

Almeley Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan Examination

Request for further information and questions from the Examiner to Herefordshire Council and Almeley Parish Council

I have carried out a preliminary review of the Neighbourhood Development Plan and the evidence submitted in support of it and there are a few points where I need some clarification or further information. I would therefore be grateful if both Councils could assist me, as appropriate, in answering the following questions.

1. Local sites and green infrastructure

In Policy ALM3 (f) Reference is made to “local sites and green infrastructure within the parish”. Are these mapped or documented either in the NDP or elsewhere?

2. Heritage Assets

In Policy ALM4(f) reference is made to Nieuport and Broxwood Court Registered Park and Gardens but these are not marked on the two Policies Maps on pages 52 and 53, nor are they listed in Appendix 2 – the List of Heritage Assets. Similarly, ALM4(i) refers to a network of commons but these do not seem to be mapped. Are these the same as or different to the areas at Spearmarsh Common and Pool Common which are proposed as Local Green Space in Policy ALM5? Please can I have your comments?

3. Historic farmsteads

The NDP contains a number of policies that set out guidance on historic farmsteads – notably ALM2(c), ALM4(h), ALM8 (e) and ALM14. I think there is a risk that all this guidance overlaps and could cause difficulties when the plan is used in future. I am minded to suggest that there is only one overarching policy to cover these – please can I have your views?

4. Intensive livestock units

Policy ALM9 deals with agricultural buildings and intensive livestock units, though the focus of most of the policy is on the latter. I am interested in knowing a bit more about why intensive livestock units are regarded as a concern for the NDP, as I can see no mention of the issue in the Issues for the Plan section or the Consultation Statement. I also note that the Beverley Borough Local Plan, on which I think ALM9 is based, has been superseded by other Local Plan policies in the former

Humberside area which are now more up to date. I would appreciate any comments you wish to make.

5. Housing Sites

I have received a representation from Bernard Eatock Ltd regarding land to the East of The Manor in which he mentions correspondence with a representative of the NDP Group regarding the possible inclusion of the site within the settlement boundary. Please can you confirm whether this site was considered as part of the call for sites exercise and any other information that may be relevant to my consideration of this representation?

Thank you for your assistance with these questions. Once I have received your responses, I may need to ask for further clarification or further queries may arise as the examination progresses.

Please note that these questions and requests for information is a public document and the answers and any associated documents will also be in the public domain. Both my questions and the responses should be placed on the Councils' websites as appropriate.

Barbara Maksymiw

23 November 2018

Latham, James

From: Kitto, Stephanie
Sent: 27 November 2018 09:07
To: Latham, James
Subject: FW: Almeley Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan
Attachments: Almeley NDP Questions 23 November .docx

Importance: High

Hi James,

Please find attached questions from the Examiner for Almeley and an additional question below for the web:

The Examiner has sent through an additional question. Please see below:

Land at Woonton

I have received a representation from McCartney's regarding land to the south west of The Orchards at Woonton. A planning application was granted for residential development on the site on 27 June 2018. However, the site has not been included within the settlement boundary for Woonton in the NDP. I note that two other sites in Woonton, to the east of Pool Cottage and south of the Hopley's Green junction, have also been recently been granted planning consent, yet these are included within the settlement boundary. Please can you explain the differences in approach?

Thanks

Steph

From: Kitto, Stephanie
Sent: 26 November 2018 13:10
To: 'Emma Thomas' <apccclerk@gmail.com>
Subject: Almeley Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan
Importance: High

Hi Emma,

Please find attached the questions from the Examiner. She has conducted her initial assessment of the plan and her questions are set out in the note attached. Please could these be responded to and returned to me before midday on the 30th Nov.

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