Formal Complaint to Purbeck District Council (revised 27 May 2016)

Summary

The consultation document to be issued on 9 June 2016 claims that the previous consultation in Spring 2015, showed:

"Relatively strong public support. Acceptable for 1,000 homes" [west of Wool]

There were 262 responses across Purbeck to Option 4f for 1,000 homes in Wool:

- 90 out of 262 (34%) agreed with 1,000 houses
- 70 out of 262 (27%) disagreed with 1,000 houses
- 102 out of 262 (39%) wanted a partial development (which means they wanted FEWER than 1,000 houses)

The deduction from these figures that there is "Relatively strong support. Acceptable for 1,000 homes" is wrong and misleading.

Here are the two relevant sections from Purbeck District Council's documents.

The Purbeck Local Plan Preferred Options document* p.22 Section 63, (my highlighting):

Preferred Options

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We've done

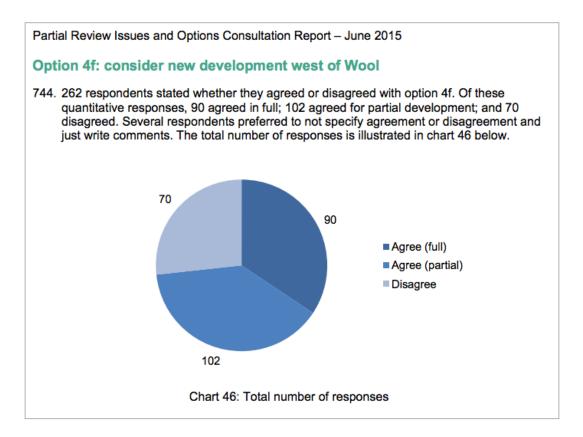
63 According to Government guidance, any options the Council presents should be realistic, reasonable and potentially deliverable. In devising options, the Council has taken into account the results of the issues and options consultation. As part of this consultation, the Council consulted on seven potential large development sites. The table below provides a summary of the results.

Proposed site	Approximate number of proposed homes	What happened?	Carried forward into this document?
North and west of North Wareham	205	Relatively strong public support. Majority of the site acceptable.	Yes.
West of Wareham Town	500	Little public support. Generally acceptable, although unresolved concerns over AONB impact.	Yes, but could be ruled out on AONB grounds.
South east of Sandford	275	Relatively strong public support. Impacts on heathland could not be mitigated satisfactorily.	No.
Lytchett Minster	500	Relatively strong public support. Acceptable for 650 homes.	Yes.
Moreton Station (Redbridge Pit)	200-900	Relatively strong public support. Acceptable for 600 homes in theory. However, the Council would not accept development on the caravan site.	Yes, but only for 350 homes.
West of Wool	1,000	Relatively strong public support. Acceptable for 1,000 homes.	Yes.
North of Langton Matravers	200	Little public support. Unacceptable AONB impact and impacts on heathland could not be mitigated satisfactorily.	No.

64 Further detail on each of the above sites can be found in the Council's Partial Review issues and options consultation report, as well as information on sites that were suggested during the consultation.

^{*} agreed by Purbeck District Council at its Annual Meeting on 10 May 2016 for publication and consultation on 9 June 2016 (with the word 'Preferred' removed from the title)

Section 64 refers us to the results of the 2015 consultation in the Purbeck Local Plan Partial Review Issues and Options Consultation Report – June 2015 p.172 Section 744:



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