Rolleston on Dove Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Newsletter



Rolleston on Dove Neighbourhood Plan - Summary of Key Points

A draft Neighbourhood Development Plan has now been agreed for Rolleston on Dove. The Neighbourhood Plan covers the time period 2012 to 2031 so as to correspond with East Staffordshire Borough Council's emerging Core Strategy.

The plan has been shaped by the Community. Throughout the numerous consultation exercises undertaken to inform the Neighbourhood Plan, the community of Rolleston on Dove has provided very important views on its aspirations for the village over the coming years and these views have helped to define the plan. Questionnaires were delivered to every household in the parish, numbering approximately 1,450. In total, 556 questionnaires were returned, representing a 39% response rate. In August and September 2012 two further consultation events took place in which villagers were presented with some sites for potential development and asked to identify their preferred sites. Consequently the sites most preferred for development have been included within this plan.

Vision & Principles. The vision of Rolleston in the future is a vibrant community, physically separate from Burton on Trent. It will continue to be an attractive village with its heart based around Burnside. The vision is of a distinct, vibrant community and not a mere dormitory settlement for surrounding towns and cities. The community accepts some new homes are necessary but these should be built in the most sustainable and least impacting areas of the village, preserving the village atmosphere for future generations. A strong principle is that individual developments should be of a scale appropriate to the village and large housing estates tacked onto the edge of Rolleston are not considered appropriate.

Objectives. The Neighbourhood Plan has five core objectives which underpin all the policies. They are:

Objective 1: The community accepts **some new homes are necessary** but these should be built in the most sustainable and least impacting areas of the village, preserving the village atmosphere for future generations.

Objective 2: The preservation of the village of Rolleston on Dove from merging into the suburbs, Burton, Stretton and Tutbury, thereby losing its important identity.

Objective 3: The protection of green open space used for sport and recreation.

Objective 4: For the scale of development to be in keeping with the village. In particular, large housing developments are not acceptable within the village.

Objective 5: Developments should meet the housing needs of the local community and be designed to be in keeping with the existing properties in the village.

The plan has assessed that **85 new dwellings should be provided in the parish between 2012 and 2031.** Of this total, 36 dwellings are under construction or have planning permission. An allowance for 'windfalls', i.e. new development which is not possible to locate at this point in time, is made totalling 25 dwellings. This leaves 24 dwellings which are proposed for two sites:

Land at Knowles Hill:

- 12 dwellings appropriate for older persons (mainly 1 and 2 bed properties)
- Not to come forward before 2017 unless the permission for development at Meadow View is not delivered

Land off Shotwood Close

- 12 dwellings with a mix of 2-, 3- and 4-bed properties
- Not to come forward before 2017

Notice of Consultation on Rolleston on Dove Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan Pre Submission Consultation Monday 11th February to Monday 25th March 2013

A 6 week period of consultation will be undertaken by Rolleston on Dove Parish Council between **Monday 11th February to Monday 25th March inclusive.** The plan will then be submitted to ESBC who will also undertake a 6 week consultation period. Once the consultation period has concluded a Consultation Statement will be produced, summarising comments received, issues raised by those comments and describing if and how the Plan has been modified in response to the issues raised. After this time, the required examination by the independent government examiner and referendum by the people of Rolleston will take place.

A copy of the plan can be accessed via the Village website **www.rolleston.org.uk** or via the Parish Councils Facebook Page. **Hard copies of the plan can be obtained from the clerk to the council by appointment.** We would welcome your thoughts on the plan and ask that comments are submitted in writing to Mrs Heidi Light, Clerk to Rolleston on Dove Parish Council, 8 Beacon Drive, Rolleston on Dove, DE13 9EL or via email hlight@btinternet.com

Drop in Sessions

We will be holding drop in sessions on the following dates where hard copies of the plan will be available to view:

Saturday 2nd March, 10am until 2pm, Old Grammar School Rooms, Church Road

Monday 4th March, 5pm until 8pm, Old Grammar School Rooms, Church Road

Acknowledgements

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The Neighbourhood Development Plan Group comprising:-

Simon Anderson, Shaun Adams, Andrew Bailey, Peter Barnett, Bryan Chinn, Lisa Claber, Ron Clarke, Barry Edwards, Roger Davies, Roger Gawthorpe, Helen Greener, Michelle Holmes, Theresa Shaw, Kate Perry, Martina Thorp, John Underhill, John Morris (Chairman), Heidi Light (Secretary).

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View the plan

The Neighbourhood Development plan can be viewed at www.rolleston.org.uk or on the Parish Councils Facebook Page.

Hard Copies can be obtained from: Mrs Heidi Light, Clerk to the Council, Tel: 01283 812538, hlight@btinternet.com

What happens now

- 6 Week Consultation period from 11th February to Monday 25th March.
- Review of comments received during consultation period. Consultation Statement Produced.
- Submission to ESBC for 6 week Consultation period.
- Review by Independent Examiner.
- Referendum by the people of Rolleston will take place.