

West Sussex County Council

Urgent Action

The following decision has been taken under the urgent action procedure by the Director of Law and Assurance, in consultation with the Chairman of the Planning Committee.

Decision Title	URGENT ACTION Authorisation for Chichester District Council to determine part of Planning Application (SDNP/18/04918/FUL) on behalf of West Sussex County Council
Officer responsible for Decision	Tony Kershaw - Director of Law and Assurance
Committee	Planning Committee
Decision published	30 November 2018
Electoral Divisions	Chichester North
Purpose	<p>A planning application (SDNP/18/04918/FUL) has been submitted to the South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA) seeking planning permission for the erection of 18 dwellings and associated facilities, along with a replacement football pitch. The site extends to four hectares in area, and is located on Pook Lane in East Lavant, within Chichester District, and partially within the South Downs National Park (SDNP).</p> <p>For planning applications that extend beyond the boundary of a national park, under Schedule 1(i) to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, the determining authority for the land outside of the park is the County Council.</p> <p>However, it is considered that in it would be beneficial for Chichester District Council to be authorised to determine that part of the application as they have knowledge of the site and an existing agency arrangement with the SDNPA.</p> <p>The Director of Law and Assurance, in consultation with the Chairman of the Planning Committee, has used his delegated powers under Standing Order of the West Sussex County Council Constitution.</p>
Decision	That West Sussex County Council enters into an Agency Agreement with Chichester District Council to allow that authority to determine the part of planning application SDNP/18/04918/FUL that lies outside of the South Downs National Park boundary.
Interest and nature of interest declared	None
Reason for urgency	<p>The urgency of this matter is due to:</p> <p>(1) The proposal is needed to allow Chichester District Council to act as 'agent' for the County Council in order to determine, in a timely manner, the part of Planning</p>

	<p>Application SNPA/18/04918/FUL that lies outside the SDNP.</p> <p>(2) The proposal cannot wait for the next Committee on 8 January 2019 because this would create an unacceptable delay in the determination of the application.</p>
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Background Papers	See report for details