Cabinet

Statements and Questions

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6 Oct 2017	Graham Bright (Chairman) Grove Fields Residents Association grovefields@virginmedia.com W: grovefieldsresidents.com T: 07722 240963	7,8 Local Plan – housing development	 Democracy has been bi-passed. It is not appropriate that only six councillors representing Hemel Hempstead approve a local plan for consultation, where every option that meets your identified housing need recommends at least a 30% increase in Tring's population. The Councillors which we have voted to represent our interests should be ensuring there are a variety of options that meet Dacorum's housing need without the need for a 30% increase in Tring's population. Why do Tring Councillors not have a vote at this critical stage? The land in Tring, owned by Hertfordshire County Council (Site Reference TR-h5), is our preferred site if large scale housing development is mandated on green belt in Tring. Of all the green belt land available, it has the best access to transport links, closest proximity to the town centre and Tesco which will reduce extra car journeys, it has the lowest green belt rating (from the green belt review) and the sale of the land to a developer would return funds to the public purse. Why has this field not been allocated any houses in the estimated delivery programme on page 91 of Annex 2 of the consultation document? Freedom of Information investigation of Dacorum. The Information Commissioners Office (ICO) has confirmed there is enough evidence to justify an investigation in to the withholding of information from the public when determining the options consultation document. Once the ICO has completed their investigation Dacorum may need to rerun the public consultation. Why will Dacorum not wait until the ICO has completed their investigation to avoid the risk of having to start the consultation again?