



SOS FURTHER UPDATE NOVEMBER 2025

100 + HOUSES

You may recall from our last update that the leader of TVBC, Cllr Phil North, had told SOS that the Council would be looking at alternative sites for new housing allocation, because the original Danebury School site for 100 houses was no longer available for development. On 12th September in a Press Release from TVBC, Cllr North was quoted as saying, “We will continue to listen to the views of our communities and parish councils and keep them informed along the way.”

In the light of that statement SOS wrote to the Planning Department of TVBC to find out how they intended to keep communities informed along the way. After considerable delay we heard from the Head of Planning Policy and Economic Development, Graham Smith, who said:

“at this stage we are still reviewing what our next steps are. This includes looking at alternative sites and reviewing other wider options to meet the Government’s housing requirement. When this review is concluded we will undertake further consultation. At this stage I am not able to give you an indication of when or in what form this will take place.”

We then asked whether we would be informed once the details of the consultation are decided upon and we have been assured that we will be.

We do not find any of this encouraging but feel that we should give TVBC some more time to review the next steps, come to a decision on alternative sites, and then decide how they are to consult with us. We would hope this will be before the end of the year but, if we do not hear from them before then, you can be assured that we shall be writing to them again. We are very anxious that SOS should be kept informed and that decisions should not be made that affect Stockbridge without our being able to make our views known.

I hope this is not too early to wish you all a Happy Christmas and a healthy New Year – and once again to thank you for your support of SOS.

Jean Boney

Chair of SOS