

## **Local Plan Committee - Wednesday 21 June 2025**

### **QUESTION FROM MRS G BAKER**

In response to a question about access to the site in August 2024, you responded that several options were being considered but could not be clear where that would be at that stage. However, the Team Manager did comment that access onto Church Lane, where a primary school is located, would not be acceptable. However, an email I received recently suggested that access for West Whitwick was now likely be from C81 on Church Lane. I have also been informed that the owners of site C78 are selling their house and land with an option agreement, because they had previously believed that access would be through their 2.5 acres. They now also understand that access to the site will now be further along Church Lane. Could you now clarify for me please if access to West Whitwick Broad Location will be through C81, despite access to Church Lane being strongly rejected by the Highways authority when planning permission for C48 was rejected in 2017?

### **RESPONSE FROM THE CHAIR OF THE LOCAL PLAN COMMITTEE**

To date there is no agreement regarding the access arrangements for the West of Whitwick site. It is understood that the promoters have been, and are, investigating this issue in consultation with the County Highway Authority. In response to comments from the County Highway Authority to the draft Local Plan, the Local Plan Committee of 16 December 2024 agreed to add in an additional requirement in respect of this site to co-ordinate development with land north of Church Lane (C48), particularly in respect of vehicular access and design and layout.