

## Appendix E - Comment from Barkway Parish Council

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From: Parish Clerk [mailto:parishclerk@barkway-village.co.uk]

Sent: 16 October 2019 12:16

To: Peter Lapham

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Subject: Appendix E Parish Council comment Land off Windmill Close

Dear Peter

Barkway Parish Council discussed the proposal to declare land at Windmill Close surplus to requirements at its meetings of 10 September and 8 October. The Council has asked that you are advised that we take the same view as Cllr Gerald Morris that decisions relating to this land should not be taken prior to the Planning Inspector's planned further hearings concerning Barkway. This is because he has questioned both whether Barkway should be a settlement village as part of the LDP and the scale of the numbers of new households that should be allocated. If the land is not in the end allocated as part of the LDP this would clearly limit any purchaser's ability to secure planning consent. Given this uncertainty, the Council is not in a position to achieve best value if the land were to be marketed ahead of the LDP issues being settled.

For these reasons we would urge the Cabinet not to market this land at least until after the Planning Inspector has reported on the outcome of the further hearings he proposes in relation to Barkway.

Yours sincerely

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