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## STRADBROKE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN 2016-2036

Review of representations to Regulation 16 consultation undertaken by Mid Suffolk District Council.

The Neighourhood Plan working group are grateful for having the opportunity to comment on the representations made.

With the approval of Mr Edge, the independent examiner, the working group, on behalf of the Parish Council, propose to accept the following points raised by statutory bodies and will amend the policies within the plan accordingly:

- Suffolk County Council SBK1
   Archaeology suggested updates to STRAD12, 18 & 19
- 2. <u>Environment Agency SBK2</u>
  The comments are noted and we feel are covered in the policies as written.
- Anglian Water SBK4
   STRAD4 proposed amendments to wording and reference.
   STRAD5 addition of words "from surface water" to second sentence.

The Neighbourhood Plan working group on behalf of the Parish Council seek a recommendation on changes to be made to STRAD5 with regards to comments made by Suffolk County Council and the deletion of the final paragraph.

The working group are mindful of the comments made in SBK-6. The Strategic Environmental Assessment demonstrates that the sites allocated in the Neighbourhood Plan represent reasonable alternatives. Moreover, the overall housing requirement for Stradbroke - which was informed by the emerging Joint Local Plan objectively assessed housing need and identified through joint working with Mid Suffolk District Council - is being exceeded by these site allocations. The Neighbourhood Plan is not required to allocate other sustainable alternatives in addition to this. All sites were considered collectively with deliverability taken into account. The priorities were control of access to the highway, any ransom on the sites and drainage issues. The 4 new sites included in the plan (STRAD16, 17, 18 & 19) have direct access to the highway and are considered the least likely to encounter problems with service connections to the main sewer and power. They are also best able to mitigate surface water flooding. The balanced spread of the sites helps to maintain the distinctive cross roads nature of the village and minimise traffic problems.

The working party, on behalf of the Parish Council, are happy to respond to any questions that may arise from the representations made by the village residents SBK-7 to SBK-19.

Neighbourhood Plan working group

4<sup>th</sup> June 2018