

From: The Clerk to COMBE HAY PARISH COUNCIL
To: Cabinet.
Reference: G3497.
Date: 10 July 2014.

THE CORE STRATEGY.

I am Peter Duppa-Miller – I am the Clerk to Combe Hay Parish Council.

This statement is in four parts -

- 1. Combe Hay Parish Council is greatly dismayed that the Inspector examining the Core Strategy has decided to set aside all the well-evidenced arguments contesting the allocation of the Land Adjoining Odd Down for new housing. These arguments, advanced throughout the lengthy examination period, included -**
 - a. The very significant over-provision of market-price housing,**
 - b. The extremely harmful effect on the Setting of the City of Bath World Heritage Site,**
 - c. The removal of land from the supposedly-permanent Bath Green Belt,**
 - d. The un-necessary building in the Cotswolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty,**
 - e. The damage which would be inflicted on the Plateau's biodiversity.**
 - f. The loss of land which is currently producing food.**
- 2. Noting that the Combe Hay Conservation Area Appraisal is due to be adopted by the end of July 2014 (see Forward Plan item E2648), it is requested that it be added to the list of Supplementary Planning Documents which supplement the Core Strategy.**
- 3. Combe Hay Parish Council requests that the Placemaking Principles relating to the Land Adjoining Odd Down (see Main Modification MM 39) be amended:**
 - a. To include in section 2 (The MasterPlan) the specific requirement for both South Stoke Parish Council and Combe Hay Parish Council to be party to the preparation of the MasterPlan.**

b. To add to section 5 (Landscape Requirements)
“The Combe Hay Conservation Area and its setting”.

c. To add to section 6 (Heritage Assets)
“The Combe Hay Conservation Area, including its many Listed Buildings”.

and

“The Turnpike Parish Boundary Markers alongside the A367”.

4. Combe Hay Parish Council is extremely grateful to see that Additional Modification AM 47 now includes very strong wording with regard to Broadband being a Rural Strategic Issue.