



TRACKS - Update 43 - HBC consultative report

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TRACKS' Members

In February the Borough Council's above report was published on its website. In March TRACKS' Statement of Response to the report was published to members, also all Councillors – it is again attached (in Word and PDF form).

On 16 May the Council presented its report to residents attending the annual Parish Council meeting at the Radlett Centre. On 17 May TRACKS issued the below observations and comments about the presentation:

Observations

- 100 or more residents attended the meeting.
- At least twenty residents asked questions and/or spoke.
- No resident who spoke favoured a development.
- Every speaker objected to a development and/or to aspects of a development and/or to Council's handling of this matter.
- Several speakers stated they objected to any plans to make Radlett larger (denser) – the meeting at large appeared to agree.
- Many residents had not seen or read the Council report.

Statements made by Council

- Some 125 residents took part in the consultative process (the published report shows 91 took part).
- The Environmental Agency has determined that 20% of the Newberrys' area is at risk of flood.
- Council officers are now at work taking plans forward.
- Council has abandoned plans to put three schemes to residents (“It is not sensible to ask residents to choose which of three disliked schemes they dislike the least”).
- Council plans to put a single scheme to residents. Something is going to happen (be built) at Newberrys.
- A referendum of residents would be too expensive (answer to request of resident).
- Council will consult with 1,000 residents.

TRACKS now will meet Borough and Parish Councils. It will seek to ensure the wishes and requirements of residents are clearly and correctly understood by both Councils, also borne prominently in mind in their any further deliberations about the Newberrys' site.

Regards

TRACKS Committee

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Statement of response to Group report (V2) - Feb 2018.docx
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