

Appendix A7 Senior Citizens Event Invitation



Oadby & Wigston Borough Council



Invitation to a special Senior Citizens Forum

Come and join us for a special Senior Citizens Forum to help shape the future of your Borough.

You will be using hand held keypads for you to vote on key planning issues affecting the Borough. This will help us plan where and how development should take place in the future. Your input will have a valuable influence on the preparation of the Oadby and Wigston Local Development Framework Core Strategy.

This is your opportunity to help shape the future of your Borough – get involved and tell us what is important to you.

Location: Council Chamber, Oadby & Wigston Council Offices, Station Road, Wigston, Leicester

Date: 13 October 2005

Time: 2.00 p.m.

Please complete the form below to let us know that you will be attending the event and send it to: Forward Plans, Oadby & Wigston Council Offices, Station Road, Wigston, Leicester LE18 2DR. Alternatively you can call 0116 2572652.

Special Senior Citizens Forum Acceptance form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Appendix A8 Senior Citizens Event Outline

Senior Citizens Forum – 22nd February

Slide 1 - Welcome

Oadby and Wigston Local Development Framework

Core Strategy

Slide 2 – Introduction – *introductory slide*

What is a Local Development Framework?

- A Local Development Framework is a folder of documents which outlines the planning strategy for the Borough.
- It will replace the current Oadby and Wigston Local Plan.

What is a Core Strategy?

- The Core Strategy sets out the general vision and objectives for the delivery of the Local Development Framework.

Slide 3 – Core Strategy: Issues and Options Paper – *introductory slide*

- The Issues and Options Paper is the first stage in preparing the Core Strategy.
- The paper identifies a number of issues and provides options to seek the most appropriate way to tackle them.

The following issues will be discussed:

- The Location of Development
- Green Wedges
- Factories and Offices
- Town Centres
- Transport

Slide 4 – Getting Started - *Test Question*

Q1 Where do you live?

- 1 Oadby
- 2 Wigston
- 3 South Wigston

Slide 5 - The Location of Development – *introductory slide*

The Core Strategy Issues and Options Paper identifies a number of different types of locations for development.

Slide 6 - The Location of Development – *Question 2*

Q2 Where should new houses and factories be built in the Borough?

- 1 Unused land within our towns
- 2 Green fields adjoining our towns
- 3 A new village built within the countryside

Slide 7 - The Location of Development - Question 2 Result

Slide 8 - The Location of Development – Question 3

Q3 Where should new houses and factories be built in the Borough when the unused land in our towns becomes full up?

- 1 Green fields adjoining our towns
- 2 A new village built within the countryside

Slide 9 - The Location of Development - Question 3 Result

Slide 10 - Green Wedges – introductory slide

There are two Green Wedges within the Borough:

- Thurnby/Leicester/Oadby
- Oadby/Leicester/Wigston

The purpose of Green Wedges are:

- Protecting important areas of open land
- Preserving landscape and wildlife links between the countryside and open space
- Maintaining the physical identity of settlements adjoining the main urban areas

Map to show the location of the Green Wedges within the Borough

(please note maps have been omitted to this web based version)

Slide 11 – Green Wedges – introductory slide

Key considerations:

- Ensure that Green Wedges reflect the location of new development to increase public access to open space and the countryside
- Review Green Wedge boundaries so that the most important parts of the Borough are protected over areas of poor environmental value

Slide 12 - Green Wedges – Questions 4

Q4 If building does need to take place on Green Wedges, what should have priority?

- 1 Community Facilities
- 2 Houses
- 3 Factories and Offices

Slide 13 - Green Wedges – Questions 4 Result

Slide 14 - Green Wedges – Questions 5

Q5 Should we build on Green Wedge land?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

Slide 15 - Green Wedges – Questions 5 Result

Slide 16 - Factories and Offices - Introductory Slide

There are a number of sites allocated in the current Oadby and Wigston Local Plan as employment areas. The Core Strategy will identify how the provision of factories and offices will be addressed in the future.

Map to show the location of identified employment areas

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Slide 17 - Factories and Offices – Question 6

Q6 Should we continue to build factories and offices on existing industrial estates or should we build new industrial estates towards the edge of the Borough?

- 1 Existing Industrial Estates
- 2 New Industrial Estates

Slide 18 - Factories and Offices – Question 6 Result

Slide 19 - Town Centres - Introductory Slide

The Town Centres within the Borough are an important amenity to residents; we therefore want to develop a comprehensive approach to the regeneration of Oadby, Wigston and South Wigston Town Centres in the Core Strategy.

Slide 20 - Town Centres – Question 7

Q7 What is the most important change that you would like to see made to our town centres?

- 1 More Shops and businesses
- 2 More Car Parking
- 3 Pedestrianisation of Main Streets
- 4 A better environment (eg planting, seating, town square etc)
- 5 More Leisure Opportunities (eg cinema, bowling etc)

Slide 21 - Town Centres – Question 7 Results

Slide 22 - Town Centres – Question 8

Q8 What is the second most important change that you would like to see made to our town centres?

- 1 More Shops and businesses

- 2 More Car Parking
- 3 Pedestrianisation of Main Streets
- 4 A better environment (eg planting, seating, town square etc)
- 5 More Leisure Opportunities (eg cinema, bowling etc)

Slide 23 - Town Centres – Question 8 Results

Slide 24 – Transport - Introductory Slide

One of our aims is to improve accessibility and travel within the Borough.

We would like to promote a joined up approach to address a wide range of issues which impact on transport within the Borough, for example, the environment, health and education.

Slide 25 – Transport - Question 9

Q9 Which of the following do you think is most important in the Borough?

- 1 Less congestion on the roads
- 2 Better access by public transport to important facilities
- 3 Reduce road accidents
- 4 Less pollution
- 5 Maintain roads and pavements in a good condition

Slide 26 – Transport - Question 9 - Result

Slide 27 – Transport - Question 10

Q10 Which of the following do you think is the second most important in the Borough?

- 1 Less congestion on the roads
- 2 Better access by public transport to important facilities
- 3 Reduce road accidents
- 4 Less pollution
- 5 Maintain roads and pavements in a good condition

Slide 28 – Transport - Question 10 Result

Slide 29 – Next Steps

We are in the process of developing the next stage of the Core Strategy which builds upon the Issues and Options Paper

The next stage of public consultation on the document will take place in spring 2006.

Please look at the documents and take the opportunity to get involved.