

STATEMENT OF COMMON GROUND

17 APRIL 2012

The following statement has been prepared by **Purbeck District Council** and **Hall and Woodhouse** to set out agreements in relation to Policy CF: Community Facilities of the Core Strategy

Hall and Woodhouse submitted a representation to the Proposed Changes to the Pre-submission Core Strategy consultation objecting to Policy CF: Community Facilities. Hall and Woodhouse argued that the policy was unclear, required simplification and was too restrictive.

Purbeck District Council recognised that some aspects of the policy were unclear and restrictive and warranted revision. These have been included as change number 88 of the Minor Changes Schedule.

Hall and Woodhouse have confirmed that they are happy with the change, subject to an alteration to the final bullet point (Safeguarding Existing Facilities and Services). Hall and Woodhouse's revised wording reads:

'Development (including change of use) that would result in the loss of existing community facilities/services will only be permitted if:

- it can be demonstrated that there is no longer a need for the community facility/service through a sufficient and realistic marketing of the current use over a period of at least 9 months to show that the current use is unviable.'

The Council agrees with the suggested wording.