

**Minutes of the Meeting of
CHURCH CROOKHAM PARISH COUNCIL
PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Date and Time: Monday 6th October 2014 – 7.15pm

Place: Willis Hall, Sandy Lane, Church Crookham

Present:

Councillors: Michael Burford (MB) (Chairman), Helen Butler (HB), Pat Lowe (PL), Annette Whibley (AW), Nick Harris (NH) Gill Butler (GB)(HDC)

Also present: Jayne Hawkins Clerk
Cllr Jenny Radley (HDC)

There were 2 members of the public present.

Action

193/14 Apologies for Absence

No apologies were received.

7.17pm Cllr Gill Butler arrived

194/14 To Approve the minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 22nd September 2014 were signed as a true record of the meeting.

195/14 Dispensations – to receive any written request for disclosable pecuniary interest dispensations from members.

No requests were received.

196/14 Declarations of Interest relating to any item on the agenda

No declarations were received.

197/14 Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman made no announcements

198/14 Public Session - this is an opportunity for members of the public to bring matters to the attention of the Planning Committee. There were no members of the public present.

199/14 To agree a response to Hart DC's Housing Development Options consultation

A draft response had been circulated. It was discussed by councillors and a number of amendments were agreed.

It was **resolved** to submit the following response, proposed MB, seconded PL, all in favour:

1. Question 1

1.1 Priority 1 - Option 4 - Focused Growth (New Settlement)

Priority 2 - Option 2 – Dispersal Strategy

Priority 3 – Option 5 – SPA Avoidance Strategy



Priority 4 – Option 1 – Settlement Focus

Priority 5 – Option 3 – Focused Growth (Strategic Urban Extension)

1.2 Comments: A new settlement with suitable infrastructure is the way forward with access to rail and M3 links. Additional small developments on the outskirts of Hart away from the SPA could provide extra housing needs. Focused Growth – Strategic Urban Extension could have a negative impact on the host settlement due to increased pressure on the existing infrastructure including sewage and water supply.

2. Question 2 - Yes

2.1 CCPC would prefer all settlements to take their share of the allocation of future housing on the basis that all areas need affordable housing. New housing, especially affordable housing, is required to attract new families to the area and accommodate expanding existing families. The scale and style of the new housing should maintain the character of each settlement.

3. Question 3

The development could be located near the M3 corridor and rail links e.g. Winchfield, Heckfield or Mattingley.

It is important that the settlement:

- has good transport links via rail and road to allow commuting without increasing pressure on the highways of existing developed urban areas.
- The settlement should support its own educational needs at all school ages, especially secondary level.
- It should be large enough to support its own medical centre.
- It should include planned local employment opportunities to attract investment into the area.

4. Question 4 - Yes

It is likely that a combination of options would be required to maintain a 5 year housing supply through the development phase of a potential new settlement which could, therefore, be combined with Option 2s dispersal strategy.

5. Question 5

Fleet and Church Crookham have taken the brunt of development over the past twenty years without appropriate infrastructure in place, causing an adverse impact on the quality of life for existing residents. This is particularly evident in the provision of school places where a temporary classroom had to be installed at the new Tweseldown Infant School before it even opened. More houses are not the answer without the back up of sufficient infrastructure including transport, school places, medical facilities and utilities.

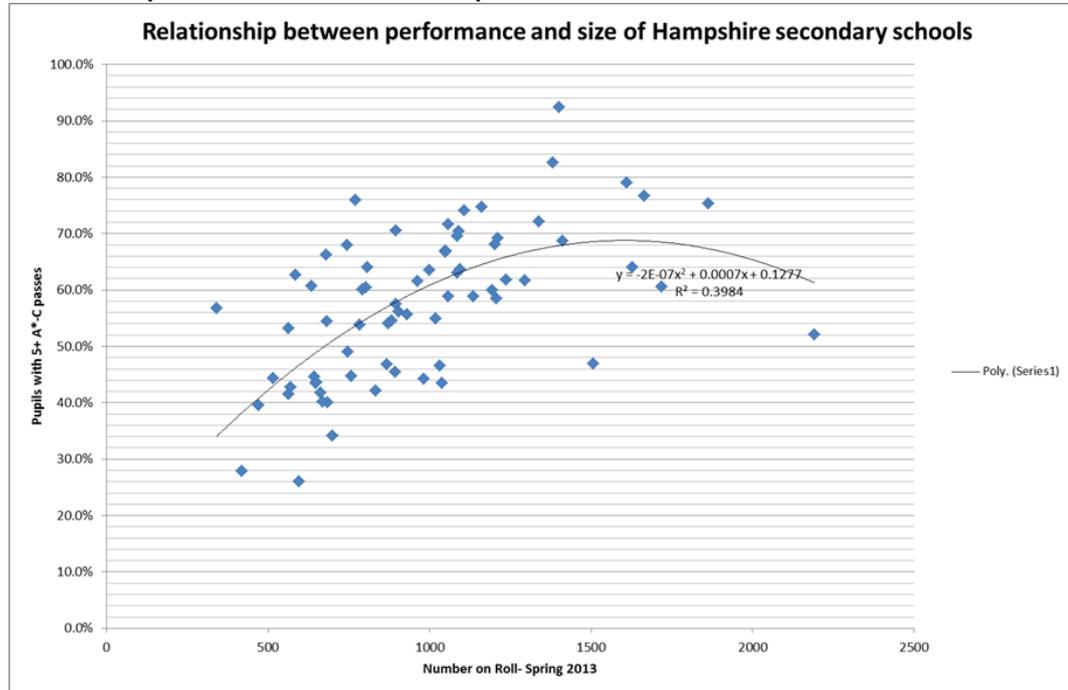
CCPC notes that Hart has given consideration to all the realistic options for development and that the final solution may not be a single option; however the Council does feel that the consultation has placed emphasis on selecting an option rather than trying to set boundaries in which each of the options could be exploited. To this end the biggest issue is ensuring that all of the developments are sustainable and therefore proper consideration must be given to schools, medical facilities highways and transport.

Specific issues that Church Crookham Parish Council would like to see addressed as part of the plan are:

- The location and size of schools required. Hampshire County Council data suggests that the optimum secondary school size should not exceed 1800 pupils to avoid a decrease in pupils' performance. Church Crookham Parish Council would like to suggest that this limit

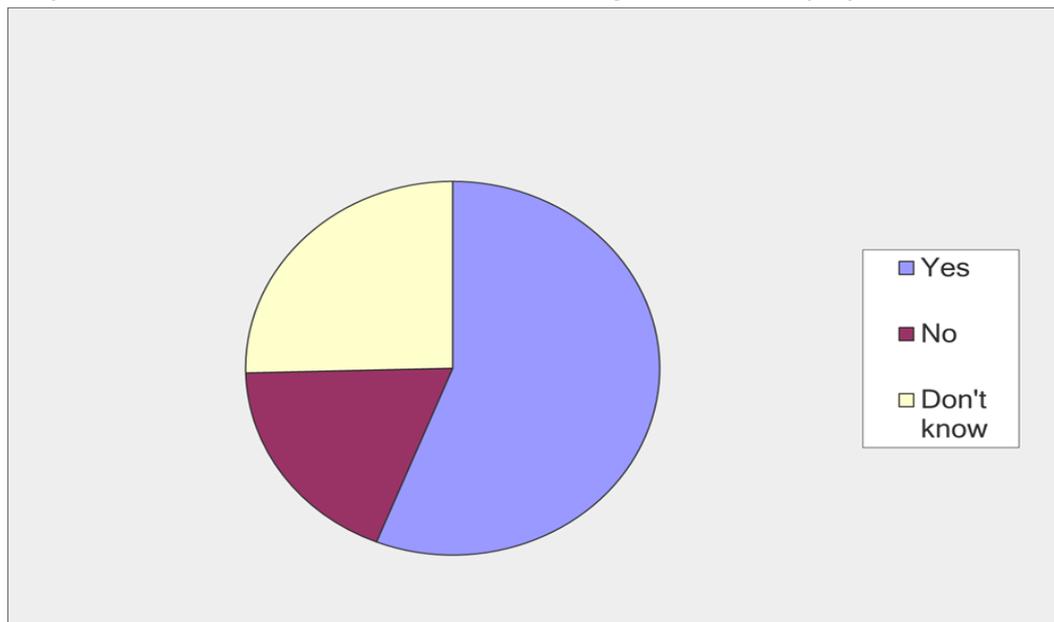
should be applied to local secondary schools, which would still allow for growth within the existing large developments.

Relationship between school size and performance



- As part of a parish survey carried out in 2012, Church Crookham residents indicated a clear desire for more local employment, which would in turn reduce the demand on local roads and transport links.

Proportion of Church Crookham residents wanting more local employment



Church Crookham Parish Council favours a solution that does not significantly add to local housing, as the local infrastructure is already strained and piecemeal development does not provide the funding to rectify the problem.

200/14 Consideration of current Planning Applications:

Reference:	14/01747/FUL
Address:	186 Reading Road South Fleet Hampshire GU52 6AE
Proposal:	Two storey side extension and loft conversion
Decision:	<p>No objection Proposed NH, seconded HB 4 in favour, 1 objection</p> <p>The Council would like the followings queries clarified:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. It is unclear on the plans where the waste bins, extraction chimneys and air conditioning fans will be placed. Councillors are concerned that these objects may overlap the pavement. 2. Clarification is required regarding the building at the rear of the property which appears as a hatched area on the plans. The description is insufficient. 3. The Council believe the building to be in flood zone 3 but this box has not been ticked on the application.

201/14 Dates of the next Hart DC planning committee meeting: 8th October 2014

202/14 Date of next meeting: 13th October, 2014.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.51pm.

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