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To: planning@harborough.gov.uk

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Leire Neighbourhood Plan

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For the urgent attention of the Independent Examiner with responsibility for the Leire Neighbourhood Plan

Dear Sir/Madam,

With reference to the Leire village Neighbourhood Plan, we would like to make you aware of developments which may materially affect your view of the viability of this plan. We hope that you have already been informed of these events, but seek to ensure your awareness.

We attended a Parish Council meeting in Leire village hall last Tuesday evening (27th July) at which the PC were required to pass comment on several planning applications affecting the village. One of these was the application for "the erection of 5 dwellings on land off Airedale Close, Leire" with a HDC reference of 21/01248/OUT. This is the exact same development which the Parish Council purport to champion as the preferred development for the village, detailed in Policy H1 in the Draft Neighbourhood Plan with access off St Peter's Close. The Parish Council voted to recommend declining consent for this planning application.

The Parish Council were of the opinion that it was obligatory to include a small development in the Neighbourhood Plan, but Local Councillor Mark Graves said that this was not the case and that Leire was not required to offer any new housing in their Neighbourhood Plan.

We believe that this highlights the Parish Council's disconnect with their own Draft Neighbourhood Plan. It is difficult to see how the Plan can be presented to the village in its present form, with Policy H1 included, when the Parish Council do not honestly endorse this policy.

Can we please urge you to confer as soon as possible with Leire Parish Council to seek clarification as to how exactly the Draft Plan should be amended.

Yours faithfully,

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30/07/21

Dear Sir/Madam,

Leire Draft Neighbourhood Plan

Dear Sir/Madam,

With reference to the Leire Village Neighbourhood Plan, at the Leire Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 27th July they discussed a number of planning applications. One of these was the application for "the erection of 5 dwellings" (18/11/20 off Aire Dale Close, Leira" with a H00 reference of 21101246/OUT. This is the same development which the Parish Council have included in the neighbourhood plan the preferred development for the village, detailed in Policy H1 with access off St Peter's Close. The Parish Council voted to oppose the planning application.

The Parish Council were of the opinion that it was obligatory to include a small development in the Neighbourhood Plan, but Local Councillor Mark Gaves said that this was not the case and that Leire was not required to offer any new housing in their Neighbourhood Plan. The Parish Council stated they had been misled on this point.

The Parish Council are clearly been disconnected from the actions of the sub group and are only now questioning the council. In my opinion, the view of the local development committee that the Leire neighbourhood plan should be put on hold, and referred to the Parish Council to reflect the outcome of the Parish Council meeting.

I look forward to your response.



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