sets out guidelines under policy PM5: Neighbourhood Plan clearly stating that community priorities can be met and supported through the planning system by allocating land for development needs and to address local issues. However, APC should be aware that its plan should not result in less development than indicated in the other Authority plans. It is clear from the SDNP Local Plan re-write that there will be no proposed housing developments in Angmering's ⅔ of the Parish. The two sites identified in their "Call for Sites" were deemed undevelopable as they were either outside or non-related to a defined settlement boundary.

**QUESTIONS to P&I:**

1. As ADC have not yet reached Gateway 1 in the LP process – Should APC now defer any further work on the NP until this Gateway has been reached?
2. Does APC have a clear understanding of the possible housing development allocation for the new plan to be able to continue, and in view of the elections in May 2027 should APC wait until after the election, before restarting the work already begun?
3. The current progress of The Neighbourhood Plan has been discussed. The Chair has asked for the Clerk to contact ADC for a list of developments that have so far been either approved, applied for proposed construction but not yet started that would count towards Angmering's allocation. **KH**

**19 PI26/156 ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEES**

**Planning Committee Meeting**
Next meeting to be held on 18 November 2026 at 2pm
**Planning Policy Committee Meeting**
Next meeting 30th November 2026

**20 PI26/157 MATTERS REQUIRING CONSIDERATION AT FUTURE MEETINGS OF:**

**This Committee:** Progress update on the Neighbourhood Plan.
**Full Council:**

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The Committee's next meeting is on Tuesday 17 November 2026 at 7.30pm, King Suite, Angmering Village Hall.

The meeting concluded at: 8.10pm

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Chairman