

Stiffkey Parish Council Public Consultation Response

North Norfolk Local Plan: Further Consultation

Stiffkey Parish Council submitted its views as part of the consultation as follows:

Stiffkey Parish Council recognises the need that more housing is required in the district. However, the current plan seems to simply increase the number of houses to be built in areas already established as expanding- an approach which lacks any nuance. The plan as it stands seems to be increasing the number of houses to be built for the sake of meeting a set target, rather than looking what is needed and where. It is our view that, there needs to be far more thought as to what and where and should take the following more wholistically into consideration:

- a. Environmental Impacts – people living where they work/reducing the need to travel
- b. Locations of homes. Examine where people want to live and where their jobs currently are or where jobs are available locally. Reducing travel and commute times and knock on impacts on childcare, access to local amenities and so on
- c. Locally available public transport routes- reducing cars on the road and subsequent emissions
- d. Available amenities and facilities – such as doctors/dentists/shops
- e. Work from home options – rural vs urban/internet speeds
- f. The types and ownership of the proposed properties – affordability vs social housing vs more 2nd homes/investment properties. Increased housing is not appropriate if it fails to adequately plan for the needs of its community and full-time resident population.

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