

Matters, issues & questions

## **Brinsley Vision**

### **Matter 12 Other Development Management Policies**

We believe that the several Policies set out in the Local Plan Part 2 are consistent with national policy and are relevant, justified and effective. Some enhancements might however be possible in respect of Brinsley, and we plan to speak at the Hearing about the following policies included in our original response to the Draft Stage 2 Plan

Policy 23 Heritage Assets

Policy 25 Tourism

Policy 27 Local Green Space

Policy 28 Green Infrastructure Assets

Policy 30 Landscape

Policy 31 Biodiversity Assets

We have the following comments to make about Policies 17, 19 and 20

### **Policy 17 Place making**

Clearly sets out best practice and guidance which will enhance the quality and provision of new developments.

Specifically with regard to BBC 'Church Lane' site, most of the provisions in Item 1 of the Policy appear to be met as regards the siting of the development, its proximity to the centre of the village (ie the Parish Hall and recreation ground), access to the surrounding area by foot. The inclusion of mitigating features and enhanced connectivity will be a real benefit to the whole community, including the school and the nearby Residential Homes on Church Lane and Cordy Lane. All will be able to access the playing field, the nature reserve and the Headstocks Heritage site more easily.

## **Policy 19 Pollution**

Brinsley is more fortunate than many communities regarding pollution

Noise pollution is confined to road traffic, particularly at rush hours, and occasional events such as Bonfire Night. Although generating more cars, it is hoped that the new development's plans for enhanced connectivity will encourage less use of cars throughout the village. For small journeys, eg to school or the playing field and nature reserve.

Light pollution is also concerned with traffic and occasional events such as Bonfire Night and the Christmas lights in trees at the Parish Hall.

Improvements in street lighting should assist in reducing pollution.

Consideration could be given to switching off some street lamps during the early morning, say 12 midnight to 6am, when traffic is sparse and the effects on road safety would be minimal. Light pollution from the new development will affect only the site due to the landscaping and tree planting on the site.

## **Policy 20 Air quality**

In Brinsley, with very little industry, air quality is mainly affected by the same causes of pollution, per our comments re Policy 19. The new development is designed to dissuade the use of cars for small journeys, and encourage walking and cycling to local facilities. That may not improve air quality, but should aid in reducing any upward trend caused by increased traffic