

Shropshire Local Plan Review

Consultation on Preferred Sites

November 2018 to January 2019

Overview



- Why are we doing a Local Plan Review?
- Timeframes and review process
- Proposed strategy for Shropshire
- Scope of current consultation
- Overview of evidence base documents
- Cross-subsidy policy
- Proposed development strategy for Ellesmere
- Community Clusters
- Strategic Sites
- What happens next?

Why a Local Plan Review?



- Current Local Plan (Core Strategy & SAMDev Plan) provides growth to 2026, the Local Plan review will extend this to 2036
- Review is a statutory duty
- Conform with national planning policy
- Maintain a five year housing land supply & help retain local management of planning decisions

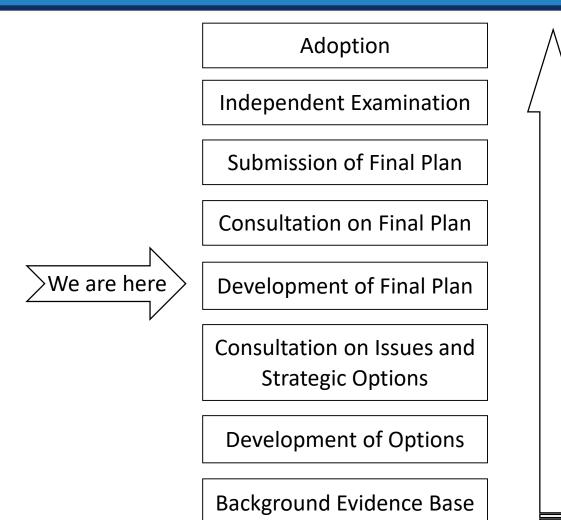
Timeframe



- Currently in the Pre-Submission consultation stages (January 2017 – October 2019)
- 'Final Plan' expected late 2019
- Independent Examination expected during 2020
- Adoption expected early 2021

Review Process





Proposed Growth - Shropshire



Key Proposals (Consulted on in October - December 2017):

- Housing growth of 28,750 dwellings (average delivery rate of 1,430 per year)
- Existing housing completions, commitments and allocations amount to around 18,500 dwellings, so the net additional housing now required is around 10,250 dwellings
- Balanced employment growth to deliver around 300 hectares of employment (around 223 hectares already committed)
- 'Urban Focused' distribution of development

Proposed Growth - Shropshire



- An 'Urban Focused' distribution of development:
 - Shrewsbury around 30%
 - Principal Centres around 24.5%
 - Key Centres around 18%
 - Rural Areas around 27.5%
- Development at strategic sites such as Ironbridge Power Station and Clive Barracks, and potential new Garden Village settlements in strategic locations

Scope of Current Consultation



- Preferred hierarchy of settlements:
 - Shrewsbury
 - Principal Centres
 - Key Centres
 - Community Hubs
 - Community Clusters
- Preferred development guidelines and proposed development boundaries for Shrewsbury, Principal and Key Centres and each proposed Community Hub
- Preferred sites to deliver the preferred scale and distribution of housing and employment growth during the period to 2036
- Outlines a housing policy direction to improve the delivery of local affordable housing needs (cross-subsidy)

Evidence Base Documents



Including:

- Full Objectively Assessed Housing Need (FOAHN)
- Strategic Land Availability Assessment (SLAA)
- Site Assessments
- Hierarchy of Settlements
- Productivity Growth Forecast
- Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment
- Greenbelt Assessment / Review
- Strategic Flood Risk Assessment

Cross-Subsidy Exception Sites



- Delivering affordable housing is challenged by:
 - Land availability
 - Funding / economics of development
 - Public perception
 - Willingness of landowner
- Cross-subsidy is a mechanism to deliver more affordable housing, by allowing an element of low cost or open market

Cross Subsidy Policy Options:

- Bespoke site by site assessments;
- Set percentages based on county-wide viability report

Ellesmere – Preferred Strategy



Residential Requirements	Number of Dwellings
Preferred dwelling guideline 2016-2036	800
Dwellings completed in 2016-17	38
Dwellings committed as at 31st March 2017	602
Remaining dwelling requirement to be identified	160
Dwellings to be allocated	160
Balance/Windfall allowance*	0

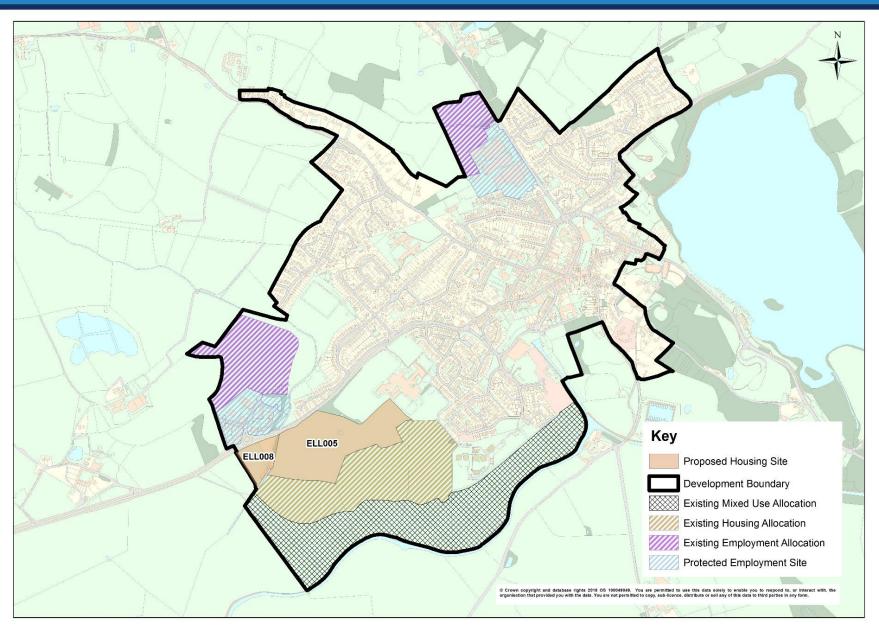
^{*}Local Plan policies will allow flexibility for appropriate windfall, rural exception and cross-subsidy development.

Employment Requirements	Number of Hectares
Preferred employment guideline 2016-2036	8
Commitments and allocations as at 31st March 2017	9
Employment land shortfall	0
Employment land to be allocated	0
Balance/Windfall allowance*	0

^{*}Local Plan policies will allow flexibility for appropriate windfall development.

Ellesmere – Preferred Strategy





Ellesmere – Preferred Strategy Shropshire



Site Ref	Site Location	Site Area (Ha)	Approx Capacity	Site Guideline Summary
ELL005	Land South of Oswestry Road, Ellesmere	7.00	150 dwellings	 Comprehensive masterplan across both sites and integrated into current allocation to the south. Access to proposed allocations and current allocation to the south should be complementary/integrated.
				Pedestrian crossing over the A495.
				•High quality open space, exceeding minimum standards
ELL008	Land at the Nursery, Oswestry Road, Ellesmere	1.33	10 dwellings	and contributing to creation of a wider circular walk.
				•Environmental buffer (minimum 10m) of Newnes Brook.
				•Investigate/implement de-culverting of Newnes Brook.
				•Retain and enhance tree cover.
				•Residential development limited to parts of the site outside flood zones 2 and/or 3 and the 1,000 year surface flood risk zone.
				•Relevant supporting studies (including HRA) undertaken and recommendations implemented.

Community Clusters



- Community Clusters proposed in the Ellesmere Place Plan Area are as follows:
 - Welsh Frankton, Dudleston Heath and Elson
- Settlements can continue to opt-in or opt-out as Community Clusters
- Development within Community Clusters will be managed through a criteria based policy
- A draft of this policy was consulted upon in October - December 2017

Strategic Sites



- In addition to planned growth in existing towns, several new planned settlements have been proposed as part of the Local Plan Review at:
 - Ironbridge Power Station
 - Clive Barracks, Tern Hill
 - North of RAF Cosford at M54 junction 3
- Potential to deliver additional strategic employment and housing growth as planned communities or 'Garden Villages', including e.g. new health and education infrastructure
- Separate consultation on these proposals in late Spring 2019

Consultation



- Cabinet agreed the document for consultation on 7th November 2018
- Consultation to run between 29th November 2018 and 31st
 January 2019
- SALC Meetings and Place Plan Area meetings
- Full consultation document and Place Plan Area specific subquestionnaires available on the Shropshire Council website
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https://shropshire.gov.uk/get-involved/local-plan-review-preferred-sites-consultation/

What happens next?



- Consultation on 'strategic sites' (e.g. Ironbridge Power Station) late Spring 2019;
- Formal consultation on full draft late 2019;
- Outstanding objections will be considered by an independent planning inspector as part of the formal 'Examination' of the Plan during 2020