

Re. Rushcliffe B C – Local Plan Part 2

At the Parish Council AGM on 16th May 2018, it was announced by the Parish Chairman that the local plan was now out for public consultation to a deadline of 5pm on 28th June 2018 with the proposal to build 13,000 houses in the Borough by 2028.

Within that plan, the land adjacent to Park Lane and the A6006, to the south of Sutton Bonington, is 1 of 9 sites in the Borough proposed for housing development. Please note the site is not as yet a formal planning application but *is* a proposal with the local plan document, for 80 houses to be built on the majority of the 16 acre field.

The Parish Council will be objecting to the proposal. Immediately following the AGM, a group of 15-20 residents from Charnwood Av, Charnwood Fields and Park Lane also agreed to initiate a Local Residents group. The purpose of the group will be to discuss with neighbouring residents the impacts that the development will have, including: congested road access, excessive pressure on an already failing local surface water drainage and sewer system and pressure on local services such as the Doctors Surgery and public transport. There is also concern among residents that the development will not be integrated with the main village, will simply form a dormitory and will sub-urbanise the rural countryside. The development is proposed to include 30% social housing.

Sutton Bonington and Normanton on Soar communicate well but *are* separate villages whose identity and rural character would be lost by this development encroaching on the open countryside. This proposal is not small scale infill and instead could form a first phase of development across the whole field, with minimal contribution to the Rushcliffe target but significant impact on the existing villages.

If you wish to object to the planning authority then your letter will need to be submitted to Rushcliffe BC by the deadline above. The Local Residents Committee (LRC) will hold a meeting at the Pavilion in the Main Street recreation ground at **730pm on Wednesday 23rd May 2018** and all neighbouring residents are welcome. The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss the impact on existing residents and provide information from which you can make your decision and respond to the consultation. A member of the Parish Council will join us that evening.

Thank you for your support - I look forward to meeting.

Robin Truslove (Chairman of LRC), Charnwood Av, Sutton Bonington

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