Local Development Scheme for North Warwickshire

February 2025



North Warwickshire Borough Council

- 1 North Warwickshire Borough Council is required by the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 to prepare and maintain a Local Development Scheme (LDS). An LDS sets out a timetable for the production of new or revised Development Plan Documents (such as a Local Plan) over a three-year period to 2028. It is regularly reviewed to keep it up to date. This LDS version supersedes previous versions.
- 2 The Development Plan Documents for North Warwickshire are:
 - North Warwickshire Local Plan 2021
 - Warwickshire Waste Core Strategy (adopted July 2013)
 - Warwickshire Minerals Local Plan
 - Arley Neighbourhood Plan (Adopted December 2016)
 - Austrey Neighbourhood Plan (Adopted June 2017)
 - Coleshill Neighbourhood Plan (Adopted June 2017)
 - Dordon Neighbourhood Plan (Adopted December 2023)
 - Fillongley Neighbourhood Plan (Adopted August 2019)
 - Hartshill Neighbourhood Plan (Adopted March 2017)
 - Mancetter Neighbourhood Plan (Adopted September 2017)
 - Nether Whitacre Neighbourhood Plan (Adopted January 2024)
 - Water Orton Neighbourhood Plan (Adopted June 2022)

Polesworth Neighbourhood Plan has reached the Referendum stage (to take place in March 2025) so will carry weight in a planning decision if there is a positive outcome in the referendum.

- 3 The Statement of Community Involvement was originally adopted in April 2007 and has been updated on several occasions. The document was last reviewed in 2024 and adopted in July 2024.
- 4 A further 3 Neighbourhood Plan Areas have been formally designated. These are:
 - Atherstone covering Atherstone Parish and a small part of Grendon Parish
 - Corley Parish
 - Curdworth Parish
- 5 This LDS confirms the latest work programme of the Borough Council. A timeline for production is attached as Appendix A.
- 6 The work programme will be reassessed as further changes to the NPPF, legislation and guidance are published by Government.
- 7 The Borough Council adopted the Local Plan in September 2021. The evidence underpinning the Local Plan will be reviewed to assess against the new NPPF and a review of the relevant policies will be undertaken.
- 8 The needs of the Gypsy & Traveller community were incorporated into the 2021 Local Plan and will be included in the review of the Local Plan.
- 9 The Borough Council has started to prepare an Employment Development Plan Document. A consultation took place in 2024 with a draft document expected Spring 2025.

- 10 The Minerals and Waste Documents are the responsibility of Warwickshire County Council. The County Council adopted the Minerals Plan in July 2022. Further information can be found on the County Council's website: <u>www.warwickshire.gov.uk</u>.
- 11 A number of Supplementary Planning Documents (SPD's) will also be prepared to assist with the interpretation of policy. These are also outlined in Appendix A.

Appendix A

Development Plan Document

| Document Title | Subject matter and geographical area | Chain of Conformity | Consultation | Publication of Submission Draft DPD & Public Consultation | Submission and Examination of DPD | Adoption and Publication of DPD | Policies it will replace |
|----------------------|---|------------------------|--|---|---|---------------------------------------|--|
| Employment DPD | It will look to allocate sites if necessary | Local Plan and NPPF | Early 2024 | Autumn 2025 | Late 2025 / early 2026 | 2026 | Some of the employment policies from the adopted Local Plan. |
| Local Plan Review | An assessment will be made as to the policies which are out of date or require some change | NPPF | Spring 2025 for Reg 18 – Issues and Options | Late 2025 | Spring 2026 | Late 2026 | The review of policies will make this clear. |

Supplementary Planning Documents

| Document Title | Geographical area | Chain of Conformity | Consultation | Adoption of SPD |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Affordable Housing SPD | Whole Borough | Local Plan | Spring 2025 | Winter 2025 |
| Developer Contributions | Whole Borough | Local Plan | Spring 2025 | Winter 2025 |
| Design SPD | Whole Borough | Local Plan | Summer 2026 | Winter 2026 |
| Site H4 SPD(| Land East of Polesworth and Dordon | Local Plan | Winter 2025 | Summer 2026 |
| Site H2 SPD (| Land to north-west of Atherstone | Local Plan | Winter 2025 | Summer 2026 |
| Shop Fronts SPD | Whole Borough | Local Plan | Winter 2025 | Summer 2026 |
| Lighting | Whole Borough | Local Plan | Winter 2025 | Summer 2026 |

Further Information Sources

Below are links to websites which will assist should you require further information:

- The Council's website: <u>Local Plan (Adopted 2021) | Local Plan for North Warwickshire | North Warwickshire</u> <u>Borough Council</u>
- National Planning Policy Framework
 <u>www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-planning-policy-framework--2</u>
- Planning Practice Guidance
 <u>www.gov.uk/government/collections/planning-practice-guidance</u>
- The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004: <u>www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2004/5/contents</u>
- The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012: /www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2012/767/contents/made
- Neighbourhood Plan Act <u>www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2017/20/contents/enacted</u>
- Planning Advisory Service: <u>www.local.gov.uk/pas</u>
- Planning Portal: <u>www.planningportal.co.uk/</u>

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