

## Changes Made

Having addressed the comments in an update of the plan the reaction has been positive with minor changes to policy throughout the document.

The remaining documents that are currently being prepared and are needed for the formal submission (Regulation 15) include the following:

- Basic Conditions Statement
- Consultation Statement
- Strategic Environmental Assessment; and
- Habitats Regulations Assessment

At this stage the Council will provide a formal response to any further changes to the Neighbourhood Plan before proceeding to a public consultation that is required during Regulation 16 of the Neighbourhood Plan Process. Following the consultation, the Regulation 15 package (documents listed above) and comments received during Regulation 16 will be sent to an Independent Examiner to undertake an examination.

Following the examination, there will likely be slight modifications to the plan that the examiner requires to be made, before going back to the Council for a referendum and following this, a decision on whether to make the Neighbourhood Plan.

### The Changes

#### Online Responses

- G3 Carbon Reduction: Made requested alterations as well as reordering the criteria.
- Canal and River Trust: There are a number of alterations that have been made.
  - H1: I understand the idea of expanding the design outside of housing, however Shropshire Council policy covers separate aspects of design. If you would like the changes to be made a separate policy on design would be required which I don't believe needs to be inserted into the Neighbourhood Plan.
  - G2: Included an additional criterion to include the protection and enhancement of the Canal corridor as well as including the point on external lighting within the same criterion.
  - G3: No action necessary
  - T1: included reference to the towpath within the first sentence of the policy.
  - Built environment: included reference to number of listed buildings along the Shropshire Union Canal.
  - LE1: made the change to cover non-designated heritage assets. However LE1 not expanded to include specific reference to Shropshire Union Canal, as this would be covered in the amended description under non-designated heritage assets, and unnecessarily expanding what's covered within the Shropshire Local Plan.
- Mary Channer
  - EMP2: expanded on comments to include reference to impacts of odour, noise, dust and light pollution.
  - G2: Don't see the need to expand
  - LE1: I've changed the text at the start of the opening sentence to state '**including Norton In Hales Conservation Area**', the reason for referencing this is due to its status as the only conservation area in the area. The opening sentence states '**The Three Parishes including their listed building etc**', so not quite sure where to change this further, unless taking specific reference to the conservation area out.
- Jemma Price
  - G2: Covered elsewhere, agreed no action needed.
  - T2: Agreed no amendments to plan needed.

- H2: Agreed

### Other Responses

- Sports England
  - No actions are needed, Policy G1 looks to protect public open spaces and has used paras 98 and 99 of the NPPF in the evidence and justification, the paragraphs mentioned by Sports England. The guidance provided is a general response which provides further context and information if needed.
- Environment Agency
  - No actions needed
- Historic England
  - Made changes to the concluding line of Policy LE1 to state that developments that are likely to have significant impacts clearly demonstrate that there would be substantial public benefits that would outweigh any harm.
- Natural England
  - No actions needed
- Paul Bell
  - Wildlife corridors: I've included reference to this within evidence and justification for the policy. The point made in the response is that there is an opportunity to establish a wildlife corridor. By drawing on this point from the consultation it not only shows that you have taken into account consultation responses, but it also justifies the criterion that looks to establish and maximise wildlife corridors.
- Antony Peers
  - I've implemented the majority of changes made, as I thought this gave a clearer insight into the policies, without compromising the policies themselves.

### Late Comments

- H2: In the final line I've added small infill sites in addition to appropriate affordable housing schemes which was already in the policy.
- G2: I understand increasing the ratio but a 2:1 ratio is general practice.
- G3: added another criterion to cover carbon emissions during construction.
- T3: Affordability of broadband is not something the Neighbourhood Plan can cover.
- LE1: Points raised regarding biodiversity and landscape covered in other policies.

### Further Changes

- The stages section in the introduction has been updated to reflect the Regulation 15 stage.
- The Process to Date has also been amended to reflect reaching Regulation 15.
- Slightly amended Shropshire Council Policy section for repeated text.
- Consultation and Engagement under Evidence base has been slightly amended to reflect the Regulation 14 stage stating that further details of the consultation exercise will be detailed within the Consultation Statement that will accompany the Neighbourhood Plan package.
- Appendix 2 has been altered to reflect the completion of Regulation 14 and the progression into Regulation 15.

### Neighbourhood Plan Summary Document

- This will be updated once the changes to the policies have been agreed.