NORTH NIBLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Reference: Stroud District Council Local Plan Review and Consultation.

20th November 2017

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

1/Growth strategy.

The Parish Council supports the continuation of the existing strategy to concentrate housing and employment at a few large sites adjacent to the main towns in the district.

2/Settlement boundaries.

The Parish Council support the continuation of existing settlement development limits amended as necessary to take account of specific and proven local needs such as affordable housing requirements.

3/North Nibley. Broad locations and potential sites.

The most recent Housing Needs Study has demonstrated a requirement for affordable housing to rent/buy in the Parish. There is also a need for a small number of 2 bed private units to allow for downsizing by older people who wish to stay in the village thereby releasing larger houses for families. The Parish Council would not however support the inclusion of 4/5 bed houses of which there are already sufficient in the Parish.

The Parish Council has explored a mixed scheme on land opposite the Black Horse owned by Enterprise Inns and this remains the Parish Councils preferred site and this should be explored further with the owners. If this site proves to be genuinely unavailable then the Parish Council support an alternative site on the western edge of the village on land to the rear of the cemetery which is understood to be available. These two sites should be more fully explored before considering other options.

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