

Packington Parish Council

12<sup>th</sup> August 2016

Local Plan Consultation

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The council are also concerned with the proposals for a further DCS2 following the DCS1 to both mitigate and reduce the phosphorous levels reaching the river Mease which have increased over the period of the DCS1. It hasn't collected the amount of money that should have been by a considerable amount, with the amount of development allowed and spent on mitigation schemes on the river and not on leaflets relating to cesspits etc.

Whilst understanding that the scheme is on new build developments we feel that large extensions should also be looked at as there have been a number of very large extensions which obviously include extra bathrooms, shower rooms for example the conversion of the Methodist chapel in the village which had a sink and a toilet. The conversion added at least a bathroom and shower room thus increasing the effluent into the system.

The council is also concerned with the proposals for pumping effluent out of catchment and this is not even being discussed until 2019 with any possible implementation until 2025 we feel that this has no impact on the problems which are being experienced now. We see the effects of the problems being encountered now we are aware that on two occasions recently the water treatment works have experienced mechanical shutdown with the volumes experienced which causes surcharging to the Giliwiskaw Brook and pipes failing and bursting causing problems with local neighbours having to dig trenches to stop sewage reaching their properties, which I understand the local MP is involved with. The ongoing flooding problems on Measham Road, Mill Street and Babelake Street with the Giliwiskaw Brook coming over the banks resulting in the closure of the school.

The Council are extremely concerned with the pressure the village is experiencing with both the scale and amount of applications being brought forward.

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