

## **Meeting with Milton Keynes Development Partnership (MKDP) 5<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

**Present:** PM (MKDP), MG (MKDP), Councillor Sandra Kennedy, Councillor Graham Davison, Lisa Emmanuel

### **Introductions**

Introductions were made, and the areas of land referenced in the Plan under the ownership of MKDP were confirmed.

### **Mathiesen Road**

Discussions were held regarding the draft policy wording. The possibility of the creation of additional parking was discussed in detail. LE outlined the ongoing issues relating to users of the Home Break & Carers unit and the conversation held with the Mathiesen Centre Trust regarding the potential to use their car park during the day.

In principle there was support for the allocation of this land for small scale residential housing, it may be possible to allocate some additional parking, but the whole site and situation would need to be understood more fully.

### **Wylie/Harrowden**

Two of the areas currently included within this policy are currently allocated for housing. The land at Wylie End, with an outline brief from MKDP, is somewhat 'land locked' and therefore the proposals within this policy make sense.

This would create better access and open up the whole site.

Discussion followed regarding the status of the Regeneration programme as this site is adjacent to the North Bradville Regeneration area.

MKDP outlined the fact that it had been agreed in principle that no land would be brought forward ahead of the regeneration programme, therefore there were no current plans to promote the Harrowden site.

It was agreed a masterplan for the whole area would make sense.

### **Linford Wood Employment Land**

GAD outlined the ongoing problems with parking and the concerns for overspill into the residential estates when further land is built out

MG confirmed the exact areas and locations under their control, the maps were amended accordingly. None of these areas are allocated for housing and the employment use is likely to be in line with current properties; medium sized company HQ's, for which they are suitable areas and there is a need.

Discussion then followed on the policy wording. There were concerns regarding the wording relating to the landscaping buffers. It was agreed to adopt the advice from Natural England which MG/PM will forward.

GAD re-iterated the concern that new office blocks would bring more parking pressures.

MG then requested the draft policy be amended as the restriction of 'two-storey' may not be viable and it would be better to refer to a 'maximum height, such as 15 metres'. This would also allow for warehouses which may be attached to an administrative building.

Further discussions followed regarding lighting and energy efficiency and it was agreed that this would be dealt with through the usual MKC development control process.

MG then reminded the group that MKDP are required to gain market value for land under their control and have no well-being control.

**Actions Agreed**

- LE to amend wording and send draft Plan to PM & MG for a formal response as part of the consultation process
- MG to forward Natural England advice reference