

**Item 9.** (b) Documents for this application are viewable on the Ipswich Borough Council website.

A pre application consultation was conducted by Mersea Homes, under the banner of Red House Neighbourhood, from 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021 to 12<sup>th</sup> March 2022, and details of the pre application consultation and present planning application were forwarded to the Parish Council by a representative of Save Our Country Spaces (SOCS). Here is a link to the SOCS website <http://socsnews.blogspot.com/>

This was not a consultation from Suffolk County Council or Ipswich Borough Council.

The pre application consultation was submitted in outline, so there were few formal plans.

This site is a development which will form part of the Ipswich Garden suburb, which is allocated in the Ipswich Borough Council Core Strategy (Adopted 2017) for housing and associated facilities under Policy CS10: Ipswich Northern Fringe to help meet the housing needs of the Borough. Policy CS10 identifies that the whole suburb covers a total area of 195 hectares which will be comprehensively planned as three neighbourhoods (Henley Gate, Fonnereau, and Red House Neighbourhood).

Outline planning permission for 1,915 homes had already been granted under applications: IP/16/00608/OUT (Henley Gate); and IP/14/00638/OUTFL (Fonnereau).

The Red House Neighbourhood is located approximately 2km to the north of Ipswich Town Centre. It is the most eastern part of the Garden Suburb and comprises approximately 53 hectares of agricultural land to the east of Westerfield Road, south of the railway and the most eastern boundary borders Tuddenham Road.

Additional details on the pre application website included the following information:

Two vehicular access routes are proposed to Westerfield Road. Both of these are expected to be priority junctions rather than traffic signalled junctions. Both junctions are to be located to the north of the access to the Fonnereau Village site (this access junction is proposed to be controlled by traffic signals).

The Red House Neighbourhood site has capacity to provide up to 1,020 homes. The proposal is for a mix of housing to be provided, including family housing as well as smaller homes, but the detail will not be fixed, until individual reserved matters are brought forward. The density will be varied across the site with the site providing 35 dwellings per hectare, which is in accordance with the approved SPD. The application will seek permission for:

- up to 1,020 dwellings;
- a primary school with early years provision;
- a secondary school including sixth form;
- a local centre providing retail and other community uses;
- formal and informal open space including play space; and
- associated infrastructure.
- The proposed development will be low rise, predominantly comprising no more than 2-3 storeys.

Outline permission is sought for both a 2 form of entry primary school (420 pupils) with potential for a nursery together with a secondary school with sixth form (up to 1,200 pupils). The delivery of the schools, will be the responsibility of Suffolk County Council. The layout allows Suffolk County Council the flexibility to operate separate primary and secondary schools or alternatively an 'All-Through' School. The website also states 'It is our understanding that the school/s will open in approximately 2026.'

The response from the Parish Council to the pre application consultation was submitted 11<sup>th</sup> March 2021 as follows:

The Parish Council wish to reiterate the previous comments put forward on the Ipswich Garden Suburb development, which are:

- There are concerns with a late delivery of school provision, due to the current shortfall of available school places within catchment.

- There is a need for sustainable transport provision within the new development, but also for existing residents in neighbourhoods close to the development.
- There should be consideration as to the impact of additional traffic upon neighbouring villages, due to the development, especially on single track roads used as cut throughs.
- The importance of the Country Park, in that it should maintain a physical separation of villages to the north of the development from Ipswich and be provided in parallel with the onset of the site and residential development.
- Required assurance that the treatment of sewage waste from the development would not be routed to the treatment works in Tuddenham St Martin. There is also concern also at the associated detrimental effect with the surrounding Environmentally Sensitive Area designation of the Fynn Valley, including the further likely increase of flooding in the area.

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#### **Item 10 a) Report on Road safety and Highway matters for Parish Council meeting Tuesday March 1<sup>st</sup> 2022**

**Road signage improvements.** Awaiting up-date from SCC Highways. Can we also consider additional 30mph roundels in locations where there are 30mph road signs? For discussion.

**Community Speedwatch.** We have not been active through the winter months and are planning to commence this and next week. Details of the analysis of data from the SID in Main Road for two dates in November will be circulated but showed early morning and later afternoon 60-70% of vehicles travelling at above the ACPO limit of 35 mph. One of the times we operate is later afternoons. We need additional volunteers to maintain the effectiveness of our activities.

**SAVID** We have appreciated the support of the East Suffolk Community Partnership in being given funding for the purchase of an additional pole mounted SID which will increase the frequency of Tuddenham having use of the SAVID SID. Exploration is underway to consider the purchase of a non-pole mounted SID but no suitable source of this type of device has been located yet. We continue to aim for a co-ordinated approach across the villages to address the speeding concerns. Our new Secretary Tracy Herrington is now working with us and this role is vital for the work we are aiming to manage.

**Quiet Lanes** Sandy Lane (Witnesham) and Westerfield Lane have both been approved following the traffic surveys to be approved to be included in Wave 4 of the QLS programme. The full Highways consultation, will proceed later in the Spring.

**ANPR project** Two sites for the installation of an ANPR camera have been submitted and we are awaiting follow up on this. The project is now underway after various delays, the demand across Suffolk has been very high so we are on the 'waiting list' for our sites to be assessed.

Pauline Procter

February 28<sup>th</sup> 2022

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**Item 16.** In February the Parish Council received the following information from Bouygues E&S Infrastructure UK Limited:

Some of the standard streetlights maintained by Suffolk County Council in your local area are set to be upgraded to more efficient and environmentally-friendly LED lanterns as part of a project being delivered during 2021/22 by Bouygues.

Work in **Tuddenham St Martin** is set to start within the next month. Black and yellow 'Work Starts Here' signs will appear on specific streets shortly before upgrades take place in that location. *Please note that we will **not** be replacing all streetlighting lanterns, as some have already had LED units fitted and some areas will be upgraded separately as part of dedicated improvement schemes.*

These upgrade works are generally progressing from west to east across the county between September 2021 and autumn 2022 (by which time around 43,000 of Suffolk's streetlights will have been upgraded as part of this programme). *Please be assured that any current heritage lanterns have been identified to ensure that a similar lantern is installed and due to procurement timescales heritage works will take place towards the end of the programme in 2022.*

1. To find out more about Suffolk's LED upgrade project, please visit: [Council news | Suffolk County Council](#)
2. To help answer any queries, we have created a dedicated Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) page on the Suffolk County Council website at [LED Streetlighting upgrade project | Suffolk County Council](#)
3. Find out more about Bouygues Energies and Services Ltd, at: [Welcome to Bouygues Energies & Services \(bouygues-es.co.uk\)](#)

Please **feel free to share information about the above works locally** to raise awareness of this taking place, also linking to the FAQ page link above on the Suffolk County Council website for further information. Please direct any public enquiries about this project to email: [customer.services@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:customer.services@suffolk.gov.uk) or call 0345 606 6171 (phone lines are open Monday to Friday, 8:30am to 5:30pm).

In addition to the above, the Parish Council were invited to seek a quote for the upgrade of parish council owned street lights to LEDs. Suffolk County Council have been approached in order for them to review and quote.

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**Item 19** East Suffolk Council has published Terms of Reference to undertake a Community Governance Review (CGR) covering the East Suffolk district.

This process involves asking the public and other interested parties about the most suitable way of representing local communities, to ensure that local governance arrangements within East Suffolk continue to be reflective of the identity and interest of local communities and that they are as efficient and effective as they can be.

A CGR provides councils with an opportunity to review and make changes to community governance arrangements. A CGR can consider the following:

- Creating, merging, altering or abolishing parishes
- The naming of parishes and the style of new parishes
- The electoral arrangements of parishes such as number of councillors and parish warding
- The grouping of parishes under a common parish council or the de-grouping of parishes

East Suffolk Council are keen to hear from Town and Parish Councils, and invited the Parish Council for suggestions for changes to the governance in the area. Also, to let them know if the Parish Council are happy with the existing arrangements. The deadline for submissions to be received is **Friday 1 April 2022**.

To view a copy of the Terms of Reference, please follow this link

<https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/assets/Elections/Community-Governance-Review/District-CGR-Terms-of-Reference.pdf>