

## Site Allocations, Issues and Options Consultation: Eyeworth

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***Please Note:** that the Consultation Report is a collection of all comments received during the consultation process. Comments included within this document are those of individuals and organisations and do not necessarily represent the views of the District Council.*

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**4.3.12 Eyeworth**

**Round one consultation** – No sites have been submitted as part of the first round of Issues and Options consultation.

**Round two consultation** - Two additional residential sites have been submitted for consideration for potential development.

A public exhibition of these sites was held at the Weatherley Centre, Eagle Farm Road, Biggleswade on Wednesday 9th July, between 1:00pm and 8:00pm.

**Public response** - From the Talk to Mid Beds website going live in February 2008 there were 208 visits to the Eyeworth parish pages (up to end of 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2008) while nine postal packs were distributed during the two rounds of consultation.



Figure 1 - Round two consultation sites

16 surveys and representations were received on sites in the parish.

**General issues with development in Eyeworth**

A reoccurring theme across comments is the physical location of the village and lack of local amenities or facilities e.g gas supply, sewers, doctors or schools etc.

**Potential development sites in Eyeworth**

**Ref Number:** H343

**Submission type:** Housing

**Site Name/Address:** Land at Sutton Road, Eyeworth

**Submitted proposal:** Residential development of up to 6 dwellings

**Period of consultation:** Round two

**Total number of surveys/representations submitted:** 8

**Site assessment criteria**

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
The potential to support local services (shops, hostels, post office, cafes, restaurants etc)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
The potential to provide new infrastructure or support existing social infrastructure (schools, community centres, doctors surgeries)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Existing facilities within easy travelling distance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Good public transport links	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The potential to be developed for housing without creating traffic congestion problems in the vicinity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The potential to be developed for housing without significant impact on the countryside or local environment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**Site development suitability**

	Count	Percent
Yes	0	.0%
No	8	100.0%
Maybe	0	.0%
Total	8	100.0%

**Additional Comments**

Six people made additional comments about this site. In keeping with the table above the additional comments were opposed to development of this site. Key reasons respondents do not think this site is appropriate for future housing in Mid-Bedfordshire are; that the physical location of the village means that there are no local amenities or facilities e.g gas supply, sewers, doctors or schools etc. Therefore residents would need to have their own car and this would, according to the comments, create further congestion on Sutton Road. A further reason for

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opposing the site was the known high water plain area, any additional building would add to the water disposal problem.

**Ref Number: H344**

**Submission type:** Housing

**Site Name/Address:** Land at High Street, Eyeworth

**Submitted proposal:** Residential development of 2 dwellings

**Period of consultation:** Round two

**Total number of surveys/representations submitted: 8**

**Site assessment criteria**

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
The potential to support local services (shops, hostels, post office, cafes, restaurants etc)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
The potential to provide new infrastructure or support existing social infrastructure (schools, community centres, doctors surgeries)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Existing facilities within easy travelling distance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**Site development suitability**

	Count	Percent
Yes	1	16.7%
No	5	83.3%
Maybe	0	.0%
Total	6	100.0%

**Additional Comments**

Three people made additional comments about this site. They are in keeping with the general opposition to the site due to the lack of amenities and facilities to attract people to the area. An additional comment mentions that Sutton Road is unclassified and therefore extra traffic resulting from a new development would add to the danger in the area.

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A full list of survey additional comments to sites in Eyeworth can be found in Appendix One. Representations made by email are shown in Appendix Two. Full written responses (letters and reports) are displayed in Appendix Three while a list of respondents' postcodes (where available) who completed surveys about sites in Eyeworth can be found in Appendix Four.