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GALLAGHER ESTATES

HOST PUBLIC EXHIBITIONS

FOR WESTERN EXPANSION AREA of MILTON KEYNES

After recently purchasing the Western Expansion Area (WEA) from Genesis Land, privately owned Warwick based developer Gallagher Estates is hosting a public exhibition to give residents, businesses and other stakeholders the opportunity to feed into the design code process for MK West (Areas 10.1 -10.3 and Area 11).

Residents will have the opportunity at the exhibition to meet the project team, learn more about the timescale for the initial building works and let Gallagher Estates know their views by completing feedback forms.

The exhibitions will take place on:

- Friday, 18th May from 2pm to 7pm at Stony Stratford Library, 5-7 Church Street, Stony Stratford
- Saturday, 19th May from 10am to 3pm at Two Mile Ash Community Centre, High Street, Two Mile Ash

All residents in the areas of Stony Stratford Town Council, Calverton Parish and Bradwell Abbey Parish will be receiving a newsletter invitation this week outlining the proposals and inviting them to attend the public exhibition to view the plans in greater detail and speak to the project team. A feedback form asking for views on the potential design codes will also be available at the public exhibition, to give the community the opportunity to comment on the proposals, before the final design codes for the development are agreed.

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Commenting today David Carden, Managing Director of Gallagher Estates said:

“After our recent purchase of the land interests in the WEA of Genesis Land we are delighted to be hosting these exhibitions to give residents the opportunity to meet the Gallagher project team and to let us know their comments”.

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For further information, contact David McFarlane at Communiqué: 020 7828 4888

Gallagher Estates

Gallagher Estates is one of the largest developers promoting and developing residential land in the UK. Gallagher Estates perform a catalytic role as a master developer, (not a house builder) through undertaking all aspects of the development process from site assembly, master planning and promotion through to the construction of strategic infrastructure. Gallagher Estates retain responsibility for the delivery of all planning obligations including community facilities, schools, healthcare facilities, landscaping, affordable housing and all aspects of the public realm.

Gallagher Estates have commissioned Electoral Reform Services (ERS) Market Research to analyse comments received from members of the public who attend the exhibition.

Respondents can either deposit their completed feedback forms in an ERS sealed ballot box at the exhibition or post them directly to ERS. Pre-paid reply envelopes will be provided so responses can be posted at no expense to the participants.

Western Expansion Area

The Western Expansion Area lies to the south of Stony Stratford, south-west of Two Mile Ash and north-west of Crownhill and Grange Farm.

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The site comprises a total of 360 hectares and is predominantly in agricultural use. The Western Expansion Area is split into two: Area 11 which lies immediately to the south of Stony Stratford, and Area 10.1-10.3 which lies between Calverton Lane and Crownhill.

Design Codes

A Design Code is a principle that sets out with some precision how particular designs and planning principles should be applied in a particular location. Through the introduction of an increased level of design control, a Design Code aims to provide greater certainty and consistency in achieving a high level of quality in the final product. The Design Codes for the WEA will include guidance which addresses issues including parks and open spaces, environmental sustainability standards, building materials and features, street furniture, landscaping, building elevations and building heights and massing.

Attachments: PDF copy of residents newsletter, Master plan of Western Expansion Area.