

9 THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

Some of the Key Benefits Of The Proposed Development

The NPPF identifies the Governments recognised benefits of delivering housing but the specific benefits of the proposed development will include:

- 9 affordable dwellings, to meet a local need for affordable housing within East Herts District;
- The provision of market housing, enabling new residents to join the village and ensuring its future vitality, including the provision of much sought after 2 and 3 bedroom dwellings;
- Financial contributions consistent with the approved scheme, including contributions to the enhancement of the following:
 - Youth services;
 - Enhancement of the Children's area of Bishop's Stortford library;
 - Improvement of parks and public garden facilities;
 - Provision of outdoor sport;
 - An extension to the Puckeridge Community Centre; and
 - Recycling facilities.
- Increase in local household spending and demand for services which will enhance and maintain existing local services, such as local bus services, increased use of the Standon & Puckering Community Centre, public houses within the village such as The Star and The Heron, and the Standon Post Office;
- Improving the public realm on Stortford Road by removal of layby and informal parking;
- Retention and enhancing vegetation on Stortford Road;
- An increased population will provide a critical mass for new services within the village;
- Additional social benefits associated with the growth of an existing settlement including supporting the services in nearby villages; and
- Local jobs for the duration of the build programme and the spin off local expenditure within the village, which will include potential employees for the two Village Employment Areas within Standon.

