

Comment on the Draft Fareham Local Plan 2036

How to have your say

Complete this form to comment on the Draft Local Plan. Please submit it to the Council by Friday 8 December 2017. You can download the pdf and type on to it before emailing it back to consultation@fareham.gov.uk. You can leave more than one comment.

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A chapter or policy in the draft local plan:

1.35, SP8, 3.2 (bullet 6), 3.13 (SSP10, 14), 5.0, 5.10, 5.49 - Affordable housing, Greenfield land development around urban edge

↳ Strategic Policies - SP1 &

↳ Housing: H2

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We strongly support the need for affordable housing in the draft plan, and note that this includes the possibility of developing "greenfield land around the edges of existing urban areas" (3.2 bullet 6). Accordingly we wish to offer two areas for potentially productive usage within the constraints of your plan:

a) Former Orchard, Swanwick (near Elm Tree PH, your map reference 451.6, 109.5, ordnance survey SU516096) comprising just over 2.3 hectares to the north of Botley Road (A3051) and immediately to the west of Whiteley Health Centre.

b) Former Garden, Swanwick (your map reference 451.4, 109.4, ordnance survey SU515095) immediately to the south of the Orchard, on the south side of the A3051, comprising 0.7 hectares, adjacent to No.157 Botley Road.

In spite of increasing pressures on space within the Borough, these two areas described above have sadly been allowed to moulder away for more than 40 years, with no benefit to the wider community. This is a great shame, and we believe your new plan opens an opportunity for these wasted resources to be brought into constructive use, whilst retaining the steeply sloped southern boundary (with its TPO) as a natural, defensible urban edge. Furthermore, there is currently a small area of existing open space to the north of the Former Orchard that is virtually inaccessible, and hence unused by the community.

Our reading of your 2036 Plan leads us to suggest the possibilities described in the next 2 pages that would allow these areas to contribute more effectively to the Borough of Fareham. We very much hope you will give them serious consideration, and look forward to discussing with you how they may be taken forward.

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The northern part of the Former Orchard is almost flat and is therefore suitable for a variety of potential developments at the edge of Whiteley (Sweethills Drive area). These include:

- (i) approximately 20 affordable homes, set amongst TPO trees to form a small "garden village", adjacent to the existing Area Health Centre (on Yew Tree Drive) and with easy access to Whiteley services (gas, electricity, water)
- (ii) there is sufficient space for a Care Home adjacent to this proposed "garden village", for which the proximity of the existing Area Health Centre offers obvious benefits. If suitably sited near the steep southern slope it could also enjoy extensive views towards the Hamble Estuary.
- (iii) a self-build development amongst the existing TPO trees, and behind the tree belt on the southern boundary, yet still conveniently near the Whiteley services (water, etc.).

The steeply sloping and wooded southern roadside (which is partly above Ashley Close) would form a natural edge to Whiteley.

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4.44 (SP7, bullet d), 4.51/2 - New residential development in the countryside (infilling); Gardens and Horticulture

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The Former Garden to the south of the A3051 could be used for:

(iv) two substantial dwellings of a form that is consistent with the existing neighbouring large properties. It is worth noting that the existing lay-by on the southern side of the A3051 would provide road access to any such development, and hence alleviate any impact on traffic in the area.

(v) a potential market garden plus suitable agricultural buildings and residences.

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