

Extra WNP Briefing to WPC, copied to HPC, 07 January 2019.

This follows the formal written Report from WNP to WPC/HPC on 16 months work 2017-19

1. The new **Draft Local Plan 2034** is up for Public Consultation, 07 January -18 February, 2019. Hard copy of all relevant materials is in Wheatley Library, Wheatley Parish Office, Holton Community Hall and Holton Parish Office.
2. Local Open Day for this Consultation will be held by SODC at the Merry Bells, Monday 21 January 3.00 – 7.00 p.m.
3. SODC Adviser Ricardo Rios is due to meet with WNP on 16 January (formerly 11 January) to discuss launch of WNP pre-Submission to Examiner Final Consultation. We had hoped (see formal written report to WPC/HPC, late December) to start this Consultation in early February, usefully to overlap the SODC LP 2034 Consultation. **Decision still pending**
4. **03 January 2019 Briefing on new Draft LP 2034.** Attended by WPC/HPC Chairmen & WNP Chairman. OBU site now STRAT **14** (not STRAT 10). '500 homes' deleted from text, as ordered by SODC Planning 28 November 2018. 'At least 300 homes' has been retained and WNP will continue to oppose 'at least' in its Consultation response as it has since June 2016. SODC state 'development of undeveloped western part of site will not be considered appropriate'. Site will be 'removed from Green Belt and inset in the Green Belt Inset Plan'. WNP asked how much weaker this would be. **Answer:** so many other statutory bodies have stated that curbs are needed on such an historic site, it is in a very strong position. The answer seemed unrehearsed and straight. The map shows a core built-form, an outer margin to the built form and a considerable amount of 'Green', however classified to west of Site and south and north of the old RAMC housing. **Finally, Infrastructure/Berinsfield,sewerage.**

John Fox, WNP, 06 January 2019