

Submission of Bitteswell Neighbourhood Plan: Checks to be made

Regulation 15: Where a qualifying body submits a plan proposal to the local planning authority, it must include:	Check whether included: Yes/No with explanation	What is missing? Action needed.
(1)(a)a map or statement which identifies the area to which the proposed neighbourhood development plan relates;	Yes, a map of the Bitteswell Neighbourhood Area has been included	Non required
(1)(b)a consultation statement (which must include the following):		
(2)(a)contains details of the persons and bodies who were consulted about the proposed neighbourhood development plan (should list the consultation bodies and their contact details so that the Council can use the list to notify them that the Examination Version is available);	The consultation statement (CS) lists the stakeholders that were consulted at Regulation 14 stage. The contact details of the respondents have been separately included	Non required
(2)(b)explains how they were consulted;	Yes the submitted document provides details of how they were consulted	None required
(2)(c)summarises the main issues and concerns raised by the persons consulted; and .	Yes. The CS details all the consultation events, their purpose and outcomes and issues raised	None required
(2)(d)describes how these issues and concerns have been considered and, where relevant, addressed in the proposed neighbourhood development plan (should set out the issues raised at pre-submission stage and the main changes made to the pre-submission version and incorporated into the examination version).	Yes, the response and subsequent amendments to the plan have been detailed as part of the CS	None required
(1)(c) the proposed neighbourhood development plan	Yes the submission version plan has been provided	None required

(1)(d) a statement explaining how the proposed neighbourhood development plan meets the requirements of paragraph 8 of Schedule 4B to the 1990 Act		
8 (1)(a) Whether the draft NDP meets the basic conditions (which are as follows):		
8 (2)(a) having regard to national policies and advice contained in guidance issued by the Secretary of State (i.e conforms with national policy and guidance);	Yes. The table starting on Page 7, Column 3 of the Basic Conditions Statement (BCS) considers the conformity with the NPPF. The table sets out how each of the Plan policies is in General Conformity with the NPPF	None required
8 (2)(d) contributes to the achievement of sustainable development;	Yes. Para 4.1 to 4.3 of the BCS sets out the requirements for sustainable development and how the plan seeks to meet them	None required
8 (2)(e) is in general conformity with the strategic policies contained in the development plan for the area of the authority (or any part of that area);	Yes. The table starting on Page 7, Column 5 of the Basic Conditions Statement (BCS) considers the conformity with the strategic policies contained in the Local Plan 2011 to 2031. The table sets out how each of the Plan policies is in General Conformity with the Local Plan policies	None required
8 (2)(f) does not breach, and is otherwise compatible with, EU regulations; (SEA, HRA, Human Rights)	Yes. Para 5.1 to para 5.5 of the BCS sets out how the QB considers the Plan meets the requirements of SEA, Habitats	None required

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	Directive and Convention on Human Rights	
The Basic Conditions statement assesses Sections 98 and 99 of the Levelling-up and Regeneration Act (LURA) 2023 which came into force on 25 March 2026	Yes. The BCS contains statements at paras 2.8 to 2.10 indicating how the Plan meets the requirements of sections 98 and 99 of the LURA. A table at page 7 provides an assessment of how the policies in the NP do not prevent development as set out in the Local Plan	None required
S38 checks to be made at this stage:		
Is the organisation submitting the NP a 'qualifying body'? (s38A(1))	Yes, Bitteswell Parish Council is the Qualifying Body for Neighbourhood Planning purposes	None required
Does the NP set out policies in relation to the development and use of land in the whole or part of a particular neighbourhood area specified in the plan? (s38A(2))	Yes. The Bitteswell Review Plan sets out policies for the development and use of land.	None required
S38B checks to be made at this stage:		
Does the NP specify the period for which it is to have effect? (s38B(1)(a))	Yes, the Plan specifies the period 2020 to 2041	None required
The NP should not include provision about development that is excluded development. Is this the case? (s38B(1)(b)) (see s61K of 1990 Act for meaning of 'excluded development')	Yes. The Bitteswell NDP Review does not contain provision for any excluded development	None required
The NP should not relate to more than one neighbourhood area. Is this the case? (s38B(1)(c))	Yes. The Plan relates only to the Bitteswell Neighbourhood	None required

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	Area designated by HDC on 31 January 2017	
Only one neighbourhood plan may be made for each neighbourhood area. Is this the case? (s38B(2))	Yes. This is the first submission of the Bitteswell Plan,.	None required
Other Checks		
The Council can decline to consider a NP if it is a repeat proposal (1990 Act, Schedule 4B para 5). Confirm that NP a not 'repeat' proposal?	Yes. The submitted Plan is not a repeat proposal.	None required
If all answers are Yes: VALIDATION COMPLETE. Inform 'qualifying body' of decision (see section 6(4)(a)of Schedule 4B Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended by Localism Act)) Proceed to: - Publicising the Neighbourhood Plan; and - Appointing Examiner Process.		