

**Draft Local Plan Consultation Events
Summary of points made**

This note gives a summary of points made by persons attending the draft Local Plan consultation sessions around the Borough during April, March and May 2014. These were conveyed to officers through discussions and not part of a formal consultation form. Although not a formal comment on the draft Local Plan, it is still important to listen and consider these points. In the preparation of the pre-submission Local Plan these notes will be examined and if necessary changes made.

Venue	Tamworth Library
Date and time	Monday 7 April 2014 16:00 – 19:00
Number of attendees	13
Summary of comments made to officers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand why the Golf Course is being disposed of (this view was shared by an Amington Resident who is also a member of the Tamworth GC) • Happy to see Anker Valley still in the plan and happy to see that it is capped to 500 and that the link road is not required. A few residents of Browns Lane were there who did not support the LDC application on Browns Lane. • Happy to see housing in the Town Centre and that we are making most of brownfield opportunities • When showing members of the public all the sites we have rejected they realised we have actually assessed the options • No comments on Coton Lane (which was surprising given the amount of opposition to this site at the Exploratory Meeting in Feb 2013) • A few questions over Dunstall Lane - but this was more to ensure that the necessary infrastructure is provided on site. In particular schools, highways – ensure no traffic into Hopwas and traffic from the site directly onto A5 (not through Ventura – A5)

Venue	Tamworth Library
Date and time	Thursday 10 April 2014 10:00 – 16:00
Number of attendees	32
Summary of	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Golf course concerns:

comments made to officers

- Flooding – surface water flooding – into the Anker. How can you control this?
- Highways – impact on the road network – grid lock, along B5000 and Tamworth Road through Amington Village
- Open space provision – large space not just dotted around the site. Should be near Hodge Lane Should be adjacent industrial estate to prevent noise
- Impact on ecological designations, ensure Hodge Lane LNR maintains green links beyond site boundaries
- Need local shop and school within site
- Don't make the same mistakes again that were made at Amington Fields – lack of facilities, flooding, highways issues
- Housing should be for everyone not just another Kerria Centre.
- As much of the site should be used for social housing
- Tamworth Road in Amington is in very poor state – fix it!
- Should be kept in TBC ownership and developed over long period as social housing

- Coton Lane concerns

- Highways (congestion and pedestrian safety)
- Open views

Anker Valley

- Will this have an impact on the rural villages in Lichfield?
- What will happen if Arkall Farm comes along, how can Tamworth stop this?
- Traffic impact on Fountains Junction
- Speed of traffic at access on Ashby Road
- What happened to the link road? (Some attendees accepted argument bridge to costly, some think AV unacceptable without link road)

Coton Lane

- Traffic impact on Coton Lane (towards

	<p>Lichfield Road end)</p> <p>Stop building on Green Belt sites</p> <p>Shuttington Road near the Pretty Pigs PH is dangerous (bends in the road)</p> <p>Identify small TBC owned sites for self build and offer loans</p> <p>Set aside parts of large sites for self build</p> <p>Town centre is dire and beyond help, no national chains would want to locate here; retail parks are far more attractive</p> <p>Too many historic buildings were lost in the past</p> <p>Town centre needs fewer charity shops, pubs and clubs; support small independent retailers</p> <p>Gungate Precinct development should be mixed use including residential</p> <p>More residential needed in town centre</p> <p>Concerned about potential loss of disabled parking spaces when Assembly Rooms/Cultural Quarter goes ahead</p> <p>Opposed to any extension of Assembly Rooms if would lead to loss of car parking</p> <p>Parking is a major problem in the town centre, there isn't enough and it is too costly</p> <p>More social housing needed More housing needed in general More housing not needed</p> <p>Some distrust of population projections</p> <p>General concern about impact of new traffic on wider highway network and Amington Road</p> <p>Concern over access to Browns Lane, could access be made to the North? Why don't we have a ring road?</p>
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Venue	Amington ARCH
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Date and time	Tuesday 15 th April 2014 16:00 – 19:00
Number of attendees	5
Summary of comments made to officers	<p>Golf Course concerns</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact on Hodge Lane • Too much traffic already on the two main roads into town • Boy racers already speeding on Mercian Way <p>Could Anker Valley be restricted to housing for older people to get around traffic problems as they would not be doing school run or commuting?</p>

Venue	Wilnecote Library
Date and time	Wednesday 16 th April 2014 14:30 – 17:00
Number of attendees	1
Summary of comments made to officers	Interest in Anker Valley site, wanted to understand traffic studies, decrease in site area, ownership and future of other sites on Ashby Road

Venue	Glascote Library
Date and time	Thursday 17 th April 2014 10:00 – 15:00
Number of attendees	12
Summary of comments made to officers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Golf course: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Concern about loss of facility ○ Desire to retain tree buffer between existing residential properties and new development ○ Impact on wildlife ○ Ideas about layout ○ What amount of the 40% that will not be actual housing will be the park? (i.e. what do the school and other infrastructure within that 40% amount to and what will be left to form the park?) • Anker Valley <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ General questions about what's happening with the Lichfield developers/applications ○ Will link road happen? ○ What about flooding/SuDs? ○ Will new development have renewable energy features?

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ How will it be laid out? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Dunstall Lane <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Concerns over potential highways issues ○ Concerns over flooding issues ○ Why being allowed for housing and not extending the employment site instead? ○ Why isn't more of the site being allocated (i.e. the Sketchley's land) <p>General issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Impact of new housing on the road network and traffic congestion ● Need for new hospital ● Need for new schools ● Desire to understand how we plan for roads, hospitals, GPs, dentists and other infrastructure
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Venue	Ankerside
Date and time	Saturday 26 th April 2014 10:00 – 16:00
Number of attendees	(tallied 196) Estimate 216
Summary of comments made to officers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Anker Valley Concern about pedestrian traffic and new bridge to Perrycrofts Concern about pedestrian traffic through Station Fields. General interest in Browns Lane and combined traffic impact. ● Coton Lane Concern about effect of loss of view on property values, only moved there recently and didn't know about development proposal ● Dunstall Lane Concerns about flood risk, meadows flood in the winter Concerns about traffic on Plantation Lane, Hopwas and the already busy Ventura/Jolly Sailor road system ● Golf Course New council housing needed. Could land be used for self build?

	<p>What happened to the Amington link road, is it needed for traffic from this development? Some not happy with golf course closure. Others understand housing crisis and more worried about impacts, particularly traffic Any specific requirement for renewable energy? Large site and could be served by biomass. Could site be affected by HS2?</p> <p>General issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No provision for specific housing needs of people with severe learning disabilities • Difficult to secure land for self-building when it is snapped up by developers • Difficult for young people to access social housing through housing list • What is the impact of HS2 on the borough? • Interest in specific developments at Assembly Rooms, Tinkers Green, Kerria and Gungate retail site. • When will Gungate development go ahead? People tend to assume that the site is council owned and therefore asking why it hasn't started. Not keen on the continuing use as a car park for an indefinite period. • Car parking in the town centre is expensive • What is the Wilnecote Regeneration corridor and what is proposed there? • Tamworth needs a proper hospital, especially as town is expanding • The Council should make better use of social media to publicise the local plan. • Questions about Robey's Lane (in North Warks) • Housing provision needs to be matched with additional employment, there are limited jobs available at the moment for current residents • Misconception that Council will be developing housing sites
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Venue	Glascote Library
Date and time	Tuesday 29 th April 2014 13.00 – 17:00
Number of attendees	3
Summary of comments made to officers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need more social housing • Road infrastructure needed for new strategic allocations

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Venue	Wilnecote Library
Date and time	Wednesday 30 th April 2014 16.00 – 19:00
Number of attendees	7
Summary of comments made to officers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Golf course <p>What is the process and what kind of public consultation and participation there will be for this site?</p> <p>Proportion of built development on the site</p> <p>Dunstall Lane</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highway network for site, where will traffic go? <p>General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concern about potential development in the Green Belt (south of Gorsy Bank Road) • Query route of HS2 • SCC nursing home/day centre site in Wilnecote – what is happening to social club? • Lichfield applications in Anker Valley area – discussion about what the situation and our position is in relation to these • Impact on highway network generally

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