

Oakley Green, Fifield & District Community Association



March 13, 2014

FREEPOST RLYH-SHYR-JUXJ
Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead
Policy Planning Unit
Town Hall
St Ives Road
Maidenhead
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Dear Sirs,

Borough Local Plan Preferred Options Consultation – January 10 to March 21, 2014

We are writing in response to this Consultation.

In the Green Belt Edge of Settlement analysis, of the 23 Sites identified for potential development, six are located in Bray Parish, namely:-

Area 5C Maidenhead - Triangle M4, A308(M) and Ascot Road
Area 5E Maidenhead - Area south of Harvest Hill Road and east of Kimbers Lane
Area 7A Land west of Holyport - Area between Ascot Road and Holyport Road
Area 8A Windsor - Area north of A308, south of Maidenhead Road
Area 8B Windsor - Area south of A308, east of Oakley Green Road and north of Dedworth Road
Area 8C Windsor - Area south of Dedworth Road and west of Broom Farm Estate

In the Housing Site Assessment analysis, of the 39 Sites identified for potential development, three are located in Bray Parish, namely:-

Area GB5 - Wyevale Garden Centre, Dedworth Road, Windsor (page 78)
Area GB6 - Squires Garden Centre, Maidenhead Road, Windsor (page 80)
Area GB14 - Land at Water Oakley Farm, Windsor Road (page 52)

In order to inform our Local Residents and promote their participation in the Consultation, we collaborated with:-

The Down Place Residents Association (DPRA)
The Oakley Green and Fifield Residents Association (OGFRA)
The Tarbay Lane Residents Association
The West Windsor Residents Association (WWRA)

.. and organised two Public Events which were attended by a total of over 150 Local Residents on

Saturday February 15, 2014 at 11:00 am at Saxons Barn, Dedworth Road
Thursday February 20, 2014 at 7:30 pm at Braywood Memorial Hall, Fifield

Cllr M J Saunders – RBWM Cabinet Member for Planning and Property Services and Miles Thompson – RBWM Planning Policy Manager – were invited to attend and gave detailed presentations and allowed plenty of time for Questions from attendees.

At the end of the two Events, we conducted a simple Straw Poll of what local Residents thought about the potential Development of the 9 Sites above. The Results are given in **Attachment 1** (use button on **PLANNING** page). But in summary, of those Residents that participated:-

55% to 89% were not in favour of Development on the 6 Green Belt Edge of Settlement Sites
79% to 93 % were not in favour of Development on the 3 Brownfield Sites in the Green Belt

This second result re-confirms the views we gathered by holding two similar Events which again were attended by about 150 Residents during the previous Sites Consultation in December 2012.

On these bases, we are writing now to raise our concerns on behalf of Local Residents – on a Site by Site basis – in **Attachments 2 to 7** (use button on **PLANNING** page) attached. But we have decided to limit our Comments to the 6 Sites which are closest to us and we know most about and therefore leave our near Neighbours to comment on Areas 5C, 5E and 7A.

We hope that you find these comments constructive and urge you to take them on board when developing the Local Plan further.

Yours sincerely,

Grenville Annetts
Chairman

Copies to:-

Bray Parish Councillors - Michael Airey, Helen Howard, Nick Pellew and Chris Yates

Bray Parish Council Planning Committee Chairman - Louvaine Kneen

Bray Parish Council Clerk - Janice Eden-Bagley

Bray Parish Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Chairman - Chris Graham

RBWM Bray Ward Councillors - David Burbage, David Coppinger and Leo Walters

RBWM Clewer North Ward Councillors - Cynthia Endacott, John Fido and John Penfold

RBWM Clewer South Ward Councillors - James Evans and Simon Meadowcroft

Down Place Residents Association Chairman - David Short

Oakley Green and Fifield Residents Association Chairman - Rod Ball

Tarbay Lane Residents Association Chairman - Martyn Kilmister

West Windsor Residents Association Chairman - John Holdsworth

Attachments: 1 to 7

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