

OTTERBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

Update Statement

The Parish Council has resolved that the site 'Land east of Main Road' is the most suitable to satisfy the preferred housing need for Otterbourne. The development of this land brings balance to the settlement area and can be assimilated into the village in a harmonious manner. Vehicle access can be achieved from the Coles Mede roundabout off Main Road without adding to traffic flows in other residential areas which the Parish Council is anxious to avoid.

The site 'Land to the rear of Cranbourne Drive' as proposed by Barwood Land was considered by the Parish Council as an alternative option. It is accepted that the land could accommodate the anticipated number of dwellings which has been set as that to be accommodated in the village within the Local Plan period to 2039. However, the Parish Council is not convinced that the location of the land, its proximity to traffic noise and pollution from the M3 Motorway and the additional traffic conflict added to the existing residential traffic flows, would be more beneficial to the residents of Otterbourne than the Land east of Main Road site.

On the WCC website www.localplan.winchester.gov.uk the Regulation 18 consultation provides opportunity under the heading *Development Allocations for Market Towns and Rural Areas* and 'Land east of Main Road' (Policy OT01) to submit support/neutral/object and there is also opportunity for '*I would like to submit a new site*' as an alternative.