Could this be the answer to a shortage of low-cost housing in Abbots Bromley?

While there are no current plans to build a tower block in the village, we have no idea what plans might be submitted in the future. However, most of us have opinions on what we think would be right for the village and help maintain the unique character of Abbots Bromley.

We would like to know YOUR opinion, and Saturday 25th June there will be a display in Church House when you can call in and see some initial proposals for a Village Design Statement. There will be an opportunity to contribute your views into the work currently being done to create a design statement that can be used to guide future development in the village.

Be there — HAVE YOUR SAY — 10am to 2pm Saturday 25th June 2005 in Church House.
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