

Council – 27 June 2019

Notice of Motion from Councillors A M Day, C L Philpott, C A Holley, E W Fitzgerald, L G Thomas, S M Jones, M H Jones and J W Jones

Notice of Motion on Home Farm

We note that the Cabinet has authorised the publication of Prior Information Notices (PIN) in respect of a number of sites owned by the Council. We note the suggestion that Home Farm, located within Singleton Park, is one of the sites listed on the Sell2Wales websites.

We further note that the description states that the Council is seeking partners 'to maximise site value and in securing developers profits from market led residential, commercial and mixed use proposals..' and that the PIN continues:

Home Farm, Singleton Park - Currently a 42 unit scheme potentially including 20% affordable housing supported by Planning Pre-Application response.

We note the Council's financial difficulties but Home Farm which is located within Swansea's showcase park should not be exploited for financial reward.

We note the considerable public concern about the proposal, specifically the encroachment of residential developments into the City's largest public park, the potential loss of access to some of the City's most historical buildings, the increase in traffic from such a development and the lack of segregation of pedestrian and vehicular traffic and the problems of access and egress to the site onto Sketty Lane.

In light of this and the recent formation of the Friends of Singleton Park Group, we call upon the Cabinet to have the widest possible discussions around other suitable and appropriate uses for Home Farm which are consistent with its location.