

Stroud District Council
Planning Policy
Ebley Mill Ebley Wharf
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Gloucestershire
GL5 4UB

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Your ref:
Date: 20 December 2019



Dear Sir

Notice of Publication of the Cam Neighbourhood Development Plan proposal under Regulation 16 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (As Amended) and the Localism Act 2011

Thank you for referring the above consultation, which we received via email on 29 November 2019.

Having reviewed the Regulation 15 Submission Draft of the Neighbourhood Plan (dated October 2019) we would offering the following comments at this time:

We sent your Council a copy of our Neighbourhood Plan pro-forma guidance for distribution to Parish Councils. The purpose of the guidance is to assist the preparation of Neighbourhood Development Plans, including an appropriate evidence base. This includes consideration of some of the relevant environmental issues that should be considered, including flood risk (from rivers and sea), water quality, water resources and includes latest Climate Change recommendations for flood risk.

For each proposed site allocation, we recommend completing the pro-forma to check the environmental constraints. This will help collect evidence, identify challenges, inform policy and assist delivery of sustainable solutions.

We note there do not appear to be any additional site allocations proposed within the Plan. We would only make substantive further comments on the plan if it were seeking to allocate sites in Flood Zones 2 or 3 (the latter being used as the 100 year climate change extent). Furthermore, we do not offer detailed bespoke advice on policy but advise you ensure conformity with your Local Plan and refer to our guidance. This might assist with your consideration of a local environmental enhancements or improvement policies that may be necessary.

I trust that the above is of use to you at this time.

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