CABINET (LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK) COMMITTEE

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FEEDBACK ON REMAINDER OF BLUEPRINT RESPONSES

REPORT OF HEAD OF STRATEGIC PLANNING

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# **RECENT REFERENCES:**

<u>CAB2115(LDF) -</u> Winchester District Development Framework - feedback on Blueprint responses and Core Strategy next steps <u>23 February 2011</u>

<u>CAB2091(LDF)</u> - Winchester District Development Framework – Local Development Framework Update 6 December 2010.

<u>CAB2060(LDF)</u> - Winchester District Development Framework – Core Strategy Consultation – 6 October 2010

<u>CAB2040(LDF)</u> - Winchester District Development Framework – Local Development Framework Update – 22 July 2010

<u>CAB 1983</u> - Winchester District Development Framework – Core Strategy Preferred Option – Feedback on Consultation (Chapters 7-16) – 12 March 2010 <u>CAB 1944</u> - Winchester District Development Framework – Core Strategy Preferred Option – Feedback on Consultation (Chapters 4-6) – 15 December 2009 <u>CAB 1908</u> - Winchester District Development Framework – Core Strategy Preferred Option – Feedback on Consultation (Chapters 1-3) - 20 October 2009 <u>CAB 1823</u> – Winchester District Development Framework – Recommended Core Strategy Preferred Option Document (Cabinet (Local Development Framework Committee) – 25 March 2009

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report covers the remainder of responses to Blueprint, following the reporting of settlement-specific comments to the Cabinet (LDF) Committee on 23 February 2011. These are from those organisations that have either a specific statutory role or have a more general overview of the District rather than settlement specific concerns. Many responses have been informed by workshops or questionnaires.

Many of the comments reflect those already submitted by individual communities in relation to the need for more affordable housing, housing options for the elderly, the need to retain families and young people, through opportunities to live and work locally and greater job opportunities, particularly for young people.

A number of the statutory consultees have raised matters relating to the need to protect the environmental quality of the District and for policies to be 'future proofed' and for cross boundary issues to be addressed. The matter of infrastructure provision and developer contributions is also raised – this is more specifically addressed elsewhere on this agenda in CAB2150(LDF). There is the outstanding issue of the Council's approach to the Community Infrastructure Levy and there will be a need to report on this to a future meeting of this Committee.

These comments in addition to those set out in CAB 2115(LDF) will inform the preparation of 'Plans for Places' to be agreed for publication and consultation by this committee in due course.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That the comments summarised in this report and the issues raised be taken into account in producing "Plans for Places, *after Blueprint*", along with the other results of Blueprint, further discussions with representatives of local communities and further technical work

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## FEEDBACK ON REMAINDER OF BLUEPRINT RESPONSES

## DETAIL:

- 1 Introduction
- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform members of the remainder of the comments received in relation to Blueprint following CAB 2115 (LDF) which set out all the responses that related to specific areas or settlements within the District. This report only includes those general District wide comments.
- 1.2 Summaries of these comments are set out at Appendix A and the full versions can be viewed on the Council's website at: <u>http://www.winchester.gov.uk/EnvironmentAndPlanning/General.asp?id=SX94</u> <u>52-A785B157&cat=6247</u>
- 1.3 A number of these responses are from statutory consultees that the Council is required to consult during LDF preparation and, given the very local nature of Blueprint, these responses are general at this stage. The Council maximised opportunities to use existing meetings and events during the consultation period to both promote Blueprint and to hold small focussed workshops with participants. The notes of these meetings are also included in this report.
- 1.4 In addition a short questionnaire was designed around the Blueprint themes and placed on the Hampshire Home Choice web pages, the results of this exercise is also set out at Appendix A. The results are a useful indication of current views although given the low response rate these must be treated with some caution.
- 1.5 In addition, it has come to light that the submission made by Shedfield Parish Council (reported to the previous meeting of this Committee) should have included comments from horse owners in Waltham Chase. These comments are set out at Appendix B and relate very specifically to the needs of horse riders and raise matters such as :- lack of bridle ways; heavy traffic on country lanes used by horse riders; opportunities for horse riding on the common and around agricultural fields. These comments focus on rights of way and highway issues rather than considering the development needs of the locality and how this may change over the next 20 years, which was one of the aims of Blueprint. Given the strategic nature of the Core Strategy these comments need to be pursued at a more local level.

### 2 Feedback on Blueprint

- 2.1 <u>Housing comments</u> comments reflect those already received and reported from the individual settlements across the District. A number of pertinent matters were raised at the Housing Forum particularly in relation to the quality of housing options, highlighting the need for security of tenure and a demand for landlords with a good reputation, with an emphasis on the need for 'quality' options. This is specifically relevant to the private rented sector which could potentially relieve pressure on the market housing if more accessible and reliable options were available, particularly to young people trying to access housing. There is recognition that forthcoming changes to the benefits system along with the requirement for large deposits could result in those in work but on low incomes not being able to access traditional market housing and needing to find alternatives.
- 2.2 The issue of 'quality' options for older people considering their housing choices was also raised, reflecting the need for developments of small houses rather than flats.
- 2.3 The Hampshire Home Choice website hosted a questionnaire, however given the small number of responses these must be treated with some caution. Overall the responses reflect comments received from other parties, including the need for affordable housing and housing for families and young people.
- 2.4 Extra care housing is specifically mentioned by Hampshire County Council as an enabling partner requesting contributions from S106 agreements to enable the delivery of such provision together with a policy in the emerging Core Strategy. In addition there is a specific comment on behalf of travelling show people commenting that there is a need both regionally and locally for more travelling show people's sites.
- 2.5 There is support for the definition of locally derived housing targets, along with the retention of strategic/local gaps and settlement boundaries. Quantifying the need for growth underlies the purpose of Blueprint and the outcomes will be used to inform draft Core Strategy policies on the amount and type of development across the District. These results will need to be balanced with the retention/amendment of settlement boundaries and the need to allocate land for development. The purpose of the Core Strategy is to set the development strategy for the District and it will not propose changes to individual settlement boundaries or allocate small development sites across the District. These will follow through the preparation of the Development Management and Allocations DPD.
- 2.6 <u>Employment comments-</u> there were few comments in relation to employment matters, with concerns around the need to provide more local job opportunities for young people including apprenticeships, and the need for employment opportunities to allow people to live and work locally, particularly for new graduates to utilise their degrees.

- 2.7 <u>Community comments</u>- these relate to the need to retain access to local services; promotion of cross-generational activities; the need for faster broadband; and for public transport to be reliable and affordable. There is a recognition of the need to keep families in settlements and to provide a greater range of social activities for 16-18 year olds.
- 2.8 <u>Other matters -</u> The importance of the natural environment and for it to be protected is raised. CPRE in particular request that the District is not subdivided into PUSH and non-PUSH as the natural environment of the whole District requires protection given the proximity to surrounding urban areas. The PUSH/non-PUSH differentiation reflects the housing requirement that was established in the South East Plan which has two housing targets, one for each of these areas. The Council's emerging Core Strategy looks more specifically at the functionality of the District and identifies three spatial areas – Winchester Town, Market Towns and Rural Areas and South Hampshire Urban Areas. This approach also reflects local communities' views in that those rural settlements in the south of the District should not be considered as part of an urban area, as they have a stronger spatial relationship with the countryside surrounding the urban areas rather than the urban areas themselves.
- 2.9 It is necessary for the emerging Core Strategy to reflect existing policy considerations to ensure that it is 'sound' when subject to its formal examination. This includes the distinction between PUSH and non PUSH areas. This approach was confirmed on 22 July 2010 CAB2040 (LDF). In addition, with the South Downs National Park Authority taking responsibility for planning policy issues as of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2011, there is a necessity for this also to be expressed in the Core Strategy. The intention at present is that a joint Core Strategy will be prepared covering the whole District with approval by Winchester City Council and South Downs National Park Authority. This approach was considered at the South Downs National Park Authority Planning Committee 14 March

http://www.southdowns.gov.uk/rte.asp?id=1099. That report highlights that given the limited resources of the Park Authority the Core Strategy will be prepared predominantly by Winchester in consultation with the Park Authority. It will however, be necessary to ensure that both authorities follow their own constitutional requirements to agree and approve the Core Strategy prior to formal publication under Regulation 27 later this year. The quality and character of the District is a matter that will be addressed on a strategic basis.

2.10 Natural England has raised comment in relation to the need for robust environmental evidence and that a precautionary approach should be adopted where there are gaps in the evidence. They emphasise the need for the planning system to deliver positive outcomes for the natural environment, given the quality of the District and the amount of sites recognised for their nature conservation importance, the Core Strategy will need to include policies to this effect. This matter is also reflected in the comments from RSPB who stress the need for the Core Strategy to be 'future proofed' to maintain flexibility. Guidance in relation to the preparation of Core Strategies states the need for flexible policies and, given that the Core Strategy must provide guidance for 15 years post adoption, this is an essential feature of policy formulation.

- 2.11 In addition there is support from the developer of the West of Waterlooville MDA for the development proposals in the PUSH part of the District to deliver 5,500 new dwellings, plus associated infrastructure on sites which fall within the South Hampshire Urban Areas spatial area of the Core Strategy (Whiteley and Waterlooville).
- 2.12 Fareham Borough Council specifically request that the Winchester Core Strategy establishes a policy context to reflect policy CS13 of the Fareham Core Strategy, in relation to the North Fareham SDA, to ensure a consistent approach, but more specifically to recognise that the area of open land separating the SDA from Knowle could be used for limited open space and green infrastructure including informal recreation. The need for the Winchester Core Strategy to address cross boundary issues is already established in the Preferred Option document and draft Policy SH5 specifically refers to the North Fareham SDA. The precise wording of this policy will require updating to reflect ongoing discussions in relation to the SDA.
- 2.13 The issue of developer contributions is raised by a number of respondents. The Theatres Trust generally refer to the need for contributions towards the provision of multi-purpose community halls, whereas both Hampshire County Council and Hampshire Constabulary request contributions to specific elements of infrastructure. The Council prepared an Infrastructure Study which was subject to consultation late2010/early 2011, the feedback from this is set out in report CAB2150(LDF) elsewhere on this agenda and addresses these issues. The need to establish developer contributions and the role/potential of the Community Infrastructure Levy to assist this process, is a matter that has yet to be resolved and will be subject to a future report to this Committee.
- 2.14 The issue of climate change is also covered with requests for small scale generation schemes to the need for policies to address adaptation and mitigation, with an emphasis on promoting a low carbon economy and the need for low/zero carbon transport options.

#### 3 Reflections on Blueprint

3.1 As highlighted in CAB 2115 (LDF) follow up meetings were to be held across the District with communities on their responses to Blueprint and how these might be taken forward. During March a comprehensive series of meetings and briefings have been held and the outcomes of these will inform the preparation of 'Plans for Places – *after Blueprint*' to be published for consultation during the summer.

### 4 <u>Next Steps</u>

4.1 To present the non-technical document 'Plans for Places *after Blueprint'*, to a meeting of this Committee for agreement and consultation during June/July 2011. The responses to this will inform the 'Pre-Submission' version of the Core Strategy to be published in late 2011.

# OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

## 5 <u>SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY AND CORPORATE BUSINESS</u> <u>PLAN (RELEVANCE TO)</u>:

5.1 As part of progressing effective spatial planning of the District, the Core Strategy is one of the key implementation mechanisms for the Council's Sustainable Community Strategy. To this extent, the Core Strategy reflects the outcomes of the Sustainable Community Strategy, and the emerging strategic planning policies will be expressed to cover these matters where there is a land use planning requirement for their delivery. It is envisaged that, even with the revised planning regime and the emphasis now on localism, this element will continue to be a core requirement of any replacement LDF.

## 6 <u>RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS</u>:

- 6.1 The key resources for undertaking work on the LDF have been approved as part of the budget process. The nature and scale of the LDF will continue to require shared resources in terms of utilising skills and expertise from other Teams within the Council. This is now even more critical given the emphasis on localism.
- 6.2 The 2011/12 Budget includes a reduction of £40,000 in the annual contributions to the LDF Reserve, reflecting the revised timetable for completion of the LDF, with this to be kept under review in future years. As a consequence the reserve may not fully cover the possible future major costs such as the public examination stage. Based on current forecasts of expenditure on the LDF, this could result in a budget shortfall from 2013/14 onwards. This will be kept under review, to assess whether additional funding is required to enable the LDF to progress.
- 6.3 The precise implications of the reinstatement of Regional Strategies are unknown at this stage, but any financial implications are expected to be limited given the impending abolition of Regional Strategies. PPS3 still requires the Council to demonstrate a 5 year supply of available housing land and this is again a relevant consideration. Further delays in progressing the Core Strategy and allocating key strategic sites to address any assessed housing need could result in developers submitting speculative planning applications and appeals, which could create an unplanned need for resources.

## 7 RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES

- 7.1 The Council's Local Development Scheme was approved by Government Office for the South East late 2009 and 'brought into effect' at Cabinet on 3 February 2010 (CAB1969 refers). The publication of the Localism Bill in December 2010 reaffirms Government's intention to retain LDFs and Local Development Schemes.
- 8 A particular risk to the Council in the short term is the issue of an ageing Local Plan and challenges regarding the supply of housing land.

## BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

## APPENDICES:

Appendix A : Blueprint - Summaries of Reponses relating to Winchester District.

Appendix B : Submission from "horse owners in Waltham Chase" rep no 20085

## Appendix A : Key Matters and Summaries of Reponses relating to Winchester District :

Key matters raised:-

Housing =

- Need affordable housing but not necessarily social rented -
- need to explore more types of affordable housing options particularly for those on low incomes but who do not qualify for social housing
- Utilise under occupied sheltered housing for young people
- Care homes and 'quality' options for older people must be addressed
- Accessibility vs affordability (amount of deposit required is a big issue for many)
- Provide incentives for people to live and work in same area
- High demand for 2 bed properties small terraced housing more attractive than flats
- Flexible family housing
- Consider 'extra-care' housing / assisted living
- Explore options for rental sector security of tenure/reputation of landlord are key issues to be addressed
- Housing association 'try before you buy' schemes need promoting
- Must ensure housing market moves cannot allow population to decline
- Housing provision must be based on need not demand

Employment =

- Young people need access to employment opportunities apprenticeships
- Access to work is an issue for young people
- Lack of opportunities for graduates
- Reduce commuting through higher paid local employment
- Encourage home working
- Need affordable offices

<u>Community =</u>

- Encourage sport
- Access to local social activities
- Retain services (child care, health) to ensure families can remain in settlements
- Access for older people to services and facilities is an issue to be addressed.
- Need access to mental health support
- Faster broadband required
- Affordable and reliable public transport
- Fuel poverty needs to be addressed explore alternatives
- Promote local food production
- Increase public participation in local democracy
- Retain cultural facilities as these are key to sustainable communities

- Require developer contributions for community facilities
- Recognise that the Police are a key infrastructure provider
- Low/zero carbon transport
- Promote low carbon economy
- Protect the natural environment and retain settlement gaps
- Landscape character needs to be protected from over development the District should be looked at as a whole not divided between PUSH and Non PUSH
- Provide small scale renewable energy schemes
- Retain and expand community transport
- Any development should be locally distinctive
- Need to provide multi-functional green infrastructure
- Need mix of shops for locals aswell as visitors
- Retain voluntary sector

### Summaries of all responses relating to Winchester District :-

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Summa	Summary of Responses :		
Rep No	Name of Organisation	Brief summary of comments	
	Health and Wellbeing strategic partnership meeting 15 Oct 2010 (14 attended)	<ul> <li>Housing comments ;</li> <li>Need affordable housing but not necessarily social rented tenure – need to explore more types of affordable housing options – housing for local people</li> <li>Consider under occupied sheltered housing for young people to promote independent living</li> <li>Older people need properties to downsize to – must avoid social isolation – consider care home in future – need 'up market care'</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>Employment comments:</li> <li>young people need access to local employment</li> <li>higher paid local employment opportunities to reduce commuting</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>Community comments: <ul> <li>access to local social activities</li> <li>encourage sport</li> <li>promote cross-generational activities so community helps itself</li> <li>access services will be different depending on whether people live in an urban/rural area</li> <li>health education needs to take place in schools not the doctors</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

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	<ul> <li>access to childcare</li> <li>Only the larger settlements offer specialist services (teenage pregnancies) – need more local support through the education system</li> <li>Need accessible dental, sexual health and mental health services etc outside the working day</li> <li>faster broadband is needed</li> <li>young people reliant on buses for school and social activities – public transport needs to be affordable and reliable</li> <li>older people need financial advice – capital rich – income poor</li> <li>fuel poverty could be an issue</li> </ul>
Housing Forum 30 November 2010	<ul> <li>Housing comments : <ul> <li>lack of affordability central to addressing the housing issue.</li> <li>Concern population will fall if nothing is done.</li> <li>Many do not qualify for social housing but are not on particularly high incomes – lack of alternative options</li> <li>Amount of deposit now required is an issue for many</li> <li>Concern that if young people/young families can not stay in a community or move into a community then shops and services may start to close</li> <li>Accessibility vs affordability</li> <li>Lack of housing stock for people to move into - people don't downsize as quick as they "up size" therefore it is unlikely to assume that downsizing will provide sufficient available properties for future generations.</li> <li>Older people will only move out when they have to</li> <li>High demand for 2 bed properties – young people; young families and older people</li> <li>HCC promote 'Extra-care' housing which is a mixture of 1-2 bed flats in large blocks, with communal facilities eg shop, restaurant, hairdressers etc. Can be rent or owner occupied. Disability accessible. So far they have only built these in a few cities in Hants, probably not viable anywhere but in very large settlements. Also would be an issue obtaining xxx?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	<ul> <li>considering this housing option</li> <li>Small terraced houses are a better option in longer term than flats, as provide flexible accommodation</li> <li>Build some HMOs Could work in small amounts (despite unpopularity with locals), need to ensure adequate car parking</li> <li>Housing Associations now have more innovative products coming onto the market – "try before you buy" schemes</li> <li>Housing markets work best when there is movement of the stock, if there is a blockage somewhere e.g. older people not moving because there is no alternatives, there will be problems.</li> </ul> Community comments: <ul> <li>must retain a range of services and facilities to keep families in settlements</li> <li>older people will need access to a range of service locally</li> </ul>
Youth Council Meeting 23 November 2010	<ul> <li><u>Housing comments:</u> <ul> <li>Need more affordable starter homes. To encourage younger people to stay in Winchester, need to offer start up grants/loans.</li> <li>Need to provide housing incentives for people who want to live and work in Winchester.</li> </ul> </li> <li><u>Employment comments:</u></li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Need more apprenticeships</li> <li>Need better and cheaper public transport to for 15-19 year olds to be able to access work opportunities; there are not many jobs available for this work group.</li> <li>Need more employment opportunities for university graduates that relate to their degrees.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li><u>Community/Social provision</u></li> <li>Need more social activities for 16-18 year olds.</li> <li>Need improved public transport (later in the evenings, cheaper) to social activities.</li> <li>Social events need to be better advertised – more accessible for younger people.</li> <li>Need better access to mental health support.</li> </ul>
Hampshire Home Choice website	As part of Blueprint a short questionnaire was designed and placed on the Hampshire Home Choice website.

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survey (December 2010)	Whilst the response rate was low the following provides an indication of current views :-
	Question 1 : what type of housing do you think is needed? 100% agree that some are required for young people 87.5% agree homes for families are most needed 57.1% agree that some homes for older people are needed 57.1% agree homes in villages are most needed compared to 33.3% in towns 71.5% agree affordable housing is most needed. Question 2 : what type of homes are needed? 83.5% agree some 1 bed flats, compared to 75% for 2 bed flats or 62.5% for two bed houses; 71.4% for 3 bed houses; 50% for 4 bed houses and 40% for bungalows. 66.7% said supported accommodation for older persons was needed.
	Question 3 : what type of property do you currently live in? Owner occupied = 14.3% Rented from Council or housing association = 57.1% Privately rented = 28.6%
	Question 4 : are you and where appropriate your family the only occupiers of the above property or do you share it? Only occupiers = 62.5% Share with family or friends = 37.5%
	Question 5 : when do you think you will next move house? Currently looking to move = 75% 1 year = 12.5% 3-5 years = 12.5%
	Question 6 : how long have you been looking for a new home? 0-6months = $16.7\%$ 6-12 months $16.7\%$ 1-2 years $33.3\%$ 2-4 years = $16.7\%$ 4 years + = $16.7\%$
	Question 7 : are you having difficulty finding a suitable

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		home? Yes = 100%
		Question 8 : what are the reasons for not being able to move? Type of home not available = 50% Type of home too expensive = 16.7% Council waiting list is too long = 66.7% Shortage of shared ownership = 16.7% Type of home is not available in the area I would like to move to = 16.7% Question 9 : what is the main reason for wanting to move? Home too large = 14.3% Home too small = 42.9%
		Move to own home = 14.3% Short term tenancy = 28.6% Question 10 : where would you like to move to? (specify 3 choices) The responses to this are very specific to certain settlements in the District, however given the low response rate these are cannot be taken to be indicative of local need.
		Further questions requested data on the respondent in terms of their age, postcode etc. In addition 42.9% said 4 people would be living in the new home, all with young people under 16.
20001	Coal Authority	No specific comments to make at this stage.
20005	Civil Aviation Authority Safety Regulation Group	Recommend that the Council considers the needs of aerodromes in the development plan and consult with the operators/licensees directly.
20011	RSPB	Refer to letter dated 2 October 2009 commenting on Core Strategy Preferred Option. Welcome strategic cross- boundary approach by PUSH authorities on disturbance and mitigation. Need to ensure that the Core Strategy is 'future proofed' by taking appropriate elements of the South East Plan into the Core Strategy such as policy NRM5 to maintain sufficient flexibility in the quantum and distribution of housing.
20012	Fair Oak and Horton Heath Parish Council	No comments to make at this stage.

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20028	The Theatres Trust	There is a recognition that a vibrant cultural life is a necessary ingredient of sustainable communities – contributing to local identity.	
		The Council should ensure that demand for multi- purpose community halls generated by the creation of new homes are accessible and developer contributions are sought to their provision through either improvement to an existing hall or the provision of a new one. The space should be flexible to include space for cultural activities such as performance space.	
20051	Hampshire Constabulary	Request that the Police are clearly identified as a major infrastructure provider in both the LDF and other relevant policies and to be an automatic consultee, particularly in relation to developer contributions and CIL. Police infrastructure requirements will differ with greater interest in larger developments. Are not in a position to state specifically what future needs may be, this will depend on targeted growth plans for the District following revocation of the South East Plan. This approach will enable police to match support to community growth.	
		Request that the police can with immediate effect make submissions to secure Section 106 contributions for police infrastructure.	
20065	Winchester Green Party	<ul> <li>Acknowledge that localism is imperative for a sustainable world. GP vision for Winchester District to 2030 includes :- <ul> <li>equality and fairness – social equality to be the norm; access to decent paid jobs; good schools; health services housing etc to be fairly distributed</li> <li>jobs and the economy- sustainable local economy- green tech; low carbon jobs; workforce training; investment in public transport, social housing etc</li> <li>housing- to bring housing policies under local democratic control – to have a balance mix of tenures; to reduce number of empty homes; planning for housing provision to be based on actual need not demand.</li> <li>Public services and local government - to be controlled by elected accountable body , with high levels of public participation</li> <li>Education – young people have a right to high quality education; vocational training to be a high priority plus nursery provision</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

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		<ul> <li>predominate; link rural areas with nearby towns; walking and cycling to be promoted; the ancient walled part of Winchester to be pedestrianised with only cycling and lorry delivery</li> <li>Food – promote local food production and distribution</li> <li>Natural environment and social amenities– return biodiversity to levels of 1950's; sporting and social amenities to be available to all groups</li> <li>Need to reduce the drastic inequalities that exist in the District.</li> <li>Recommendations :- <ol> <li>educate people about consequences of peak oil and climate change – set policies to promote low carbon economy, agriculture and small scale manufacturing, skill-up young people</li> <li>prevent public sector provision from passing into the private sector; plan for housing provision according to actual need not demand; new housing to be zero carbon</li> <li>prioritise the protection of the natural environment as a common asset – resist pressure to over- develop the District</li> <li>move away from fossil fuel dependant modes of transport – improve public transport provision</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
20073	Savills on behalf of Grainger plc	Support the approach to distinguish between the long standing strategic sites at Whiteley and West of Waterlooville to deliver 5,500 dwellings within the PUSH part of the District and for the Council's approach of continuing with the PUSH strategy. The District has seen a fall in housing completions over the last two years and there is a need for a step change in delivery to meet both demand and need across the District. Early approval of the planning application and delivery of the MDA at West of Waterlooville will aid the Council in meeting both its numerical and socio-economic objectives.
20077	Fareham Borough Council	FBC support the north Whitely development subject to a maximum of 3000 houses and absolutely conditional on provision of primary and secondary schools sufficient for present and future of Whiteley. Welcome the opportunity

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		for further discussions in relation to Whiteley.
		With regard to the North Fareham SDA – policy CS13 of the Fareham Core Strategy includes provision for 6,500 – 7,500 dwellings at the SDA. The Winchester Core Strategy must establish the policy context and boundary for this land consistent with the Fareham Core Strategy, with acknowledgement that the area of open land separating the SDA from Knowle could be used for limited open space and green infrastructure including informal recreation, as the SDA will be able to support the population of Knowle through its services and facilities which are currently lacking.
20088	Brimble, Lea and Partners on behalf of Travelling Showpeople	There is a need for more travelling showpeople's sites both regionally and locally.
20098	WACA staff and trustees	<ul> <li>Housing comments <ul> <li>need starter flats</li> <li>more affordable housing</li> <li>opportunities for downsizing</li> </ul> </li> <li>employment comments <ul> <li>need employment opportunities to enable people to live and work locally</li> <li>encourage home working</li> <li>encourage local offices - affordable</li> <li>need apprenticeships for young people</li> </ul> </li> <li>community comments <ul> <li>reliance on public transport will restrict opportunities available to individuals</li> <li>retain and expand community transport to allow older people to stay active and independent</li> <li>insulate properties to reduce heating bills etc</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
20112	Natural England	The importance of the natural environment should be recognised at the heart of the planning process. Advocate that all strategic planning decisions should be made on a robust environmental evidence base and an understanding of environmental capacity. A precautionary approach should be adopted where there are gaps in current evidence. Also need to include an analysis of the challenges facing the natural environment such as climate change. Locally specific issues should

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		<ul> <li>include the condition of key environmental assets, plus the special qualities of nationally important landscape of the South Downs National Park. NE considers that the spatial planning system should deliver positive outcomes for the natural environment:-</li> <li>through enhancement and the provision of multifunctional green infrastructure; habitat creation; landscape restoration</li> <li>development should be locally distinctive – enhance its landscape context</li> <li>protect and enhance natural resources – national or international sites should be afforded highest levels of protection.</li> </ul>
20123	Winchester Centre Licensees	<ul> <li>Housing comments <ul> <li>need both affordable and local housing</li> <li>need housing that people want to live in</li> <li>more housing association properties needed</li> <li>assisted living for the elderly</li> </ul> </li> <li>community comments <ul> <li>need frequent more affordable public transport</li> <li>need everyday shops not just those for tourists</li> <li>must ensure retain mixed diverse communities not just those on high incomes</li> <li>local health provision must be retained for both elderly and young</li> <li>essential to retain voluntary sector</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
20125	CPRE Hampshire	<ul> <li>Good land use planning is key to environmental protection.</li> <li>Landscape character – Winchester District is exceptional and must be protected as it is valuable to both the local community and the economy via tourism. CPRE request that the District is not sub divided into PUSH and non-PUSH as the southern parishes are important to the overall character of the District, and require protection, particularly given the proximity to surrounding urban areas. Housing allocations should only be made if a genuine local need is determined. Request that the District is considered under one set of policies with protection for the southern parishes from more urbanisation.</li> <li>Better Planning – the planning system must now</li> </ul>

Name of Par	rish (settlement) :	Winchester District
	mpshire unty Council	<ul> <li>allow flexibility and be an evolving and continual process which accommodates changes – urge the Council to establish locally driven targets. Decisions need to be based on true need. New buildings must enhance local distinctiveness and sense of place.</li> <li>Support settlement policy boundaries</li> <li>Wish to see strong protection of strategic gaps and separation of settlements must be maintained</li> <li>Support protection of nationally designated areas</li> <li>Support zero net migration policy for housing</li> <li>Wish to see thriving rural communities with sustainable services</li> <li>Wish to see Winchester District make a contribution to small scale renewable energy</li> <li>Must have a democratic planning system that recognises the importance of the countryside.</li> <li>HCC is progressing with its 'Project 500' to deliver 500 affordable homes across the County on publicly owned land. This will be undertaken with the local authority in consultation with local communities.</li> <li>HCC is committed to develop Extra Care Housing through acting as an enabling partner rather than a provider. HCC would wish to seek contributions from S106 agreements to enable the delivery of such provision and should be provided directly on larger developments. HCC requests the inclusion of a specific policy on extra care housing to be included in the Core Strategy with a specific target for extra care housing over the plan period.</li> </ul>

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Subject: Views from horse owners in Waltham Chase for Blue Print

Horse owners would like to see the following;

1. Even though there are more riders than ever before in the area, there are fewer than ever before bridle paths, and some old bridle paths have been ruined for horseriders because they have been turned into off-roading tracks. Off roading should be resticted from bridle paths.

2.Traffic lights should be phased to allow a horse at the walk to cross the road. At present it is impossible for a single horse at the walk to cross the Winchester Road before the lights change against them. Two horses in single file have no chance, yet to ride double file blocks the road, preventing vehicles from overtaking.
5 years ago 3 local riders and The British Horse Society spent several hours on separate occasions riding horses back and forth accross the road whilst traffic engineers rephased the Waltham Chase lights. However they were put back to their original phasing within a month.

3.Lower speed limits on roads where horses are frequently ridden ie where there are livery yards.

4. Horse and Rider warning signs on all roads where there are livery yards.

5.Restriction of heavy traffic from narrow country lanes eg in Clewers Hill, Waltham Chase, there are 8 commercial livery yards and private stables, and half the road is a narrow steep hill with blind bends, with steep banks and no verges or footways, yet HCC and WCC in their wisdom have together contrived that heavy commercial traffic for and from the B1, B3, and B8 industrial yards in Curdridge Lane are allowed, nigh encouraged by the current Road Traffic Order to use Clewers Hill rather than stay in Curdridge Lane.

Other roads similar to Clewers Hill are Sandy Lane, Bull Lane, St Annes Lane, Solomans Lane, and Blackhorse Lane.

6. Farmers and landowners should be encouraged to allow horseriding around the edges of fields at certain times of the year as they used to before set-aside came in.

7. Horse riding should be allowed on clearly demarked areas of Shedfield Common. Horse riding is a sport and leisure activity just as is dog walking.

8. More public education of vehicle drivers to make them aware of the rights of horse riders on the road and the dangers of driving too close and fast by horses.