

Pewsey Area Board – 12 March 2012

Chairman's Announcement

Draft Wiltshire Core Strategy Pre-submission document

The Wiltshire Core Strategy pre-submission document was published for consultation on 20th February 2012. The six week statutory consultation period will continue until 2nd April 2012. The Wiltshire Core Strategy details a spatial strategy for Wiltshire and related policies 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.

At this stage the Council are inviting comments on the 'soundness' of the plan and whether the correct legal processes have been followed. To be sound the core strategy policies must be based on clear, robust, up-to-date information. Copies of the core strategy can be viewed in all local libraries and there is a display about the document in Pewsey library. All the consultation documents are also 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.

This is your opportunity to comment on the Council's plans and proposals for Pewsey community area and have them considered by an independent inspector appointed by the Secretary of State.

The Council, subject to no fundamental issues being raised on the soundness of the core strategy, intend to submit the document to the Secretary of State in July. At this stage formal examination of the plan will begin leading to an Examination in Public into the soundness of the document.

(A copy of the community area specific core policy for Pewsey is attached for information. This 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.)

Core Policy 18 - Spatial Strategy: Pewsey Community Area

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

Local Service Centres:	Pewsey
Larger Villages:	Burbage; Great Bedwyn; Shalbourne and Upavon
Smaller Villages:	Alton Priors/ Alton Barnes; Charlton St Peter; Chirton; East Grafton; Easton Royal; Ham; Hilcott; Little Bedwyn; Manningford Bruce; Marden; Milton Lilbourne; Oare; Rushall; Stanton St Bernard; Wilcot; ; Woodborough and Wootton Rivers

Over the plan period, 2 hectares of employment will be provided.

The following locally important rural employment sites will be supported in accordance with Core Policy 35: Salisbury Road Business Park, Marlborough Road and Broomcroft Road, Pewsey; Manor Farm, Manningford Bohune; Hirata site, Burbage.

At least 600 new homes will be provided in the community area. There will be no strategic housing or employment sites allocated in the Pewsey Community Area. Non strategic development in the Pewsey 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 Pewsey Community Area will need to demonstrate how those issues and considerations listed in paragraph 5.92 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.