

We Hart Campaign

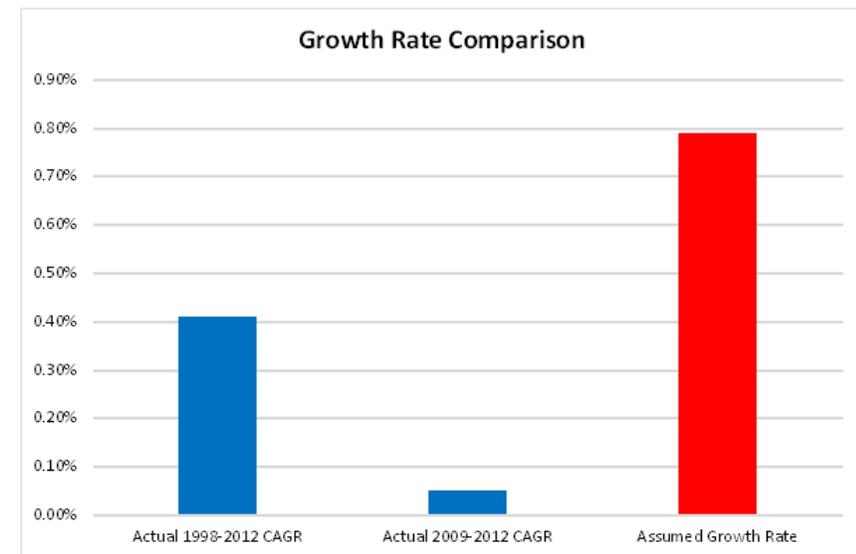
HOW TO MAKE A BETTER LOCAL PLAN

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Rushmoor Local Plan

- Rushmoor published a draft local plan in June 2015 that called for Hart to build 1,600 houses for them
- We Heart Hart provided some materials to Hart DC and Parish Councils to help combat this threat:
 - Challenging the numbers in the SHMA:
 - Inward migration assumptions unrealistic
 - Average household size unreasonable
 - Jobs growth forecasts not credible



Rushmoor Local Plan

- Not making best use of brownfield sites
 - Density in Wellesley too low
 - Protecting 96 Ha of employment land when there's a massive surplus
- Employment Land Review based on jobs forecasts that are not credible leading to protection of more employment land
- Infrastructure costs not addressed despite £80m deficit in Rushmoor
- Not meeting the needs of the ageing population
- Rushmoor now considering feedback received

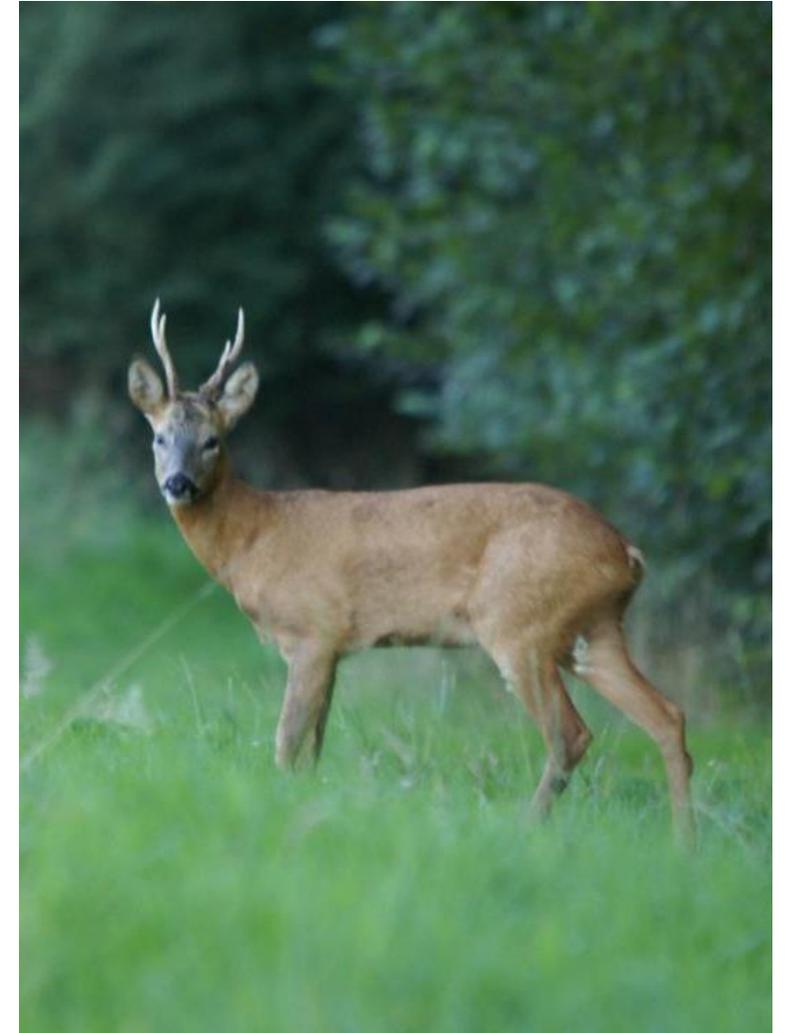


We ❤️ Hart petition

- We have been running a petition since January
- Submitted to Hart DC in August with 2,130 signatories.
- Nearly four times the number that responded to HDC's consultation and more than ten times the number of people who expressed a first preference for a new town agreed with these objectives:
 - *To reduce the overall housing allocation for Hart District*
 - *Demand that the Council develops a vision and strategy for Hart that retains its role as a rural, green hinterland for NE Hampshire*
 - *To require that the housing need is met by building on brownfield sites and increasing density in our existing urban areas*
 - *To request that future housing stock reflects the needs of the changing demographics of the district.*
 - *To demand the council and government do not plan for any new settlement in Hart that will act as a sink for the unmet housing need in neighbouring areas.*

We ❤️ Hart petition

- Council now considering response and will make a decision at Cabinet on 1 October
- Suggested responses
 - Challenge the housing numbers: SHMA and “policy on” environmental constraints
 - Keep the rural vision for Hart
 - Focus more strongly on brownfield
 - Meet the needs of the ageing population
 - Don’t plan for a new town that will expose us to overspill from Rushmoor and Surrey Heath



Questions

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