

Hazelbury Bryan Neighbourhood Plan Submission Regulation 16 Consultation North Dorset District Council Response

North Dorset District Council (NDDC) welcomes receipt of the submission version of the Hazelbury Bryan Neighbourhood Plan. The Council is aware of the various consultation events held within the local community to identify issues and draw conclusions etc and in this context seeks to provide constructive comments on the finalisation of the Plan.

For ease of reference, comments are set out according to the policies of the submission version of the neighbourhood plan. Some comments may cover more than one topic and should be seen in this context. The comments made in this response should not be seen as exhaustive and the officers continue to encourage an on-going dialogue with the Neighbourhood Plan Group and the Qualifying Body.

General Comments:

The submission version of the Plan appropriately seeks to deal with issues of a local nature including the built and natural environment, the local economy and proposed allocations to meet local housing needs.

Detailed Comments:

Paragraph 7.51 and Figure 11

Paragraph 7.51 of the plan reads as follows:

'The settlement boundaries have not been amended to accommodate the greenfield site-specific allocations, as the exact settlement boundary is better established once the developments are built-out (and can be done at the next review of this Plan or through the Local Plan Review).'

However, Figure 11 (Proposed Housing Sites and Existing Employment Site) in the plan includes the sites allocated for housing within the settlement boundaries. Consequently, it is considered that paragraph 7.51 of the plan should be deleted.

Policy HB15. Meeting Housing Needs – Amount and Location of New Dwellings

This policy states that 'Provision is made for up to 52 dwellings to be built in Hazelbury Bryan between 2018 and 2031...'. The policy goes on to detail that at May 2018 a total of 30 dwellings had been consented planning permission within the neighbourhood plan area. Furthermore, the policy allocates sites for up to 26 dwellings.

Consequently, the wording of the first line of the policy should be amended so that it reads 'Provision is made for up to 56 dwellings to be built in Hazelbury Bryan between 2018 and 2031...'.