

## **Responses to Representations made on the Pre-submission Draft Stratford Neighbourhood Development Plan**

### **Policy CLW1**

#### **Representations:**

Total received: 21

Number in Support: 12

Number Neutral or Outside Scope: 9

Number of Objections: 0

#### **Summary of Representations:**

Generally supportive. Some outside scope of NDP.

#### **Modification Proposed:**

Only the minor modifications noted in the responses below and any needed to remain consistent with the Core Strategy and the NPPF are proposed.

## Individual Representations and Steering Group Responses

| Code Number | Full Name | Organisation represented (where applicable) | Policy CLW1 | Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Response |
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| <b>Statutory Consultees' Comments</b> |                            |                     |                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                 |
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| 1001                                  | Stratford District Council | Statutory Consultee | Suggest the 1st paragraph also specifies “or is to be replaced by a new facility of at least an equivalent standard.” | Noted. Add wording “or is to be replaced by a new facility of at least an equivalent standard.” |

| <b>Agents and Developers' Comments</b> |                                  |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                        |
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| 514                                    | Stansgate Planning re Town Trust |  | This policy conflicts with TC9 as it seeks to resist the loss of existing community facilities but TC9 seeks redevelopment of Rother Triangle Environmental Improvement Area which would lead to the loss of the Arts House, a community facility. Other representations on behalf of the Town Trust to Policy TC9 request amendment to acknowledge the Arts House and such an amendment would bring the policies into line. | Noted.<br><br>Addressed by adding wording “or is to be replaced by a new facility of at least an equivalent standard.” |

| Residents' Comments |                         |                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| 002                 | Susanna Sutton          |                    | I can't remember the no. of the policy, but in the redevelopment of Bell Court, instead of having a new multi-screen cinema, an ice rink or bowling alley would give night time entertainment for young people, and give life to this wasted space. We already have a cinema, there certainly is no need to have 2!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Bell Court has already been granted planning permission for a cinema.                                                                                                                                       |
| 013                 | Rosanna Dymoke-Grainger |                    | All this is great                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Supportive.                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 020                 | Ross Anthony            | The Theatres Trust | <p>The Theatres Trust supports this Policy. The importance of planning for culture and cultural facilities is emphasised in the National Planning Policy Framework by being included as a core planning principle (item 17). This is supported by guidance in item 70 of the NPPF which states that to deliver the social, recreational and cultural facilities and services that the community needs, planning policies and decisions should plan for the use of shared space and guard against unnecessary loss of valued facilities. Also to ensure that established facilities and services are retained and able to develop for the benefit of the community.</p> <p>Recommendation: For clarity, and so that guidelines are clear and consistent, we recommend that the accompanying text and the Glossary contains an explanation for the term 'community facilities'. We recommend this succinct all-inclusive description which would obviate the need to provide examples: community facilities provide for the health and wellbeing, social, educational, spiritual, recreational, leisure and cultural needs of the community.</p> | Noted. Expand explanatory text to include sentence: "Community facilities provide for the health and wellbeing, social, educational, spiritual, recreational, leisure and cultural needs of the community." |

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| 022 | Quentin Willson      |                               | Rowley Fields must be designated green space and protected. This is a vital amenity for the town residents to use. The STT must understand that they can't build on this land and must allow its preservation as a recreational amenity.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Supportive. See policy CLW4 (to be renumbered CLW3) for Rowley Fields.                                                                                  |
| 038 | Amanda Waters        |                               | Agree with all these policies. In particular, all developers of new housing MUST be requested to provide as much funding as possible for the infrastructure required to meet the demands of the resulting increase in population in the area.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Supportive.                                                                                                                                             |
| 040 | Mark Dickin          |                               | The riverside walk - footpath should be extended all the way into Warwick                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Noted but outside scope of NDP                                                                                                                          |
| 056 | Martyn Luscombe      | Stratford Voice               | Support                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Supportive.                                                                                                                                             |
| 057 | Trevor Honychurch    |                               | Agree                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Supportive.                                                                                                                                             |
| 064 | Richard Eden         |                               | Good                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Supportive.                                                                                                                                             |
| 080 | Roger Francis Harris | Friends of Lucy's Mill Bridge | I have 3 children who grew up in Stratford. None of them had the opportunity to attend a local youth club. For the last 3 years my youngest child has had to travel to Lillington [Leamington Spa] to attend a WAYC youth club. We could not find a suitable one in Stratford. He did get involved with a club at the Buzz Café which shut down, and the Escape Arts Workshop, but he did not meet many people his age there. Therefore we need some provision for youngsters to meet and do activities that are not sports orientated. | Promotion of leisure facilities is dealt with under policy CLW2.                                                                                        |
| 095 | Eric Ward            |                               | Strongly agree                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Supportive.                                                                                                                                             |
| 122 | C J Pepper           |                               | The Greenway should be a parking free zone.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Noted. Parking charges in Town Centre covered by TC14 (to be renamed TC Project 9). Parking charges on the Greenway are outside the scope of this plan. |

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| 125 | Mandy Last     | <p>With new housing there must be new school facilities. It seems silly that as a tourist town we don't have a police station that is open 24hrs a day also if local police have to take those that they have arrested to Leamington that takes them out of the area and so means longer to wait in emergencies. We have a large police station with cells and facilities surely rather than letting these go unused surely it would be better to reopen it.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <p>School facilities addressed in INF8 (to be renamed Policy INF2). Policing arrangements are not within the remit of the NDP</p> |
| 134 | Roger Holbeche | <p>It has recently been suggested by the owners of Rowley Fields, the Stratford Town Trust, that the area to the rear of No. 7 Benson Road is a fenced off area of land which is not in use. This is not only untrue but part of a deliberate strategy on the Trust's part to engineer the current position. Prior to the field being fenced off several years ago, it was not only used on a regular basis by all those who enjoyed the public access to the remainder of Rowley Fields from the Benson Road direction but by local people in general for very many years for many forms of activities including dog walking, football, jogging, walking etc. Moreover local residents have, since the 1980s enjoyed and used legally acquired rights of way across the field to access RF and Welcome Hills. Several years ago the Trust wrongly erected a fence along the boundary alongside the public walkway to prevent access to the field by the residents and public. Many residents objected but the Trust refused to remove it or unlock the gate, telling people not to worry - it was just to enclose cattle. The Trust have also, recently implied that they would be objecting to the inclusion of this field on the grounds that it is not really part of RF. This is totally untrue. Their own application to the Land Registry clearly shows this</p> | <p>Noted. See policy CLW4 (to be renamed Policy CLW3) for Rowley Fields.</p>                                                      |

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|     |                       |                                            | parcel as being part of Rowley Fields, as does its widely publicised public consultation document. For the Trust to now suggest otherwise to suit its own ends is a blatant attempt to distort history and the truth purely for financial purposes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                              |
| 181 | Carl CONN             |                                            | The District Council has failed the town in its provision of cheap, easily accessible sports facilities. Their belief that 40GBP per month for an adult to access the leisure centre gym/pool is acceptable is evidently mistaken. The usage of such a centre should be considerably greater and made more accessible. The DC have committed to the present contractor (pricing) for over 20 years. Therefore, the Town Council should look to welcome into the town and provide, more realistically priced facilities that are accessible in tune with a service sector community that is one that works beyond the 9x 5 norm. These new facilities, often called "easy Gyms" are low priced, (usually starting at 10gbp per month) and accessible 24 x 7: such gyms are booming in membership and opening throughout the country with recent openings in Coventry - we need one in the town ! | Noted. Promotion of leisure facilities is dealt with under policy CLW2                                                       |
| 201 | Graham John Nicholson | The Inland Waterways Assoc. (Warks branch) | Agree                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Supportive.                                                                                                                  |
| 202 | Mr Mark Rowlands      |                                            | Any new housing developments should carry an obligation to provide appropriate community facilities & medical facilities. These should be at a defined level of financial contribution according to the value of the development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Supportive. New community facilities addressed in policy CLW2. Level of Housing Contribution is outside the scope of the NDP |

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| 215 | Portia Hazel Conn |  | The district council's management of the leisure centre contract means we are burdened with an overpriced gym for the next 20 plus years. I and the majority of young people in the town cannot afford the £40 a month fees and the TC should please encourage the new 24x7 low cost gyms to set up in town so we can have a £10-£20 a month gym that fits in with late night service sector workers. | Noted but charging levels outside scope of the NDP |
| 228 | John Campton      |  | Vital priority                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Supportive.                                        |