



# *Aston upon Trent Parish Council*

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Aston on Trent parish council have reviewed and considered the Local Plan Part 2 and wish to make the following observations/comments:

The recent consultation event held in Aston on Trent was very well attended and this was noted by Cllr Hilary Coyle at a recent parish council meeting. The parish council hope that the district council will respect local opinions following this consultation. Aston is highlighted as one of the key service villages and it is noted that 74 houses and a care home are already allocated in the Local Plan Part 1. The council does not want the village to lose its identity with the implementation of the Local Plan Part 2 nor does it want the boundaries of the village to creep closer to Weston on Trent, Shardlow or Derby City.

## *Settlement boundaries*

The realignment of the settlement boundary is sensible and the council has no objections to this but wishes to query why the S106 agreements are assigned to parish boundaries rather than settlement boundaries. Within the proposed settlement boundary the whole of the hospital site is located within the settlement boundary of Aston on Trent

The plan states that 'sites which are allocated for housing within the Local Plan 1 & 2 will be included within the settlement boundary', yet it is noted that there are 5 potential sites outside the Aston settlement boundary up for consideration.

## *Proposed site - S0026 (Weston Road/Chellaston Lane)*

- Development of this site would be out of proportion to the current size of the village and would see an increase of 50% in the size of the village. This is considered to be overdevelopment of the village. The Local Plan states that development will be required to be in keeping with the scale and character of the settlement which this site would not be
- The current infrastructure of the village would not support a development of this size
- The site is outside the existing and proposed settlement boundary and would mean a creep towards the village of Weston on Trent
- There is a risk of flooding on this land which already has significant standing water and run-off during winter and other wet periods

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Proposed site - S0093 (Chellaston Lane)

- Development of this site would be infill of land and against the wishes of the village as stated in the village plan
- There are existing issues with land in the surrounding area flooding, development of this site would increase this

Proposed site – S0271 (*Moor Lane*)

- There are issues with flooding on this land; the field is always under water during winter and any wet periods. There are also issues with flooding in surrounding roads and development of this site would exacerbate this
- Development of this site would extend the village settlement
- There is concern that development of this site would lead to unlocking access to sites S0061 & S0272 thus expanding the village and encroaching the development towards Shardlow

Proposed site – S0272 (*Moor Lane/Hangar Bank*)

- Access to this site is unsuitable
- It is outside the settlement boundary

Proposed site – S0062 (*Weston Road*)

- There has been a previous planning application refused for an extension to a house on Weston Road as it falls outside the village curtilage.
- The council has concerns over the development of this site merging the villages of Aston and Weston
- This site is in close proximity to ancient woodland, development of this site would disturb the wildlife in the woodland and would not protect the countryside from unnecessary encroachment

In conclusion, whilst the council supports the presumption in favour of any sustainable development within a settlement boundary, any outside of this should

- a. Be in keeping with the scale and character of our existing settlement and
- b. Should not reduce the strategic gap between the settlements of Aston-on-Trent and Weston-on-Trent.

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