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1. Introduction

Background

- 1.1. The purpose of this Health Check is to provide a high-level analysis of the existing policies within the Odiham and North Warnborough Neighbourhood Plan (2017). This report considers whether the made Neighbourhood Plan policies:
 - a. conform with the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), National Design Guide and the Development Plan including the Hart Local Plan (2020), Hampshire Minerals and Waste Plan (2013) and a review of the Draft Hart District Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (2023) (LCWIP);
 - b. are effective and clear, both for developers, applicants and planning officers; and
 - c. have remained relevant and up to date since the making of the Neighbourhood Plan. The outcomes of the health check are presented in the proceeding chapters.
- 1.2. As part of the research and engagement stage of this work, the project team met with Odiham Parish Council and met with Hart District Council Officers on 3rd October 2023.

Updating a Neighbourhood Plan

- 1.3. Where a made Neighbourhood Plan is to be reviewed and updated, national guidance outlines the circumstances that might trigger a review and the implications of this in terms of consultation and examination. The guidance below has been extracted from National Planning Practice Guidance¹ (PPG), providing further information to support the implementation of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).

“Why will it be necessary to review and update a Neighbourhood Plan?”

A neighbourhood plan must set out the period for which it is to have effect (section 38B(1)(a) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004). Neighbourhood plan policies remain in force until the plan policy is replaced.

There is no requirement to review or update a neighbourhood plan. However, policies in a neighbourhood plan may become out of date, for example if they conflict with policies in a local plan covering the neighbourhood area that is adopted after the making of the neighbourhood plan. In such cases, the more recent plan policy takes precedence. In addition, where a policy has been in force for a period of time, other material considerations may be given greater weight in planning decisions as the evidence base for the plan policy becomes less robust. To reduce the likelihood of a neighbourhood plan becoming out of date once a new local plan (or spatial development strategy) is adopted, communities preparing a neighbourhood plan should take account of latest and up-to-date evidence of housing need, as set out in guidance.

Communities in areas where policies in a neighbourhood plan that is in force have become out of date may decide to update their plan, or part of it. The neighbourhood area will already be designated, but

¹ <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/neighbourhood-planning--2> (Paragraph: 106 Reference ID: 41-106-20190509, Revision Date 09.05.19)

the community may wish to consider whether the designated area is still the most suitable area to plan for².

“Updating a Neighbourhood Plan

There are 3 types of modification which can be made to a neighbourhood plan or order. The process will depend on the degree of change which the modification involves:

- **Minor (non-material) modifications** to a neighbourhood plan or order are those which would not materially affect the policies in the plan or permission granted by the order. These may include correcting errors, such as a reference to a supporting document, and would not require examination or a referendum.
- **Material modifications which do not change the nature of the plan or order** would require examination but not a referendum. This might, for example, entail the addition of a design code that builds on a pre-existing design policy, or the addition of a site or sites which, subject to the decision of the independent examiner, are not so significant or substantial as to change the nature of the plan.
- **Material modifications which do change the nature of the plan or order** would require examination and a referendum. This might, for example, involve allocating significant new sites for development³.

MODIFICATION TYPE	Requires Examination	Requires Referendum
A) Minor (non-material modifications)	X	X
B) Material modifications which <u>do not</u> change the nature of the neighbourhood plan	✓	X
C) Material modifications which <u>do</u> change the nature of the neighbourhood plan	✓	✓

Table 1: The three types of modification that can be made to a neighbourhood plan or order

Material modifications (types B and C from Table 1)

If the Parish Council (qualifying body) wishes to make modifications which will materially affect policies within the Neighbourhood Plan, the following process is required:

² Planning Practice Guidance (2019), Paragraph: 084 Reference ID: 41-084-20190509, Revision date: 09 05 2019

³ Planning Practice Guidance (2019). Paragraph: 106 Reference ID: 41-106-20190509, Revision date: 09 05 2019

STAGE 1: when the modified plan is submitted to the local planning authority, the qualifying body must state and justify whether they believe that the modifications made are significant enough to change the nature of the plan.



STAGE 2: when sending the modified plan to the independent examiner, the local planning authority must state and justify whether they believe that the modifications made are significant enough to change the nature of the plan.



STAGE 3: the qualifying body must decide whether to proceed with the examination, based on the examiners final decision on whether the modifications made changed the nature of the plan”.

Figure 1: How more substantive neighbourhood plan updates are made – the process for updates (modifications) which do materially affect the policies in the plan.

- 1.4. As highlighted above, the degree of proposed modifications have differing requirements (possibly including independent examination and referendum), and therefore it is recommended that this forward process is carefully considered when updating the Neighbourhood Plan. A recommendation on what type of modification might be necessary to update the Neighbourhood Plan is provided in the section below.
- 1.5. It should also be noted that neighbourhood planning groups who are seeking to update a ‘made’ neighbourhood plan are eligible to apply for Neighbourhood Planning Grant Funding and Technical Support. Further information on grant funding and technical support packages can be found on the Locality website⁴.

⁴ <https://neighbourhoodplanning.org/toolkits-and-guidance/neighbourhood-planning-grant-technical-support-guidance-notes/>

2. Policy Context

2.1. The Odiham and North Warnborough Neighbourhood Plan sets out the non-strategic policies for the Parish. In order for the Plan to be formally 'made', the Plan must conform with higher-level policies. The higher-level policy documents which are relevant to the Neighbourhood Plan include the following:

- National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF, 2023)
- National Design Guide (2021)
- Hart Local Plan – Strategy and Sites 2032 (2020)
- Hampshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan (2013)
- Hart District Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (2023)

2.2. The Hart Local Plan specifies the Strategic Policies for Neighbourhood Planning Purposes, as required by the NPPF (Paragraph 21). The Local Plan states that Neighbourhood Plans must be in general conformity with the strategic policies of the development plan listed below:

- SD1 Sustainable Development
- SS1 Spatial Strategy: Scale and Distribution of Growth
- SS2 Hartland Village
- H1 Housing Mix
- H2 Affordable Housing
- H3 Rural Exception Sites
- H4 Specialist Housing
- H5 Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople
- ED1 New Employment
- ED2 Safeguarding Employment Land and Premises
- ED3 The Rural Economy
- ED4 Town, District and Local Centres
- NBE1 Development in the Countryside
- NBE2 Landscape
- NBE3 Thames Basin Heaths Special Protection Area
- NBE4 Biodiversity
- NBE5 Managing Flood Risk
- NBE6 Water Quality
- NBE8 Historic Environment
- NBE10 Renewable and Low Carbon Energy
- BE11 Pollution
- INF1 Infrastructure
- INF2 Green Infrastructure
- INF3 Transport
- INF4 Open Space, Sport and Recreation
- INF5 Community Facilities
- INF7 Phoenix Green Flood Alleviation
- INF8 Safeguarded Land for Education

- 2.3. The **Hampshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan (2013)** was adopted in October 2013. The plan explains how mineral resources should be extracted and supplied as well as the necessary waste management infrastructure needed so that Hampshire's environment will be protected, its communities maintained, and the local economy supported up to 2030. The Plan replaces the Hampshire Minerals & Waste Core Strategy (the 'Core Strategy') which was adopted in July 2007 and the 'saved' policies from the Hampshire, Portsmouth and Southampton Minerals and Waste Local Plan (1998). The most recent Plan takes into particular consideration presumptions in favour of sustainable development, a greater focus on climate change and emphasis on a local approach to planning for local needs.
- 2.4. The **Hart District Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP)** was published for consultation between the 12th of June and the 20th of August 2023, with the primary objective of promoting sustainable and healthy travel modes, prioritising the development of safe and accessible cycling and walking routes. LCWIPs aim to alleviate congestion, enhance air quality, and encourage physical activity, ultimately contributing to more liveable and environmentally friendly urban environments. The Hart District LCWIP identifies collision hotspots, recommends routes, defines Core Walking Zones, and utilises a propensity to cycle model. For instance, it identifies the Centre of Odiham as a hotspot for pedestrian and cyclist collisions and engages stakeholders to identify core walking zones and cycle routes across Hart District. In Odiham and North Warnborough, the community highlights the need for a safe pedestrian route along the B3349/A287 corridor (Z7) connecting Hook and Odiham, especially for students commuting to Robert May's School in Odiham. Additionally, there is a recognised need for improvements in walking and cycling infrastructure along Route 200, an active travel link between Hook, North Warnborough, and Odiham.
- 2.5. The LCWIP also reveals that the mode share of cycle commuting in Odiham and North Warnborough was between 1% and 2% according to the 2011 census. The Department of Transport's Walking and Cycling Investments Strategy aims to double cycling by 2025, therefore the LCWIP shows the target of a 2% to 4% cycling mode share by 2025 in Odiham and North Warnborough. Additionally, the LCWIP employs the Propensity to Cycle Tool to model two future scenarios for cycling. The "Go Dutch" scenario calculates the propensity to cycle if investment would provide the same infrastructure and cycling culture as in the Netherlands, predicting a cycling mode share of between 10% and 20% for commuting. The "E-bike" scenario models increased cycling uptake with electric cycles (e-bikes) and predicts a commuting mode share of 30% to 40%. Furthermore, the Propensity to Cycle tool anticipates that the "Go Dutch" scenario will achieve at least 20% of school trips made by bicycle, a significant increase from the less than 2% mode share observed in the 2011 School Census.
- 2.6. The Odiham and North Warnborough Neighbourhood Plan does not currently refer to the LCWIP. Referring to the LCWIP and the suggested Core Walking Zone (Z7) and improvements to Route 200 could open up new funding opportunities for walking and cycling in Odiham and North Warnborough. This could perhaps be added to the 'Infrastructure Projects' section in the Aims and Proposals Chapter of the Neighbourhood Plan.
- 2.7. In addition to reviewing the policy context for the Neighbourhood Plan this report has also reviewed the Parish Council's Monitoring Reports (2018-2023) which include progress on the housing allocations made in the Neighbourhood Plan.

3. Review of Policies

3.1. In this section we comment on the policies within the made Neighbourhood Plan. For ease of reference, this follows the structure of the Neighbourhood Plan, with comments summarised in Table form. Each table entry includes commentary on whether the respective policies have achieved the following:

- a) compliance with higher-level policies and guidance and
- b) are effective, clear and relevant (i.e., have achieved what they have set out to and have not been subject to on the ground changes since the Plan has been 'made').

3.2. We then make an initial judgement, based on current information as to whether the modification require is likely to be A, B or C based on the table below with further commentary where necessary. In some cases the extent of modification required is dependent on further investigation during the full review of the Neighbourhood Plan. Please note that these are initial judgements and will be subject to further discussions with Hart District Council and potentially with an Examiner should the Neighbourhood Plan Update require external Examination.

<i>A: Minor (non-material modifications)</i>
<i>B: Material modifications which <u>do not</u> change the nature of the neighbourhood plan</i>
<i>C: Material modifications which <u>do</u> change the nature of the neighbourhood plan</i>
<i>N/A: No modification necessary</i>

Neighbourhood Plan Policy	Commentary	Modification Type (A, B, C)
<p>Policy 1: Spatial Plan for the Parish.</p> <p><i>Over the Neighbourhood Plan period, the focus for growth will be the villages of Odiham and North Warnborough as the two principal settlements in the Parish.</i></p> <p><i>The settlement boundaries of Odiham, North Warnborough, RAF Odiham and Broad Oak are defined on the Policies Map. Proposals for development within each of these boundaries will be supported, provided that they accord with National Policy, the relevant applicable Hart District Local Plan and the policies of the Neighbourhood Plan.</i></p> <p><i>Development proposals outside settlement boundaries will be required to conform to National Policy, the policies of the relevant applicable Local Plan and the policies of the Neighbourhood Plan in respect of the control of development in the open countryside.</i></p>	<p>Conformity with higher-level policies and guidance</p> <p>The settlement boundaries of Odiham and North Warnborough in the Local Plan are different to the boundaries in Policy 1 of the Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>The discrepancies between the maps are illustrated in the Policies Map (with insets) section below.</p>	<p><i>N/A: No modification necessary however please note the change to the settlement boundary in the Policies Map section of this report.</i></p>
<p>POLICY 2 – Housing Development Sites</p> <p><i>The Neighbourhood Plan allocates the following sites for housing development, as shown on the Policies Map, where development will be supported, provided it adheres to other statutory,</i></p>	<p>Conformity with higher-level policies and associated guidance</p> <p>The Local Plan continues to support the allocations within the NDP and makes one update to the allocations due to the Crumplins Business Court having been given planning permission.</p>	<p>See individual sites below</p> <p><i>The drawings / plans that accompany the sites will need to be updated as appropriate potentially in discussion with the respective landowner and developer where relevant.</i></p>

<p><i>Local Plan and Neighbourhood Plan policies and the following development principles:</i></p>	<p><i>Seven sites have been allocated in the Odiham and North Warnborough Neighbourhood Plan. Only six of these sites are listed below as the allocation at Crumplins Business Court has already received planning permission and has been counted in the list of outstanding planning permissions. There is no trajectory for these sites in the Neighbourhood Plan and therefore phasing assumptions have been made.</i></p> <p>Since adoption of the Local Plan in 2020 there has been progress and completions on additional housing allocations that will need to be updated in the Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>All seven allocations are taken in turn below.</p> <p>Effectiveness and relevance</p> <p>The policy remains effective and relevant. The drawings / plans that accompany the sites will need to be updated as appropriate potentially in discussion with the respective landowner and developer where relevant.</p>	
<p>POLICY 2 – Housing Development Sites (cont’d)</p> <p><i>0.3 ha - Land at Longwood, Odiham – approx. 9 dwellings (Site i)*</i></p> <p><i>a. Vehicular access to the site shall be from West Street only and is to be shared with Land at 4 Western Lane (Site ii);</i></p>	<p>According to the Neighbourhood Plan Monitoring Report (2023), no planning application has been submitted for this site. Therefore, no changes to the policy are necessary unless there are material reasons to do so.</p>	<p><i>N/A: No modification necessary</i></p>

<p><i>b. Existing boundary trees and hedgerows shall be retained, (other than those required to achieve site access) and shall be reinforced with native species;</i></p> <p><i>c. The layout shall include trees, in both the communal and private amenity areas, to reflect the green rural character of this part of the village;</i></p> <p><i>d. The layout, building forms and design shall have regard to nearby dwellings and the buildings shall be no more than two storeys high;</i></p> <p><i>e. The proposals shall include satisfactory mitigation of any ground water and/or surface water flooding risk on the site and to any off-site properties, as shown on Environment Agency and Hart District Council drainage maps;</i></p> <p><i>f. A financial contribution will be sought from the developer towards the maintenance and upkeep of the public open space on Dunleys Hill (Policy 14); and</i></p> <p><i>g. A financial contribution (in accordance with SAMM principles in force at that time) will be sought from the developer towards monitoring measures across the Thames Basin Heaths Special Protection Area (TBHSPA) in the event that Site i, Site ii and Site v in combination deliver more than 50 new dwellings.</i></p>		
<p>POLICY 2 – Housing Development Sites (cont’d)</p>	<p>According to the Neighbourhood Plan Monitoring Report (2023), the site has now been completed and is fully occupied. The 19/02541/FUL application was</p>	<p>A: <i>Update the Plan to reflect this change.</i></p>

<p>ii. 0.64 ha - Land at 4 Western Lane, Odiham- approx. 15 dwellings (Site ii)*</p> <p><i>a. Vehicular access to the site shall be via a shared access with the adjoining site, Land at Longwood (Site i);</i></p> <p><i>b. Existing boundary trees and hedgerows shall be retained (other than those required to achieve site access) and shall be reinforced with native species;</i></p> <p><i>c. The layout shall include trees, in both the communal and private amenity areas, to reflect the green rural character of this part of the village;</i></p> <p><i>d. The layout, building forms and design shall have regard to nearby dwellings and shall include a mix of dwelling types, to include some single storey dwellings adjacent to existing single storey dwellings on West Street and no more than two storeys high on the remainder of the site;</i></p> <p><i>e. The proposals shall include satisfactory mitigation of any ground water and/or surface water flooding risk on the site and to any off-site properties, as shown on Environment Agency and Hart District Council drainage maps;</i></p> <p><i>f. A footpath shall be provided between the development and the open space on Dunleys Hill (Policy 14);</i></p> <p><i>g. A financial contribution will be sought from the developer, towards the maintenance and upkeep of the public open space on Dunleys Hill (Policy 14); and</i></p>	<p>granted permission on the 10th of June 2021 for the Construction of 16 dwellings (8 x 2-bedroom, 6 x 3-bedroom and 2 x 4-bedroom) with associated access, landscaping, and parking (following the demolition of existing dwellinghouse).</p> <p>The Neighbourhood Plan should be updated with commentary on the delivery of the site stating the planning application reference number(s) and a record of what was delivered (including number of and type of dwellings).</p>	
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<p><i>h. A financial contribution (in accordance with SAMM principles in force at that time) will be sought from the developer towards monitoring measures across the Thames Basin Heaths Special protection Area (TBHSPA) in the event that Site i, Site ii and Site v in combination deliver more than 50 new dwellings.</i></p>		
<p>POLICY 2 – Housing Development Sites (cont’d)</p> <p>iii. 0.28 ha - Land at Crumplins Yard – approx. 8 dwellings (Site iii)*:</p> <p><i>a. Vehicular access shall be via a shared access from Dunleys Hill to serve both this development and a public car and bicycle park for users of the adjoining public open space (Policy 14);</i></p> <p><i>b. Existing boundary trees and hedgerows shall be retained (other than those required to achieve site access and the public footpath) and shall be reinforced with native species;</i></p> <p><i>c. The layout shall include trees, in both the communal and private amenity areas, to reflect the green rural character of this part of the village;</i></p> <p><i>d. The layout shall include dwellings overlooking the adjoining open space to create an active frontage and a soft landscaped boundary shall be retained and supplemented on the boundary with Dunleys Hill;</i></p>	<p>According to the Local Plan and Neighbourhood Plan Monitoring Report (2023), the site has now been completed and is fully occupied. The 16/00635/FUL application was granted permission on the 10th of August 2017 for the Construction of 8 dwellings with garages and new access onto Dunleys Hill.</p> <p>The Neighbourhood Plan should be updated with commentary on the delivery of the site stating the planning application reference number(s) and a record of what was delivered (including number of and type of dwellings).</p>	<p>A: <i>Update the Plan to reflect this change.</i></p>

<p><i>e. The layout shall comprise small dwellings of no more than two storeys high and shall take design cues from the traditional buildings in the locality;</i></p> <p><i>f. The proposals shall include satisfactory mitigation of any ground water and/or surface water flooding risk on the site and to any off-site properties, as shown on Environment Agency and Hart District Council drainage maps;</i></p> <p><i>g. A footpath shall be provided along the site frontage adjoining Dunleys Hill to facilitate safe pedestrian and cycle access to the public open space from the west of Dunleys Hill; and</i></p> <p><i>h. A financial contribution (in accordance with SAMM principles in force at that time) will be sought from the developer towards the maintenance and upkeep of the public open space on Dunleys Hill (Site v).</i></p>		
<p>POLICY 2 – Housing Development Sites (cont'd)</p> <p>0.96 ha - Land at Albion Yard, North Warnborough – approx. 12 dwellings (Site iv)*:</p> <p><i>a. Vehicular access shall be via Albion Yard;</i></p> <p><i>b. The building forms, design and materials shall respect the scale, design and materials of the adjacent traditional and listed buildings and shall be no more than two storeys high;</i></p> <p><i>c. The development layout shall include green open spaces to reflect the rural and open character of the North Warnborough Conservation Area and surrounding countryside;</i></p>	<p>According to the Neighbourhood Plan Monitoring Report (2023), no further planning applications have been submitted for this site. Therefore, no changes to the policy are necessary unless there are material reasons to do so.</p>	<p><i>N/A:</i> <i>No modification necessary based on the information available. However, if changes were required through further landowner / developer consultation and discussion this would likely be classified as B Material modifications which <u>do not</u> change the nature of the neighbourhood plan</i></p>

<p>d. A maintenance access is to be provided through the site to the land to the west for agricultural purposes;</p> <p>e. The layout shall include trees, both in private and communal amenity areas, to reflect the rural edge-of-village location of the site;</p> <p>f. The landscape scheme shall include a buffer to the countryside to the west of the site to comprise planting of native species;</p> <p>g. The proposals shall include satisfactory mitigation of any ground water and/or surface water flooding risk on the site and to any off-site properties, as shown on Environment Agency and Hart District Council drainage maps;</p> <p>h. Development must take account of the geotechnical and drainage conditions affecting the Basingstoke Canal and the stability of the canal embankment;</p> <p>i. Development must provide necessary upgrades to the existing wastewater system; and</p> <p>j. Pedestrian and bicycle access shall be provided from the site onto Hook Road between Wycliffe House and The Cat.</p>		
<p>POLICY 2 – Housing Development Sites (cont'd)</p> <p>v. 1.00 ha - Land at Dunleys Hill, Odiham – approx. 30 dwellings (Site v)*:</p> <p>a. Vehicular access to the residential development shall be from Western Lane;</p>	<p>According to the Neighbourhood Plan Monitoring Report (2023), a refused planning application has recently been upheld at a planning appeal. An outline application (22/00146/OUT) for 33 residential dwellings with all matters reserved except access was refused on the 12th of September 2022. The decision was appealed</p>	<p>N/A: No modification necessary based on the information available. However, if changes were required through further landowner / developer consultation and discussion this would likely be classified as B Material modifications which <u>do not</u></p>

<p><i>b. The residential layout shall include a mix of individual house size, type and design fronting onto the public open space to create an active frontage to the public open space and to represent organic growth. The buildings, including any apartments, shall be no more than two storeys high;</i></p> <p><i>c. The residential layout shall retain open views into and out of the Odiham Conservation Area (including but without limitation relevant views as referred to in Policy 6);</i></p> <p><i>d. The layout shall include trees, in both the communal and private amenity areas, to reflect the green rural character of this part of the village and a row of trees shall be retained and supplemented where required alongside the Dunleys Hill frontage;</i></p> <p><i>e. The proposals shall include satisfactory mitigation of any ground water and/or surface water flooding risk on the site and to any off-site properties, as shown on Environment Agency and Hart District Council drainage maps, and to neighbouring and to any off-site properties;</i></p> <p><i>f. A financial contribution will be sought from the developer towards the maintenance and upkeep of the public open space; and</i></p>	<p>(22/00062/REFUSE) and later dismissed on the 18th of August 2023.</p> <p>The Neighbourhood Plan should be updated with commentary on the delivery of the site stating the planning application reference number(s) and a record of what is approved (including number of and type of dwellings).</p> <p>The PC has requested that the Neighbourhood Plan Update consider the potential opportunity for linking Policy 14 (Dunleys Hill Open Space) with this policy Policy 2 (Housing Development Sites v).</p>	<p><i>change the nature of the neighbourhood plan.</i></p>
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<p><i>g. A financial contribution will be sought from the developer (in accordance with SAMM principles in force at that time) towards monitoring measures across the Thames Basin Heaths Special Protection Area in the event that Site i, Site ii and Site v in combination deliver more than 50 new dwellings.</i></p>		
<p>POLICY 2 – Housing Development Sites (cont'd)</p> <p><i>vi. 1.52 ha - Land at Hook Road, North Warnborough – approx. 15 dwellings (Site vi)*:</i></p> <p><i>a. A satisfactory access or access points are provided onto Hook Road and which will provide appropriate linkage between the two component parts of the site;</i></p> <p><i>b. The building forms, design and materials shall respect the scale, design and materials of the nearby traditional and listed buildings in the North Warnborough Conservation Area and shall be no more than two storeys high;</i></p> <p><i>c. The layout shall incorporate open spaces to retain views through the site from Hook Road towards the Basingstoke Canal Conservation Area and the countryside beyond and vice versa to reflect the loosely developed character and the rural setting of this part of the North Warnborough Conservation Area;</i></p> <p><i>d. The siting and orientation of buildings should respect the character of the North Warnborough and Basingstoke Canal Conservation Areas;</i></p>	<p>According to the Neighbourhood Plan Monitoring Report (2023), planning permission (20/02219/FUL) for the construction of 17 dwellings (4 x two bed, 7 x three bed, 4 x four bed and 2 x five bed), access, landscaping, boundary treatments and associated infrastructure was refused for this site on the 21st of June 2021.</p> <p>There is another developer interested and they have attended two Planning Committee meetings to present their ideas. These meetings were attended by nearby residents and were useful for all present. Preliminary discussions were held about community projects. A planning application has not yet been submitted.</p>	<p><i>N/A: No modification necessary based on the information available. However, if changes were required through further landowner / developer consultation and discussion this would likely be classified as B Material modifications which <u>do not</u> change the nature of the neighbourhood plan</i></p>

e. All boundary treatment shall be in keeping with that of the traditional buildings in the North Warnborough Conservation Area. Fencing fronting onto Hook Road or the Basingstoke Canal will not be supported;

f. All development, including roads, footways and paths shall take account of the raised canal embankment in order not to jeopardise its stability;

g. The layout shall include a conservation margin alongside the Canal as measured from the top of the embankment and which is designed in order to protect the adjoining Basingstoke Canal Site of Special Scientific Interest, provide natural habitat and safeguard the stability of the canal embankment; Any canal-side planting shall comprise low-growing native species to minimise shading of the Canal SSSI and to protect views to the countryside beyond and vice versa;

h. The layout shall include trees, in both the communal and private amenity areas, to reflect the rural edge-of-village location of the site;

i. A natural, undeveloped 5m buffer zone shall be provided alongside all other water courses crossing the site to provide natural habitat;

j. A landscape buffer shall be provided between existing adjoining properties and the site to protect the amenity and privacy of existing residents;

k. The proposals shall include satisfactory mitigation of any ground water and/or surface water flooding risk on the site and to any off-site

<p><i>properties, as shown on Environment Agency and Hart District Council drainage maps; and</i></p> <p><i>l. A footpath shall be provided between the development and the Basingstoke Canal.</i></p>		
<p>POLICY 2 – Housing Development Sites (cont'd)</p> <p><i>vii. 2.58 ha - Land next to Crownfields, Odiham – approx. 30 dwellings (Site vii)*:</i></p> <p><i>a. The development shall comprise a mix of residential dwellings, a residential nursing care home (C2 use) and land for pre-school use;</i></p> <p><i>b. Vehicular access to the site shall be from Alton Road only;</i></p> <p><i>c. The layout and building forms shall have regard to adjoining dwellings and shall ensure views across the site are retained. Building heights shall be no more than two storeys. The existing views up Recreation Road, across the site towards The Firs and in an easterly direction from within the site towards the Odiham Conservation Area shall be retained;</i></p> <p><i>d. The residential nursing care home is to be sited in the eastern half of the site adjacent to the Recreation Ground and is to be no more than two storeys high. The building should be well articulated to break up its bulk and roofscape and the design and materials should complement its rural setting;</i></p>	<p>According to the Neighbourhood Plan Monitoring Report (2023), an outline planning application (reference: 19/02257/OUT) for Erection of 60 bed care home and 30 dwellings (10 x 2 bed houses, 9 x 3 bed houses, 7 x 4+ bed houses and 4 x 2 bed flats) with associated parking and pedestrian and vehicular access was submitted for this site in October 2019 which has now been granted. Pre-commencement conditions imposed on the outline permission are being submitted for decision which need to be approved before building can commence.</p> <p>Therefore, no changes to the policy are necessary unless there are material reasons to do so.</p>	<p>N/A: <i>No modification necessary</i></p>

<p>e. 0.25 ha of land is to be provided within the site to enable the improvement of pre-school provision in the Parish;</p> <p>f. A significant landscape buffer comprising trees and hedging of native species shall be provided along the southern and western boundaries of the site to safeguard the setting and integrity of Odiham and to provide a clear distinction between the settlement boundary and the countryside beyond.</p> <p>g. Existing boundary trees and hedgerows shall be retained on the Alton Road frontage of the site (other than those required to achieve site access) and shall be reinforced with native species;</p> <p>h. A car parking/drop-off area together with bicycle parking shall be provided within the site to serve, via pedestrian access only, the existing pre-school building in Recreation Road;</p> <p>i. A footpath for pedestrians and cyclists shall be provided along the northern boundary of the site between Alton Road and Firs Lane. The path surface should be of an appropriate natural material; and</p> <p>j. A footpath for pedestrians and cyclists shall be provided within the site alongside Firs Lane, from its junction with Alton Road to the public open space at Hereford Close, to provide a pedestrian route between RAF Odiham to Robert May's School.</p>		
<p>POLICY 3 – Local Gap</p> <p><i>The Neighbourhood Plan designates a Local Gap, as shown on the Policies Map, at:</i></p>	<p>Conformity with higher-level policies and associated guidance</p>	<p>A or B: <i>This change will be either a Minor (non-material modifications) or Material modification (which does not change the</i></p>

<p><i>Odiham to North Warnborough</i></p> <p><i>Development proposals within the Local Gap that will lead to the visual coalescence or will damage the integrity and distinctive identity of the adjoining settlements (Odiham to North Warnborough) will not be supported.</i></p>	<p>The previous Local Plan Policy CON21 (Local Gaps) was superseded by Policy NBE2 (Landscape) in the Local Plan (2020). The Local Plan continues to support Neighbourhood Plans designating 'gaps' between settlements (see paragraph 235 below). Therefore, the NDP Policy 3 remains compliant with higher-level policies.</p> <p><i>“Development in the countryside between settlements can reduce the physical and/or visual separation of settlements. Development that would result in a perception of settlements coalescing, or which would otherwise damage their separate identity, will be refused. Both the individual effects of any proposals and the cumulative effects of existing and proposed development will be taken into account. Policies to designate specific areas or ‘gaps’ between settlements can be prepared through subsequent Development Plan Documents and Neighbourhood Plans”⁵.</i></p> <p>Local Plan Policy NBE2 (Landscape) contains similar wording to that of NDP Policy 3 regarding coalescence of settlements. The wording of the two policies should be carefully examined and the NDP policy updated as necessary.</p> <p>Effectiveness and relevance</p> <p>The policy remains effective and relevant.</p>	<p><i>nature of the neighbourhood plan). A discussion with Hart District Council will need to be held to confirm policy wording.</i></p>
<p>POLICY 4 – HOUSING MIX</p>	<p>Conformity with higher-level policies and associated guidance</p>	<p>A or B: <i>This change will be either a Minor (non-material modifications) or Material</i></p>

⁵ Local Plan - Strategy and Sites (2020) Paragraph 235

<p><i>Proposals for housing development will be supported, provided they accord with other statutory, local and Neighbourhood Plan policies and make provision for:</i></p> <p><i>i. A mix of dwelling sizes and types on development sites of 5 or more dwellings; and</i></p> <p><i>ii. A mix that reflects the requirements set out in the table in paragraph 3.26 below, or more up to date evidence of needs adopted by the District Council; and</i></p> <p><i>iii. Affordable housing in accordance with the relevant adopted Hart District Council policy at the time.</i></p>	<p>Criterion i of NDP Policy 4 does not comply with Local Plan Policy H1 (Housing Mix: Market Housing) as the NDP policy states that a mix of dwelling sizes and housing types are required for sites of more than 5 dwellings whereas the Local Plan policy does not stipulate a dwelling threshold and instead applies to ‘proposals for new homes’. Criterion i should be ‘struck through’ in the updated NDP.</p> <p>Criteria ii and iii of the NDP policy defer to the most up to date housing need evidence and policies prepared by the LPA therefore these criteria continue to conform with the Local Plan.</p>	<p><i>modification (which does not change the nature of the neighbourhood plan). A discussion with Hart District Council will need to be held to confirm policy wording.</i></p>
<p>POLICY 5- GENERAL DESIGN PRINCIPLES</p> <p><i>Development, including alterations and extensions to existing buildings, will be supported, provided that it is in accordance with other statutory, local and Neighbourhood Plan policies and the following general design principles:</i></p> <p><i>i. Development shall complement and be well integrated with neighbouring properties in the immediate locality in terms of scale, density, massing, separation, layout, materials and access;</i></p> <p><i>ii. Architectural design shall reflect high quality local design references in both the natural and</i></p>	<p>Conformity with higher-level policies and associated guidance</p> <p>Policy 5 appears to still be in conformity with higher-level policies and guidance.</p> <p>As Hart DC does not currently have a Design Guide the current prevailing higher level Design Guide for the District is the National Design Guide (January 2021). This could be referred to in the supporting text – it is noted that the National Design Guide is not referred to in the Local Plan given that it was adopted before the publication of the National Design Guide.</p>	<p>A: Minor (non-material modification)</p>

<p><i>built environment and reflect and reinforce local distinctiveness;</i></p> <p><i>iii. The height of new buildings shall be in keeping with neighbouring properties and roofscapes shall be well articulated to avoid bulky, featureless appearance. Proposals shall demonstrate how heights of development will not be over-bearing or dominant in the existing street scene;</i></p> <p><i>iv. Strong building lines shall be respected and soft landscaped front gardens and landscaped front boundaries should be retained or enhanced;</i></p> <p><i>v. Development shall seek to retain existing mature hedging and established trees and to enhance landscaping to provide for biodiversity. Any existing mature trees or hedging that are unavoidably removed should be replaced elsewhere on the site;</i></p> <p><i>vi. Development shall consider and where possible retain or enhance views both within settlements and out towards the countryside and proposals shall explain how this is achieved;</i></p> <p><i>vii. Development affecting the transitional edges between a settlement and countryside shall be softened by landscaping to complement the character of the adjacent or surrounding countryside;</i></p>	<p>The Odiham and North Warnborough Conservation Area Appraisal was adopted in November 2022 so this should be referred to in the supporting text as it currently refers to ‘three Conservation Area appraisals’ (para 3.33).</p> <p>Effectiveness and relevance</p> <p>The policy remains effective and relevant.</p>	
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<p>viii. <i>Parking on development sites shall be well integrated so as not to dominate the public realm and shall adhere to Hart District Council’s adopted parking standard or guidelines;</i></p> <p>ix. <i>Development which affects any heritage asset shall respect the significance of the asset and shall demonstrate how local distinctiveness is reinforced;</i></p> <p>x. <i>Development shall be designed to incorporate appropriate energy saving measures; and</i></p> <p>xi. <i>Development shall integrate wherever possible with existing pathways and cycleways and should not restrict transit for cyclists or pedestrians, including those with limited mobility.</i></p>		
<p>POLICY 6 – ODIHAM CONSERVATION AREA</p> <p><i>Development within the Odiham Conservation Area and its setting, including alterations and extensions to existing buildings, will be supported, provided that it is in accordance with other statutory, local and Neighbourhood Plan policies and the following principles:</i></p> <p><i>i. Development shall be designed so as to sustain significant views that contribute to the character and appearance of the Conservation Area. These views include (but are not limited to) the “Important Views” shown in Plan D below, and</i></p>	<p>Conformity with higher-level policies and associated guidance</p> <p>Policy 6 appears to be in conformity with Local Plan Policy NBE8.</p> <p>Since the making of the Neighbourhood Plan the Odiham and North Warnborough Conservation Area Appraisal has been adopted (November 2022).</p> <p>The Appraisal has new and updated content compared to what is in the made Neighbourhood Plan as the existing policy was based on the 2008 Character Appraisal and Management Proposals.</p>	<p>A or B: <i>This change will be either a Minor (non-material modifications) or Material modification (which does not change the nature of the neighbourhood plan). A discussion with Hart District Council will need to be held to confirm policy wording.</i></p>

<p><i>applications shall include an assessment of the impact of the proposal on the positive qualities of such views, explaining the rationale of design choices used;</i></p> <p><i>ii. Development shall:</i></p> <p><i>a) respect historic plot boundaries, e.g. burgage plots;</i></p> <p><i>b) be sited so as to respect relevant building-to-plot ratios; and</i></p> <p><i>c) follow historic precedent as to traditional forms and grain of development;</i></p> <p><i>iii. Development shall reduce in scale from the main streets, following historic precedent and shall reflect the mix of single and two storey traditional buildings for variety and character;</i></p> <p><i>iv. Existing open green space, including private gardens, should be protected from unsympathetic development where this would have an adverse impact on the spacious character of the existing site and the area;</i></p> <p><i>v. Development in the High Street shall respect common building lines, long and narrow plot shapes, narrow openings and alleyways;</i></p>	<p>The Policy and supporting text (including the Positive Buildings Map – Plan D) will need to be updated to reflect the 2022 Appraisal.</p>	
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vi. Development in the High Street shall respect its gentle curve and shall ensure that a wide mix of traditional shopfronts is retained;

vii. Development shall respect the significance of heritage assets in the Conservation Area street scene. Particular consideration shall be given to maintaining their role in framing, punctuating or terminating key views through, out of and into the village;

viii. The distinct setting that the Deer Park and Crown Field (also known as Close Meadow) provide to the Conservation Area and the important views that they afford from the village to the countryside, shall be respected and protected from unsympathetic development;

ix. Development in The Bury shall respect the existing mix of scale of buildings surrounding The Bury and the strong sense of enclosure that adjoining buildings provide to the public open space;

x. Development in Church Street shall sustain and enhance its character formed by its small scale cottages and modest town houses;

xi. The linear nature of the settlement of Odiham shall be respected;

xii. The form and proportions of spacing of windows between ground and upper floors, including dormers and their relative sizes, shall reflect those in the existing street scene in order to reinforce local distinctiveness;

xiii. Development in the High Street should position front doors on the High Street frontage of the building;

xiv. Development should use a common palette of locally distinctive vernacular building forms and materials, comprising:

a. Red brick, painted brick or stucco walls;

b. Reddish/brown handmade clay or slate roof tiles;

c. Steeply-pitched roof forms of a domestic scale with a variety of eave heights and chimney stacks and use of jettied gables and barge boards;

d. Vertically sliding timber sash windows or side-hung timber casement windows of timber; and

e. Locally distinctive high quality architectural detailing to public facades and fenestration.

xv. Boundary treatments shall reflect locally distinctive forms and materials, comprising:

a. Predominantly low red brick walls with occasional use of flint; or

b. Cast or wrought iron railings and hand rails; or

c. Hedges, such as beech or other native species.

<p><i>xvi. Development that affects positive buildings (as identified on Plan D below) and their positive contribution to the street scene must not undermine the significance of that contribution; and</i></p> <p><i>xvii. Proposals to demolish positive buildings (as identified on Plan D below) will be resisted.</i></p>		
<p>Policy 7: North Warnborough Conservation Area</p> <p><i>Development within the North Warnborough Conservation Area and its setting, including alterations and extensions to existing buildings, will be supported, provided that it is in accordance with other statutory, local and Neighbourhood Plan policies and the following principles:</i></p> <p><i>i. Development shall be designed so as to sustain significant views that contribute to the character and appearance of the Conservation Area. These views include (but are not limited to) the “Important views” shown in Plan E below, and applications shall include an assessment of the impact of the proposal on the positive qualities of such views, explaining the rationale of design choices used;</i></p> <p><i>ii. Development shall sustain or enhance the characteristic and historic locally distinctive grain</i></p>	<p>Conformity with higher-level policies and associated guidance</p> <p>Policy 7 appears to be in conformity with Local Plan Policy NBE8.</p> <p>Since the making of the Neighbourhood Plan the Odiham and North Warnborough Conservation Area Appraisal has been adopted (November 2022).</p> <p>The Appraisal has new and updated content compared to what is in the made Neighbourhood Plan as the existing policy was based on the 2008 Character Appraisal and Management Proposals.</p> <p>The Policy and supporting text (including the Positive Buildings Map – Plan E) will need to be updated to reflect the 2022 Appraisal.</p>	<p>A or B: <i>This change will be either a Minor (non-material modifications) or Material modification (which does not change the nature of the neighbourhood plan). A discussion with Hart District Council will need to be held to confirm policy wording.</i></p>

of development with its mix of form, layout and size;

iii. Development shall demonstrate that it sustains or enhances locally distinctive characteristics of the Conservation Area, including:

- a) Notable green spaces interwoven with natural water features and views to and from the Basingstoke Canal and the Whitewater valley;*
- b) The significance and role of heritage assets and their setting in framing, punctuating or terminating key views through, out of and/or into the village;*
- c) In The Street, retention of open spaces and gaps between buildings to sustain the historic form and pattern of development and the setting of heritage assets;*
- d) At the northern end of the village, the historic layout with its loose development interspersed with closely packed cottages;*
- e) The presence of barns and farm-related outbuildings that establish a distinct rural pattern and character of development; and*
- f) The linear nature of development through the Conservation Area.*

iv. Development should use a common palette of locally distinctive vernacular building forms and materials, comprising:

- a) Red brick, painted brick, rendered, timber framed or handmade clay tiled walls;*

<p><i>b) Red brick and reddish/brown handmade clay roof tiles;</i></p> <p><i>c) Steeply-pitched and hipped roof forms of a domestic scale with a variety of eave heights and chimney stacks;</i></p> <p><i>d) Vertically sliding timber sash windows or side-hung timber casement windows; and</i></p> <p><i>e) Locally distinctive high quality architectural detailing to public facades and fenestration.</i></p> <p><i>v. Boundary treatments shall reflect locally distinctive forms and materials, consisting of:</i></p> <p><i>a) Predominance of red brick but also occasional use of flint for boundary walls; or</i></p> <p><i>b) Hedges, such as beech or other native species</i></p> <p><i>vi. Development that affects positive buildings (as identified on Plan E below) and their positive contribution to the street scene shall not undermine the significance of that contribution; and</i></p> <p><i>vii. Proposals to demolish positive buildings (as identified on Plan E below) will be resisted.</i></p>		
<p>Policy 8: Basingstoke Canal Conservation Area</p> <p><i>Development within the Basingstoke Canal Conservation Area and its setting, including alterations and extensions to existing buildings, will be supported, provided that it is in accordance</i></p>	<p>Conformity with higher-level policies and associated guidance</p> <p>Policy NBE9 Design states that:</p> <p><i>Proposals must also demonstrate that they have taken account of any local supplementary guidance (such</i></p>	<p><i>N/A: No modification necessary</i></p>

<p><i>with other statutory, local and Neighbourhood Plan Policies and the following principles:</i></p> <p><i>i. Development which affects the Conservation Area and its setting shall be of a scale and design to reinforce the locally distinctive character of the area;</i></p> <p><i>ii. Development shall be designed so as to sustain significant views that contribute to the character and appearance of the Conservation Area. These views include (but are not limited to) the “Significant Views” shown in Plan F, G and H below, and applications shall include an assessment of the impact of the proposal on the positive qualities of such views, explaining the rationale of design choices used;</i></p> <p><i>iii. Development shall be designed so as to sustain significant open spaces that contribute to the character and appearance of the Conservation Area. Development proposals shall identify such open spaces, which include but are not limited to the Significant Open Spaces shown in Plans F, G and H below, and shall include an assessment of the impact of the proposal on the positive qualities of the open spaces, explaining the rationale of design choices used;</i></p> <p><i>iv. Development shall have regard to:</i></p> <p><i>a) The contribution of the canal side cottages in North Warnborough to the significance of the canal setting;</i></p>	<p><i>as any local town or village design statements, design codes or conservation area appraisals) and design-related policies in Neighbourhood Plans.</i></p> <p>The Basingstoke Canal Conservation Area Character Appraisal and Management Proposals was Approved in 2009 and has not been updated or replaced at the time of writing.</p> <p>Therefore this policy remains in conformity with highly-level policies</p> <p>Effectiveness and relevance</p> <p>The policy remains effective and relevant.</p>	
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<p><i>b) The contribution of the historic bridge crossings to the historic significance of the canal;</i></p> <p><i>c) The contribution of the openness of the canal's sides to the surrounding field, and to the historic Deer Park;</i></p> <p><i>d) The contribution of the landscaping alongside the water's edge;</i></p> <p><i>e) The area of historic townscape at Colt Hill that forms an area of historic and architectural interest leading up from the canal towards London Road and marking the original course of the road from Odiham to London;</i></p> <p><i>v. Development shall use a common palette of locally distinctive vernacular building forms and materials, comprising:</i></p> <p><i>a. Red brick, painted brick, rendered, timber framed or handmade clay tiled walls;</i></p> <p><i>b. Red brick and reddish/brown handmade clay roof tiles;</i></p> <p><i>c. Steeply-pitched and hipped roof forms of a domestic scale with a variety of eave heights and chimney stacks;</i></p> <p><i>d. Vertically sliding timber sash windows or side-hung timber casement windows; and</i></p> <p><i>e. Locally distinctive high quality architectural detailing to public facades.</i></p> <p><i>vi. Boundary treatments shall use locally distinctive traditional materials or hedging comprising native species;</i></p>		
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<p>vii. Development that affects positive buildings (as identified on Plans F, G and H below) and their positive contribution to the Conservation Area shall not undermine the significance of that contribution;</p> <p>viii. Proposals to demolish positive buildings (as identified on Plans F, G and H below) will be resisted; and</p> <p>ix. Any mature trees removed from the banks of the waterway for conservation or engineering reasons should not be replaced, unless the tree is of major significance from a landscape perspective.</p>		
<p>Policy 9: Odiham High Street</p> <p><i>Proposals for new or extended A1 retail development in Odiham High Street, (as shown on the Policies Map), will be supported if they accord with other statutory, local and Neighbourhood Plan policies.</i></p> <p><i>Development proposals for a change of use from Retail (A1) to non-retail use at ground floor level in the High Street of Odiham Village Centre will not be supported, unless either:</i></p> <p><i>i. It can be demonstrated that the premises are no longer suited to, or are not commercially viable, for retail (A1) use;</i></p> <p><i>ii. The change of use will be to a restaurant/café (A3) use or drinking establishment (A4) use and provided the change of use will not lead to the number of retail A1 uses at ground floor level in</i></p>	<p>Conformity with higher-level policies and associated guidance</p> <p>The Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2020 amended the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 introducing significant changes to the system of 'use classes'.</p> <p>Included in these amendments is the removal of A1 Use Class (shops) replaced by Use Class E. Use Class E includes shops, financial & professional services, food and drink, business (office research and development and light industrial process), non-residential institutions, assembly and leisure.</p> <p>Use Class A3 is now Use Class E.</p> <p>Use Class 4 is now classified under Sui Generis.</p>	<p>A or B: <i>This change will be either a Minor (non-material modifications) or Material modification (which does not change the nature of the neighbourhood plan). A discussion with Hart District Council will need to be held to confirm policy wording.</i></p>

<p><i>the High Street falling below one third of the total number of ground floor uses.</i></p> <p><i>Development proposals for the provision, alteration or replacement of shop fronts and signs in the High Street of Odiham Village Centre will be supported provided:</i></p> <p><i>i. They do not require the loss of an existing shop front of heritage value; and</i></p> <p><i>ii. The design, colour, materials and details of alterations to and replacements of shop fronts and signage sustain or enhance the character of the building and surrounding shop frontages and are in keeping with the Odiham Conservation Area; and</i></p> <p><i>iii. Separate access to upper floors is preserved where this exists.</i></p>	<p>The changes to the Regulations took place after the Hart Local Plan was adopted in 2020 therefore are not reflected in Local Plan policies.</p> <p>The PC's Monitoring Report refers to the Odiham Village Centre Area Action Plan, the Neighbourhood Plan policy and / or supporting text could updated to include reference to this Action Plan.</p> <p>The second part of Policy 9 concerned with shop fronts and signs appears to remain in conformity with higher level policies.</p> <p>Effectiveness and relevance</p> <p>The policy section regarding retail uses and changes between Use Class Orders needs to be updated to remain effective and in line with changes to the Regulations.</p> <p>The policy and / or supporting text could be updated to refer to the Odiham Village Centre Area Action Plan to raise awareness about the AAP however this is not considered to be a requirement.</p>	
<p>Policy 10: Education</p> <p><i>The Neighbourhood Plan safeguards land adjoining Robert May's School, as shown on the Policies Map for educational purposes. Development proposals for educational uses of the land will be supported, provided that:</i></p> <p><i>i. The use is confined to outdoor recreational facilities; and</i></p>	<p>Compliance with higher-level policies and associated guidance</p> <p>The Local Plan contains a policy addressing land adjacent to Robert May's School in Odiham (Policy INF8 Safeguarded Land for Education). It states that the land on the Policies Map is safeguarded for educational use and that planning permission for alternative uses will not be supported unless the Local Education Authority</p>	<p><i>N/A: No modification necessary</i></p>

<p><i>ii. A legal obligation is made to secure the shared use of such facilities with the local community.</i></p>	<p>confirms that the land in question is no longer required for educational purposes.</p> <p>The Neighbourhood Plan (Policy 10) also safeguards the land for education and states that development proposals for education uses will be supported where the use is confined to outdoor recreational facilities and a legal obligation is made to secure the shared use of facilities with the local community.</p> <p>The Neighbourhood Plan Policy appears to be in conformity with the Local Plan policy as when the policies are read together it is still an effective policy.</p> <p><i>Note: We could not identify the site on Hart's Policies Map (online version)</i></p> <p>Effectiveness and relevance</p> <p>The policy remains effective and relevant.</p>													
<p>Policy 11: Local Green Spaces</p> <p><i>The Neighbourhood Plan designates the following locations as Local Green Spaces, as shown on the Policies Map:</i></p> <table data-bbox="212 1082 772 1220"> <tr> <td><i>Site</i></td> <td><i>Close</i></td> <td><i>2.9 ha – Land at Close</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>11.i</i></td> <td><i>Meadow</i></td> <td><i>Meadow</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Site</i></td> <td><i>Kitchen</i></td> <td><i>0.35 ha – Land at</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>11.ii</i></td> <td><i>Garden</i></td> <td><i>Kitchen Garden</i></td> </tr> </table>	<i>Site</i>	<i>Close</i>	<i>2.9 ha – Land at Close</i>	<i>11.i</i>	<i>Meadow</i>	<i>Meadow</i>	<i>Site</i>	<i>Kitchen</i>	<i>0.35 ha – Land at</i>	<i>11.ii</i>	<i>Garden</i>	<i>Kitchen Garden</i>	<p>Conformity with higher-level policies and associated guidance</p> <p>The Local Plan is silent Local Green Spaces.</p> <p>The PC's Monitoring Report states there are no further updates to this current position.</p> <p>Effectiveness and relevance</p> <p>The policy remains effective and relevant.</p>	<p><i>N/A: No modification necessary</i></p>
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<p><i>Proposals for any development on the land will not be supported other than in very special circumstances.</i></p>		
<p>Policy 12: The Natural Environment</p> <p><i>Development proposals will be supported provided they comply with other statutory, local and Neighbourhood Plan Policies and the following principles:</i></p> <p><i>i. They protect and enhance wildlife areas, including Sites of Special Scientific Interest and locally designated Sites of Importance to Nature Conservation, and contain measures to sustain and improve biodiversity;</i></p> <p><i>ii. They do not adversely affect the distinctive local character of the open landscapes of the Parish or harm valued public views and vistas;</i></p> <p><i>iii. They protect and where possible enhance footpaths and public rights of way;</i></p> <p><i>iv. They contain measures that will help to mitigate the impacts of, and adapt to, climate change;</i></p> <p><i>v. It can be demonstrated that they include sustainable drainage design features to manage the risk of surface water flooding within their boundary and elsewhere in the Parish;</i></p>	<p>Conformity with higher-level policies and associated guidance</p> <p>It is considered that Policy 12 is in conformity with the Local Plan and specifically Policy NBE 2 (Landscape), Policy NBE 4 (Biodiversity), Policy NBE5 (Managing Flood Risk) and Policy NBE6 (Water Quality).</p> <p>The PC has adopted an Environment and Climate Change Policy and Action Plan this could be added to the supporting text to raise the profile of the Action Plan however is not considered a required change.</p> <p>Effectiveness and relevance</p> <p>The policy remains effective and relevant.</p>	<p>A: Minor (non-material modification)</p>

<p><i>vi. Where applicable, they include mitigation measures where flooding from any source could occur on the site to ensure that any development on that site is safe from flooding and surface water retention and shall not increase the flood risk elsewhere from that site, including:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>a. Sites should be developed so as not to increase or be likely to increase surface water run off rates and discharge volumes leaving the site;</i><i>b. Any development must employ a suitable range of Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDs) measures in a SuDs treatment train;</i><i>c. High flood or surface water areas of sites must be avoided for development in accordance with the sequential approach;</i><i>d. Measures must be employed to prevent internal flooding and the diversion of flood waters and surface water away from the development site itself; and</i><i>e. Internal areas shall be designed to incorporate raised finished floor levels and under floor voids where appropriate;</i> <p><i>vii. Development affecting land alongside watercourses should ensure the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>a. There must be no adverse effects from increased runoff or access causing bank erosion and increased sedimentation;</i><i>b. Nothing should be done to impact adversely on the quality of the water;</i><i>c. Any adjoining development must provide a minimum 10 metre buffer zone alongside the</i>		
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<p><i>Basingstoke Canal and the River Whitewater which buffer zones must be free from built development including artificial lighting, hard-surfacing, domestic gardens and formal landscaping; and</i></p> <p><i>d. Avoidance of increased access, especially by dogs.</i></p>		
<p>Policy 13: Assets of Community Value</p> <p><i>Development proposals that will result in either the loss of, or significant harm to, an Asset of Community Value will be resisted, unless it can be clearly demonstrated that the operation of the asset, or the ongoing delivery of the community value of the asset, is no longer financially viable.</i></p>	<p>Conformity with higher-level policies and associated guidance</p> <p>Local Plan Policy INF 5 (Community Facilities) states that the listing of an Asset of Community Value (ACV) will be considered as a material planning consideration. The Policy then states that “Development proposals that would result in the loss of community facilities will only be supported if it is demonstrated that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. a suitable replacement facility of a similar or improved nature is provided that meets the needs of the local population or its current and intended users; or ii. the existing premises are no longer required or viable. <p>Assuming that one should classify an ACV as a ‘community facility’ the Neighbourhood Plan Policy is only partially in conformity with the Local Plan Policy. The part of the Neighbourhood Plan Policy that is in conformity is where it refers to financial viability a reason (the only reason) for not resisting the loss of or significant harm to an ACV. The Local Plan also provides additional reasons for where it would support the loss</p>	<p>A or B: <i>This change will be either a Minor (non-material modifications) or Material modification (which does not change the nature of the neighbourhood plan). A discussion with Hart District Council will need to be held to confirm policy wording.</i></p>

	<p>of community facility which consist of a suitable replacement facility of a similar or improved nature being provide or where the existing premises are no longer required (or viable).</p> <p>The supporting text should be updated to reflect the current position and status of ACV listing.</p> <p>Effectiveness and relevance</p> <p>A second opinion from Hart DC Officers is required in order to determine whether the Neighbourhood Plan policy is effective and relevant and whether changes are required.</p>	
<p>Policy 14: Dunleys Hill Open Space</p> <p><i>Land at Dunleys Hill as shown on the Proposals Map is allocated for public open space. Proposals for the layout and construction of the public open space will be supported subject to the following criteria:</i></p> <p><i>i. Vehicular access into the site should be off Dunleys Hill and shall be consistent with the principles set out for the development of the proposed housing site to the north in Policy 2 iii of this Plan; and</i></p> <p><i>ii. Associated car parking spaces should be sensitively designed and surfaced to respect the location of the site within the designated local gap; and</i></p>	<p>Conformity with higher-level policies and associated guidance</p> <p>The Open Space site is not referred to in the Local Plan.</p> <p>It is understood from the Monitoring Report that there are no updates on this site / scheme.</p> <p>Effectiveness and relevance</p> <p>The policy remains effective and relevant.</p> <p>The PC has requested that the Neighbourhood Plan Update consider the potential opportunity for linking Policy 2 (Housing Development Sites v) and Policy 14 (Dunleys Hill Open Space).</p>	<p><i>N/A: No modification necessary</i></p>

<p><i>iii. Any associated recreational or maintenance buildings or structures should be essential to the operation of the open space and should comply with the design principles set out in Policy 5 of this Plan.</i></p>		
<p>AIMS AND PROPOSALS</p>		
<p>Rural Exception Sites</p> <p>4.2 Odiham Parish Council is keen to identify a Rural Exception Site after the Neighbourhood Plan has been made. A Rural Exception Site allows construction of a small number of houses on land outside the settlement boundary in places that might not satisfy the normal planning requirement of sustainability. All such houses may be allocated using local connection criteria. The Neighbourhood Plan consultation process and the Housing Needs Survey of 2008, updated in 2015, have established that residents favour such local connection criteria.</p> <p>4.3 In the event of a Rural Exception Site being identified by the Parish Council and the landowner's agreement secured, the opportunity will be given to Odiham Consolidated Charities to work with HARA Partnership/Hyde Housing (Hart District Council's chosen Exception Scheme provider) and the Rural Housing Enabler to take ownership of a proportion of the houses built, subject to the funds that the Charity can provide</p>	<p>Effectiveness and relevance</p> <p>The PC's Monitoring Report provides the following update: The construction of a Rural Exception Site for 12 houses at Derbyfields is nearing completion. Priority has been given to those that can satisfy certain local connection criteria.</p> <p>The PC confirmed it is committed to deliver another Rural Exception Site however, that this does not need to be an allocation and can be determined on its merits if and when a scheme is submitted.</p> <p>This section of the Plan should be updated to reflect the current status / thinking about Rural Exception Sites.</p>	<p>A: Minor (non-material modification)</p>

<p>at the time. The mix of homes will be determined by the Housing Needs Survey of the Parish applicable at the time.</p>		
<p>Parking</p> <p>4.4 Odiham Parish Council has worked with Hart District Council to deliver amendments to parking orders on Odiham High Street and is likely to continue to monitor parking capacity with a view to proposing to Hart District Council changes to the existing arrangements where they can be justified. Neighbourhood Plan consultation shows support for further work being undertaken to reflect ongoing concerns raised by the community.</p> <p>4.5 Although a site for a new car park is not being proposed due to the current lack of evidence to provide a justification, the Neighbourhood Plan is nevertheless proposing additional parking capacity in conjunction with specific sites. New car parks within the selected sites are being proposed to serve the existing pre-school at Recreation Road, the proposed care home and the public open space at Dunleys Hill.</p>	<p>Effectiveness and relevance</p> <p>The PC's Monitoring Report provides the following update: OPC has consistently commented on the need to adhere to Hart's Interim Parking Guidance when commenting on planning applications.</p> <p>There is now a Cycle and Car Parking in New Development Technical Advice Note (TAN) adopted by Hart District Council with the Hart 'Parking Provision Interim Guidance' (2008) having been revoked.</p>	<p><i>A: Minor (non-material modification)</i></p>
<p>Traffic Management</p> <p>4.6 Odiham Parish Council monitors and addresses safety concerns relating to traffic management expressed by residents, working within the Traffic Partnership Group that it</p>	<p>Effectiveness and relevance</p> <p>The PC's Monitoring Report provides the following update:</p> <p>OPC continues to hold multi agency Traffic Partnership meetings to address traffic issues where they arise. The speed of traffic continues to be a cause of concern. A</p>	<p><i>A: Minor (non-material modification)</i></p>

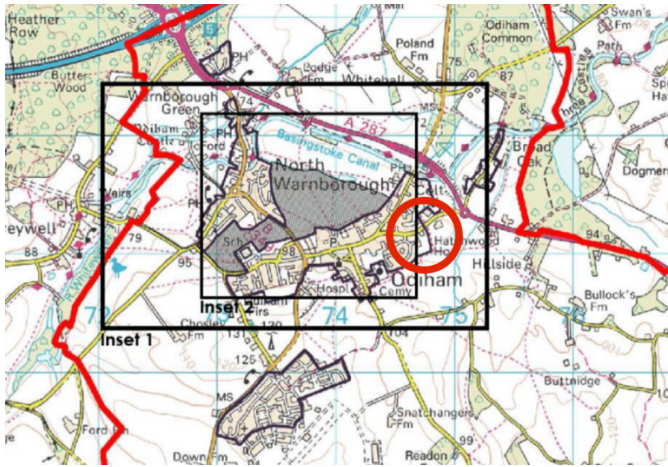
<p>sponsors with Hart District Council, Hampshire County Council and other stakeholders.</p> <p>4.7 The Neighbourhood Plan consultation responses identified concerns raised by the community regarding speed and volumes of traffic. These concerns will be communicated by the Neighbourhood Plan to the Traffic Partnership.</p> <p>4.8 Other locations of concern and opportunity identified during the 2015 Neighbourhood Planning consultations for further investigation include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dunleys Hill – crossing near the top of West Street • Odiham High Street – the possibility of a crossing near the Post Office and across to/from the Co-op • Hook Road – section either side of the bridge over the canal • The approaches to Robert May’s School <p>4.9 The Neighbourhood Plan consultation responses included views that traffic management signage should be kept to a minimum and be located at the extremities/entrances to the villages to preserve the character and appearance of the villages</p>	<p>Speedwatch team has been set up and usually monitors one of two locations once a week. From May last year to February 136 first warning letters have been sent to drivers and 9 second time letters If drivers speed a third time they receive a visit from the police.</p>	
<p>Pre-School Provision</p>	<p>Effectiveness and relevance</p> <p>The PC’s Monitoring Report states ‘no change’.</p>	<p><i>N/A: No modification necessary</i></p>

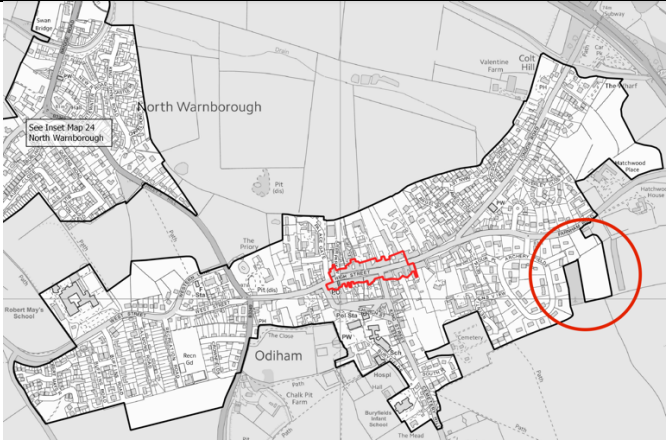
<p>4.10 Odiham Parish Council believes that there is a shortfall in the provision of pre-school places in the Parish and has indicated that it intends to give further consideration to its role in that regard.</p> <p>4.11 There are currently three Pre-school providers in the Parish:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Little Wings – based at RAF Odiham and open 51 weeks of the year • The Puddleducks Montessori Nursery School based in North Warnborough Village Hall during Hampshire school terms (38 weeks) • Leapfrogs based at Recreation Road, Odiham during Hampshire school terms (38 weeks) <p>4.12 Between them they currently provide up to 125 daily places (number of children in the school at one time). Collectively, if demand increased this could be expanded to 157 places. Hampshire County Council’s guideline for pre-school places is that there should be 80 per 1,000 houses. Recent legislative changes are also encouraging pre-school for 2 year olds that will require additional capacity from providers. In addition, from 2017 the government will introduce its new 30 hours pre-school policy for working parents.</p> <p>4.13 To address any future shortage of pre-school places within the Parish, a 0.25 ha plot of land has been secured within Site vii (Land next to</p>		
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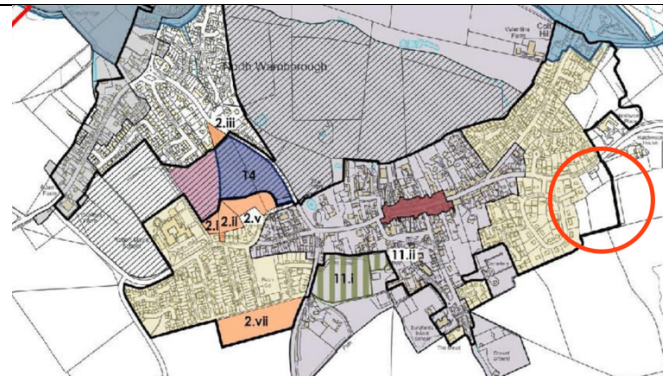
<p>Crownfields) to improve and expand pre-school provision in the Parish.</p>		
<p>Infrastructure Projects</p> <p>4.14 In addition, it is possible that Odiham Parish Council will secure funding from planning obligations and the Hart Community Infrastructure Levy once in place in order to make financial contributions to a number of infrastructure projects during the life of the Neighbourhood Plan. Projects suggested during the course of the Neighbourhood Plan’s consultation process included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The creation of cycleways to provide safe transit between Odiham and North Warnborough and access to key amenities such as the schools. This may also include the use of multipurpose pathways for pedestrians and cyclists. Where possible, pedestrians and cyclists should be segregated from main carriageways. • The provision of cycle routes to the neighbouring villages of Hook and Hartley Wintney to provide safer cycle routes for commuters, school children and recreational cyclists and as an alternative to car use. • The creation of a cycling initiative group, potentially composed of representatives 	<p>Effectiveness and relevance</p> <p>The PC’s Monitoring Report states the following:</p> <p>As there have been no completed developments this year OPC has not received any money from Hart District Council either by way of S106 conditions or a Community Infrastructure Levy.</p> <p>On commencement of the Crownfields development site it is expected to receive the benefit to the community agreed in the S106 agreement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The transfer of 0.25 ha of land to the Parish Council for the pre-school use which in the short term will be for parking for staff and drop off for parents. • £5,000 to be paid to the Parish Council as a contribution towards improvements to the Odiham Community Building (The Bridewell Odiham); • £5,000 to be paid to the Parish Council as a contribution towards the maintenance of the soft landscaping areas around the car parking area to be provided of the Pre- School Land; • £4,000 to be paid to the Parish Council as a contribution towards the provision and installation of two gates on the approach to Odiham on the B3349 notifying motorists of the 	<p>A: Minor (non-material modification)</p>

<p>from Odiham, Hook and Hartley Wintney Parish Councils, Hart District Council, Hampshire County Council and members of the local community in order to progress these cycle routes and any others.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing maintenance of some of the most used public footpaths. It should be noted that as part of the designation of housing sites, additional public footpaths are created, either permissive or permanent, at Site v (Land at Dunleys Hill), Site vii (Land next to Crownfields) and Site iii (Land at Crumplins Yard). • The canal is highly valued as a recreational amenity in addition to its status as a Conservation Area and SSSI. The Neighbourhood Plan’s consultation process identified support for proposals to maintain and develop the canal's use for recreation, for example the adaptation of towpaths where feasible to accommodate the needs of both cyclists and walkers and proposals such as a boat basin at Hatchwood or a visitor centre. • If land is made available for the provision of a public open space, CIL (Community 	<p>upcoming village and to reduce speed Hart District Council have paused work on implementing the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) contributions which will mean more contributions coming to the Parish Council because of expected changes to national planning law.</p> <p>Possible projects include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cycleways, other footpaths, electric vehicle charging points • Increasing biodiversity through “meadow” or tree planting • Protection, enhancement of and access to local heritage • Canal basin project <p>The public toilets scheme in King Street has been delivered.</p> <p>The Update should check these projects / priorities against the Hart LCWIP (2023). This section should be updated accordingly.</p>	
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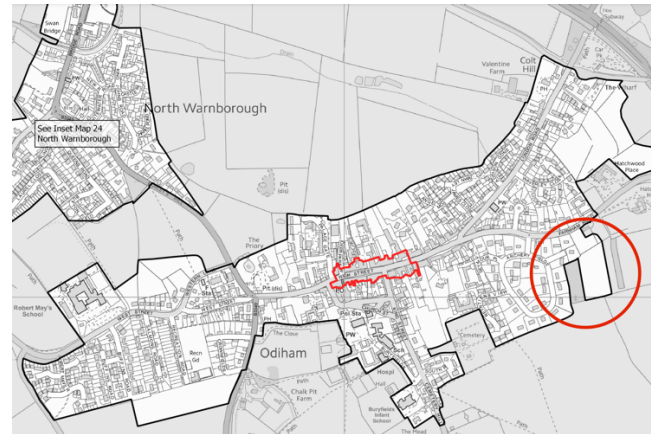
<p>Infrastructure Levy) money is likely to be needed to maintain and enhance the site.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The public toilets in King Street, owned by Odiham Parish Council, require refurbishment and upgrading. The Neighbourhood Plan’s consultation has found that such a project is favoured by many in the Parish. <p>4.15 The Neighbourhood Plan consultation responses have indicated that improved, heritage-style signs highlighting historic features of the Parish would be welcomed by residents. Such signs should not however detract from the visual amenity of the Conservation Areas. Improved public footpath signage would also be welcomed, as would heritage style street furniture (e.g. litter bins, benches).</p>		
<p>Sports and Recreation Facilities</p> <p>4.16 The following sports clubs are also considered important to the quality of life in the Parish:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> North Warnborough Football Club Odiham & Greywell Cricket Club Odiham & North Warnborough Bowls Club Odiham Tennis Club 	<p>Effectiveness and relevance</p> <p>The PC’s Monitoring Report states the following:</p> <p>An application to change the conditions to the permission granted in 2001 and 2003 for the land south of Queens Road to allow part of the open space to be used as playing fields has been submitted by Hampshire County Council to add Education (Playing Fields) so that it reads: Use to be added to the condition wording as follows: The land identified</p>	<p>A: Minor (non-material modification)</p>

<p>Odiham Parish Council will encourage and facilitate the operation and use of these assets and clubs.</p>	<p>to the Concept Plan to the south of the housing development hereby approved, shall be retained as open space OR AS PLAYING FIELDS FOR EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY USE. This application has since been withdrawn.</p>	
<p>Policies Map (with Insets)</p>		
<p>Odiham and North Warnborough Neighbourhood Plan Policies Map</p>	<p>Effectiveness and relevance</p> <p>The ‘high level’ Policies Map on Page 63 does not appear to be in conformity with the Local Plan (Inset 25) Odiham Settlement Boundary. If this is the case, it will need to be amended as part of the Neighbourhood Plan Update.</p> <p>For discussion with HDC Officers.</p>  <p>Neighbourhood Plan Policies Map (Page 63)</p>	<p>A: Minor (non-material modification)</p>

	 <p>Local Plan - Odiham Settlement Boundary (Inset 25)</p>	
<p>Policies Map Inset 1</p>	<p>Effectiveness and relevance</p> <p>The Policies Map Inset 1 on Page 64 does not appear to be in conformity with the Local Plan (Inset 25) Odiham Settlement Boundary (see areas below highlighted with a red circle). If this is the case, it will need to be amended as part of the Neighbourhood Plan Update. The policies map in the Neighbourhood plan is a low-resolution image making map details unclear. This could be improved with a higher-resolution image.</p>	<p>A: Minor (non-material modification)</p>



Neighbourhood Plan Policies Map Inset 1 (Page 64)



Local Plan - Odiham Settlement Boundary (Inset 25)

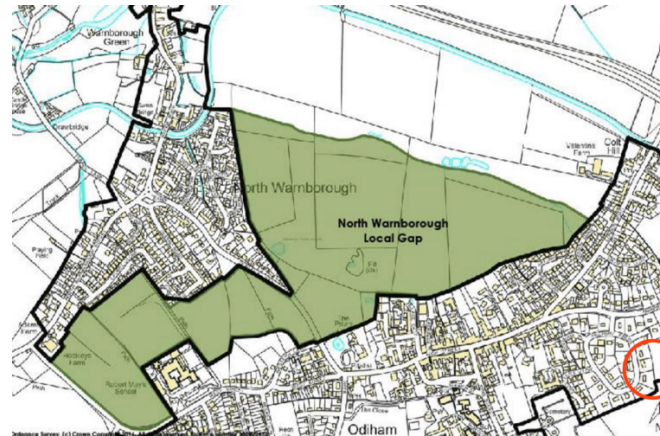
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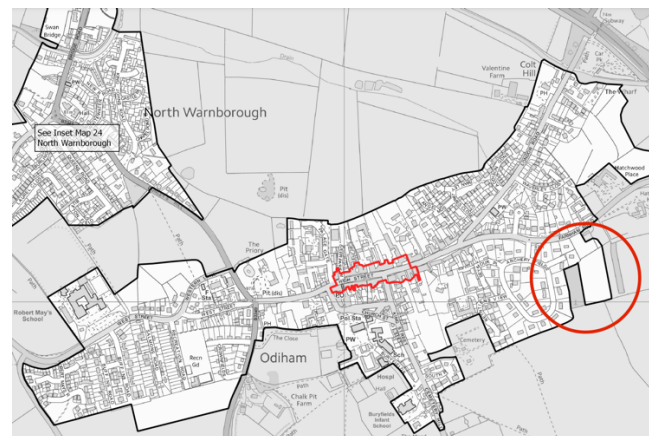
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Neighbourhood Plan Policies Map Inset 1 (Page 64)



Local Plan - Odiham Settlement Boundary (Inset 25)

Appendix 1 – Schedule of Evidence	Effectiveness and relevance The list of evidence will need to be updated to reflect any further documents referred to / used as part of the Update.	A: Minor (non-material modification)
Appendix 2 – Parish Profile	Effectiveness and relevance The Parish Profile should be updated to reflect the most recent information about the Parish. The 2021 Census should be used for this in terms of relevant sections.	A: Minor (non-material modification)

Table 2: Neighbourhood Plan Policy Review

4. Summary

- 4.1. The Health Check has reviewed the Neighbourhood Plan policies primarily against national policy / guidance and the Hart Local Plan. The majority of changes that are required to ensure the Neighbourhood Plan is up to date are considered to be 'factual updates' that do not represent 'material changes' to the Neighbourhood Plan. There are a few policies that do require updating, that could potentially be assessed as being a 'material change' to the Neighbourhood Plan. There are no required changes that appear to represent a change so significant that it would result in it 'changing the nature' of the Neighbourhood Plan.
- 4.2. A key consideration going forward is to what extent there is a need to engage with landowners and developers of the remaining site allocations and whether there will be a need to make changes to these site allocation policies (and accompanying drawings). Another key consideration is the approach to engaging with the local community, consultees and Hart District Council as part of the process for updating the Neighbourhood Plan.
- 4.3. As the report has set out, there will need to be a detailed discussion(s) with Officers at Hart District Council regarding the potential changes to the Neighbourhood Plan as part of the full Update process. At the 3rd October meeting Officers it was confirmed that the following draft documentation would be acceptable in terms of the documents that should be submitted to HDC for discussion as part of the Update process:
- A Draft table of proposed changes to the Neighbourhood Plan which explains the change, the reason for the change and the nature of the change (A, B or C); and
 - A Draft 'track changes' version of the Neighbourhood Plan showing the proposed changes.
- 4.4. It was advised that, as a minimum, assuming the Update will involve at least material changes that the Regulation 14 (undertaken by the PC) and Regulation 16 (undertaken by HDC) consultations will need to be undertaken. Officers recommended that the public should be notified of the PC's intention to undertake an Update to the Neighbourhood Plan (and how / when consultees will have an opportunity to input into the process) as soon as practicable.
- 4.5. The formal submission of the Neighbourhood Plan Update to HDC will need to include, as a minimum, the following documents:
- **Table of Proposed Changes to the Neighbourhood Plan (see above)**
 - **Track Changes version of the Neighbourhood Plan (see above)**
 - **Map of Plan Area**
 - **Consultation Statement**
 - **Basic Conditions Statement**
 - **Strategic Environmental Statement and Habitats Regulations Assessment Screening Opinion**
 - **Screening Determination for Strategic Environmental Assessment**

The Winchfield Neighbourhood Plan was recently updated and HDC Officers referred to the documentation required for submission of that Plan:
<https://www.hart.gov.uk/winchfield-neighbourhood-plan>

- 4.6. Based on the recommendations above, it is likely that the Neighbourhood Plan Update would trigger the need for at least a (re)examination of the Neighbourhood Plan Update. In terms of whether the Update would require a referendum this is a decision for the Examiner although the PC and HDC will have an opportunity to put forward statements on this. If a referendum were to be required, the cost of the referendum is borne by HDC.