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SDC Local Plan Review for Additional Housing 2020

Consultation

This is the order I think you should be using when looking for additional housing sites

I think you should start by using the 5 sites in the consultative document which are called "Potentials" and this would deliver for the locals less than 50 houses per each site.

It would be good if you could disperse the future housing need around the whole area without hitting unduly any one settled community.

I think council planners should look again at the Strategic Assessment of Land Available sites which were starting to be collected back in 2016. Some of which seem to have fallen off the records and show no signs of being rejected or built upon. These sites will have altered over time and now could be suitable for additional housing. (If it helps this review, I identify two such sites that are in this group as WHI001 & WHI 008)

Council needs to look at where planning permission for 50 houses or less have failed in the past few years along the A419 & A38 which with some small adjustment might be given approval. (I remember a site between A419 & the Canal near Oldends Lane that did not get approval for some reason).

Smaller Settlements along these same roads which have had no small housing development in the past years could be the focus of planners and their agents to look for landowners who might release land for housing.(e.g. Newport, Woodford & Stone).

I feel SDC planners with a little more effort could be focusing on more sites to improve local communities rather than just building houses on easily available large sites

SDC needs to look at the Brownfield Sites register for the area for additional housing because we do not need in future years ruined/eyesore sites. I see that some of these sites have permission to build on ref. SDC website but I do not know how they get on the Local Plan. Council should encourage Owners/Developers to get on with this or possibly face a Compulsory Purchase order.

A last resort should be to choose housing from what you call Growth Points, using the smallest number of housing to start with say: HAR005,7,8 & 9 (would yield about 700 dwellings I would only like to see limited use of these large sites.

