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BROUGHTON ASTLEY FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

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Dear Resident

Broughton Astley Parish Council has started the process of updating our Neighbourhood Plan (NP).

It is important that our NP is reviewed as since its adoption in 2014 there have been legislative updates offering increased powers to NP's (in certain circumstances) and in 2019 Harborough District Council (HDC) updated its Local Plan.

The Parish should take advantage of the opportunities to remain in line with the HDC Local Plan.

The updated NP will reflect the residents overall wishes for our Parish that will govern development up to 2031. It will sit alongside the HDC Local Plan and will be used by HDC to determine planning applications in the parish.

You may recall that the original NP allocated land for a large number of houses for development and secured significant infrastructure benefits including a supermarket and a leisure centre. Subsequently, a release of the reserve site of 24 dwellings has helped to protect the Parish from further unwanted development.

Currently there is no specified target for further housing development from HDC for the Parish. If, however, HDC is unable to meet its housing obligations, there is a possibility that developers could force through unwanted development in Broughton Astley. If our revised NP allocates a limited number of small sites of up to 10 dwellings or less, then the NP will continue to be used in determining planning applications locally.

As a result, we now need to identify land in the Parish that could potentially accommodate residential development for inclusion within our NP to help meet specific local housing needs such as housing for older people, single people, and young families.

At this stage the Parish Council aims to compile a comprehensive list of such sites.

Parish residents will be consulted once these sites have been independently assessed. This will help us to retain and shape our village identity by giving direction on where and what housing should be built rather than having it arbitrarily imposed on us.

The Parish Council is therefore asking if you own or represent someone who owns land in the Parish which you think might be suitable for residential development, to please contact the Parish Manager by **30 September 2022** via:

Email: parishmanager@broughton-astley.gov.uk

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We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind Regards,

Broughton Astley Parish Council