

Dear all – sorry to be writing again so soon but, there is a **response deadline of 5pm Thursday 22nd March 2018** for people to 'have their say' on the Greater Norwich Local Plan which contains information about a number of proposed developments in and around Mulbarton, and I feel obliged to let as many know as possible, so you may comment if you wish.

Some of you may have seen the subject of planning for housing raised on Countryfile last night!

The GNLP Document is apparently about 157 pages long but, for your ease, you may want to click on this link which takes you to the site with various other links and information -

<http://www.gnlp.org.uk/have-your-say/>

The following link takes you to the drawings showing the local Sites and reference numbers you'd need to mention if you make any comments -

http://www.gnlp.org.uk/assets/parishes/Mulbarton%20CP_mapBook.pdf

You can e-mail your comments to - gnlp@norfolk.gov.uk

Or you may prefer to telephone 01603 306603

Before 5pm on Thursday 22nd March!

The following piece may prove helpful, copied directly from the GNLP Document

Settlement Summary

The JCS identifies Mulbarton (along with Bracon Ash) as a Service Village. Mulbarton has a range of services including primary education, shops, GP surgery, chemist, and village hall.

The village has a historic core with many listed buildings set around the triangular common, which is the heart of the village's conservation area. Other constraints includes flood risk, and a string of CWS to the west of the village and on the central common. Mulbarton's Neighbourhood Plan identifies a 'heart of the village' area, and states that housing proposals that result in the growth of the village further southward will not generally be acceptable.

Two large sites have been proposed for development. Two other sites proposed for housing, GNLP0195 and GNLP0299, are adjacent to the built up area of Mulbarton but are in Bracon Ash parish and included under that section of this document.

GNLP 0315 is a very large site of 130ha to the east of Mulbarton, and largely detached from the village. Identified constraints include impacts on townscape, listed buildings, ecology, access, the road network and surface water flooding. As the site is of a significant scale there are likely to be opportunities to avoid and mitigate on-site constraints although development of the entire site would have a significant impact on the built environment which would be harder to mitigate. The off-site impacts on the road network may have the potential to be mitigated by a site of this scale, though access to the A140 could be difficult to achieve largely due to the potential need for an additional or improved crossing of the Norwich-London railway.

GNLP0496 is a site of 25.6ha. It straddles the B1113 to the north of Mulbarton and is made up of 3 distinct areas, one to the west of the B1113 and two to the east. The site is close to services and facilities in Mulbarton. Constraints include the existing road network, the impact on the setting of the village and the impacts on listed buildings. The network constraints have the potential to be mitigated.

In conclusion, these two sites could be considered if Mulbarton is identified as a suitable location for large scale growth, though providing adequate access to the main road network, particularly the A140, could be difficult to achieve.

Thank you for your time reading this which I trust is helpful.

FYI the next Parish Council meeting is 7.30pm Monday 9th April at the Village Hall.

Kind regards,

Marina

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