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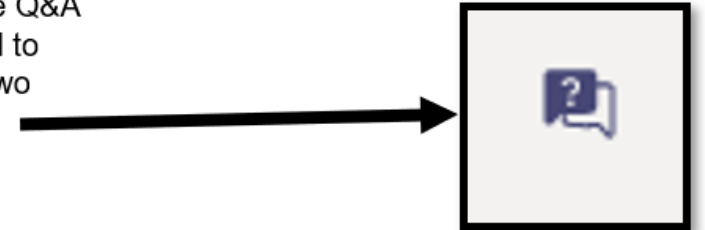
Wiltshire Local Plan Review

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Consultation to inform the Wiltshire Local Plan Review

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Agenda

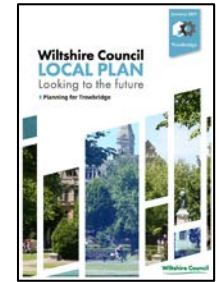
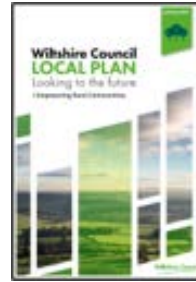
- What is the Local Plan?
- What are we consulting on?
- How will it affect Trowbridge?
- How to comment & next steps
- Q & A



What is the Local Plan?

- Determines where and how development takes place.
- Planning applications by law are determined in accordance with the Plan 'unless material considerations indicate otherwise'.
- Current Local Plan is the Wiltshire Core Strategy - it has a plan period of 2006 to 2026
- The Local Plan Review will update this and cover the period 2016 to 2036.
- It must plan positively to meet forecast development needs over this extended time horizon. Most notably it must plan to meet assessed housing needs.

What are we consulting on?



- **Emerging spatial strategy:**
 - Additional new homes and employment land needed (2016 to 2036); based on Government requirements and local evidence
 - Distribution by main settlements and rural areas
 - For rural areas, number of homes for each Local Service Centre and Large Village (**‘Empowering Rural Communities’** document)
- **‘Planning for ...’** and Site Selection Report for each main settlement including level of new growth, place shaping priorities, potential sites
- How planning policies could be shaped to help address **climate change** and support biodiversity net gain

What are we consulting on? (cont.)

- The consultation asks for people's views on three main topics to directly influence Local Plan content **before** it is drafted:
 1. **What should be the future scale of growth?**
 2. **What should be the local priorities for delivering sustainable growth?**
 3. **Where should development take place?**

1. What should be the future scale of growth?

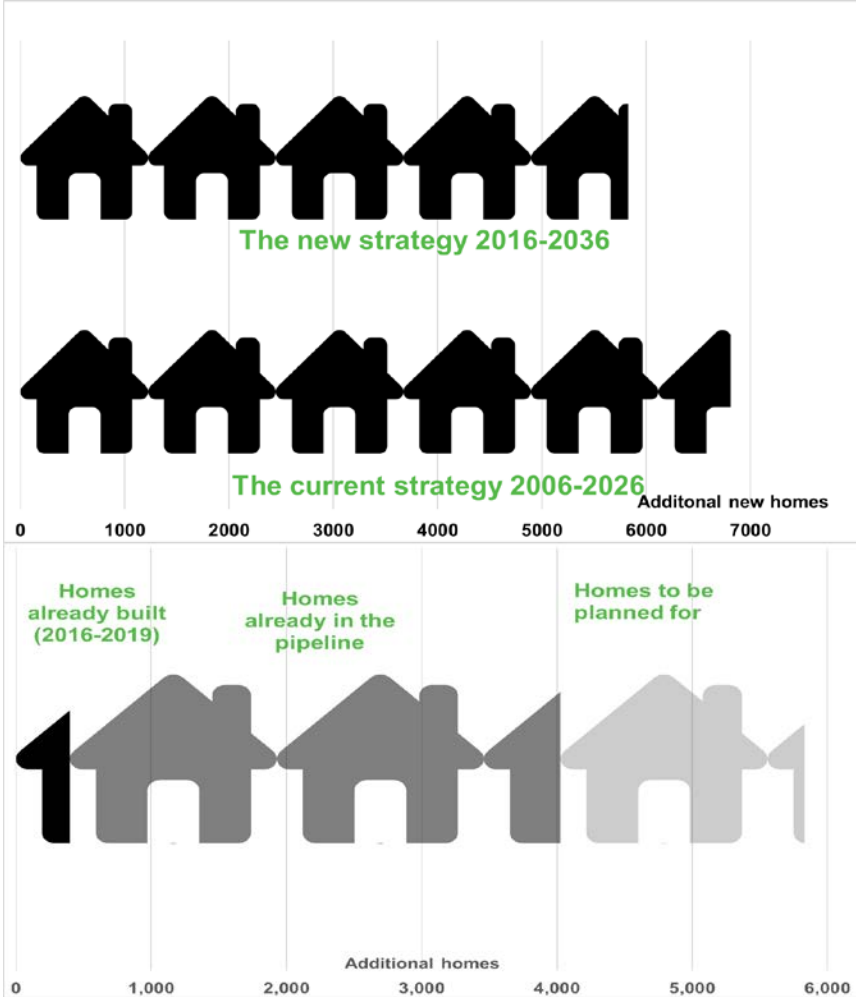
- Approximately 45,600 new homes needed over the plan period
- Divided in to the forecast need for four housing market areas within the County
- Do we need to change the current plan's pattern of growth within each area?
- 'Alternative Development Strategies'
- Alternatives tested and compared to produce an 'emerging spatial strategy'



Trowbridge: future scale of growth

	Housing requirement (no. of dwellings)		Employment requirement (hectares)	
	WCS 2006-2026	Emerging Strategy 2016-2036	Residual: 1 April 2019	
Trowbridge	6,810	5,830	1,805	0

Are these scales of growth too high or too low? Why?



2. What should be the local priorities?

- A draft bullet point set of priorities to plan each settlement by
- Priorities establish a joint basis for Local Plan and neighbourhood planning work
- They result from a review of issues in the Wiltshire Core Strategy and from discussions with the local community

Are these the most appropriate place shaping priorities? What needs adding?

Trowbridge: Place-shaping priorities

- To deliver an appropriate mix, tenure and type of **housing to meet local needs**.
- To improve the **resilience** of the **town centre** by:
 - improving and extending the **local green infrastructure network**, particularly related to formal recreation activities and also along the **River Biss**;
 - **regenerating the town centre / Trowbridge central area**, through the delivery of the Trowbridge Masterplan and Neighbourhood Plan;
 - focusing **leisure** and **retail** developments in the **central area**.
- To deliver **job growth** and **encourage business investment**, thereby help reduce the need to travel away from the town.

Trowbridge: Place-shaping priorities (cont.)

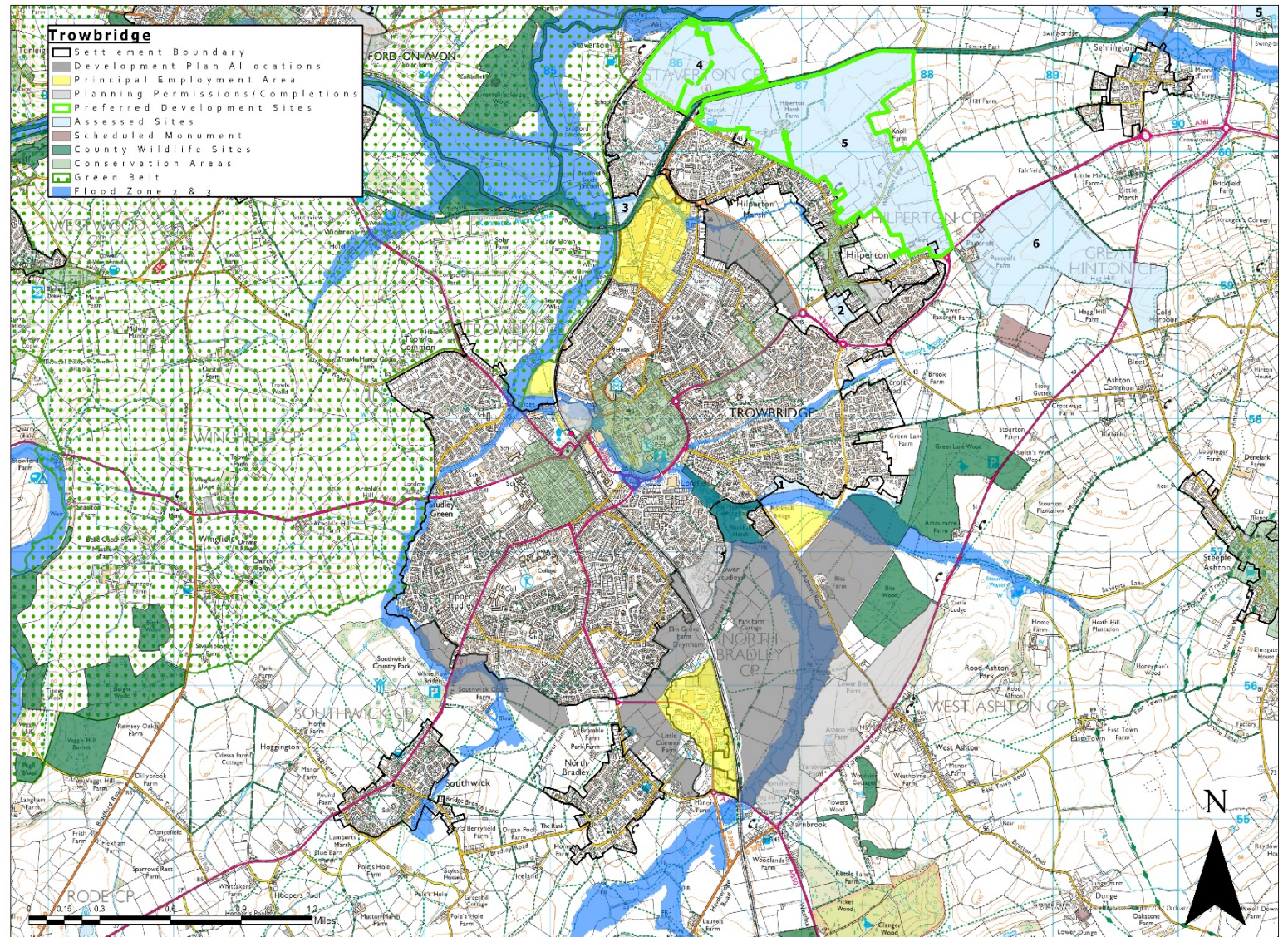
- To **improve** range of **transport modes** serving the town to reduce reliance on the private car and, levels of **traffic congestion**.
- To respect integrity of the Bath and Bradford on Avon Bats Special Area of Conservation by protecting important **bat habitats** around the town. In particular, the pattern of planned growth should be guided by the **environmental constraints** that limit spatial options for development.
- To ensure that a town-wide approach to **future education** provision is taken that addresses the need for **primary** and **secondary** places in appropriate locations.
- Respect the **individual identities of villages** within the landscape setting of Trowbridge and their relationship to the town.
- To protect, improve and extend local **green infrastructure** network.

3. Where should development take place?

- **Principal Settlements** - Chippenham, Salisbury and Trowbridge: preferred greenfield sites and concept plans of a potential layout
- Market Towns: a pool of possible greenfield development sites
- All the land promoted for development has been assessed to select preferred sites at Principal Settlements

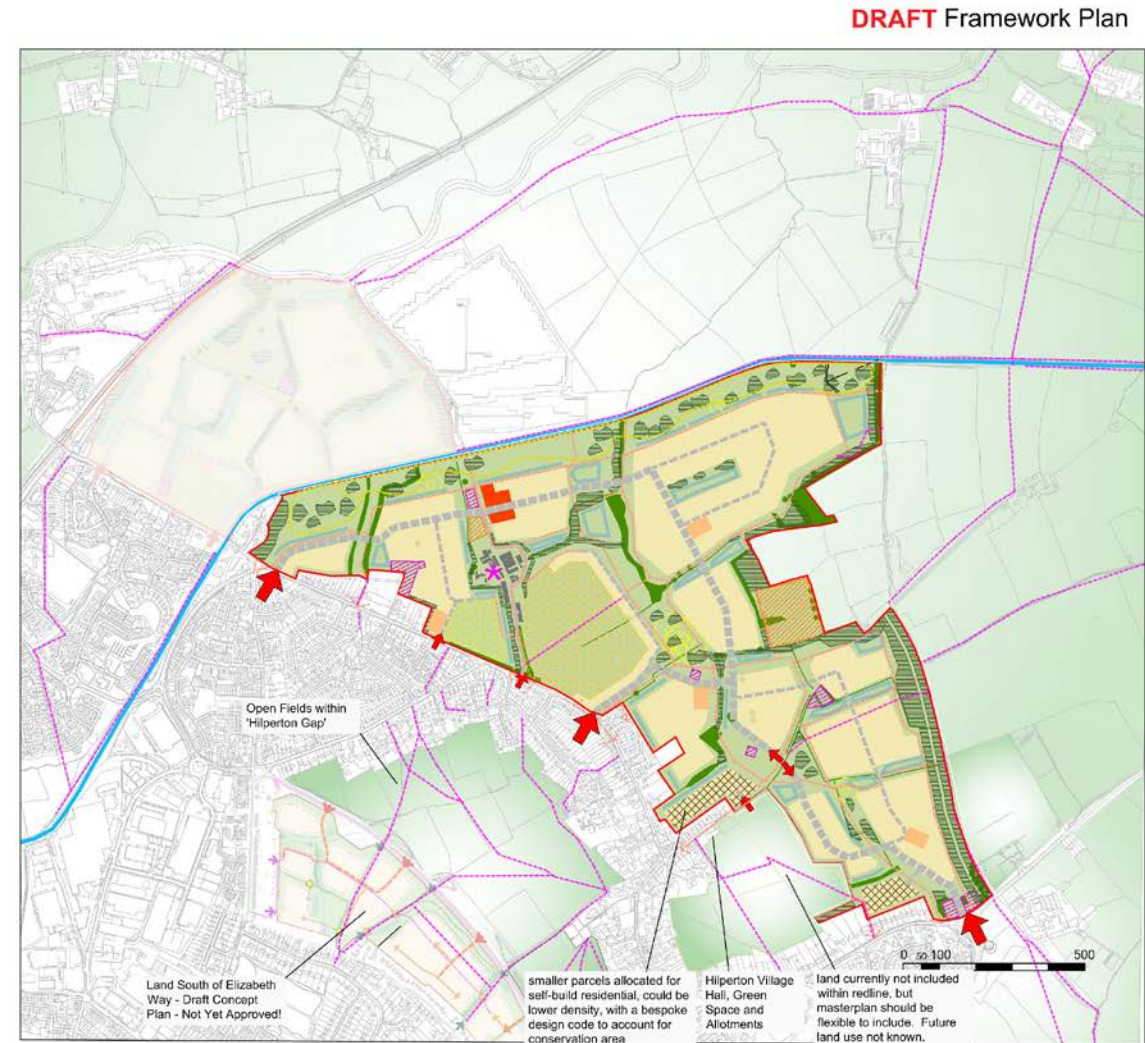
Trowbridge: possible development locations

- Two sites proposed
- Do you agree?
- What do you think?



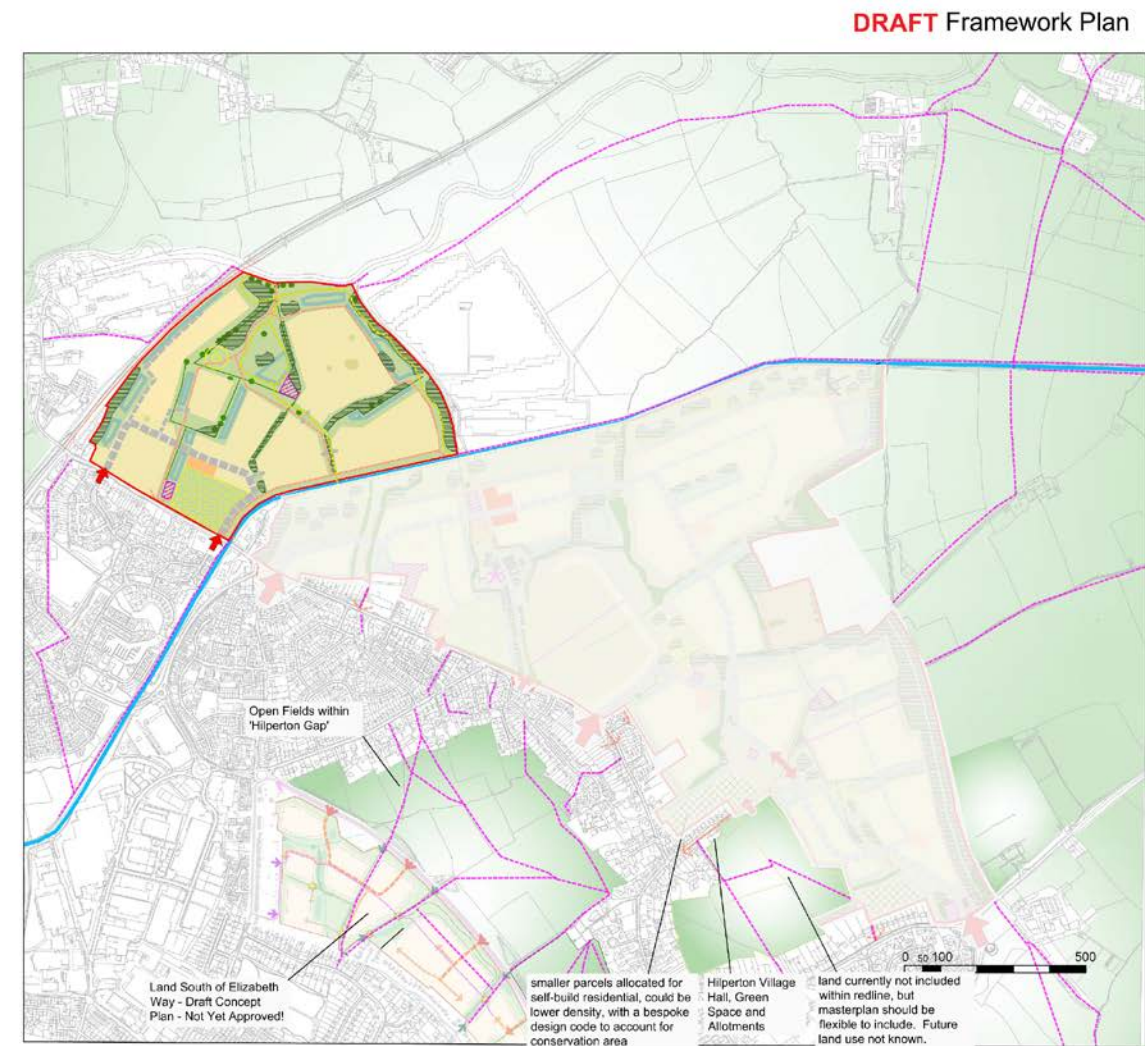
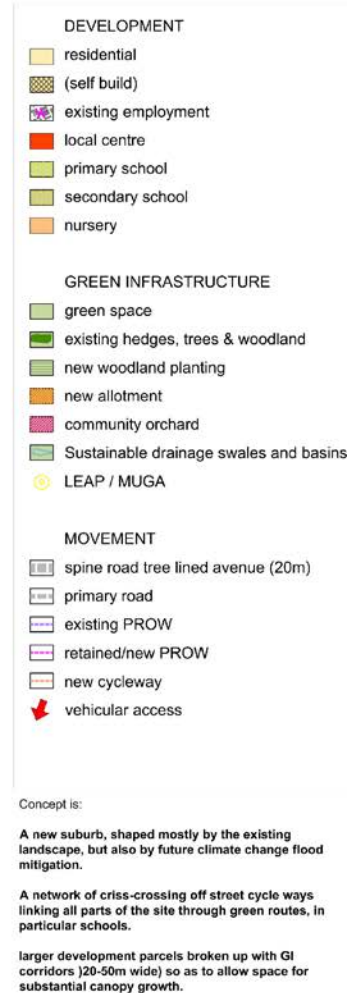
Trowbridge: where development might take place

- Draft Concept Plans prepared
- How can these be improved?
- Do you agree with the range of uses proposed?
- Do you agree with the location of proposed uses? e.g. self-build housing, community facilities



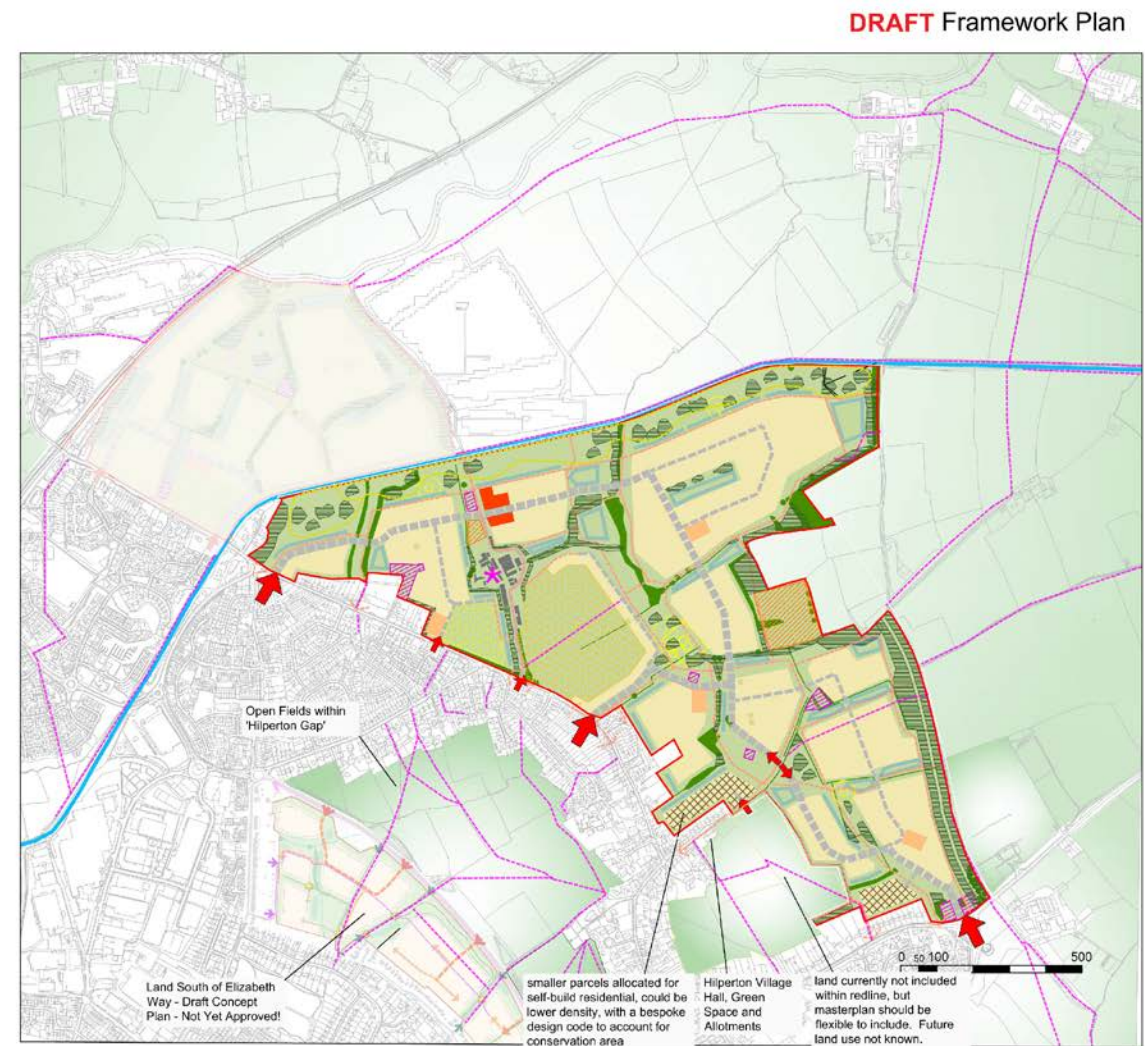
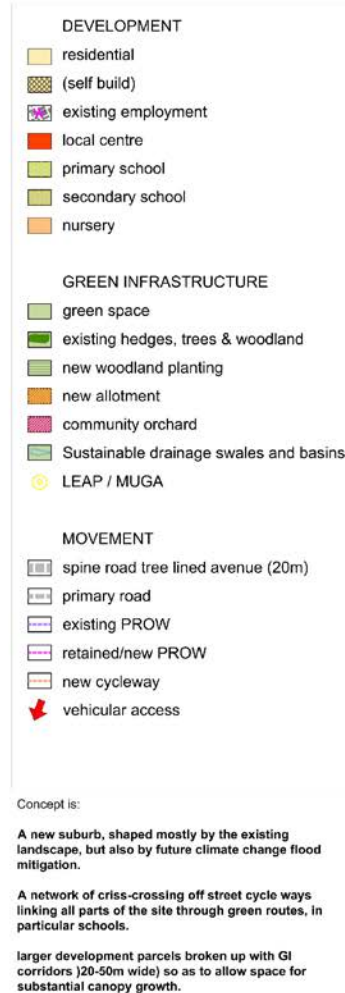
Trowbridge: where development might take place - Site 4

- Approx. 500 dwellings to include self and custom build plots
- Two form entry primary school and nursery
- Land for community orchards and allotments
- Open space provision to incl. area alongside Kennet and Avon Canal
- Walking and cycling links to and from the town centre, nearby settlements (Hilperton, Staverton and Semington) and footbridges over the Canal
- Land for a Local Equipped Area for Play (LEAP) and Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA)



Trowbridge: where development might take place - Site 5

- Approx. 2,100 dwellings to include self and custom build plots (500 dwellings post 2036)
- Local centre, community uses
- Land for community orchards and allotments
- Open space provision to include a Suitable Alternative Green Space alongside Kennet and Avon Canal
- Two form entry primary school, nursery and secondary school
- Walking and cycling links to and from town centre, Hilperton, Staverton and Semington and footbridges over the canal
- Land for renewable energy provision
- Land for a Local Equipped Area for Play (LEAP) and Multi-use Games Area (MUGA)



How can you get involved?

- All information on the Council's website via www.wiltshire.gov.uk/planning-policy-local-plan-review-consultation
- Comments can be submitted:
 - Online via the above link;
 - By email to: spatialplanningpolicy@wiltshire.gov.uk; and
 - Post to: Spatial Planning, Economic Development and Planning, Wiltshire Council, County Hall, Trowbridge, BA14 8JQ.
- Comments received will help shape the draft Local Plan, which will be prepared for consultation late 2021
- People with no internet access to contact Spatial Planning Officers on 0300 456 0100 for help with hard copies

Questions



Over to you...

- We want to hear your views - thank you for getting involved, please submit your comments by 9 March 2021 (www.wiltshire.gov.uk/planning-policy-local-plan-review-consultation)
- Consultation also taking place on the proposed scope and content of the **Gypsies and Travellers Development Plan Document**
 - will address permanent and temporary accommodation needs of Wiltshire's travelling community up to 2036 including identification of sites
 - seeks views on level of need and approach to identifying sites
- See <http://wiltshire.gov.uk/planning-gypsy-travellers> for more information