NORTH NIBLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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Reference Stroud District Local Plan Review: Emerging Strategy Public Consultation

Please find below the response to the consultation from North Nibley Parish Council:

- 1. The Parish Council supports the emerging growth strategy set out at para 4.2 and in particular the proposed garden village at Sharpness.
- 2. The Parish Council supports its designation as a Tier 3 settlement where some limited growth at small and medium sized sites immediately adjoining the settlement development limits will be allowed to meet specific local needs. In this regard there is a strong need in the Parish for a number of 2/3 bed private units to allow for downsizing by older people who wish to stay locally as well as for younger families whose roots are in the village.
- 3. In addition the most recent Housing Needs Study demonstrated a strong need for affordable housing in the Parish. The Parish Council supports the principle of a Rural Exception Site(S) in the village to satisfy this need. This could if necessary be provided on a phased basis to ensure take up by people with a proven link to the Parish. Possible sites are referred to in our earlier submission dated 20th November 2017.
- 4. With respect to alternative sites outlined in blue on page 89 the Parish Council's preferred option is for the land opposite the Black Horse as being centrally located to village facilities.
- 5. The Parish Council supports option 2 for dealing with settlement boundaries i.e. assess proposals on a case by case basis using broader criteria such as landscape impact, form of settlement, proximity to services.

Yours sincerely