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Re: Infilling definition

1 message

Andrew Thompson [REDACTED]

16 January 2023 at 14:00

To: [REDACTED]

Hi Faith

Thanks for this. If it's ok with you, I think it would be best to consider this as a comment on the Draft Local Plan? We can then factor it into our analysis and proposed changes?

Do let me know

Andrew

On Mon, 16 Jan 2023 at 13:22, [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear Andrew and Louise,

Wickhambreaux Parish Council wish to thank you and your teams for the enormous amount of work which has been undertaken to compile and ensure comprehensive consultation upon the draft Local Plan. We have submitted our response by using the online questionnaire.

We wanted to raise a point relating to common threads which run through the planning system and hence the draft local plan. Some of the terms which are used to qualify certain policies are undefined and consequently are subjective being open to interpretation. In particular, these include rural character, harm, public benefits and identified need.

We understand that definitions are difficult when a wide range of considerations are necessary to achieve a refined term which will be applicable to all situations. However, infilling is a term which is defined in the current 2017 plan. Policy SP4(3) defines it in paragraph 1.51 as " the completion of an otherwise substantially built up frontage by the filling of a narrow gap. However, infilling may not always be acceptable as open spaces between developments can often make an important contribution to the character and setting of the village."

This definition is useful and appears to be absent from the draft plan. Is there a possibility that it can be saved from the 2017 plan and utilised in the new plan? We would be interested to hear why it has been excluded.

Thanks very much.

Kind regards

Faith

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1/17/23, 7:31 AM

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