Great Horwood Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan

Extraordinary Meeting of Great Horwood Neighbourhood Planning Team held at 8.00pm on Thursday 6th March 2014 at 15 Weston Road, Great Horwood (By kind invitation of Jo Waggott)

Present: John Gilbey (Chairman, JG), Rita Jenkins (RJ), David Saunders (DS), Jo Waggott (JW)

Agenda : to look at and discuss the outline sketches and plans that Neil Homer had drawn up for the proposed sites D, F1 and G, in detail. (Chris Fellingham was unable to attend as he is away on business).

The consensus is that we rather liked the plans / ideas presented and therefore we decided to contact Neil Homer to give approval in principle but to ask Neil the following questions for clarification:-

1. It is not very clear from the plans as to the extent of parking being provided on each site.

2. It appears that parking is always provided in one central location on each site - is this correct?

3. Will each dwelling be provided with a front garden? For example the block 'C' on site F appears to be very close to the edge of the road/site

4. What size of plot/garden is envisaged for each dwelling?

5. On site G for example it would appear that the dwellings are being provided in blocks or is this just a schematic representation?

6. Is the circle shown at the entrance to site G a mini roundabout? Could we get an initial positive response from Bucks Highways as to this possibility?

7. On site G again we are unclear as to the access arrangements for 'E'

We also decided to ask Neil as to whether we should be presenting these preliminary plans to AVDC Forward Plans to get there feedback on suitability.

We agreed we would be quite happy to meet David Broadley/Louise Stephens on site if this would be productive. I guess our main concern here is the movement of site F to the west of its original location.

Finally, we thought it would be a good idea to request Neil to get documentary evidence from all landowners (Site D, F and G) of their title deeds, as part of the procedure of the Neighbourhood Planning process, to be recorded and held on our files.

We agreed the Neighbourhood Planning Team would draft a 2nd Newsletter, to be delivered by us to every household, reminding villagers to respond to the Housing Needs Survey and reminding them of our Open-day Community Event on Saturday 29th March and Sunday 30th March.

We also debated whether to, as a formality, send out letters to TW (re Site C) and David Cole Architects (re : land off Willow Road site), inviting them to our neighbourhood planning open day community event on Saturday 29th March and Sunday 30th March. We anticipate, if they attend, their

large scale developments would be a stark comparison with our smaller scale developments (also landscaped and included green open spaces) on several sites, which given the consistent community feedback, would be (we hope) further rejected by our villagers, particularly that we now had 3 very positive and viable alternatives (Site D, F1 and G) that our local landowners and local developers are working speedily on, with our retained planning consultation Neil Homer. We wondered whether we could ask AVDC Forward Plans about whether to invite TW and David Cole Architects to our open day community event, as we obviously want to benefit from the optimum outcome of our Open day Community event.

Signed and approved

J Gilbey GH Parish Councillor