

## **Regulation 16 Consultation**

## on the Submitted Martley, Knightwick & Doddenham Neighbourhood Plan

## RESPONSE FORM

Under Regulation 15 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, Martley Parish Council has submitted the draft Martley, Knightwick & Doddenham Neighbourhood Plan to Malvern Hills District Council. In accordance with Regulation 16, Malvern Hills District Council would like to invite comments from organisations and individuals on the Neighbourhood Plan.

This consultation runs for six weeks from Friday 12th May to Friday 23rd June 2017.

If you wish to comment on the draft Martley, Knightwick & Doddenham Neighbourhood Plan please complete and return this form no later than 5:00 pm on Friday, 23rd June 2017 to:

Email: developmentplans@malvernhills.gov.uk, or by

**Post:** Planning Policy, Malvern Hills District Council, Planning Services, The Council House, Avenue Road, Malvern, Worcestershire, WR14 3AF.

All comments will be made publicly available and identifiable by name and organisation (where applicable). Please note that any other personal information provided will be processed by Malvern Hills District Council in line with the Data Protection Act 1998.

Please fill in your details in the boxes below:

Full Name: Charles (Charlie) Dolphin
Organisation (if applicable): Representing myself and my partner
Address (including postcode):
Telephone number:
Email address:

Please state which part of the draft Neighbourhood Plan (i.e. which section, objective or policy) your representation refers to (please use a separate form for each representation):

The Neighbourhood Plan (NP) in general; but with very great concerns in respect of the obvious omission of homes for the present and the future.

Please use the space below to make comments on this part of the Neighbourhood Plan.

I do not wish to appear cynical but the NP appears to me to have been drafted by certain older persons who clearly have an agenda to keep Martley like a "picture postcard" of a "Dickensian" or pre "The Wars" rural village. The NP appears to have been instigated by certain older persons (rather than fully by the Parish Council) who to our minds simply are more interested in keeping things how they would like them: rather than thinking forward for the needs of the elderly and the young people of the Parishes and those contemplating children or having a growing family.

Martley is a thriving growing village with 2 schools and many very important businesses that require ongoing and continued support. This to our minds is sustainability and absolutely essential to rural communities and should not ever be lost. The housing development allowed in the last few years was so overdue it is untrue. This was simply a "catching up" process which has a very long way to go until it is fulfilled.

My partner and I have had to find affordable accommodation in Cleobury Mortimer because even though she hails from the District we could not find somewhere in this Parish. This NP is deficient in providing housing for the future both for the young, the elderly and those looking for affordable homes.

We have very serious reservations about the public consultation process and comment that it appears young and needy people have not been properly included in the decision making process. Accordingly we consider that this NP is not sound, not balanced and lacks any form of future housing so badly needed in the district and so it should therefore be rejected outright.

Please use a separate form for each representation.

## **Future Notification**

Please state whether you would like to be notified of the decision on the Neighbourhood Plan proposal:

Signature:	<b>Date</b> 23 June 2017

Thank you for completing this form.