

Allensmore Neighbourhood Development Plan – Call for Sites - June 2018 update

As part of preparing the Allensmore Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP), the steering group undertook a “Call for Sites” during March and April 2018 on behalf of the Parish Council. A total of 18 sites were submitted. A further 5 sites have since been received and advice from our consultants is to accept them as the site assessment process has not yet commenced.

We have now received confirmation of the grant to cover the cost of independent technical assessments on all 23 submitted sites and AECOM have been appointed for this task. When this has been done, further evaluation will take place against the draft policies being developed in the NDP.

With all this still to do, we cannot give you any firm indication of how soon this will all take place. Please be aware that some of the sites may turn out to be unsuitable, and it is likely that not all will be required for the NDP to meet the Herefordshire Council’s growth target of 12 or more new houses by the end of the plan period in 2031.

Following a request for information from residents at the steering group meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> April, we have agreed to publish this map of our designated area with the submitted sites marked by blue outlines. Please note these are approximate positions, sizes and shapes; also the submissions are only preliminary, with no commitment about the number and type of housing at this stage. The map below has been updated to show all 23 sites.

Further details of the sites and the results of the assessments will be published for consultation with everyone in Allensmore in the next draft of the NDP later this year. This will give everyone the opportunity to comment on the proposed sites.

In the meantime, and until the consultation is published, the steering group cannot make any further comment or enter into any discussions about individual sites.

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