## StQW and St Helens Residents Association

Open meeting 5<sup>th</sup> June 2019 (Part 2)

### Linford Christie consultation ends on 12<sup>th</sup> June



# Linford Christie Stadium

LBHF Cabinet agreed on 4<sup>th</sup> February to consult on the future of LCS

- Option 1 Do Nothing
- Option 2 Enhance the current facilities (either through partnership or directly)
- Option 3 Redevelop the site Council led or partnership led

Option 3 as consulted on would involve

A performance venue of c.45,000 seats which could accommodate football and other sports.

### THE COUNCIL OFFERS THREE OPTIONS:

**OPTION 1** Do nothing

#### **OPTION 2**

Support developing an improved <u>genuine community</u> <u>sports centre</u> through a local non-profit partnership

### **OPTION 3**

Build a major <u>commercial multi-</u> <u>purpose venue</u> and facility with a 45,000-seater stadium – more like Wembley – to host big sports and music events, and other activities

# **CHOOSE OPTION 2**

- a refurbished community sports centre
- A smaller-scale development would cost less (£10–30M) and could be achieved more quickly without harming the local environment
- It could improve the lives of residents. LBHF has NO decent public sports centre within its boundaries
- It could help reduce antisocial behaviour by offering good, affordable sports facilities for the young

### Impact of Option 3 as proposed by Hammersmith & Fulham

### THE FRIENDS OF WORMWOOD SCRUBS AND CONCERNED LOCAL RESIDENTS URGE YOU TO <u>OBJECT TO OPTION 3</u>

Here's why:

1. Option 3 would seriously affect the lives of local residents and also the Scrubs nature reserve

Effects of up to 45,000 people entering surrounding neighbourhoods on a regular nightly basis and at weekends are:

- Parking your car would be impossible
- **Noise** from the stadium would be horrendous
- Travel restricted tiny East Acton tube station nearby and Du Cane Road would have to be closed and bus routes diverted
- Traffic congestion and pollution on surrounding roads would increase
- **Crowds** would walk through your streets and across the Scrubs wilderness area
- Crime and antisocial behaviour could increase
- The unique tranquillity and biodiversity of the Scrubs would be destroyed
- A massive stadium complex would visually dominate the area



2. Option 3 might be difficult anyway because:

- Incompatible with the needs of the hospital right next door
- Access to the site is very restricted
- Planning permission would be difficult, if not impossible, as the stadium land (the Scrubs) is Metropolitan Open Land and protected by an Act of Parliament
- Planning and construction could take years
- **Cost** could be half a billion pounds, and might not make money

# **OPDC Local Plan**

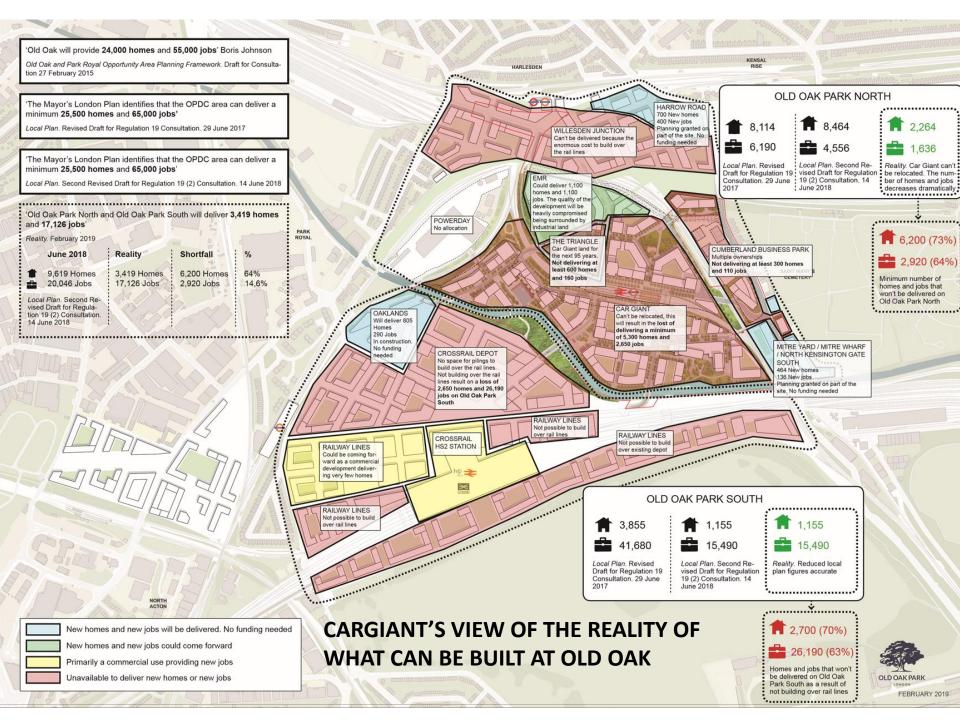
Planning Inspector is holding a further day of public hearings on June 6<sup>th</sup>

This forms part of his 'examination' of the 'soundness' of the OPDC Local Plan

This session will focus on whether 'reasonable alternatives' to the Plan's proposals have been considered.

Cargiant is arguing that OPDC has failed on this. Old Oak NF agree with this view.

No alternatives to 25,000 housing target have been assessed or tested, during 3 consultations.

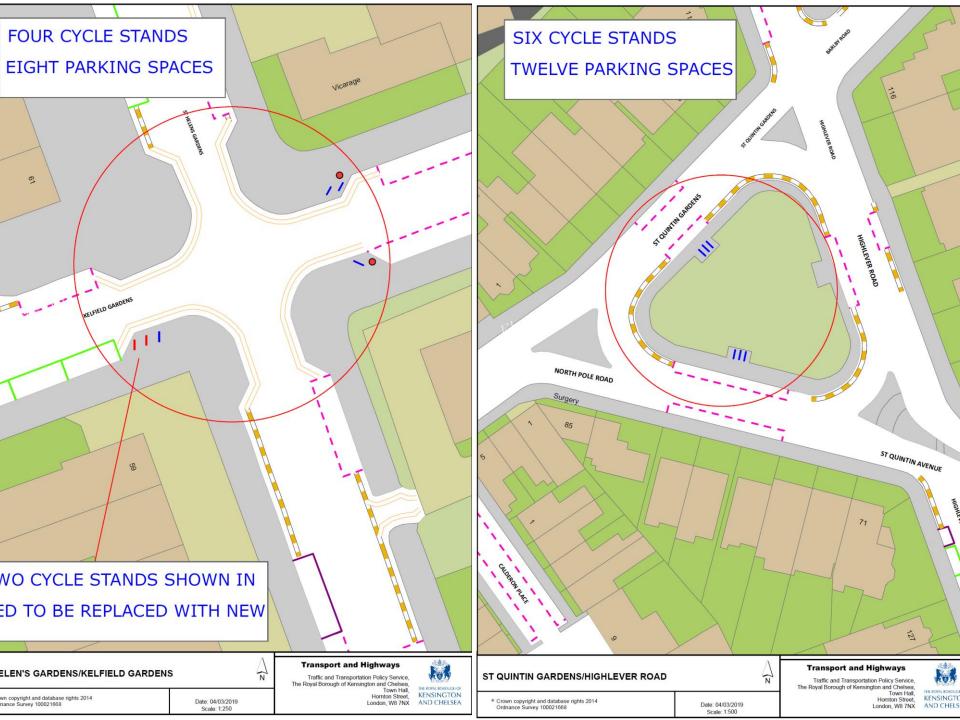




Our only image of what the OPDC 'masterplan' looks like. We have made a FoI request to see a copy of the Corporation's Housing Infrastructure Bid to Government. £250m awarded.

## Other local issues

- RBKC proposals for additional cycle stands
- Street trees RBKC maintenance and replacement programme



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