

SHROPSHIRE LOCAL PLAN EXAMINATION

Stage 1 Hearing Statement

Representor unique Part A Ref *	A0388
Matter	Matter 3 Development Strategy
Relevant questions nos	16, DP4, DP3

Baschurch Parish Council proposes a new site for development: Land adjacent to Station Yard Development (17/02174/REM) and land off Station Road Development 18/05447/REM known as SAMDEV BAS034. The Council is unanimous in making this a priority. Undoubtedly, incorporating this site currently surrounded by existing development, will gain the proposed set aside for 68 car parking places to support the re-instatement of Baschurch Railway Station and, from the onset, will bring significant benefits for the Baschurch area.

The proposed new site for development is landlocked by existing approved development and to incorporate it now will enable Baschurch to secure other significant benefits including more affordable housing (the current level in North Shropshire is more than 5% less than South Shropshire) as part of the 45 extra dwellings, a centre for sustainable and carbon neutral travel, ensuring opening of bridle and footpaths with access to the school, and retention of mature trees and hedgerows in keeping with low density and open space for residents.

Baschurch Parish Council urges support for this advantageous development.

Baschurch Parish Council disagrees being incorporated into Shrewsbury Strategic Centre Development Strategy as it is reflected in the lack of meaningful response to the particular and urgent needs of the Baschurch Community concerning transport and access to amenities. We believe we have more synergy with Oswestry or Ellesmere.

Baschurch Parish Council disagrees with Affordable Exception Plan as the terminology is too ambiguous to prevent the creep of the placement of 'exception sites' in places without appropriate access or sustainable transport (other than by car which is counter to the purported aims of Shropshire Council) especially as in DP4 often erroneous and unsubstantiated claims are made about the ability of public transport or cycling to meet the real needs of residents, particularly those in shift employment, with children, disabled and unable to drive .

Brian Welti Chair of Baschurch Parish Council June 7th, 2022

*Your unique reference can be found in the Schedule of Respondents (Schedule 3 of document SD014.01) at:

<https://shropshire.gov.uk/planning-policy/local-planning/local-plan-review/draft-shropshire-local-plan->

[2016-2038-examination/examination-library/earlier-regulation-18-plan-making-stages-of-consultation/regulation-19-pre-submission-draft-of-the-shropshire-local-plan-consultation/](#)