## Who was there?

# Present: Cllr Woodward, Cllr Evans, Cllr Butts, Cllr Cartwright, Cllr Ford

### Residents: approximately 200

## What was talked about?

Introductory presentation by Cllr Woodward focusing on the Borough's growing need for housing, the sites that were assessed for housing and the importance of infrastructure. This was followed by Richard Jolley, Director of Planning and Regulation who discussed the selection of the draft preferred sites for housing proposed in the Draft Local Plan.

### Questions from the Floor

**Q** Welborne was adopted to produce the housing needs of the Borough and a large development offers good infrastructure and transportation improvements. However, there is no reference to Newlands Farm development, which could greatly reduce the need to develop other areas of borough.

**A** We want to maintain the strategic gaps between settlements. **Richard Jolley** - The reasons for not developing on Newlands Farm are the high landscape sensitivity of the area, as well as avoiding the coalescence of Fareham and Stubbington.

**Q** Why are we retaining three runways at Daedalus?

**A** There is only one runway in use long term, and 31,000 flights a year are using Daedalus. Development is going on at the site, and it is very important so that we can create more jobs.

**Q** Have you received any planning applications from developers who want to build on any of the sites in the borough?

A **Richard Jolley** - Yes, Moraunt Drive has a live planning application on it. The north side of Funtley road site has a recently submitted planning application. Moving into the Western Wards, one of the sites in Park Gate has a planning application on it, and there are four areas in Greenaway Lane subject to planning applications. They are all quite recent, and have not been put in front of the planning committee. However, a number of those applications could be put in front of the planning committee the coming months.



**Q** Will there be provision for providing secondary school places?

A **Richard Jolley** - Welborne will provide new secondary school and primary school places and existing schools could be expanded. However, Brookfield school will be hard to expand.

**Q** Are we going to need all these houses, as the older population will pass on and people will leave when you build all these houses?

**A** People will pass on, but as people are living older, that is a housing pressure itself, and when they do pass on there will be more following behind them. As the population is continuing to increase, the housing need is going to become greater.

**Q** The biggest problem with building on Greenaway Lane is transport and the impact on children having to travel to go to school for A levels?

**A** Yes, when at a YCAT meeting, one of the key points raised was about where they would study. The A level provision is poor, over 1000 children have to leave the Borough to study A levels. However, Fareham College stopped doing A levels, but we are trying to bring them back.

**Q** Are care homes included in the housing figures?

A Richard Jolley - It depends on the level of care provided, but some are included.

**Q** Once the plan is confirmed, what happens after the 2019 deadline?

**A** It was over 20 years ago that we last looked for Greenfield sites to develop. It depends on government guidelines, but every couple of decades is a rough timescale of when we tend look to develop on Greenfield sites.

**Q** How can you build on a peninsula with limited access and space?

**A** It was a challenging technical process selecting the sites for consultation in the Draft Local Plan.

**Q** How can you put 700 homes in Greenaway Lane, and is it likely that the housing density will be reduced and are existing residents going to be protected?

**A** Developers will need to work the Council and residents. You need to make your points know so they will be considered.

Q Could those applications for Greenaway Lane be refused before the plan is in place?
A The planning committee will release a report about these applications, and where they get refused, the developers can appeal the Council's decision, however this often takes many months.

- **Q** Do we need to comment on sites that have not been chosen?
- A Yes, please do make your comments on any sites.

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