

# GLAPTHORN PARISH COUNCIL

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## Public Consultation on the Oundle Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan

Thank you for the opportunity to comment the draft Oundle Neighbourhood Plan issued for consultation in accordance with Regulation 14.

Glaphorn Parish Council is pleased to note that the vision for Oundle as a thriving market town recognises the inter-dependency between Oundle and the nearby villages and the contribution made by villagers to the viability and success of Oundle.

As you will be aware, Glaphorn's Neighbourhood Plan has been the subject of Independent Examination following consultation under Regulation 16 and will go forward to referendum on 5th July 2018. All the key policies have been endorsed by the Independent Examiner including those which potentially impinge upon Oundle. The relevant policies relate to

- Site selections for development in Glaphorn Parish
- Avoidance of coalescence with Oundle, and
- The Settlement boundary for Glaphorn.

Accordingly, the Glaphorn Neighbourhood Plan has not allocated Site A2 for housing development. This is the northern part of your Site O.25, Land East of Cotterstock Road. The Glaphorn logic for not allocating this site for development is consistent with the reasoning in the Oundle Neighbourhood Plan, namely sufficiency of other sites in Oundle and your desire to contain development within your Settlement boundary.

It is necessary to point out, however, that East Northamptonshire Council (ENC) confirmed to the Glaphorn Independent Examiner that paragraph 8.18 of the Rural North, Oundle and Thrapston Plan (RNOTP) is an extant Policy and must be treated in a relevant Neighbourhood Plan as a Strategic Policy. RNOTP paragraph 8.18 says:

*Planning Policy Statement 3 (PPS3) requires the Plan to indicate possible locations for housing development from 11-15 years from the date of adoption, i.e. from 2018/19 till after 2021. The Sustainability Assessment work has identified two particular sites which stand out as possible longer-term site allocations. These sites, which could come forward following reviews of the Core Strategy and this Plan, are:*

*Land to the rear of the Cemetery, Stoke Doyle Road (230 dwellings capacity);  
Land off Cotterstock Road/ St Peter's Road (200 dwellings capacity).*

Hence, the Glapthorn Plan now recognises that "Paragraph 8.18, being a strategic policy of RNOTP shall continue to apply to Land off Cotterstock Road to St. Peter's Road which falls within Glapthorn Parish." Thus, the allocation for development of Site A2 in Glapthorn is a matter upon which ENC will need to determine as part of the production of the Replacement District Wide Local Plan Part 2.

Yours sincerely

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