

## EAST CHALLOW NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

### NOTES OF MEETING

with

Vale of White Horse DC

Present:

VWH: Rachael Riach, Andrew <>, Louisa <>

ECNP: Peter Rumsey, Les Cannings, Frances Webb, Trevor Hayes, Caroline Dunstan

ECPC: Vanessa Bosley

1. VWH have no problem with the ECNP position statement regarding Dandara's proposed development, ie.

"The result of the village consultation showed only 39% in favour of further substantial housing development if this would mean improved village facilities or infrastructure. However, in view of Dandara's unique proposition to construct the Western Relief Road in conjunction with their proposed development, the meeting agreed that our NP should keep the possibility open, but that the proposed site should NOT be formally allocated. We also agreed that Dandara should be invited to make a presentation to the village (as they have requested), to ensure that residents are as well informed as they can be, but on the understanding that the NP steering group does not have a preference for or against the development."

2. The classification of East Challow as a Larger Village in the VWH Local Plan was a strategic decision relating primarily to EC's perceived potential as a Larger Village, rather than the classification applying at the time of publishing the Local Plan. VWH claim that ECPC were fully informed, at the time, of the reasons for the classification. ECPC challenged this and will investigate past correspondence. We were informed that a challenge to the classification was not within the remit of ECNP; any changes can only be introduced at the time of the next formal revision of the Local Plan.
3. ECNP's desire to preclude future development on the fields between Wantage and EC (or, indeed, anywhere else) can only be met by careful reasoning – either for the case of allocating as Local Green Space, or on the basis of non-coalescence with Wantage.
4. ECNP should request a Screening Opinion from VWH once draft policies have been formulated.
5. VWH suggested that EC villagers be encouraged to look at the results of the Consultation Survey by highlighting some key findings to them.

Peter Rumsey  
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