



100 Club



*Hello members*

*The draw for September was called at the Coffee Morning held at the Hall on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2022. Here are the lucky winners:*

*1st 417 Philippa Tilley 2nd 102 Freya Hardman 3rd 214 Mr & Mrs A Jenkins*

*Congratulations.*

*Next Coffee Morning 10<sup>th</sup> October - come along for good cakes and company in our light, airy and well ventilated hall. Try your hand at table tennis.*

*Rose Beevers Tel: 475944 (100club@cliddesdenball.org.uk).*

**Farleigh Parish Playgroup**



**Cliddesden Millennium Village Hub**

**Friday Mornings 11-12 Term Time**

**7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> October (not this week as 8<sup>th</sup> October)**

**4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> November**

**0 - 4 years old and their grown-ups**

**A warm welcome awaits you - we look forward to you joining us**

**Cost: £2 donation per family**



Contact:

Melanie Previous Pre-school Head (07833 528040)

Glaire Qualified Teacher (07757 498653)



**Cliddesden WI**

On the 16th of September we celebrated the 100th anniversary of our WI. Members and guests were greeted by a decorated hall and then sat down to a lovely tea of sandwiches, scones and cakes. But first we were entertained by a musical duo who sang from a selection of well known musicals. Tricia Jones then read out a poem written by the poet laureate, dedicated to our late Queen. Toasts were made to Queen Elizabeth, King Charles III and the WI's 100th birthday. Alison the WI's area advisor from Winchester thanked everyone for making this afternoon so memorable. The buzz in the hall told of the enjoyment that the members and friends had felt during the meeting.

Andy Fewster kindly took many images that captured the afternoon for posterity.

Our next meeting will be on the 17th October at 10.30am.

**Cliddesden Social & Entertainment Club AKA The Film Club**

**Thursday 6 October "Green Book", 2018, 130 Minutes, Certificate 12A**



Biographical comedy-drama directed by Peter Farrelly. Starring Viggo Mortensen and Mahershala Ali, the film is inspired by the true story of a 1962 tour of the Deep South by African-American pianist Don Shirley and Italian-American bouncer Frank "Tony Lip" Vallelonga, who served as Shirley's driver and bodyguard and in the process of that trip became life-long friends.

Written by Farrelly alongside Lip's son Nick Vallelonga. The film is based on interviews with Lip and Shirley, as well as letters Lip wrote to his then-wife.

The film is named after "The Negro Motorist Green Book", a guidebook for African-American travellers published annually from 1936 to 1966. Although segregation was outlawed in 1964 some places in southern American states remained dangerous for African-American travellers for some years.

The film grossed \$321 million worldwide. The film received positive reviews from critics, with praise for the performances of Mortensen and Ali, although it also drew some criticism of its depiction of both race and Shirley.

*Green Book* received numerous awards and nominations, including Academy Awards for Best Picture, Best Original Screenplay, and Best Supporting Actor (for Ali)

Critics' Score 72% on Rotten Tomatoes.

**Thursday 3 November "Any Which way you can", 1980, 111 minutes, Certificate 15**



An action comedy directed by Buddy Van Horn and starring Clint Eastwood. The film is the sequel to the 1978 hit comedy *Every Which Way but Loose*.

The plot is bound to give us some hard-hitting fun.

Reviews were luke-warm but it was the 5th highest-grossing film of 1980 with a gross of \$70,687,344 in the United States and Canada so I think the studio had hit a winning formula with *Every Which Way but Loose* and they stuck with it with *Any Which way you can*.

Manis, the orangutan that played Clyde in the first film, was replaced by two younger orangutans, C.J. and Buddha. Generally, primates are not used as animal actors past the age of 8 because their strength is fully developed and they are often less docile.

CLIDDESSEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

We have returned to school for another exciting academic year at Cliddesden. Our new foundation stage children, a significant number coming from the village and one from Dummer, have settled in very well and are enjoying their first days of school. As always, our older children are helping them find their way around school and with the general routines.

All our Year 6 pupils have been given a position of responsibility including House Captains, Digital Leader, Playground Ambassadors, Sports leaders and our Junior Leadership Team. Congratulations to Tyler, Amberley who are our new Head Boy and Head Girl and their deputies Sonny and Amelia. They have the responsibility of helping me in assemblies, showing visitors around the school and being excellent role models to all the children.



Throughout the year in the Hill and Dale we will keep you informed about what we have been up to in school. If you are interested in finding out more about our school visit our comprehensive website: [Cliddesden.hants.sch.uk](http://Cliddesden.hants.sch.uk)

Kenneth Davies  
Headteacher

Southlea Trick or Treat!

On the night of Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October, between 6pm and 7pm we will be Trick or Treating along Southlea.



Children from Cliddesden village are welcome to come and join us.

Please only call into houses along Southlea with a pumpkin outside.

We would like to thank our neighbours for continuing this fun tradition.

Please feel free to call if you have any questions.

Happy Trick or Treating!

Claire (07757498653) & Hazel (07714552138)

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Saturday 19 November, 7pm - Quiz Night at Cliddesden Millennium Village Hall.**

**Tickets will be £12 each (which includes a hot meal) and there will be a licensed bar.**

**This is a fundraiser (and fun-raiser), with all proceeds going towards St Leonard's Church.**

**Full details will appear in the Cliddesden Village Newsletter and Hill & Dale for November.**

RAISING MONEY FOR  
CLIDDESSEN MILLENNIUM VILLAGE HALL &  
LORDSFIELD SWIMMING CLUB

*Christmas Fayre*

MANY STALLS  
TEA, COFFEE & CAKE  
GRAND RAFFLE

SUNDAY 27TH NOVEMBER  
11 AM - 3 PM  
CLIDDESSEN MILLENNIUM  
VILLAGE HALL

TO BOOK A STALL, PLEASE  
CONTACT: JARLSON HOOD ON  
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*Your Invitation*

**BDDF Christmas Party!**

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December**  
**12.00 - 2.30pm**  
**Papley Fields Community Centre**

You are invited to Basildon & District  
Disability Forum Members' Christmas Party!

We would love the pleasure of your company  
BDDF office@bddf.org.uk  
01256 423360

**QUIZ**

**Lisa Beaumont School of Ballet**

Childrens Ballet Classes  
at  
Cliddesden Millenium Village Hall

- ~ Royal Academy of Dance Ballet Classes for children
- ~ ISTD Tap & Modern Classes for children
- ~ Ballet, Tap and Conditioning classes for Adults
- ~ 100% examination pass rate since established in 1997

~ Student Audition successes include The Royal Ballet School, Royal Ballet & Ballet Boost Associate Programmes, Kingsclere Performing Arts College, London Studio Centre and Performers College.

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New Website currently under construction



Cliddesden Parish Council shares in the grief of the nation following the death of Her Majesty the Queen, Elizabeth II. Following the death of her father King George, Her Majesty succeeded the throne on 6 February 1952, but was officially crowned in 1953. Queen Elizabeth was the world's second longest reigning monarch, serving for 70 years, and a much-loved and popular royal figure.

*The Parish Council.*

The Palace encourages you to send messages of condolence online via the Palace website [www.royal.uk](http://www.royal.uk)

Letters may be sent to: Sir Clive Alderton KCVO, Principal Private Secretary to His Majesty the King, Clarence House, London SW1A 1BA

## NOTES FROM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 6 SEPT 2022

Present: Parish Councillors and Clerk; PCSO Andy Jones; Members of the Public 20. Apologies received from County and Ward Councillors.

**Police Report** PCSO Andy Jones said good news that little happening from Policing perspective in Cliddesden – 'whatever you're doing is working!' However, getting to that time of year where much vigilance is needed, fields are empty, majority of crops taken in, dark nights drawing in. Please report any suspicious incident.

Andy presented a general report for his Area – *see overleaf*.

### Public session

**Housing developments** A proposal to build 28 houses at Land to the South of Myhaven, Woods Lane, has followed two Planning in Principle applications – each of nine house – one for land behind Manor Farm, the other also in Woods Lane.

The Chairman invited views and comments from residents:

**1. Planning Policy** A question was raised regarding the context of the proposals within the planning system and whether various policies could allow for approval of all of them. *See column right on Planning Policy.*

**2. Also re Road Safety:** 'Considering Woods Lane and the traffic increases. An additional 28 houses coming out onto this point on Woods Lane is of great concern; have to consider the infrastructure is unable to cope.'

'Woods Lane is a narrow country lane, already showing damage to the edges and verges from traffic and has become too dangerous to walk.'

'Woods Lane is part of the National Cycle Route.'

'Is there any consideration of cumulative impact?'

*(Again see column right.)*

**3. Community cohesion** 'New developments are undermining the value of the Village. A justification given for building at the top of Woods Lane is describing a suburb of Basingstoke, not a community integrated with Cliddesden.'

**4. Water Provision** It is widely discussed that Basingstoke water provision and waste water treatment is 'near disaster'. Utility providers have a legal duty to provide. Planners cannot refuse applications on the basis of utility provision, this can be a matter for condition.

**5 Housing numbers** **Petition to slow down growth in housing numbers across the borough in favour of planning for services and environmental safeguarding.**

The petition has been launched by Maria Miller MP but the aim is cross-borough/ cross party *See next page...*

**6 Proposed Myhaven development**

Request to put on record that what have in this proposal is a really good mix of housing – this is what is needed – including smaller properties and for older residents. This comes through loud and clear in the Neighbourhood Plan consultation.

The problem is the continued overdevelopment of Woods Lane and increase in traffic in a lane valued for its rural character and for walking.

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## NOTES ON PLANNING POLICY

Individual planning applications are assessed on their own merit. As this assessment includes the context of the application site, so impact of other developments are considered. However highways impacts have to be 'unacceptable' and 'severe' before they can be a reason for refusal.

National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) para 111 says: 'Development should only be prevented or refused on highways grounds if there would be an unacceptable impact on highway safety, or the residual cumulative impacts on the road network would be severe.'

BDBC Adopted Local Plan Policy CN9 says: 'Development proposals will be permitted that: d) Do not result in inappropriate traffic generation or compromise highway safety.'

Applications have to be considered according to Policy as a whole, including the NPPF, Adopted Local Plan and agreed Supplementary Planning Guidance documents.

The Adopted Local Plan has a Policy SS5 housing allocation for Cliddesden of 10 dwellings.

To count towards this allocation, developments must be of at least 10 houses within the Settlement Policy Boundary (SPB) and of at least five outside and adjacent to the SPB. This criteria will continue until the adoption of the Local Plan Update (now circa 2025).

Beyond the provisions of SS5, Local Plan Policies to consider are SS1 – Scale and Distribution of New Housing, and SS6 New Housing in the Countryside. *continued*

<https://www.maria4basingstoke.co.uk/campaigns/slow-it-down-stop-overdevelopment>

## DEMONSTRATION AT THE CIVIC OFFICES

**Thursday, 20th October**  
at 5.45pm for 45 minutes.

**WHY – To show your support for the 'Slow it Down' Housing Numbers petition which will be presented to the Full Council Meeting.**

BDBC has agreed to work to establish a sustainable housing number for the borough. Please turn up to show your support.

This is for all the borough – town, village and rural. The alternative is to allocate more and more greenfield sites? Or build higher and higher?

### WHAT YOU CAN DO?

1. Sign the Petition
2. Share the Petition
3. Come and be counted at the Demonstration.

This evidence of public support will be important in making a case to a Government Planning Inspector. For the petition and the demonstration, numbers really count here.

### NOTES ON PLANNING POLICY *cont...*

But it has been well-documented that without the ability to provide a deliverable five-year supply of housing land, housing policies in the Local Plan are considered out of date and cannot be given their full weight.

Decision making will thus refer to the NPPF (July 2021) Para 11 Presumption in Favour of Sustainable Development, the 'tilted balance', which says:

'11. Plans and decisions should apply a presumption in favour of sustainable development:  
'd) For decision-taking this means: where there are no relevant development plan policies, or the policies which are most important for determining the application are out-of-date, granting permission unless:  
ii. any adverse impacts of doing so would significantly and demonstrably outweigh the benefits, when assessed against the policies in this Framework taken as a whole.'

'Adverse impacts' will particularly include impact on landscape and local environment and so Local Plan 'EM' (Environmental Management) Policies are important, eg EM1 – Landscape; EM11 – Historic Environment; EM10 – Delivering High Quality Development.



## BOROUGH HOUSING NUMBERS PETITION

*Letter from Maria Miller MP, 6 September 2022*

Dear Councillors and Residents

**On 30th August I launched a public petition calling on Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council to halve the level of house building in the next Local Plan. I am writing to ask everyone to consider supporting the petition, and join the widespread support for house building numbers to be significantly reduced.**

**I welcome the fact that Basingstoke & Deane Councillors have rejected continuing to build new homes at the current rate. This petition calls for house building to be cut to a level that better reflects the needs of our own community.**

**Basingstoke & Deane Borough has more than played its part in housing the nation, building new homes for an extra 150,000 people in the past five decades, double the rate of the rest of the country and putting Basingstoke in a unique situation.**

**I am pleased that the Council is now looking at how it can use existing 'exceptional circumstances' and 'strong reasons' provisions as set out in the National Planning Policy Framework Paragraphs 61 and 11b, to legally justify a significant reduction in house building numbers in our new Local Plan, rather than simply continuing to apply the national formula when Basingstoke & Deane is a statistical outlier.**

**I strongly believe that development plans should include a costed scheme of essential infrastructure improvements to catch up with the decades of increase in demand, particularly local NHS Primary Care (GPs), dental services and the new Hospital, due for completion in 2030.**

**Housebuilding needs to be at levels that reflects the growth of Basingstoke's own population, not turn us into a dormitory town for other local authorities who have not delivered the new homes their residents need.**

**The growth in Basingstoke's population requires around 300 new homes a year to be built, yet the current Local Plan includes over 800 new houses a year, with the actual build rate currently at 1,200 houses a year. We badly need to slow down the rate of building to let essential local services, particularly the NHS, catch up.**

**I hope that you are able to support this Petition and can vociferously raise these concerns in the upcoming Local Plan Update process.**

**Residents want a sustainable approach to future house building, which recognises the need to:**

- **Protect the natural environment with a comprehensive, long-term Borough-wide plan to protect our green infrastructure**
- **Restrict housebuilding in line with our status as a highly water stressed area, in the upper reaches of the River Loddon, making water supply and waste water disposal a significant limit on house building**
- **Accompany new house building with increased high-quality jobs for Basingstoke residents**
- **Prioritise housing development and regeneration that meets carbon-neutral housing standards, particularly for social housing.**

**I do hope that you are able you to support this campaign.**

With best wishes, *Maria*

The Rt Hon Dame Maria Miller MP



## AREA POLICE REPORT

from PCSO Andy Jones

Overview of what has been happening in the Area in terms of crime.

There has been a spike in burglaries end August / beginning of September. Three were reported within 48 hours – from Hoddington, Bradley & Preston Candover respectively – all believed to be linked to another in Alresford from where have some CCTV footage.

Of note the burglaries which occurred in Alresford and Hoddington were both from sites undergoing significant renovation and building work. From the Hoddington site, thieves tried to take a large quantity of cabling – fortunately their tools were insufficient to cut it.

Plant machinery, a 'drive on dumper' was also stolen from a private driveway in Herriard, believed to have occurred in the early hours of 3rd September.

There are obvious suggestions that properties undergoing building work are more likely to be visited by criminals who are continually monitoring the area and note items that are visible and worth visiting again.

If you have work that is planned – and items such as plant machinery and other valuable, sought-after items are likely to be on site – it is worthwhile making contact with PCSO Andy Jones and requesting a site security survey. He also has driveway alarms available to borrow – working from a battery then relaying the alarm to another unit which can notify the owner of intruders without the suspects being aware. This potentially allows time for the Police to be called and hopefully attending and capturing intruders red handed.

A recent significant increase in catalytic converter thefts has for now subsided but the metals elements they contains continue to bring a high price. This relates in particular to Basingstoke – and in particular by a large margin to Honda and Toyota, then Lexus, VW, BMW.

Responding to a question re oil theft, Andy said there hadn't be another noticeable increase – yet. Regarding previous huge spike cooking oil theft (to be converted to vehicle fuel) – there has been arrests relating to this and some prison sentences. The same for car thefts – culprit responsible for theft of c100 cars also in prison.

## NOTES FROM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 6 SEPT 2022

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**New co-opted Parish Councillor**  
David Rudge from Hackwood Lane

**Local Plan Update – Water Cycle Study** Review by Whitchurch expert, hydro-geologist David George, put forward strong argument for restricting further development in the Test Valley. It also highlighted the plight of the Loddon. Councillors have so far not approved the Water Cycle Study.

**Housing Numbers and Spatial Strategy** (site selection). Economic, Planning and Housing Committee of 5th Sept yet again unanimously agreed a motion to reject the Government methodology housing numbers. By eight to two they also agreed a motion to reject the spatial strategy based on these numbers. Noted that Committees can only make recommendations.

(See update from Council Leader following page).

**Housing Numbers Petition** emailed with September Newsletter, hard copies delivered with paper Newsletter – with thanks to Hazel Metz and distributors. **AGREED – Politics is irrelevant, petition is a good one, Parish Council will sign and encourages others.** Also should engage Ranil for support.

**Moto application M3 J6** A new case officer assigned. Updated evidence base documents will be requested, with re-consultation.

**STaNHd – AONB** STaNHd will progress the proposal for an AONB (Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty) for the North Hampshire Downs, discussing with various authorities. Next steps will include a detailed Landscape assessment.

**Village upkeep** Agreed to promote Village working parties and to purchase a Stihl battery-powered hedge cutter plus two batteries. Grant request submitted to HCCCS.

**Community groups** Paul Beavers noted that he has been pressing within Basingstoke town for more power for community groups, devolved from BDBC. A level of independence is needed to achieve projects that will help people to understand about nature. Much of the town is unparished and so community groups do not have the powers of a Parish Council. Greater autonomy must increasingly become a discussion topic.

The Chairman noted that – with donations, grants and now CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) funding – the Parish Council has been able to take on some tasks

with the permission of, or under licence from, borough and county. Examples being the new road name signage, village gateway signs and also the Speed Indicator Devices.

**Parish Lengthman regular tasks**

1. Bus shelter roof, clear of vegetation
2. Bus shelter – clean inside and out
3. All Parish road signs clean and clear of vegetation
4. Maintenance, pond land.

**Farleigh Road pavement** from Village edge to footbridge – Request logged on HCC website to clear full pavement width. Timescale unknown.

**Deer warning signs** – Request submitted to HCC (Safer Roads – Traffic) for two deer warning signs (one in each direction) to cover the section of B3046 Farleigh Road between the Village and Pensdell Farm / M3 footbridge.

**HCC grip-clearing programme** – Grips and soakaways Farleigh Hill & Hackwood Lane – cleared as part of HCC annual programme January and November 2021. To confirm inclusion in schedule for this year.

**Noticeboard** Agreed to purchase a new timber noticeboard – a project for Open Space S106 funding.

**Play equipment project** to make use of S106 funding is problematic as no potential site for play area or to locate even a small piece of playground equipment that would be publically accessible. SUGGESTIONS GRATEFULLY RECEIVED.

**Re-wilding verges** Project for Station Road verges making use of CIL funding. Following final HCC verge cut, all grass cuttings to be raked and removed; sown with local wildflower seed.

**Pond floating islands** – Project for Open Space S106 funding. Benefits – Reduces high nutrient levels and algae – Offers protection from predators and hiding places for fish and wildfowl – Absorbs pollutants and remove suspended solids – Provides a natural 'food larder' for fish and other aquatic creatures – Enhances the landscape and adds a 'natural' feature to open water.

**Village road name signs** – A CIL-funded project. Almost complete with thanks to all involved. To order one more sign for top of Church Lane.

**Newsletter** – Question of whether recipients of the pdf Newsletter wish to receive a paper copy. Of total to date of 36 responses, 11 requested a paper copy, the remainder are happy with pdf copies only. Thanks to Hazel Metz and distributors for arranging delivery. Thank you to everyone who responded.

**PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

22/02556/LBC (Validated 15 Sept 2022) Thatches, Farleigh Road. Repositions of gas boiler flue.

22/02308/RET (Pending 15 Aug) 5 Langdale Rise. Installation of piers supporting security gates (retrospective).

22/02281/GPDE (Approved 21 Sept) Swanwick Cottage, Alton Road. Single storey rear extension (permitted development notification).

22/02233/HSE (Pending 09 Aug) 27 Southpaw. Erection of home office / workshop / playroom. New access arrangement and new entrance gates.

22/02184/HSE (Pending 04 Aug) Farleigh Dene. Demolition of existing garage and outbuildings. Construction of new double garage with living accommodation over.

22/01551/PIP (Pending, 08 June) Land South of Woods Lane. Permission in Principle for up to nine dwellings.

22/01550/PIP (Pending, 08 June) Land to Rear of Manor Farm. Permission in Principle for up to nine dwellings.

22/00466/FUL (New drawings and amended description 21 July, Validated 21 Feb) 11 Woods Lane. Development of a pair of semi-detached dwellings and one detached dwelling with access and landscaping.

21/01646/HSE (Withdrawn 26 July) Swanwick Cottage. Part single, part two storey rear extension, front porch, bay window, garage with living space above.

**PARISH TREE APPLICATIONS**

T/00233/22/TCA (Pending, 21 June) Yew Tree Cottage, Farleigh Road. 1 x Eucalyptus: fell. 1 x Norway Maple: reduce by 5m, finished dimension 7m. 1 x Field Maple: reduce to old pruning points. 1 x Yew: cut back to boundary.

**APPEALS**

21/03638/RET (Appeal lodged) Faerie Meadows 14 Hackwood Lane. Retention of a domestic outbuilding.

21/01321/RET (Appeal lodged) Faerie Meadow, 14 Hackwood Lane. Change of use to residential garden land.

**WINWALOE APPLICATION**

22/02537/FUL (Validated 09 Sep 2022) Bellaire Grange, 14C Hackwood Lane. Extension of residential curtilage and change of use of land from equestrian to residential (part retrospective),

**DUMPER, OAKMONT FARM APPEAL**

22/00667/FUL (Appeal lodged) Demolition of three dwellings, outbuildings and related structures and proposed construction of commercial and industrial units etc.

**OLD BASING MSA M3 J6**

20/03130/FUL and 17/03487/FUL Land Adjacent to Junction 6 M3 for Construction of a Motorway Service Area. Continue awaiting decision. Will be referred to Development Control.

**LOCAL PLAN UPDATE  
HOUSING NUMBERS**

Update from Leader of the Council Cllr Simon Bound  
Wednesday 7 September 2022



Dear Parish and Town Councils

**ANNOUNCEMENT ON HOUSING FIGURES  
AND LOCAL PLAN UPDATE**

I thought it may be helpful to have the wording of a statement on the borough's Housing Figure and the Local Plan Update that I made to the Cabinet meeting last night (Tuesday 6 September):

'At tonight's meeting of the Cabinet we will not be formally agreeing the start of a consultation on a Local Plan Draft that includes 17,000 new homes.

'Since the unanimous vote to reject this housing number, created by the Standard Method, Cabinet members have been working hard with Officers on a plan to successfully develop a new sustainable number of new homes.

'I believe everyone is in agreement that the trend over the last 60 years of extreme housing growth in Basingstoke & Deane needs to slow down in order for local services to catch up and create a much more sustainable future for the borough.

'The Council has been working towards updating its Local Plan to ensure an approach to the future which meets the needs of our residents and visitors – in a way that responds to the climate change agenda, ensures that communities thrive and are sustainable, and our precious environment is protected. Any one of these would have challenges but delivering on all of them within the current planning system is a significant challenge. Commentators who suggest otherwise are in denial over the complexities of the system.

'I would like to thank the Parish and Town Councils, visiting speakers and the councillors on our Economic, Planning and Housing Committee for all their hard work discussing and providing feedback on the preparatory work. While we have been working proactively to move forward with the development of the Plan and its policies, it is clear that there are significant challenges around how we identify the borough's true housing need. It is important to keep the Plan process going but in a way that responds to both local concerns and local circumstances. Some of this work relies on up-to-date data which is not yet available.

'It is very clear that it would not be appropriate to undertake a consultation on a Draft Plan at this stage when such significant concerns around the impact of the housing number remain, and until further and full consideration is given to this issue to ensure the council moves forward with a Plan that is robust, responsive and can be fully supported.

'As Leader of the Council, I have already asked officers to produce a report that clearly states what work and data is still required so that we can identify the true level of local need for housing and support changes to the planning system that give more local say over development in the future. This report will be discussed at the Cabinet meeting on Tuesday 27 September, and we will then decide on a way forward.

'Councillors and MPs up and down the country agree that the current planning system is fundamentally broken and needs a significant overhaul to put local decision making back at its heart. We will continue to work with our local government colleagues to make recommendations and suggestions on what these changes should be. I am heartened that everything that the new prime minister has said in recent months indicates that she agrees that local need should be decided locally. It cannot be right that the borough has experienced eye watering levels of house building yet is punished for lack of housing supply.

'We need strong Planning Policies in place, shaped by the people who live here, that protect our borough and its environment from unsuitable development and create the kind of place we want Basingstoke & Deane to be.'

Kind regards, Cllr Simon Bound

Leader of Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council

The above was endorsed by Cabinet at its meeting of 27th September, agreeing to work towards achieving a sustainable housing number for the borough upon which a sound Local Plan could be based.

This while acknowledging the issue of prolonging the lack of five-year housing land supply which will not under present rules be regained until the adoption of a new Local Plan. Public consultation on the Draft Local Plan Update (Regulation 18) is now timetabled for Autumn 2023.

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