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Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Oct**

## Key dates in Morval Parish

Sat 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct:	WRR	NDP Public Consultation, (10am-12)
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct:	WRR	NDP Public Consultation, (10am-12)
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct:	WRR	St Luke's Hospice Coffee morning (10-12)
	WRR	NDP Public Consultation, (2-4pm)
Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct:	WRR	NDP Public Consultation, (10am-12)
Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct:	St Wenna	NDP Public Consultation, (2-4pm)
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov:	St Wenna	NDP Public Consultation, (2-4pm)
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> - Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov:		St Wenna Christmas Sparkle Flower Festival, Fri/Sat (10am-4), Sun (2pm-4)

**Morval NDP:** has been approved by Cornwall Council so now there is the Public Consultation stage lasting until Monday Nov 8<sup>th</sup>. There are Public Outreach events (dates above) and a mailshot with key details will go to all homes. Here's a summary of the NDP policies:

### **Policy 1: Sustainable Development and Climate Change**

- 1) New development in Morval will be supported where it can be demonstrated that the proposal is sustainable, embodying the social, economic and environmental aspects of sustainable development as set out in the Plan.
- 2) Proposals for new buildings and renovations of historic buildings should conform to current Home Quality Mark best practice standards (siting, energy, transport and amenity, quality of living space and environmental impact.)
- 3) Proposals for a Recycling Collection Point or a Community Repair Café will be looked at favourably.
- 4) Proposals for installing renewable and low carbon energy technology will be supported where appropriate.
- 5) Developers should set out how the development promotes renewable energy, water conservation and energy reduction, and consider solar gain, renewable technologies, charging low emission vehicles, grey water storage.

### **Policy 2: Local Green Spaces**

Widegates Village Green and St. Wenna's Church and churchyard are designated as Local Green Spaces.

### **Policy 3 – Community Facilities**

1. A proposal to extend or improve community facilities will be considered favourably provided it is in keeping with the character of the settlement, supports the use of a community facility, provides car parking facilities, doesn't result in noise and disturbance to nearby properties, and doesn't cause traffic or road safety problems
2. The change of use or redevelopment of a community building to a non-community use will only be permitted where the community facility is incorporated or similarly replaced or relocated to a more appropriate building or to a location which improves its accessibility, or is no longer required if local alternatives offer the same facilities
3. The provision of health and social amenities and adult education/key skills training will be supported if they meet local community needs, do not impact unfavourably on existing facilities and are in scale and keeping with the area
4. Community facilities and village shops should, wherever possible, be retained and new ones supported

### **Policy 4 Protection and Enhancement of Biodiversity**

1. All new development should protect and enhance local wildlife species and habitats, demonstrating how they will deliver a net biodiversity gain, as set out in Cornwall Council's Biodiversity Supplementary Planning Document.
2. Where appropriate proposals should enhance the biodiversity and green infrastructure of the parish, and should demonstrate that they avoid designated areas (and semi-natural habitat in non-designated areas) retain patches of semi-natural habitat, they make sure these can be retained and ideally linked together as part of the intended end land-use, retain, restore and re-create habitat linkages, retain and maintain trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order, seek to protect and maintain non designated native trees, look for opportunities to create, expand, buffer and link semi-natural habitats and consider new semi-natural habitat off-site if opportunities on-site are limited.

### **Policy 5: Employment Development**

- 1) Proposals to promote economic development and jobs creation - including start up units/work hubs adaptations to suitable buildings

and other similar improvements - will be supported, if they are of an appropriate scale, do not detract from the appearance and character of the neighbourhood, or compromise existing facilities of proven need.

2) Home based enterprise proposals will be encouraged if there will be no unreasonable adverse impact affecting nearby residents, or the character and appearance of the locality by reason of visual impact, noise vibration, etc.

### **Policy 6 Small-scale 'infill & rounding off' housing development**

Housing Proposals for small-scale developments within rural hamlets will be supported where it is infill (fills a small gap in a continuous built frontage) or rounding off (doesn't extend into open countryside). Proposals should consider the significance of large gaps, loss of privacy to nearby dwellings, impact on historic, architectural and landscape character, and whether it provides community benefits for local facilities, services or infrastructure.

### **Policy 7 - Rural Exceptions Housing for Local People**

Rural exceptions sites of up to five dwellings will be supported to meet a local need provided it does not have an unacceptable impact on the visual and landscape amenity of the area.

Developers must approach Morval Parish Council's Chair as early as possible in the planning process, so that they can be made aware of local requirements and allow early resident consultation.

Any such development should be small scale and subject to the following criteria: affordable homes (meeting the specific needs of Morval Parish) to be well integrated with market housing. It would have a target of 100% affordable housing (any reduction will need viability assessment) and will be occupied by people with a local connection.

### **Policy 8 Design Requirements**

New development proposals will be assessed against the following:

- 1) demonstrate how it will integrate into the existing surroundings.
- 2) be no more than two storeys in height (unless special circumstances can be demonstrated).

- 3) demonstrate it meets the requirements of all the policies of this Plan, including the character of the area.
- 4) will need to establish a strong sense of place.
- 5) create a safe and accessible environment where crime and disorder (or fear of it) don't impact on the community.
- 6) demonstrate a good street layout, low vehicle speed and good access for emergency and refuse vehicles.
- 7) should have well defined public and private spaces to maintain local rural character and appearance of the area.
- 8) respond to the semi-rural nature of the parish, reflect the identity of the local area, but not discourage innovation.
- 9) should use high quality materials (locally sourced where possible) to complement the existing palette of materials.
- 10) should be visually attractive through good architecture and appropriate landscaping.
- 11) make provision for adequate well-designed external amenity space (refuse and recycling storage) and parking.
- 12) any external lighting must protect the night sky from light pollution through light type, positioning and shielding.

### **Policy 9 Transport, Accessibility and Parking**

1. All new development shall include safe and effective provision for vehicle access, pedestrians and cyclists.
2. proposals that improve/safeguard rights of way and public footpaths, and extend/create cycle routes, bridleways and other are desirable, provided they are safe, convenient and do not adversely affect the character of the area.
3. applications that reduce speed limits, improve sight lines or safety at accident spots will be considered favourably.
4. Proposals generating significant traffic movements must also include how transport issues will be mitigated.
5. Proposals for residential development will be supported where in addition to any garage space they provide sufficient off-street parking spaces, as defined by the bedrooms of the dwellings.

Proposals will be supported where they meet the requirements for parking set out in the most up-to-date Cornwall Design Guide produced by the Local Planning Authority.

### **Policy 10. Flood Risk and Mitigation**

New housing developments in Flood Risk Zone 1 will need to have a site-specific flood risk assessment, showing how the risk of flooding from all sources is minimised and managed. All housing developments must show no net increase in surface water run-off, incorporating Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) as necessary.

Unless demonstrably unnecessary, applicants for planning permission should show a sequential, risk-based approach to the development location (in order to avoid possible flood risk) and set out measures to manage any future risk, reduce vulnerability to the impacts of climate change, incorporate appropriate pollution control measures to prevent adverse impacts on the water environment, be in line with Environment Agency Practice 'Groundwater Protection', including SuDS as the preferred method of surface water disposal.

Don't forget: vote 'YES' in the NDP referendum (when it occurs)

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