

Patching Parish Council – Planning Update Number 8

27 January 2026 – 2025/26 Q4 Update

Purpose of note: to advise Councillors of planning matters arising during the period 04 November 2025 to 27 January 2026

1. Actions carried over from Planning Update Number 6

2	Consult SDNPA on NHP update best practice to ensure the NHP is robust and considered when making housing allocations	Outstanding
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No additional actions were carried over from the last update.

2. SDNPA Local Plan Review

Land Availability Assessment (LAA) - The South Downs National Park Authority published its LAA in December. Several sites in Patching were put forward by landowners for consideration to take forward for allocation in the local plan for future development. All sites assessed in Patching were either excluded or rejected due to constraints such as location outside settlement boundaries and landscape sensitivity. No sites were identified in the parish as suitable for allocation in the Local Plan Review. This means there are currently no development sites proposed for Patching under the LAA process.

3. Allotment development

PPC submitted an objection to the retrospective application for three containers and CCTV installation, citing harm to rural character, biodiversity, and conflict with planning policies. Community feedback to a PPC consultation undertaken prior showed overwhelming opposition, with 25 of 30 responses expressing concern. The application remains to be determined.

4. Village Hall Development

PPC submitted its support citing clear community benefits, conformity with national policy and SDNP strategic objectives, and direct support to Patching NDP goals to "safeguard and improve community facilities" in a sensitive, well-integrated fashion. Full planning permission granted for the proposed extension and associated works, subject to conditions on biodiversity net gain and light control.

5. Rampion 2

No further update.

6. Correspondence

None noted

7. Planning consultations (as of 27 January 2026)

LOCATION /STATUS	DETAILS	PPC PROPOSED RESPONSE / RESPONSE MADE / STATUS
Land East of Long Furlong Patching West Sussex. Ref. No: SDNP/25/04692/FUL	Retrospective application for the siting of a single green shipping container	PPC submitted an objection. Application remains to be determined.
Clapham And Patching Village Hall Long Furlong Patching West Sussex BN13 3UT. Ref. No: SDNP/25/04583/FUL	Single-storey side extension	PPC submitted its support. Application approved.
Buildings rear of Myrtle Grove Cottage 129 Myrtle Grove Long Furlong Lane Patching West Sussex BN13 3XL. Ref. No: SDNP/25/04269/LDE	Workshop/studio	Certificate of Lawfulness application. Application in progress.
Selden Manor France Lane Patching West Sussex BN13 3UP SDNP/25/03591/HOUS	First Floor Extension (remove existing first floor conservatory)	PPC issued no response. Application has been approved.