

Goring Residents' Association

The Worthing Draft Local Plan

Worthing Borough Council has issued its Draft Local Plan. The plan looks ahead to 2033. It will be a key document in shaping the future of the borough, setting out what development will take place and where. When adopted, the new plan will replace the borough's existing local planning policies and will be an important consideration in deciding all planning applications. The Consultation period ends on 12th December and the Goring Residents' Association Committee has been urging members to submit comments to the Council on the plan by the deadline.

The Goring Gap

The GRA welcome the decision made to designate and provide protection to the Goring Gap South and Goring Gap North as a Local Green Space and a continued Strategic Gap between Goring and Ferring.

Areas identified for development

These areas include the HMRC Offices, Barrington Road and Martlets Way which have been earmarked for regeneration with a mix of residential property and employment units

Worthing Leisure Centre in Shaftsbury Avenue has also been earmarked for regeneration to provide a mixed development of leisure and residential use including the provision of a new leisure centre, swimming pool, sports hall, fitness centre and housing.

The GRA committee will neither support nor object to the proposals relating to the HMRC offices, Martlets Way or the Leisure Centre. We will ask the Council to ensure that there are cohesive plans for these areas, with no high rise development which overshadows existing residential properties; junction improvements at Barrington Road/Shaftsbury Avenue; road improvements on the Martlets way development; road improvements from the leisure centre to Shaftsbury Avenue; adequate onsite parking for residents, workers and those using leisure facilities; employment units which will not impinge on local residents with noise or pollution. It is also critical that amenities such as schooling, doctors and transportation are considered prior to any regeneration taking place.

Further details can be found on the website www.goringresidents.org.uk

Membership

Although we are now midway through the membership year new members are always welcome. It only costs £1.50 a year to join the GRA. Please e-mail membershipsec@goringresidents.org.uk or call Alan on 07854 705 359. Alternatively put £1.50 per person (£3 per household) with details of your name and address in a well-sealed envelope and take to Denyer Newsagent, Mulberry Parade, 265 Goring Road, Goring-By-Sea and ask them to place it in the GRA drop box. If you wish to receive our newsletter via our e-mail service instead of a hard copy please include your e-mail address with a request to be included.

Best wishes for Christmas and the New Year