THE LOCALISM BILL

Consultation May 2013

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- Shift power away from central government and into local hands
- County decisions on governance models
- Rights for communities regarding development
- □ Reform of the planning system
- Ensures decisions regarding development are taken locally

Community Led Plan

- Succeeded and builds on the old Parish Plans
- Identifies the wishes of the community looking forward

Community Led Plan Includes-

- Neighbourhood Plan (and Village Design Statement)
- Community Issues and wishes for the future
- State of the Parish Report

A Community Led plan – Key Points

- Covers issues such as-
- ☐ Highways issues
- Parking
- Public transport
- Village facilities
- Other wishes for the future of the community

A Neighbourhood Plan-

- Decide where and what type of development should happen in the neighbourhood area
- Can include design standards
- But cannot conflict with the core strategy policies
- So this is about enabling the right type of development in the right places

A neighbourhood Plan can include-

- Housing development, affordable, derelict land
- Provision for businesses
- Issues around access, pavements, leisure areas, village halls
- Restrictions on certain types of development
- Building design
- Protection of open spaces and important buildings

Neighbourhood plan- Status

- Once formally adopted, a Neighbourhood Plan carries more weight than the other plans produced
- It becomes the guiding document for development in its area
- But of course, is still subject to normal planning law

Village Design Statement

- A form of planning guidance outlining the preferred styles the community feels are appropriate in their area
- Help identify a sense of place
- Used by planning officers to help assess local applications

State of Parish report

- □ A statement of current village assets
- A reference to all supporting work underpinning the other plans

CDC local Plan

- CDC housing target 2014-2029 = 5925
- □ WG housing indicative number 2014-2029 = 60
- Site preferences to be put forward by WG (from available sites)
- Community Infrastructure Levy/ Section 106-can provide required local infrastructure

Wisborough Green Building Policies

- We can design our own policies which will guide any development and can cover, for example-
 - Location
 - Traffic/Transport
 - Size and phasing of development
 - Type of housing provision
 - Extension/replacement/change of use
 - Supporting infrastructure
 - Community assets
 - Link to SDNP
 - PROFESSIONAL ADVICE TO BE TAKEN

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