
At the VALP Examination the Inspector asked the Council to revisit what seemed to be an under estimation of the number of houses which could be accommodated site D-STO008 (17 July 2018 Day 5 Agenda Session 23). 

Criterion a. of STO008 stated:-

“Provision of around 10 dwellings at a density that takes account of the adjacent settlement character and identity”

Following the Inspector’s led discussion at the VALP Hearings the Council has reassessed the density and development layout criteria to reflect the housing around the site. The Council acknowledges that there is a diversity of densities and settlement character to the north and east of the allocation and reflecting this, the site could accommodate an increased housing number. An indicative layout for 26 houses is included below as an indicator of how the site could come forward.

The Council proposes a Modification to Policy D-STO008 by allocating the site for 26 homes and amend criterion a. as follows:-

“Provision of around 26 dwellings at a density that takes account of the adjacent settlement character and identity”

Housing Mix Illustrated
4 No. 2 bed
17 No. 3 bed
5 No. 4 bed
2 No. 5 bed
Total = 26 dwellings

potential for pedestrian connection to existing development

existing tree belt to be retained

extent of allocation

existing trees to be retained