



Neighbourhood Plan
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6A. HOUSING

TO PROVIDE HOUSING WHICH MEETS THE NEEDS OF THE DIVERSE AND GROWING COMMUNITY AND TO INFLUENCE THE LOCATION, SCALE, DESIGN AND TYPE OF NEW HOUSING TO ENSURE THAT IT FITS WITH THE DISTINCTIVE CHARACTER OF WOOTTON'S BUILT HERITAGES AND MEETS IDENTIFIED LOCAL HOUSING NEEDS.

POLICY W1

New Residential Development

The Neighbourhood Plan defines the Wootton Settlement Policy Area boundary, as shown on the Policies Map, to shape the physical growth of the village over the plan period.

There is a presumption in favour of sustainable development within the settlement boundary, subject to development complying with the provisions of this plan and the development plan.

Development proposals within the village should demonstrate that each of the following design principles are met as and where applicable:

- (a) the scale, form and character of the existing settlement is maintained;
- (b) new development shall be of a scale to complement the traditional character and historic core of the village;
- (c) new proposals are sympathetic to the significance of heritage assets, including the conservation area, listed buildings and non-designated heritage assets including ridge and furrow earthworks;
- (d) not affecting open land which is of particular significance to the form and character of the village;
- (e) buildings should be no more than two storeys high unless supported by a defined need;
- (f) landscaping and boundary treatments should use native species and, where practical and possible retain mature trees. However, where this is not possible, non-native species which are beneficial for wildlife will be acceptable alternatives;
- (g) protect residents' amenity from any noise, light or other pollution; and
- (h) existing local habitats and wildlife corridors should be protected and enhanced, and new ones created where practical and possible.

POLICY W2

Housing Delivery

Provision will be made over the plan period for up to 145 homes as proposed within site specific policies W3 to W7.

Development in excess of this figure will only be permitted where the proposal relates to a site within the SPA in accordance with Policy W1.