



# Storrington, Sullington and Washington Neighbourhood Plan



## Question 1 (Housing Numbers)

**Does the Plan deliver sustainable development to the extent that it meets the housing needs of the present and future generations and does it meet the Government's objective that the planning system should be securing a significant boost to housing?**

- 1.1 As part of the process to produce the SSWNP the QB widely publicised the call for sites and 41 sites were submitted for consideration.
- 1.2 A rigorous site assessment was undertaken for each of these sites and the results of this, along with comments from the previous examiner, representations made during the consultation periods and findings from the Housing Needs Survey and more recently the Housing Needs Alignment Study, have resulted in a reduced number of homes being allocated in the Plan.
- 1.3 The Qualifying Body believes that it has made every effort to find suitable and appropriate sites and to come up with a level of housing that meets the requirements of the community and complies with the stated aims of the Plan but the constraints associated with the parishes have resulted in the limited ability to identify more sites for development.
- 1.4 The Qualifying Body acknowledges that it may be necessary to undertake a review of the SSWNP in due course, to take account of the Local Plan Review Process which Horsham District Council are undertaking.
- 1.5 Whilst it is acknowledged that the Paula Rosa site is currently under construction with approximately 7 of the 98 homes currently occupied, the QB would like to point out that it was submitted for consideration under the original call for sites process. Although the development of the site has overtaken the production of the NP, due to the length of time that this has taken, it still considers that the numbers for this site should be included in the contribution to meeting the housing needs of the NP area.