Appendix 1 – Invite Letter

10 May 2019

Spatial Planning
Economic Development and Planning
Wiltshire Council
County Hall
Bythesea Road
Trowbridge
Wiltshire
BA14 8JN

Reference: LPRTMeet2019

Dear Sir/Madam

Wiltshire Local Plan Review

Help shape Wiltshire's plans to 2036: Invitation to consultation event

As part of the review of the Wiltshire Core Strategy (renamed Wiltshire Local Plan), the council is undertaking further consultation with town and parish councils.

This will build on the workshop events that took place in October and November 2018 and will initially be in the form of meetings centred on each market town.

The purpose of these meetings will be to consider the outcome of the work the council has been undertaking and to discuss in more detail: how to plan positively for the growth of each town in the period to 2036; the local priorities that need to be planned for; and the complimentary roles of the local plan and a neighbourhood plan. Further background information will be sent in advance of the meeting.

You are invited to send representatives to the meeting being arranged for Warminster.

To ensure that the time and date are convenient to as many people as possible, please could you inform us by the **21**st **May 2019** of your representatives and indicate their availability to attend the following dates by either email to spatialplanningpolicy@wiltshire.gov.uk or phone 01225 713223:

- 05/05/2019 14:30 16:30 County Hall
- 06/06/2019 15:00 17:00 County Hall

<u>Please note</u> that in the first instance attendance is restricted to two representatives from each parish or town council. An additional place is available if you would like to also invite a representative of your local neighbourhood plan steering group.

In addition, the meeting is restricted to invited representatives of the town and parish councils only as the objective is to enable an honest and open discussion about how the Wiltshire Local Plan can be plan positively for your town.

Yours faithfully,

Georgina Clampitt-Dix

Head of Spatial Planning Economic Development and Planning Wiltshire Council

Note

Invitation for Warminster meeting sent to following town and parish councils:

-Warminster

Appendix 2 – New Settlement Invite Letter

19 August 2019

Spatial Planning
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Reference: LPRConsultation

Dear Sir/Madam

Wiltshire Local Plan Review

Help shape Wiltshire's plans to 2036: Invitation to consultation event

As part of the review of the Wiltshire Core Strategy (renamed Wiltshire Local Plan), the council has been undertaking further consultation with town and parish councils.

These latest consultation events built on the workshops that took place in October and November 2018 (a report of these events can be viewed on the council's website via http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/planning-policy-local-plan-review) and have been in the form of meetings centred on each market town and principal settlement. Through the meetings we have discussed the implications of Alternative Development Strategies for these settlements to consider different levels of growth.

As the Alternative Development Strategies also include the option of a new settlement within south Wiltshire we would like to invite you to send representatives from your town or parish council to a meeting to specifically discuss the concept of a new settlement. This will take place:

 Wednesday 11 September, 14:00 – 16:00 being hosted at Winterslow Sports Pavilion, Weston Lane, Salisbury, SP5 1RL

Further background information will be sent in advance of the meeting.

Please note that in the first instance attendance is restricted to two representatives from each parish or town council. An additional place is available if you would like to also invite a representative of your local neighbourhood plan steering group.

To ensure that we can plan for the meeting, please could you inform us by **Friday 6 September** of your representatives by either email to <u>spatialplanningpolicy@wiltshire.gov.uk</u> or phone 01225 713223.

In addition, please note that the meeting is restricted to invited representatives from the town and parish councils only (as listed at the end of this letter) and is not a public meeting. The objective, as with the other meetings, is to enable an honest and open discussion about how the Wiltshire Local Plan can plan positively for growth in the south of Wiltshire.

Yours faithfully

Georgina Clampitt-Dix

Head of Spatial Planning Economic Development and Planning Wiltshire Council

<u>Note</u>

Invitation for the new settlement meeting has been sent to following town and parish councils:

- Allington CP
- Amesbury CP
- Bulford CP
- Cholderton CP
- Durnford CP
- Durrington CP
- Firsdown CP
- Idmiston CP
- Newton Tony CP
- Pitton and Farley CP
- Winterbourne CP
- Winterslow CP

Appendix 3 – Briefing Note Example

Warminster Strategic Priority

When we think about planning for Warminster over the next fifteen or more years, what should the 'strategic priority' be?

To be completed during the meeting

The Wiltshire Local Plan will identify levels of growth for Warminster. The scale of growth at Warminster and decisions over where new development will be located should be influenced by an overall vision and any strategic priorities for the town. The town meeting is an opportunity to discuss what the vision for Warminster and its strategic priorities should be.

What is the current strategy for Warminster?

1,920 homes and 6 hectares of employment land for the period 2006 - 2026

The strategy for Warminster is to increase the level of employment, town centre retail and service provision, along with residential development, as part of sustainable growth. New employment development in Warminster supports the overall strategy of concentrating on accessible locations within the A350 corridor. The strategy will respond to the Community Area's location (in full or part) within a nationally designated landscape. In the Warminster Community Area this includes the Cranborne Chase and West Wiltshire Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. It will deliver, within the overall objective of conserving the designated landscape, a modest and sustainable level of development.

(Wiltshire Core Strategy, paragraph 5.157)

What has been discussed so far in the context of the local plan review?

The Council began by identifying these issues:

 Where should the focus for growth be at Warminster alongside the West Warminster Urban Extension?

(Issues Report, 2017)

The public responded by saying:

- Disagree that there are significant environmental constraints when compared to Trowbridge.
- Chitterne Parish Council was concerned about the effects of more housing on infrastructure, particularly the B390, and would like to see an upgrade of the A303.
- Warminster Town Council suggested a bypass for Westbury and A303 upgrades to benefit visitors to the Longleat Hotel when built.
- Expansion of Warminster was supported due to good road and rail links and a range of facilities which higher levels of growth would improve.
- West Warminster Urban Extension should not be considered the sole focus of growth given the delays to the application to date.
- Housing allocations on land towards the southern end of the A350 corridor beyond
 Westbury were argued against due to longer distance commuting than locations closer to where the main economic potential is located.

(Consultation Report, 2017)

Does existing evidence and comments suggest there is scope for more growth or less growth in Warminster than currently included in the Wiltshire Core Strategy?

 Environmental risks suggest testing lower rates of growth. Infrastructure support for higher levels of growth than that anticipated by the Wiltshire Core Strategy is uncertain at this stage. On the basis of the evidence published to date, assessments of potential scales of growth, significantly those based around the economy, do not give clear support for testing higher rates.

(Appendix 7, Cabinet 30 April 2019)

How did the Parish and Town Councils respond to initial assessments?

The outcome of the discussions regarding Warminster suggested that representatives were
prepared to take the proposed level of housing growth (i.e. that which is already planned
and/or committed), but that a higher level of growth would not be suitable due to
accommodating high levels of growth in the past.

(Consultation Report, 2018)

What alternative levels of growth for Warminster are we testing based on this information for the period 2016 to 2036?

- Option TR-A, housing and employment land requirements are distributed pro-rata to rolling forward the current strategy. The residual requirement that would need to be delivered in Warminster is approx. 50 homes (based on a requirement of 1850 homes).
- Option TR-B, Warminster rates of housing development continue those in the Core Strategy.
 The residual requirement that would need to be delivered in Warminster is approx. 160 homes (based on a requirement of 1950 homes).

• Option TR-C, the scale of housing development at Warminster is its pro-rata share of overall assessed housing needs. The residual requirement that would need to be delivered in Warminster is approx. 50 homes (based on a requirement of 1840 homes).

(Appendix 7, Cabinet 30 April 2019)

Which alternative option seems the most sustainable?

Officers have carried out a more detailed sustainability appraisal of the different alternatives suggested above. An initial Sustainability Appraisal suggests that the Housing Market Area strategy which facilities a reduced scale of growth at the more sensitive and environmental constrained settlement of Warminster (TR-C) is preferred.

(LPR Development Strategy, Cabinet 30 April 2019)

What is the emerging preferred strategy for Warminster?

Evidence suggests that the strategic priorities for Warminster should be to minimise the impact of development on the local environment and transport infrastructure.

The emerging preferred strategy for Warminster is, therefore, a consolidation of growth at the town compared to rolling forward the Wiltshire Core Strategy due to environmental constraints and extant commitments.

The proposed levels of growth at the town is, therefore, approx. 1840 homes with a residual to allocate of approx. 50 homes and to retain existing employment land commitments.

Roles and responsibilities between the local plan and neighbourhood plan

The Warminster Neighbourhood Plan was made in November 2016. It is important to establish the differences between the strategic local plan and the local neighbourhood plan to ensure that together they complement each other to plan holistically for the town.

The town meeting is an opportunity to discuss the different roles of the two plans and how they can best complement each other.

What does the National Planning Policy Framework say?

The National Planning Policy Framework says:

"The development plan must include strategic policies to address each local planning authority's priorities for the development and use of land in its area" (paragraph 17) and

"Strategic policies should not extend to detailed matters that are more appropriately dealt with through neighbourhood plans or other non-strategic policies." (paragraph 21)

'Neighbourhood plans should support the delivery of strategic policies contained in local plans or spatial development strategies; and should shape and direct development that is outside of these strategic policies.' (paragraph 13)

What does this mean?

This is an area for discussion but at this stage we think strategic policies in the local plan might establish the following:

- A long term framework for the town's growth and a delivery plan for achieving growth.
- Identification of development sites and requirements, including necessary infrastructure, scale and mix of uses, scale of affordable housing, green infrastructure, heritage protection and flood risk.

Other elements would not be part of the Local Plan Review but would include:

- Management plans for areas subject to environmental protection/designation by managing bodies.
- Neighbourhood plans to identify and bring forward development opportunities and more
 detailed policies to guide different forms of development, for example town centre
 policies and proposals for a range of uses including retailing, leisure, recreation and
 tourism.

Appendix 4 – Agenda Example

Wiltshire Local Plan Review: Warminster Town Meeting

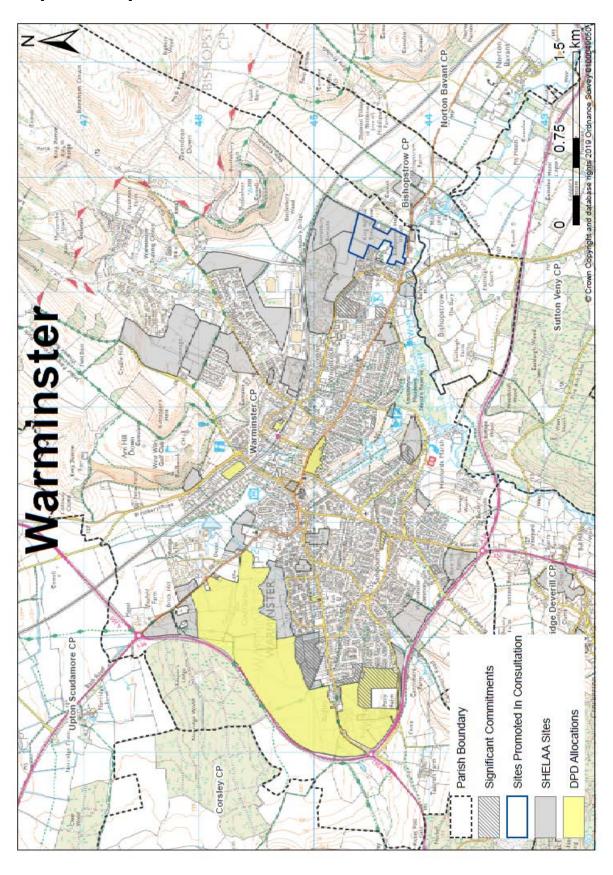
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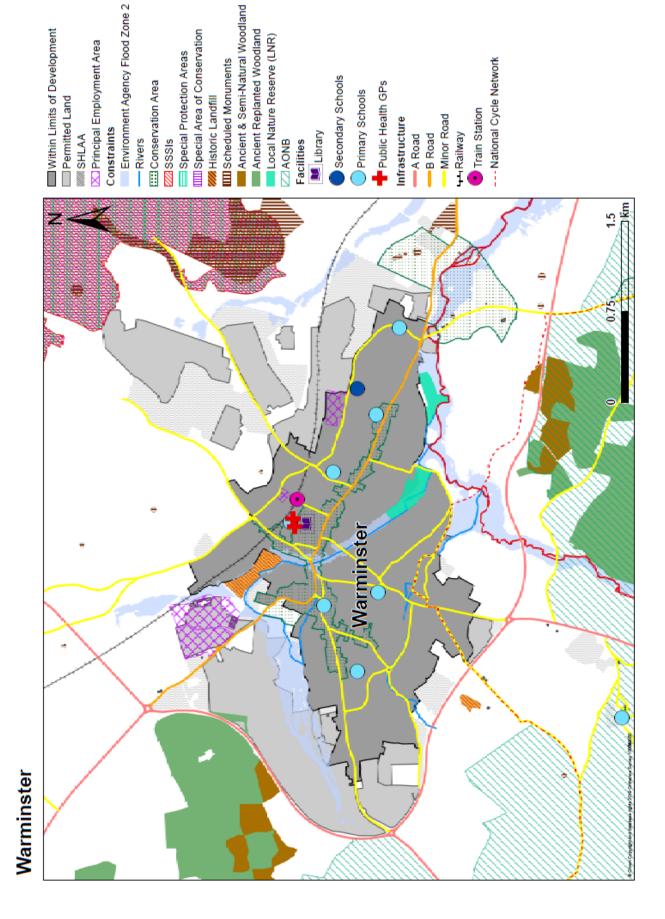
Venue: Dyson Meeting Room, County Hall, Trowbridge

Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Local Plan Review what has happened so far?
- 3. Neighbourhood Plans what has happened so far and intentions for the future?
- 4. Discussion 1: strategic priorities for the town and how to deliver them
- 5. Discussion 2: respective roles Local Plan/Neighbourhood Plan
- Discussion 3: Neighbourhood Plan issues (transport infrastructure improvements, sustainable transport promotion, landscape, employment diversity)
- 7. Next Steps

Appendix 5 – Principal Settlement/Market Town Meeting Maps Example





Appendix 6 – Principal Settlement Presentation



Purpose

- · Share knowledge about Trowbridge
- · Discuss the relationship with neighbourhood plans
- · Consider strategic priorities for the town
- Consider appropriate scales of development in the future.

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Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Wiltshire Local Plan Review
- 3. Neighbourhood plans update
- 4. Discussion 1: Relationship with neighbourhood plans
- 5. Discussion 2: Strategic priorities for Trowbridge
- 6. Next steps

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Wiltshire Local Plan Review Update July 2019 Wiltshire Council Water review to see the council of the counci

Current timetable • Draft plan by early 2020 (Including revised policies on scales of growth and neighbourhood plans) • Submission to Secretary of State by end 2020

Adoption autumn 2021

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Why is the review of the local plan important?

- Identifies scales of growth at Wiltshire's market towns for the period 2016 to 2036
- Builds on the proposals in Wiltshire Housing Sites Allocations Plan
- Retains policies to protect and enhance the natural and historic environment
- · Contains specific regenerating polices for the town

What has been agreed so far?

- Plan for a local housing need range between 40,840 and 45,600 for the period 2016-2036. Residual about 18,000 homes.
- Pian for an employment land requirement of about 182 ha for the period 2016-2036. Residual about 26 ha
- · Revised Housing Market Area boundaries

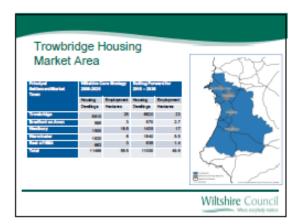
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Housing Market Areas

	Wiltshire Core Strategy (2006-2026)	Government Standard Method (2016-2036)	2019 SHMA review (2016-2036)
WILTSHIRE UA	42,000	40,840	45,600
CHIPPENHAM HMA	14,297	13,630	20,390
SALISBURY HMA	12,340	12,230	10,975
SWINDON HMA (part)	3,875	4,480	3,260
TROWBRIDGE HMA	11,488	10,500	10,995

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Conclusions for Trowbridge

Maintain its role as a principal



- Manage rates of housing growth to respect environmental constraints
- No further employment allocations as rates of employment growth seem slower than population growth

Options for Trowbridge	9	
	Housing*	Employment •
TR-A Roll forward WCS	2930	0 ha
TR-B Westbury Growth Point	1805	0 ha
TR-C Focus on the Rest of HMA	2535	0 ha
* Residual to plan for		
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Neighbourhood Plans – what has happened so far and intentions for the future?

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Neighbourhood Plans – what has happened so far and intentions for the future?

Parish updates?

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Discussion 1: respective roles Local Plan/Neighbourhood Plan

"Strategic policies should not extend to detailed matters that are more appropriately dealt with through neighbourhood plans or other non-strategic policies." (NPPF paragraph 21)

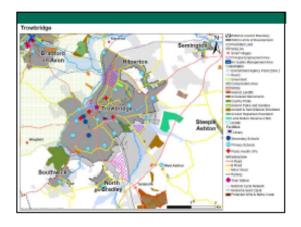
Town centre policies? Housing allocations? Regeneration? Design?,

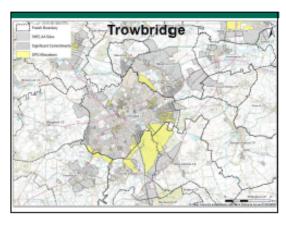
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Strategic priorities for Trowbridge? (1)

Current strategy:

- strengthen its principal service centre role and deliver improved infrastructure and facilities in the town.
- Sustainable growth with employment development alongside new housing in the form of an urban extension integrated with the town centre.
- housing delivery toward the end of the plan period and beyond 2026 once adequate education infrastructure exists,
- New employment land allocated to create new jobs and strengthen the town's role as a strategic employment centre for the wider west Wiltshire area.





Strategic priorities for Trowbridge? (2)

Some thoughts for discussion:

 Prioritise development on brownfield sites to improve town centre resilience through regeneration and investment.



- Respect environmental constraints associated with Green Belt and Bath and Bradford on Avon Bats SAC
- Maximise opportunities for use of public transport and minimise impact on the local road network

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Next Steps

- · Notes of meeting to be circulated for accuracy
- Only a summary of discussion included in consultation report
- Reflect on discussion today to inform the strategy for Trowbridge
- Arrange a follow up meeting in the Autumn to report on emerging preferred strategy

Appendix 7 – New Settlement Agenda

Wiltshire Local Plan Review

New Settlement Option

Wednesday 11 September, 14:00 16:00

Winterslow Sports Pavilion, Weston Lane, Salisbury, SP5 1RL

<u>Agenda</u>

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Background Wiltshire Local Plan Review Update
- 3. Discussion
 - If there is to be one, where should there be a new settlement in the south of the county? And why?
 - What are the main concerns, issues and opportunities?
 - How can they be addressed?
- 4. Next steps

Appendix 8 – New Settlement Presentation



Purpose

- · Share knowledge about the area
- Consider strategic priorities, locations and scales of development
- · Why a new settlement is being considered

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Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Wiltshire Local Plan Review
- 3. Discussion
 - If there is to be one, where should there be a new settlement? And why?
 - What are the main concerns, issues and opportunities?
 - · How can they be addressed?

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Wiltshire Local Plan Review Update September 2019 Wiltshire Council

Current timetable • Draft plan by early 2020 (Including revised policies on scales of growth and neighbourhood plans)

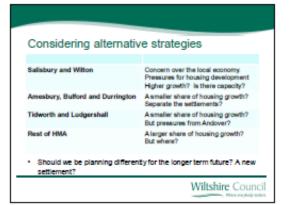
- · Submission to Secretary of State by end 2020
- Adoption autumn 2021

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Housing and Employment

- Plan for a local housing need range between 40,840 and 45,600 for the period 2016-2036. Residual about 18,000 homes
- Plan for an employment land requirement of about 182 ha for the period 2016-2036. Residual about 26 ha
- · Agreed revised Housing Market Area boundaries

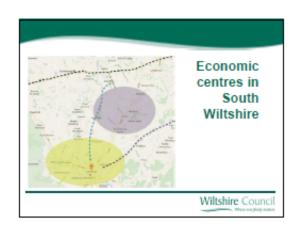




Why a new community?

- To match the strong prospects for job growth at Boscombe and Porton Down
- There's a need to reinvigorate the Salisbury economy.
- · Large amounts of land are being promoted for development.
- To address net in-commuting from elsewhere in the County by providing homes locally
- Improvements to the national strategic road network through A303 investment will act as stimulus for economic growth

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Alternative Development Strategies

- A : Rolling forward the current strategy
- B: A greater focus on Salisbury
- C: A greater focus on the rural area
- D: A 'Boscombe/Porton New Community'

Alternative Development Strategies

Alternative Development Strategies				
Settlement - Area	Current strategy	Focus on Salisbury	Focus on Rural Area	Boscombe - Porton New Community
Salisbury/Wilton	5390	8650	5390	4900
Amesbury	2170	1230	1230	1230
Tidworth/Ludgershall	1555	1210	1210	1210
Rest of HMA	1855	1885	3145	1835
New Community				2000
TOTAL	10975	10975	10975	10975

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A new community...

"The supply of large numbers of new homes can often be best achieved through planning for larger scale development, such as new settlements or significant extensions to existing villages and fowns, provided they are well located and designed, and supported by the necessary infrastructure and facilities. Working with the support of their communities, and with other authorities if appropriate, strategic policy-making authorities should identify suitable locations for such development where this can help to meet identified needs in a sustainable way"

Paragraph 72, NPPF

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Challenges of planning for new settlement?

- · Potential Impact on existing settlements
- Land assembly
- Long lead in times
- Environmental constraints
 - Flooding, heritage, ecology, water quality
- · Impact on the transport network

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Your views

- 1. If there is to be one, where should there be a new community? And why?
- 2. What are the main concerns, issues and opportunities?
- 3. How can they be addressed?

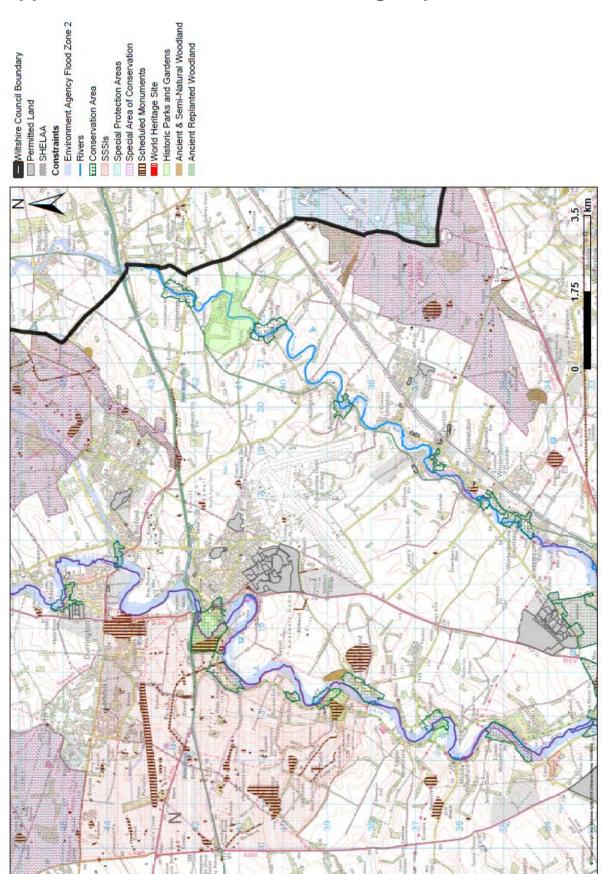
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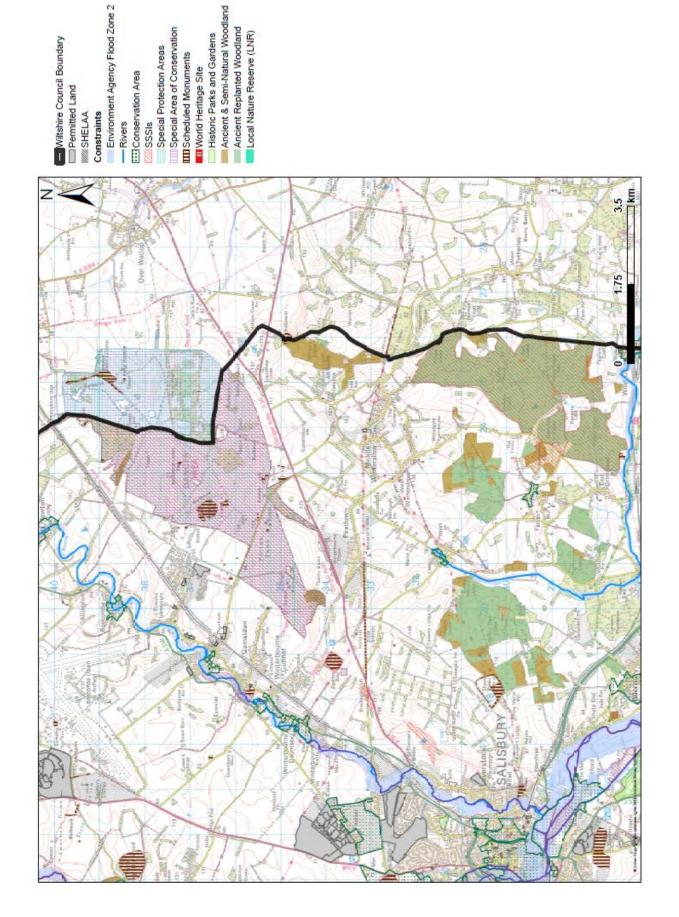
Next Steps: Wiltshire Council

- Report of meeting
- Todays discussion informs decisions on scales of growth
- · Member consideration at end of year
- · Repeat these meetings to discuss sites
- Continue to develop the evidence e.g. sustainability appraisal, transport assessments, flood risk assessment

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Appendix 9 – New Settlement Meeting Maps





Appendix 10 – Summary of Outcomes of Meetings

CHIPPENHAM HMA

CALNE

Calne Town Council and Calne Without Paris	sh Council
County Hall, Trowbridge	13 th June 2019

1. Indicative housing and employment land requirement discussed

- Strategy CH-A: need for approximately 860 additional homes based on a requirement of 2050 homes and 5 additional hectares of employment land.
- Strategy CH-B: need for approximately 250 additional homes based on a requirement of 1440 homes.
- Strategy CH-C: need for approximately 420 additional homes based on a requirement of 1610 homes.
- Strategies CH-B and CH-C are found to be emerging as more preferred options and will be tested further.

2. Status of Neighbourhood Plan at time of meeting (including intentions for future)

- Calne Community Neighbourhood Plan was made in Feb 2018.
- The steering group is no longer active.
- Anticipated that NP update by Calne and Calne Without could play a key role in working alongside the Local Plan Review.

3. Key issues identified

- Need for masterplanning of large scale sites.
- Transport and traffic problems, including an AQMA within the town.
- Congestion within the town centre.
- Need for employment growth. Loss of employment in areas of the town.
- Need for large scale transport infrastructure, which would require high levels of growth to support it.
- Preference for one strategic site, over dispersed development.
- Protection of Marden Valley.
- East given as a suitable direction for growth as a longer term, high growth option, that could deliver appropriate infrastructure which may necessitate consideration of a further option other than just CH-A, CH-B, CH-C etc.
- Concerned over impact of growth to the east on Compton Bassett and other rural areas.

4. Strategic Priorities

- Town centre regeneration and employment-led development.
- Provision and promotion of sustainable transport.
- Minimise the impact of development on local infrastructure/the environment.
- Consolidation approach to housing growth, but provision of new employment land.

5. Proposed role for NP and LP

- NP was made recently.
- Expected to benefit from minimal review to align it with the emerging Local Plan Review.
- Ongoing work between the three bodies to align timescales.

CHIPPENHAM

Chippenham Town Council, Lacock Parish Council, Chippenham Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group, Kington Langley Parish Council, Kington St Michael Parish Council, Bremhill Parish Council and Chippenham Without Parish Council.

Chippenham Town Hall 17th July 2019

1. Indicative housing and employment land requirement discussed

- Strategy CH-A: need for approximately 1830 additional homes based on a requirement of 6441 homes and no additional employment land.
- Strategy CH-B: need for approximately 5150 additional homes based on a requirement of 9765 homes and 7 hectares of additional employment land.
- Strategy CH-C: need for approximately 2320 additional homes based on a requirement of 6930 homes and no additional hectares of employment land.
- All strategy options were discussed at this stage.

2. Status of Neighbourhood Plan at time of meeting (including intentions for future)

- Chippenham Town in early stages of preparing a NP.
- Bremhill NP was made in Feb 2018.
- Kington St Michael are in the early stages of preparing a NP.
- Lacock Parish are not currently preparing a NP.
- Allington and Sheldon (Chippenham Without) are in the evidence gathering stages and nearing Reg 14 stages.

3. Key issues identified

- Concern over underutilisation of education facilities.
- Further education opportunities and employment growth are needed.
- Sufficient employment land needs to be made available.
- Larger housing numbers considered capable of delivering employment and infrastructure needs.
- Promotion of existing transport needed.
- Transport considered a strength of the town.
- Traffic congestion is a problem within the town centre.
- A new link road could help overcome this.
- Concerns raised in relation to climate change.
- Issue of housing, including affordable housing provision raised and meeting needs of local demographics raised.
- Higher densities could be introduced in the town centre.
- Environmental constraints, such as flood risk and factors, such as green infrastructure considered to be ongoing issues for the town.

4. Strategic Priorities

- Improve town centre resilience through regeneration and investment.
- Deliver significant job growth to improve self-containment.
- Improve the highway network through a level of growth which enables a new road linking the A4 to the A350.
- Respect environmental constraints associated with flood risk and air pollution.
- Need to prevent coalescence between Chippenham and the surrounding villages.
- Importance of maintaining and improving green infrastructure/corridors.
- Improve the resilience of town centre.
- Need to resolve transport congestion within the town and alleviate the amount of traffic using the centre of town which may facilitate the regeneration of certain areas.

5. Proposed role for NP and LP

- NPs timings to work alongside the LPR.
- LPR housing numbers to be disaggregated to the NP level and shared with the different groups.
- LP to look to allocate sites and NPs to undertake a master planning role.
- Parishes to work with the Town Council in determining how CIL monies from new development should be invested, particularly in ensuring that services that will be used by new development is suitably invested in.

CORSHAM

Corsham Town Council, WC District Councillor and Box Parish Council

Meeting Corsham Town Hall

Date: 8th July 2019

1. Indicative housing and employment land requirement discussed

- The range of indicative housing requirements for Corsham of between 1220 and 1740 homes and 4ha of additional employment land.
- Strategy CH-A: need for approximately 1265 additional homes based on a requirement of 1740 homes and 2 hectares of additional employment land.
- Strategy CH-B: need for approximately 745 additional homes based on a requirement of 1220 homes and 7 hectares of additional employment land.
- Strategy CH-C: need for approximately 890 additional homes based on a requirement of 1365 homes and 4 additional hectares of employment land.
- The initial assessment of the scenarios indicates that a low growth scenario for housing should be carried forward for Corsham, given the constraints in the area.
- The possibility of a hybrid scenario adding 2ha of employment land to the requirement was discussed, Wiltshire Council will consider taking forward a hybrid option.

2. Status of Neighbourhood Plan at time of meeting (including intentions for future)

- Corsham are currently responding to questions from the examiner and their neighbourhood plan is close to adoption, subject to receipt of the Examiner's Report that recommends the plan is made.
- Future intentions for Corsham is to review the neighbourhood plan once it has been made and after adoption of the local plan to deliver up to the planned period of 2036.
- Box have started a neighbourhood plan with a plan period to 2036.
- Box NP Steering Group are keen to explore the potential use of brownfield land to deliver housing in their plan.

3. Key issues identified

- Infrastructure was an overarching issue raised by all parties and the Copenacre development was used as an example of poor connectivity.
- Box PC expressed the view that the infrastructure and services networks in the parish cannot support economic growth of any kind.
- Concerns were raised of the achievability of the relatively high-level growth proposed for Chippenham under Strategy B and whether this would mean housing requirements for Corsham would go up if Chippenham couldn't meet its requirement.

- The opportunity to reopen Corsham station should be safeguarded by the Local Plan Review.
- The protection of settlement identity and separation was an objective for both Box Parish and Corsham Town.

- The possibility of a Transport Strategy for Corsham (akin to the one for Devizes) would be explored.
- 5. Proposed role for NP and LP
- The Local Plan will identify strategic greenfield sites in the Corsham area.
- Box PC and Corsham Town Council should seek to identify regeneration and infill
 opportunities with their respective parishes., through their respective
 neighbourhood plans.

DEVIZES

Attendees: Devizes Town Council, Bishop Cannings Parish Council, Rowde Parish Council, Etchilhampton Parish Council, Potterne Parish Council, Stert Parish Council, Councillor Gamble, CPRE and Devizes Trust

Devizes Town Hall, Devizes

4th June 2019

- 1. Indicative housing and employment land requirement discussed
- Strategy CH-A: need for approximately 2025 additional homes based on a requirement of 2870 homes and no additional employment land.
- Strategy CH-B: need for approximately 1165 additional homes based on a requirement of 2010 homes and no additional employment land.
- Strategy CH-C: need for approximately 1405 additional homes based on a requirement of 2250 homes and no additional employment land.
- Emerging preferred strategy for the settlement is currently CH-B, which will be tested further along with other options.
- 2. Status of Neighbourhood Plan (NP) at time of meeting (including intentions for future)
- Devizes are in early stages of reviewing the NP. The reviewed plan will be broader and may include green infrastructure, employment policies and the Devizes Wharf redevelopment.
- Potterne are considering a NP review.
- No other councils in attendance were considering a NP at the time of the meeting.
- 3. Key issues identified
- Need for clarity in relation to the types of affordable housing to be proposed.
- Poor quality development in the town.
- Lack of green space delivered as part of new development, due to the piecemeal nature of smaller scale development coming forward compared to some of the strategic growth at other towns.
- Lack of employment growth and desire for this as part of mixed use developments including offices. However there is a risk of loss of employment land to other uses through mixed use developments.
- Lessons need to be learned from Hambleton Avenue regarding car parking for mixed use sites.
- Concerns over the vitality of the town centre, including vacant spaces and parking facilities.
- Tourism growth identified as an opportunity.
- Need to address air quality and transport in the town.
- Poor transport infrastructure and bus services. More emphasis to overcome problems at the Wiltshire Council level.
- Risk of speculative development due to the pressure on the wider HMA.
- 4. Strategic Priorities
- Affordable housing to respond to local needs.
- Housing design and quality of development.

- Retention of employment allocation and employment development through mixeduses.
- Town centre regeneration and an opportunity for tourism-led regeneration.
- Air quality improvements.
- Enhanced transport infrastructure and bus services.

5. Proposed role for NP and LP

- NP to continue to influence the location of housing development.
- The new NP may be produced by a wider group of parishes comprising the Town and surrounding Parishes to overcome cross boundary issues.
- Local housing numbers are influenced by national policy and the Local Plan can identify sites and set out town's strategic objectives and priorities.
- The current NP for Devizes focuses on housing sites within the town. The review is likely to be broader and to also include employment land and green infrastructure.
- Common ground between the LP and NPs to be pursued.

MALMESBURY

Malmesbury Town Council, incl. reps from NPSG; and St Paul Malmesbury Without

Monkton Park, Chippenham 20th June 2019

1. Indicative housing and employment land requirement discussed

- Strategy CH-A: need for approximately 715 additional homes based on a requirement of 1260 homes and no additional employment land.
- Strategy CH-B: need for approximately 340 additional homes based on a requirement of 885 homes and no additional employment land.
- Strategy CH-C: need for approximately 445 additional homes based on a requirement of 990 homes and no additional hectares of employment land.
- Strategies CH-B and CH-C are emerging as preferred strategy options at this stage, in relation to Malmesbury.

2. Status of Neighbourhood Plan at time of meeting (including intentions for future)

- Malmesbury NP was made in 2015.
- Prepared in conjunction by Malmesbury, Brokenborough and St Pauls Malmesbury Without.
- NP Steering Group no longer active.
- No intention to review thus far.
- Opportunity to review to be discussed by separate Councils.

3. Key issues identified

- Problem with school places, particularly at the nursery/primary level.
- Housing distribution within the Chippenham HMA.
- Parking and town centre accessibility.
- General health of the town centre.
- Need to diversify employment offer.
- Currently reliant on Dyson as a single major employer.
- This is also linked to in-commuting.
- Need to deliver community infrastructure alongside housing and delivery should be needs led.
- Uncertainty as to whether the Town has sufficient facilities to meet the needs of the villages around it, e.g. food shopping.
- Desire for smaller house types to achieve housing affordability in the area.

- To deliver community facilities and social infrastructure alongside housing to meet identified needs as they emerge.
- Improving and enhancing the town centre, including accessibility.
- Diversify employment offer.
- Improve existing facilities in the town e.g. convenience retail, to sufficiently meet needs and demands of the town and surrounding communities.

5. Proposed role for NP and LP

- Town and Parish Councils to discuss a review of the NP.
- NP may look to allocate housing.
- Basis for the required housing numbers to be the LP.
- Council to identify 'strategic priorities' through the LP.
- NP could look at how these could be delivered in the context on the town.
- An NP review could also look at the issue of employment and the town centre.
- These policies would be guided by the LP.
- Council and Town Council to enter a Statement of Common Ground.

MELKSHAM

Melksham Town Council, Melksham Without Parish Council, Seend Parish Council and Broughton Gifford Parish Council.

Melksham Town Hall

12th June 2019

1. Indicative housing and employment land requirement discussed

- Strategy CH-A: need for approximately 1850 additional homes based on a requirement of 3200 homes and 2 additional hectares of employment land.
- Strategy CH-B: need for approximately 890 additional homes based on a requirement of 2240 homes.
- Strategy CH-C: need for approximately 2600 additional homes based on a requirement of 3950 homes and 5 additional hectares of employment land.
- Preferred emerging strategy for the settlement is currently CH-C.
- Strategy CH-B also performed well.

2. Status of Neighbourhood Plan at time of meeting (including intentions for future)

- Melksham and Melksham Without NP is being prepared and new consultants have recently been employed to develop a Reg 14 draft Plan.
- Seend NP is in the early stages of preparation.

3. Key issues identified

- · Issue of out commuting.
- higher skilled employment offer in the town.
- Employment, education, health and traffic targets emerging at consultation considered too ambitious.
- Concern over capacity of schools.
- Traffic and road capacity issues.
- Eastern bypass could introduce new employment opportunities and relieve transport issues, and this should be provided prior to any further development.
- Preference for eastern bypass to be frontloaded, opening up land in the area for development.
- Other bypass options.
- Lack of parking in the town.
- Requirement for urgent care/mirror injuries and other healthcare provision.
- Holistic approach to education provision as alternative to piecemeal funding.
- Lack of safe routes to schools.

- Need to deliver more affordable housing, but balance this with ensuring high quality design is delivered.
- Land for uses other than housing is not being sufficiently safeguarded.

4. Strategic Priorities

- Transport infrastructure improvements including a new bypass before any further development.
- Traffic and transport management/improvements to overcome road capacity issues.
- Community/public gain through investment into infrastructure from new developments.
- Investment into education facilities through a holistic approach.
- Improve pedestrian safety and access, particularly to schools.
- Improved employment offer in the town.
- Encourage high skilled employment.

5. Proposed role for NP and LP

- Melksham Town and Melksham Without to work closely with the Council on the LPR.
- As many of the issues are felt to be strategic and more appropriately planned for in the LP than the NP.
- Collaborative review of the settlement boundary expected when necessary.
- Melksham are researching town centre economic regeneration and gathering data for a possible town centre policy in the NP.
- Collaborative working to encourage the regeneration of the town centre.

SALISBURY HMA

AMESBURY

Amesbury Town Council	
Bourne Hill, Salisbury	22 nd August 2019

6. Indicative housing and employment land requirement discussed

- Strategy SA-A: A need for 940 additional homes based on a requirement for 2170 between 2016-2036 and no additional hectares of employment land.
- Strategy SA-B: A need for 0 additional homes based on a requirement for 1230 between 2016-2036 and no additional hectares of employment land.
- Strategy SA-C: A need for 0 additional homes based on a requirement for 1230 between 2016-2036 and no additional hectares of employment land.
- Strategy SA-D: No additional housing needs, based on a requirement for 4900 homes between 2016-2036 and 2 additional hectares of employment land.
- Strategy SA-C currently emerging as the preferred option.

7. Status of Neighbourhood Plan at time of meeting (including intentions for future)

- Amesbury and Durrington considered a joint NP.
- Local Plan policies felt to have sufficiently met the needs of the town.
- Not pursuing an NP at this current stage.
- Development through Local Plan has provided financial gain.
- NP not considered necessary for financial gain.
- NP for Amesbury could be used for some smaller projects.
- Idmiston NP to be reviewed in line with Local Plan Review.

8. Key issues identified

- Commuting out.
- Poor quality town centre.
- Constrained town centre.
- Not benefitting from visitors to Stonehenge.
- Town centre offer could be improved to meet the demands of visitors to the town.
- Need for sports pitch improvements.
- Population current supports the provision of supermarket retail rather than town centres.
- Some growth needed for the Town.
- Only a small amount of development could be accommodated in the town centre.
- Primary Shopping Areas are currently restrictive.
- Neighbouring communities tend to use facilities at Salisbury or Ramsey, as well as those at Amesbury.
- Recent development has benefitted schools.
- Golden triangle of employment provision performs well.
- If focus is on using services and facilities at Salisbury, then strategy SA-B should emerge as the preferred option.

9. Strategic Priorities

- Promotion of self-sufficiency.
- Encourage residents to live and work in the town.
- Town centre improvements.
- Promoting the town centre and tourism.
- Improve recreational facilities, including sports pitches.

10. Proposed role for NP and LP

- Larkhill currently open countryside.
- LP is not set to put a boundary around Larkhill.
- Potential to de-couple Amesbury, Bulford and Durrington through LP.
- Follow up meeting/engagement relating to infrastructure/transport infrastructure.

SALISBURY

Winterbourne Parish Council, Britford Parish Council, Quidhampton Parish Council,
Laverstock and Ford Parish Council and Salisbury City Council.

Salisbury Guildhall, Salisbury

11th July 2019

1. Indicative housing and employment land requirement discussed

- Strategy SA-A: A need for 490 additional homes based on a requirement for 5390 between 2016-2036 and 8 additional hectares of employment land.
- Strategy SA-B: A need for 1750 additional homes based on a requirement for 6650 between 2016-2036 and 10 additional hectares of employment land.
- Strategy SA-C: A need for 490 additional homes based on a requirement for 5390 between 2016-2036 and 3.5 additional hectares of employment land.
- Strategy SA-D: No additional housing needs, based on a requirement for 4900 homes between 2016-2036 and 2 additional hectares of employment land.
- Strategy SA-C currently emerging as the preferred option.
- 2. Status of Neighbourhood Plan at time of meeting (including intentions for future)
- Salisbury City NP is in the early stages.
- Lost momentum due to 2018 poisoning incident, but keen to progress evidence gathering.
- Winterbourne Parish is nearing Regulation 14 stages.
- Laverstock Parish have been preparing a NP for 18 months, recently gaining more momentum.
- Looking to reflect the LPR plan period, planning up to 2036.

3. Key issues identified

- Lack of suitable employment land.
- Issues of 'rat run' villages, which provide the main route into Salisbury City.
- Increasing traffic is a problem for the city.
- Pedestrian only access considered a solution for this.
- Affordable housing to meeting the needs of younger people living and working in the city.
- Growth on the edge of the city, beyond the ring road is thought to be a problem.
- Preference towards the strategies proposing lower levels of growth.
- Unsure of how the city could accommodate higher levels of housing.
- Infrastructure constraints limit opportunities for growth.

- Need to alleviate traffic issues and transport pollution, including congestion in the city centre.
- Identification of suitable and well-located employment land.
- Traffic management to reduce issues in villages, including new roads.
- Encourage affordable housing and more affordable market housing types.
- Allocate a lower number of homes at Salisbury.
- Lower growth could deliver sufficient homes within environmental limits.
- Higher option could encourage economic growth and investment in homes for new workers.

5. Proposed role for NP and LP

- Salisbury City Neighbourhood Plan steering group to work with neighbouring parishes in preparing NP.
- NPs for Winterbourne and Laverstock are set to include housing site allocations, respectively.
- Statements of Common Ground are to be pursued as part of ongoing preparation of NP and LP.
- Salisbury City NP to explore the opportunity to include housing allocations.
- This would be in meeting a requirement set out by the LP.

TIDWORTH AND LUDGERSHALL

Tidworth Town Council, Ludgershall Town Council, Spatial Planning and Community
Engagement Manager

Bourne Hill, Salisbury

25th June 2019

1. Indicative housing and employment land requirement discussed

- Strategy SA-A: A need for 350 additional homes based on a requirement for 1555 between 2016-2036.
- Strategy SA-B, Strategy SA-C and Strategy SA-D: No additional needs, based on a requirement for 1210 homes between 2016-2036.
- Strategy SA-A currently emerging as the least preferred option.
- 2. Status of Neighbourhood Plan at time of meeting (including intentions for future)
- No Neighbourhood Planning activity to date.
- No intentions to pursue a NP at this current time.

3. Key issues identified

- New development, including that committed is expected to put pressure on local roads.
- Other transport: potential for the old railhead to be opened up as a new railway line.
- Limited parking being introduced on new housing sites.
- Currently have a dormitory role, with many commuting to Andover for work.
- Local employment offer has dwindled and there is a need for a more diverse employment offer in the two towns.
- Including employment offer for those leaving the military, enabling re-skilling.
- More retail/leisure variety is required. E.g. more family restaurants/A3 use class uses.
- Tidworth is experiencing a larger proportion of investment in retail/services and facilities.
- Ludgershall is experiencing the majority of housing growth.

4. Strategic Priorities

- Housing growth to accommodate those leaving the military who want to stay in the area.
- South-east Ludgershall is preferred location for further housing growth.
- Housing growth to support a new road/the completion of Empress Way to the south east of Ludgershall.
- Diversification of local employment.
- Improvements of the local retail/leisure offer.
- Balancing of services and facilities across the two towns.

5. Proposed role for NP and LP

Local Plan Review is to continue testing housing at the two towns.

- Further growth expected towards the latter part of the plan period.
- Towns to consider NP as a tool for new housing allocations.
- No plans make a NP and allocate further housing at this stage.

NEW SETTLEMENT

Winterslow Parish Council, Firsdown Parish (Council, Winterbournes, Pitton and Farley
and Idmiston	
Barry's Sports Field, Weston Lane,	30 th September 2019
Winterslow	•

1. Indicative housing and employment land requirement discussed

• Strategy SA-D: Proposes a new settlement. A need for 2000 new homes at a new settlement, based on a requirement of 2000 homes between 2016-2036 and 8 additional hectares of employment land.

2. Direction of growth and appropriate location

- There is no room anywhere north of the A303 to accommodate a new settlement.
- A new community could help to make Firsdown a sustainable community as it currently is not.
- Major infrastructure investment and improvements would be required to start to make a new community feasible.
- Land North West of Cholderton, where the owner would like to get planning permission for 5 homes could be used, as it is believed the land owner would be on board, however the area is constrained by the Hampshire border and the road network.
- Land North of Old Sarum / Longhedge is a potential location as major development is already taking place there, there is enough land to accommodate a new community and there are less constraints.
- Roads in this area are better and there are existing community facilities.
- Why are options at Salisbury not being looked at in more detail?
- A new community would bring about the growth in the area to justify reopening the old railway station at Idmiston to accommodate the increased pressure on the transport network.
- There is very limited space in the area of search that could accommodate 2000 new homes.
- The Amesbury and Porton Down area may not be the area for a new community, is there potential for one elsewhere?
- Land at Lopcombe Corner could be considered
- Questions over whether MOD land can be released for housing/is it available?
- Flying restrictions in the Boscombe Down area are a constraint for building in close proximity. Interest with relation to why Archer's Gate has been so close.
- In the middle of the 3 economic areas is best as the existing road network is best.
- Constraints at Salisbury do not suggest that placing the development would be appropriate.
- Needs to be in a location with good access to the road network.
- Questions over whether the south of Salisbury would be more suitable than the north east.
- Potential Location 1, East of Solstice Park; with good links to Salisbury and good links to places of employment.
- Potential Location 2, Lopcombe Corner; at the moment this is an isolated community in Wiltshire, a new settlement at this location, or nearby could make it a more inclusive area, with a potential for shops and infrastructure which can drive a community spirit.

- Potential Location 3, Longhedge; this is a less constrained area of the South which is still close to Salisbury and close to employment land.
- Potential Location 4, Amesbury Urban Extension; favoured by those who attended due to it having infrastructure already in place and good access to the A303.

3. Key issues, concerns and opportunities

Concerns:

- The road network is not sufficient enough to support a new community, it would need to be substantially upgraded and the timing of the infrastructure upgrades would be paramount.
- The growth should be delivered alongside employment growth.
- The impact on accessibility to key services and employment areas, reopening of stations mentioned.
- The area is highly constrained socially, environmentally and economically.
- More traffic will end up in the villages, on the smaller roads, as a result of the poor road network.
- Employment: jobs at Boscombe Down have not transpired. Finding that employment isn't directed towards Porton either, as the Council planned. Employment is going to Odiham and Benson not Boscombe Down.
- Without the delivery of jobs, residential growth will lead to more commuting.
- Council delivering employment land at Porton Down.
- Bourne Valley has unsustainable villages. If this is the direction of growth more support for the villages is needed.
- Constraints and stress on this area with South Wiltshire due to MOD land occupancy.
- Continuing infrastructural constraints.
- Parishes are concerned that villages may lose their character if too much growth is to take place.
- The impacts on substantial growth on parishes e.g. bigger headcounts relating to council tax changes and parish infrastructural constraints.

Issues:

- The MOD shuts Pheasant Road that acts as a through road from the A30 to the A338 to Porton on a regular basis and would affect the transport network.
- A30 does not have the capacity to take any more traffic.
- Need for a Salisbury by-pass.
- New road that needs to go east to west, not north to south. Expensive to introduce a road that crosses the railway line, however.
- Lots of the area is in the flood plain and has ecological designations.
- There is a lot of high quality agricultural land around Porton/Boscombe.
- The operational airport at Boscombe constrains the air due to flight paths/flight zone.
- The area is very close to the Hampshire border.
- Issues of land availability were raised.
- Continuing infrastructural constraints.
- Parishes are concerned that villages may lose their character if too much growth is to take place.
- Economies of scale could mean that housing would be pushed forward ahead of infrastructure and those who live in the area would not be able to cope.
- Health and education challenges in the area.
- Drainage is a key consideration.
- The rivers and water meadows in the area constrain the options of where a new settlement could go in the area.

Opportunities:

- The development at Longhedge, North of Old Sarum is already taking place and could be extended to form a new community.
- The infrastructure upgrades are already happening in the area and can be enhanced further to accommodate a larger community.
- There will be little or no impact on existing residents.
- It is in the middle of the economic centres.
- Opportunity for Idmiston station to be re-opened.
- Opportunities to open new railway stations and improve transport links e.g. potential to reopen the railway station at Porton Down.
- New development can help to provide improved road networks e.g. making the A30 and A354 into dual carriageways.
- A new settlement could potentially be delivered quicker and at a lower cost compared to having 2,000 homes delivered across the South HMA.
- There was talk of Alderbury being a potential location for growth.
- Changing habits in society could help with the integration of a new settlement into the area.
- Potential for growth in villages to be guided and delivered through Neighbourhood Plans.

4. Addressing these

- Extensive infrastructure upgrades.
- Evidence as to what infrastructure can be provided can help pinpoint potential opportunities.
- Opportunities to open new railway stations and improve transport links e.g. potential to reopen the railway station at Porton Down.
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SWINDON HMA

MARLBOROUGH

Marlborough Area Neighbourhood Planning representatives, Marlborough Town Council and O'Neill Homer (NP Consultants)

Marlborough Town Hall 2 1. Indicative housing and employment land requirement discussed

22nd May 2019

- Strategy SW-A: need for approximately 135 additional homes based on a requirement of 570 homes and 4 additional hectares of employment land.
- Strategy SW-B: need for approximately 50 additional homes based on a requirement of 485 homes and no additional employment land.
- Strategy SW-C: need for approximately 245 additional homes based on a requirement of 680 homes and 3 additional hectares of employment land.
- Strategy SW-B is emerging at this stage as the most preferred strategy for this settlement.

2. Status of Neighbourhood Plan at time of meeting (including intentions for future)

- MANP group currently preparing an NP.
- Currently at SEA screening stage.

3. Key issues identified

- Shortfall in affordable housing.
- Lack of car parking capacity within the town centre.
- Concerns over the location of the Preshute Primary School and ability to cater for continued growth.
- Lack of capacity to expand the doctor's surgery to meet increasing local needs.
- Current shortfall in employment space within Marlborough.
- Need to create design guide to cater for Marlborough consolidating old saved policies from Kennet Local Plan (Policies HH7, HH10 and HH11).
- Maintaining a vibrant town centre while also improving the tourism sector that is felt to currently be underutilised.

4. Strategic Priorities

- To deliver affordable housing to address the present shortfall.
- To encourage development that enable growth in local tourism.
- To seek additional parking spaces that will enhance and maintain the Town Centre as a successful service and tourist centre.
- To meet the employment needs of the Marlborough Area.
- To deliver the social infrastructure the Marlborough Area needs (including additional provision of health facilities, sports facilities and cemetery land, and a replacement Preschute Primary School).

5. Proposed role for NP and LP

- NP expected to update local policies previously provided by the Kennet Local Plan, covering issues such as urban open space.
- NP to anticipate and refine policies in the LPR, such as a rural employment policy.
- Collaborative approach to be taken in producing policies in the respective plans.

ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT

Royal Wootton Bassett	
Ilford Room, County Hall, Trowbridge	29 th May 2019

1. Indicative housing and employment land requirement discussed

- Strategy SW-A: need for approximately 670 additional homes based on a requirement of 900 homes and 2 additional hectares of employment land.
- Strategy SW-B: need for approximately 1030 additional homes based on a requirement of 1255 home and 6 additional hectares of employment land.
- Strategy SW-C: need for approximately 610 additional homes based on a requirement of 835 homes and no additional hectares of employment land.
- Emerging preferred strategy is SW-B option at this stage.

2. Status of Neighbourhood Plan at time of meeting (including intentions for future)

- Existing Neighbourhood Plan was made in April 2018.
- Unsure of future intentions
- Interest in working closely with the council in developing the strategy for the Town.
- NP recognised as the appropriate mechanism to deliver some of the locational specific and detailed matters following on from the adoption of the Local Plan Review.
- Interest in developing the relationship between strategic and local level planning to deliver some of the priorities for the town during the plan period up to 2036 and beyond.

3. Key issues identified

- Capacity of roads to the north and along the high street
- Future J16 capacity issues associated with strategic scale development
- Shortfall of school places
- Need for renewable energy
- Design and build quality
- Relationship with Swindon
- New train station
- Spatial distribution of growth
- Opportunities to increase the amount of growth in the town to deliver some of the necessary infrastructure requirements
- Opportunity for a better spatial distribution of healthcare services and a new district healthcare centre
- Green space
- Pressure from speculative developers
- Opportunities for self-build to increase build quality

4. Strategic Priorities

- Infrastructure delivery: transport, education, healthcare
- Direction of growth to the south of the town
- A need to be averse to speculative developers
- Where employment land is to be delivered, it should meet business demands as employment forms a key part of the relationship that the town has with Swindon.
- A new train station had been part of discussions between the Town and Network Rail. understanding that there may be some difficulty in delivering this.
- Consider a new 'West of Swindon' train station as a potential opportunity, building on the relationship between Swindon and Royal Wootton Bassett

5. Proposed role for NP and LP

- Future meetings to strengthen the relationship between the Council and the Town.
- LP to set out the strategic context for the town, informed by the Town.

TROWBRIDGE HMA

BRADFORD ON AVON

Barford on Avon Town Council	
County Hall, Trowbridge	3 rd June 2019

1. Indicative housing and employment land requirement discussed

- Strategy TR-A: need for approximately 310 additional homes based on a requirement of 570 homes and 1 additional hectares of employment land.
- Strategy TR-B: need for approximately 310 additional homes based on a requirement of 570 homes and no additional employment land.
- Strategy TR-C: need for approximately 40 additional homes based on a requirement of 300 homes and no additional hectares of employment land.
- Emerging preferred strategy is TR-C option at this stage.

2. Status of Neighbourhood Plan at time of meeting (including intentions for future)

- The NP group have not been active since the adoption of the NP in 2017.
- Could review of the NP in line with the LPR.
- Intention for the NP to allocate the 50 homes needed up to 2036.
- NP to set out framework for regeneration.

3. Key issues identified

- Wiltshire Council owned land in the centre of the town considered development opportunities by the Town Council.
- Town concerned by some land ownership issues on potential regeneration sites.
- Congestion in the town centre and traffic pressures on local roads.
- Need for a mix of housing.
- Relocation of the football ground.
- Not in support of a Green Belt Review.
- Environmentally friendly housing design.
- GP services felt to be underperforming.
- Concern in relation to national housebuilders.

4. Strategic Priorities

- Retention of the Green Belt around the town.
- Reduce traffic and congestion.
- Additional development needs to be linked to investment into transport infrastructure.
- Ensure a mix of house types is introduced to the area to help make homes more available to the younger population.
- Improve health services in the town.

5. Proposed role for NP and LP

- NP to be reviewed and propose housing allocations to meet the 50 homes requirement figure.
- Wiltshire Council are to work with the Town in producing a Statement of Common Ground to support the LPR.
- LPR to outline overarching strategic policies for the town, including identification of the strategic priorities and the housing requirement.

TROWBRIDGE

North Bradley Parish Council, Holt Parish Council, West Ashton Parish Council and Trowbridge Town Council.

County Hall, Trowbridge 22nd July 2019

1. Indicative housing and employment land requirement discussed

- Strategy TR-A: need for approximately 2930 additional homes based on a requirement of 2520 homes.
- Strategy TR-B: need for approximately 1805 additional homes based on a requirement of 5400 homes.
- Strategy TR-C: need for approximately 2535 additional homes based on a requirement of 6130 homes.
- All of these strategies were considered for the settlement and will form the basis of further testing.

2. Status of Neighbourhood Plan at time of meeting (including intentions for future)

- The Trowbridge Town Neighbourhood Plan steering group are currently in the evidence gathering stages.
- Delayed as to ensure consistency with the WHSAP.
- Intend to introduce a plan period up to 2036 for the Trowbridge Neighbourhood Plan.
- Southwick Parish Council are in the evidence gathering stages.
- Have been subject to SEA screening, which confirmed that a SEA is required.
- North Bradley NP is due to undergo Regulation 16 consultation.
- West Ashton NP has been drafted and is close to submission to the Council for Reg 16 consultation.
- Holt NP was made in 2017. There may be some intention among the group to review the plan and introduce a plan period up to 2036.

3. Key issues identified

- Lack of affordable housing.
- Issues of commuting by car. Which is largely a problem for the villages around Trowbridge.
- Issue of unaffordable house types/new homes that do not meet the needs of local people who are the priced out of the market.
- Support given for a Westbury Bypass.
- Overcrowded trains at peak times.
- Public transport education and service improvements needed.
- Desire to encourage electric car use.
- Need to promote/prioritise the reuse of available brownfield land.
- Protection for the identity of villages surrounding the town.
- Interest in the introduction of taller buildings on brownfield sites, while also balancing heritage and landscape considerations.
- Potential to direct growth towards a village to create a larger settlement.
- Lack of a hospital within the HMA.
- Employment growth is outbalanced by housing growth. Need for more business to rebalance.
- Concern over the promotion of Trowbridge as a location for business.
- Acknowledgement of environmental constraints needed.

- Meeting housing needs of local people to allow then to live and work locally.
- To improve all transport modes.
- Reduce reliance on the private car/traffic in the town and surrounding villages.
- To protect the individual identities of the villages surrounding Trowbridge.
- Encouraging business investment to rebalance employment growth with housing.

- Promoting the redevelopment of brownfield land.
- Respecting environmental constraints e.g. Bradford on Avon Bats SAC, and the limits that these place on development at Trowbridge.

5. Proposed role for NP and LP

- Trowbridge Town Council keen to focus on brownfield development as part of their NP
- Trowbridge Town Council are engaging with the Council and the neighbouring parishes as part of their NP preparation.
- There is an intention for NPs and the LP to tie closely together, to ensure they can support each other in the planning process.
- Local Transport Plan Review to look at the issue of electric cars.
- In their preparation of the LPR the Council have not found exceptional circumstances which would justify undertaking a review of the Green Belt.
- Council to use the discussion to develop the strategy for Trowbridge further.
- Level of growth is expected to reflect the town's role as a principal settlement.
- Further engagement with the town and parish councils is due in the Autumn.

WARMINSTER

Warminster Town Council, Spatial Planning and Community Engagement Manager
County Hall, Trowbridge 06th June 2019

1. Indicative housing and employment land requirement discussed

- Strategy TR-A: need for approximately 50 additional homes based on a requirement of 1850 homes.
- Strategy TR-B: need for approximately 160 additional homes based on a requirement of 1950 homes.
- Strategy TR-C: need for approximately 50 additional homes based on a requirement of 1840 homes.
- Preferred emerging strategy for the settlement is currently TR-C and will be tested further.

2. Status of Neighbourhood Plan at time of meeting (including intentions for future)

- NP was made in 2016.
- Group remains active.
- Desire to update, review previous process and look to the future.
- Potential issues emerging from the growth of the town as a result of the West Urban Extension are to be taken into account.

3. Key issues identified

- Traffic and transport infrastructure, particularly to the north and north-west. Limited evening and night train services.
- Pressure on health care facilities in the centre of the town.
- Town centre opportunities for regeneration/new and improved facilities.
- Disagreements between the west and east of the town regarding the direction of growth.
- Disagreement with the council with regards to the location of WHSAP allocations.
- Air quality issues and underused public transport.
- Delivery of the West Urban Extension.
- Employment uses to meet local needs is desired.
- Housing design quality.
- MOD presence in the town.

- Town centre regeneration.
- Traffic calming entering the centre of the town.
- Congestion relief along the A350.
- Public transport promotion.
- Consolidation approach/lower growth option.
- Employment growth.

5. Proposed role for Neighbourhood Plan and Local Plan

- Work needs to be undertaken together to identify the shortfalls of the NP and understand which issues can be best met in the respective plans, e.g. protecting green spaces.
- LP currently set to allocate sites for housing. Scope for NP to allocate housing sites to meet levels of housing need identified by the LP.

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Westbury Town Council, Dilton Marsh Parish Council, Bratton Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, and Heywood Parish Council.

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1. Indicative housing and employment land requirement discussed

- Strategy TR-A: need for approximately 330 additional homes based on a requirement of 1435 homes.
- Strategy TR-B: need for approximately 1025 additional homes based on a requirement of 2130 homes.
- Strategy TR-C: need for approximately 425 additional homes based on a requirement of 1530 homes.
- Preferred emerging strategies for the settlement are TR-B and TR-C.
- 2. Status of Neighbourhood Plan at time of meeting (including intentions for future)
- Progress being made towards making a Westbury NP, Heywood NP, Bratton NP and Dilton Marsh NP.
- Many of the groups looking to extend their plan period from 2026 to 2036 to align with the Local Plan Review.

3. Key issues identified

- Development being delivered without infrastructure alongside.
- Private ownership of the high street.
- Traffic and poor air quality.
- Need for town centre improvements. Including better retail and facilities offer and improved connectivity.
- Problems of out-commuting and a lack of higher-skilled employment in Westbury.
 Need for a major employer.
- Lack of sufficient recent investments in infrastructure.
- Area to the south west and direct connections to the A350 preferred
- Landscape concerns to the east/south east.
- Delivering the bridge over the railway to ease congestion
- Need for improved links between the railway station and town centre
- Uncertainty over future of Leighton House (MOD site)
- Protection of rural buffer between Dilton Marsh and Westbury

- Improve transport infrastructure and air quality.
- Town centre regeneration.
- Introduction of higher-skilled employment opportunities.

- 5. Proposed role for NP and LP
- Collaborative working between Westbury Town Council and Wiltshire Council.