Summary:
What Council Proposals Mean for KDBH

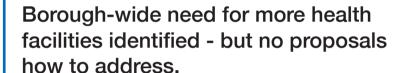**The Local Plan sets planning policy and sites to be developed through to 2036**

There is a good fit between Council and KDBH Neighbourhood Plan policies relating to: improving build design quality & cycling, walking amenities; building new accommodation for the elderly.

Crucial areas of difference:

Residents' biggest concern:
- scale of development
- density of new housing

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The final Plan proposes:
- 808 houses for KDBH (down from 1050)
- areas of 40+ dph - higher than anywhere in KDBH.

The housing mix differs to what is in the NP as meeting KDBH needs.

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The Council plan has many more 3 bed homes and fewer 4+ bed homes than in the NP.

Borough-wide need for more health facilities identified - but no proposals how to address.

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No improvements to health provision in KDBH, despite concerns on existing capacity.

Affordable housing:
- 40% of new build 'affordable' housing, 65% of which social rented
- no clear recognition of KDBH-specific needs included in the NP

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- Residents want greater % shared ownership.
- In the NP, 25% of affordable housing is first offered to people with a local connection.

KN1 & KN2 - Summary of Issues

KN1

We understand the Football Club desire to improve its facilities

BUT

Still too many unanswered questions (see KN1 & KN2 posters).

KN2

2 new schools would bring Area wide benefit

BUT

Evidence needed that the scheme is viable and community benefits can be realised.

We want the Council to address these concerns BEFORE allocating the sites.

The fundamental nature of some outstanding issues cannot be left to a later planning application stage.

Where do things stand as at Sept 2021?

Consultation has finished.

Independent Examination process started.

Formal Hearings 27 Sept - Dec 21.

The Forum is very busy preparing for hearings; we have already submitted responses to Examiner questions.

The Forum will represent KDBH at 3 or 4 hearings - most importantly Matter 6G dealing with the Knowle sites, held on 18 Nov 2021.

Our representations from final consultation Oct - Dec 2020 will form the basis of our position.

We await details of how members of public can 'listen in' to hearings on line.