

# Presentation to: Brixworth Neighbourhood Plan Working Group

# Overview of LOCAL PLANNING POLICIES

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#### Development Plan:

- Regional Spatial Strategy
- Saved polices from Daventry District Local Plan
- Core Strategy (when adopted)

Other material considerations e.g. national statements and guidance, site specific matters.



### Regional Spatial Strategy

To be abolished in Localism Bill (Act)

#### **Daventry District Local Plan**

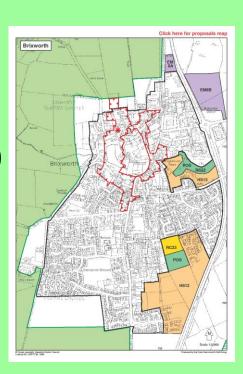
- Adopted 1997
- Saved policies 2004 and 2007
- Remain in place until replaced by LDF



#### Saved policies from Daventry District Local Plan;

### Hierarchy of Villages:

- Limited Development Villages (HS11)
- Restricted Infill Villages (HS22)
- Restraint Villages (HS23)
- Hamlets (open countryside) (HS24)





#### West Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy

**Issues and Options** 

**Emergent JCS** 

**Pre-submission** 

Submission

Examination

Adoption

September 2007

July 2009

February 2011

Autumn 2011

Early 2012

Summer 2012



#### The JCS will set out:

- The spatial portrait an overview of WN's characteristics,
   the issues that arise from this
- **The vision** a vision of where we want to be in the future
- **The objectives** to ensure the vision is achieved & provide direction to the JCS policies



#### **Spatial Strategy**

- Flows from the spatial portrait, vision & objectives
- Provides the framework for the spatial policies in the rest of the JCS
- The "big picture" of "where" and "when" we want activity, development and investment to 2026
- Roles and relationships of places



#### **S1** – Distribution of Development

- Northampton Principal Urban Area Development primarily concentrated in & adjoining
- Daventry Sub-Regional Centre -
- Lesser scale of development in & adjoining
   Towcester & Brackley Rural Service Centres
- Rural Areas Limited development
- Maximising previously developed land & buildings



## **S3 Scale of Development**

	Total	Built	Remainder
Daventry District:	11,880	2,690	9,190
Town	5,820	1,310	4,510
Rural	2,310	1,380	930
Northampton Related	3,750		3,750
Northampton Borough:	26,220	9,030	17,190
South Northamptonshire:	12,050	3,960	8,090
Towns	4,720	900	3,820
Rural	3,620	1,630	1,990
Northampton Related	3,710	1,430	3,280



#### **S10** Sustainable Development Principles

design, sustainably sourced materials, minimising waste generation & maximising recycling opportunities, accessibility, solar energy, passive heating & cooling, natural light & ventilation, 10% of energy needs from decentralised & renewable/ low carbon sources, minimum code levels (sustainable homes).



#### **Rural Areas**

#### Three policies:

- 1. Spatial Strategy for the Rural Areas
- 2. Rural Economy
- 3. Transport Strategy for the Rural Areas



#### Rural Areas: Spatial Strategy

- A framework for a rural settlement hierarchy
  - Primary Service Villages (10-12%)
  - Secondary Service Villages (5-7%)
  - Other Villages (up to 5)
- Details to be determined by individual authorities
- Indicates scale of development that would be appropriate
- Until new hierarchy in place saved Local Plan policies apply



#### Rural Areas: Spatial Strategy (cont)

- Policy principles:
  - Small scale housing and employment to meet local needs
  - Support local services and facilities
  - Protect built and natural environment
  - Enable communities to meet their own needs



#### Rural Areas: Rural Economy

- Support for the Rural Economy:
  - Re-use of rural buildings
  - Farm diversification
  - Small scale tourism proposals
  - Proposals that value the historic and natural environment
  - Small scale employment including expansion of existing businesses
- Appropriate in scale and character



#### Rural Areas: Transport Strategy

- Tackling congestion and "rat running"
- Improved public transport connections to service centres
- Improvements to cycling and walking networks



## Next Steps for LDF:

- Agree Programme of Documents to be produced
- Submission Version opportunity for representations
- Start on other documents
- Examination