

## Delegated authority officer decision notice

<b>Decision made by</b>	Tim Oruye - Head of Policy and Programmes
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<b>Decision</b>	To approve the modifications to the Lewknor Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan, detailed in Table 1, to correct spelling, grammatical, typographical or factual errors, together with improvements from a presentational perspective.
<b>Key decision?</b>	No
<b>If key decision, has call-in been waived by the Scrutiny Committee chair(s)?</b>	N/A
<b>Confidential decision, and if so under which exempt category?</b>	No
<b>Delegated authority reference from the constitution</b>	At its Council meeting on 14 December 2023, South Oxfordshire District Council resolved to authorise the Head of Policy and Programmes, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member and in agreement with the Qualifying Body – Lewknor Parish Council, to correct any spelling, grammatical, typographical or factual errors, together with any improvements from a presentational perspective.
<b>Risks</b>	The council is required to publish the final made version of a neighbourhood plan as soon as reasonably practicable. The modification in this decision is necessary in the preparation of the made version of the plan to correct any spelling, grammatical, typographical or factual errors in previous iterations. The council's decision to make modifications to the plan could be challenged, however, the council has followed all appropriate processes and the nature and scale of the changes are very limited, making any challenge unlikely.
<b>Reasons for decision</b>	Regulation 30 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended) ("the Regulations") allows the Council to modify a neighbourhood development plan to correct errors with the permission of the Qualifying Body.  The Council brought the Lewknor Parish Neighbourhood Plan into legal force on 14 December 2023; and Delegated to the Head of Policy and

Programmes, in consultation with the appropriate Cabinet Member and in agreement with the Qualifying Body, the correction of any spelling, grammatical, typographical or factual errors, together with any improvements from a presentational perspective.

The Qualifying Body – Lewknor Parish Council - asked the Council to make the following modifications:

<b>Table 1</b>		
<b>Section</b>	<b>Proposed Change</b>	<b>Reason/Justification</b>
Front Cover	Delete 'Referendum' and replace with 'Made'.	Factual corrections.
Front Cover	Delete '2 October' and replace with 'December'	Detail date the plan was made
Throughout document	Delete 'AONB' and 'Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty' and replace with 'Chilterns National Landscape'	Factual correction reflecting change of name on 22 November 2023
Page 4	Delete 'Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty' and replace with 'Chilterns National Landscape (previously the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty)'	Factual correction detailing that the Chilterns National Landscape was previously the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
Page 7	Update reference to National Planning Policy Framework to December 2023	Factual Correction
Page 19	'two public houses, an a hotel and two small...'	Typographical Correction – spelling correction
Page 23	Insert after 'an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty' '(renamed a National Landscape on 22 November 2023)'	Detail the date of change of name of AONB in appropriate place in the plan
Page 33	'(Section 15, para 474 <b>180</b> )' '(paras 79 <b>83</b> and 80 <b>84</b> )'	Factual Correction - Update NPPF Paragraph References to reflect update to NPPF in December 2023
Page 35	'National Planning Policy Framework paragraph 79 <b>83</b> states that housing in rural areas should be located where it will enhance or maintain the vitality of rural communities and National Planning Policy Framework paragraph 80 <b>84</b>	Factual Correction - Update NPPF Paragraph References to reflect update to NPPF in December 2023

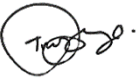
		sets out criteria...'	
Page 40	'The map below shows the boundaries of the Parish's Conservation Area (designated <del>in</del> <b>on</b> 11 December 1984) and the location of listed buildings.'	Typographical Correction – spelling correction	
Page 41	'In conformity with the Local Plan policy ENV8 and National Planning Policy Framework paragraph <del>206</del> <b>212</b> , development must...'	Factual Correction - Update NPPF Paragraph References to reflect update to NPPF in December 2023	
Page 46	'This policy, along with others covering biodiversity, is in line with this and also paras <del>474</del> <b>180</b> and <del>476</del> <b>182</b> of the National Planning Policy Framework.'	Factual Correction - Update NPPF Paragraph References to reflect update to NPPF in December 2023	
Page 49	Insert after 'The Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty was designated in 1965 and extended in 1990' 'and renamed the Chilterns National Landscape on 22 November 2023'.	Factual correction detailing the date of change of name of AONB in appropriate place in the plan	
Page 49	Footnote 7: 'NPPF paragraph <del>476</del> <b>182</b> ' Footnote 10: 'NPPF paragraph <del>477</del> <b>183</b> '	Factual Correction - Update NPPF Paragraph References to reflect update to NPPF in December 2023	
Page 51	Delete 'Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty' and replace with 'Chilterns National Landscape (previously the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty)'	Factual correction detailing that the Chilterns National Landscape was previously the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty	
Page 51	Delete duplicate word 'Proposals for major developments in the ChilternsNational Landscape will <del>be</del> not be supported other than in exceptional circumstances...'	Typographical Correction – deletion of unnecessary word.	
Page 63	'National policy (NPPF <del>474</del> <b>180</b> ) states planning policies and decisions...' 'This approach has regard to	Factual Correction - Update NPPF Paragraph References to reflect	

		both National Planning Policy (NPPF 474 <b>180</b> ) and the Local Plan policy DES8.'	update to NPPF in December 2023
	Page 65	<p>'Para 404 <b>105</b> of the National Planning Policy Framework provides...'</p> <p>'Para 404 <b>105</b> also includes the caveat that...'</p> <p>'Para 402 <b>106</b> offers the guidance that...'</p> <p>'Para 403 <b>107</b> states that...'</p> <p>'The neighbourhood plan proposes the recognition of six important green spaces listed in Appendix 2, which are in and around the edge of the settlement areas, are protected from development by their designation as Local Green Spaces in accordance with paragraphs 404 <b>105</b> to 403 <b>107</b> of the National Planning Policy Framework.</p>	<p>Factual Correction - Update NPPF Paragraph</p> <p>References to reflect update to NPPF in December 2023</p>
	Page 74	<p>'Affordable Housing is defined in the National Policy Framework as 'housing for sale or rent, for those whose needs are not met by the market' (NPPF, <del>September</del> <b>December</b> 2023, <del>p.64</del> <b>p.67</b>). Social or affordable rent, shared ownership, starter homes, and discounted market sales housing are all types of affordable housing (ibid. <del>p.64</del> <b>p.67</b>)'</p> <p>'The National Planning Policy Framework defines Rural Exception Sites as 'small sites used for affordable housing in perpetuity where sites would not normally be used for housing. Rural exception sites seek to address the needs of the local community by accommodating households who are either current residents or have an existing family or employment connection. A proportion of market homes may be allowed on the site at the local planning authority's discretion, for example where essential to enable the delivery of affordable</p>	<p>Factual Correction - Update NPPF Paragraph</p> <p>References to reflect update to NPPF in December 2023</p>

	units without grant funding. p. 71- <b>p.74</b>	
Appendices 1 to 5 – Page 1	Delete ‘Updated’ and replace with ‘Made Version – December 2023’	Factual corrections.
Appendix 1, page 1	Contents – updated page numbers	Factual correction to ensure correct page numbers
Appendix 1, Page 2	Delete ‘Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB)’ and replace with ‘Chilterns National Landscape (previously the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty)’	Factual correction detailing that the Chilterns National Landscape was previously the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
Appendix 1, Page 7	Replace ‘AONB boundary’ with ‘Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty boundary (now the Chilterns National Landscape boundary)’	Factual correction reflecting change of name on 22 November 2023
Appendix 2, page 5 & 7	Delete ‘AONB’ and replace with ‘Chilterns National Landscape (previously the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty)’	Factual correction detailing that the Chilterns National Landscape was previously the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
Appendix 4, Page 4	Delete ‘AONB’ and replace with ‘Chilterns National Landscape (previously the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty)’	Factual correction detailing that the Chilterns National Landscape was previously the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
Appendices 1 to 4 - throughout documents	Replace ‘AONB’ and ‘Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty’ with ‘Chilterns National Landscape’	Factual correction reflecting change of name on 22 November 2023

The Council considers the modifications proposed by Lewknor Parish Council necessary for the purposes of correcting spelling, grammatical and typographical or factual errors. These modifications have been incorporated into the made version of the Lewknor Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan.

In accordance with Regulation 30 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General Regulations) 2012, a copy of this Decision Notice will be available to view on the council’s website (<http://southoxon.gov.uk/lewknor-np>) and at the location set out at Appendix 1.

	The made version of the Lewknor Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan is available at Appendix 2.			
<b>Alternative options rejected</b>	N/A			
<b>Implications (Climate &amp; Ecological, Legal, Financial, Procurement, Other).</b>	The Lewknor Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan was adopted by South Oxfordshire District Council on 14 December 2023: there are no further implications to highlight.			
<b>Background papers considered</b>	N/A			
<b>Declarations/ conflict of interest?</b>	No			
<b>Consultees</b>		<b>Name</b>	<b>Outcome</b>	<b>Date</b>
	Relevant Cabinet member	Councillor Anne Marie Simpson	Support to proceed.	08/03/24
<b>Decision maker's signature</b> To confirm the decision as set out in this notice.	Signature:  Date: 11/03/2024			

## Appendices

### Appendix 1

This Decision Notice constitutes 'the Modification Document' required under Regulation 30 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

The modified Lewknor Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan can be inspected on the council's website <http://southoxon.gov.uk/lewknor-np>, as well as at:

Reception, South Oxfordshire District Council, Abbey House, Abbey Close, Abingdon OX14 3JE	If you would like to view these documents at the Council offices, please contact us on 01235 422600 or email <a href="mailto:planning.policy@southandvale.gov.uk">planning.policy@southandvale.gov.uk</a> to book an appointment.
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In accordance with Regulation 30 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2021, a copy of this Decision Notice ('the Modification Document') has been sent to:

- The qualifying body, namely Lewknor Parish Council
- Any person who asked to be notified of the decision

### Appendix 2

The Lewknor Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan – adopted December 2023.