Stanton St Quintin

Neighbourhood Development Plan

Update January 2019

**Purpose of Document**

To update the Stanton St Quintin Parish Council on the progress of the Neighbourhood Development Plan. This document should be read in conjunction with the NDP minutes published on the web site.  <https://www.ssq-np.co.uk/> .

 **Strategic goal**

The aim of the committee is to produce a completed Neighbourhood plan in Q1 2019. Following the initial and subsequent parishioner meetings and surveys the aim of the NDP is to meet the high-level goals of:

1. Maintain the rural aspect of the community
2. Keeping green space between the village and J17 on the M4
3. Increasing connectivity between the Main and Lower developments
4. Additional dwellings to be part of the connectivity goal.

**Current position**

**Lemon Gazelle – Refining options**

Following the completion of the refining options worksheet we are progressing onto the next stage of the NDP report compilation which is to take the options refine them and put them into the context of a NDP. This process will take place over the next month or so.

**AECOM- Technical Support**

1. **Site options and assessment**

The NDP is engaged in assessing how to help identify and assess a site's suitability, so this information can support discussions within the LPA and consult the community on the options. This will help with the WCC’s review of the NDP works and form part of the evidence base for the final report.

1. **Viability**

We have been informed that this type of report has been withdrawn as an option. No further work will be carried out.

**Call for Sites**

Following advice from WCC’s liaison officer, the NDP SG commenced an exercise to ask the parishioners with a call for sites. This is an exercise to ensure all options have been looked at to identify potential land for development within the Plan period (2036). Fliers have been sent and notices both electronic and on notice boards posted. We await the response to this information appeal.

**Buckley Barracks**

Following a meeting between WC’s NDP team and myself at the inaugural NDP forum held at the Chippenham WCC offices. A question over how to deal with the Barracks in the NDP has been raised. There is some “brown field” potential within the barracks and the parish. As such they could be considered within the plan, given that the base is potentially up for sale. Our liaison officer is looking into some precedence on this matter.

**Highways**

Due to the development of Hullavington Airfield the committee is concerned about the potential impact of increased traffic through the village and along the A429

Per our discussion with the Highways department there are two relevant applications both of which can be reviewed on the website:-

* C/18/08271 Outline for the main development by Dyson of the airfield
* C/18/08273 Access arrangements including 2 new roundabouts and a section of new access road

Discussions are ongoing between Dyson, WCC and Highways England re the traffic impact and how the TA needs to be revised to better assess the effects on M4 J17.

The distribution of the traffic north and south on the A429 has not yet been agreed the Highways department is awaiting the agents coming back with revised traffic information for discussion.

The bulk of traffic impact will be on the A429 / A350 – it would only be local employees that will generate any trips through Stanton St Quintin village. The access from the village to the A429 is as proposed in C/18/08273.

 The Parish should keep an eye on the website for any revised Transport assessments.

**Next Steps**

1. Take the LG framework for report and start to draft the document
2. Send the initial draft to WCC for initial screening (6 Weeks)
3. Review any Call for Sites Nominations
4. The PC needs to give consideration on how to manage the Plan once it has been approved. Although there is some time before this will need to be actioned a strategic decision of how the PC wishes to maintain the spirit and vision of the plan should be considered.

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Chairman

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