PLAN FOR STAFFORD BOROUGH

PUBLICITY & CONSULTATION INFORMATION

May to July 2012 – The Plan for Stafford Borough:

Strategic Policy Choices

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Dear

THE PLAN FOR STAFFORD BOROUGH - STRATEGIC POLICY CHOICES

The purpose of this letter is to invite responses to the 'Plan for Stafford Borough – Strategic Policy Choices' document currently out for consultation during June and July 2012 concerning the future development approach for Stafford Borough over the next 20 years.

The document provides the latest position on key strategic decisions for the area including levels of housing provision, the scale of development and distribution of growth at Stafford, Stone and Key Service Villages in line with the recently published National Planning Policy Framework.

You can view the document at http://staffordbc-consult.objective.co.uk/portal/. If you wish to comment please submit your response using our e-consultation system at http://staffordbcconsult.objective.co.uk/portal/, or contact the Forward Planning section by e-mail or posted responses. Please ensure receipt to the Borough Council before 12 noon on Wednesday 11 July 2012. Further information on the Plan for Stafford Borough is available on the Council's website at http://www.staffordbc.gov.uk/ldf.

Responses to the 'Plan for Stafford Borough - Strategic Policy Choices' will be made available on-line and reported back to Council Members later in the year. The Council will then prepare the Publication document for consideration at the end of 2012.

If you have any queries about this letter please do not hesitate to contact me on the above telephone number.

Yours sincerely

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25 May 2012

Dear Colleague,

STAFFORD BOROUGH NEW LOCAL PLAN

THE PLAN FOR STAFFORD BOROUGH – STRATEGIC POLICY CHOICES CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

The Borough Council is in the process of preparing a New Local Plan that will replace the Stafford Borough Local Plan 2001 as the Statutory Development Plan for the Borough. We have greatly appreciated your previous assistance in making a series of documents available to the public.

Please find enclosed a document 'The Plan for Stafford Borough – Strategic Policy Choices'. We will be consulting on this document during June and July 2012.

We would be grateful if you could now make the documents available to the public, preferably by adding it to the documents that we provided previously in a white ring binder titled 'Delivering the Plan for Stafford Borough' to which you may previously have added the 'The Plan for Stafford Borough: Draft Publication' document which we supplied in September 2011.

If you don't still have the white file or the previous documents please don't worry, the document with this letter can 'stand alone' and doesn't rely on the earlier documents.

We are aware that occasionally in the past the documents may have 'gone missing' or been stolen (we suffer from the same problem). If this happens and the document goes missing from your library please call us and we will send further copies. The document all previous documents, the evidence base and other related information can be accessed on-line via http://www.staffordbc.gov.uk/forwardplanning and we suggest that this is the site which is most helpful to customers. We have found that most users are now using the web to read the documents and this may reduce demand from library customers for paper copies.

Currently most users can (and do) make their comments on-line on any aspect of the document. Web-users can also read what other people have written on the same subject using our consultation system. You might want to encourage your customers to do the same, using library internet facilities, as this can yield more useful information than the paper document alone. The deadline for providing responses to the Borough Council is 12 noon on Wednesday 11 July 2012

If you or any of your customers have any problems or queries regarding the new Plan, either now or in the future, please do not hesitate to contact myself or any other member of the Forward Planning Team at the address and telephone number above - or by e-mail to forwardplanning@staffordbc.gov.uk.

Thank you very much for your continued assistance.

Yours faithfully

Alex Yendole Planning Policy Manager