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Response to proposed to future development at the former Lea Castle Hospital Site.

The newspaper report of the whole hearted acceptance of the proposed development plan was somewhat exaggerated. Our recollections are as follows:-

- The meeting applauded the council for including its expressed views from previous discussions concerning the sites future.
- The meeting accepted the need for C3 dwelling housing inclusion in the 'Mix' to make the project financially viable. However concerns were voiced as to the quantity of C3's and that 'acceptance' would herald a full scale C3 housing project with scant regard to the 'Mix'

The meeting did however put forward the following points/ideas which they felt should be encompassed in the project:-

- Due to the sites location and setting the C3 inclusion should predominantly be of high quality high quality 'Executive Style' 4/6 bed housing circa £500K+ and up-market retirement housing.
- Building construction should be of the latest energy efficient, carbon neutral, better than standard building regulations.
- Inclusion of heat recovery systems, ground heat pumps, heat recovery systems etc.
- Site traffic to be to the Park Gate Lane end of the site via a new round-a-bout distributing the traffic onto the A449 via the traffic lights & A451 via a new round-a-bout.

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