

HAVERSHAM CUM LITTLE LINFORD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

Land Interest Name
Land Interest Address
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Date:

Dear **Land Interest**,

Neighbourhood Plan: Call for Sites

Haversham cum Little Linford Parish Council is in the process of preparing a neighbourhood plan for the parish to cover the period up to 2031. It intends that the plan will include proposals to allocate land for some housing development.

The Parish Council has formed a Steering Group to lead the project and the group has decided to issue a 'Call for Sites' to inform it of the availability of land that may qualify for allocation. Only land that adjoins the existing settlement boundary of New Haversham or the observed settlement edge of Old Haversham will qualify for consideration. Maps identifying these two boundaries are attached.

The Parish Council understands that you have an interest in such land (as either owner, developer or agent). It therefore invites you to submit a plan showing the extent of any land in your control that you wish to make available in the plan period and any relevant supplementary information that may assist the group in assessing the land for potential allocation. In addition to confirming that there are no legal encumbrances on developing the land, you may wish to bear in mind that the community engagement work undertaken so far has indicated that, if it is necessary to allocate land for housing, there is a preference for schemes that:

- Are small in size
- Are predominately affordable housing
- Will preserve the character of the village in the surrounding landscape, e.g. where sites should maintain the linear nature of the High Street at old Haversham
- Will preserve local biodiversity value that cannot be replaced
- Will not significantly worsen existing traffic congestion and/or safety issues
- Will deliver low energy use, low water use and zero carbon footprint housing

These factors will be used to assess the suitability of the land for development, alongside a Strategic Environmental Assessment, which will be undertaken independently to inform site

selection preferences. It will also be important for you to identify any likely development viability issues that we may need to be aware of in making our site selection decisions.

Please be aware that some sites which meet these criteria may be restricted by Milton Keynes' Minerals Local Plan and if selected would be subject to additional examination by Milton Keynes Council. Sites restricted by the Minerals Plan which are determined to be economically viable for extraction would be excluded from housing development.

Please note that the steering group will not be arranging meetings with land interests prior to deciding its preferences and so it is important the information provided now is clear.

Once the preferred list of sites has been decided, the group may wish to liaise with the relevant land interests to agree the key development principles to be included in the site allocation policy and any further technical evidence required to be provided by the land interest to support the allocation.

The Steering Group request your information to be received no later than one calendar month from the date of this letter. Please send your information to Thomas Walker, Clerk to Haversham cum Little Linford Parish Council by email to haversham.ltlinfoordclerk@gmail.com using the subject title 'NP Call for Sites'.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group
Haversham cum Little Linford