

Durham City Neighbourhood Plan

Action points from the meeting with DCC officers 9 March 2018

Present: DCNPF: Roger Cornwell (Chair), John Ashby, Sue Childs, Ann Evans, Ros Ward
DCC: Carole Dillon, Graeme Smith, Debbie Shanks
DU: Matthew Wright

Action points

Policy D1

- Numbers of dwellings needed will be at County level, not sub-areas
 - County Council not yet in a position to indicate numbers
 - Affordable dwellings needed will be at sub-area level
 - The boundaries of sub-areas are not precise
 - Should not be a problem – the narrative will demonstrate that the NP is not suppressing land supply
 - Need to discuss individual sites
- CD** fix a date
- Lovegreen's proposed site needs to be assessed
JA/SC
 - University's 5 sites need to be assessed
JA/SC

Policy D2

- Question of strategic parked for Examiner; details discussed without prejudice
 - Possible tweaking to be discussed
- CD** fix a date
- Does not raise the issue of meeting Basic Conditions
 - Representations to be made at Preferred Options consultations
 - Monitoring required for evidence re additional Article 4 Direction
GS
 - Note sub-DURF meeting with Stephen Reed on 23 March
JA/SC/MW/GS

Policy D3

- As for D2
- Discuss 'unintended consequences' at University meeting on 27 March
MW/Forum
- Mention in text not policy possible affordable units in PBSAs
JA/SC
- Note NPPF para 65 re minimum of 10%
- Look at Newcastle approach re PBSAs
JA/SC
- Suggest flexible design for PBSAs so as to accommodate older people
JA/SC

Policy D4

- Must increase general stock of housing – County issue
- Make references at other policies to the needs of older people eg access to shops, parking, pavements, public toilets (note Witton Gilbert NP projects)

Forum

- DS invited to the Local Access Forum meeting on 14th at 2pm at Carrville Methodist Church **DS**
- Consider Dementia-friendly areas

Forum

Policy D5

- Affordable % should be 20%

JA/SC

- Look at residential accommodation in commercial properties between Housing and Economy theme; needs tweaking **JA/SC/PB;**

Economy workshop

Policy D6

- Useful to have in the NP as a test for later County Local Plan - more for Policies D4 and D5

- Beware the word 'elderly'

ALL

- High quality design and need for Design Briefs – pick up in Heritage Theme meeting

ALL

- Query re minimum size of rooms – investigate 'Optional Space Standards' and HMSO's Environmental Health Standards

JA/SC

- Storage for mobility scooters, i.e. Policy T4?

DS

- Also DS to look at Policy T3 and generally in Transport theme re car parking aspects for older people and people with disabilities

Date for discussing Theme 6 –Community facilities: 9.30 am 16 April

ALL

Note – may be helpful to split this meeting into sessions (i.e. Policy C6 covers a different aspect) so that appropriate officers can attend.

JA/SC

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