



Stoke Holy Cross Parish Council

19th July 2021

South Norfolk Village Cluster Housing Allocations Plan – Consultation between Monday 7 June and 5pm on Monday 2 August 2021

Following our recent meeting we discussed in detail the webinar regarding the village cluster housing allocation plan which was held on 10th June 2021 and would like to submit the following comments below;

The PC has considered the consultation document and notes that 3 sites for estate scale development have been suggested in Stoke Holy Cross and that one of them SN0202/GNLP0202 to the North of Long Lane has been suggested as a reasonable location for housing allocation.

The PC considers that the village has had more than its fair share of development over the last few years, which has greatly exceeded that proposed for it in the adopted Greater Norwich Development Plan Core Strategy. It feels let down however that insufficient provision was made in relation to these developments for greatly needed social infrastructure improvements, which were meant to accompany such developments. This is particularly the case regarding a replacement for the existing village pavilion that also houses the village pre-school, and is totally inadequate for the size of village that Stoke Holy Cross now is.

The PC would therefore support a limited amount of additional residential development in Stoke Holy Cross if it facilitated the provision of a fit for purpose community hall that included up-to-date accommodation for the pre-school. On this basis, site SN0202 would appear to be the logical choice, being accessible by foot to the main village facilities, having potentially good highway and services connections, and which would represent a 'squaring off' of the settlement boundary presently defined by the edge of the Broomefield Road development on the opposite side of Long Lane

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