

Marlborough Area Board - 7 February 2012

Chairman's Announcement: Submission Draft Wiltshire Core Strategy

Pre-submission consultation

On 17th January Cabinet considered a submission draft Wiltshire Core Strategy. Full Council will now be asked on 7 February 2012 to approve this draft for publication and to agree a six week statutory consultation period commencing on 20 February 2012.

At this stage the consultation will be inviting comments on the 'soundness' of the plan, for example, have the correct legal processes been followed or are the policies based on clear, robust, up-to-date information. During the consultation a summary of the document will be displayed in Marlborough library for the duration of the consultation. Copies of the core strategy can be viewed in all local libraries. All the consultation documents will be made available on the Council's web site and at the Council offices at Bradley Road and County Hall, Trowbridge; Browfort, Devizes; Monkton Park, Chippenham and Milford Street, Salisbury. Comments can be submitted on line or in writing but must be received by Monday 2nd April 2012.

Subject to no fundamental issues being raised on the soundness of the core strategy, it is the Council's intention to submit the document to the Secretary of State during the summer. At this stage an Inspector will be appointed to undertake an Examination in Public into the soundness of the document. As part of this examination he/she will consider the representations received during the consultation which is to start on 20 February.

The Draft Wiltshire Core Strategy details a spatial strategy for Wiltshire and related polices to deliver that strategy. The core strategy incorporates a strategy for each community area which identifies specific development sites where appropriate and highlights specific considerations in each area.

Additional information:

- Core strategy will be available for inspection in all local libraries. The summary
 display is available in only one location within the community area unless
 requests for additional copies from other organisations have been received.
- Documents which form part of the consultation are Submission Draft Wiltshire Core Strategy, Sustainability Appraisal Report, Habitats Regulations Assessment.
- All evidence prepared to support the production of the core strategy will be available from 20 February on the planning pages of the web site.
- Draft policy as considered by Cabinet for the community area is attached for information. This draft policy should be read in conjunction with the other policies of the plan that will apply to development in the local area, such as affordable housing policies, climate change policies and transport policies.
- Where an area board meeting takes place within the consultation period spatial plans officers will attend on request.
- Workshops are being arranged with rural parishes to explain the approach to identifying large and small villages within the core strategy. Dates to be made available shortly.

Core Policy 14 – Spatial Strategy: Marlborough Community Area

Development in the Marlborough Community Area should be in accordance with the Settlement Strategy set out in Core Policy 1:

Market Towns: Marlborough

Larger Villages: Aldbourne; Baydon; Broad Hinton and Ramsbury

Smaller Villages: Avebury/ Trusloe; Axford; Beckhampton; Chilton Folliat; East

Kennett; Froxfield; Fyfield; Lockeridge; Manton; Monkton; Ogbourne St George; West Overton; Winterbourne Bassett;

and Winterbourne Monkton

3 ha of employment land will be provided in Marlborough in the plan period.

The following Principal Employment Areas will be supported in accordance with Core Policy 35: Marlborough Business Park; Pelham Court Site; and Wagon Yard.

Over the plan period (2006 to 2026), at least 850 new homes will be provided of which 610 should occur at Marlborough, including land identified to the west of Salisbury Road for strategic growth:

Land to the West of Salisbury	New strategic housing	220 dwellings
Road	allocation	

The strategic allocation will be brought forward through a master planning process agreed between the community, local planning authority and the developer and should meet any requirements as set out in the Development Templates shown by Appendix A:

240 homes will be provided in the rest of the community area. Non strategic development in the Marlborough Community Area over the plan period may consist of a range of sites in accordance with Core Policies 1 and 2.

Development proposals in the Marlborough Community Area will need to demonstrate how those issues and considerations listed in paragraph 5.75 will be addressed.

Targets: See housing and employment numbers above; Reduction in local unemployment figures. **Monitoring and Review:** AMR housing completions; NOMIS official labour market statistics.

Delivery Responsibility: Wiltshire Council; Developers.