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# NORTH DORSET LOCAL PLAN REVIEW Issues and Options Consultation 27 November 2017 to 22 January 2018

### Response Form

As part of the Local Plan Review (LPR), North Dorset District Council has prepared an Issues and Options Document for consultation. The Issues and Options Document, the Sustainability Appraisal and associated documents can be viewed online via:

https://www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/planning/north-dorset/planning-policy

### Please return completed forms to:

Email: planningpolicy@north-dorset.gov.uk

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Deadline: 5pm on 22 January 2018. Representations received after this time may not be accepted.

### Part A – Personal details

This part of the form must be completed by all people making representations as **anonymous comments cannot be accepted.** By submitting this response form you consent to your information being disclosed to third parties for this purpose. Personal details will not be visible on our website, although they will be shown on paper copies that will be available for inspection by members of the public and other interested parties.

\*If an agent is appointed, please complete only the Title, Name, Job Title and Organisation boxes in the personal details but complete the full contact details of the agent including email address. All correspondence will be sent to the agent.

	Personal Details*	Agent's Details (if applicable)*
Title		Mr
First Name		James
Last Name		Cleary
Job Title <i>(where</i>		Director
Organisation (where relevant)	Charborough Estate	Pro Vision
Address		
Postcode		
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Email Address		



### Part B – Representations

Please answer as many questions or as few questions as you wish. There is a box at the end of the form where you can provide any comments that you may have.

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1.	Do you consider that a housing need figure of 366 dwellings a year is an appropriate figure on which to plan for housing growth in North Dorset? If not, please set out what you consider to be an appropriate figure and provide reasons for this.				
	Yes				
	No 🗵				
	If you have answered 'No' please set out an alternative housing figure and provide reasoning to support your answer.  Please see attached statement				
	<u>Employment</u>				
2.	Do you consider that additional employment land should be allocated for development at Blandford as part of the Local Plan Review?				
	Yes				
	No 🖄				
3.	Do you consider that there is a need to allocate additional employment land in any other part(s) of the District?				
	Yes				
	No 🖄				
	Spatial Strategy				
4.	Do you consider that the existing spatial strategy, as set out in LPP1, should be amended to allow for some limited growth at Stalbridge, beyond just meeting local needs?				
	Yes				
	No 🗵				
5.	Do you think that the Council should consider implementing any other alternative spatial strategy through the LPR? If so, please explain your reasons why.				
	Yes 🗵				
	No 🗆				

	If you have answered 'Yes' please set out your alternative spatial strategy and provide reasoning to support it.  See attached statement re Large Villages and scope for further development around Winterbourne Kingston
	Blandford (Forum and St Mary)
6.	Do you agree with the conclusions regarding the areas of search identified at Blandford?
	Yes X
	No $\square$
7.	Are there any further issues relating to the areas of search that you think should have been considered as part of the assessment process?
	Yes □
	No X
	If you have answered 'Yes' please set out what you see as the further issues.
8.	What are the additional infrastructure requirements that are likely to result from potential future development at Blandford?
	Please set out what you see as the additional infrastructure requirements.
	<u>Gillingham</u>
9.	Do you agree with the conclusions regarding the areas of search identified at Gillingham?
	Yes X
	No
10	Are there any further issues relating to the areas of search that you think should have been considered as part of the assessment process?
	Yes □ No ☒

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9.

If you have answered 'Yes' please set out what you see as the further issues.		
11. What are the additional infrastructure requirements that are likely to result from potential future		
development at Gillingham?		
Please set out what you see as the additional infrastructure requirements.		
<u>Shaftesbury</u>		
12. Do you agree with the conclusions regarding the areas of search identified at Shaftesbury?		
Yes 🗵		
No 🗆		
13. Are there any further issues relating to the areas of search that you think should have been considered as part of the assessment process?		
Yes		
No X		
If you have answered 'Yes' please set out what you see as the further issues.		
14. What are the additional infrastructure requirements that are likely to result from potential future development at Shaftesbury?		
development at Shartesbury:		
Please set out what you see as the additional infrastructure requirements.		

### **Sturminster Newton**

15.	Doy	you agree with the conclusions regarding the areas of search identified at Sturminster Newton?
	Yes	X
	No	
16.		there any further issues relating to the areas of search that you think should have been sidered as part of the assessment process?
	Yes	
	No	X
	If y	ou have answered 'Yes' please set out what you see as the further issues.
17.		at are the additional infrastructure requirements that are likely to result from potential future elopment at Sturminster Newton?
		ase set out what you see as the additional infrastructure requirements.
	<u>Stal</u>	<u>bridge</u>
18.	Do y Yes No	you agree with the conclusions regarding the areas of search identified at Stalbridge?
19.	Are	there any further issues relating to the areas of search that you think should have been sidered as part of the assessment process?
	Yes	
	No	
	If y	ou have answered 'Yes' please set out what you see as the further issues.

future development at Stalbridge?				
Please set out what you see as the additional infrastructure requirements.				
The Villages				
21. Do you agree with the Council's proposed approach in relation to future development at the eighteen larger villages within the District or do you think that the Council should consider an alternative approach?				
Yes				
No 🗵				
If you have answered 'No' please set out your alternative approach and information/reasoning behind this. Please see attached statement. Need to allow for additional development some of which could be located in the relatively sustainable and unconstrained but redundant farm sites close to Winterbourne Kingston. Private sector housing should be allowed in addition to new affordable homes to meet local needs.				
Affordable Housing				
22. Do you consider that the existing reference to nine dwellings in Policy 9 of LPP1 should be removed from the policy to allow larger schemes to come forward where there is evidence of local need in excess of that which could be met by the provision of nine dwellings?				
Yes 🗵				
No 🗆				
23. Do you consider that the existing policy approach, which seeks to prevent exception sites coming forward adjacent to the four main towns within the District, should be amended?				
Yes				
No 🗵				
24. Do you consider that the Council should continue with its existing policy approach, which allows for a small number of market homes on rural exception sites?				
Yes 🗷				
No 🗆				

### **Self-Build and Custom-Build Housing**

No 🗵

25. Do you consider that the Council should facilitate the provision of self-build housing by any, some, or all of the following options?			
Yes 🗷			
No 🗆			
a. Allowing serviced plots to come forward under the current development plan policies. Yes $\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \$			
b. Updating Policy 7 (Delivering Homes) in the Local Plan Part 1 to promote the provision of serviced plots of land for self-build housing. Yes $\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \$			
c. Requiring on sites above a certain size that serviced self-build plots should be made available as a proportion of the total number of dwellings permitted (with or without a minimum number being specified) on-site. Yes $\square$ No $\square$			
d. Allowing a proportion (up to 100%) of self-build plots on exception sites (with controls over the resale value of the properties). Yes $\  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \ $			
e. Identifying land in public ownership which would be sold only for self-build development. Yes $\ oxin{tikzpicture} X \ \\ No \ \Box$			
f. The use of Local Development Orders to facilitate self-build development. Yes $\  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \  \ $			
26. Are there any other approaches that could be used to meet the demand for self-build housing?			
Yes			
No			
If you have answered 'Yes' please outline the other approaches which the Council could pursue.			
Ensuring the Vitality and Viability of Town Centres			
27. Do you consider that the existing hierarchy and network of centres, as set out in LPP1, should be amended to include Stalbridge as a 'local centre'?			
Ves $\square$			

### **Important Open or Wooded Areas (IOWAs)**

28. Do you agree that those IOWAs, which are protected from development by other planning por legislation, should be deleted?			
	Yes	X	
	No		
	The .	A350 Corridor	
29.	Вура	ou consider that the land which is identified and safeguarded for the Shaftesbury Outer ass and the Charlton Marshall and Spetisbury Bypass should continue to be identified and guarded for such purposes?	
	Yes	$\overline{\mathbf{X}}$	
	No		
	Coı	mments	
	Appi	u have any comments about the Issues and Options Document or the Sustainability raisal please set them out in the box below. If your comments are in relation to a specific stion or chapter of the Issues and Options Document then please state which question or other your comments relate to.	
		Please see attached plans and detailed comments set out in the attached statement.	

	Continue on a separate sheet if necessary
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Do you wish to be contacted about future consultations relating	g to the Local Plan Review?
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Yes X	
No 🗆	
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Signatura	Date: 10.01.18
Signature:	Date: 19.01.18
If submitting the form electronically, no signature is required.	

When completed please send form to <a href="mailto:planningpolicy@north-dorset.gov.uk">planningpolicy@north-dorset.gov.uk</a>

## NORTH DORSET LOCAL PLAN REVIEW ISSUES AND OPTIONS CONSULTATION

**Statement on Behalf of The Charborough Estate** 

Prepared by Pro Vision on behalf of the Charborough Estate
January 2018



## NORTH DORSET LOCAL PLAN REVIEW ISSUES AND OPTIONS CONSULTATION

### **Statement on Behalf of The Charborough Estate**

- Pro Vision has been instructed by the Charborough Estate to submit representations
  to the above consultation. The representations address the options for the spatial
  distribution of development and the approach to taking forward development in the
  District's villages.
- 2. The representations are made in respect of land and buildings at Abbot's Court Farm, Anderson Manor Farm and Marsh Farm. Please find enclosed the following sketch proposals which form part of the representations:
  - 50027/SK1-1 Abbot's Court Farm
  - 50027/SK1-2 Anderson Manor Farm
  - 50027/SK1-3 Marsh Farm
- 3. The representations should be considered together with the representations made by Pro Vision on behalf of the Charborough Estate to the North Dorset 'Call for Sites' Autumn 2016.

#### Representations

4. The key questions set out in the North Dorset Local Plan Review Issues and Options Consultation of relevance to the development of land and buildings at Abbot's Court Farm, Anderson Manor Farm and Marsh Farm are examined below.

## Q5. Do you think that the Council should consider implementing any other alternative spatial strategy through the Local Plan Review? If so, please explain your reasons why.

5. North Dorset has an acknowledged shortfall in five year housing land supply. If the proposals set out in the recent Government consultation 'Planning for the right homes

in the right places' (September 2017) are taken forward, an additional 81 dwellings per annum, above the Local Plan Part 1 requirement of 285 dwellings per annum, will have to be delivered in North Dorset. Some new residential development should be focussed on the larger villages, including Winterborne Kingston, to support the Council in addressing the shortfall in the supply of housing land and to help to accommodate the likely significant increase in the number of dwellings needed to be delivered each annum.

- 6. Notwithstanding the above, Winterbourne Kingston is a sustainable location, with a population of over 800, a village hall, a church, a public house, and local employment. It is relatively unconstrained in that it is not within the part of the District to the north that is within the AONB or in the area to the south which is generally floodplain or limited by proximity to the Dorset Heathlands SPA. The settlement contains a primary school and there is a regular bus service to Dorchester and Poole.
- 7. The land and buildings at Abbot's Court Farm, Anderson Manor Farm and Marsh Farm present an important opportunity for sustainable residential development on the edge of Winterborne Kingston. There is potential for three small, but meaningful, site allocations, to support North Dorset District Council in meeting the shortfall in housing land supply and the increased housing requirement.
- 8. The previously developed sites comprise traditional and modern farm buildings adjacent to existing pockets of housing and surrounded by arable and pasture farmland.
- 9. Each of the three farm building complexes, referred to in more detail below, are peripheral to the Estates main farming operations and contain buildings that are largely redundant and available to re-use or redevelop. Proposals could be pursued incrementally using Class Q PD rights or with the traditional buildings, by way of express consents. This may still be an approach to be pursued but at this stage in the Local Plan preparation it would seem logical to suggest that the sites be included in the emerging Plan as a way of facilitating small scale but appropriate residential development close to Winterbourne Kingston.
- 10. In addition to the above, development of these sites in the manner suggested should take away the need for new development elsewhere such as adjacent to Winterbourne

Kingston where new development would be more impacting on settlement character, key views and existing residential amenities.

- 11. The **Abbot's Court Farm** site is on the edge of the settlement and could be served by the existing infrastructure in Winterborne Kingston. The site is relatively flat, rising gently to the north and east. The trees within the north east and south west corners of the site could be retained in any site allocation. There are no heritage constraints affecting the site.
- 12. A small area within the south west corner of the site is within an area at risk from flooding identified by the Environment Agency (Flood Zone 2). The proposed allocation could avoid this part of the site and this approach could be supported by a detailed Flood Risk Assessment and Drainage Strategy.
- 13. The **Anderson Manor Farm** site is located within the settlement of Anderson, with convenient access to the facilities and services in Winterborne Kingston and Winterborne Zelston. The site is flat, with no landscape features of note.
- 14. Anderson Manor, a Grade I Listed Building, is located to the east of the site and Stable Cottage, a Grade II Listed Building, is situated to the south east. The sensitive redevelopment of the Anderson Manor Farm site, including the removal of redundant agricultural buildings and an appropriate landscape scheme, would enhance the setting of these heritage assets.
- 15. The majority of the site is outside the floodplain. However, a small area within the western part of the site is within Flood Zone 2. This part of the site could be excluded from the allocation. As above, the proposed allocation could be supported by a detailed Flood Risk and Drainage Strategy.
- 16. The Marsh Farm site is also situated on the edge of the settlement of Anderson, served by the existing infrastructure in Winterborne Kingston and Winterborne Zelston. The site is relatively flat, rising gently to the east. The cluster of trees in the south east corner of the site could be retained.
- 17. The redevelopment of the site, including the retention and alternative use of traditional agricultural buildings, demolition of redundant modern agricultural buildings and new

- planting, could enhance the setting of Marsh Farm House, a Grade II Listed Building directly to the east. The site is not at risk from flooding.
- 18. The sites all have an existing residential use and development would include the conversion of agricultural buildings to dwellings, which, as referenced above, could be implemented under Class Q of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015, in any event. Sensitively sited, high quality new residential development could be provided in the vicinity of the existing built form and yield both heritage and landscape benefits. The sketch proposals which form part of this representation demonstrate that the redevelopment of the sites would be sustainable, responsive to the relevant constraints and opportunities.
- 19. Contamination Assessments could be provided in relation to the farm buildings on each site, with appropriate remediation strategies if required.
- 20. Options for access to the Abbot's Court site are presented on the sketch proposal. The proposed site allocations at Anderson Manor Farm and Marsh Farm would be served by the existing vehicular access points.

# Q21. Do you agree with the Council's proposed approach in relation to future development at the eighteen larger villages within the District or do you think that the Council should consider an alternative approach?

- 21. The Charborough Estate supports the inclusion of the larger villages outside of the four main towns, including Winterborne Kingston, as a focus for housing growth to meet local needs. However, open market housing should be provided in the rural areas in addition to the affordable housing on rural exception sites proposed within the Issues and Options Consultation. The provision of open market housing should be balanced across the North Dorset District to ensure that the rural communities are adequately provided for.
- 22. Some open market housing should be provided in the rural areas to ensure that local needs are met, in line with paragraph 54 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). Limiting the provision of open market housing in rural areas is inconsistent

with paragraph 55 of the NPPF, which states that housing should be located where it will enhance or maintain the vitality of rural communities.

#### **Summary**

- 23. The following changes are required to ensure that the policies for a) the spatial distribution of development and b) taking forward development in the District's villages, are both sustainable:
  - To support the Council in addressing the acknowledged shortfall in housing land supply, and to help to accommodate the likely significant increase in the number of dwellings to be delivered in North Dorset, some new development should be focussed on the larger villages, including Winterborne Kingston.
  - The land and buildings at Abbot's Court Farm, Anderson Manor Farm and Marsh
    Farm should be allocated to provide sustainable residential development in a
    relatively unconstrained location close to Winterbourne Kingston.
  - Open market housing should be provided in the rural areas, in addition to the proposed affordable housing on rural exception sites.

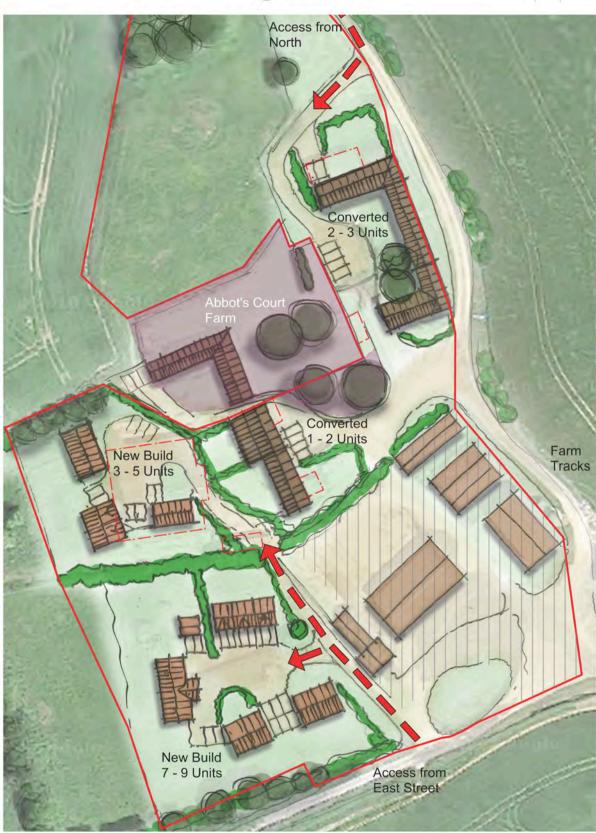
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Charborough Estate

PROJECT:

**Heathland SPD** 

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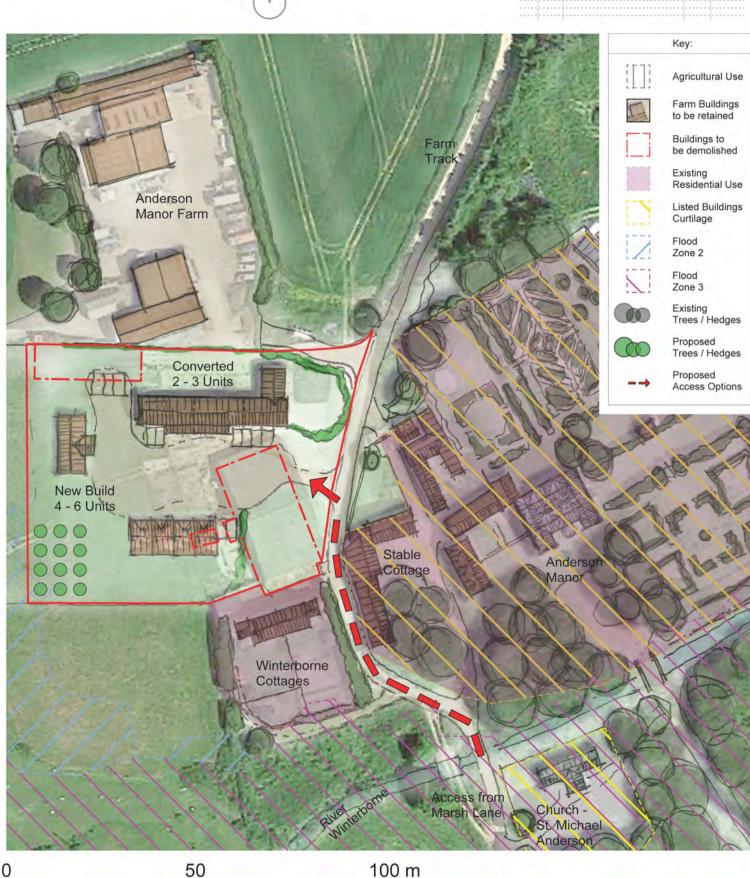
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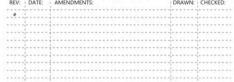
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