

SOLVE:

Representing residents who believe our unique eco-systems and historic sites of national significance are as important as our economic aspirations, and should be protected for the continued enjoyment of the wider Basingstoke community.



Save Our Loddon Valley Environment

SOLVE Briefing

- The problem
- What it means for you
- What next?
- What you can do?

The Problem:

18,900 houses where to put them?

- South East Plan commits Basingstoke to building 945 houses per annum from 2006 to 2026 a total of 18,900 houses.
- The 3 sites on the East have up to 9,000 houses
Taylor Wimpey call this 'Loddon Village'
- This is a town the size of Tadley or 3 times the size of Chineham

The sites

BAS 121

Land East of Basingstoke

HCC

900+ dwellings

BAS 102

Lodge Farm

HCC/ Taylor Wimpey

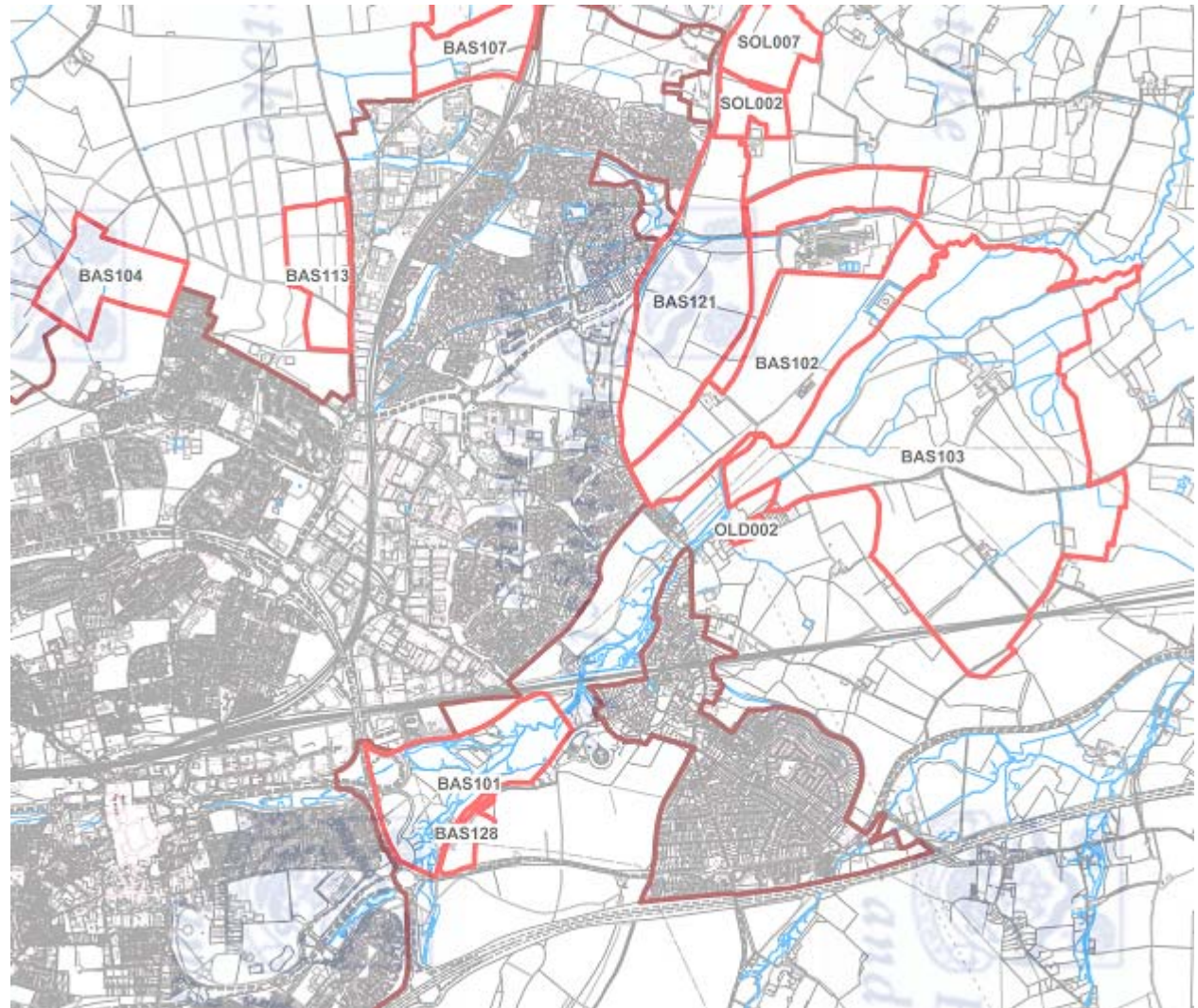
2000 dwellings

BAS 103

Poors Farm

Taylor Wimpey

5000 dwellings





Broadway Malyan's masterplanning team has developed a number of innovative design options that respect environmental, physical and political constraints. The evolving concept comprises an urban extension to the town and a fully integrated, but separate linked village which respects the existing settlement pattern within and around the town. A key feature will be the provision of a major county park linking the development to the core of the town centre. The proximity of an adjacent energy from waste plant provides the potential for district heating for all residential and commercial components of the development.

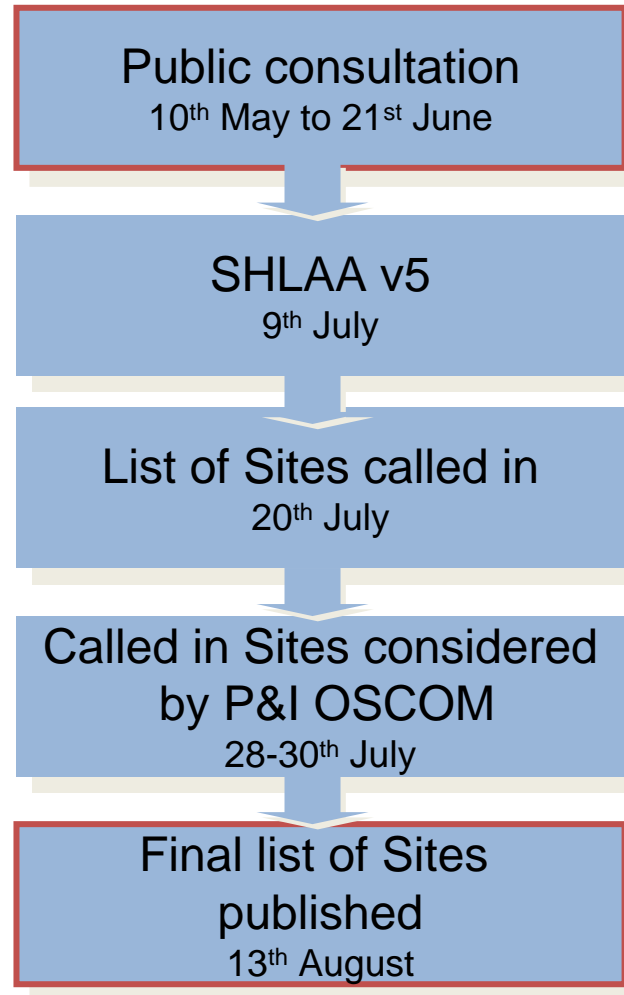
The Problem: What it means for you...

- Infrastructure chaos:
 - Increased traffic congestion and traffic jams
 - Over-subscribed schools, GPs, Dentists and hospitals
 - Already promised Chineham station!
- Loss of your rural environment
- No 'natural' NE boundary to development - thin end of wedge
- Lasting damage to the River Loddon and surroundings
- Climate change – our ability to adapt reduced
- Water, both supply and sewerage at capacity:
 - Unable to extract more water without adversely affecting the Loddon and aquifers
 - Waste water treatment already at capacity, e.g frozen pipes this year
 - You will pay the cost for increased water treatment



What next?

Suitable Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA)



The SHLAA is a technical document that identifies sites that are suitable, available and achievable for development.

What next cont'd?

- We have good grounds to object but no golden bullet:
 - Development would be in conflict with local, national & EU policy, guidance & legal obligations
 - Against Environment Agency & HWT advice
 - Established planning policies
 - Water quality & Groundwater Protection Zone
 - Habitat Directives & Biodiversity Action Plan
 - Green Infrastructure
 - Historic sites
- Village fete/carnival
- Technology – Facebook/Twitter
- Poster/Leaflet campaign

What you can do...

- Respond to the SHLAA consultation
- Go to our web-site www.solveoddon.org
 - Respond to SHLAA
 - Letter to Borough Council
 - Petition
 - Updates – join mailing list
- Do you have any expertise you would be willing to share with SOLVE?
- Raising public awareness
- Please talk about this ‘challenge’ when out and about





Saving Loddon Valley
for future generations

Thank you

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