

Austrey
Neighbourhood Development Plan Review
2022 - 2033

Austrey Made NDP Policy Screening
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1.0 Introduction and Background

- 1.1 Austrey Neighbourhood Development Plan was prepared by the Parish Council to provide a local planning policy framework to guide development in the Parish up to 2029. The NDP was made by North Warwickshire Borough Council in June 2017.
- 1.2 The Parish Council is considering undertaking a review of the NDP. A formal decision has not yet been taken to determine the extent of the review, but since the NDP was made:
- There have been changes to national and local planning policies;
 - A number of updated evidence base documents have been published including those informing the new North Warwickshire Local Plan 2021, as well as a range of other strategies and reports; and
 - A parish housing needs survey was undertaken in the Parish from 2020 - 2021.
- 1.3 In addition there has been significant housing development in and around the village and development pressures continue today.
- 1.4 Advice about the process for updating an NDP is set out in National Planning Practice Guidance (PPG)¹:

'There are 3 types of modification which can be made to a neighbourhood plan or order. The process will depend on the degree of change which the modification involves:

- *Minor (non-material) modifications to a neighbourhood plan or order are those which would not materially affect the policies in the plan or permission granted by the order. These may include correcting errors, such as a reference to a supporting document, and would not require examination or a referendum.*
- *Material modifications which do not change the nature of the plan or order would require examination but not a referendum. This might, for example, entail the addition of a design code that builds on a pre-existing design policy, or the addition of a site or sites which, subject to the decision of the independent examiner, are not so significant or substantial as to change the nature of the plan.*
- *Material modifications which do change the nature of the plan or order would require examination and a referendum. This might, for example, involve allocating significant new sites for development.'*

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¹ <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/neighbourhood-planning--2#updating-neighbourhood-plan>

- 1.5 This report provides an overview of the made NDP policies in relation to the policies in the new North Warwickshire Local Plan 2021 (with a plan period up to 2033)², the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)³ Revised 20 July 2021, and other background evidence / strategies etc.
- 1.6 A representative from Kirkwells Planning Consultants met with 2 members of the Parish Council and undertook a tour of the village by foot on 17 March 2022. The visit included discussions of identified local issues and information which could inform an NDP Review.
- 1.7 This assessment is a first step in identifying policy areas which may require amendment or updating. The assessment is undertaken in the form of 3 Tables:
- Table 1 - Screening against North Warwickshire Local Plan, Adopted September 2021
 - Table 2 - Screening against National Planning Policy Framework, July 2021 and
 - Table 3 - Local Plan Evidence and Other Sources.
- 1.8 The Conclusion and Recommendations section sets out the proposed way forward and next steps for the Parish Council.

²https://www.northwarks.gov.uk/info/20002/planning/1082/what_is_the_local_plan_for_north_warwickshire

³ <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-planning-policy-framework--2>

2.0 Screening Tables

Table 1 - Screening against North Warwickshire Local Plan, Adopted September 2021

The North Warwickshire Borough Council Local Plan September 2021 is the current adopted Local Plan and sets out the vision and spatial planning strategy for North Warwickshire and allocates sites for new homes and employment land to meet local community and business needs up to 2033. The Local Plan was Adopted at Full Council on 29 September 2021.

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<p>POLICY AP1: Existing hedgerows, ditches and mature trees in the Parish should be retained and enhanced where possible.</p>	<p>LP14 Landscape LP16 Natural Environment</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Policy AP1 is consistent with Local Plan Policy LP14 which protects trees, hedgerows and water bodies.</p> <p>Policy LP14 sets out: A Landscaping Proposals New development should, as far as possible retain existing trees, hedgerows and nature conservation features such as water bodies with appropriate protection from construction where necessary and strengthen visual amenity and bio-diversity through further hard and soft landscaping.</p>	<p>Yes. NDP Policy AP1 duplicates Local Plan policies and includes less detail. A Modified Policy could refer to identified important natural features in the Parish including traditional hedgerows, ancient and veteran trees and water bodies. These could be identified with the support of a local wildlife</p>

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			<p>The Council will seek replacement or enhancement to such natural features where their loss results from proposed development.</p> <p>Development proposals should be designed so that existing and new conservation features, such as trees and hedgerows and water bodies are allowed to grow to maturity without causing undue problems, or are not unacceptably compromised by development, for example by impairing visibility, shading or damage.</p> <p>Development will not be permitted which would directly or indirectly damage existing mature or ancient woodland, veteran trees or ancient or species-rich hedgerows (other than where appropriate avoidance, mitigation, or compensation has been taken and any minimised harm is justified having considered the policies in this plan as a whole).'</p> <p>Policy AP1 is also consistent with Local Plan Policy LP16.</p>	<p>trust / biodiversity network or county ecological unit and shown on a map.</p> <p>The Policy could also go further by identifying local wildlife corridors in the Parish, linking to the strategic network of wildlife corridors.</p> <p>Examiners also now generally recommend deleting such phrases as 'where possible' from NDP planning policies.</p>

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			<p>LP16 sets out that ‘the quality, character, diversity and local distinctiveness of the natural environment will be protected and enhanced as appropriate relative to the nature of development proposed.’</p> <p>The Policy protects ‘features of importance for nature conservation’:</p> <p>Development that damages habitats and features of importance for nature conservation will only be permitted where there are no reasonable alternatives to the development taking place in that location. Where appropriate, developments will be required to help enhance these features and/or secure their beneficial management.</p> <p>The Policy also goes to protect ancient woodland and aged and veteran trees:</p> <p>Planning permission will be refused if development resulting in the loss or deterioration of irreplaceable habitats, including ancient woodland and the loss of aged or veteran trees found outside ancient woodland, unless the need for, and benefits of, the development in that location clearly outweigh the loss. Given the natural</p>	

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			heritage of the Borough, the Council expects such circumstances to be wholly exceptional and for there to be a suitable compensation strategy in place where any loss or deterioration would occur.	
<p>POLICY AP2:</p> <p>The playing fields on Newton Lane and the old cricket ground (see map on page 9) should continue to be used for recreational activities.</p> <p>The footpaths across Bishops Field and the field to the north east of Hollybank should continue to give access to the countryside and provide open views as long as there are other sites available which are considered more suitable for housing development.</p>	<p>Policy LP20 - Austrey Green Space</p> <p>LP22 Open Spaces and Recreational Provision</p> <p>LP27 Walking and Cycling</p>	Yes	<p>Policy LP20 Green Spaces sets out:</p> <p>‘The Green Spaces as shown on the Policies Map will be retained, protected and wherever possible enhanced.</p> <p>The Green Space Strategy will provide information which will be used in determining the amount of land, facilities and/or contributions which will be required as part of development proposals.</p> <p>Neighbourhood Plans may designate additional areas.’</p> <p>Policy LP20 - Austrey Green Space identifies a Local Green Space on Bishops Cleeve / opposite Newborough Close.</p> <p>Policy LP22 sets out: ‘Wherever possible, Open spaces and recreational areas will be retained, protected and enhanced (unless</p>	<p>Yes.</p> <p>The first part of the Policy should be slightly reworded to align with the Local Plan.</p> <p>The 2 recreation sites should be identified on a new Policies Map.</p> <p>The countryside around the built-up area is largely protected by the development boundary in the Local Plan, although Local Plan policies allow for some flexibility.</p> <p>The NDP could assess important local open spaces as potential Local Green Spaces – subject to the criteria in the NPPF (see Table 2). Local Green Spaces would be identified</p>

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			<p>their loss is off-set by an equivalent or improved replacement).’</p> <p>LP27 Walking and Cycling</p> <p>‘The Borough Council will develop a Walking and Cycling Strategy.</p> <p>All developments should consider what improvements can be made to encourage safe and fully accessible walking and cycling.’</p>	<p>and protected under a new policy.</p> <p>The second part of the Policy referring to footpaths may need amending. Footpaths are protected as PROW in other legislation but also can be referred to in planning policies.</p> <p>The NDP Policy could be revised to encourage new development to link to existing PROW and encourage walking and cycling as active travel alternatives.</p> <p>Views are also addressed in Policy AP3 – see below.</p>
<p>POLICY AP3:</p> <p>Any new development should ensure that the views of Austrey and the surrounding countryside, as shown on the map on page 11, are not</p>	<p>LP30 Built Form</p>	<p>Yes.</p>	<p>Policy LP30 sets out:</p> <p>‘General Principles</p> <p>All development in terms of its layout, form and density should respect and reflect the existing pattern, character and appearance of its setting. Local design detail and</p>	<p>Possibly.</p> <p>However the supporting text and map may need updating.</p> <p>The NDP Review process could include an assessment of the identified views, taking</p>

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compromised by such development.			<p>characteristics should be reflected within the development. All proposals should therefore:</p> <p>... b) make use of and enhance views into and out of the site both in and outside of the site'</p>	<p>account of recent development schemes and impacts, and consider whether there are any other new views which should be identified.</p> <p>The identified views should be described and justified in the supporting text – ie what do they show and why are they important. Each one should be numbered and described.</p>
<p>POLICY AP4:</p> <p>Local farmers will be supported in their attempts to diversify, providing that such diversification respects the character and beauty of the countryside, and has no detrimental impact on others in the village.</p>	<p>LP13 Rural Employment</p>	<p>Yes.</p>	<p>Policy LP13 sets out:</p> <p>'Farm Diversification</p> <p>Proposals for farm diversification through the introduction of new uses onto established farm holdings will be supported where it can be demonstrated that:</p> <p>a) the development in terms of its scale, nature, location and layout would contribute towards sustaining the long-term operation and viability of the farm holding;</p>	<p>Yes.</p> <p>The NDP Policy duplicates and includes less detail than the Local Plan policy.</p> <p>The Policy could be deleted or revised in response to any particular local issues in Austrey that should be addressed.</p>

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			<p>b) it would not cause an unacceptable adverse impact to the safe and free movement of pedestrian, vehicular or other traffic on the trunk or rural road network as a result of heavy vehicle usage,</p> <p>c) there would be no adverse impacts arising from increased noise or other form of pollution,</p> <p>d) there are adequate foul drainage facilities, and</p> <p>e) there would be no adverse impact on the character of the surrounding natural or historic environment.</p>	
<p>POLICY AP5: All new dwellings should comply with the “Building for Life 12” (BfL12, The Design Council) guidelines and the 16 design criteria making up the “Lifetime Home Standards” guidelines (Habitneg Housing Association, 2011)</p>	<p>LP30 Built Form</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>LP30 advises: ‘General Principles All development in terms of its layout, form and density should respect and reflect the existing pattern, character and appearance of its setting. Local design detail and characteristics should be reflected within the development. All proposals should therefore: g) are designed to take into account the needs and practicalities of services and the</p>	<p>Yes possibly. Building for Life and Lifetime Homes standards may not be most up to date guidance so need to check / discuss with NWBC. The LPA may also have their own guidance.</p>

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			long term management of public and shared private spaces and facilities;	
<p>POLICY AP6:</p> <p>Developers of any new housing in Austrey should first carry out a survey to assess the viability of using on-site sources of renewable energy, such as solar panels, and ensure that the new buildings are designed to be energy efficient.</p>	<p>LP35 Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency</p>	Yes	<p>LP35 sets out:</p> <p>‘Renewable energy projects will be supported where they respect the capacity and sensitivity of the landscape and communities to accommodate them. In particular, they will be assessed on their individual and cumulative impact on landscape quality, sites or features of natural importance, sites or buildings of historic or cultural importance, residential amenity and the local economy.</p> <p>New development will be expected to be energy efficient in terms of its fabric and use including, where viable, the production of 10% of operational energy from on-site renewables, in support of the Government’s Clean Growth Strategy.’</p>	<p>Yes.</p> <p>The NDP Policy does not add much to the Local Plan Policy so could be deleted.</p> <p>However as the need to address climate change is becoming more urgent, the PC may wish to consider commissioning Design Codes including on sustainable design and referring to these in a new planning policy in the NDP.</p>
<p>POLICY AP7:</p> <p>Any new housing should be built in accordance with Home Office standards, “Secured by</p>	<p>LP30 Built Form</p>	Yes	<p>LP30 advises:</p> <p>‘General Principles All development in terms of its layout, form and density should respect and reflect the existing pattern, character and appearance</p>	<p>Yes possibly.</p> <p>Safer Places standards may not be most up to date guidance so need to check / discuss with NWBC.</p>

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Design” and “Safer Places”.			of its setting. Local design detail and characteristics should be reflected within the development. All proposals should therefore: g) are designed to take into account the needs and practicalities of services and the long term management of public and shared private spaces and facilities; h) create a safe, secure, low crime environment through the layout, specification and positioning of buildings, spaces and uses in line with national Secured by Design standards;’	Secured by Design is still in common use, but it is worth checking with Warwickshire Police to find the most up to date position.
<p>POLICY AP8:</p> <p>Any new development should comply with the accepted standards applied by the local Planning and Highways Authorities and should strive to achieve a “five minute walkable neighbourhood”, encouraging the use of sustainable, active</p>	<p>LP23 Transport Assessments</p> <p>LP27 Walking and Cycling</p>	Yes	<p>LP23 requires Transport Assessments appropriate to the scale of development proposed, and Travel Plans.</p> <p>LP27 Walking and Cycling sets out: ‘The Borough Council will develop a Walking and Cycling Strategy. All developments should consider what improvements can be made to encourage safe and fully accessible walking and cycling.’</p>	<p>Yes.</p> <p>Policy AP8 largely duplicates the Local Plan policies and could be deleted.</p> <p>The five-minute walkable neighbourhood standard may not be achievable in practice.</p> <p>Discuss with NMBC – it may be more appropriate to refer to MfS walkable neighbourhoods.</p>

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transport (walking and cycling).				Manual for Streets https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/341513/pdfmanfortreets.pdf) sets out that 'walkable neighbourhoods are typically characterised by having a range of facilities within 10 minutes' (up to about 800 m) walking distance of residential areas which residents may access comfortably on foot MfS encourages a reduction in the need to travel by car through the creation of mixed-use neighbourhoods with interconnected street patterns, where daily needs are within walking distance of most residents' (see Section 4.4).
POLICY AP9: For the period to 2029, we expect the following 3	LP2 Settlement Hierarchy	Yes	Policy LP2 sets out: 'Category 4: Other Settlements with a development boundary – [Austrey]	Yes. The site allocations have all been developed and the

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sites identified to deliver the housing needs for Austrey: Hollybank Farm (A); Crisps Farm / Glebe Field (B); Applegarth / The Croft (C), along with any windfall sites as outlined in AP10.	H13 Land off Main Road, Austrey		<p>Development within development boundaries will be supported in principle. Development directly adjacent to settlement boundaries may also be acceptable. All development will be considered on its merits; having regard to other policies in this plan and will cater for windfall housing developments usually on sites of no more than 10 units at any one time depending on viability, services and infrastructure deliverability.'</p> <p>All site allocations have been developed.</p> <p>H13 Land off Main Road, Austrey</p> <p>Land off Main Road, Austrey is allocated for a mixed use proposal for housing, to provide additional Open Space (village green) and an element of parking for the church and village hall.</p>	<p>village has seen an increase of around 120 new houses in recent years with these and other developments.</p> <p>If the PC wishes to include site allocations as part of the NDP Review it is recommended that a Call for Sites and technical site assessment is undertaken, followed by public consultation on suitable potential sites.</p>
<p>POLICY AP10:</p> <p>It is accepted that there will be additional “windfall” development over the period of this</p>	Various – see below.	Yes	<p>Policy LP2 refers to 10 units.</p> <p>LP13 supports rural diversification and refers to adverse impact on the natural environment.</p> <p>LP27 encourages developments to support walking and cycling.</p>	<p>Yes.</p> <p>This NDP policy duplicates other policies in the NDP and Local Plan and could be deleted or revised to support</p>

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<p>Plan, but this will only be permitted where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> it relates to small scale development of usually no more than 10 houses within the Plan period <input type="checkbox"/> it helps businesses to create local employment without unacceptable adverse impact on the rural landscape <input type="checkbox"/> it is within easy walking distance of the village centre and key amenities <input type="checkbox"/> it relates to renewable energy projects or new transport links that have no unacceptable adverse impact on the landscape or residents <input type="checkbox"/> it meets the requirements of national and local building 	<p>LP2 Settlement Hierarchy</p> <p>LP13 Rural Employment</p> <p>LP27 Walking and Cycling</p> <p>LP35 Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency</p>		<p>LP35 supports renewable energy projects 'where they respect the capacity and sensitivity of the landscape and communities to accommodate them.'</p> <p>Planning policies do not need to refer to building regulations and policies in a plan (NDP and Local Plan) should be read as a whole.</p>	<p>windfall development subject to locally specific criteria.</p> <p>The NDP could also include a new policy for infill and back garden development as this can have an adverse effect on local character and residential amenity.</p>

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standards, and of this Plan				
<p>POLICY AP11:</p> <p>This plan welcomes housing development of a type, tenure and mix that reflect the findings of the 2013 Austrey Housing Needs Survey.</p>	LP7 Housing Development	Yes but requires updating to refer to most recent HNS.	The NDP Policy and Local Plan policy both refer to housing needs.	<p>Yes.</p> <p>The updated Parish HNS (January 2021) should be used to inform a new policy with a focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Social housing for rent including 1 bed bungalows, a 4 bed house, a 1 bed flat and 2 bed houses. - Shared ownership 2 bed houses - Owner occupier (affordable housing for sale) including 2 bed bungalows and a 4 bed house.
<p>POLICY AP12:</p> <p>Should planning permission expire before building work has commenced on any of the Sites supported by</p>	N/A	No	This is not really a planning policy. It would be considered a parish council action in a modified NDP and should be updated to refer to Monitoring and Review.	<p>Yes.</p> <p>This should be re-written as a parish council action under a monitoring and review section.</p>

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this Plan, the Parish Council will review available alternatives at that time, re-visiting the criteria for selection and updating the Plan as necessary in order to ensure that Austrey provides the housing numbers required.				

Table 2 - Screening against National Planning Policy Framework, July 2021

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<p>POLICY AP1: Existing hedgerows, ditches and mature trees in the Parish should be retained and enhanced where possible.</p>	<p>131. Trees make an important contribution to the character and quality of urban environments, and can also help mitigate and adapt to climate change. Planning policies and decisions should ensure that new streets are tree-lined⁵⁰, that opportunities are taken to incorporate trees elsewhere in developments (such as parks and community orchards), that appropriate measures are in place to secure the long-term maintenance of newly-planted trees, and that existing trees are retained wherever possible.</p> <p>154. New development should be planned for in ways that: a) avoid increased vulnerability to the range of impacts arising from climate change. When</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>The NPPF notes the importance of trees and sets out that planning policies should enhance the natural environment.</p> <p>The Policy could be updated to refer to green infrastructure as hedgerows, water courses and woodland form part of the green infrastructure in the parish.</p>	<p>No.</p> <p>However the opportunity could be taken to update the policy by referring to green infrastructure and including more detail about local veteran and ancient trees and traditional hedgerows in the Parish.</p>

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	<p>new development is brought forward in areas which are vulnerable, care should be taken to ensure that risks can be managed through suitable adaptation measures, including through the planning of green infrastructure</p> <p>174. Planning policies and decisions should contribute to and enhance the natural and local environment by:</p> <p>a) protecting and enhancing valued landscapes, sites of biodiversity or geological value and soils (in a manner commensurate with their statutory status or identified quality in the development plan);</p> <p>b) recognising the intrinsic character and beauty of the countryside, and the wider benefits from natural capital and ecosystem services – including the economic and other benefits of the best and</p>			

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	<p>most versatile agricultural land, and of trees and woodland;</p> <p>...</p> <p>d) minimising impacts on and providing net gains for biodiversity, including by establishing coherent ecological networks that are more resilient to current and future pressures;</p>			
<p>POLICY AP2:</p> <p>The playing fields on Newton Lane and the old cricket ground (see map on page 9) should continue to be used for recreational activities.</p> <p>The footpaths across Bishops Field and the field to the north east of Hollybank should continue to give access to the countryside and provide open views as long as there are other sites available which are considered more suitable for housing development.</p>	<p>92. Planning policies and decisions should aim to achieve healthy, inclusive and safe places which:</p> <p>...</p> <p>c) enable and support healthy lifestyles, especially where this would address identified local health and well-being needs – for example through the provision of safe and accessible green infrastructure, sports facilities, local shops, access to healthier food, allotments and layouts that encourage walking and cycling.</p> <p>99. Existing open space, sports and recreational buildings and</p>	Yes.	<p>The playing field and old cricket ground are identified for recreation. This would support healthy and active lifestyles. The NPPF gives more detail about the circumstances required before such spaces could be developed.</p> <p>The footpaths are noted in the Policy and this is in accordance with para 100 but the policy could go further and include opportunities for enhancements.</p> <p>The 2 other areas may meet the criteria for Local Green Spaces and could be assessed.</p>	<p>No.</p> <p>However the NDP Policy could go further by promoting healthy lifestyles, identifying possible enhancements to PROW and possibly identifying Local Green Spaces if these are assessed and found to meet the criteria in the NPPF.</p> <p>Bishops Field and the field to the NE of Hollybank and possibly others around the village of local importance</p>

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	<p>land, including playing fields, should not be built on unless:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) an assessment has been undertaken which has clearly shown the open space, buildings or land to be surplus to requirements; or b) the loss resulting from the proposed development would be replaced by equivalent or better provision in terms of quantity and quality in a suitable location; or c) the development is for alternative sports and recreational provision, the benefits of which clearly outweigh the loss of the current or former use. <p>100. Planning policies and decisions should protect and enhance public rights of way and access, including taking opportunities to provide better facilities for users, for example by adding links to existing rights</p>			<p>should be assessed against the LGS Criteria.</p>

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	<p>of way networks including National Trails.</p> <p>101. The designation of land as Local Green Space through local and neighbourhood plans allows communities to identify and protect green areas of particular importance to them. Designating land as Local Green Space should be consistent with the local planning of sustainable development and complement investment in sufficient homes, jobs and other essential services. Local Green Spaces should only be designated when a plan is prepared or updated, and be capable of enduring beyond the end of the plan period.</p> <p>102. The Local Green Space designation should only be used where the green space is:</p>			

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	<p>a) in reasonably close proximity to the community it serves;</p> <p>b) demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular local significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of its wildlife; and</p> <p>c) local in character and is not an extensive tract of land.</p> <p>103. Policies for managing development within a Local Green Space should be consistent with those for Green Belts.</p>			
<p>POLICY AP3: Any new development should ensure that the views of Austrey and the surrounding countryside, as shown on the map on page 11, are not</p>	<p>130. Planning policies and decisions should ensure that developments:</p> <p>...</p> <p>c) are sympathetic to local character and history, including the surrounding built</p>	Yes	The Policy seeks to protect the landscape setting of Austrey by identifying important local views.	<p>No.</p> <p>However the Policy could be strengthened by referring to those other elements which contribute to local</p>

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compromised by such development.	<p>environment and landscape setting, while not preventing or discouraging appropriate innovation or change (such as increased densities);</p> <p>174. Planning policies and decisions should contribute to and enhance the natural and local environment by:</p> <p>...</p> <p>b) recognising the intrinsic character and beauty of the countryside, and the wider benefits from natural capital and ecosystem services – including the economic and other benefits of the best and most versatile agricultural land, and of trees and woodland;</p>			<p>landscape character and which should be protected.</p> <p>(See also Table 3)</p>
<p>POLICY AP4:</p> <p>Local farmers will be supported in their attempts to diversify, providing that such diversification respects the character and beauty of the countryside, and</p>	<p>84. Planning policies and decisions should enable:</p> <p>a) the sustainable growth and expansion of all types of business in rural areas, both through conversion of existing buildings and well-designed new buildings;</p>	Yes	<p>The Policy seeks to support rural diversification schemes subject to local criteria and therefore should contribute towards a prosperous rural economy.</p>	<p>No.</p> <p>However the Policy could go further by identifying the types of rural businesses considered appropriate in the neighbourhood area.</p>

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has no detrimental impact on others in the village.	b) the development and diversification of agricultural and other land-based rural businesses; c) sustainable rural tourism and leisure developments which respect the character of the countryside; and d) the retention and development of accessible local services and community facilities, such as local shops, meeting places, sports venues, open space, cultural buildings, public houses and places of worship.			In addition there has been a growth in people and small businesses working from home and the Policy could be expanded to refer to this.
<p>POLICY AP5:</p> <p>All new dwellings should comply with the “Building for Life 12” (BfL12, The Design Council) guidelines and the 16 design criteria making up the “Lifetime Home Standards” guidelines (Habitneg Housing Association, 2011)</p>	<p>130. Planning policies and decisions should ensure that developments:</p> <p>a) will function well and add to the overall quality of the area, not just for the short term but over the lifetime of the development; b) are visually attractive as a result of good architecture,</p>	No	These standards are not mentioned in the NPPF.	<p>Yes.</p> <p>The Policy could be deleted or updated by referring to the Government’s technical standards for accessible and adaptable housing – see also Table 1.</p>

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	<p>layout and appropriate and effective landscaping; ... f) create places that are safe, inclusive and accessible and which promote health and well-being, with a high standard of amenity for existing and future users⁴⁹; and where crime and disorder, and the fear of crime, do not undermine the quality of life or community cohesion and resilience.</p> <p>(footnote 49 Planning policies for housing should make use of the Government's optional technical standards for accessible and adaptable housing, where this would address an identified need for such properties. Policies may also make use of the nationally described space standard, where the need for an internal space standard can be justified.)</p>			

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<p>POLICY AP6:</p> <p>Developers of any new housing in Austrey should first carry out a survey to assess the viability of using on-site sources of renewable energy, such as solar panels, and ensure that the new buildings are designed to be energy efficient.</p>	<p>152. The planning system should support the transition to a low carbon future in a changing climate, taking full account of flood risk and coastal change. It should help to: shape places in ways that contribute to radical reductions in greenhouse gas emissions, minimise vulnerability and improve resilience; encourage the reuse of existing resources, including the conversion of existing buildings; and support renewable and low carbon energy and associated infrastructure.</p> <p>154. New development should be planned for in ways that: ... b) can help to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, such as through its location, orientation and design. Any local requirements for the sustainability of buildings should reflect the Government's</p>	Yes.	The NPPF encourages use of renewable energy technologies and energy efficiency in new development.	<p>No.</p> <p>However the Policy could go much further by including more detail (eg through Design Codes) and referring to resilience so that development is designed to take account of increased frequency of extreme weather events (prolonged periods of heat and cold and high rainfall / flooding eg).</p>

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	<p>policy for national technical standards.</p> <p>155. To help increase the use and supply of renewable and low carbon energy and heat, plans should:</p> <p>a) provide a positive strategy for energy from these sources, that maximises the potential for suitable development, while ensuring that adverse impacts are addressed satisfactorily (including cumulative landscape and visual impacts);</p> <p>b) consider identifying suitable areas for renewable and low carbon energy sources, and supporting infrastructure, where this would help secure their development; and</p> <p>c) identify opportunities for development to draw its energy supply from decentralised, renewable or low carbon energy supply systems and for co-locating potential heat customers and suppliers.</p>			

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	156. Local planning authorities should support community-led initiatives for renewable and low carbon energy, including developments outside areas identified in local plans or other strategic policies that are being taken forward through neighbourhood planning.			
<p>POLICY AP7:</p> <p>Any new housing should be built in accordance with Home Office standards, “Secured by Design” and “Safer Places”.</p>	<p>130. Planning policies and decisions should ensure that developments:</p> <p>...</p> <p>f) create places that are safe, inclusive and accessible and which promote health and well-being, with a high standard of amenity for existing and future users⁴⁹; and where crime and disorder, and the fear of crime, do not undermine the quality of life or community cohesion and resilience.</p>	Yes	Secured by design is still used in planning policies but the Policy could be updated.	<p>Yes.</p> <p>The Policy should be updated.</p>
<p>POLICY AP8:</p>	92. Planning policies and decisions should aim to achieve	Yes.	The Policy is largely consistent with the NPPF as it encourages	No.

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<p>Any new development should comply with the accepted standards applied by the local Planning and Highways Authorities and should strive to achieve a “five minute walkable neighbourhood”, encouraging the use of sustainable, active transport (walking and cycling).</p>	<p>healthy, inclusive and safe places which: ... c) enable and support healthy lifestyles, especially where this would address identified local health and well-being needs – for example through the provision of safe and accessible green infrastructure, sports facilities, local shops, access to healthier food, allotments and layouts that encourage walking and cycling.</p> <p>104. Transport issues should be considered from the earliest stages of plan-making and development proposals, so that: a) the potential impacts of development on transport networks can be addressed; b) opportunities from existing or proposed transport infrastructure, and changing transport technology and usage, are realised – for</p>		<p>developments to consider transport issues and to promote walking and cycling.</p>	<p>However the Policy could be updated and strengthened, for instance to refer to active travel and healthy lifestyles.</p>

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	<p>example in relation to the scale, location or density of development that can be accommodated;</p> <p>c) opportunities to promote walking, cycling and public transport use are identified and pursued;</p> <p>106. Planning policies should:</p> <p>d) provide for attractive and well-designed walking and cycling networks with supporting facilities such as secure cycle parking (drawing on Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans);</p>			
<p>POLICY AP9:</p> <p>For the period to 2029, we expect the following 3 sites identified to deliver the housing needs for Austrey: Hollybank Farm (A); Crisps Farm / Glebe Field (B); Applegarth / The Croft (C), along with</p>	<p>69. Small and medium sized sites can make an important contribution to meeting the housing requirement of an area, and are often built-out relatively quickly. To promote the development of a good mix of sites local planning authorities should:</p> <p>a) identify, through the development plan and</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>The NDP identifies several small sites for development and one larger site.</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>The site allocations been developed so this should be deleted. If the PC wish to include one or more new site allocations then a call for sites and technical site assessment followed by public consultation</p>

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any windfall sites as outlined in AP10.	brownfield registers, land to accommodate at least 10% of their housing requirement on sites no larger than one hectare; unless it can be shown, through the preparation of relevant plan policies, that there are strong reasons why this 10% target cannot be achieved; b) use tools such as area-wide design assessments and Local Development Orders to help bring small and medium sized sites forward; c) support the development of windfall sites through their policies and decisions – giving great weight to the benefits of using suitable sites within existing settlements for homes; and d) work with developers to encourage the sub-division of large sites where this could help to speed up the delivery of homes.			should be undertaken – see Table 1.

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	70. Neighbourhood planning groups should also give particular consideration to the opportunities for allocating small and medium-sized sites (of a size consistent with paragraph 69a) suitable for housing in their area.			
<p>POLICY AP10:</p> <p>It is accepted that there will be additional “windfall” development over the period of this Plan, but this will only be permitted where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> it relates to small scale development of usually no more than 10 houses within the Plan period <input type="checkbox"/> it helps businesses to create local employment without unacceptable adverse impact on the rural landscape 	71. Where an allowance is to be made for windfall sites as part of anticipated supply, there should be compelling evidence that they will provide a reliable source of supply. Any allowance should be realistic having regard to the strategic housing land availability assessment, historic windfall delivery rates and expected future trends. Plans should consider the case for setting out policies to resist inappropriate development of residential gardens, for example where development would cause harm to the local area.	Yes	The Policy refers to windfall sites and sets out local criteria for housing and other types of development.	<p>No.</p> <p>However the Policy could be reviewed and updated and refer to backland / infill development with local criteria.</p>

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<input type="checkbox"/> it is within easy walking distance of the village centre and key amenities <input type="checkbox"/> it relates to renewable energy projects or new transport links that have no unacceptable adverse impact on the landscape or residents <input type="checkbox"/> it meets the requirements of national and local building standards, and of this Plan				
<p>POLICY AP11:</p> <p>This plan welcomes housing development of a type, tenure and mix that reflect the findings of the 2013 Austrey Housing Needs Survey.</p>	<p>61. To determine the minimum number of homes needed, strategic policies should be informed by a local housing need assessment, conducted using the standard method in national planning guidance – unless exceptional circumstances justify an alternative approach which also reflects current and future demographic trends and market signals. In addition to the local</p>	<p>No.</p>	<p>The 2021 parish housing needs assessment should be used to inform a more up to date policy.</p>	<p>Yes.</p> <p>The Policy should be updated to refer to the findings of the 2021 survey or most up to date evidence.</p>

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	<p>housing need figure, any needs that cannot be met within neighbouring areas should also be taken into account in establishing the amount of housing to be planned for.</p> <p>62. Within this context, the size, type and tenure of housing needed for different groups in the community should be assessed and reflected in planning policies (including, but not limited to, those who require affordable housing, families with children, older people, students, people with disabilities, service families, travellers²⁷, people who rent their homes and people wishing to commission or build their own homes²⁸).</p>			
<p>POLICY AP12: Should planning permission expire before building work has commenced on any of</p>	<p>31. The preparation and review of all policies should be underpinned by relevant and up-to-date evidence. This should be adequate and proportionate, focused tightly</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>This Policy is not required. There should be a section in the NDP setting out timescales and processes for monitoring and review.</p>	<p>Yes. Delete Policy.</p>

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the Sites supported by this Plan, the Parish Council will review available alternatives at that time, re-visiting the criteria for selection and updating the Plan as necessary in order to ensure that Austrey provides the housing numbers required.	on supporting and justifying the policies concerned, and take into account relevant market signals.			

Table 3 – Local Plan Evidence and Other Sources

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<p>POLICY AP1:</p> <p>Existing hedgerows, ditches and mature trees in the Parish should be retained and enhanced where possible.</p>	<p>Relevant evidence includes:</p> <p>Historic Environment Assessment Austrey - Historic Environment Assessment Maps HERS, Historic Environment https://www.northwarks.gov.uk/downloads/file/5662/austrey - _historic_environment_assessment_maps</p> <p>North Warwickshire Landscape Character Assessment Report https://www.northwarks.gov.uk/downloads/file/7260/cd71_landscape_character_assessment_report</p> <p>Landscape Character Area 1: No Man's Heath to Warton – Lowlands</p> <p>See 4.27 'Hedges and ditches with great hairy willowherb, nettle, bittersweet and fools watercress bound the low lying fields at Austrey Meadows.'</p> <p>4.51 'Villages tend to occupy high sites overlooking their surrounding fields while parish boundaries frequently follow the intervening streams. In Warwickshire these include Seckington, Austrey, ...'</p>	<p>The Historic Environment maps include information on historic assets including ridge and furrow and a designed landscape to the west of the village.</p> <p>The Landscape Character Assessment Report provides more detail about local landscape character.</p>	<p>Yes.</p> <p>The supporting text and landscape policies should be informed by this technical evidence.</p>

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	<p>LCA1 Key characteristics include: ‘Small flat pastoral fields on lower land, associated with a number of small tributaries of the Anker River particularly notable at Austrey Meadows;’</p> <p>Landscape Character (key description);</p> <p>Visually open, mixed farmland located within a distinctive bowl landform. A series of ditches and small watercourses pass through the lower reaches and drain into the River Anker to the west. This is a well ordered agricultural landscape, with scattered farmsteads and nucleated hilltop villages (Austrey, Seckington, Newton Regis and Warton) each with prominent church spires.</p> <p>The villages include both traditional vernacular buildings and more recent development, connected by a network of minor roads and lanes typically bordered by wide grass verges, some with hedges. In the north some hedges contain bracken as a remnant of the former heaths in this area. A distinctly rural landscape, the only notable urban influence is the M42 motorway, which cuts centrally through the character area.</p> <p>There is little roadside planting</p>		

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	<p>associated with the motorway and therefore wide open views are possible across the rural landscape both from and towards it.</p> <p>In the lower lying areas alongside the watercourses, small, regular, often linear fields are used for grazing and are enclosed by low hedgerows.</p> <p>This is particularly notable at Austrey Meadows to the south of Austrey. On higher land, towards the distinctive low escarpments that contain the character area, the field pattern is less intact with larger, intensively managed arable fields. In places, particularly towards Orton-on-the-Hill (located within Hinckley and Bosworth Borough) agricultural intensification has resulted in wide open fields with few hedgerows.</p> <p>Remaining lines of hedgerow trees hint at the historical hedgerow pattern. Scattered small, regularly shaped game coverts and hedgerow trees provide little tree cover and the landscape is visually open, with panoramic views from the elevated fringes. From elevated locations within the character area distant hilltop masts and wooded ridgelines are visible but their influence on the character of the area is insignificant.</p>		

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<p>POLICY AP2:</p> <p>The playing fields on Newton Lane and the old cricket ground (see map on page 9) should continue to be used for recreational activities.</p> <p>The footpaths across Bishops Field and the field to the north east of Hollybank should continue to give access to the countryside and provide open views as long as there are other sites available which are considered more suitable for housing development.</p>	<p>PLAYING PITCH STRATEGY FULL ANALYSIS North Warwickshire Borough Council October 2017 Version: 2.0 Prepared by 4 global Consulting</p> <p>https://www.northwarks.gov.uk/downloads/file/7291/cd815a_playing_pitch_strategy_2017</p> <p>Findings include: P25 Austrey Playing Field</p> <p>This site should be protected as playing fields in the Local Plan. The site is used by several local adult football teams at peak times, as well as Tamworth Town Football Club's junior teams (U14 to U18) on a weekly basis. The Club has a 25-year lease for use of the site, which is during periods of high demand at its Home Ground in Staffordshire.</p> <p>There are drainage issues with the pitches, which is causing matches to be cancelled. It is recommended that artificial drainage be installed at this site to accommodate all community use. No further enhancement has been identified as being required as part of this study.</p>	<p>This should be further investigated with the BC.</p> <p>The NDP could possibly identify replacement playing fields or support appropriate investment in existing provision.</p>	<p>Possibly yes.</p> <p>Discuss implications of these reports with NWBC. (They may have been superseded by more recent actions.)</p>

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	<p>The site is located within the path of the proposed HS2 route. As part of the overall development scheme for the HS2, it is recommended that the pitches and associated facilities at this site be re-provided like-for like (or better) in terms of quality and quantity. No further provision has been identified as being required as part of this study.</p> <p>7.2 Overall recommendations:</p> <p>7.2.1 The following high level recommendations for the study area are summarised below;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to invest in the grass pitches across the study area, to improve the quality (reducing the amount of cancelled games during periods of poor weather) and to encourage greater community use of existing sites. The pitches of poorest quality are located at Austrey Playing Field (2 x adult football), ... Future investment should be prioritised to improve the quality and maintenance of these pitches; in addition to the reconfiguration and reallocation of pitch size and sports pitch types (for example, from poor quality to standard quality; from adult-sized to youth- 		

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	<p>sized; and from football and cricket pitches, to cricket only).</p> <p>NORTH WARWICKSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL: GREEN SPACE STRATEGY 2017-2031 FINAL REPORT OCTOBER 2017</p> <p>https://www.northwarks.gov.uk/downloads/file/7255/cd68_greenpace_strategy_2017</p> <p>6.5. In the west of the Borough, the key investment needs are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renovation of play areas at the following locations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Holly Bank, Austrey - Additional Amenity Greenspace in Austrey in the north of the Borough <p>6.6. There are a number of sites which contain outdoor pitches which are surplus to requirement. Consideration needs to be given to re-designation as public greenspace. Locations are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Austrey Playing Fields. <p>MEDIUM TERM ACTIONS A1</p>		

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	<p>Address qualitative shortfalls in Facilities for Children and Young People (e.g. installation of rubber crumb safer surfaces and more welcoming entrances)</p> <p>LONG TERM ACTIONS</p> <p>A6 Work towards meeting quantitative accessibility shortfalls in green space using developer contributions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Holly Bank, Austrey; <p>APPENDICES NORTH WARWICKSHIRE GREEN SPACE STRATEGY 14 APPENDIX 3: ACCESSIBILITY FINDINGS BY LOCAL COMMUNITY AREA</p> <p>NEWTON REGIS AND WARTON</p> <p>There is no provision of Public Parks and Gardens in Newton Regis, although this is balanced by access to excellent access to Natural and Semi Natural Greenspace, including accessible local countryside, and to green space facilities at Austrey Playing Fields and Warton Recreation Ground. Provision is excellent to Natural and Semi-Natural Greenspace. There is excellent</p>		

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	<p>access to the surrounding countryside, and Pooley Country Park is a short drive to the south west.</p> <p>Newton Regis has an excellent supply Amenity Greenspace, and Warton is served by sites at Waverton Avenue, two sites at Trinity Close, and one at Little Warton Road. There is a shortfall in Austrey. However, this could be offset by the re-designation of Austrey Playing Fields as greenspace given their unsuitability for retention for outdoor sport. In addition, the Playing Fields are only eight minutes' drive from the Polesworth/Dordon housing growth area. Play facilities are in excellent supply. There is allotment provision in Waverton Avenue in Warton.</p>		
<p>POLICY AP3: Any new development should ensure that the views of Austrey and the surrounding countryside, as shown on the map on page 11, are not compromised by such development.</p>	<p>None known.</p>	<p>None known.</p>	<p>Unknown.</p> <p>The PC could contact the community group Inspires to find out if the work to identify local views has been updated.</p> <p>A landscape and visual assessment of the village and parish could be commissioned although</p>

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			<p>this would have cost implications.</p> <p>Alternatively, if commissioned, Design Codes could consider and assess key public views.</p>
<p>POLICY AP4:</p> <p>Local farmers will be supported in their attempts to diversify, providing that such diversification respects the character and beauty of the countryside, and has no detrimental impact on others in the village.</p>	<p>None Known.</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>No.</p> <p>However the PC could include a survey of local businesses to find out if there are any local issues the NDP should address.</p>
<p>POLICY AP5:</p> <p>All new dwellings should comply with the “Building for Life 12” (BfL12, The Design Council) guidelines and the 16 design criteria making up the “Lifetime Home Standards” guidelines</p> <p>(Habitneg Housing Association, 2011)</p>	<p>None Known.</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>No but refer to Table 1 above and discuss with NWBC.</p>

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<p>POLICY AP6:</p> <p>Developers of any new housing in Austrey should first carry out a survey to assess the viability of using on-site sources of renewable energy, such as solar panels, and ensure that the new buildings are designed to be energy efficient.</p>	<p>Renewable and Low Carbon Energy Resource Assessment and Feasibility Study</p> <p>https://www.northwarks.gov.uk/downloads/file/7268/cd84_renewable_and_low_carbon_energy_resource_assessment_and_feasibility_study</p> <p>Includes various recommendations but is probably out of date and superseded by various IPCC reports – see https://www.ipcc.ch/ and UK Government reports eg Policy paper Net Zero Strategy: Build Back Greener https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/net-zero-strategy</p>		
<p>POLICY AP7:</p> <p>Any new housing should be built in accordance with Home Office standards, “Secured by Design” and “Safer Places”.</p>	<p>The NDP should refer to the most up to date guidance at https://www.securedbydesign.com/</p> <p>‘Safer places’ now refers to various schemes and initiatives.</p>	<p>Then Policy and supporting text should refer to the most up to date guidance used by NWBC.</p>	<p>Possibly Yes.</p> <p>Discuss with NWBC and Warwickshire Police.</p> <p>If commissioned, design codes could also look at this in terms of the local context.</p>
<p>POLICY AP8:</p> <p>Any new development should comply with the accepted standards</p>	<p>Warwickshire County Council Local Transport Plan (LPT)</p>	<p>The PC should refer to the latest LTP information and evidence in relation to strategies for</p>	<p>Yes.</p> <p>The Policy should be updated taking into</p>

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<p>applied by the local Planning and Highways Authorities and should strive to achieve a “five minute walkable neighbourhood”, encouraging the use of sustainable, active transport (walking and cycling).</p>	<p>LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN (LTP) KEY THEMES CONSULTATION ANALYSIS REPORT</p> <p>https://ask.warwickshire.gov.uk/insights-service/ltp-themes/results/localtransportplanltpkeythemes-reportfinal.pdf</p> <p>KEY MESSAGES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respondents expressed broad support for the inclusion of each of the four key themes presented - Environment, Economy, Place, and Wellbeing. • The environment theme emerged as being the theme that respondents supported most and when asked were more likely to prioritise over other themes, this was followed by the theme of wellbeing. • There was significant consistency in the issues raised by respondents, both between questions and across respondent groups. There was also considerable repetition in the main issues, challenges and solutions raised in response to different questions, with some clear areas emerging, both in addition to, and in relation to, the four main themes presented. These were: 	<p>encouraging active travel and promoting walking and cycling.</p>	<p>account the new LTP (as it emerges) and the greater emphasis on active and sustainable travel.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving active travel facilities for walking and cycling to support active lifestyles and contribute to improvements in the environment. • General improvements in/encouragement to use sustainable (public) transport • Planning to reduce the reliance on private cars and to enable electrification • Environmental concerns relating to road layout and traffic (e.g. congestion, air/noise pollution, climate change, loss of habitat, and green spaces) • Recognising the importance of transport on quality of life (particularly mental health and physical wellbeing) and for access to health and wellbeing services (e.g. doctors, medical centres) • Concerns around the pressures of housing developments and/or increasing populations on the existing road network(s) • The long-term impact(s) of the COVID-19 pandemic on transport and the existing transport network including changing travel patterns, home-working and an increase in online shopping 		
<p>POLICY AP9:</p> <p>For the period to 2029, we expect the following 3 sites identified to deliver the housing needs for Austrey: Hollybank Farm</p>	<p>N/A.</p> <p>However the latest 5 year land supply information from NWNC (see file:///C:/Users/Louise%20Kirkup/Downloads/NWBC32 Information Note on Housing Tr)</p>	N/A	<p>Yes.</p> <p>All sites have been developed so should not be carried forward in a modified plan.</p>

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(A); Crisps Farm / Glebe Field (B); Applegarth / The Croft (C), along with any windfall sites as outlined in AP10.	jectory and 5 Year Housing Supply.pdf Feb 2021) shows a 6.2 year supply and therefore there is less pressure at a strategic level to identify new sites for housing.		
<p>POLICY AP10:</p> <p>It is accepted that there will be additional “windfall” development over the period of this Plan, but this will only be permitted where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> it relates to small scale development of usually no more than 10 houses within the Plan period <input type="checkbox"/> it helps businesses to create local employment without unacceptable adverse impact on the rural landscape <input type="checkbox"/> it is within easy walking distance of the village centre and key amenities <input type="checkbox"/> it relates to renewable energy projects or new transport links that have no unacceptable adverse 	<p>N/A</p> <p>This is a general policy with local criteria and a revised / updated policy should be informed by consultation processes.</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>No.</p>

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			Yes/No/ Possibly
impact on the landscape or residents <input type="checkbox"/> it meets the requirements of national and local building standards, and of this Plan			
POLICY AP11: This plan welcomes housing development of a type, tenure and mix that reflect the findings of the 2013 Austrey Housing Needs Survey.	Updated Assessment of Housing Need: Coventry-Warwickshire HMA September 2015 https://www.northwarks.gov.uk/downloads/file/7275/cd810_strategic_housing_assessment_update	This could be referred to but is rather out of date and the local, parish housing needs survey would provide evidence at a more detailed, parish level.	No However if a new SHMA is commissioned then the findings should be considered.
POLICY AP12: Should planning permission expire before building work has commenced on any of the Sites supported by this Plan, the Parish Council will review available alternatives at that time, re-visiting the criteria for selection and updating the Plan as necessary in order to ensure that Austrey provides the housing numbers required.	N/A	N/A	N/A

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General	Refer also to: https://www.northwarks.gov.uk/downloads/20002/planning	There are a range of documents providing background evidence for the new Local Plan.	Possibly, as work on the NDP review is progressed.

3.0 Conclusions and Recommendations

- 3.1 The Made Austrey NDP includes a number of policies which have been superseded by policies in the new Local Plan and national planning policies, and which would be considered out of date as they have not been informed by the most up to date evidence available.
- 3.2 On this basis it is appropriate and timely to undertake a Review of the NDP.
- 3.3 It is recommended that the way forward includes the following:
1. Consideration of the existing policies in the made NDP in relation to the above tables and a discussion at the Parish Council level about the possible extent and scope of a review process (see paragraph 1.4 above).
 2. Inviting interest from Parish Councillors, local residents and other stakeholders to establish a Steering Group or Sub Committee to oversee the Review of the NDP.
 3. Applying to Locality for further funding and technical support to progress the NDP (provided such support continues into the next financial year).
 4. If the Parish Council decides to consider the inclusion of site allocations for new housing in the NDP then a Call for Sites and Technical Site Assessment should be undertaken to inform decisions about sites. Those sites considered suitable or suitable subject to constraints being overcome could be published for public consultation.
 5. Design Codes could also be commissioned to inform detailed policies on design taking into account local context and character and sustainable design.
 6. Other research could include a wildlife / biodiversity survey and a landscape and visual impact assessment.
- 3.4 Kirkwells would be happy to assist the Parish Council with an NDP Review and could provide a detailed fee proposal / support package on request.
- 3.5 In the meantime Louise Kirkup will remain your key point of contact so please get in touch if you have any questions or wish to discuss anything in more detail.

Appendix 1 – Useful Links to Other NDPs and NDP Reviews

The following links may be helpful:

Willoughby NDP, Rugby BC

<https://www.willoughbyparishcouncil.org/neighbourhood-plan>

Kirkwells supported the Parish Council with the first, Made NDP. The Parish Council decided to undertake a Review and modified the Plan in October 2021 with the support of the Borough Council and Kirkwells.

The Review comprised minor (non-material modifications) of references to the most recent version of the NPPF and other supporting documents and the Modified Plan was subsequently adopted by Rugby Borough Council.

Kilsby NDP, West Northamptonshire BC

http://www.kilsbyvillage.co.uk/Neighbourhood_Development_Plan_Review_2021_40107.asp
[X](#)

Kirkwells supported the Parish Council with the first, Made NDP and the Review process.

The Modified Plan will shortly proceed to Examination Stage. The Review process included an updated Parish Housing Needs Survey and commissioning Design Codes and took account of the adopted Local Plan, a recently adopted Conservation Area, and the most recent version of the NPPF.

It is considered that the Review comprises material modifications which do not change the nature of the plan and so it is anticipated that following the Examination the amended NDP will be made by the Borough Council and will not require a Referendum. However, the Examiner will consider this as part of the examination and recommend accordingly.

Chaddesley Corbett NDP, Wyre Forest DC

<https://www.chaddesleyparishcouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan-review/#top>

Kirkwells supported the Parish Council with the first, Made NDP and the Review process.

The Modified Plan is currently at Regulation 14 consultation stage. The Review is considered to comprise material modifications which do change the nature of the plan and is likely to require an examination and referendum. The Review process has been lengthy and complex and has been informed by the following:

- A parish housing needs survey,
- A call for sites and site assessment process, informal consultation on submitted sites, and viability testing,
- Design Codes,
- The Local Plan Review, and
- The most recent NPPF.

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