

**Responses to West Horndon Neighbourhood Area Consultation
(May – July 2014)**

Ref: 001	Name: Mr. Alan Bayless	
	Local resident	Received: 29.05.14
Comment	<p>Full Response: I agree that there needs to be an extension to the above area but I think that this should only development of the industrial site which I believe is to be closed down, a prime area for building houses.</p>	
<p>Summary of Issues: Response does not comment on the proposed Neighbourhood Plan area, instead comments on suitability of sites for future development.</p>		<p>Action(s): View expressed regarding suitability of specific site for development is more appropriate to feed into continuing Borough Council Local Development Plan consultation and Parish Council work to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan.</p>

Ref: 002	Name(s): E. Bonail, M.E. Bonail, R.E. Bonail	
	Local residents	Received: 30.05.14
Support	<p>Full Response: We in this household fully support the initiative by our Parish Council to designate an area within the terms of the current legislation.</p>	
<p>Summary of Issues: Support proposed Neighbourhood Plan Area.</p>		<p>Action(s): Support noted</p>

Ref: 003	Name(s): Sue Bull	Position: Planning Liaison Manger (East)
	Organisation: Anglian Water	Received: 30.05.14
No comment	<p>Full Response: Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this proposal. Whilst I do not have any comment to make at this area designation stage, I would welcome the opportunity to comment on later consultations should the plan progress to a draft.</p>	
<p>Summary of Issues: Anglian Water have no comment to make at this stage, but wish to be involved in further Neighbourhood Plan consultation.</p>		<p>Action(s): Advise that West Horndon Parish Council involve Anglian Water in Neighbourhood Plan preparation and consultation.</p>

Ref: 004	Name(s): Sarah Whiting	
	Organisation: Highways Agency	Received: 30.05.14
No comment	<p>Full Response: The HA is an executive agency of the Department for Transport (DfT). We are responsible for operating, maintaining and improving England's strategic road network (SRN) on behalf of the Secretary of State for Transport. The HA will be concerned with proposals that have the potential to impact the safe and efficient operation of the SRN. We have reviewed the documents and do not have any comment at this time.</p>	
<p>Summary of Issues: The Highways Agency have no comment to make at this stage, but wish to be involved in further Neighbourhood Plan consultation.</p>		<p>Action(s): Advise that West Horndon Parish Council involve the Highways Agency in Neighbourhood Plan preparation and consultation.</p>

Ref: 005	Name: Marjorie Ramsey	
	Local resident	Received: 02.06.14
Object	<p>Full Response: Further to this email, I note Little Warley Hall Lane has been included in the above application. As far as the Parish Council is concerned, it deals with West Horndon affairs and does not represent the area in which I live, which for the 54 years I have lived here, has been in the Little Warley/Childerditch area. My yard is already designated a brownfield site and was not included in the Brentwood Local Plan with the mention of West Horndon development.</p>	
<p>Summary of Issues: Object to the proposed Neighbourhood Plan area covering the entire boundary, specifically extending as far as the Little Warley/Childerditch area.</p>		<p>Action(s): Objection noted</p>

Ref: 006	Name: Mrs. J Littlechild	
	Local resident	Received: 02.06.14
Support	<p>Full Response: Please record my support for the application by the West Horndon Parish Council for your approval of the West Horndon Neighbourhood Plan Area.</p>	
<p>Summary of Issues: Support proposed Neighbourhood Plan Area.</p>		<p>Action(s): Support noted</p>

Ref: 007	Name(s): Anne Crane	Position: Area Manager, Borough Planning
	Organisation: Transport for London (TfL)	Received: 03.06.14
No comment	Full Response: Thank you for consulting TfL on West Horndon Parish Council's application for Brentwood Borough Council to approve a Neighbourhood Plan. In this instance TfL has no comment to make.	
Summary of Issues: TfL make no comment	Action(s): Noted. By way of courtesy, advise that West Horndon Parish Council involve TfL in Neighbourhood Plan preparation and consultation.	

Ref: 008	Name(s): David Allcock	
	Organisation: Natural England	Received: 04.06.14
Comment	<p>Full Response: Thank you for notifying Natural England of your Neighbourhood Planning Area dated 29/05/2014</p> <p>Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development. Natural England is a statutory consultee in neighbourhood planning. We must be consulted on draft Neighbourhood Development Plans where the Town/Parish Council or Neighbourhood Forum considers our interests would be affected by the proposals. We must be consulted on draft Neighbourhood Development Orders and Community Right to Build Orders where proposals are likely to affect a Site of Special Scientific Interest or 20 hectares or more of Best and Most Versatile agricultural land. We must also be consulted on Strategic Environmental Assessments, Habitats Regulations Assessment screening and Environmental Impact Assessments, where these are required. Your local planning authority will be able to advise you further on environmental requirements.</p> <p>The following is offered as general advice which may be of use in the preparation of your plan.</p> <p>Natural England, together with the Environment Agency, English Heritage and Forestry Commission has published joint advice on neighbourhood planning which sets out sources of environmental information and ideas on incorporating the environment into plans and development proposals. This is available at: http://publications.environment-agency.gov.uk/PDF/GEHO0212BWAZ-E-E.pdf</p> <p>Local environmental record centres hold a range of information on the natural environment. A list of local records centre is available at: http://www.nbn-nfbr.org.uk/nfbr.php</p> <p>Protected landscapes If your neighbourhood planning area is within or adjacent to a National Park or Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), we advise that you take account of the relevant National Park/AONB Management Plan for the area. For Areas</p>	

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‘Local planning authorities should take into account the economic and other benefits of the best and most versatile agricultural land. Where significant development of agricultural land is demonstrated to be necessary, local planning authorities should seek to use areas of poorer quality land in preference to that of a higher quality’.

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Neighbourhood plans and proposals may provide opportunities to enhance the character and local distinctiveness of the surrounding natural and built environment, use natural resources more sustainably and bring benefits for the local community, for example through green space provision and access to and contact with nature.

Opportunities to incorporate features into new build or retro fitted buildings which are beneficial to wildlife, such as the incorporation of roosting opportunities for bats or the installation of bird nest boxes should also be

<p>considered as part of any new development proposal. Should the proposal be amended in a way which significantly affects its impact on the natural environment then, in accordance with Section 4 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006, Natural England should be consulted again at consultations@naturalengland.org.uk</p>	
<p>Summary of Issues: Natural England make no specific comment regarding the proposed Neighbourhood Plan area.</p> <p>General advice is set out with regards to protected landscapes, protected species, local wildlife sites and best most versatile agricultural land.</p>	<p>Action(s): Advise that West Horndon Parish Council note the advice and links provided by Natural England when preparing its Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>Advise that the Parish Council ensure Natural England is consulted as part of future Neighbourhood Plan preparation, Strategic Environmental Assessment and Environmental Impact Assessment (where applicable).</p>

Ref: 009	Name(s): Victoria Vernon	Position: Planning Administrator
	Organisation: Sport England	Received: 04.06.14
Comment	<p>Full Response: Thank you for consulting Sport England on the above Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>Planning Policy in the National Planning Policy Framework identifies how the planning system can play an important role in facilitating social interaction and creating healthy, inclusive communities. Encouraging communities to become more physically active through walking, cycling, informal recreation and formal sport plays an important part in this process and providing enough sports facilities of the right quality and type and in the right places is vital to achieving this aim. This means positive planning for sport, protection from unnecessary loss of sports facilities and an integrated approach to providing new housing and employment land and community facilities provision is important.</p> <p>It is important therefore that the Neighbourhood Plan reflects national policy for sport as set out in the above document with particular reference to Pars 73 and 74 to ensure proposals comply with National Planning Policy. It is also important to be aware of Sport England's role in protecting playing fields and the presumption against the loss of playing fields (see link below), as set out in our national guide, 'A Sporting Future for the Playing Fields of England – Planning Policy Statement'. http://www.sportengland.org/facilities-planning/planning-for-sport/development-management/planning-applications/playing-field-land/</p> <p>Sport England provides guidance on developing policy for sport and further information can be found following the link below: http://www.sportengland.org/facilities-planning/planning-for-sport/forward-planning/</p> <p>Sport England works with Local Authorities to ensure Local Plan policy is underpinned by robust and up to date assessments and strategies for indoor and outdoor sports delivery. If local authorities have prepared a Playing Pitch Strategy or other indoor/outdoor sports strategy it will be important that the</p>	

	<p>Neighbourhood Plan reflects the recommendations set out in that document and that any local investment opportunities, such as the Community Infrastructure Levy, are utilised to support the delivery of those recommendations.</p> <p>http://www.sportengland.org/facilities-planning/planning-for-sport/planning-tools-and-guidance/</p> <p>If new sports facilities are being proposed Sport England recommend you ensure such facilities are fit for purpose and designed in accordance with our design guidance notes.</p> <p>http://www.sportengland.org/facilities-planning/tools-guidance/design-and-cost-guidance/</p>
<p>Summary of Issues: Sport England make no specific comment regarding the proposed Neighbourhood Plan area.</p> <p>General advice is set out with regards to positive planning for sport and protection from unnecessary loss of sports facilities, among other issues.</p>	<p>Action(s): Advise that West Horndon Parish Council note the advice and links provided by Sport England when preparing its Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>Advise that the Parish Council ensure Sport England is consulted as part of future Neighbourhood Plan preparation.</p>

Ref: 010	Name(s): Tonia Parsons	Position: Chief Operating Officer
	Organisation: NHS Basildon and Brentwood Clinical Commissioning Group	Received: 05.06.14
Support & Comment	<p>Full Response: Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this proposal. We acknowledge that the designation of West Horndon as a Neighbourhood Plan Area is coterminous with current parish boundaries, so this appears to be a logical geographical boundary.</p> <p>We would however like to add that we would expect all the new Neighbourhood Plan Areas to be mindful of the impact of local decisions on the provision of health care services, particularly in relation to the capacity of local GP practices. For this reason we would wish to be involved at an early stage of any proposals for housing growth or new residential homes.</p>	
<p>Summary of Issues: NHS Basildon and Brentwood Clinical Commissioning Group support the proposed Neighbourhood Plan area.</p> <p>Comment is made that Neighbourhood Plan proposals be mindful of the impact of local decisions on the provision of health care services.</p>	<p>Action(s): Advise that West Horndon Parish Council note the advice provided by NHS Basildon and Brentwood Clinical Commissioning Group when preparing its Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>Advise that the Parish Council ensure the NHS Group is consulted as part of future Neighbourhood Plan preparation.</p>	

Ref: 011	Name(s): Elizabeth Van Driesen	Position: Wayleave Surveyor
	Organisation: UK Power Networks	Received: 05.06.14
Comment	<p>Full Response: Many thanks for your email regarding the West Horndon Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>Please be aware that there are cables, structures, supports and substations at Low Voltage, 11kV, 33kV and 132kV belonging to UK Power Networks within the defined area that provides electricity supplies to the West Horndon Parish area and are integral to supplying other communities to a significant area beyond.</p> <p>Please can you consult UK Power Networks with any future developments.</p>	
<p>Summary of Issues: UK Power Networks make no comment regarding the proposed Neighbourhood Plan area.</p> <p>Specific advice is provided regarding the existence of electricity supply cables, supports and substations within the proposed area.</p>		<p>Action(s): Advise that West Horndon Parish Council note the advice provided by UK Power Networks when preparing its Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>Advise that the Parish Council ensure that UK Power Networks is consulted as part of future Neighbourhood Plan preparation.</p>

Ref: 012	Name(s): David Grech	Position: Historic Places Advisor
	Organisation: English Heritage	Received: 05.06.14
Comment	<p>Full Response: Thanks you for your electronic notification addressed to my colleague Katherine Fletcher concerning West Horndon Parish Council's application for approval as a proposed Neighbourhood Plan Area. English Heritage has no objection to this application.</p> <p>English Heritage has a statutory role in the development plan process and there is a duty to consult English Heritage where our interests are considered to be affected. Our area of interest is the historic environment and, depending on the locality, we can offer specific advice concerning the inclusion of the historic environment in drafting plans. From a quick desk based assessment of West Horndon it is apparent that while the parish contains only a relatively small number of designated heritage assets, they include a number of significant designations. These include the southern part of the Grade II* Thorndon Hall Registered Park and Garden and Thorndon Park Conservation Area, the Grade I listed Church of St Peter, the Grade II* listed Church of All Saints, the Grade II* listed Little Worley Hall and other buildings listed at Grade II. In addition, there are other heritage assets in close proximity to the parish boundaries. We would therefore welcome the opportunity to comment on an early draft of their Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>Of course the nature of the locally-led neighbourhood plan process is that the community itself should determine its own agenda based on the issues it is concerned about. At the same time, as a national organisation able increasingly to draw upon our experiences of neighbourhood planning</p>	

	<p>exercises across the country, our input, agreed on a case by case basis, can help those communities reflect upon the special (heritage) qualities which define their area to best ensure that optimum and sustainable outcomes are achieved.</p> <p>To this end information on our website might be of initial assistance http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/caring/get-involved/improving-your-neighbourhood/</p>
<p>Summary of Issues: English Heritage make no specific comment regarding the proposed Neighbourhood Plan area.</p> <p>General advice is set out with regard to the historic environment and significant designations within the proposed area.</p>	<p>Action(s): Advise that West Horndon Parish Council note the advice and links provided by English Heritage when preparing its Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>Advise that the Parish Council ensure English Heritage is consulted as part of future Neighbourhood Plan preparation.</p>

Ref: 013	Name(s): Thomas Acton	Position: Secretary
	Organisation: Brentwood Gypsy Support Group	Received: 12.06.14
Support & Comment	<p>Full Response: The Brentwood Gypsy Support Group supports the formation of a West Horndon Neighbourhood Plan, and has no objections to the boundary proposed, PROVIDED that the Plan once formulated is no less favourable to the development of Gypsy/Traveller caravan sites than the existing Draft Local Plan currently under review by the Council. To say that, however, is not to say we necessarily see the suggestion of a single medium-sized site as suggested in the Draft Local Plan as necessarily the best option. As we commented previously, the possibility of a number of much smaller sites may be better, and we do see other preferable possibilities to meet immediate need in the Borough. In the long term, however, the existence of development land which is zoned for possible Gypsy Site development among other uses (dependent of course on the emergence of a willing and capable developer, and the observance of all planning and design).</p> <p>The BGSB would be happy to be available to West Horndon Parish Council for consultation and information.</p>	
<p>Summary of Issues: The Brentwood Gypsy Support Group support the proposed Neighbourhood Plan area.</p> <p>Comments provided regarding the need for consistency with the Borough Council's Local Development Plan, specifically on the issue of Gypsy & Traveller pitch provision.</p>	<p>Action(s): Advise that West Horndon Parish Council involve the Brentwood Gypsy Support Group in Neighbourhood Plan preparation and consultation.</p>	

Ref: 014	Name: Keith O'Riley	
	Local resident	Received: 20.06.14
Support	Full Response: I would like to register my total agreement to approve a neighbourhood development plan for the West Horndon area.	
Summary of Issues: Support proposed Neighbourhood Plan Area.		Action(s): Support noted

Ref: 015	Name(s): Miss Rachel Bowden	
	Organisation: Natural England	Received: 24.06.14
Comment	Full Response: Thank you for notifying Natural England requesting information in respect of your Neighbourhood Planning Area dated 29/05/2014	
	<p>Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development. Natural England is a statutory consultee in neighbourhood planning. We must be consulted on draft Neighbourhood Development Plans where the Town/Parish Council or Neighbourhood Forum considers our interests would be affected by the proposals. We must be consulted on draft Neighbourhood Development Orders and Community Right to Build Orders where proposals are likely to affect a Site of Special Scientific Interest or 20 hectares or more of Best and Most Versatile agricultural land. We must also be consulted on Strategic Environmental Assessments, Habitats Regulations Assessment screening and Environmental Impact Assessments, where these are required. Your local planning authority will be able to advise you further on environmental requirements.</p>	
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Ref: 016	Name(s): Matthew Winslow	Position: Service Manager - Planning Policy & Regeneration Strategy	
	Organisation: Basildon Borough Council		Received: 27.06.14
No comment	<p>Full Response: Thank you for informing Basildon Borough Council that the above application by West Horndon Parish Council has been submitted for approval. Basildon Borough Council has reviewed the proposed West Horndon Neighbourhood Plan Area, which shares part of its boundary with Basildon Borough, and has no comment to make at this stage.</p> <p>Please accept this letter as the Council's formal response.</p>		
<p>Summary of Issues: Basildon Borough Council have no comment to make at this stage, but wish to be involved in further Neighbourhood Plan consultation.</p>	<p>Action(s): Advise West Horndon Parish Council to involve Basildon Borough Council in Neighbourhood Plan preparation and consultation.</p>		

Ref: 017	Name: Gemma Moring		
	Local resident		Received: 01.07.14
Support	<p>Full Response: I write to confirm my agreement with the West Horndon Parish Council's proposed Neighbourhood Plan area.</p> <p>Due to the potentially significant effect on our village, I agree that the entire West Horndon Parish area should be included within this plan.</p>		
<p>Summary of Issues: Support proposed Neighbourhood Plan Area.</p>	<p>Action(s): Support noted</p>		

Ref: 018	Name(s): Kevin Fraser	Position: Principal Planner
	Organisation: Essex County Council	Received: 07.07.14
Comment	<p>Full Response:</p> <p>Thank you for consulting Essex County Council on the proposed boundary of the West Horndon Neighbourhood Plan Area as put forward by West Horndon Parish Council. The County Council raises no comment on the proposed boundary. General comments which may inform plan preparation are provided overleaf.</p> <p>The County Council looks forward to engaging constructively, actively and on an on-going basis during the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan, to ensure the continuation of a robust long-term strategy for the area that provides a reliable basis on which the County Council may plan future service provision and required community and physical infrastructure for which it is responsible.</p> <p>Duty to Cooperate The Duty to Co-operate is contained in the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 as amended by the Localism Act 2011. It requires Local Planning Authorities to ensure that local planning lead strategic planning effectively through their Local Plans addressing social, environmental and economic issues that can only be addressed by effectively working with other authorities beyond their own administrative boundaries.</p> <p>Guidance issued on the 6th March 2014 stresses that close cooperation between District Councils and County Councils in two tier areas will be critical to ensure that both tiers are effective when planning for strategic matters.</p> <p>Essex County Council delivers a wide range of important public services upon which it can provide useful guidance and advice for those carrying out neighbourhood planning projects. A reference guide setting out the main County Council services that might have to be considered when carrying out neighbourhood planning may be accessed at, http://www.essex.gov.uk/Environment%20Planning/Planning/Spatial-Planning/Documents/Neighbourhood_planning.pdf</p> <p>Essex County Council would seek involvement to consider the potential impact of development on the local and strategic highway network, and in particular potential access onto the A127, which is a key route on the County highway network. Essex County Council would wish to be involved in consideration of any overall transport strategy with regards impacts on the A127 and beyond; enhanced bus links to Brentwood Town Centre, and improved walking and cycling routes within the development and to wider networks.</p> <p>Any future growth will need to consider the impact on Early Years and Childcare, Primary and Secondary education. Whilst the Neighbourhood Plan area contains the West Horndon Primary School consideration will need to be given to any need to provide an additional school and/or part expansion. Consideration will also need to be given to ensuring safe and direct routes from the development to West Horndon Primary, if the option to part expand the school is selected. The plan area is located within the secondary school catchment area of Brentwood County High School.</p>	

	<p>Brentwood Surface Water Management Plan Essex County Council is the 'lead local flood authority' and is responsible for dealing with flooding from surface water, groundwater and ordinary watercourses. The emerging Brentwood Surface Water Management Plan highlights a number of areas to be at a higher risk than others to surface water flooding, including West Horndon. Such areas should not be precluded from development but will lead to additional work to identify appropriate mitigation and amelioration work.</p> <p>Historic environment The area within the proposed boundary has not been the subject of a study on the character of the historic environment of the borough of Brentwood. However, it should be noted that the proposed area does contain a number of heritage assets including the church hall complex at Little Warley Hall and the Church of All Saints, which should be considered as an integral part of neighbourhood plan.</p> <p>Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) It is generally accepted that a Sustainability Appraisal (SA) of the type that is legally required for a Development Plan Document (eg Local Plan) is not required for Neighbourhood Plans. However, a Neighbourhood Plan may require a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) under EU regulations dependant on the content of the Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>Planning Advisory Service (PAS) Guidance recommends that the local authority should undertake an early SEA screening of the neighbourhood plan to highlight if a SEA will be required.</p> <p>The NPPF Practice Guidance has more information on the matter at the following link: http://planningguidance.planningportal.gov.uk/blog/guidance/strategic-environmental-assessment-and-sustainability-appraisal/sustainability-appraisal-requirements-for-neighbourhood-plans/</p> <p>Regarding the undertaking of Strategic Environmental Assessment, the following link is a good example of how the requirements can be met: http://www.levett-therivel.co.uk/DIYSA.pdf</p>
<p>Summary of Issues: Essex County Council make no specific comment regarding the proposed Neighbourhood Plan area.</p> <p>Advice is set out with regards to the Duty to Cooperate: a) for County Council involvement in proposals that have potential impact on the local and strategic highway network, in particular potential access to the A127 and links to Brentwood Town Centre. b) for consideration to the impact on Early Years and Childcare, Primary and Secondary education.</p> <p>Further advice is provided regarding the Brentwood Surface Water Management Plan, historic environment, and Strategic Environmental Assessment.</p>	<p>Action(s): Advise that West Horndon Parish Council note the advice and links provided by Essex County Council when preparing its Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>Advise that the Parish Council ensure Essex County Council is consulted as part of future Neighbourhood Plan preparation.</p>

Ref: 019	Name: Anthony Crowley	
	Local resident	Received: 08.07.14
Support	Full Response: I write as a resident of West Horndon and confirm I raise no objections to the proposal.	
Summary of Issues: Support proposed Neighbourhood Plan Area.		Action(s): Support noted

Ref: 020	Name(s): Chris McGough	Position: Director
	Organisation: McGough Planning Consultants Ltd. On behalf of Hermes Property Unit Trust	Received: 08.07.14
Support	<p>Full Response: McGough Planning write on behalf of Hermes Property Unit Trust (“Hermes”), the owners of the Horndon Industrial Park.</p> <p>As you know, we have been looking to masterplan the redevelopment of the Horndon Industrial Park to bring forward a residential led mixed use scheme. We consider the industrial estate can be redeveloped to make a positive contribution to West Horndon in terms of meeting the needs for housing and other facilities that would help the village grow in a sustainable fashion.</p> <p>Hermes wish to express their strong support for the Parish Council’s emerging Neighbourhood Plan and see it as an important tool that would inform the master-planning process for their industrial estate’s redevelopment.</p> <p>Hermes support the Parish Council’s current application to establish the boundary of the West Horndon Neighbourhood Planning area.</p>	
<p>Summary of Issues: Support proposed Neighbourhood Plan Area.</p> <p>Suggest a Neighbourhood Plan will be an important tool to inform masterplan work for the proposed redevelopment of Horndon Industrial Estate.</p>		<p>Action(s): Support noted.</p> <p>Advise that the Parish Council ensure Hermes is consulted as part of future Neighbourhood Plan preparation given their local landholding.</p>

Ref: 021	Name(s): Gabrielle Rowan	Position: Associate
	Organisation: Pegasus Group on behalf of Mrs. F. Rasch	Received: 09.07.14
Support	<p>Full Response: Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed West Horndon Neighbourhood Area.</p> <p>West Horndon Parish Council's application to make the entire parish of West Horndon a Neighbourhood Plan Area is considered appropriate given the strategic importance of West Horndon. West Horndon has been identified as an appropriate location for significant growth in the Local Planning Authority's (LPAs) emerging Local Plan.</p> <p>Given the inadequacies of the LPAs preferred housing target in the Preferred options Local Plan and the inherent sustainability of West Horndon, the parish is likely to experience growth above what was outlined in the Preferred Options Plan. Therefore the West Horndon Neighbourhood Plan will play a critical role in shaping future sustainable development within the Parish. Central to this role will be the Neighbourhood Plan's positive and flexible approach towards aiding the delivery of the LPAs agenda for housing numbers and growth as set out in the Local Plan, as and when it comes forward in future. This is reaffirmed by Paragraph 184 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) which states that:</p> <p>"The ambition of the neighbourhood should be aligned with the strategic needs and priorities of the wider local area. Neighbourhood plans must be in general conformity with the strategic policies of the Local Plan.....Neighbourhood plans and orders should not promote less development than set out in the Local Plan or undermine its strategic policies."</p> <p>In the absence of a current adopted policy setting out housing supply for the Borough the role and remit of the Neighbourhood Plan will not be to determine the quantum of or to stop development proposals, which promote local and national planning policy, from coming forward.</p> <p>The majority of available development sites within Brentwood Borough and specifically West Horndon are located in the Green Belt. However, the LPA has already shown a commitment to releasing land from the Green Belt for strategic allocations as part of the production of the Preferred Options Local Plan. The LPA, however, state that due to the constraints of a large proportion of the Borough being Green Belt, this should have an impact on their housing delivery and ultimately result in their housing provision being less than their objectively-assessed need. In light of this and until the Brentwood Local Plan has been tested independently, it would be sensible for the Neighbourhood Plan to have a flexible approach and provide a number of options in order to ensure its compliance with the Brentwood Local Plan.</p> <p>The Neighbourhood Plan will be able to identify preferred development sites within the Neighbourhood Area to meet the need identified in the Local Plan and positively plan for further sustainable development in excess of the requirements of the Local Plan. The latter point is a key point for the Parish Council and future Neighbourhood Forum to consider, in light of the likely need for additional housing sites within West Horndon. By identifying development sites and working with developers the Neighbourhood Plan will become a more</p>	

	<p>influential and practical planning policy tool for the benefit of the LPA, developers and the local community.</p> <p>There are complex issues with the delivery of the proposed current allocation at West Horndon (Site Ref: 126) due to the potential impact on the settlement and complex land ownership issues therefore it is probable that a more suitable site also needs to be identified. It is considered that our client's site to the east of West Horndon could play an important role in the delivery of housing in the Borough. We have enclosed a report with this letter which sets out the opportunities of developing this site and the planning policy context the Neighbourhood Plan must comply with.</p> <p>We trust these comments are useful at this time and we look forward to being kept informed of the next stages of the Neighbourhood Plan.</p>
<p>Summary of Issues: Support proposed Neighbourhood Plan Area.</p> <p>Raise issues for further consideration with regards to conformity with the Borough Council's Local Development Plan and suggests the Neighbourhood Plan have a flexible approach with a number of growth options. Specific site comments raised regarding delivery and ownership.</p>	<p>Action(s): Support noted.</p> <p>Advise that West Horndon Parish Council consider the issues raised when preparing its Neighbourhood Plan.</p>

Ref: 022	Name: Colin Foan	
	Local resident	Received: 09.07.14
Support	<p>Full Response: I wish to comment that I have looked at the application West Horndon Parish Council have made to develop a Neighbourhood Plan for the Parish and the map of the proposed area designation.</p> <p>I totally support both the concept of a Neighbourhood Plan for West Horndon and I think that using the Parish boundaries for the area is a good idea and I support that as well. I ask that my views are taken into account when the Borough Council decides whether or not to approve the area designation.</p>	
Summary of Issues: Support proposed Neighbourhood Plan Area.	Action(s): Support noted	

Ref: 023	Name(s): Richard Hatter	Position: Team Manager Strategic Planning Policy
	Organisation: Thurrock Council	Received: 09.07.14
Comment	<p>Full Response:</p> <p>Thurrock Borough Council has considered the recently published consultation regarding the application by West Horndon Parish Council to Brentwood Borough Council to approve a Neighbourhood Plan Area. Thurrock Council has the following initial comments to make.</p> <p>It is noted that West Horndon Parish Council have submitted an application under The Neighbourhood Planning Regulations for a Neighbourhood Plan Area for the entire West Horndon Parish. Thurrock Council has no objection in principle to the extent of the Neighbourhood Plan Area. There is limited information submitted with the application and it is difficult to give more detailed comments at this stage.</p> <p>It is acknowledged a draft Neighbourhood Plan for West Horndon has not yet been prepared and published for consultation and that there will be a formal opportunity to comment on any draft of a Neighbourhood Plan if it progresses. Thurrock Council does not wish to pre-empt the content of any Neighbourhood Plan Area but consider the following to be relevant matters for further consideration.</p> <p>How will the Neighbourhood Plan Area relate to the emerging Brentwood Local Plan and in particular the spatial strategy and proposals it contains.</p> <p>How will the Neighbourhood Plan Area/Neighbourhood Plan relate to the proposed West Horndon Opportunity Area as referenced in Draft Local Plan policies and in particular Policy CP4.</p> <p>As a Local Authority that adjoins Brentwood Borough and West Horndon Parish Thurrock Borough Council would expect to be included in any future consultation and formal engagement stages of a West Horndon Neighbourhood Plan. It is also requested that Bulphan Village Community Forum in Thurrock is consulted at all relevant stages.</p>	
	<p>Summary of Issues:</p> <p>Thurrock Council have no objection in principle to the proposed Neighbourhood Plan area. The Council wish to be involved in further Neighbourhood Plan consultation and have advised that Bulphan Village Community Forum should also be consulted.</p> <p>The following questions are raised for consideration by the Parish Council as part of preparing a Neighbourhood Plan:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How will the Neighbourhood Plan Area relate to the emerging Brentwood Local Plan and in particular the spatial strategy and proposals it contains? 2. How will the Neighbourhood Plan Area/Neighbourhood Plan relate to the proposed West Horndon Opportunity Area as referenced in Draft Local Plan policies and in particular Policy CP4? 	
	<p>Action(s):</p> <p>Advise that West Horndon Parish Council consider the issues raised when preparing its Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>Advise that the Parish Council involve Thurrock Council and Bulphan Village Community Forum in Neighbourhood Plan preparation and consultation.</p> <p>Brentwood Borough Council has added Bulphan Village Community Forum to its consultation database.</p>	

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