

APPENDIX 6 SAP Consultation Response

Councillors are requested to consider from the comments and examples below how far they believe the Ettington response should extend.

From the Ettington perspective I believe that now SDC has recognised that the inclusion of the 'strategic reserve site' (SRS) in our Neighbourhood Plan exempted us from the infliction of any extra Reserve Sites prescribed by them the concerns that prevailed at the time of the 2019 SAP version are no longer. They have also taken account of the fact that we have already exceeded the Core Strategy prescribed housing numbers for a Cat.3 Service Village by more than 20% which means that our SRS would not be called into play until after villages that haven't. I would suggest that a PC submission opens with a statement of appreciation for the correction.

From a wider local perspective should we establish the reactions of neighbouring parishes to their respective fates and offer support for any objections they may have? Pillerton for example has had a site earmarked for 13 houses. Are they happy with that and might it have an impact on Ettington School? Alderminster has had a site for 20 self-build houses imposed. The District supposedly has a high demand for this type of housing although it doesn't seem to have manifested itself on the Old Warwick Rd. Similarly, Wellesbourne will be required to take 15 along the Walton Rd in addition to a massive expansion on the University site for a Science Park and sites within its Neighbourhood Plan.

Do we wish to make any observations on the wider aspects of the SAP such as the provision of housing within the district to assist Birmingham with its shortfall? Based on the 2011 National Census just over 2% of Stratford District dwellers commute to Birmingham. There would be an obligation, therefore, for SDC to provide 41 homes but it is volunteering 289. One village in particular that will suffer is Mappleborough Green where the arboreal buffer between them and Redditch Borough would be cleared in favour of housing which will butt up to the developments on the Redditch side.