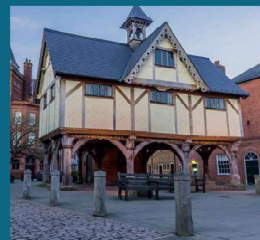
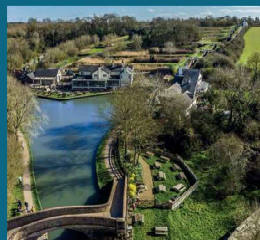




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What is a Local Plan?

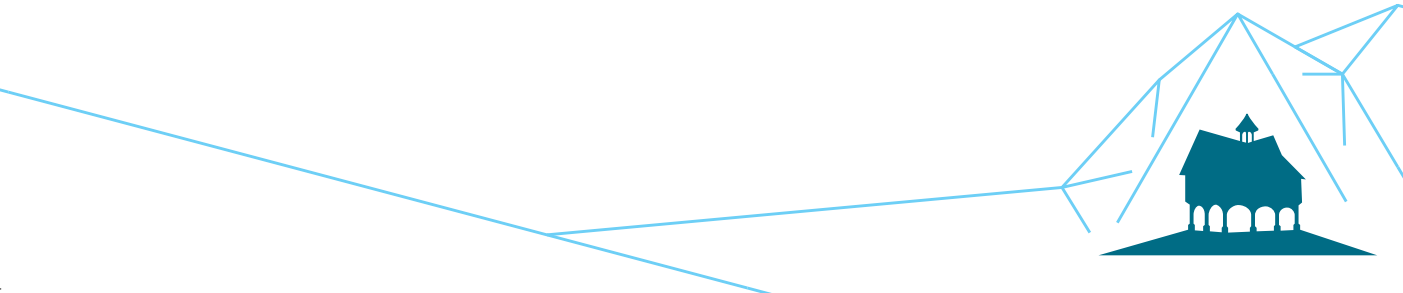
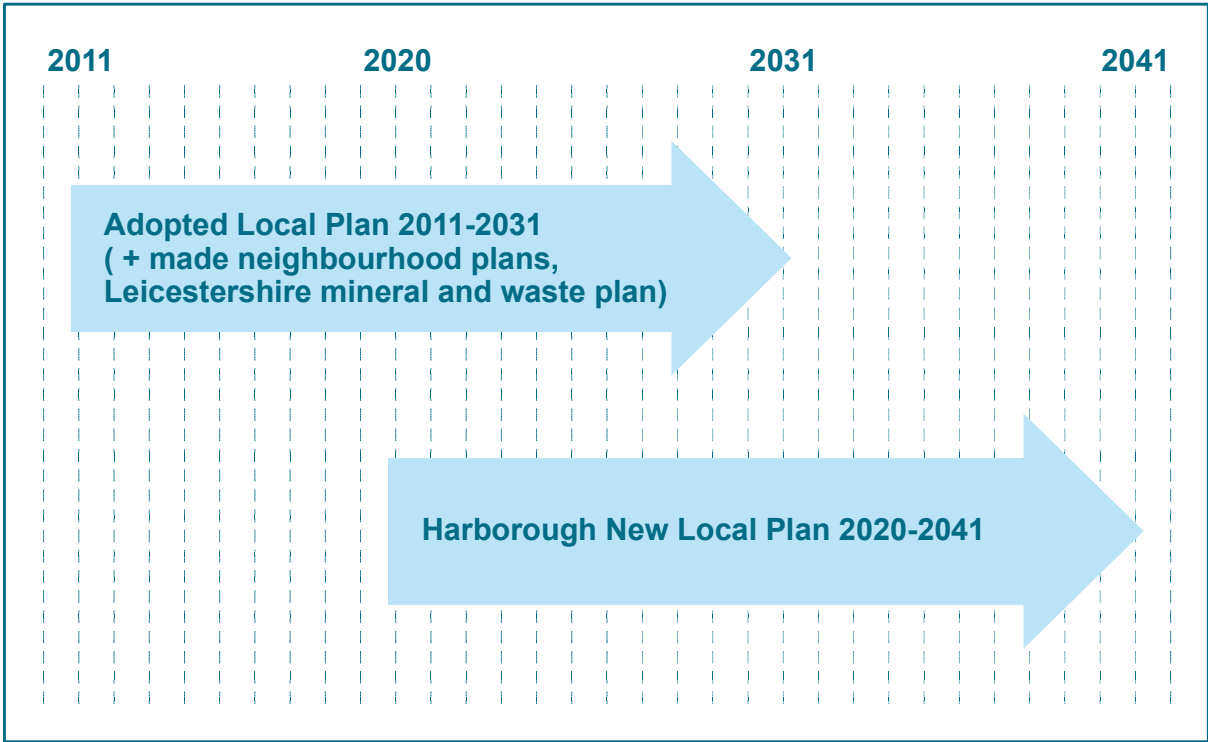
A Local Plan guides development to address the needs and opportunities of an area. Local planning authorities must prepare one to deliver sustainable development in their area. It sets out strategy for the amount and location of new development and allocates sites for homes and other development. It also seeks to make our area better for example, by reducing the environmental impact of development, building affordable housing, helping our wildlife, and improving our infrastructure, such as roads.

Preparing a plan gives the community and interested parties a chance to help shape the district. It's about the future, future generations and supporting places that work well for the communities that use them.

Once adopted the new local plan will be used to make development decisions and decide planning applications.

Why are we doing one?

A local plan needs to be kept up to date. The current one was adopted in April 2019, and although it remains up to date, it contains policies requiring it to be updated in certain circumstances. It takes several years to prepare and adopt a new one, so we're starting now to ensure it still is up to date in the future.



New Local Plan - Issues and options consultation

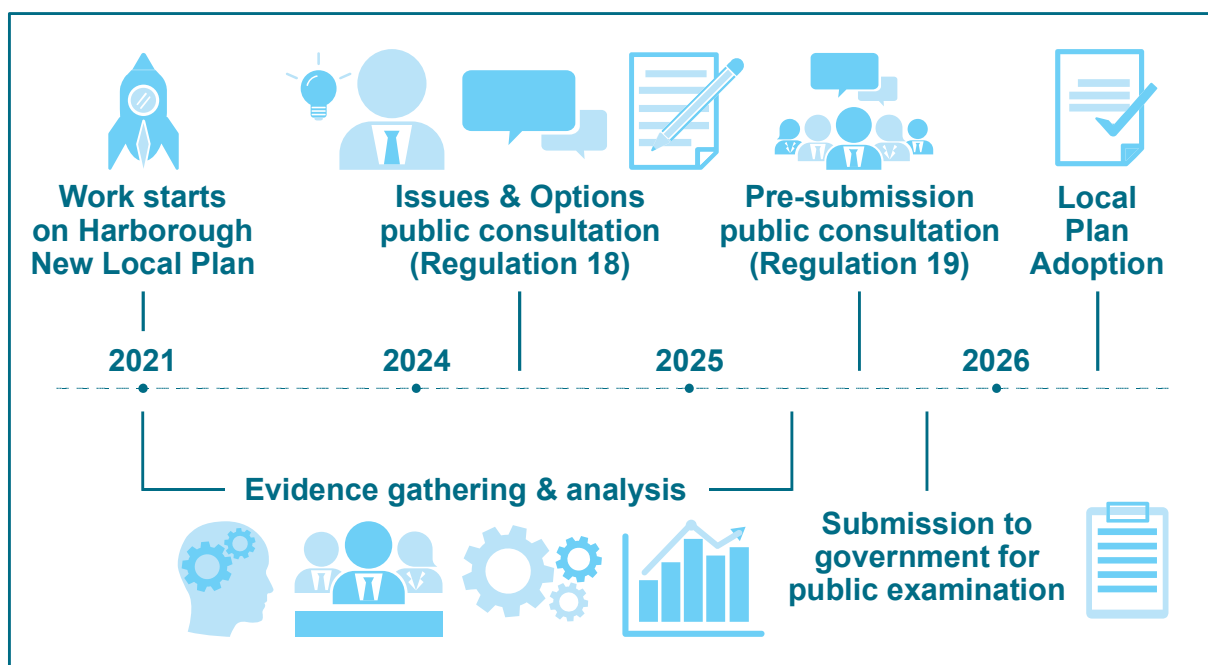


The Harborough New Local Plan Issues and Options consultation runs from 16 January and closes on 27 February 2024 and is the first stage of consultation on the preparation of the Harborough New Local Plan.

At this stage we set out some of the key planning issues for Harborough. We also set out several approaches and options for how the new Local Plan might address them and ask for your views.

Your consultation responses and further work will inform the next version of the Local Plan.

The next version, the draft plan, will contain more detail including site allocations and draft policies and be the subject of further public consultation.



To read the Issues and Options Consultation document or to find out more about the Harborough New Local Plan please scan the QR code or visit www.harborough.gov.uk/new-local-plan



Vision and objectives



A vision and objectives will be key elements of the Harborough New Local Plan. The vision explains how Harborough will evolve and develop during the plan period, whilst the objectives are central to how it will be delivered. Together they will set a framework for the policies and proposals of the plan.

Both will be developed alongside consideration of key issues and options for the new Local Plan, other relevant plans and strategies, and the views of the local community. Tell us what you think by responding to questions 2,3,4 and 5.

HDC Corporate Vision:

Working with our communities, we will build a future for the people of Harborough district that gives them the best life chances and opportunities through:



Community leadership to create a sense of pride in our place



Promoting health and wellbeing and encouraging healthy life choices



Creating a sustainable environment to protect future generations



Supporting businesses and residents to deliver a prosperous local economy

Emerging Objectives:



Spatial strategy



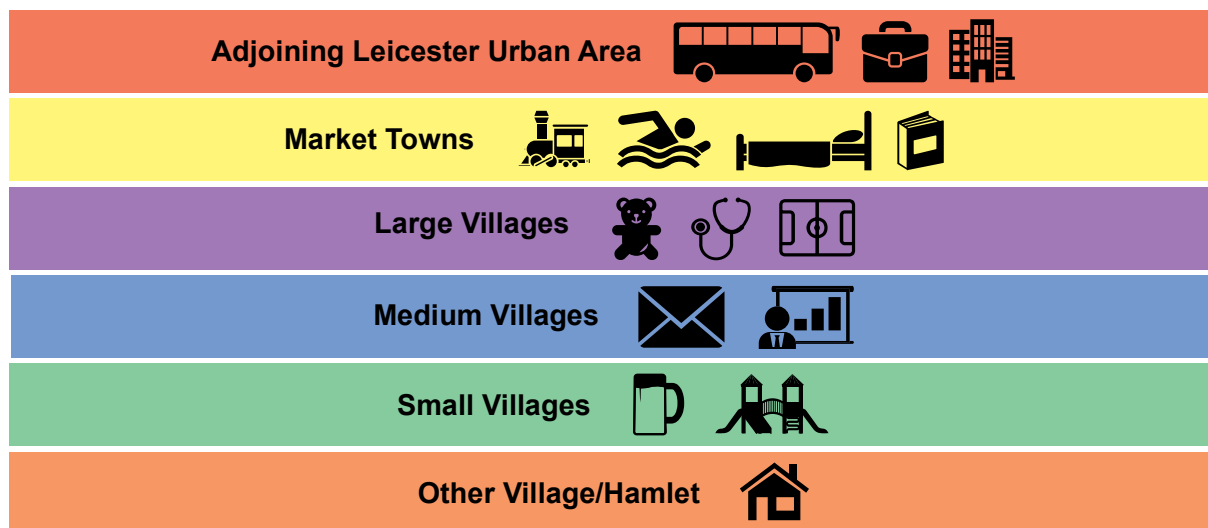
Government policy requires local plans to promote a sustainable pattern of development. The plan must actively guide development towards sustainable solutions while considering local circumstances, character, needs, and opportunities.



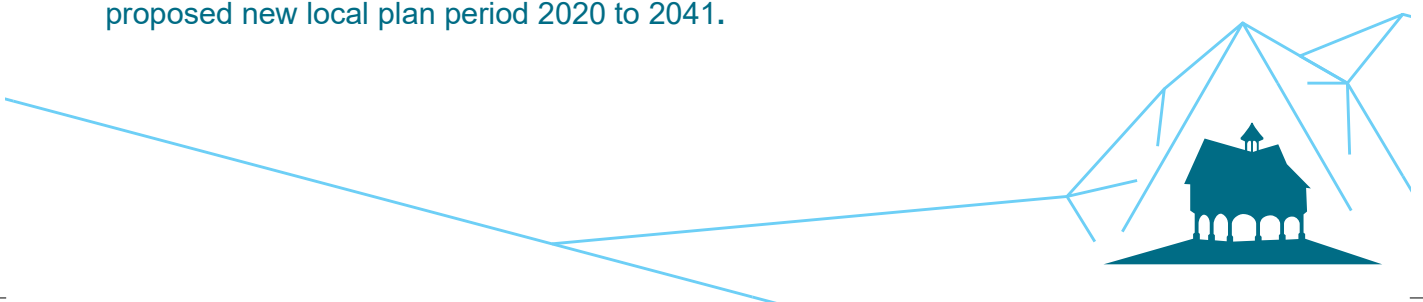
Settlements in the district, typically Market Harborough, Lutterworth and larger villages have more services to benefit and serve residents in both urban and rural areas. A new assessment of the district's settlement hierarchy has been undertaken. Harborough also has a strong relationship with Leicester and Leicestershire.

Together these factors are important to the future spatial strategy for the district.

Proposed Settlement Hierarchy



At this stage of plan preparation our focus is on the overall strategy, not specific development sites. Regulations require us to consider 'reasonable alternatives' when producing a spatial strategy. Therefore, the consultation document sets out options for different scales of growth and different distributions of growth across the district over the proposed new local plan period 2020 to 2041.



Amount and location of employment growth



The new Local Plan needs to help build a strong, responsive, and competitive economy by ensuring sufficient land of the right type is available in the right places and at the right time to support growth and innovation and create jobs.

Addressing the needs of specific sectors is also important. In Harborough district this means we need to plan for: Offices, Industrial premises, and small / large warehouses.



As with housing, this requires an appropriate strategy considering reasonable alternatives. This consultation sets out options for the scale and location of employment growth across the district over the proposed plan period 2020 to 2041.

Tell us what you think by responding to questions 14 to 18.

Scale of growth



Option A – Low

Make no additional allocations of employment land in Harborough district



Option B – Medium

Adopt a longer-term approach and allocate additional land for employment to maintain a flexible supply and support sustainable development



Option C – High

Plan for greater growth to meet any enhanced economic aspirations or regeneration priorities for the district

Location of growth

Option 1: Intensify employment uses in existing employment areas in appropriate and sustainable locations

Option 2: Continue current approach to focus new employment land in the district's main economic centres (Market Harborough, Lutterworth) and larger sustainable settlements

Option 3: Align new employment land provision with areas of significant housing growth



Amount of housing growth



Housing

The number of homes we need to plan for will be determined by the scale of our Local Housing Need, any un-met need within neighbouring areas, the length of the plan period and the size of any housing supply contingency.

The pipeline supply of homes can count towards meeting the amount we need to plan for. Each element is explained in more detail in the consultation document.

Three options are proposed for the scale of housing growth. Tell us what you think by responding to questions 7 and 8.



Option A – Low

534 dwellings potential housing requirement per year
Local Housing Need - Calculated using Governments Standard Method



Option B – Medium

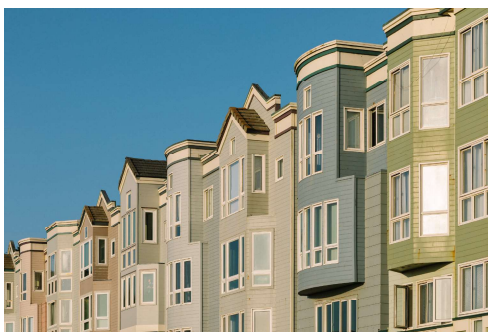
657 dwellings potential housing requirement per year
Local Housing Need plus a contribution of 123 homes per year towards meeting Leicester's unmet need
This equates to c.340 dwellings per year to be planned for, in addition to existing commitments



Option C – High

780 dwellings potential housing requirement per year
Local Housing Need plus 246 homes per year

Consultation responses and further evidence will inform the preparation of a Preferred Strategy. It is possible that alternative or additional options could emerge, and the Preferred Strategy may be a hybrid containing elements from different options.



Spatial options for the location of housing



Taking into account the Settlement Hierarchy, six broad spatial options for delivering the three different scales of housing growth (Low, Medium, High) between 2020 and 2041 have been identified

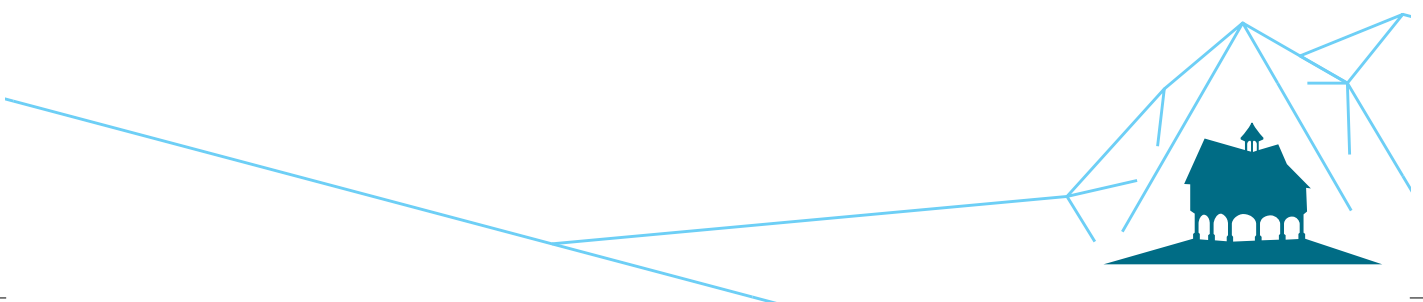
- Option 1: Local Plan Strategy
- Option 2: Proportional Growth
- Option 3: Urban Area Focus
- Option 4: Strategic Sites Focus
- Option 5: Market Town Focus
- Option 6: Large Village Focus



The following panels outline each option. The maps visually indicate where housing will be focused and the potential amount of housing each option generates for each tier in the settlement hierarchy. The colour of each circle on the map reflects the colour of each tier of the settlement hierarchy. More detail is provided in the consultation document.

Tell us what you think by responding to questions 11 and 12.

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Option 1: Local plan strategy



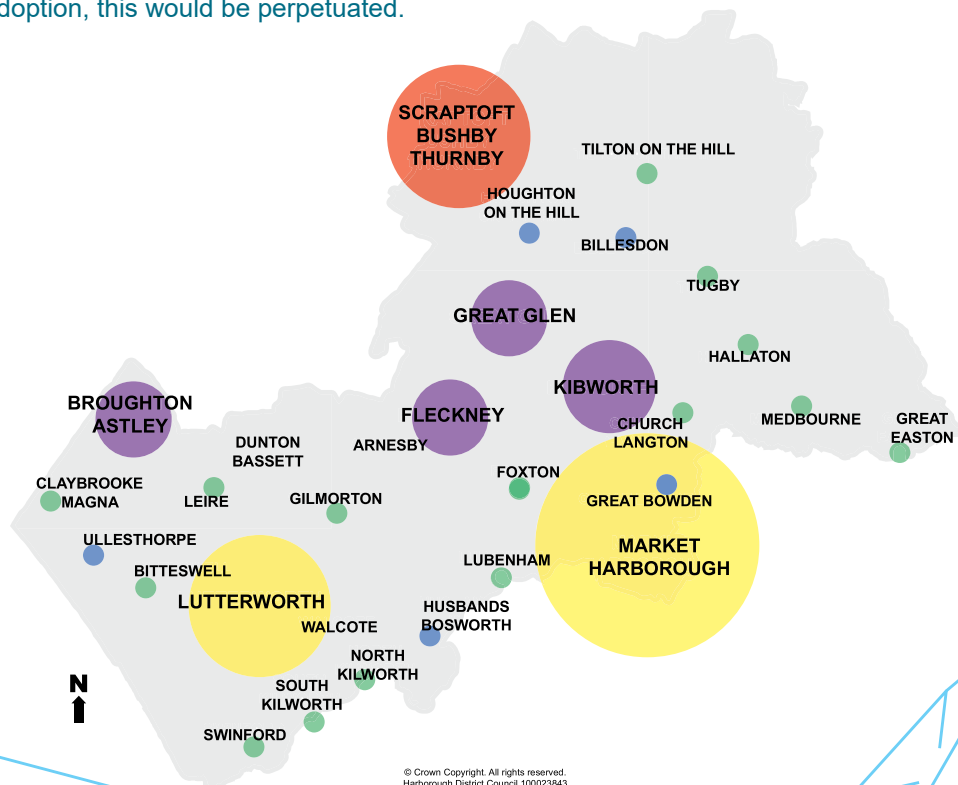
Option 1 continues the strategy in the currently adopted Local Plan 2019. It focuses significant growth towards the Market Towns in line with the current Local Plan strategy. Settlements adjoining the Leicester Urban Area and Large Villages accommodate a broadly similar level of housing growth overall, but due to the relatively low number of commitments in the Large Villages, the number of additional homes to be planned/allocated in the new Local Plan would be higher than in the settlements adjoining Leicester.

Strengths

- Overall development would be directed to sustainable locations.
- Less dependent on delivery of new strategic infrastructure (which could delay delivery) compared to some other potential options.
- May present opportunities to improve existing infrastructure capacity.
- Services, facilities and businesses in existing sustainable settlements, including town and village centres, would be supported.

Weaknesses

- May not respond to development capacity in all larger settlements or opportunities presented by strategic sites.
- May not make the best use of available land as it focuses on where growth has already been planned, meaning that the most appropriate sites may already be delivering, have planning permission or be allocated.
- Amount of new development close to Leicester is lower than the district's contribution to Leicester's unmet housing need.
- May constrain the ability to respect or orientate growth to existing settlement form, delivering growth further and further away from town and village centres with potentially a strong reliance on car usage.
- May impact on existing Green Wedge and Area of Separation designation.
- Where certain settlements experienced high levels of speculative development prior to the Local Plan's adoption, this would be perpetuated.



Option 2: Proportional growth



Option 2 reduces growth in settlements at the top of the hierarchy and increases growth at the lower end. Medium Villages, Small Villages and Other settlements see their highest levels of growth under this option compared to the other options. The key differences compared to Option 1 is a significantly reduced role for settlements adjoining the Leicester Urban Area; a reduced role for Market Towns; and greater amounts of growth for the Large, Medium, Small and Other Villages/Settlements.

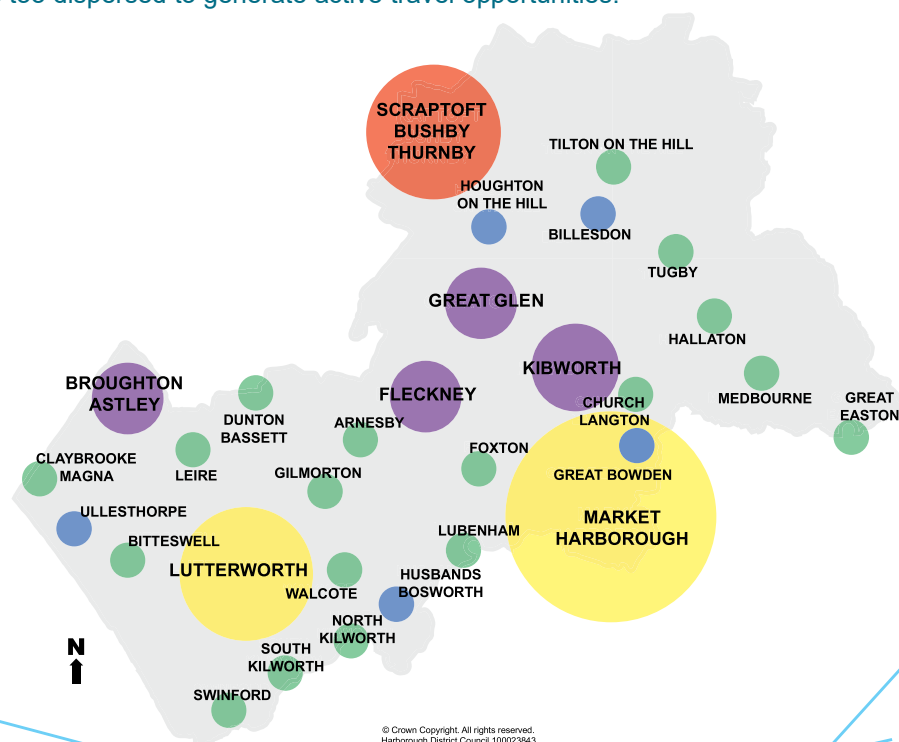
Strengths

Level of housing growth generally reflects the size of settlements.

- Impact of growth is spread more evenly across the district, which could help sustain rural services and businesses.
- Development could be perceived as a 'fair' distribution of housing growth.
- Well suited to fulfil NPPF requirement for 10% growth on small sites of 1ha or less.
- More likely to sustain a steady rate of housing delivery than very large-scale growth focussed in one or two locations.

Weaknesses

- A high proportion of development in less sustainable tiers of the settlement hierarchy.
- Opportunity to locate development in the most sustainable part of the district (adjoining the Leicester Urban Area) may be missed.
- Housing growth does not make the most of proximity to employment opportunities within the Leicester Urban Area.
- Spread creates the greatest reliance on the car and lowest opportunity to access sustainable transport.
- May be challenging to support increased service capacity (e.g. school places, medical centres) due to dispersed nature of growth.
- May not be most effective in delivering affordable housing in appropriate locations.
- Most potential to affect the character of smaller settlements.
- Potential to exacerbate rural isolation unless public transport improvements become viable. Growth likely to be too dispersed to generate active travel opportunities.



Option 3: Urban area focus



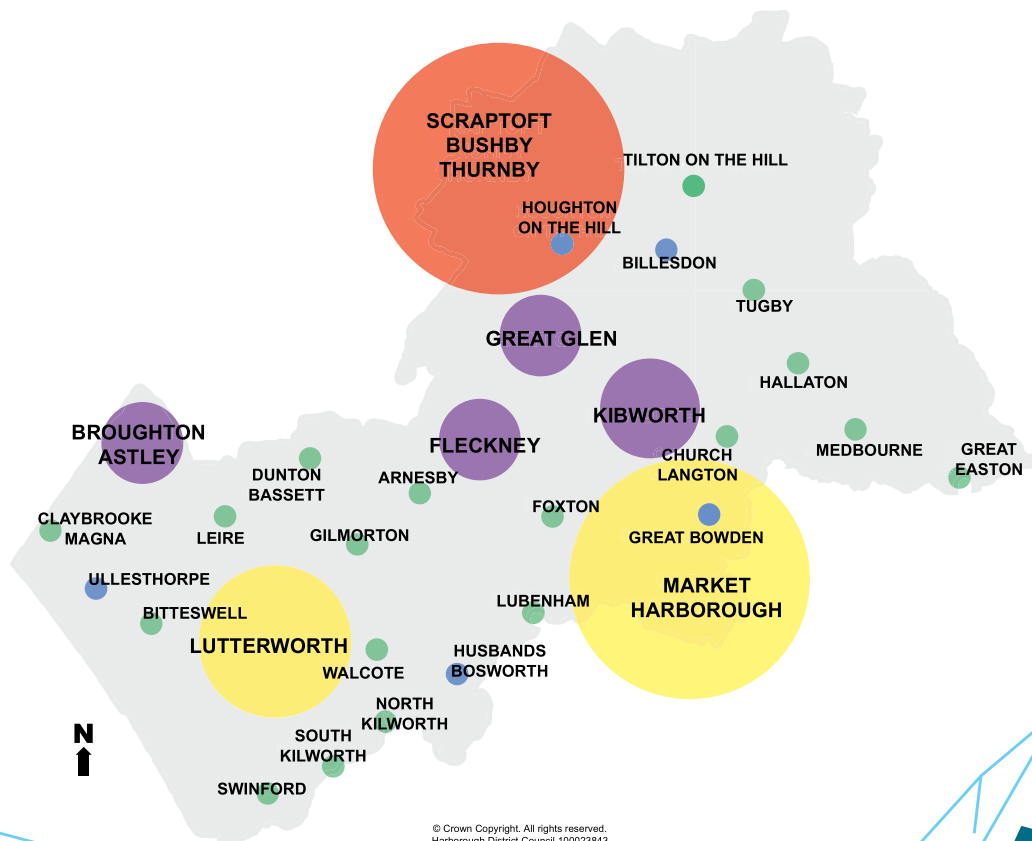
Option 3 focuses development on the district's most sustainable locations: the settlements adjoining the urban area of Leicester (Scraptoft / Thurnby / Bushby). Lower levels of growth in the rest of the district.

Strengths

- Focuses growth on the most sustainable settlements (i.e. adjoining the Leicester Urban Area).
- Shorter journeys to access jobs and services in the city and potential opportunities for sustainable transport improvements into Leicester.
- Maximises development opportunities in locations closest to the Leicester Urban Area and its wide range of higher order services, facilities and employment opportunities.
- Development close to Leicester responds to the district's contribution to Leicester City's unmet housing need.
- Growth in these settlements may improve the range and capacity of local services/facilities.

Weaknesses

- Settlements adjoining the Urban Area would have their highest levels of growth under this option which could impact on current Green Wedges and Area of Separation designations.
- No existing economic centre in these settlements so there would be a reliance on new employment areas and/or improved transport links to the city.
- May be a need for more small sites to come forward to fulfil requirement for 10% of allocations to be on sites of 1 hectare or less.
- By concentrating growth, development potential within other sustainable locations may not be realised.
- Could exacerbate transport issues in the local area and into the city unless sustainable transport/active travel solutions are provided.



Option 4: Strategic sites focus



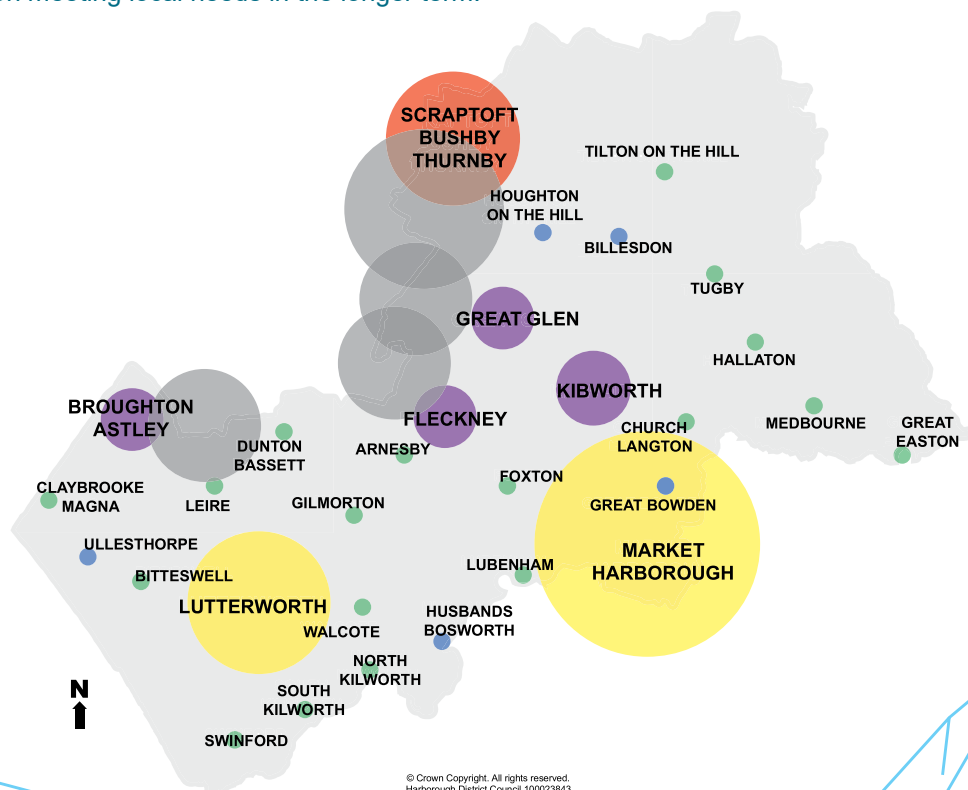
Option 4 focuses development on large strategic sites capable of accommodating more than 1,500 homes. These sites are generally located around the South and East of the Leicester Urban Area and may require strategic infrastructure to be delivered. As much growth as possible would go to large Strategic Sites, with less growth in the rest of the district.

Strength

- Option would establish a strategy for subsequent plan periods to carry forward.
- Potential social benefits, as it would deliver Leicester's unmet housing need close to where it is needed.
- Strategic sites have a critical mass which could enable the delivery of strategic and local infrastructure (e.g. schools, healthcare, open space, sustainable travel) which helps internalise some of the more direct impacts development can have on existing areas and infrastructure.
- Opportunity to plan comprehensively (placemaking) to create well designed places, with a focus on sustainability and active travel.
- Opportunity to include employment land to co-locate jobs and homes and potentially reduce the need to travel.
- Further economic growth opportunities as a result of potential new strategic infrastructure could emerge.
- Pressure for growth in other less sustainable settlements would be relieved, particularly in the long term.
- Location of homes most aligned with the Strategic Growth Plans.

Weaknesses

- Uncertainty around timescales and how much development is deliverable within the plan period to 2041.
- Delivery of strategic sites can be vulnerable to delay, particularly in relation to provision of strategic infrastructure, including strategic transport infrastructure.
- May be challenging to maintain supply of homes in the short/medium term across the district.
- No new development in other tiers of the settlement hierarchy beyond those already committed could impact on meeting local needs in the longer term.



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Option 5: Market town focus



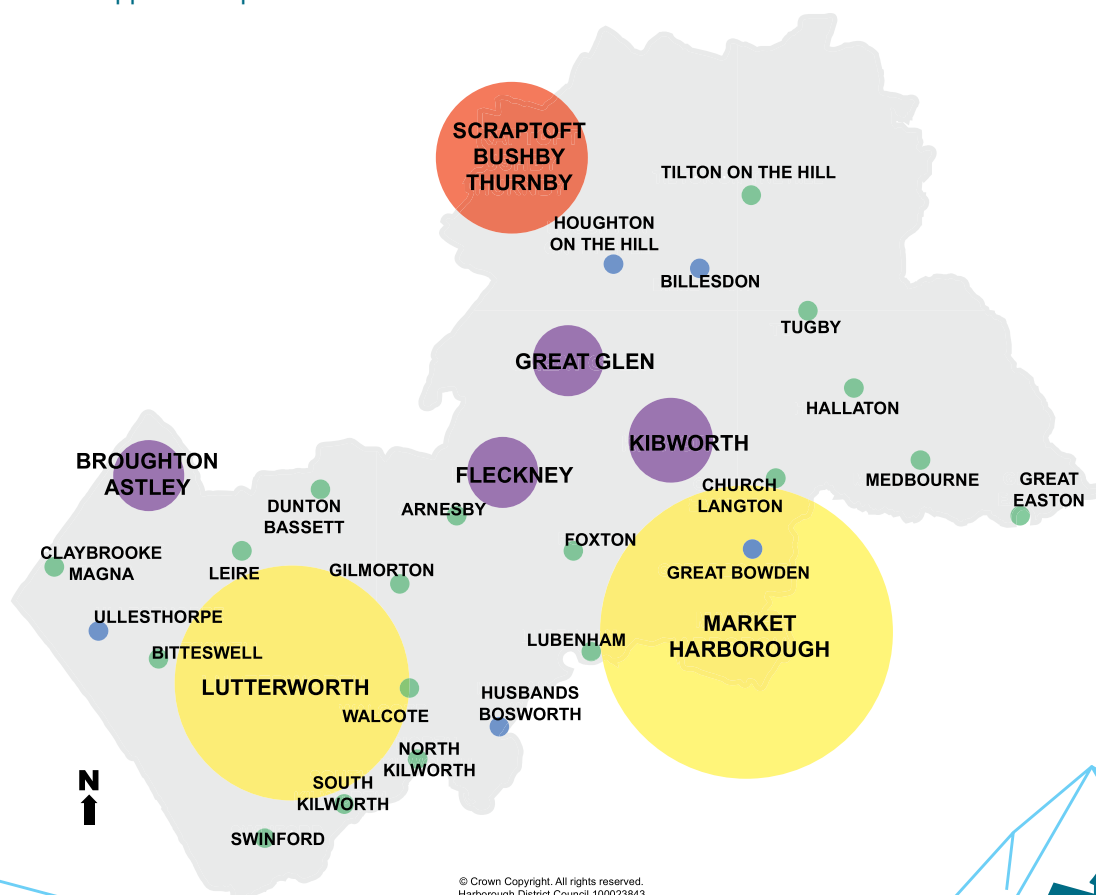
Option 5 focuses growth on the Market Towns (Lutterworth and Market Harborough) with less growth in the rest of the district.

Strengths

- Potential to promote and deliver active travel alongside development.
- Could support the long-term economic health and vitality of the district's two town centres.
- May be an opportunity to alleviate pressure on Market Harborough town centre by providing more local services and facilities to north of Market Harborough (where most potential development sites are located).

Weaknesses

- There would be no additional planned growth adjoining the Leicester Urban Area which is the most sustainable part of the district.
- Growth increasingly distant from town centre, particularly in Market Harborough, and may not relate well to existing settlement form.
- Delivering the high and medium scales of growth to 2041 on appropriate sites in the two market towns would be challenging.
- Scale of growth in Market Harborough and Lutterworth would potentially impact on character of, and separation with, nearby villages.
- Achieving sustainable transport options and/or active travel solutions between new sites and existing town centre services may be difficult.
- Other villages may not be able to meet their local need for housing in the longer term and secure growth to support or improve local services/facilities.



Option 6: Large village focus



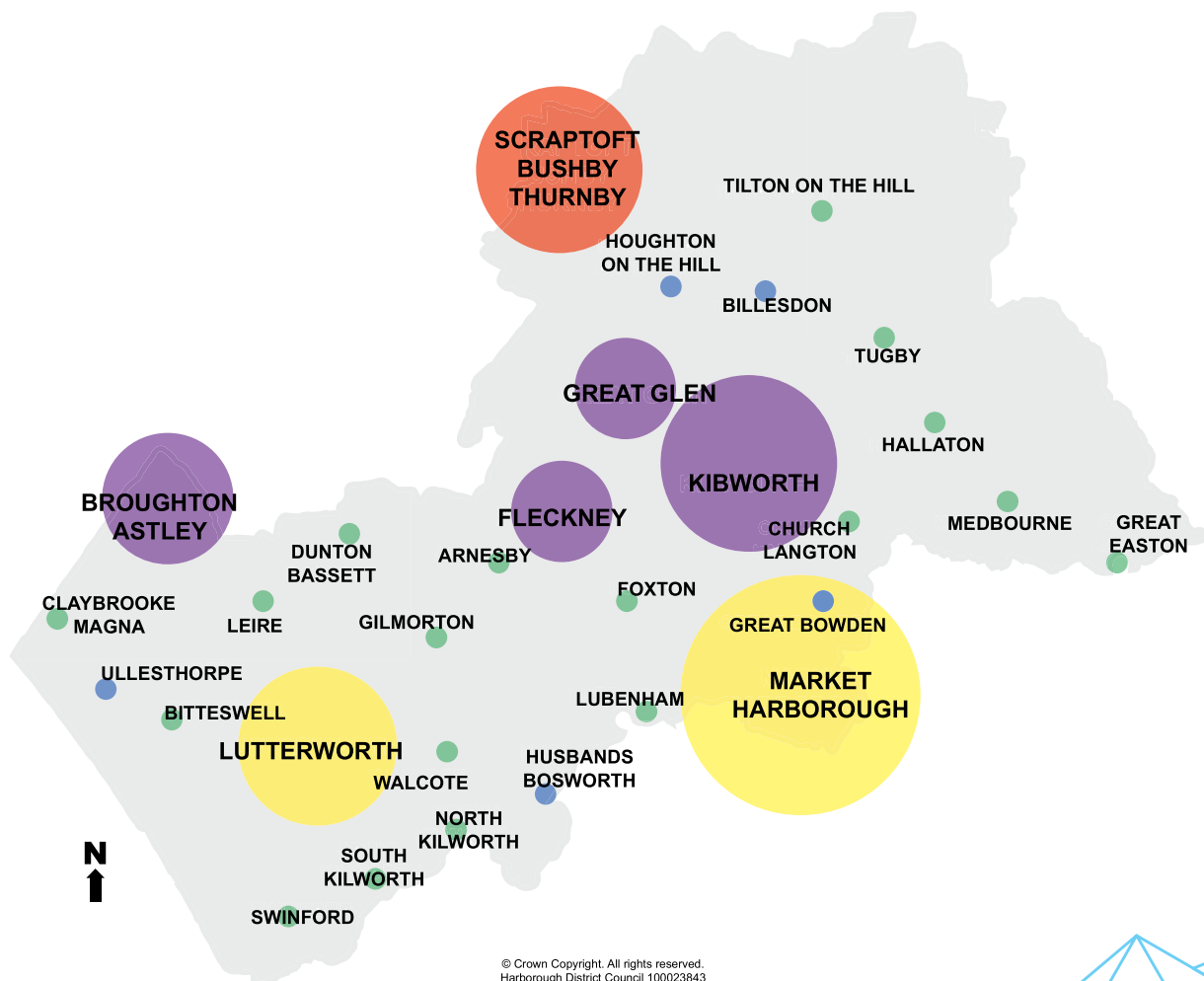
Option 6 focuses growth on the Large Villages (Broughton Astley, Great Glen, Fleckney, Kibworth) with less growth in the rest of the district.

Strength

- The considerable housing capacity of potential sites within the Large Villages is maximised.
- Would support existing and, potentially, the delivery of new infrastructure, services and facilities in Large Villages which act as services centres for lower order settlements.

Weaknesses

- No additional growth beyond existing housing completions and commitments in more sustainable settlements.
- Potential for housing growth within more sustainable locations would not be realised.
- Access to most higher order services would involve travelling to Market Towns and Leicester Urban Area and encourage use of the private car.
- By spreading growth over the four Large Villages, the benefits of large scale or strategic growth may not be realised.



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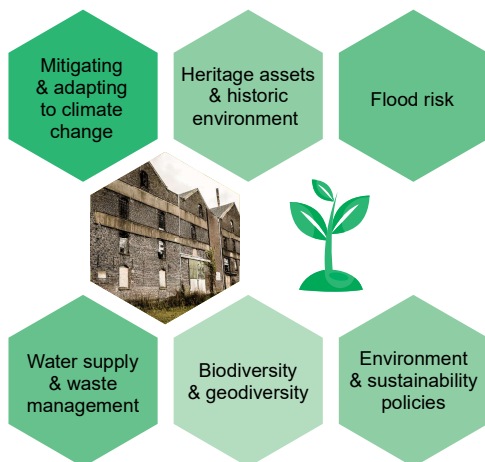
What else will the new local plan cover?



The Local Plan is not just about where new development should be located. It is also about creating better places to live and work, identifying locations that should be protected from development, and providing policies on a wide range of topics to guide sustainable development. Tell us what you think about, some or each of, these issues and proposed policy approaches by responding to questions 27 to 60.



Strategic green designations, Green Wedges and Areas of Separation, and setting expectations for the design of new development will be important aspects of the strategy and policies of the new Local Plan.



How to get involved



We have a dedicated online consultation page where you can read the document and submit your comments. Your consultation responses combined with further evidence and analysis will inform the next version of the Local Plan. It will be published for consultation between January and March 2025.



The Harborough New Local Plan Issues and Options is published as a consultation document on our Strategic Planning Portal visit: <https://harborough.oc2.uk>



You will need to register to use the portal and can do this at any time. Registering will add you to our contact database.

Responding to this consultation online is easy. The deadline is **23:55hrs Tuesday 27th February 2024.**



Alternatively, responses can be emailed or sent to the Strategic Planning Team: planningpolicy@harborough.gov.uk

If you need help responding to this consultation or have any questions on the Harborough New Local Plan, please contact us on 01858 821160

You can also scan the QR code to read the consultation document and submit your comments.



Call for Sites

Alongside this consultation the Council is running a Call for Sites. The Call for Sites is an opportunity for landowners, developers, agents and site promoters to submit sites within or partially within Harborough District which they consider have potential for development.

More details and how to submit a site through the Call for Sites process is available on the Council's website: <https://www.harborough.gov.uk/call-for-sites>



More Reading

Several other documents have been published on the Council's website related to the New Local Plan Issues & Options consultation including:

- Settlement Hierarchy Review
- Harborough NLP Issues & Options: Sustainability Appraisal Report
- Site Assessment Methodology
- Duty to Cooperate Statement



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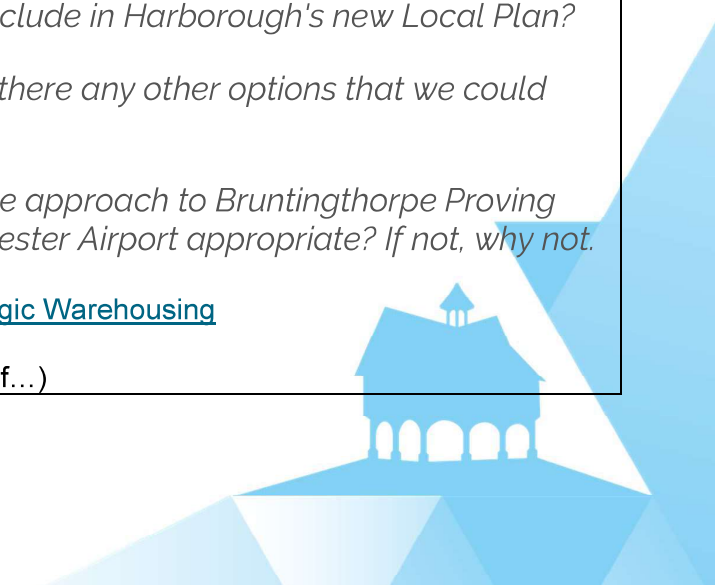


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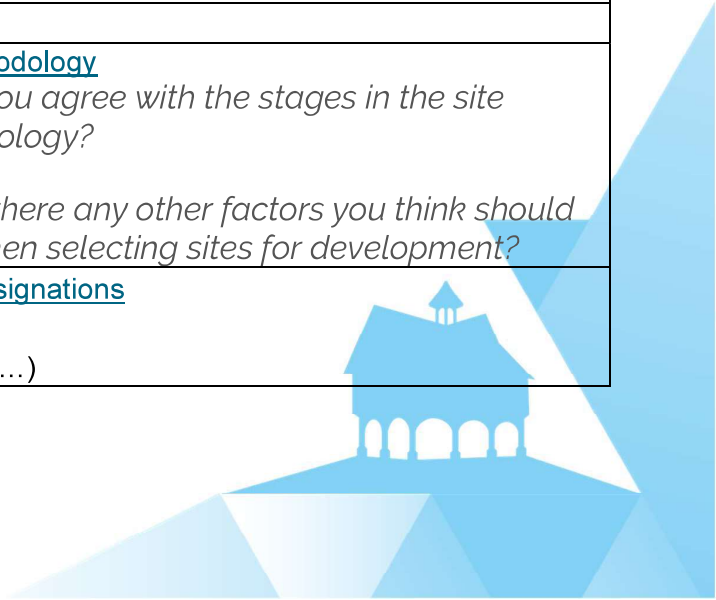


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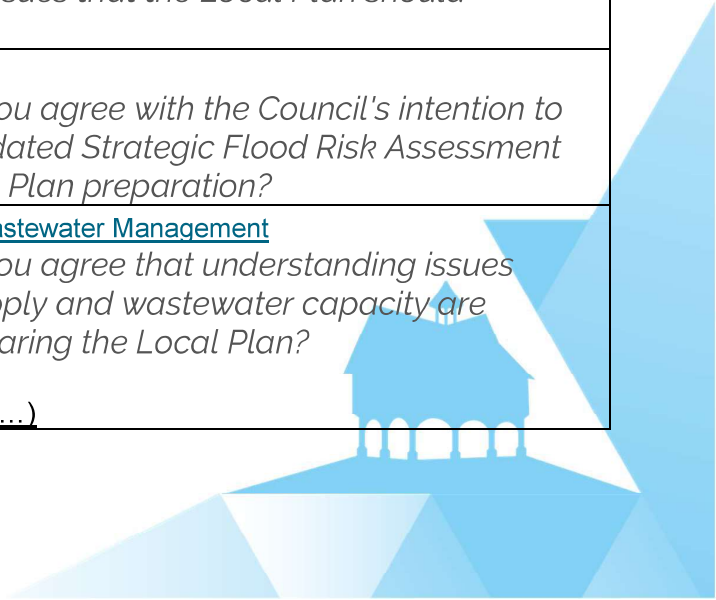


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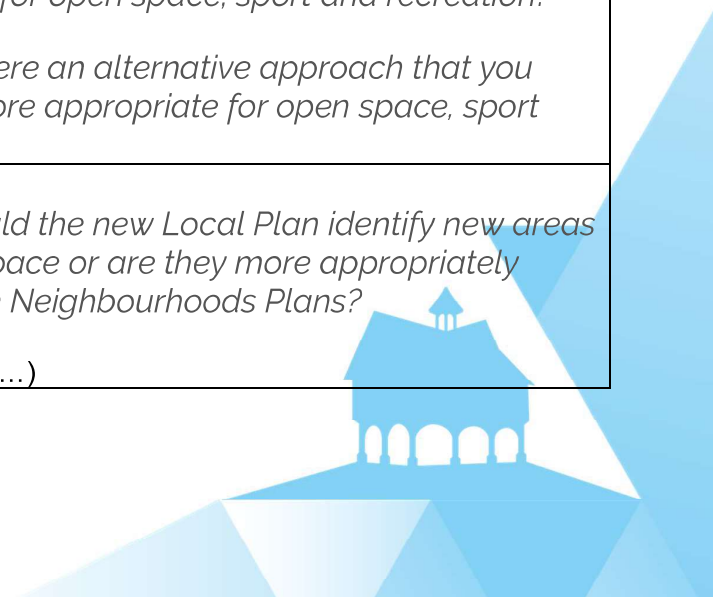


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<p>21 – Housing Needs Policies - Affordable Housing</p>	<p>Affordable Housing</p> <p><i>Question 42: How should the plan deliver the 254 affordable homes for rent per annum?</i></p> <p><i>Question 43: Should the Council look to discount the proportion of affordable home ownership dwellings to reflect the scenarios set out above? If so, how should it be discounted?</i></p>
<p>22 – Housing Needs Policies - Mix of Housing</p>	<p>Mix of Housing</p> <p><i>Question 44: Should the mix of sizes apply to all developments or only those over a set size threshold?</i></p> <p><i>Question 45: How should the plan deal with the demand for bungalows?</i></p>
<p>23 - Housing Needs Policies – Older Person and Specialist Housing</p>	<p>Older Person and Specialist Housing</p> <p><i>Question 46: Should the plan make specific site allocations for specialist housing or require a proportion on sites over a specified size threshold?</i></p> <p>Accessible and Adaptable and Wheelchair User Dwellings</p> <p><i>Question 47: Should all dwellings be required to meet the M4(2) standard (accessible and adaptable dwellings) and 10%-25% of homes be required to meet the M4(3) standard (wheelchair user dwellings)?</i></p> <p><i>Question 48: Should the approach to accessibility standards be different for market housing and affordable homes?</i></p>
<p>24 – Housing Needs Policies - Space Standards</p>	<p>Space Standards</p> <p><i>Question 49: Should this Local Plan include a requirement to use the nationally described space standard?</i></p> <p>(Continued overleaf...)</p>





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<p>25 – Housing Needs Policies - Accommodation for Gypsies and Travellers</p>	<p>Accommodation for Gypsies and Travellers</p> <p><i>Question 50: How can the Council find sites to accommodate the need for Gypsy and Traveller pitches:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Allocate sites for gypsy and traveller pitches as part of new employment land or housing developments?</i> <i>Regularise existing unauthorised sites?</i> <i>Extend existing sites?</i> <i>Create a new district or county council owned site?</i> <i>Other (please explain).</i> <p><i>Question 51: If we need to allocate sites for new pitches, what size of site should we be seeking to allocate?</i></p>
<p>26 – Housing Needs Policies – Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding</p>	<p>Self-Build and Custom Build Housebuilding</p> <p><i>Question 52: How should the Local Plan address meeting demand for self-build and custom housebuilding?</i></p> <p><i>Question 53: Should large sites be required to provide a percentage of their plots as serviced plots for self-build?</i></p> <p><i>Question 54: Should the plan make site specific allocations for self-build and custom housebuilding?</i></p> <p><i>Question 55: Should the Council decide to introduce a Local connection test, is the Local connection test set out above suitable to use for the Self-build and Custom Housebuilding register?</i></p> <p><i>Question 56: Does the Council have strong justification to introduce the local connection test?</i></p>
<p>27 - Town Centres, Retailing and Leisure</p>	<p>Town Centres, Retailing and Leisure</p> <p><i>Question 57: Do you agree with the proposed approach to supporting town and village centres?</i></p>
<p>28 - Tourism</p>	<p>Tourism</p> <p><i>Question 58: Do you agree that the new Local Plan should encourage tourism and the growth in visitor numbers?</i> (Continued overleaf...)</p>



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29 - Transport	Transport <i>Question 59: Which of the above options or option do you think should be followed in the new Local Plan? Are there any other options to consider</i>
30 – Local Services and Infrastructure	Local Services and Infrastructure <i>Question 60: Which of the above approaches to infrastructure delivery do you prefer? Are there any other options that could be considered?</i>

