

Housing working group

minutes from Council Meeting on 1st August

Cllr French reported that they had met with Mr Lewis. He updated them but did not state why he thought his site was the best, which was the original objective. Minutes of this meeting will be produced and circulated.

A discussion then took place to confirm the present Council's views on the various sites that could be considered.

Site 6 - Those in favour – 8 Cllrs with 1 abstention. More research needs to be done to make sure that this site will be available for consideration. If it isn't, the Council will have to decide if they will work with Site 1. At present, there is not enough information to make this decision.

Concerns had been raised about who would be eligible for the housing, if built. It was noted that Dartmoor Planning have more stringent rules than Teignbridge about possible applicants. There were also concerns about setting a precedent and the possible expansion of the site in future years.

A discussion took place about the possibility of a carpark. Those in favour – 7 Cllrs with 2 against.

In summary: -

Taking into consideration the feedback from residents, the Council is supportive of a 100% Affordable Housing Project and the preference is site 6. The Council is awaiting more details about site 1.

A carpark is desirable but choosing the correct site is the main priority.