

- Large agricultural vehicles also using Duck Lane.
- Capacity levels at the school and doctors surgery.

Gladman Developments are working on behalf of the landowner and hoped to submit an outline planning application on 6th February. The following points were ascertained:

- If permission is granted the land would then be sold to a builder/builders and the houses would be built and released in phases, most likely over a three-year period.
- There would be a broad mix of house sizes and this would be determined by demand from potential buyers.
- Any affordable housing included in the plan would be transferred to a social landlord upon completion.

Following the meeting Cllr Bush had pursued enquiries regarding capacity levels at the school and surgery. The surgery had responded that it is already over capacity with no room for expansion and the recruitment of doctors is very difficult. The school is almost full to capacity with 9 classes (some mixed year) currently supporting 266 pupils. There are plans to install a mobile classroom for September 2014, if required, in order to allow the school to increase its PAN to 40 to cope with current pressures in the catchment area.

Cllr P Wilson advised that although a pre-application meeting had been held with the Planning Officer no formal application has yet been submitted but the Officer had confirmed that the proposal is totally against the District's policy.

The Draft Local Plan has not yet been finalised but will include the Village Visions for Haddenham and Aldreth. Sites at New Road and Rowan Close were the only two highlighted in the Haddenham Vision as potential housing sites in Haddenham.

As mentioned under Public Participation several residents also put forward their views/objections and they are captured in the points listed above at the informal meeting. The Council advised that it is unable to submit any comments until a formal planning application has been received but urged residents to submit their views to Gladman's and copy them to the Council. Cllr P Wilson will keep everyone informed regarding the submission of an application.

12. HADDENHAM WAR MEMORIAL

Cllr Parr proposed and Cllr G Wilson seconded that an order should be issued to Hibbitt & Sons (Masonry) Ltd to carry out cleaning and re-pointing work and repainting the names on the Memorial at a cost of £1030 + VAT. The Clerk will specify that the work should be complete before 1st November 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

(War Memorials (Local Authorities' Powers) Act 1923)

13. NO2 MONITORING

Cllr G Wilson proposed and Cllr Page seconded that the monitoring should continue to be carried out in 2015, as it has been Precepted for but then to be reviewed annually after that. Motion carried by a show of 10 hands. Cllrs Fairchild and Norman were against and Cllr Haigh abstained.

14. ELY SOHAM DIAL-A-RIDE

The County Council is proposing to withdraw its annual grant to ESDAR and also the 50% reimbursement for accepting bus passes and if accepted this will have a grave impact on the charity. These cuts together with increased costs for staffing could mean the loss of the community transport scheme. Cllr G Wilson proposed and Cllr P Wilson seconded that the Parish Council should double the annual grant allocated to ESDAR for 2014/15 to bring it up to £500 and that this should be reviewed annually. Motion carried unanimously.

(Local Government & Rating Act 1997 s27)

It was also agreed that a letter should be sent to the County Council to lobby for the proposed cuts to be scrapped and advising that the Council has doubled its grant. The Clerk will also suggest to ESDAR that it should consider wider publicity to raise the profile of its services.