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East Cambridgeshire Authority's Monitoring Report (AMR) 2022-23 (Interim Report only)

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1 Introduction

- 1.1 Regulation 34 of The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 requires Local Planning Authorities to produce an Authorities' Monitoring Report (AMR).
- 1.2 East Cambridgeshire District Council normally produces a single AMR document around December each year, covering the previous financial year. It intends to do the same this year (i.e. likely in December 2023).
- 1.3 However, **as an interim measure only**, a partial AMR is published early (October 2023) which provides details of housing completions in 2022-23 period only.
- 1.4 The wider details as normally provided in the AMR will be published in the full AMR later this year, and will replace this interim AMR.

2 Dwelling completions in East Cambridgeshire

- 2.1 The delivery of new dwellings is a key focus for the Council. For the reporting period April 2022-March 2023, the adopted Local Plan (2015) is the most recent plan which specifies housing requirements. The Local Plan sets a target for 11,500 dwellings to be delivered within East Cambridgeshire between 2011 and 2031 (or 575 dwellings per annum).
- 2.2 Table 2 shows the progress in this regard. There were 796 gross housing completions, but also there were 11 losses (primarily via demolition) in 2022/23, and these have been deducted leaving a net housing completions of 785.
- 2.3 In line with Government guidance, an allowance for older people's accommodation is now included in the housing completion figure from 2018/19 onwards.
- 2.4 There was a single completion of older people's C2 accommodation in the 22/23 reporting year. This comprised a 70 bed unit known as 'Townsend Manor', at the Shade, Soham, CB7 6BE. It opened in November 2022.
- 2.5 Using advice in PPG, this can be converted to a dwelling equivalent of 35.
- 2.6 Adding 35 to the figure of 785 means a total net dwelling completion (including allowance for C2 equivalent) of 820.

Table 1 – East Cambridgeshire Net Housing Completions

| | 2011-12 | 2012-13 | 2013-14 | 2014-15 | 2015-16 | 2016-17 | 2017-18 | 2018-19 | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | 2022-23 |
|---|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Completions (net) (includes C2 equivalent from 2018/19) | 369 | 287 | 191 | 162 | 181 | 234 | 289 | 386 | 514 | 405 | 619 | 820* |
| Cumulative | 369 | 656 | 847 | 1009 | 1190 | 1424 | 1713 | 2099 | 2613 | 3018 | 3637 | 4457 |
| Average (last 11 years) | 371 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Notes | <i>*includes 35 units arising from C2 completion of a 70 bed care home.</i> | | | | | | | | | | | |

- 2.7 For information, the total **gross** completions (e.g. it makes no allowance for demolitions or replacement dwellings, plus excludes C2 equivalent) were as follows:

Table 2 – East Cambridgeshire Gross Housing Completions (excluding C2 equivalent)

| | 2011-12 | 2012-13 | 2013-14 | 2014-15 | 2015-16 | 2016-17 | 2017-18 | 2018-19 | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | 2022-23 |
|-------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Completions | 394 | 307 | 208 | 181 | 203 | 246 | 300 | 381 | 491 | 415 | 626 | 796 |
| Cumulative | 394 | 701 | 909 | 1090 | 1293 | 1539 | 1839 | 2220 | 2711 | 3126 | 3752 | 4,548 |

2.8 Table 3 sets out affordable housing completions over the past 12 years.

2.9 Affordable housing is monitored as gross completions. Between 1 April 2022 and 31 March 2023, there were 181 affordable dwelling completions which represent approximately 22.7% of gross dwelling completions in that year. This is the highest gross number of affordable housing completed in the district in the plan period, and when combined with the previous year, 335 affordable homes have been delivered in the past two years.

Table 3 – Affordable Housing Completions (Gross)

| | 2011-2012 | 2012-2013 | 2013-2014 | 2014-2015 | 2015-2016 | 2016-2017 | 2017-2018 | 2018-2019 | 2019-2020 | 2020-2021 | 2021-2022 | 2022-2023 | Total |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| Total Gross Completions (All Homes) (excludes C2 equivalent) | 394 | 307 | 208 | 181 | 203 | 246 | 300 | 381 | 491 | 415 | 626 | 796 | 4,548 |
| Affordable (Gross) | 82 | 14 | 24 | 19 | 54 | 11 | 88 | 63 | 67 | 57 | 154 | 181 | 814 |
| Percentage Affordable | 20.8% | 4.6% | 11.5% | 10.5% | 26.6% | 4.5% | 29.3% | 16.5% | 13.6% | 13.7% | 24.6% | 22.7% | 17.9% |

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