

Summary Report **Soft Launch of the Draft Lingfield Neighbourhood Plan** **18 June 2022**

Collated responses taken from response sheet (copy attached)

Vision, objectives, policies

Overall broad support for the Neighbourhood Plan's approach and emerging conclusions, as evidenced by people's commentary on individual sites and views expressed orally at the event. Recognition that development is inevitable reflected in people's responses to the sites; people seemed to accept the NP as having adopted a sensible and balanced approach to the inevitability of more development. There was a clearly expressed wish to preserve the semi-rural character of the village and desire to protect its heritage. Maintaining the character of the settlement should be achieved by careful choice of sites and type of housing permitted. There was a desire to ensure sufficient affordable, smaller housing was supplied, with support for some housing reserved specifically for local people.

There was a strong theme of concern about the ability of existing and future infrastructure to support growing numbers of, particularly elderly, residents. This led to a view that development should be aligned with increases in the supply of medical services and schooling. Several respondents were concerned about impact of development on already busy roads. The potential development sites identified in the Plan were broadly supported, with a preference for brown field sites. Strong hostility to any development of Star Fields.

Sites

1. Lingfield House

The proposed development of this site was broadly supported, based on recognition that there was a demand locally for homes for the elderly and that this could, in turn, ease the wider housing market in Lingfield as other properties were released. The site was seen as unobtrusive and accessible to village facilities. There was obvious concern about the potential impact of an increased elderly population on the surgery. A minority preferred the site to be used for mixed/affordable housing.

2. Garth Farm

Regarded by a majority of consultees as neglected, brown-field land and therefore suitable for development. Site seen as having low visual impact and being in close proximity to the village services.

3. Racecourse land

Mixed feelings about this site - several responses expressed concern about the visual impact of the site on Lingfield in terms of density and design, the potential for further spread of development and the impact of traffic on the Newchapel Road.

4. Pitts Barn

A mixed response – some particularly liked the environmentally friendly approach whereas other had doubts. It was seen by some as too far from the village centre and contributing to traffic issues along Newchapel Road. The self-build concept was seen as not yet properly developed although there was some support for the principle.

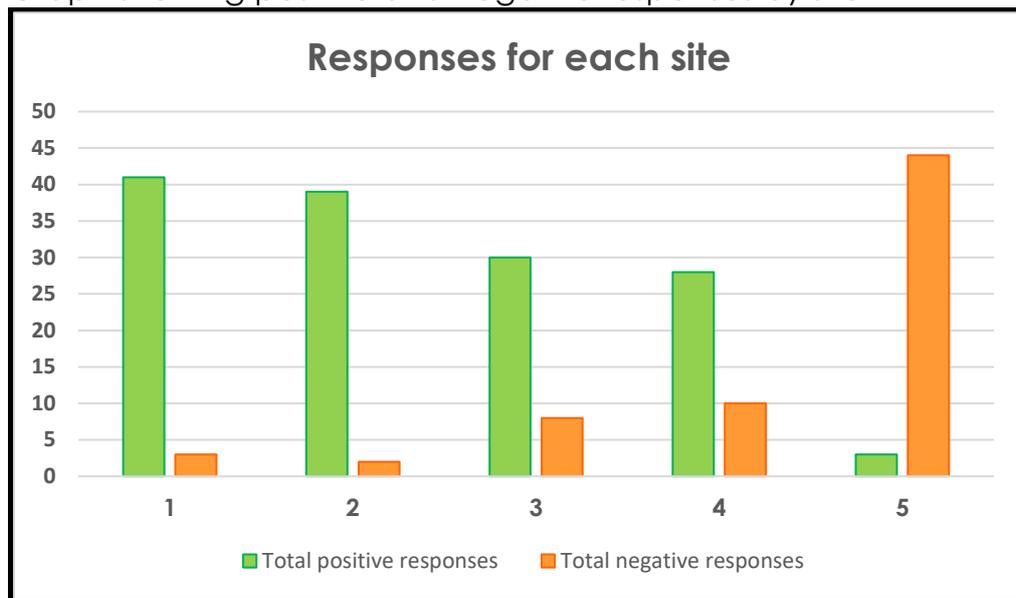
5. Star Fields

Overwhelming strong hostility to any development of this site. Star Fields seen as critical to retaining the character of Lingfield and its heritage sites. Development of Star Fields would fundamentally alter the character of Lingfield. A small number saw the site as convenient for the village and the station.

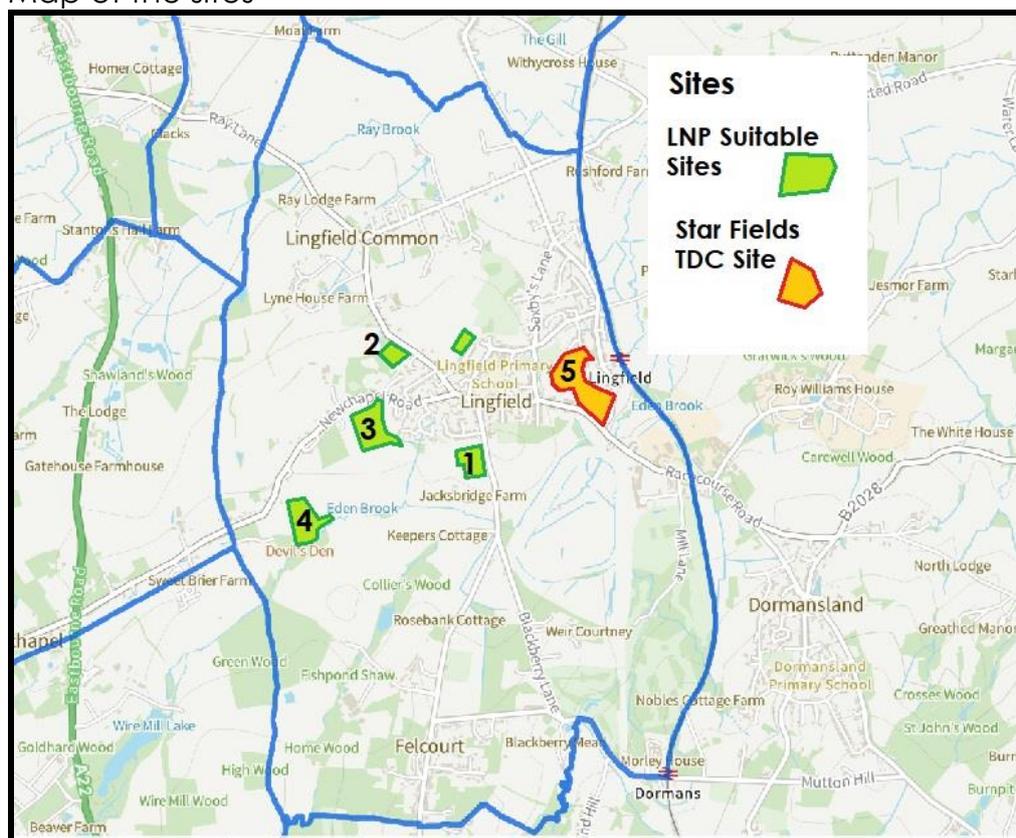
Table showing summary of site-specific responses

	1	2	3	4	5
Site	Lingfield House	Garth Farm	Racecourse land off Newchapel Rd	Pitts Barn	Star Fields
Strongly for	4	9	9	2	2
For	37	30	21	26	1
Neutral (or no comment)	7	10	13	13	4
Against	3	1	7	7	11
Strongly against	0	1	1	3	33
Total positive responses	41	39	30	28	3
Total negative responses	3	2	8	10	44

Graph showing positive and negative responses by site



Map of the sites



Note – the unnumbered site is too small to be considered by the LNP, as it would be unable to deliver any significant infrastructure gain

Feedback form provided on the 18 June and available to download from the [Lingfield.info](https://lingfield.info) website

Lingfield Neighbourhood Plan Consultation Saturday 18 June 2022

This is your opportunity to comment on what you have seen. You do not have to identify yourself, but it would be helpful if you would let us have some information about you.

Are you a resident of Lingfield? Yes or No?	
If you would like us to contact you as the LNP progresses, Please provide an email address or a name and postal address	

Section	Your comments
Vision	
Objectives	
Policies	
Site1 Lingfield House	
Site 2 Garth Farm	
Site 3 Racecourse land on Newchapel Rd	
Site 4 Pitt's Barn	
Site 5 Star Fields	

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