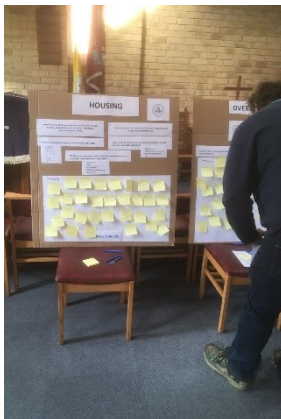


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CONSULTATION STATEMENT

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1. Introduction

1.1 This consultation statement has been produced to accompany the Submission Draft of the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan (NP). The consultation statement is required under Regulation 15 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended) to include information on the following:

1. Details of the people and bodies who were consulted about the proposed NP
2. An explanation of how they were consulted
3. A summary of the main issues and concerns raised by the people consulted
4. A description of how these issues and concerns have been considered and, where relevant, addressed in the proposed NP

1.2 The consultation activity undertaken for the Long Stratton NP can be broken down into four key stages as follows:

NP Stage	Time
Inception	2016 to May 2017
Initial plan development	May 2017 to December 2018
Advanced plan development	January 2019 to September 2019
Regulation 14 pre-submission consultation	Saturday 12 th October 2019 until Saturday 7 th December 2019

1.3 This consultation statement provides an overview of the activity which took place at each of these stages.

1.4 Long Stratton Town Council first decided to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan in 2016, the same year in which the Long Stratton Area Action Plan was adopted by South Norfolk Council (SNC). In January 2016, the Long Stratton Parish Clerk wrote to the Tharston and Hapton Parish Council to seek their input on a proposed boundary for the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan which, as with the Area Action Plan area, would include Tharston and Hapton Industrial Estate, continue up to Chequers Road, right at Swan Lane and north over the fields to join the parish boundary (with Long Stratton) at Brands Lane. The proposed NP boundary was agreed by Tharston and Hapton Parish Council at a meeting of the extra-ordinary meeting held on 30 March 2016.

1.5 Long Stratton Parish Council then wrote to South Norfolk Council on 11th April 2016 to seek the designation of the Neighbourhood Plan Area. On 8 June 2016, SNC wrote to Long Stratton Parish Council confirming the designation of the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan area.

1.6 In preparing the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan the Steering Group has endeavoured to keep residents and other stakeholders informed of the plan making process. Early on in the process, a separate website

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www.longstrattonneighbourhoodplan.org.uk was set up to host the Neighbourhood Plan event calendar, consultation survey results, the draft versions of the Neighbourhood Plan as the document evolved as well as the Regulation 14 version draft of the Neighbourhood Plan. Later in September 2018 a new Neighbourhood Plan website was created for the committee. This was due to the ease of use of the new one and a shorter more memorable address compared to the older one. The website address is www.lsnp.info

1.7 Event details and Neighbourhood Plan updates have been advertised in the local parish magazine 'The Sexton's Wheel' which is delivered free to all households monthly and the committee have kept the Long Stratton Town Council updated at monthly meetings.

1.8 Once the process of producing a Neighbourhood Plan was underway, the committee hosted village wide open days for the purpose of informing the community about progress as well as seeking input from the wider community on the emerging plan. Altogether there has been eleven open days/events held in various places including the South Norfolk Show, the Stratton Village May Day event, fetes, the Village Hall, the Methodist Church, St Mary's C of E Junior Academy, the Co-op and the Leisure Centre. There have also been workshops held for the year 7's and 9's at Long Stratton High School on two separate occasions.

1.9 The Neighbourhood Plan steering group committee have also maintained regular contact with key stakeholders throughout the process in particular the planning officers at South Norfolk Council. These are: Norfolk County Council, the Local Lead Flood Authority, the developers Norfolk Homes Ltd/Norfolk Land Ltd and Richard Bacon MP.

1.10 This document refers to Long Stratton as a parish council and later as a town council. The reason for this is because as part of the Parish Boundary review carried out by South Norfolk Council which commenced 2nd May 2019, it was resolved that Long Stratton Parish Council would become Long Stratton Town Council. This was to reflect the anticipated growth Long Stratton would experience with the 1800+ proposed housing development and the increase in councillor position from 11 to 13.

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2. Inception Stage Date – 2016 to May 2017

2.1 The decision to produce a Neighbourhood Plan for Long Stratton goes back to 2016 when the then Parish Council of Long Stratton set up a Neighbourhood Plan steering group jointly with Tharston and Hapton Parish Council. Long Stratton Parish Council was to be the lead council comprising a group of three Long Stratton Parish Councillors, three Long Stratton residents, and two Tharston and Hapton Parish Councillors. Each of the Long Stratton members were given responsibility for leading on specific topics and each Tharston and Hapton member was given responsibility to represent the parish of Tharston and Hapton on issues that affected their part of the plan area. The boundary line of the Neighbourhood Plan was to be exactly the same as the area contained in the SNC Long Stratton Area Action Plan.

2.2 In the spring of 2017, the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group announced a first stage of public consultation on the Neighbourhood Plan. An A5 sized leaflet ([see appendix No.2](#)) providing information on the Neighbourhood Plan was distributed to all households including a map showing the designated Neighbourhood Plan boundary. An A5 sized survey form ([see appendix No.3](#)) was included seeking people's views on what three things they liked about living in the plan area, what three things they least liked about living in the plan area and what three things should be done to improve the plan area.

2.3 In order to help the NP steering group understand how representative responses were, respondents were also asked to include information with regards age bracket, how long they have lived in the area and in which part of the plan area they lived.

2.4 Respondents were given the option of completing the form online (using survey monkey) or completing a paper form.

Table 2.1 - Consultation No. 2.1 - Leaflet drop with questionnaire, survey monkey questionnaire and Neighbourhood Plan launch events

Purpose:

A Neighbourhood Plan awareness raising consultation and launch event
To understand priority concerns shared by the community at large

Location and date:

Consultation ran from 22nd March to 20th April 2017. Three drop in events held during the evening on Wednesday 22nd March, Thursday 23rd March in the Village Hall and during the daytime on Saturday 25th March at the Methodist Church

Survey monkey data was collected between March 2017 and August 2017

Consultees:

Residents and stakeholders in the plan area
County Councillors and developers also attended the drop in events

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Table 2.1 - Consultation No. 2.1 - Leaflet drop with questionnaire, survey monkey questionnaire and Neighbourhood Plan launch events

A map of the Neighbourhood Plan area was on display and people were asked to place a red dot on the road that they live on

Publicity:

An article published in the Sexton's Wheel in March 2017 which was distributed to all householders in the plan area. Posters advertising the event ([see appendix No.1](#)) were put up in the local shops, post office, library etc. Leaflet drop .

Preparation:

Steering group meetings, preparation of questionnaires and leaflets, setting up survey monkey

Event details:

General information on what a Neighbourhood Plan is
General information on the Area Action Plan
Why a Neighbourhood Plan for Long Stratton
Examples of other Neighbourhood Plans on hand

Map based activity. Asking people to mark on the map things of special interest to them.
Or What makes Long Stratton special?

Main issues raised:

Along with the questionnaires that were completed people also wrote on post it notes.
(See www.lsnp.info for all responses)



Preparations for the consultation in March 2017



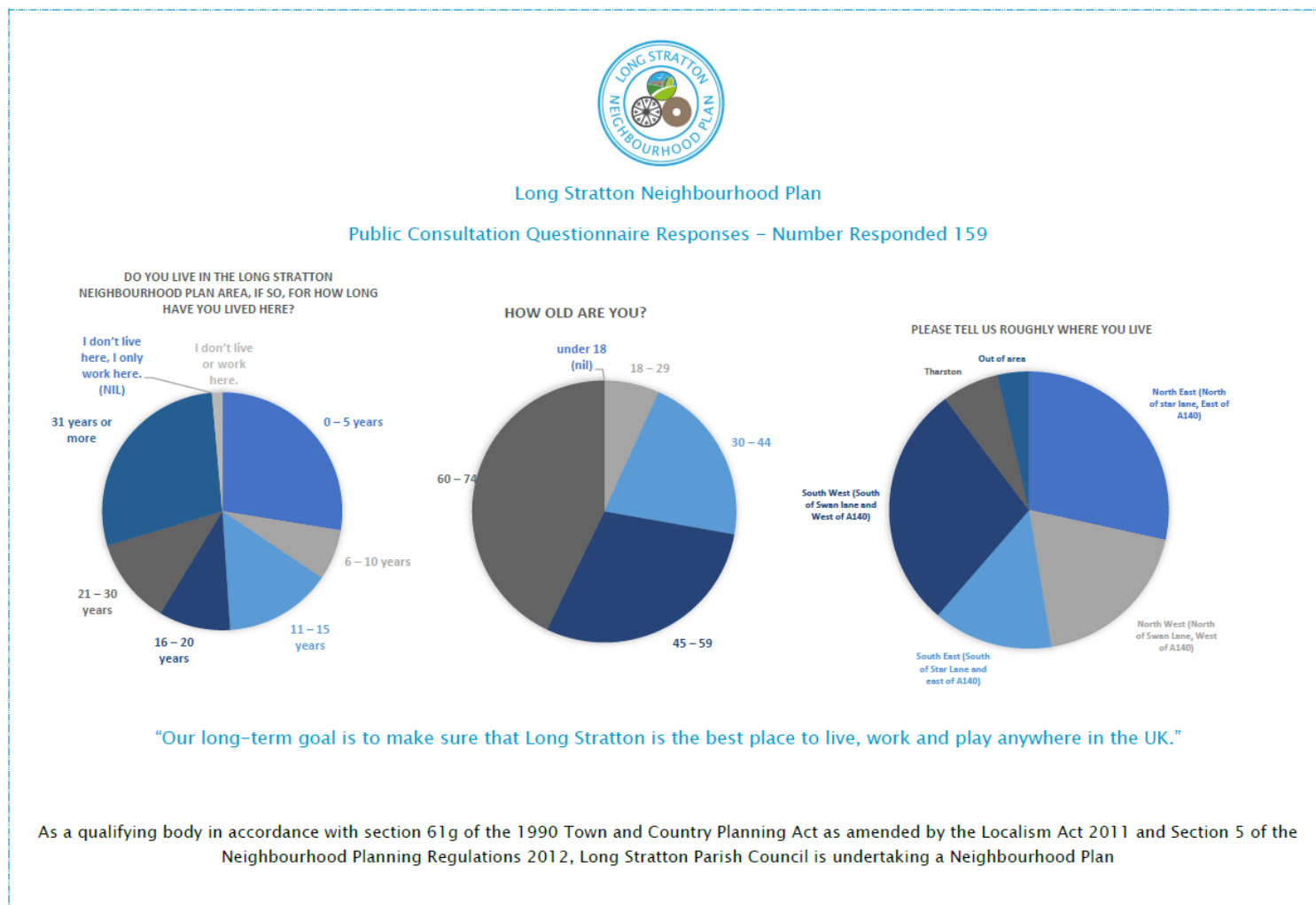
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2.5 By the end of the initial consultation period, a total of 159 returns had been received. They were received from a variety of age groups, living in different parts of the plan area and who had lived in the plan area for different lengths of time (see Figure 2.1).

2.6 The initial deadline for completing forms was 20th April 2017 but this was subsequently extended to allow for more returns. By the end of August 2017, a total of 251 replies had been received (see Figure 2.2).

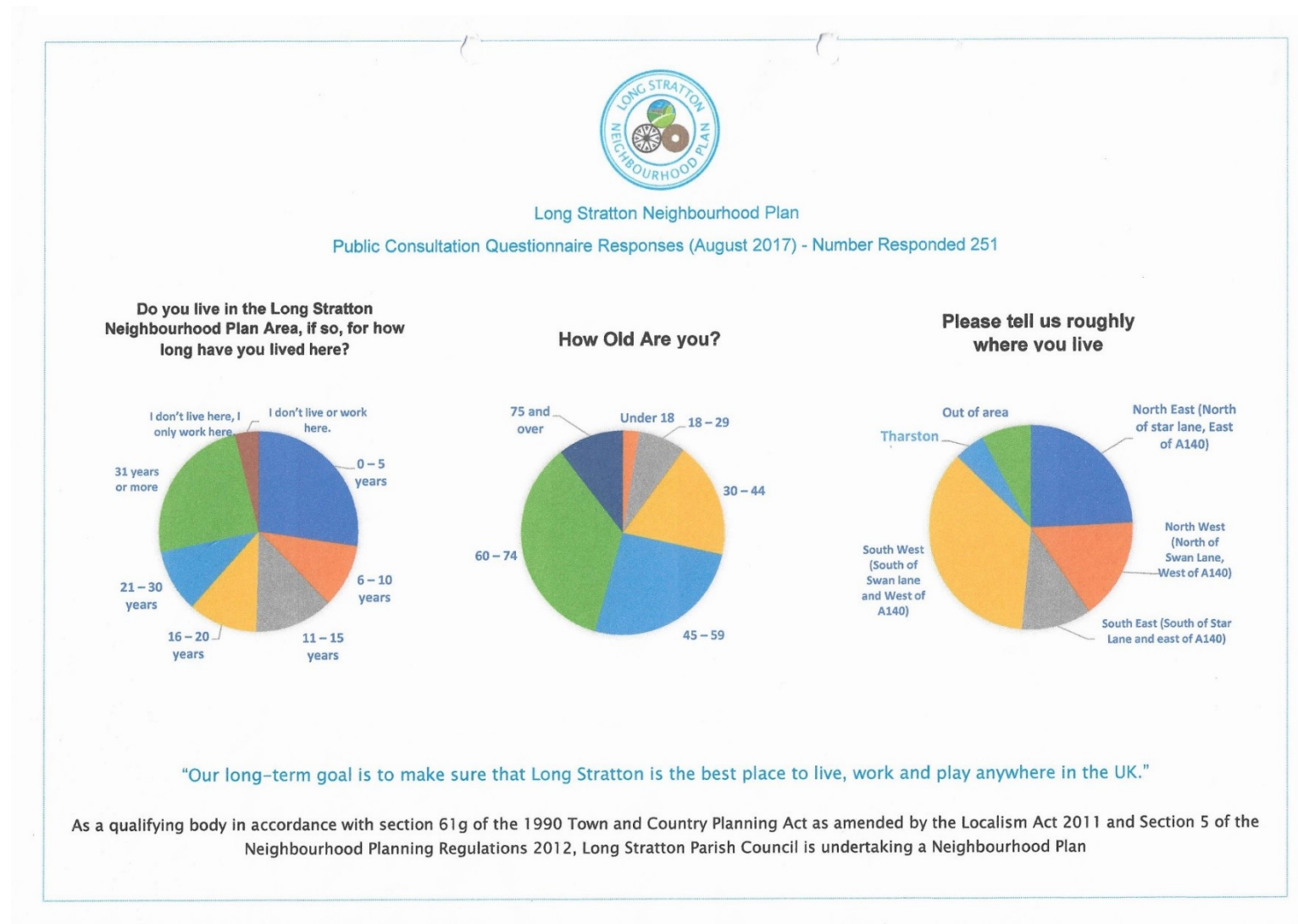
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Figure 2.1 The representation of online survey monkey forms received during early community engagement (May 2017)



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Figure 2.2 The representation of online survey monkey forms received during early community engagement (August 2017)



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The feedback from the initial consultations is summarised here:

(See www.lsnp.info for all responses)

THINGS YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT LONG STRATTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN AREA ...

Good Schools
Frequent Bus Service
Good selection of shops
Library
Close to countryside
Quiet
Friendly people/Neighbourhood feel
Facilities
Low crime/Safety
Village feel
Leisure Centre
Proximity to Norwich/Diss and location for London and other towns as well as the coast
Post Office
Sense of community
Free parking
Good medical facilities
Vets
Green spaces
Old buildings with character
Allotments
Affordability of property
Independent traders
Employment opportunities

**THINGS YOU LIKE LEAST ABOUT
LONG STRATTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN AREA ...**

A140
Traffic
Noise
Lack of parking
Dog fouling
Lack of swimming pool
No cinema
Crossing the roads
Litter/Flytipping/Dirty footpaths and maintenance of
No Bank/Pub/Variety and type of shops
Lack of Leisure Facilities/School Capacity/ Job and prospects
Poor evening bus service (including cost)/Public transport
Lack of sports facilities (excluding football)
Overstretched Doctors
Vandalism
No community centre or community focus
More housing development
Speeding traffic and misuse of roads
Poor broadband and mobile signal

**THINGS YOU WOULD IMPROVE IN
LONG STRATTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN AREA ...**

Bypass
Community Centre
Hempnall Crossroads
Better public transport/improved evening bus service
A140
Village Hall
Open spaces
Sports clubhouse/Leisure Centre/improved sports facilities
Affordable and social housing
Schools and 6th Form
Cinema
Bank
More sports grounds
Doctors
Swimming pool
Better pedestrian links in village/Pelican crossings/Improved pavements/cycle paths
More car parking
Youth centre and facilities
More policing/Reduce anti-social behaviour
McDonalds
Better pub
More variety of shops and facilities
Bowling alley

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3. Initial Plan Development Stage May 2017 to December 2018

3.1 The NP steering group were involved in other engagement activities during the early plan development stage. This included:

- A Neighbourhood Plan stand at the Stratton Village 2017 May Day event
- A Neighbourhood Plan early consultation feedback stand at the South Norfolk Show on 2nd July 2017
- A stand in the foyer of the Co-op in Long Stratton
- A presence and display at St Michael's Summer Fete 2017
- A presence and display at the Mayfields Summer Fete 2017

3.2 Updates on Neighbourhood Plan activity were issued via the community newsletter the Sexton's Wheel.

3.3 Along with an analysis of the existing planning policy context and a review of existing evidence including demographic data as reported in the Long Stratton Socio-Economic and Demographic Review of the plan area¹, the results of the early community engagement work provided a good basis for the identification of priority themes and objectives for the Neighbourhood Plan to address, together with a first draft of the NP vision. The NP Steering Group met on 26th May 2017, together with a NP consultant to reach a consensus on what the NP must address, what it could not address and what it could address.

The following was identified:

Table 3.1 - Scoping the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan
The Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan must
Address housing choice and seek to ensure new housing is suitable for meeting existing needs as well as needs of future residents
Be focused on retaining those characteristics that make Long Stratton special. This includes its rural feel "A busy town with a rural feel"
Include planning policies on employment
Plan for successful integration of new communities with existing communities
Highlights existing shortages in community infrastructure
Look at improving accessibility to and from shops and services in the town centre
Provide more detail than the LSAAP in terms of a vision for the town centre once the by-pass has come forward
The Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan can't
Reduce the amount of housing allocated to it through the LSAAP
Address dog fouling
Challenge strategic policy or allocations set in the LSAAP
Do anything more in terms of delivery of the by-pass as the policy context for this is already established

¹ Demographic Socio-Economic Review of Long Stratton, Cambridgeshire ACRE 2017

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Table 3.1 - Scoping the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan
Stop development that has existing planning consent
The Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan could
Explore ways of providing appropriate policy context that could help in ensuring infrastructure (doctors, bus services etc) are delivered in a timely manner alongside housing growth

3.4 This exercise led to the identification of evidence gaps that needed to be filled in order to progress the plan further:

- Evidence on existing housing needs in the parish
- Further understanding via community engagement as to what physical features and characteristics the community cherished
- Further work with the community with the support of masterplanners to identify a vision for the 'town-centre' following the delivery of the Long Stratton by-pass

3.5 Long Stratton Parish Council were subsequently successful in securing direct support via the Locality from AECOM for the preparation of the Long Stratton Town Centre Masterplan and a housing needs assessment also to be delivered by AECOM.

3.6 Both reports were completed by AECOM by January 2018 and subsequently published on the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan website.

Community Consultation on the proposed NP Vision, themes and objectives, Long Stratton Town Centre Masterplan report and the Long Stratton Housing Needs Assessment

3.7 The early version of the themes and objectives was made available to view on the Neighbourhood Plan website.

3.8 In late April 2018 a leaflet was produced which was delivered to all the residents in the Neighbourhood Plan area. The leaflet gave an insight into the Long Stratton Masterplanning Report produced for the NP by AECOM in 2018 (available to view on the NP website) and a questionnaire was produced regarding types of housing needed, features of local importance residents would like to see protected, types of employment opportunities needed, the possibility of a market place, any other town centre ideas (i.e. trees, vegetation, seating away from the A140, cycle routes), the need for more recreation provision, other infrastructure requirements and the importance of street lighting in the new development. Residents were asked to fill in the questionnaires either online or by completing the paper copy and dropping it off at either the Library, the Parish office, The Butchers House or Bekays by Friday 18th May 2018.

3.9 Throughout the period April 2018 to November 2018, a number of different consultation events and activities (listed on table 3.2) were held in order to continue to raise the awareness of neighbourhood planning work, to seek feedback on the draft vision, themes, and objectives for the NP and to develop an improved understanding from the

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wider community with regard to priorities for the town centre, community facilities, outdoor recreation, housing and other issues.



Display boards at June 2018 public consultation



3.10 A letter and a questionnaire was sent out to the businesses in the Neighbourhood Plan area in June 2018, although only a small percentage (14%) replied.

3.11 Details of the individual events/activities are set out in Tables 3.3 to 3.10.

Table 3.2 - List of consultation events at Initial Plan Development Stage

Consultation Number	Description
3.1	April 2018 householder leaflet (see appendix No.5) followed by April 2018 general community drop in events held at St. Marys C of E Junior Academy
3.2	April 2018 Long Stratton High School lunchtime consultation
3.3	May 2018 Long Stratton High School class sessions
	June 2018 Letter and questionnaire (see appendix No.7) mailout to businesses in the plan area
3.4	June 2018 Public Consultation held at St Marys C of E Junior Academy
3.5	August 2018 Public Consultation in Co-op foyer
3.6	September 2018 Annual Bake-Off public consultation
3.7	October 2018 Long Stratton High School class sessions
3.8	November 2018 Online survey monkey using the same questions that had been made available at the earlier events

3.12 By October 2018, the NP steering group had received 58 completed questionnaires, 181 comments via post it notes on the boards (during the consultation workshop days) and 141 worksheets from the high school.

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3.13 On Friday 23rd November 2018 the questionnaire was made available online using survey monkey (see consultation number 3.8 below and listed in Table 3.2 above). This was advertised on the Parish Councils website, the Neighbourhood Plans website and Facebook. An overall design questionnaire was also created at the same time (see consultation number 3.8). This was to explore to what extent and how the NP should be influencing design of development. The questions asked related to types of housing, car parking, green spaces, lighting, particular design features and the importance of in keeping with the current look of Long Stratton.

Table 3.3 - Consultation No. 3.1 - Drop in event on the NP vision, themes and objectives and emerging evidence base in April 2018	
Purpose:	
To engage the community on the themes and objectives drafted, along with the vision for the Neighbourhood Plan To raise awareness and consult on the Long Stratton Town Centre Masterplanning Report produced by AECOM and the Long Stratton Housing Needs Assessment	
Location and date:	
St Mary's C of E Junior Academy, Swan Lane, Long Stratton Friday 27 th April 2018 4.30pm until 9.00pm Saturday 28 th April 2018 10.00am until 4.00pm Sunday 29 th April 2018 10.00am until 4.00pm	
Consultees:	
Poorly attended over all the days 15 questionnaires returned after the event (The following data was collected from the questionnaires only)	
How long lived in the NP area?	How old are you?
0-5 years = 3	Under 18 = 1
6-10 years = 2	18-29 = 1
11-15 years = 5	30-44 = 2
16-20 years = 0	45-59 = 3
21-30 years = 1	60-74 = 7
31 + = 1	75 plus = 0
Roughly where do you live?	
North East (north of Star Lane, east of A140) = 2 North West (north of Swan Lane, west of A140) = 4 South East (south of Star Lane and east of A140) = 1 South West (south of Swan Lane and west of A140) = 7 Tharston = 0 Out of area = 0	
Publicity:	
Advertised on Long Stratton Parish Councils website, advertised on Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plans website, posters displayed around the village (see appendix No.4)	

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Table 3.3 - Consultation No. 3.1 - Drop in event on the NP vision, themes and objectives and emerging evidence base in April 2018

Preparation:

Steering group meetings, preparation of boards and questionnaires, leaflet printing
display photos/pictures printing

Event details:

Drop In session
All themes and objectives displayed with space for comments
Neighbourhood Plan Vision displayed with space for comments
Maps on the central table
Questionnaires at the event and left in Bekays, The Butchers, library and the Parish Council office after the event for a few weeks
Children's colouring table and tea, coffee and biscuits

Main issues raised:

The responses are from the questionnaires ([see appendix No.6](#)) received during the consultation and up until the collection on the Friday 18th May 2018, from the various drop off locations listed above.

Types of housing:

15 comments received
A mixture of responses but the main point being raised was the need for affordable housing. **Comments included were:** "Affordable housing that is well built and large enough for young families with garden and off-road parking for at least one car."

Features of local importance feel need protecting:

13 comments received
The protection of green spaces was the most common answer, then next was looking after the older/listed houses and buildings.
Comments included were: "Keep it as green as possible." "The Churches, the old houses in the centre of Long Stratton that are listed. The grassed land outside South Norfolk Council and Saffron housing."

Employment opportunities needed:

14 comments received
Opportunities for the young people of Long Stratton was the main issue raised and along with that apprenticeships.
Comments included were: "Many more opportunities for young people, school leavers. LS will become a younger population, so this is essential. Doesn't mean low skilled jobs." "Apprenticeship schemes in engineering and IT."

Market Place:

14 comments received
The majority of replies said yes to the possibility of having a market place.
Comments included were: "Yes, where the Fire Station and telephone exchange is now, but landscape it so it is not just a concrete slab. Grassy banks, trees and bushes." "A

Table 3.3 - Consultation No. 3.1 - Drop in event on the NP vision, themes and objectives and emerging evidence base in April 2018

market place would be nice, so long as it isn't tacky or selling useless products. Local produce and useful goods is always a winner."

Town centre ideas:

12 comments received

More trees and vegetation was the main answer here.

Comments included were: "The area around the One Stop and Post Office should be improved as well as plenty of green space, trees, vegetation, fields and cycle and walking routes." "We need more quiet spaces to relax in. More vegetation is essential."

More provision for recreation in Long Stratton:

14 comments were received

A good mixture of suggestions to this question, including areas for children, cycle routes, bowling.

Comments included were: "Yes, especially for children." "Yes, cycle routes around the town for taking locals out into the surrounding countryside."

As well as the need for more schools and doctors what other infrastructure is needed:

Quite a mixed response here too, but the main points were supermarkets for the growing town, more police presence and the general expansion of all the existing infrastructure.

Comments included were: "Expansion of existing provision in line with village growth."

The importance of street lighting:

The main response here would be to do with issues regarding lights that are on for too long and the cause of light pollution. Having it left on in on the main roads was important though.

Comments included were: "Street lighting is on for too long during periods of low activity increasing light pollution and economic drain. This applies to all of the village new and old."

"Street lighting needs to be adequate but not excessive and cause light pollution."

(See www.lsnp.info for all responses)

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Table 3.4 - Consultation No. 3.2 - Long Stratton High School foyer in April 2018	
Purpose:	
To raise awareness of the Neighbourhood Plan for the youth of the NP area and to fill in questionnaires	
Location and date:	
Long Stratton High School foyer	
Thursday 26 th April 2018	1.15pm - 1.55pm
Friday 27 th April 2018	1.15pm - 1.55pm
Consultees:	
Students passing through the foyer at lunchtime 17 questionnaires completed	
How long lived in the NP area?	How old are you?
0-5 years = 3	Under 18 = 14
6-10 years = 3	18-29 = 0
11-15 years = 5	30-44 = 0
16-20 years = 2	45-59 = 1
21-30 years = 2	60-74 = 1
31 + = 0	75 plus = 0
I don't live or work here = 1	
Roughly where do you live?	
North East (north of Star Lane, east of A140) = 5	
North West (north of Swan Lane, west of A140) = 0	
South East (south of Star Lane and east of A140) = 3	
South West (south of Swan Lane and west of A140) = 0	
Tharston = 1	
Out of area = 7	
Publicity:	
Display boards and committee members were present in the foyer over two lunchtime periods	
Preparation:	
Steering Group meetings, preparation of boards and questionnaires, confirmation of DSB check for present committee members	
Event details:	
Lunchtime consultation for students	
Display boards and questionnaires	
Main issues raised:	
The responses received are from the questionnaires received during the consultation.	
Types of housing:	
16 comments received	
Quite a mixed response here but affordable places to live plus starter homes came up more often.	
Comments included were: "Little houses/starter homes." "Flats/cheaper accommodation."	

Table 3.4 - Consultation No. 3.2 - Long Stratton High School foyer in April 2018

Features of local importance feel need protecting:

Again, a mixed response but older buildings being protected was the most common answer.

Comments included were: “The Sextons Wheel and any building with a lot of history (i.e. a 17th century house should be kept as original as possible).” “Old buildings.”

Employment opportunities needed:

14 comments received

Amongst various retail jobs and jobs for the young, working for the police force was the most common answer.

Comments included were: “Police service.” “More employment opportunities for young people.”

Market Place:

16 comments received

Just over half the replies were in favour of a market place.

Comments included were: “I think a market place would be an excellent idea as it would really bring an element of older times and socialization opportunities.”

Town centre ideas:

17 comments received

Having more trees and vegetation in the centre was popular, plus having benches and cycle routes.

Comments included were: “Yes, I think all the above ideas are excellent especially having trees and vegetation and benches are another good one.” “Cycle routes would be great.”

As well as the need for more schools and doctors what other infrastructure is needed:

16 comments received

A very varied response. Bigger police station and more dentists had just slightly more comments.

Comments included were: “Proper police station, bigger supermarket.”

The importance of street lighting:

16 comments received

Generally, people thought it was very important and particularly on Star Lane.

Comments included were: “The street lighting, I think should be replaced and the odd lamp along Star Lane would help me a lot when walking home in the dark.” “I think it is good and it will be important for the new development.”

(See www.lsnp.info for all responses)

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Table 3.5 - Consultation No. 3.3 - Long Stratton High School class sessions in May 2018	
Purpose:	To raise awareness about the Neighbourhood Plan to the youth/future of Long Stratton and to gain ideas on what they would like to see in the future
Location and date:	Long Stratton High School Friday 18 th May 2018
Consultees:	Year 7's 33 worksheets completed
Publicity:	The high school made the pupils aware of the sessions
Preparation:	Steering Group meetings, preparation of the worksheets, confirmation of DSB check for present committee members
Event details:	Class sessions for the year 7's Worked in groups of 2's, 3's and 4's Completed worksheets asking for suggestions regarding the future of leisure and recreation, housing, employment, retail, transport, communication, food outlets and health
Main issues raised/ideas:	<p>Leisure and Recreation: By far the biggest response was to have a swimming pool (25 comments). Football pitches (6 comments) and a cinema (6 comments) were popular too but nowhere near as many comments.</p> <p>Housing: Equally affordable (12 comments) and flats (12 comments) were the most popular answer.</p> <p>Employment: Jobs in retail (14 comments) was the main topic, then more staff for schools (5 comments).</p> <p>Retail: A lot of different shops were named, but generally the want for clothes shops (16 comments), supermarkets (20 comments)</p> <p>Transport: The majority of people wanted a train station (15 comments) in Long Stratton closely followed by a mixture of more bus stops and a bus station (14 comments).</p> <p>Communication: By far the most common suggestion was to have better WIFI (18 comments).</p>

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Table 3.5 - Consultation No. 3.3 - Long Stratton High School class sessions in May 2018

Food outlets:

The two food outlets with the largest amount of comments was McDonalds (18 comments) and KFC (15 comments).

Health:

By far the most common answer was to have a bigger doctor's surgery/more doctors (24 comments).

(See www.lsnp.info for all responses)

Table 3.6 - Consultation No. 3.4 - St Mary's C of E Junior Academy in June 2018

Purpose:

To establish the themes and objectives drafted, along with the vision for the Neighbourhood Plan. And to consult on the Long Stratton Town Centre Masterplanning Report produced by AECOM

Location and date:

St Mary's C of E Junior Academy, Swan Lane, Long Stratton

Saturday 9th June 2018 10am - 4pm

Sunday 10th June 2018 10am - 4pm

Consultees:

Roughly 240 attendees over both days

(The following data was collected from the questionnaires only)

How long lived in the NP area?

0-5 years = 4

6-10 years = 1

11-15 years = 0

16-20 years = 0

21-30 years = 2

31 + = 5

How old are you?

Under 18 = 0

18-29 = 0

30-44 = 1

45-59 = 4

60-74 = 8

75 plus = 1

Roughly where do you live?

North East (north of Star Lane, east of A140) = 2

North West (north of Swan Lane, west of A140) = 1

South East (south of Star Lane and east of A140) = 3

South West (south of Swan Lane and west of A140) = 8

Tharston = 0

Out of area = 0

Publicity:

Flyers were posted to all residents and businesses in Long Stratton and parts of Tharston ([see appendix No.8](#))

Advertised on Long Stratton Parish Councils website

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Table 3.6 - Consultation No. 3.4 - St Mary's C of E Junior Academy in June 2018

Advertised on Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plans website
Advertised on the front page of the Sextons Wheel magazine
Posters displayed around the village

Preparation:

Steering group meetings, preparation of boards and questionnaires, leaflet printing

Event details:

Drop In session
Sign in sheet
All themes and objectives displayed with space for comments
Neighbourhood Plan Vision displayed with space for comments
Maps on the central table
An updated questionnaire was produced including questions on features of local importance, sports and recreation facilities, a market place, village centre ideas, infrastructure needs, street lighting, the neighbourhood vision and the seven objectives being developed
Questionnaires at the event and left in Bekays, The Butchers, the library and the Parish Council office after the event for a few weeks until Sunday 1st July 2018
An online version was available to download and complete on the Neighbourhood Plan website
Children's colouring table
Teas, coffees, biscuits

Main issues raised:

The responses received are from post it notes on boards ([see appendix No.10](#)) at the actual events and from the questionnaires ([see appendix No. 9](#)) received during the consultation and up until the collection on Sunday 1st July 2018 from the various places listed above (14 questionnaires).

Youth:

14 comments received

The need for youth centres/activities/safe places to get together was the overall feel.

Comments included were: "Drop in café for all ages. Youth facilities. Safe space for youngsters to socialise." "Need to consider youth facilities, specifically Scout and Guide provision. Land for developing headquarters with growing village."

Outdoor public spaces:

10 comments received plus 10 ticks on the recreation table

On the questionnaires the highest priority was 'informal open space'. There were also comments regarding the need for park lands/environments rather than just open green spaces. Second most popular on the recreation table were 'park runs.'

Comments included were: "We need not just green spaces, but a park like environment where the elderly can sit and have picnics, to meet with friends." "Long Stratton needs a proper park, before all the green spaces goes to concrete. The playing field is not fit for purpose."

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Access across bypass to the countryside:

9 comments received

There was a definite want/need to safe access across the bypass to the countryside to the east for pedestrians and cyclists.

Comments included were: "Bridge across the bypass for pedestrians and cyclists to have access to the countryside, or underpass." "Proper crossing points need to be put in to enable people to get to the countryside."

Conserving/protecting the historic buildings/core:

11 comments received

The residents felt strongly about the need for protecting Long Stratton's historic buildings and the core of the Town.

Comments included were: "Ensure changes reflect and enhance the historic buildings. The centre of the village could be really pretty - maybe a little heritage trail and frame historic buildings well." "Highlighting the Historic Areas more in the village - Ice House, Old Fire Station, Old Manor House location etc."

Market Place:

13 comments received

The majority of people who commented were in favour of a market place in the town centre.

Comments included were: "It would create a focal point for people to meet so yes good." "Yes – would give the village a more community feel."

Swimming Pool:

4 comments received plus 2 ticks on the recreation table

There were a few responses about the need/want for a local swimming pool

Comments included were: "A swimming pool would add to this."

Street lighting:

19 comments received

The need for street lighting was a big requirement. Modern low lights/LED lights were mentioned plus timed lighting for the night time.

Comments included were: "Street lighting serves a purpose, however currently run times seem excessive leading to light pollution and unnecessary loss. Light could be turned off between 00:01 – 04:59."

Car parking:

15 comments received

Car parking in Long Stratton was a big talking point. Currently there isn't much available public parking, so people are very aware of the need as more people come to the town as it grows.

Comments included were: "If we want to promote the village and to encourage people to come here, we need more car parking facilities." "More parking areas in village centre-spaces along main road."

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Cyclists:

13 comments received

Cycle infrastructure was another main issue. Having cycle routes and cycle lanes marked was a very popular opinion and some suggested more places to lock up their bikes in the village

Comments included were: "Cycle paths need to be shown along A140, Swan Lane and Flowerpot Lane." "Better access for cyclists at Swan Road and Flowerpot Lane - mini roundabouts."

Footpaths/pedestrians:

14 comments received

And another main issue was based around footpaths. Long Stratton has some very narrow footpaths which can be seen as dangerous to pedestrians, so widening in places was requested. Also, a few comments regarding the idea to have walking trails in the countryside were mentioned.

Comments included were: "Narrowing of A140 to wider paths to improve pedestrian experience." "Footpath widening needs to extend up the hill (Coopers Court to Edges Lane)."

Crossings/Improvements:

13 comments received

There were various comments on the need for pedestrian crossings, particularly regarding safety issues at the junction on Flowerpot Lane and the A140 where there is currently no pedestrian signal.

Comments included were: "Possible pedestrian signal at Flowerpot Lane junction over Ipswich Road." "Dangerous crossing at the junction of Flowerpot Lane and A140. Lowered pavements to encourage crossing but no pedestrian signal and crossing is always a gamble!"

Trees/vegetation:

11 comments received

Planting more trees and vegetation in the village centre was a popular opinion

Comments included were: "More planting of trees, shrubs etc where ever possible in and around village." "More trees in historic area once bypass built."

Community centre provision:

7 comments received

The need/want for a community centre was popular.

Comments included were: "Community Centre/Proper Village Hall (go and look at Poringland as example)." "Youth Centre and community hub that could be used by all age groups."

(See www.lsnp.info for all responses)

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Table 3.7 - Consultation No. 3.5 - Co-op foyer in August 2018	
Purpose:	
To raise awareness of the Neighbourhood Plan to passing general public in an informal way	
Location and date:	
Long Stratton Co-op Foyer Saturday 18 th August 2018 10am – 4pm	
Consultees:	
General public of all ages 3 questionnaires returned	
How long lived in the NP area?	How old are you?
0-5 years = 0	Under 18 = 0
6-10 years = 0	18-29 = 0
11-15 years = 0	30-44 = 0
16-20 years = 0	45-59 = 0
21-30 years = 0	60-74 = 1
31 + = 2	75 plus = 2
Roughly where do you live?	
North East (north of Star Lane, east of A140) = 0	
North West (north of Swan Lane, west of A140) = 2	
South East (south of Star Lane and east of A140) = 1	
South West (south of Swan Lane and west of A140) = 0	
Tharston = 0	
Out of area = 0	
Publicity:	
Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plans website, advertised on the LSNP website	
Preparation:	
Steering group meetings, preparation of the board and questionnaires	
Event details:	
Informal consultation to shoppers at the Co-op	
A chance to speak to people of all ages	
Questionnaires available	
Main issues raised:	
The responses received are from the questionnaires (see appendix No.9) received during the consultation.	
Protection of features of local importance:	
2 comments received	
Comment included: “Wild/wildlife areas – meadows, wet lands.”	
Sports and recreation facilities:	
Swimming pool and park run were commented on most.	
Market place:	
Comment included: “A marketplace – so long as historic/interesting buildings were preserved.”	

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Village centre ideas:

Comment included: “More trees, seating at bus stops, cycle routes.”

Other infrastructure:

Comment included: “Sorry but I think we need a bigger supermarket – a Tesco or Waitrose.”

Importance of street lighting:

Comment included: “I think lighting is important especially in new estates, but it should be eco-friendly and sensitively done.”

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Agree: 2 Disagree: 1 Don't know: 0

Comment included: “Good but no mention of public transport – important for older people and young families.”

Objective 1: Housing that is built should be suitable for meeting needs of existing and future NP area residents

Agree: 3 Disagree: 0 Don't know: 0

Objective 2: There should be successful integration between the new community and existing community

Agree: 3 Disagree: 0 Don't know: 0

Comment included: “What about Wood Green!”

Objective 3: There should be a strong sense of place

Agree: 2 Disagree: 0 Don't know: 0

Comment included: “Existing footpaths from centre of village to outlying areas need to be protected and enhanced.”

Objective 4: Long Stratton's employment and business base will grow and diversify as it takes on a more strategic role in the wider regional market

Agree: 2 Disagree: 0 Don't know: 1

Comment included: “Very good.”

Objective 5: Opportunities to enhance the village centre will be realised

Agree: 3 Disagree: 0 Don't know: 0

Comment included: “Very good.”

Objective 6: Improved opportunities for recreation in the NP area

Agree: 2 Disagree: 0 Don't know: 0

Comment included: “Swimming pool. Diss and Wymondham have pools. Why not Long Stratton.”

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Table 3.7 - Consultation No. 3.5 - Co-op foyer in August 2018

Objective 7: Infrastructure necessary to support the growing community will come forward in a timely manner

Agree: 2 Disagree: 0 Don't know: 0

Comment included: "Burial ground – increased population, more land needed. Use St Marys church for concerts and exhibitions."

(See www.lsnp.info for all responses)

Table 3.8 - Consultation No. 3.6 - Long Stratton Annual Bake-Off and Produce Show in September 2018

Purpose:

To speak to members of the public about the Neighbourhood Plan and to establish the themes and objectives drafted, along with the vision for the Neighbourhood Plan via completion of a questionnaire

Location and date:

The 5th Annual Bake Off and Produce Show at the Village Hall in Long Stratton
Saturday 22nd September 2018 2pm - 4pm

Consultees:

9 questionnaires completed

How long lived in the NP area?

0-5 years = 0

6-10 years = 1

11-15 years = 1

16-20 years = 0

21-30 years = 0

31 + = 6

How old are you?

Under 18 = 0

18-29 = 0

30-44 = 1

45-59 = 2

60-74 = 4

75 plus = 2

Roughly where do you live?

North East (north of Star Lane, east of A140) = 0

North West (north of Swan Lane, west of A140) = 3

South East (south of Star Lane and east of A140) = 1

South West (south of Swan Lane and west of A140) = 5

Tharston = 0

Out of area = 0

Publicity:

The Neighbourhood Plans website, word of mouth, display boards at the event

Preparation:

Steering Group meetings, display boards, preparation of questionnaires ([see appendix No.9](#))

Event details:

The Neighbourhood Plan committee had a stand at the event

Questionnaires were available

Main issues raised:

The protection of features of local importance:

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9 comments received

The village atmosphere was an important point along with the village centre.

Comments included were: “Village centre and the old buildings.” “Village feel, local businesses, library.”

Sports and recreation:

Having a swimming pool came out the most of the tick chart, then second was informal open space.

Market Place:

9 comments received

There were 5 comments in favour of having a market place in Long Stratton.

Comment included: “Public market once only per week.”

Village centre ideas:

7 comments received

More trees (2 comments) and safer crossings (2 comments) were the most common answer although there were a mixture.

Comments included were: “Informal green space with trees.” “Safer crossings i.e. junction at bottom of Flowerpot Lane.”

Infrastructure:

9 comments received

A swimming pool (4 comments) was the most popular answer then a community centre (2 comments).

Comments included were: “Another centre such as village hall.” “A swimming pool.”

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Agree: 7 Disagree: 0 Don't know: 1

Comment included: “Keep village ethos, status, environment.”

Objective 1: Housing that is built should be suitable for meeting needs of existing and future NP area residents

Agree: 9 Disagree: 0 Don't know: 0

Comment included: “Why not SNDC, LS Parish/Saffron rentable housing.”

Objective 2: There should be successful integration between the new community and existing community

Agree: 8 Disagree: 0 Don't know: 1

Comment included: “Places for people to meet community groups together. Coordination.”

Objective 3: There should be a strong sense of place

Agree: 7 Disagree: 0 Don't know: 2

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Comment included: “As a resident born and bred in LS I completely agree. This is very important.”

Objective 4: Long Stratton’s employment and business base will grow and diversify as it takes on a more strategic role in the wider regional market

Agree: 7 Disagree: 1 Don’t know: 1

Comment included: “Industrial units/estate on east side with bypass access.”

Objective 5: Opportunities to enhance the village centre will be realised

Agree: 5 Disagree: 0 Don’t know: 2

Comment included: “Better traffic lights for pedestrians crossing A140 near Flowerpot Lane. Need lights to indicate safe to cross for pedestrians.”

Objective 6: Improved opportunities for recreation in the NP area

Agree: 6 Disagree: 0 Don’t know: 1

Comment included: “More for people of all ages – not just either end of the spectrum i.e. 30’s to 50’s. Swimming pool.”

Objective 7: Infrastructure necessary to support the growing community will come forward in a timely manner

Agree: 6 Disagree: 0 Don’t know: 1

Comments included: “Definitely a hall/community centre. Currently my children aged 5 and 7 have nowhere to swim locally or the school. A pool is more important than a 3G football pitch!!!” “More doctors/surgeries needed on an urgent basis.”

(See www.lsnp.info for all responses)

Table 3.9 - Consultation No. 3.7 - Long Stratton High School class sessions October 2018

Purpose:

To raise awareness about the Neighbourhood Plan to the youth/future of Long Stratton and to gain ideas on what they would like to see in the future

Location and date:

Long Stratton High School
Tuesday 16th October 2018

Consultees:

Year 9’s 108 worksheets completed

Publicity:

The high school made the pupils aware of the sessions

Preparation:

Steering group meetings, preparation of worksheets, confirmation of DSB check for present committee members

Table 3.9 - Consultation No. 3.7 - Long Stratton High School class sessions October 2018

Event details:

Class sessions for the year 9's worked in groups
Completed worksheets asking for suggestions regarding the future of leisure and recreation, housing, employment, retail, transport, communication, food outlets and health

Main issues raised/ideas:

Leisure and Recreation:

The main response was a swimming pool with 55 comments, followed by a cinema in the town with 24 comments.

Housing:

The most popular answer was flats (34 comments). And then affordable/cheaper housing (20 comments).

Employment:

Retail (18 comments) was the most popular answer but closely followed by a sixth form (14 comments).

Retail:

Supermarkets (38 comments) was the most common answer, followed by clothes shops (34 comments).

Transport:

The most popular answer was having a train station (33 comments) in Long Stratton. Then almost equally cycle lanes (28 comments) and more buses (27 comments).

Communication:

By far better Wi-Fi (42 comments) was the most common answer followed by better mobile phone signal (27 comments).

Food outlets:

McDonalds (37 comments) and KFC (32 comments) topped the most common answers.

Health:

Having a bigger/newer doctors surgery plus more doctors (55 comments) was the biggest answer here.

(See www.lsnp.info for all responses)

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Table 3.10 - Consultation No. 3.8 - Online Survey Monkey in November 2018	
Purpose:	
To seek input on the emerging framework (vision, themes, objectives and policy ideas) for the plan and to seek input on issues relating to design through a design questionnaire available in an online format	
Date and Location:	
The data was collected on Tuesday 23 rd April 2019 (started Friday 23 rd November 2018)	
Consultees:	
57 General NP questionnaires completed (see appendix No.9) 19 Overall design questionnaires completed (see appendix No.11)	
General questionnaire	
How long lived in the NP area?	How old are you?
0-5 years = 6	Under 18 = 1
6-10 years = 7	18-29 = 8
11-15 years = 14	30-44 = 21
16-20 years = 10	45-59 = 17
21-30 years = 7	60-74 = 9
31 + = 12	75 plus = 1
I don't live here; I only work here = 1	
I don't live or work here = 1	
Roughly where do you live?	
North East (north of Star Lane, east of A140) = 18	
North West (north of Swan Lane, west of A140) = 9	
South East (south of Star Lane and east of A140) = 3	
South West (south of Swan Lane and west of A140) = 12	
Tharston = 13	
Out of area = 3	
Publicity:	
Advertised on Parish Councils website and the NP website and on Facebook	
Preparation:	
Typing the questionnaire onto survey monkey	
Event details:	
General NP questionnaire online	
Design guidelines questionnaire online	
Main issues raised for the general questionnaire:	
Protection of features of local importance:	
The historic buildings in Long Stratton including the churches (19 comments) were the top priority for people along with the protection of the playing fields/park (12 comments).	
Comments included were: "Historic buildings and their character alongside the A140." "It's a historical village and the main Street scene shouldn't lose its Identity, once the major developments have been finished."	
Sports and recreation that we currently need:	
This was a tick chart.	

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A swimming pool (18 ticks) was the most commented on answer here. Then informal space (15 ticks) and the want for a park run (12 ticks).

Sports and recreation needed as the new development comes forward:

This was a tick chart.

Informal open space (22 ticks) was the most popular answer then a swimming pool (15 ticks) and again a park run (10 ticks).

Market Place:

Over half of the comments received were in favour of a market place (31 comments).

Comments included were: "A permanent street market down the A140 when the cars have been moved on to the bypass and provide good wide cycling paths to it from all directions." "No, more permanent local shops such as greengrocer and bakery."

Village centre ideas:

A very varied and mixed response to this question with lots of ideas. The main responses were having more trees (9 comments) lining the A140 and around the town, some places with seating (8 comments) and cycle paths (8 comments).

Comments included were: "Certainly new trees should be planted to replace any which will be chopped down for housing/bypass etc." "Pedestrian area's with bistro's and outside seating."

Infrastructure:

A popular response here was to have a swimming pool (11 comments), a community centre (10 comments), a better dentist (8 comments), a need for a bank (7 comments).

Comments included were: "Community centre located centrally in the village. Cycle ways and pathways to reduce the need for cars etc." "Swimming pool, properly landscaped open spaces with informal play areas for children, a meeting place for teenagers."

Street lighting:

The response here was mainly that they are very important and most people believe Long Stratton needed more (13 comments), but people are very aware of not wanting them to cause light pollution.

Comments included were: "Should not be on all night or should dim to reduce light pollution Bypass should be lit tho for safety." "I think the lighting is old and needs updating. Perhaps more efficient LED lights could be used. Also better lighting at the playing field as is very dark up there during the winter months."

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Agree: 37 Disagree: 5 Neither: 15

Comments included were: "Long Stratton has a great community feel which needs to be retained and that's by not making it too big, having lived in Wymondham previously, community spirit disappears when places grow too much." "If designing new housing layouts consider mixing the social housing and private owned housing more so that there

Table 3.10 - Consultation No. 3.8 - Online Survey Monkey in November 2018

is not a visual divide like Lime Tree Avenue.” “Definitely need more foot paths, more bus stops and more parking around schools.”

Objective 1: Housing that is built should be suitable for meeting needs of existing and future NP area residents

Agree: 28 Disagree: 11 Don't know: 19

Comment included were: “Build bungalows older folk need to move into bungalows as they get older, with modern facilities that have wider accessibility. It would release houses for younger families.” “We also need housing that people can afford to buy on their own i.e. 1-2 bed flats / apartments. Not just social housing but so younger working adults can buy somewhere in the village and build a life in the area rather than having to move away to afford a property.”

Objective 2: There should be successful integration between the new community and existing community

Agree: 44 Disagree: 2 Don't know: 10

Comments included were: “There must be a new central community building big enough to cope with a town size. It must be built first so it is up and running by the current locals to welcome all the new persons as they move in. It needs to be central in Stratton so people can walk to it and save using cars.”

“The vibrant village centre should include St Mary's church (re-ordered) and the current much improved village hall. Remembrance Day showed how they work together when there is no traffic.”

Objective 3: There should be a strong sense of place

Agree: 43 Disagree: 3 Don't know: 11

Comment included: “Historic buildings such as the village hall need protection and should be maintained.”

Objective 4: Long Stratton's employment and business base will grow and diversify as it takes on a more strategic role in the wider regional market

Agree: 46 Disagree: 4 Don't know: 6

Comments included were: “Local business need to be able to thrive, including local farmers and using shops to sell local goods and reduce carbon footprints.” “Definitely need more businesses with employment opportunities for local residents. Better shops reduce rent and business rates for independent businesses. A training centre for unemployed and parents wanting to get into work.”

Objective 5: Opportunities to enhance the village centre will be realised

Agree: 46 Disagree: 4 Don't know: 5

Comment included were: “Tree line the old A140 all the way. Have large plants and flower boxes in the centre section. Make all paths wide wheelchair / mobility scooter and buggy friendly. Give adequate disabled parking. Make sure pedestrians and cyclist have

Table 3.10 - Consultation No. 3.8 - Online Survey Monkey in November 2018

right of way and are more important than vehicles. Have a permanent street market. Include green infrastructure for electric vehicles and buses.”

Objective 6: Improved opportunities for recreation in the NP area

Agree: 43 Disagree: 4 Don't know: 7

Comments included were: “Ability for children and adults to be able to take part in a variety of sport is important, such a cricket, rugby, swimming and hockey (hockey can not be played on the current 3G surface).” “New children's park should be a priority as people often visit other places with new equipment.”

Objective 7: Infrastructure necessary to support the growing community will come forward in a timely manner

Agree: 44 Disagree: 4 Don't know: 6

Comments included were: “We need a purpose built community centre to serve the new town which is within easy walking/cycling distance and adequate parking for those who have to drive.”

“A proper day care nursery in the village would be useful. Also consideration should be given to making facilities dementia friendly if South Norfolk Council are going to go ahead with this initiative.”

Main issues/ideas for the design questionnaire:

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Types of housing:

3 bedroomed houses (7 comments) and bungalows (7 comments) were the most popular response.

Car parking:

The majority of people's responses were to have 2 car parking spaces (11 comments).

Green spaces:

Informal open spaces (13 comments) was the most popular answer, followed by seating areas (8 comments).

Lighting:

Street lighting (9 comments) was the most important, followed by LED lights (7 comments) being used.

Design of Housing:

A mixture of responses here including low carbon, footpath links, planting with wildlife in mind and traditional.

(See www.lsnp.info for all responses)

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4. Advanced plan development January 2019 to September 2019

4.1 The consultation feedback on the NP vision, themes, objectives and on the evidence base supporting it including the Town Centre Masterplan informed the write up of the first NP draft.

4.2 The NP Steering Group met with planning and housing officers from South Norfolk Council in January 2019 to discuss the draft Neighbourhood Plan after initially sharing it via email in mid December 2018.

4.3 This draft was then consulted on with the wider community. The community consultation process was launched with two drop-in events held over one weekend in March 2019. Further drop-in events were then held later in April 2019.



4.4 In addition to seeking input from consultees on the first draft of the NP, the NP group also prepared second specific sets of questions on design (to inform the emerging design principles policy) on sustainability, on open spaces and on the new community centre in Long Stratton as a way of achieving a better understanding of views in the community on these issues. Details of these are provided in Tables 4.1 and 4.2.

4.5 A meeting was held with the steering group committee and the Norfolk Wildlife Trust in May 2019. This was in connection to the outdoor recreation, green infrastructure and biodiversity policies. ([see appendix No.22](#))

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Table 4.1 - Consultation No. 4.1 - Drop in event on the 1st Neighbourhood Plan draft at the Methodist Church in March 2019	
Purpose:	
To gain public opinions on open space, community centre, housing, sustainability, overall design and the draft neighbourhood plan policies and document	
Location and date:	
Methodist Church, Manor Road, Long Stratton	
Saturday 16 th March 2019	10am - 4pm
Sunday 17 th March 2019	10am - 4pm
Consultees:	
89 attendees over both days	
How long lived in the NP area?	How old are you?
0-5 years = 2	Under 18 = 1
6-10 years = 10	18-29 = 2
11-15 years = 1	30-44 = 8
16-20 years = 2	45-59 = 5
21-30 years = 9	60-74 = 18
31 + = 11	75 plus = 5
Roughly where do you live?	
North East (north of Star Lane, east of A140) = 4	
North West (north of Swan Lane, west of A140) = 6	
South East (south of Star Lane and east of A140) = 9	
South West (south of Swan Lane and west of A140) = 15	
Tharston = 2	
Out of area = 2	
How did you hear about this event?	
Sextons Wheel = 17, Poster = 6, Website = 1, Word of mouth = 9, Facebook = 8, Other = 11	
Publicity:	
Leaflets left in various businesses (see appendix No.12)	
Advertised on Long Stratton Parish Councils website (see appendix No.16)	
Advertised on Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plans website	
Advertised in the Sextons Wheel magazine (see appendix No.13)	
Posters displayed around the village	
Advertised on Facebook (see appendix No. 15)	
Preparation:	
Steering group meetings	
Preparation of boards, questionnaires (see appendix No.14) and documents	
Leaflet printing	
Event details:	
Drop In session	
Sign in sheet	
Notification of photos being taken at the event and opt out included	
Draft policies on boards with comments sheets	
Open space questions on boards along with questionnaires	

Table 4.1 - Consultation No. 4.1 - Drop in event on the 1st Neighbourhood Plan draft at the Methodist Church in March 2019

Community centre questions on boards along with questionnaires
Housing questions on boards along with questionnaires
Sustainability questions and information on boards along with questionnaires
Footpath maps
Open space maps
Draft policy documents available to view
Housing needs assessment available to view
Children's colouring table
Teas, coffees, biscuits

Main issues raised:

The following main responses were from post it notes at the event and from questionnaires:

Open Spaces:

19 questionnaires completed and 37 comments on boards

Areas planted with trees:

Responses generally say 'yes' to this with a mixture of dense and sparse. Deciduous being the majority option. Another few comments were in favour of more natural woodland/meadows. The idea of an orchard is generally agreed but questions of maintenance.

Comments included were: "Yes, mixture of densely and sparsely planted woodland with native species, grassland areas, flower meadows." "Trees to be managed to allow children to reach leaves, flower and fruit – educational use."

Area for dogs:

The responses are fairly mixed but overall keen for space designated for dog walkers.

Comments included were: "Dog walking areas work on caravan club sites as long as the dog muck is picked up and put in bins." "Don't own a dog but definitely need an area just for dogs. People still ignore all signs in current park for dogs to be kept on leads!"

Community games field:

General overall response is that yes, we do want additional games areas but not just for football. Cricket and rugby were named. An area for a park run but the trim trail not fully supported.

Comments included were: "Facilities to have a 'park run' group." "Any community games space (i.e. playing field) should consider other sports, not just football."

Community vegetable garden:

A general yes to this and the responses for allotments also yes. There seems to be a need for smaller allotments of half and quarter size plots.

Comments included were: "Link with the local schools please." "Nice idea but not sure on how well will be used, could be vandalised or people take but not contribute. Location would need to be considered – who would be responsible etc."

Table 4.1 - Consultation No. 4.1 - Drop in event on the 1st Neighbourhood Plan draft at the Methodist Church in March 2019

Community building:

Yes, a community building is required on the east side of the village. There were many ideas of groups that could use it. But there were questions raised as to whether this would take trade away from the village hall.

Comments included were: “Toilets, kitchen/bar (like Hempnall), indoor sports e.g. pilates, badminton.” “People need to be able to get to it easily within the new housing areas.”

Paths and cycle ways:

The main response to this was to have clearly marked cycle lanes or better still separate cycle lanes altogether.

Comments included were: “Definitely, it should be made easier to get in on foot or cycle than it is to drive in.” “If parking on footpaths was stopped this would help. There is no cycle path in Long Stratton.”

Public rights of way:

The overall feel from the comments was the necessity to have them re-directed along the bypass to safe crossings.

Comment included: “Agree with re-direction of paths along bypass to safe crossings – no to loss of public rights of way!”

Housing:

24 questionnaires completed and 45 comments on the boards

Most important to you for new housing:

Off road parking spaces was the most important closely followed by energy efficiency.

Comments included were: “Adequate space for people to park their cars so roads don’t become a car park.” “Most important – Energy efficiency especially for association housing – these should be net zero carbon emissions.”

Type most appropriate to meet future needs of Long Stratton:

Starter homes and small family homes were the most common answer.

Comment included: “1 bed starter homes for young people.”

Types of dwellings most suited to development:

Single storey semi-detached and detached were the most popular.

Comment include: “A good mixture of housing required including bungalows and smaller accommodation for first time buyers.”

Overall Design:

17 Questionnaires completed and 46 comments on the boards

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The most commented on subject was parking spaces and problems with cars parking on the paths. But very closely followed by the need/want for cycle paths and footpaths/wildlife corridors.

Comments include were: “Already there are ‘no go’ areas in LS for mobility scooter/wheelchair users because of cars parking on paths (sometimes it’s partly necessary but mainly its ignorance!).” “Joining footpaths/cycle paths and street lighting in development areas to ensure town is well linked and used with safe feel.”

Street lighting:

Overall the responses were in favour of street lighting, but to avoid light pollution and to use low energy types.

Comment include: “Lighting is already poor and dangerous in places. Lime Tree Avenue (one of the newer estates) has very little street lighting walking down a dark alleyway.” “Needs to minimise light pollution.”

Formed recreation areas:

The general opinion is yes to having more formed recreational areas.

Comments included were: “Yes, but also to have place for wildlife.” “Our main play area is dated and broken – in disrepair. For the number of children it serves we need new equipment – zip wires/wooden.”

Sustainability:

(These responses have been merged with the responses from the consultation at the Leisure Centre in April 2019)

13 questionnaires completed

Lamp posts with solar panels (as well as electric supply) to reduce electricity consumption:

Agree: 49 Disagree: 0

Comments included were: “Reduces the electricity bill for the parish and reduces the environmental impact.” “The lights could have movement detectors so they turn off when no-one is near.”

Using tarmac with recycled plastic, extending the use of the road surface and making use of waste plastic:

Agree: 44 Disagree: 0

Comments included were: ‘Just make sure it works before adopting it.’ “Will need to study the long term impact of plastic roads.”

Timber framed houses that act as a carbon sink rather than a carbon producer:

Agree: 22 Disagree: 6

Comments included were: “House prices need to be affordable.” “Depends on the timber growers location, and where it has to be processed, timber can have a large carbon footprint.”

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Homes fitted with three phase electricity to allow for the addition of renewable technology such as heat pumps, solar panels, battery storage and rapid charging of electric vehicles:

Agree: 31 Disagree: 1

Comments included were: “Developers should only be allowed to build carbon efficient homes using solar, heat pumps etc.” “All depends on the renewables, heat pumps use a lot of energy in the winter, ground source heat pumps are better. Battery storage in houses is a waste of money as the cost outweighs the actual savings made.”

Pocket parks with fruit and nut trees with an understorey of fruit bushes and herbs for culinary use. To be cared for and harvested by local residents:

Agree: 33 Disagree: 9

Comments included were: “If a community group is set up.” “Sounds good in principle but doubtful if they would be cared for in the long term and would end up looking a mess.”

All houses to have net zero emissions achieved by using renewable heating technology and efficient insulation strategies:

Agree: 28 Disagree: 1

Comments included were: “Agree in principle, extra build costs, what if builders refuse?” “The technology isn’t advanced enough yet.”

Comments included in additional ideas: “Ensure the onus is put on the developers to meet sustainability features.” “All new houses to have solar panels installed at the build stage.” “Very important to create job opportunities, leisure and shopping so that people do not need to travel elsewhere thereby reducing the carbon footprint.”

(See www.lsnp.info for all responses)

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Table 4.2 - Consultation 4.2 - Drop in event on the 1st Neighbourhood Plan draft at the Leisure Centre in April 2019	
Purpose:	
To gain public opinions on open space, community centre, housing, sustainability, overall design and the draft Neighbourhood Plan policies/document	
Location and date:	
Long Stratton Leisure Centre	
Tuesday 9 th April 2019	6pm – 8pm
Wednesday 10 th April 2019	6pm – 8pm
Thursday 11 th April 2019	6pm – 8pm
Consultees:	
60 attendees over the three days	
How long lived in the NP area?	How old are you?
0-5 years = 14	Under 18 = 2
6-10 years = 7	18-29 = 10
11-15 years = 8	30-44 = 21
16-20 years = 0	45-59 = 15
21-30 years = 5	60-74 = 10
31 + = 1	75 plus = 2
Roughly where do you live?	
North East (north of Star Lane, east of A140) = 4	
North West (north of Swan Lane, west of A140) = 4	
South East (south of Star Lane and east of A140) = 7	
South West (south of Swan Lane and west of A140) = 11	
Tharston = 5	
Out of area = 27	
Publicity:	
Advertised on the Neighbourhood Plan website	
Advertised on the Parish Councils website	
Word of mouth	
Facebook post (see appendix No.16)	
Preparation:	
Steering group meetings. Preparation of boards and questionnaires	
Event details:	
Sign in sheet, questionnaires (see appendix No.17), a chance to speak to the mid age range of people	
Main issues raised:	
Housing:	
What kind of dwellings would be most suited to development in Long Stratton? (Yes/No answers)	
Terraced houses (42 ticks) were the most popular answer then single storey (37 ticks).	
Sustainability:	
Is environmental sustainability important to you when buying a house?	
Yes: 41 No: 12	

Table 4.2 - Consultation 4.2 - Drop in event on the 1st Neighbourhood Plan draft at the Leisure Centre in April 2019

Overall design:

Equally suitable parking (54 ticks) and footpaths (54 ticks) were the top answer.

Footpath and street lighting in any medium to large development:

Yes: 49 No: 6

Formal recreation areas:

Yes: 53 No: 3

Open space and community centre:

Areas planted with trees:

Yes: 53 No: 3

Community orchard:

Yes: 34 No: 17

Dog run area:

Yes: 40 No: 2 Don't have a dog: 14

Specific dog run area:

Yes: 23 No: 11 Don't have a dog: 20

New community games field:

Yes: 34 No: 18

Type of games field:

The most popular answer was a free games area (35 ticks)

Community vegetable garden:

Yes: 27 No: 28

Additional allotments:

Yes: 19 No: 28

Uses for a new community building:

Public toilets (47 ticks) was the top answer then a café (40 ticks) was second.

Where should it be located:

The most common answer was centrally (8 comments)

New cycle paths:

Yes: 34 No: 19

(See www.lsnp.info for all responses)

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How did the public consultation on the initial draft plan (before the Pre-Submission plan) inform the preparation of the Pre-Submission plan?

4.6 The feedback received on the initial draft plan (before the formal pre-submission consultation) was useful.

4.7 The consultation feedback on the Design Issues Survey (See Table 3.10, 4.1 and 4.2) was used to inform the writing up on the initial Design Guidelines document. On Thursday 14th March 2019 the Steering Group committee instructed AECOM (using Locality funding) to draft a design guidelines document for the Long Stratton NP area. On 21st May 2020, the NP steering group met with AECOM to discuss the brief and advised them of the results of the community engagement.

4.8 Specific changes to the NP in response to the feedback included:

- **Housing:** The housing policies and supporting text e.g. local connection criteria were revised following discussion held with South Norfolk officers as well as written feedback received from them.
- **Design and Character Policies:** A stronger emphasis placed on landscape character in this section of the plan as well as sustainability. The inclusion of the Design Principles policy which itself was informed by the consultation undertaken with the community in April 2019 and by the Design Guidelines document finalised by AECOM in July 2019).
- **Green Spaces and Outdoor Recreation:** This section of the plan was much stronger and comprehensive to take into account priorities expressed by the community, alongside feedback received from Norfolk Wildlife Trust on the initial draft plan. Members of the Neighbourhood Group met with Norfolk Wildlife Trust as part of this process. Key changes included four drafted policies (as opposed to just one) and a policy inserted to deal specifically with the protection of existing sites in the plan area regarded as having biodiversity value.
- **Indoor community infrastructure:** Insertion of more supportive text to provide a more comprehensive context and background to this policy.
- **Superfast broadband:** The insertion of this chapter and policy C22 – Fibre to the premises. This was added following a review by the NP steering group of the NP against the draft NP vision and an identified gap with regards to communications infrastructure.

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5. Regulation 14 pre-submission consultation

5.1 Pre-submission consultation was undertaken of the Long Stratton NP during the period of Saturday 12th October until Saturday 7th December 2019 in line with Regulation 14 of the Neighbourhood Planning Consultation.

5.2 A leaflet was sent to all households in Long Stratton by 12th October 2019. Residents were invited to look at and comment on the plan. The leaflet provided information on the website address from which the plan could be viewed, dates of two open days and one open evening, where residents could come in and discuss the plan, and the four village locations where hard copies of the plan could be reviewed through the consultation period. This leaflet invited all residents to look at and comment on the pre-submission version of the plan. A copy of the leaflet which was sent out to residents is available to view at [Appendix No.20](#)

5.3 Announcements were made in Long Stratton's Parish Magazine the Sextons Wheel, which is delivered free to all households and with posters displayed around the village. The announcement ([see Appendix 21](#)) provided details on how to access and view the plan, how to make comments on the plan as well as the dates of the consultation period. Also, three large advertising boards were sited on the outside fences at two schools in Long Stratton and one in Tharston. Adverts were made in the Diss Mercury newspaper ([see appendix No.18](#)) and the EDP newspaper also ([see appendix No.19](#)).



5.4 A feedback form was made available in paper format (and distributed at the open days on Saturday 12th October and Sunday 13th October, at the open evening on Friday 8th November and left at Bekays, The Butchers House, the library and at the Town Council office) and via survey monkey online where the link could be found at www.lsnp.info. Consultees were invited to make comments using the feedback form, but it was also made clear that comments made in a different written format i.e. via letter or e-mail would also be accepted.

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5.5 Regulation 14 b) of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations stipulates that the qualifying body (Long Stratton Town Council) should consult any consultation body set out in paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 whose interests the qualifying body considers may be affected by the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan.

5.6 Accordingly, the following statutory bodies were notified by email or post of the consultation and were invited to respond to the plan detail:

Table 5.1 - Pre-Submission Consultation on the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan: Consultation Bodies

Consultation Body ²	Relevant organisation for the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan
	Individual contacted and method/date:
Local Planning Authority	South Norfolk Council 7 Officers at SNC – e-mail – 11/10/2019
County Council	Norfolk County Council (NCC's department for a co-ordinated response) – e-mail – 11/10/2019
Neighbouring Parish	Wacton Parish Council – e-mail – 11/10/2019
Neighbouring Parish	Morningthorpe Parish Council – e-mail – 11/10/2019
Neighbouring Parish	Mulbarton Parish Council – e-mail – 11/10/2019
Neighbouring Parish	Diss Town Council – e-mail – 11/10/2019
Neighbouring Parish	Newton Flotman Parish Council – 11/10/2019
Neighbouring Parish	Tasburgh Parish Council – e-mail – 11/10/2019
Neighbouring Parish	Saxlingham Nethergate – e-mail – 11/10/2019
The Coal Authority	The Coal Authority – e-mail – 11/10/2019
Homes and Communities Agency	Homes England – e-mail – 11/10/2019
Developers	(Norfolk Homes and Norfolk Land Ltd) – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Saffron Housing Trust Ltd – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Orbit Homes – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Wherry Housing Association – e-mail – 11/10/2019
Natural England	Natural England – e-mail – 11/10/2019
Environment Agency	Environment Agency – e-mail – 11/10/2019
Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England	Historic England – e-mail – 11/10/2019
Network Rail Infrastructure Limited	Network Rail – e-mail – 11/10/2019
Highways Agency	Highways England – e-mail – 11/10/2019

² under Schedule 1 of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations

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Marine Management Organisation	Not applicable
Any person i) to whom the electronic code applies by virtue of a direction given under section 106 (3) (a) of the Communications Act 2003; and ii) who owns or controls electronic communications apparatus situated in any part of the area of the local planning authority	British Telecommunications – posted – 10/10/2019 Open Reach – e-mail – 11/10/2019 and posted – 17/10/2019 Open Reach (general) – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Mobile UK (Mobile Operators Association) – email – 11/10/2019 Post Office – Long Stratton – hand delivered – 14/10/2019
Where it exercises functions in any part of the neighbourhood area: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A primary care trust established under section 18 of the NHS Act 2006 or continued existence by virtue of that section • A person to whom a license has been granted under section 6 (1) (b) and (c) of the Electricity Act • A person to whom a license has been granted under section 1(2) of the Gas Act 1986 • A sewage undertaker • A water undertaker 	Clinical Commissioning Group – e-mail – 11/10/2019 and posted – 10/10/2019 NHS North and South Norfolk CCG - e-mail – 11/10/2019 National Health Service Commissioning Board – posted – 17/10/2019 UK Power Networks – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Cadent Gas – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Transco National Grid – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Anglian Water – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Internal Drainage Board – Norfolk Rivers IDB – e-mail – 11/10/2019

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Voluntary bodies some or all of whose activities benefit all or any part of the neighbourhood area	Food Bank – e-mail – 11/10/2019 South Norfolk Lions – e-mail – 11/10/2019 East Anglian Air Ambulance – e-mail – 11/10/2019
Bodies which represent the interests of different racial, ethnic or national groups in the neighbourhood area	Norfolk Wildlife Trust: Norfolk Wildlife Trust – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Helen Baczowska – e-mail – 17/10/2019 Mike Jones – e-mail – 17/10/2019
Bodies which represent the interests of different religious groups in the neighbourhood area	The Reverend – Rural Dean – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Congregational – e-mail – 11/10/2019
Bodies which represent the interests of persons carrying on business in the neighbourhood area	Long Stratton Discount Auto Parts – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Ace Lift Truck Training – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Whittley Parish – posted – 10/10/2019 Simply Smile Manor House Ltd – posted – 10/10/2019 Long Stratton Library – hand delivered – 10/10/2019 Hunters – posted – 10/10/2019 East of England Co-op Foodstores – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Gerald Adams Wood Carving – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Cafe Savannah – posted – 10/10/2019 Stratton Motor Co – posted – 10/10/2019 Zig Zag – posted – 10/10/2019 Break Charity – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Party & Prom – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Martin Smith Partnership – posted – 10/10/2019 Netherton Dental Practice – posted – 10/10/2019 Professional Connections Ltd – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Well Long Stratton – posted – 10/10/2019 Aldridge Lansdell – posted – 10/10/2019 Oh My Cod – posted – 10/10/2019 Bartlett Signs & Printing – posted – 10/10/2019 The Complete Man – posted – 10/10/2019 The Chip Inn – e-mail – 11/10/2019 The Swan Inn – posted – 10/10/2019 Hairmale Hairdressers – posted – 10/10/2019 New Hong Kong Chinese Takeaway – posted – 10/10/2019 The Kebab House – posted – 10/10/2019 Howards Estate Agents – posted – 10/10/2019 Do Do – posted – 10/10/2019 Each Charity Shop – e-mail – 11/10/2019

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	<p>Petes Pets & Garden Supplies – posted – 10/10/2019</p> <p>M Shepherd Optometrist – posted – 11/10/2019</p> <p>Jon Venning Architect – posted – 10/10/2019 and e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>Scissorhappy Hairdressers – posted – 10/10/2019</p> <p>Courthouse Occasions Ltd – posted – 10/10/2019</p> <p>Past & Present Vintage Tea Rooms – posted – 10/10/2019</p> <p>Long Stratton Post Office – hand delivered – 14/10/2019</p> <p>The Butchers House – posted – 10/10/2019</p> <p>One Stop – hand delivered – 14/10/2019</p> <p>A J Shaw & Son – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>The Spice Indian Takeaway – posted – 10/10/2019</p> <p>R & M Paving Services – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>East of England Co-op Funeral Services – posted – 10/10/2019</p> <p>Daregal Gourmet – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>Tile Loose Roofing – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>Trafalgar Lodge – posted – 10/10/2019</p> <p>Cheshunt Hair Studio – posted – 10/10/2019</p> <p>Arena Partnership – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>Harker House Residential Care – posted – 10/10/2019</p> <p>Long Stratton Sharks Swimming club – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>Gascoynes Accounts – posted – 17/10/2019</p> <p>Bekays D I Y & Hardware Ltd – posted – 10/10/2019</p> <p>M Ryder Building & Roofing Specialists – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>Excalibur Auto-Electrics – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>Sunnyside Auto Sales – posted 10/10/2019</p> <p>First Connect Fire & Security Ltd – posted – 10/10/2019</p> <p>Moss & Roberts Wealth Management Ltd – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>Zing Insights – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>Celexon – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>K.C Engineering – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>T C Garrett Roofing Contractor – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>Nosh – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>Ymark Paint & Repair Centre – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>Harnser Ltd – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>Alders Classics – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>B Richard Leeder – e-mail via Ian Hetherington – 11/10/2019</p> <p>R D M Distribution – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>S.P Youngman Ltd – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>Stratton Auto Services – posted – 10/10/2019</p> <p>Stratton Glass & Windows Ltd – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>Empire Printing & Embroidery – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>Custom Colours Ltd – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>Symphony Windows Doors & Conservatories Ltd – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p> <p>Coldlink Ltd – e-mail – 11/10/2019</p>
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	<p> Ace Products UK Ltd – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Samurai Sportswear – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Norfolk & Suffolk Scaffolding Ltd – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Classic Vintage Vehicle Services – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Cheqair Ltd – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Stratton Motor Heritage Racing – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Projectorshop24 – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Timbers Boarding Cattery – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Paws Print & Web Solutions – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Premier Roofing Supplies Ltd – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Stratton Quickfit – posted – 10/10/2019 and e-mail – 11/10/2019 The Kitchen Centre – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Chapelfield Veterinary Partnership Ltd – posted – 10/10/2019 Specialist Building Supplies Ltd – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Adroit Professional Dog Grooming – e-mail- 11/10/2019 Kenton Brauer Stained Glass & Casements – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Wills Workwear – posted – 10/10/2019 Kitchen Centre – e-mail – 11/10/2019 IRBR – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Paneltex – e-mail – 11/10/2019 </p>
Bodies which represent the interests of disabled persons in the neighbourhood area	<p> BLESMA – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Norfolk Coalition of Disabled People – e-mail – 11/10/2019 SSAFA – posted – 10/10/2019 </p>
Other	<p> Richard Bacon MP – e-mail – 11/10/2019 George Freeman MP – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Sustainable Places – posted – 10/10/2019 Long Stratton High School – posted 10/10/2019 and e-mail 11/10/2019 St Marys C of E Junior Academy – posted 10/10/2019 and e-mail 11/10/2019 Manor Field Infant Nursery School – posted 10/10/2019 and e-mail 11/10/2019 The Mayfields Care Home – posted 10/10/2019 and e-mail – 11/10/2019 Harker House Care Home – posted – 10/10/2019 Manor House Dental Surgery – posted – 10/10/2019 and e-mail – 11/10/2019 Netherton Dental Practice – posted 10/10/2019 and e-mail – 11/10/2019 Long Stratton Medical Partnership – posted – 10/10/2019 and e-mail – 11/10/2019 Norfolk Fire and Rescue Headquarters – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Norfolk Constabulary HQ – e-mail – 11/10/2019 </p>

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	Sport England – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Long Stratton Leisure Centre – posted – 10/10/2019 and e-mail – 11/10/2019 Long Stratton Football Club – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Eastern Shotokan Karate Association – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Guides, Brownies, Rainbows, Rangers – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Scouts, Beavers, Cubs – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Footpath warden – e-mail – 11/10/2019 Women’s Institute – e-mail – 11/10/2019
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An overview of responses received at Regulation 14 Pre-submission consultation stage

5.7 In total 29 response were received, 15 from statutory consultees and 14 from residents. Responses were received in letter format, in email format, via paper form format and via survey monkey format.

5.8 All comments received at this stage are logged in two consultation tables; one for resident/community and the other for statutory consultees. In addition, comments received as part of a healthcheck undertaken on the plan are also shown. These tables log each comment in plan order and the last column details how we have responded to each comment and whether any changes have been made to the NP. Finally, the last table provides the full list of recommended changes made to the pre-submission NP.

Summary of the main issues and concerns raised:

5.9 Comments received from residents are summarised in the table below.

Summary of Regulation 14 comments from residents and community

Topic comment related to:	Comments:
Housing	General concern with respect to: - impact of 1800 new homes on infrastructure - inadequate provision of off-street parking - need for suitable homes for older people - need for more affordable homes for all people
Connectivity	General agreement with policies in the NP which encourage more prioritisation for pedestrian and cyclists but concern also expressed with respect to provision of adequate parking.
Car parking including town centre parking	A number of comments expressing inadequate provision of town-centre car parking particularly as Swan Lane car park now long appears to serve short term parking needs.

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Topic comment related to:	Comments:
	Concern also expressed with respect residential and community uses not being provided with adequate off street parking.
Town centre uses	Some concern with respect to closures of services and businesses in the town centre.
HGV traffic	Concern with respect to HGV traffic on pedestrian safety especially at Flowerpot Lane/A140 junction
Market place	Overall support with some opposition expressed and some concern with impact on available town centre parking.
Fire Station and Telephone Exchange	Overall support with some concern expressed regarding the need to secure public car parking on the site.
Green infrastructure	Overall support for policies but frustration also expressed with regards to loss of green infrastructure through the proposed 1800 new homes.

5.10 Comments received from statutory consultees are summarised in the table below.

Summary of Regulation 14 comments from statutory consultees

Consultee:	Supportive overall?	Areas of concern/disagreement:
Natural England	Generic response	
Sport England	Generic response	
Tasburgh Parish Council		More parking consideration needs to be addressed within Long Stratton Town Centre. Lack of connections to new footpaths and cycle paths to Tasburgh.
Wood Green Residents Group	Yes	Status of Swan Lane public car park as only open for short term stays Concern regarding employment uses in the countryside near to Wood Green.
Norfolk County Council		Requested inclusion of more detail with respect to installation of sprinklers in new new build, the historic environment, flooding and site allocations. Concern that the NP did not recognise that the bypass would sever specific links in the footpath network.

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		<p>Concern that Policy TC13 was too specific in terms of measures being sought in the town centre and a recommendation that the policy should be more focused on outcomes.</p> <p>Concern with detailed policy wording for the Fire Station and Telephone Exchange site.</p>
Historic England	Generic response	
Orbit Homes	Yes	Request that their site is allocated as part of the NP. Some concern on the wording of the open spaces policy.
South Norfolk Council	Yes	Some areas of concern with regards to policy wording and status of the Design Guidelines.
Norfolk Homes Ltd and Norfolk Land Ltd	Yes	<p>Some concern regarding wording of NP policies suggesting they are too prescriptive in places.</p> <p>Concern with respect to the nature in which the Design Guidelines document includes a number of plans which have been submitted as part of planning applications, stating that they should not be relied upon.</p>
Norfolk Wildlife Trust	Yes	<p>They wish for more emphasis to be placed in the NP on climate change adaptation and mitigation.</p> <p>Supportive of the green infrastructure policies since they will relieve visitor pressure on other sites. They request that the green infrastructure policies are more focused on delivering gains in biodiversity particularly through provision of corridors.</p>
Long Stratton High School		Concern that the policies in the plan do not prioritise younger population in Long Stratton.
Long Stratton Brownies		Concern with respect to provision of affordable housing for single and younger people

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		Also concern with respect to need for new community meeting space to meet their needs. They are looking for more space. Questions raised with regards the detail for the proposed new community meeting space in Long Stratton.
Long Stratton Scout Group		Concern with respect to provision of affordable housing for single and younger people Also concern with respect to need for new community meeting space to meet their needs. They are looking for more space.
Anglian Water		No issues

5.11 Meetings in response to some of the comments were had. These were with the Guides/Scouts leaders on 3rd February 2020, The Highway Authority on 7th February 2020, Norfolk Homes Ltd/Norfolk Land Ltd and Cornerstone Planning Ltd on 17th February 2020, Long Stratton Library on 25th February 2020 and Broadland District Council/South Norfolk Council on 16th November 2020.

A description as to how these issues and concerns have been considered and, where relevant, addressed in the proposed neighbourhood development plan:

5.12 On the following pages logs of all the responses received at pre-submission stage are shown. They also provide detail on how the issues raised have been addressed. The recommended changes log to the pre-submission plan in response to the feedback received at consultation stage is also shown. They include the following headlines:

- Strengthening the clarity and precision (to reflect the supporting evidence accurately) of the housing mix policy (SC1) and specialist and supported housing policy (SC2) and supporting text in responses to resident consultation (and feedback received as part of the Health Check)
- Strengthening the clarity of the specialist and supported housing policy (SC2) and supporting text in responses to resident consultation
- Tweaking of policy wording throughout the document in response to comments from South Norfolk Council.
- Stronger recognition throughout the plan that there is an existing shortage of town centre public car parking space in the plan area which will get worse as the town grows.
- Further clarity provided in Policy R20 'A new community meeting space in Long Stratton' with regards to the facilities and land uses this new space will deliver (responding to a number of concerns regarding provision of community meeting

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space to meet the needs of Long Stratton community groups and shortage of town centre public car parking spaces).

- Clarification in Policy DC7 that all proposals must incorporate landscaping (in response to resident feedback).
- Clarification throughout the plan as to how the plan contributes towards meeting sustainable development and contributing to climate change mitigation in response to comments from Norfolk Wildlife Trust and as part of the health check.
- Inclusion of supporting text in the plan to explain flood risk in the plan area and how the Local Plan and NPPF policies will apply in the decision making process (in response to County Council feedback)
- Inclusion of supporting text to Policy DC10 'Long Stratton design principles' to explain how the policy is appropriate with regards to the National Design Guide. This is in response to comments from South Norfolk Council and as part of the health check recommendation.
- A review of the wording of the TC15 'The Fire Station and Telephone Exchange' site in response to concerns raised by Norfolk County Council and as part of the health check.
- A strengthening of Policy GI19 'Protecting Existing sites of biodiversity value in the plan area' to reflect comments raised by the Norfolk Wildlife Trust.
- Addition of detail to Chapter 6 to reflect community aspirations for renewable energy schemes in the plan area and to seek improvements in the rural cycling infrastructure.

5.13 Following the incorporation of the recommended changes, the Neighbourhood Plan group continued proof reading the document which resulted in a further set of minor changes to correct typographical errors and improve consistency across the document.

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Table 5.2 - Regulation 14 full list of comments from residents and the community

Policy LSNP-SC1 Housing mix

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R8	The village cannot cope with more people. Essential services are already over worked and parking is a nightmare.	Noted. The principle for large scale development in Long Stratton is already established through the Long Stratton Area Action Plan, adopted by South Norfolk Council in May 2016. The Long Stratton NP seeks to influence and shape how this development comes. The NP is also concerned with the impact that development will have on town centre parking.
R10	More bungalows needed for people prior to needing sheltered housing	<p>It is acknowledged that housing schemes which cater for the health and lifestyles of older people will differ greatly, as will their housing needs, which can range from accessible and adaptable general needs housing (for example bungalows) to specialist housing with high levels of care and support.</p> <p>The AECOM Housing Needs Assessment which supports this NP predicts a further need for specialist housing catered to meet the needs of the older population during the period 2017 to 2026 to be 126 units. This is addressed through Policy SC2.</p> <p>More clarity can be provided in Policy SC1 to emphasis the contribution that accessible and adaptable general needs housing can make to meet the needs of older people in the plan area.</p> <p>See Recommended Change SC1-1 and SC1-8</p>
R13	Based on my own experience/ knowledge, the proposed housing mix is about right. However, too often there is inadequate provision for parking	<p>Agreed.</p> <p>Parking provision as part of new development is agreed at planning application stage. Policy <i>DM 3.12 Provision of vehicle parking</i> in the South</p>

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Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
	(either residential or visitor) with any overspill blocking pedestrian access or, as I have witnessed, amenity areas.	Norfolk Local Plan Development Management Policies document (adopted 2015) states that the Local Council's adopted Parking Standards will be used as a starting point. The standards South Norfolk currently use are those set out in County Council's document called Parking Standards for Norfolk 2007.
R9	Page 36, chapter 5, Absolutely – excellent	Noted.
	Agree: 6 Disagree: 2	

Policy LSNP-SC2 Homes for the older generation

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R1	Depends on how this is delivered – supported housing would be positive but not isolated/gated communities with age restrictions on purchase	Noted. Agreed. See Recommended Change SC2-1
R10	Need homes (bungalows) for fit and active pensioners, agree near to town centre but not just sheltered housing	Noted. This is addressed in Policy SC1 Housing Mix. See also recommended change SC2-1 and SC2-4
R13	With an ageing population it is important to ensure that adequate provision is made for all types of housing for the elderly.	Noted. Agreed. This is what Policies SC1 and SC2 are seeking to achieve.
R9	Page 38, chapter 5, Re: 5.1.7, 5.1.8, 5.1.9, 5.1.10 Absolutely vital – Please ensure Norfolk Homes/Norfolk Land Ltd and all providers and developers know to insist in this. Provide another sheltered housing scheme similar to Depwade Court for at least 50 dwellings for the elderly. Many persons can not afford private	Noted. See Recommended Change SC2-4 and Chapter 6-1

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	<p>residential care homes, and the need will be greater by 2036 as people continue to live longer.</p> <p>There is also a need for another 'Harker House' with nursing care provision. <i>Plan and allocate land/space now</i> – hopefully the National Health Service/Social Care will fund this.</p>	
	Agree: 5 Disagree: 2	

Policy – LSNP SC3 Affordable homes meeting Long Stratton needs

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R1	Recognise that this will always increase, so will be unlikely to future proof	Noted. The Long Stratton HNA undertaken by AECOM has estimated a need for 132 affordable homes during the period 2017 to 2026 to address Long Stratton specific needs. The purpose of Policy SC3 is to address this growing need.
R7	Far too many unaffordable executive 5 bed rooms being built	<p>Noted. The evidence suggests (see Table 14 in the Long Stratton HNA undertaken by AECOM) that during the period 2001 to 2011 there was a significant increase in very small properties and very large properties (4 or 5 bedroom homes) and a significant reduction proportionally in medium sized dwellings of 2-3 bedrooms. The Long Stratton HNA also finds that 70% of additional need falls within the category of small to medium 2 to 3 bedroom homes.</p> <p>The policies in this chapter recognise that the housing being brought forward via the Area Action Plan is addressing a strategic need. However, the policies are also seeking to ensure that Long Stratton specific needs are also addressed including the considerable need for additional 2 and 3 bedroom properties.</p>
R13	Agree with criteria for eligibility.	Noted.

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R9	Absolutely vital – Please ensure Norfolk Homes/Norfolk Land Ltd and all providers and developers know to insist in this.	Noted.
	Agree: 10 Disagree:	
	Further comments	
R4	Case law and the views of applicants might mean desired C3 is actually C2 use class	Noted.

Policy LSNP-SC4 Pedestrian and cycle friendly neighbourhoods

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R2	Cycle paths needed along A140 route to Tasburgh Village	<p>As noted in the Design Principles document (see page 20) supporting this plan, the downgrading of the village spine as a result of the A140 bypass provides a unique opportunity to improve pedestrian and cycling conditions along The Street, Norwich Road, and Ipswich Road. The former A140 route could be transformed into the main north-south connector in the village with widened footways and dedicated cycling infrastructure.</p> <p>It is agreed Long Stratton Town Council should look at improving cycle connections with outlying areas. See Recommended Change Chapter 6 – 2.</p>
R8	I agree in principle but the suggestion for most of the A140 through the main part of the village being made pedestrianised is pure insanity. How would people be able to access the A140 to travel to the north or south? To say nothing of the removal of bus services in the village. This needs total re-thinking. Many of the surrounding very minor roads would become rat runs as Chequers Road has recently.	This is rejected. The NP does not propose pedestrianising the A140 through the main part of the village. The NP explores how the road can become more pedestrian and cycle friendly. Map 4 and Policy TC13 in the NP identifies opportunities in this respect.

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	Dangerous and impossible conditions for travel in bad weather.	
R10	Agree we need people to walk and cycle however there still needs to be adequate parking nearby to allow people to then walk. Long Stratton Council has little or no parking provision for people to use the bus services to Norwich which if provided would ease traffic on A140. In fact car parking is currently being reduced causing problems for people from outlying villages and from the outskirts i.e. Tharston. They cannot park and visit several of the businesses as there are few spaces or very short time restrictions on those that do exist. This will deter businesses from coming and make the "market place" empty.	<p>We agree there is a parking capacity issue in Long Stratton Town Centre. The policies in the plan do look at increasing this capacity (see Policy TC15, TC14). It is also intended that a future community meeting space in Long Stratton (see Policy R20) on Star Lane will assist in alleviating town centre car parking capacity issues.</p> <p>See Recommended Change R20-1 and R20-2</p>
R11	Coupled with improved pavement/street lighting	See Recommended Change SC4 - 1
	Agree: 9 Disagree: 0	

Policy LSNP-SC5 Maintaining good connectivity with outlying areas

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R4	Essential	Noted
R10	Again, public town centre car parking. Hardly mentioned in plan but already very much needed before new developments. People won't come if they can't park when here, or if only have time to go to shop but not restaurant or hairdressers as well. They will go to Diss/Wymondham or Norwich instead.	<p>We agree there is a parking capacity issue in Long Stratton Town Centre. The policies in the plan do look at increasing this capacity (see Policy TC15, TC14). It is also intended that a future community meeting space in Long Stratton (see Policy R20) on Star Lane will assist in alleviating town centre car parking capacity issues. We have strengthened this detail in the plan.</p> <p>See Recommended Change R20-1 and R20-2</p>

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R13	In principle agree with the idea of good conductivity provided it does create new problems e.g. the construction of a "green underpass" for the new bypass east of the village has potential for anti-social behaviour and other activities.	Noted. This will be looked at as part of the design process.
	Agree: 8 Disagree: 0	

Policy LSNP-SC6 Location of new community facilities

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R4	The Fire station and phone exchange provide a real opportunity	Noted
R8	Only if necessary. We are already suffering from over population.	Noted. The principle for large scale development in Long Stratton is already established through the Long Stratton Area Action Plan, adopted by South Norfolk Council in May 2016. The Long Stratton NP seeks to influence and shape how this development comes. The NP is also concerned with the impact that a growing population will have on the plan area.
R13	Not entirely sure why new sports centre is suggested after all the expense of revamping the existing centre. Also, I am not sure that the existing library is overly used.	<p>The plan seeks the provision of expanded community facilities as to address additional demand that will be created through the building of 1,800 new homes as planned for in the adopted Long Stratton Area Action Plan.</p> <p>The library is a well-used facility as a library especially by specific groups within the community, namely the older generation and older children (who do not always have the opportunity to do homework within their own home). It also offers essential and sustainable access to books which many people in the community otherwise may not (a classic example is carers of young children who borrow many books for young children to read on a regular basis) have access to. The library is also used as a community meeting space by a range of community groups.</p>

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R9	Page 44, chapter 5. To get to new community facilities most people will travel by car. ENSURE AT DESIGN STAGE to build in CAR PARKS at each facility.	Noted and agreed.
	Agree: 7 Disagree: 1	

Policy LSNP-DC7 Landscape and settlement character

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R2	All planning should include landscaping plans including tree screening	Noted and agreed. The South Norfolk Local Plan (Development Management Policies) document requires this in Policy DM 4.9 <i>Incorporating landscape into Design.</i> See Recommended Change DC7-1
	Agree: 9 Disagree: 0	

Policy LSNP-DC8 Creating successful neighbourhoods

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R2	Adopt Norwich Goldsmith approach to house design	Noted. Insert a paragraph on sustainable design and construction methods in Policy DC10 – Long Stratton Design Principles. See Recommended Change DC10-1
R8	A major benefit would be achieved if the problems caused by young thugs and hooligans in the village could be addressed.	Noted. This is a matter beyond the scope of the Neighbourhood Plan to directly influence.
	Agree: 8 Disagree: 0	

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Policy LSNP-DC9 Strengthening and enhancing Long Stratton's historic core

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R7	Long Stratton has no enhancing historic core as far to many homes are being built on green belt land. There is no community spirit in this village/Town any more as it has become too big and all the new residents have no respect for older residents as they all speed through in their gas gusling 4x4s and BMWs etc to get to Norwich or down to the shops/School run etc	Noted but not agreed. There is a historic core in Long Stratton which is forms part of the designated Long Stratton Conservation Area. Community spirit is important in the plan area and we hope this will be strengthened over the short, medium and long term through initiatives such as the Neighbourhood Plan.
R10	Why are South Norfolk de-registering commercial use buildings such as solicitors office and bank into residential when this is meant to be the heart of the town centre?	Planning proposals to change the use of a town centre unit into residential will have been determined by South Norfolk Council. Decisions will have been based on planning policies in the Local Plan including the Long Stratton Area Action Plan. The Area Action Plan defines a primary shopping area in Long Stratton (see Appendix 2a to the AAP). In these areas proposals which result in loss of A1 (shop) and A2 (e.g. banks) will not be permitted if it results in an overconcentration of non-A1 uses so as to “unacceptably harm the future attractiveness and vitality of that part of the centre”. There is less control outside of the defines primary shopping area.
	Agree: 9 Disagree: 1	

Policy LSNP-DC10 Long Stratton design principles

	Agree: 9 Disagree: 1	
Ref	Further Comments	NP steering group response
R4	Well thought out	Noted.

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Policy LSNP-E11 New employment uses in Tharston

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R7	All these new homes will be for people who work in Norwich or Diss not here	It is acknowledged that the 1,800 strategic site allocation in the Long Stratton Area Action Plan will address a strategic need for housing. However, the evidence underpinning this NP, namely the Housing Needs Assessment shows that during the period 2017 to 2026 there will be a need generated by Long Stratton itself for 408 additional homes. Whilst there is outflow of workers from Long Stratton, Long Stratton itself is a rural hub providing shops, services and employment opportunities to a wider area. This role is anticipated to expand during the plan period.
R8	Roads are not suitable for more heavy goods vehicles etc.	Noted.
R11	Providing there are suitable access routes	Noted.
R9	Any growth of Tharston Ind Est WILL affect Flowerpot Lane/Chequers Road and should not happen. All new B1, B2, B8 development to be on the east side nearer A140 or the new bypass, away from the town centre.	Not accepted. The NP supports employment uses at Tharston Industrial Estate so long as the impact on Flowerpot Lane/Chequer's Lane junction is acceptable and does not generate additional road safety issues through additional HGV traffic.
	Agree: 6 Disagree: 3	

LSNP-E12 Training Long Stratton's local workforce

	Agree: 8 Disagree: 0	
Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
	Further comments	
R4	The bypass is really needed before more rush hour traffic is generated	Agreed.

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Policy LSNP-TC13 Re-establishing The Street as the heart of the town

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R2	Cycle ways from outskirts Long Stratton boundary to Long Stratton centre	Agreed. See also Recommended Change Chapter 6 - 2
R10	again why are South Norfolk council making this more residential? Where are future businesses/shops/offices to trade from?	We acknowledge the challenges faced by businesses located in Long Stratton town centre. The plan is seeking to protect and enhance the town centre.
R11	Assuming we can have our bypass	Noted.
R13	Not happy with the suggestions. The artists impressions all look very nice but who pays for all the expensive materials used? Pedestrian railings may appear ugly but with imagination can be improved. Retain not remove for pedestrian safety. Yes agree with the proposal for A140/ Flowerpot Lane junction. Can not a similar approach be taken at the Swan Lane/ A140 junction? At least it would be a safety measure when right-turning from Swan Lane as sightline visibility poor at this junction. Raised speed cushions/ zebra crossings/ramps not appreciated by emergency service vehicles, bus users etc. Most definite of all - NO 20MPH speed limit. This doesn't work without a permanent enforcement which is not going to happen.	<p>As noted in paragraph 5.5.8 of the plan, The measures included in the policy are examples of suitable environmental enhancement measures which have been identified through the preparation of the neighbourhood plan. They are priorities shared by the community for improving public realm and the pedestrian environment along The Street. It is expected the delivery of these identified measures will be through a combination of developer contributions (where it meets the requirements of paragraph 56 in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) or any update to this), Town and Parish Council spending of CIL funding and through other Town and Parish Council-driven funding bids.</p> <p>Individual schemes to implement the measures will be subject to further planning application and consultation with the community.</p> <p>Point on pedestrian railings noted.</p> <p>Issues and Swan Lane/A140 junction is identified in Map 4.</p> <p>Point on 20mph speed limit noted.</p>

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R9	I do not agree to removing of bus laybys because buses hold up cars. That's why the laybys are there.	We don't think this will be an issue once the by-pass is built and the volume of traffic on the 140 is reduced.
	Agree: 9 Disagree: 1	

Policy LSNP-TC14 Long Stratton Market Place

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R4	A 'market place' provides focus, but will it be used. E.g fewer stalls at Wymondham	Past ad hoc markets which have been held in the town centre have been successfully attended (e.g. outside market in 2014 outside St Mary's school).
R8	Not necessary or required.	Noted.
R10	as long as you dont de-register more business use premises or you will have residents of ex bank and ex solicitors complaining!	Noted .
R13	Can't see the justification. Yes some form of enhancement required but what about simple measures e.g. painting lamp columns/ railings/ street furniture. Even a tidy up enhancement of building frontages can all make a difference. What about the under used public areas at The Plain and in front of the Ice House shopping area. Even the area of block paving alongside the toilet block could be a potential area for a market place.	Noted. The value of implementing simple measures is noted. However, larger scale measures such as pavement widening and junction improvement are considered necessary in order to improve pedestrian safety and movement. It is agreed there are a few potential locations for a new market place which should be further explored.
R9	Page 67, chapter 5. Good idea – if it's a small market AND the car park – Fire Station and the Telephone Exchange is available.	Noted.
	Agree: 7 Disagree: 3	

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Policy LSNP-TC15 The Firestation and Telephone Exchange

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R4	Please try to get control	Noted.
R5	Will need site as car park if market idea is adopted	Noted. Additional car park capacity at Star Lane (as part of new community building) will also help.
R8	Valuable assets to the village. Leave them alone.	It is not within the power of the NP to remove these two assets but it is the role of NP to anticipate and plan for the future in the event of the fire service themselves choosing to relocate, which they may well do once the by-pass is built.
R10	Good place for long stay car park!	Noted.
R13	No retain the fire station. After all it is an important community service given that alternatives at Diss/ Wymondham/ Harleston/ Norwich are all some distance away. No mention given to alternative site(s) for the fire station. The Telephone Exchange building maybe dated but is it an essential part of the telephone network?	It is not within the power of the NP to remove these two assets but it is the role of NP to anticipate and plan for the future in the event of the fire service and telephone exchange service themselves choosing to relocate, which they may well do once the by-pass is built.
R9	Page 67, chapter 5. Both areas must be a car park without and building on it. What a golden opportunity in the very centre of Long Stratton! However...it must be beautifully designed with green infrastructure, many trees etc to conceal the cars.	Noted.
	Agree: 7 Disagree: 3	
	Further comments	
R9	There is space for a market place (twice a month?) on part of the eventual foundations of the present Telephone Exchange building. The remainder of the	Noted.

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<p>site and the whole of the Fire Station site to be a car park. Design to be visually attractive, landscaped with trees, bushes, vegetation planting so that it doesn't look like a parking lot. No development to be built on it.</p> <p>Please see/visit Denmark Street car park top of Diss, 100 yards behind the Corn Hall AND the concealed car park in Dedham, next to East Bergholt in Suffolk – also 100 yards from the historical town centre as good examples.</p> <p>There is an urgent need NOW in 2019 for extra car parking in the centre of Long Stratton. The SNC car park outside the chemist is full as is the new Leisure Centre (members park outside in Swan Lane) and the Co-op site is regularly full. All this is before 1800 plus homes are built; which means at least another 1800 plus cars whose owners will travel to the centre of town for shopping, business, pubs, dentists, library, post office, doctors, leisure facilities, social events etc.</p> <p>This new additional car park could also relieve car parking in Manor Road when the new community pavilion is built on the sports ground. Furthermore it will be an asset for residents from outlying villages to park for the day – especially elderly people and many others who use public transport – which as a society we are all encouraged to do.</p>	
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	The advantage of the above is that if by 2036 circumstances have changed in Long Stratton, there is an option for the Town Council to use the site for something else.	
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Policy LSNP-GI16 Long Stratton recreational open space standards

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R2	All housing should include the plans for landscaping, footpaths and cycleways, parking and trees	Noted.
R8	Proper dog walking paths around existing land needed. Would hopefully lead to less dog fouling.	Noted.
R9	Page 69, chapter 5. It all reads well. I haven't had access to 'adopted policy' information to make an informed decision.	Noted.
	Agree: 10 Disagree: 0	

Policy LSNP-GI17 Delivering green infrastructure in Long Stratton

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R7	How can you deliver a green infrastructure when you want to build more homes on green belt land? And local traffic all speeding through Long Stratton in their 4x4s and BMWs etc and who are rude	The strategic allocation for 1,800 new homes is already established through the Long Stratton Area Action adopted in 2016. The NP seeks to influence how this development comes forward.
	Agree: 10 Disagree: 1	

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Policy LSNP-GI18 Green infrastructure management

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R7	What Green Infrastructure management? Building all this unaffordable homes on green belt land and speeding traffic in gas gussling vehicles South Norfolk Council are the worst Just look at their Car Park full of 4x4s etc by 9am all one person one car What a joke when they are the ones that tell the public we should be getting out of our cars	Noted.
	Agree: 10 Disagree: 1	

Policy LSNP-GI19 Protecting existing sites of biodiversity value in the plan area

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R5	Hayntons Lane needs including (half in Stratton) include small grassed area for potential enhancement	Policy GI19 seeks to ensure that all development proposals will take into account, protect or enhance the biodiversity value of the land potentially impacted by a proposed development. The policy identifies for special protection those sites which are currently known to have specific biodiversity value. It is not considered appropriate to identify Haynton's Lane as part of this.
	Agree: 10 Disagree: 0	
	Further comments	
R1	Considered important to maintain rural feel – may live here because of this	Noted.
R4	I like the green focus, especially corridors	Noted.

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Policy LSNP-R20 Delivering a new community meeting space in Long Stratton

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R10	5.6.31 so why was a village residents request to have further discussions with Town council about designing a questionnaire about what residents wanted and the potential of setting up and running a village/town community centre with snooker/pool/bar facilities and a larger function room laughed at at a council meeting earlier this year or the end of last year? His idea was for it to be owned by the council but designed by the people and he would run it but it was ignored.	The ethos behind the community centre that the NP proposes is to provide space to enhance adult and child wellbeing by offering adult education, space to be used for groups/classes to improve health and well being as well as being a base for third parties such as the Police and local surgeries with the Council. With 2 local public houses with pool facilities available in Long Stratton, to have an additional facility of this nature was not an overwhelming community aspiration as dictated by the consultations that have taken place since the NP commenced.
R13	Why not improve the existing village hall?	Noted. It is accepted the village hall needs to be improved in addition to additional community space being provided.
	Agree: 8 Disagree: 1	

Policy LSNP-R21 A new swimming pool for a larger community

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R4	Long term? Feels ambitious	Noted. The provision of new swimming pool to serve Long Stratton has been a consistent priority expressed by the community throughout the development of this NP.
R8	Facilities abound locally although some are private.	Noted.
R13	Agree but pity it could not have been incorporated as part of the improved leisure centre.	Noted.
	Agree: 8 Disagree: 1	

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Policy LSNP-C22 Fibre to the premises

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R10	All village should have this not just the new bits!	BT Open Reach are looking at a backfit capability.
R11	Not important to me	Noted.
	Agree: 8 Disagree: 0	

Further comments on the Neighbourhood Plan

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R4	A lot of work but I think it's worthwhile	Noted.
R7	Long Stratton has become too big and has lost its identity. It certainly is not the nice place to live in anymore.	Noted.

Overall, do you agree or disagree with the Neighbourhood Plan?

	Agree: 8 Disagree: 1	
Ref	Further comments	NP steering group response
R13	Overall agree with plan but can't help this is a pipe dream and without funding for future maintenance will be viewed as wasted money	Noted. New development will bring with it opportunities including provision of required community infrastructure (via S106, community infrastructure levy and via Town Council and Parish Council precept). The NP seeks to identify community priorities with regards to additional infrastructure provision. The plan also includes planning policies which will influence how new development comes forward.

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Long Stratton Design Guidelines, AECOM 2019

	Agree: 3 Disagree: 0 Not read/don't know: 4	
Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R13	Neither agree or disagree with the document	Noted.

Long Stratton Masterplan Report, AECOM 2018

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R13	Neither agree or disagree	Noted.
R9	Do not remove bus laybys at The Plain. Buses hold up traffic – that is why they are there. Clearly remove all pebbled surfaces.	Noted. We consider the pavement to the west of the bus layby to be far too narrow and once the by-pass has been delivered we don't think buses on the Street will hold up traffic in the same way. There are examples around the country where buses stops are incorporated successfully without a layby.
	Agree: 3 Disagree: 0 Not read/don't know: 4	
	Other comments:	
R9	Do not remove the 'Georgian' Bow windows at the dentists (a listed building).	Noted.

LS Demographic & Socio-Economic Report

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
R12.	Re. My phone call on 5 December, I notice in the LS Demographic & Socio-Economic Report (prepared by Cambridgeshire Acre) that there seems to be an error on page 11 concerning MSOA Commuting Flows. Although these may possibly be considered out of date, as they seem to refer to data from 2011, looking at the	This is noted and has been corrected. Thank you.

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	previous two columns the third column should surely be headed Net Outflow rather than 'Net in-Flow' A small point, but it doesn't make sense otherwise and I hope I am correct in drawing your attention to it.	
	Further comments	
R4	I have read in the past but I forget the detail. My overall impression is 'justified'.	Noted.
	Agree: 0 Disagree: 0 Not read/don't know: 0	

Other comments not relating to specific policies

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
(via web site)	Maybe not a popular view but true - the library is under used and probably now over funded for its limited purpose which is diminishing daily due to the internet. Probably cheaper to buy individual users their books new via amazon! Also the coop has a strangle hold on the community via shopping which is 30% more expensive than other big retailers - surely a deal can be struck with a big retailer to fund a pool or help our infrastructure in return for planning consent via a Fair tender exercise.	<p>The library is a well-used facility as a library especially by specific groups within the community, namely the older generation and older children (who do not always have the opportunity to do homework within their own home). It also offers essential and sustainable access to books which many people in the community otherwise may not (a classic example is carers of young children who borrow many books for young children to read on a regular basis) have access to. The library is also used as a community meeting space by a range of community groups.</p> <p>The Long Stratton Town Council and the Tharston and Hapton Parish Council will continue to work with local stakeholders to identify new sources of funding for infrastructure. Planning policy (policies we can include in our Neighbourhood Plan) are however restricted in the extent requirements from new developments can be made. See paragraph 56 of the National Planning Policy Framework.</p>

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Pre submission consultation took place on the pre-submission version of the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan during the period 12th October to 7th December 2019.

Responses were received from the following organisations:

Date	Organisation	Reference
17/10/2019	Natural England	E-mail
18/10/2019	Head at Long Stratton High School	E-mail
21/10/2019	Sport England	E-mail
29/10/2019	Anglian Water	E-mail
20/11/2019	National Grid	E-mail
28/11/2019	Tasburgh Parish Council	E-mail
28/11/2019	Wood Green Residents Group	E-mail
3/12/2019	Cornerstone Planning Ltd (on behalf of Norfolk Homes Ltd and Norfolk Land Ltd)	E-mail
3/12/2019	Norfolk County Council	E-mail
3/12/2019	Historic England	E-mail
6/12/2019	Norfolk Wildlife Trust	E-mail
6/12/2019	Orbit Homes	E-mail
6/12/2019	South Norfolk Council	E-mail
7/12/2019	1 st Long Stratton Scout Group	Drop box at the library
7/12/2019	2 nd Long Stratton Brownies	Drop box at the library

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Table 5.3 - Regulation 14 full list of comments from Statutory Consultees

Comments not relating to a particular policy / General guidance:

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
Natural England	<p>Natural England does not have any specific comments on this draft neighbourhood plan.</p> <p>However, we refer you to the attached annex which covers the issues and opportunities that should be considered when preparing a Neighbourhood Plan. (see e-mail)</p>	Noted.
Sport England	<p>Government planning policy, within the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), identifies how the planning system can play an important role in facilitating social interaction and creating healthy, inclusive communities. Encouraging communities to become more physically active through walking, cycling, informal recreation and formal sport plays an important part in this process. Providing enough sports facilities of the right quality and type in the right places is vital to achieving this aim. This means that positive planning for sport, protection from the unnecessary loss of sports facilities, along with an integrated approach to providing new housing and employment land with community facilities is important.</p> <p>It is essential therefore that the neighbourhood plan reflects and complies with national planning policy for sport as set out in the NPPF with particular reference to Pars 96 and 97. It is also important to be aware of Sport England’s statutory consultee role in protecting playing fields and the presumption against the loss of playing field land. Sport</p>	Noted.

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	<p>England's playing fields policy is set out in our Playing Fields Policy and Guidance document. http://www.sportengland.org/playingfieldspolicy</p> <p>Sport England provides guidance on developing planning policy for sport and further information can be found via the link below. Vital to the development and implementation of planning policy is the evidence base on which it is founded. http://www.sportengland.org/facilities-planning/planning-for-sport/forward-planning/</p> <p>Sport England works with local authorities to ensure their Local Plan is underpinned by robust and up to date evidence. In line with Par 97 of the NPPF, this takes the form of assessments of need and strategies for indoor and outdoor sports facilities. A neighbourhood planning body should look to see if the relevant local authority has prepared a playing pitch strategy or other indoor/outdoor sports facility strategy. If it has then this could provide useful evidence for the neighbourhood plan and save the neighbourhood planning body time and resources gathering their own evidence. It is important that a neighbourhood plan reflects the recommendations and actions set out in any such strategies, including those which may specifically relate to the neighbourhood area, and that any local investment opportunities, such as the Community Infrastructure Levy, are utilised to support their delivery.</p> <p>Where such evidence does not already exist then relevant planning policies in a neighbourhood plan should be based on a proportionate assessment of the need for sporting provision in its area. Developed in</p>	

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Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
	<p>consultation with the local sporting and wider community any assessment should be used to provide key recommendations and deliverable actions. These should set out what provision is required to ensure the current and future needs of the community for sport can be met and, in turn, be able to support the development and implementation of planning policies. Sport England’s guidance on assessing needs may help with such work. http://www.sportengland.org/planningtoolsandguidance</p> <p>If new or improved sports facilities are proposed Sport England recommend you ensure they are fit for purpose and designed in accordance with our design guidance notes. http://www.sportengland.org/facilities-planning/tools-guidance/design-and-cost-guidance/</p> <p>Any new housing developments will generate additional demand for sport. If existing sports facilities do not have the capacity to absorb the additional demand, then planning policies should look to ensure that new sports facilities, or improvements to existing sports facilities, are secured and delivered. Proposed actions to meet the demand should accord with any approved local plan or neighbourhood plan policy for social infrastructure, along with priorities resulting from any assessment of need, or set out in any playing pitch or other indoor and/or outdoor sports facility strategy that the local authority has in place.</p> <p>In line with the Government’s NPPF (including Section 8) and its Planning Practice Guidance (Health and wellbeing section), links below, consideration should also be given to how any new development,</p>	

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	<p>especially for new housing, will provide opportunities for people to lead healthy lifestyles and create healthy communities. Sport England's Active Design guidance can be used to help with this when developing planning policies and developing or assessing individual proposals.</p> <p>Active Design, which includes a model planning policy, provides ten principles to help ensure the design and layout of development encourages and promotes participation in sport and physical activity. The guidance, and its accompanying checklist, could also be used at the evidence gathering stage of developing a neighbourhood plan to help undertake an assessment of how the design and layout of the area currently enables people to lead active lifestyles and what could be improved.</p> <p>NPPF Section 8: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-planning-policy-framework/8-promoting-healthy-communities</p> <p>PPG Health and wellbeing section: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/health-and-wellbeing</p> <p>Sport England's Active Design Guidance: https://www.sportengland.org/activedesign</p> <p><i>(Please note: this response relates to Sport England's planning function only. It is not associated with our funding role or any grant application/award that may relate to the site.)</i></p>	

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National Grid	<p>An assessment has been carried out with respect to National Grid’s electricity and gas transmission apparatus which includes high voltage electricity assets and high-pressure gas pipelines.</p> <p>National Grid has identified that it has no record of such apparatus within the Neighbourhood Plan area.</p> <p>Electricity Distribution The electricity distribution operator in South Norfolk Council is UK Power Networks. Information regarding the transmission and distribution network can be found at: www.energynetworks.org.uk</p> <p>(NP comment – UK Power Networks were also consulted but we have had no reply)</p>	Noted.
Tasburgh Parish Council	<p>This was recently considered by Tasburgh Parish Council who wish to submit the following comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ there is a lack of mention of connections to new footpaths and cycle paths to Tasburgh ➤ more parking consideration needs to be addressed within Long Stratton 	<p>Noted. See Recommended Change Chapter 6-2</p> <p>See Recommended Change TC13-1</p>
Wood Green Residents Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the plan is comprehensive and well thought out. We support the policies on enhancing the town centre, ensuring a range of housing stock (including affordable homes and homes for the elderly), improved community facilities and supporting shopping in the centre. • Section 2.41 - we feel unclear about the status of the car park in the village and seek some clarity on this; signs say this is no longer a 	<p>Noted</p> <p>The car park near the Co-op is the only open car park facility in Long Stratton. In the area</p>

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	<p>public car park as such, but is now a time limited shopping car park for the Co-op, so it is not, as stated in the NP, suitable for workers and those accessing services for longer than 2 hours. For those of us in the Long Stratton hinterland, 2 hours might not be enough for evening visits, hairdressers, dentists etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have one outstanding concern which is the proposal for an 'employment area' to the south of the village, close to Wood Green. This has the potential to impact on the hamlet through increased lighting, noise and building height. We would like to see provision for adequate screening and restrictions on height, working hours and lighting - we realise that the detail might be beyond the scope of the Plan, but it might be possible to include a line that says this development should not adversely affect the local community at Wood Green and the local 'dark skies'. 	<p>outside the chemist there are 51 spaces plus 3 designated as disabled spaces and 4 with the electric hook-up.</p> <p>In the area outside the Co-op there are 35 spaces plus 6 designated as disabled spaces and 2 parent and child spaces.</p> <p>Both areas are now signed by the Co-op as being 2 hour parking with no return in 1 hour. In the past the car park outside the Chemist was open for longer so it was suitable for town centre workers etc. It is owned by South Norfolk Council. We will follow this up with South Norfolk. In the meantime, see Recommended Change Chapter 2-6</p> <p>Our understanding is that this is a reference to a current live application. this proposal is not part of the Long Stratton Area Action Plan or the Neighbourhood Plan. We agree the importance of protecting the character of the hamlet. See Recommended Change DC7-1 (see fourth bullet point)</p>
Norfolk County Council (Adult Social Services)	E-mail	Information noted. Additional information to be included in the NP. See Recommended Change SC2-5
Norfolk County Council	Preface	

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	<p>The officer-level comments below are made without prejudice, the County Council reserves the right to make to any further comments the County Council may have on future iterations of the emerging Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>The County Council welcomes the opportunity to comment on the emerging Neighbourhood Plan and recognises the considerable amount of work and effort which has been put into developing the Neighbourhood Plan to date.</p> <p>General Comments</p> <p>The County Council supports the Aims and Objectives set out in the Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>Infrastructure Delivery</p> <p>The Neighbourhood Plan could contain supporting text referencing the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service advocates the installation of sprinklers in all new developments. Sprinklers have a proven track record to protect property and lives. It would therefore be helpful if the emerging Neighbourhood Plan could refer to the installation of Sprinklers in new developments. <p>Historic Environment</p> <p>There is a lack of reference to the buried historic environment within the Neighbourhood Plan, even though the historic buildings in the core of the town are mentioned. The following advice is suggested to support the production of the Neighbourhood Plan.</p>	<p>Noted. It is felt this is a building regulations issue and there is not need to include this in the NP.</p> <p>The buried historic environment is touched upon in paragraphs 2.5 to 2.7 of the plan. It is not an area identified as a priority through the early community engagement work. It is also felt the Local Plan, together with the NPPF</p>

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	<p>Historic England’s published guidance on the preparation of Neighbourhood Plans should be consulted, please visit https://historicengland.org.uk/advice/planning/plan-making/improve-yourneighbourhood/. It encourages the full consideration of heritage assets and suggests ways with which this can be achieved. Based on this guidance, it is also suggested that the authors of the Neighbourhood Plan follow the steps indicated below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Study Historic England’s published guidance and consider how the Neighbourhood Plan can take its advice on board. 2. Contact the Norfolk Historic Environment Record (NHER) and request information on designated and undesignated heritage assets within the Neighbourhood Plan area. The NHER can be contacted at heritage@norfolk.gov.uk. 3. Consider the full range of heritage assets within the Neighbourhood Plan area and identify those they feel are most significant. The Neighbourhood Planning group may wish to prepare a local list of heritage assets they believe should be protected and enhanced and put this to the community for consideration. <p>Directly consult the Historic Environment Service’s planning advice team, who can be contacted at hep@norfolk.gov.uk, they can provide advice on which heritage assets are most significant and ways in which they can be protected and enhanced. They can also offer advice on the wording of historic environment policies.</p>	<p>2019, provides the required policy framework addressing the historic environment for example through adopted Policy DM 4.10 Heritage Assets in the Development Management Policies document.</p>

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	<p>The inclusion of the following statement, or similar, is recommended: <i>‘all proposed new planning developments are considered by the LPA, advised by the Norfolk County Council Historic Environment Service, who will impose archaeological mitigation as a planning condition if considered necessary’.</i></p> <p>But, conditions on development in the Neighbourhood Plan, such as ‘all developments must have an archaeological trench dug’ should not be imposed in the Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>Should you have any queries with the above comments please contact Steve Hickling (Historic Environment Officer) at hep@norfolk.gov.uk or call 01362 869278.</p> <p>Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA) It is noted that there is no mention of surface water flooding, flood risk or sustainable drainage systems (SuDS) in the current version of the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan. However, the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan Design Guidelines in the supporting documents with the consultation, contains useful references to surface water management and SuDS, which is welcomed.</p> <p>The 2017 Preliminary Flood Risk Assessment states that there are over 200 properties in the Long Stratton area at risk from surface water flooding in the 1% AEP event.</p> <p>There is a record of internal flooding to 1 property in Glebe Close in March 2013.</p>	<p>Flooding policies in the NPPF as well as the South Norfolk Local Plan (see adopted policy DM 4.2 Sustainable Drainage and Water Management) will apply to proposals in the Long Stratton NP area.</p> <p>The supporting text to Policy DC10 has however been expanded to include the existing available information relating to flood risk in the plan area. See Recommended Change DC10-2:</p>

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	<p>The LLFA have been involved in commenting on the strategic development and infrastructure in the East and West hybrid application proposals during 2018 and would seek to maintain our recommendations and advice given to date with regards to managing surface water flood risk in relation to the proposals.</p> <p>The LLFA would recommend the following to be included with regards to surface water flood risk:</p> <p>The Neighbourhood Plan requires that any future development (or redevelopment) proposals show there is no increased risk of flooding from an existing flood source and mitigation measures are implemented to address surface water arising within the development site.</p> <p>Any new development or significant alteration to an existing building within the Long Stratton area should be accompanied by an appropriate assessment which gives adequate and appropriate consideration to all sources of flooding and proposed surface water drainage. Any application made to a local planning authority will be required to demonstrate that it would:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not increase the flood risk to the site or wider area from fluvial, surface water, groundwater, sewers or artificial sources. • Have a neutral or positive impact on surface water drainage. • Proposals must demonstrate engagement with relevant agencies and seek to incorporate appropriate mitigation measures manage flood risk 	

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	<p>and to reduce surface water run-off to the development and wider area such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inclusion of appropriate measures to address any identified risk of flooding (in the following order or priority: assess, avoid, manage and mitigate flood risk). • Where appropriate undertake sequential and /or exception tests. • Locate only compatible development in areas at risk of flooding, considering the proposed vulnerability of land use. • Inclusion of appropriate allowances for climate change. • Evidence must be provided to demonstrate that any watercourses relied upon for surface water discharge from development sites are connected to the wider watercourse network and have sufficient capacity to contain the flows from the proposed sites. • Inclusion of Sustainable Drainage proposals (SuDS) with an appropriate discharge location. • Priority use of source control SuDS such as permeable surfaces, rainwater harvesting and storage or green roofs and walls. Other SuDS components which convey, or store surface water can also be considered. • To mitigate against the creation of additional impermeable surfaces, attenuation of greenfield (or for redevelopment sites as close to 	

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	<p>greenfield as possible) surface water runoff rates and runoff volumes within the development site boundary.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide clear maintenance and management proposals of structures within the development, including SuDS elements, riparian ownership of ordinary watercourses or culverts, and their associated funding mechanisms. <p><u>Allocation of Sites in a Neighbourhood Plan</u></p> <p>The Lead Local Flood Authority expect that the Neighbourhood Planning Process provides a robust assessment of the risk of flooding, from all sources, when allocating sites. If a risk of flooding is identified then a sequential test, and exception test are required to be undertaken. This would be in line with Planning Practice Guidance to ensure that new development is steered to the lowest areas of flood risk. However, any allocated sites will also be required to provide a flood risk assessment and / or drainage strategy through the development management planning process.</p> <p>Also, the LLFA recommend the inclusion of a separate surface water flooding map within the Neighbourhood Plan, information on this and associated tools can be found at:</p> <p>https://flood-warning-information.service.gov.uk/long-term-flood-risk/map</p> <p>https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/what-we-do-and-how-we-work/policy-performanceand-partnerships/policies-and-strategies/flood-and-water-management-policies</p>	<p>Not applicable as sites are not being allocated in the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan</p>

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	<p>https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/-/media/norfolk/downloads/rubbish-recyclingplanning/flood-and-water-management/guidance-on-norfolk-county-councilslead-local-flood-authority-role-as-statutory-consultee-to-planning.pdf</p> <p>Should you have any queries with the above comments please contact the Lead Local Flood Authority at llfa@norfolk.gov.uk</p>	
Historic England	<p>Thank you for inviting Historic England to comment on the Regulation 14 Pre-Submission Draft of the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>We welcome the production of this neighbourhood plan, but do not wish to make any comments at this time. We would refer you to our detailed guidance on successfully incorporating historic environment considerations into your neighbourhood plan, which can be found here: https://historicengland.org.uk/advice/planning/plan-making/improve-your-neighbourhood/.</p> <p>For further advice regarding the historic environment and how to integrate it into your neighbourhood plan, we recommend that you consult your local planning authority conservation officer, and if appropriate the Historic Environment Record at Norfolk County Council.</p> <p>To avoid any doubt, this letter does not reflect our obligation to provide further advice on or, potentially, object to specific proposals which may subsequently arise as a result of the proposed plan, where we consider these would have an adverse effect on the historic environment.</p>	Noted.
Orbit Homes	On behalf of our client, Orbit Homes (2020) Ltd, we are pleased to	Noted.

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	<p>provide representations to the current Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan (Reg. 14) Consultation. The Town Council will be aware of Orbit Homes' long interest in the promotion of land off St Mary's Road for residential development and the positive working relationship that was developed with the Town Council during the consideration of their appeal earlier in the year. Working together with the Town Council resulted in significant changes to the proposed on-site open space and off-site contributions that would have added real benefit for the local community. Despite the dismissal of the appeal, Orbit Homes' still considers their site to represent an important opportunity to deliver much needed affordable housing and open space in Long Stratton and these representations are made in this context.</p> <p>Background to Orbit Homes</p> <p>Orbit Homes (2020) Ltd forms part of the Orbit Group and has over 50 years' experience as one of the largest housing groups in the UK. Orbit Group own and manage a portfolio of more than 43,000 homes across the Midlands, East, South East and London. It is committed to maintaining and increasing its current portfolio of affordable homes so that it plays a key role in meeting the country's housing shortage. The Group follows an ethical approach to business and re-invests profits into its mission of building communities, ensuring every generation can live in a house that they can afford, in a safe and thriving community.</p> <p>Representations</p> <p>Orbit Homes support the Town Councils efforts in producing a generally high quality Neighbourhood Plan and particularly with regards to proposals for the improvement of The Street and the aim to ensure the</p>	Noted.

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	<p>integration of the proposed 1,800 home development to the east of Long Stratton with the rest of the town. We are, however, concerned that the Neighbourhood Plan, as currently drafted, fails to adequately plan for the needs of the town in the context of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The ongoing uncertainty with respect to the delivery of the 1,800 homes and the much needed bypass, due to no decision having been made by the government on whether funding for the bypass will be provided; 2. The failure of the Neighbourhood Plan to take advantage of Paragraph 14 of the NPPF (2019) that effectively changes the government's 5 year supply rule to a 3 year supply rule in areas with made Neighbourhood Plans, but only if the Neighbourhood Plan in question allocates land for housing. If the Neighbourhood Plan were to allocate housing land, Long Stratton would be protected from speculative planning applications if South Norfolk's housing supply drops below 5 years again, but in the absence of such allocations it would be afforded no such protection; and 3. The emerging Greater Norwich Local Plan that will soon be published for consultation and is likely to set a new housing requirement for Long Stratton that could be above the 1,800 homes set by the current Joint Core Strategy. A failure to plan for this eventually would render the Neighbourhood Plan quickly out of date on adoption and we recommend that the Neighbourhood Plan should therefore be delayed until likely housing numbers are known and can be planned for by the local community. 	<p>Noted .</p> <p>Work on the by-pass is progressing. In the autumn of 2019, Norfolk County Council successfully secured £570,000 national government funding to develop the strategic outline business case for the Long Stratton By-Pass. The next stage is the preparation of a full business case which once signed off will secure the government contribution towards the by-pass. County Council consider the By-Pass will start construction in 2022.</p> <p>2. The Neighbourhood Plan does not allocate housing sites. There is no requirement for it to do so.</p> <p>3. The policies in the Long Stratton NP seek to ensure that the housing being planned for as part of the AAP are suitable to meet Long Stratton's identified needs which are evidenced in the Long Stratton Housing Needs Assessment.</p>

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	<p>The draft policies also appear to relate well to the evidence base that has been commissioned to support their production. This is particularly apparent with the housing policies at the start of the Plan. This has the effect of increasing the robustness of the Neighbourhood Plan policies.</p> <p>As you are aware a Neighbourhood Plan provides the community with an opportunity to prepare policies that relate specifically to their local area whilst building upon the wider Local Plan policy base and direction. In terms of the general content of the policies, the Neighbourhood Plan could benefit from containing more focused references to specific issues and/or features within the Plan area, for example detailed reference to heritage assets. In some places it is perhaps not clear what ‘additional value’ the proposed policies add to the existing planning policy framework. This has been highlighted below where we consider it to be appropriate.</p> <p>In terms of structure and formatting we consider that the draft Neighbourhood Plan is well presented although the individual policies may benefit from being emphasised, possibly highlighted in a box or similar.</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Noted.</p>

Policy LSNP-SC1 Housing mix

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
Cornerstone Planning Ltd (on behalf of Norfolk Homes Ltd and	The Neighbourhood Plan’s aspirations (LSNP-SC1) are supported in principle. However, too much prescription should be avoided and the proposed policy must ensure that it is fully in accordance with the adopted Development Plan. Specifically Policy 4 of the Joint Core Strategy, which is more nuanced in its approach, requiring that:	Noted. Policy SC1 – Housing mix is more specific since it is dealing with Long Stratton specific issues.

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Norfolk Land Ltd)	“proposals for housing will be required to contribute to the mix of housing required to provide balanced communities [my emphasis] and meet the needs of the area” as well as stating that such should reflect “the most up to date study of housing need and/or Housing Market Assessment.”	
Norfolk Wildlife Trust	We note that whilst there is reference to energy efficient and eco design in the design guidelines accompanying the plan, there is no direct reference to climate change adaptation or mitigation in the draft neighbourhood plan. Given the likely impacts of climate change on the future wildlife of Norfolk, we strongly recommend that the plan includes targets for energy efficiency and renewable energy generation in any new housing in the plan area in order to contribute to the national carbon budget and meet the 2050 goals. The inclusion of specific targets will also help the NP contribute to the housing objective in the Long Stratton Area Action Plan (AAP), which seeks the highest standards of water and energy efficiency for new housing in the area. These measures will help the neighbourhood plan contribute to the national targets set by the government. We recommend the following document by the Royal Town Planning Institute and the Town & County Planning Association for further information on how to incorporate energy efficiency and renewable energy targets into local plans - https://www.rtpi.org.uk/media/3152143/Rising%20to%20the%20Climate%20Crisis.pdf	The Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan sits alongside the existing South Norfolk Local Plan. Policy 1 (Addressing Climate Change and Addressing Environmental Assets) and Policy 3 (Energy and Water in the Joint Core Strategy and will also apply to proposals coming forward in the plan area. Policy 3 includes targets for energy efficiency and renewables. The NP steering group do take a positive stance on renewable energy schemes in principle. See Recommended Change 6-3 and Recommended Change DC10-1.
South Norfolk Council	Generally, we support this policy however we would query how “small to medium” is to be defined in terms of overall property size e.g. in terms of sq.m of floorspace. Whilst we understand the need for smaller properties – as evidenced in the supporting AECOM study – it is important to ensure that new homes remain of a sufficient size to ensure the amenities of residents are not adversely impacted.	Agreed. See Recommended Change SC1-2

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	Para. 5.1.3 refers to Policy LSNP – SC2 however we believe this should be a reference to Policy LSNP – SC3 instead.	Agreed. See Recommended Change SC1-7
	Agree: 3 Disagree: 2	

Policy LSNP-SC2 Homes for the older generation

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
Long Stratton High School	More should be done to support the younger (struggling) generation, this should at least be proportional	Noted. Policy SC1 seeks to address housing needs of the younger population. Policy SC2 is specifically target at needs for specialist and supported housing.
Orbit Homes	The supporting text to this policy sets out a significant need for 126 units of specialist housing catered to meet the needs of the elderly population during the period 2017 to 2026. Despite this, however, the policy makes no provisions to actually meet this need. It is not sufficient for the policy to simply express support for the delivery of specialist accommodation within the settlement boundary as this does nothing more than support development that would already be supported by existing development plan policies. If Long Stratton Town Council are serious about meeting the growing needs for elderly accommodation in Long Stratton, then the policy should make an effort to identify suitable sites for development, including an assessment of suitable locations outside the existing settlement boundary that are available for development	Noted.
	Agree: 3 Disagree: 1	

Policy LSNP-SC3 Affordable homes meeting Long Stratton needs

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
Cornerstone Planning Ltd	Policy LSNP-SC3 and supporting text should clarify the target proportion and tenure mix of affordable housing and the basis on	It is not the intention of Policy SC3 to supersede or replace affordable housing

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(on behalf of Norfolk Homes Ltd and Norfolk Land Ltd)	<p>which these will be made, over the Plan period. Policy 4 of the Joint Core Strategy makes it clear that both proportion and tenure mix sought are to be based on the most up-to date needs assessment for the Plan (JCS) area, presently 28% as a proportion. Policy LSNP-SC3 needs to make clear the relationship between the Strategic (Central Norfolk) Housing Market Assessment and the Long Stratton Housing Needs Assessment, and how these will inform the policy over the Plan period (including – for example – if there is a discontinuity between them). Paragraph 5.1.12 also cites an out of-date affordable housing proportion and tenure mix, based on a previous Housing Market Assessment (but expressed in Policy 4 of the Joint Core Strategy at the time of its adoption).</p>	<p>targets made at the more strategic level (currently via Policy 4 of the Joint Strategy). This policy is focused on ensuring the affordable housing which is delivered is tailored to meet existing needs in the Long Stratton Community. This is explained in paragraph 5.1.13 but can be made more clear in the policy intent too.</p> <p>See Recommended Change SC3-1</p>
Orbit Homes	<p>Orbit Homes supports the approach taken in this policy towards ensuring the size and tenure of affordable homes meets local needs and to promoting the preferential allocation of new affordable homes to people with a local connection. These policies will, however, be meaningless if no new affordable dwellings are delivered in Long Stratton in the near future which is a very real risk with respect to delays in the delivery of the 1,800 home allocation.</p> <p>The Neighbourhood Plan evidence base identifies that in 2017 there were 27 families on the housing register in Long Stratton and that there is a need for 132 affordable dwellings to be delivered during the period 2017 to 2026 to just meet needs arising from the plan area itself. These figures represent a significant number of families that are currently or will soon be in acute housing need and until issues with the bypass funding are resolved there will be no significant new delivery of affordable housing to meet this need. It is clear therefore that there is a need for deliverable housing sites other than the 1,800 home allocation to come forward in the near future. To resolve this issue we</p>	<p>Two hybrid planning applications were submitted in 2018 for the development of residential development in line with the strategic site allocation. The policies in this Neighbourhood Plan seek to secure a meaningful proportion of the affordable housing to be allocated to those with a local connection. This will help address Long Stratton specific affordable housing needs.</p>

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	<p>recommend that this policy is amended to clearly support the delivery of affordable housing exception sites outside of the current settlement boundary.</p> <p>In addition, we wish to put forward Orbit Homes' site at St Mary's Road, Long Stratton for allocation as a site for affordable housing development. We have enclosed with this letter a revised red line plan showing a reduced site area that includes just the eastern of the two fields included in the appeal application (see e-mail). We consider that this site could accommodate approximately 40 affordable dwellings and much needed open space areas. This development could be delivered within 5 years to meet immediate needs for affordable housing and would have the added benefit of ensuring the Town Council benefits from the 3 year supply rule at NPPF paragraph 14 when the Neighbourhood Plan is made (as set out above).</p>	Noted.
South Norfolk Council	<p>We welcome the inclusion of the standard South Norfolk housing cascade within the supporting text for this policy however for clarification and consistency purposes, we advise that the following alterations should be made to the text:</p> <p><i>"A close connection to Long Stratton is defined <u>(in priority order)</u> as:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Residents of the <u>parishes</u> of Long Stratton or Tharston and Hapton who have lived in <u>either</u> parish for a total of at least 3 years of the last 10 years.</i> <i>Former residents of the <u>parishes</u> of Long Stratton or Tharston and Hapton who have lived in <u>either of those parishes</u> for a total of at least 3 years of the last 10 years.</i> <i>Residents of the <u>parishes</u> of Long Stratton <u>or</u> Tharston and <u>Hapton</u> who have lived in <u>those parishes</u> or the adjacent</i> 	Agreed. See Recommended Change SC3-5

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	<p><i>parishes of Wacton, Morningthorpe and Tasburgh for the last 3 years or more.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>People working in the <u>parishes</u> of Long Stratton or Tharston and Hapton and have done so for the last year or more for at least 10 hours each week.</i> • <i>Residents of the adjacent parishes of Wacton, Morningthorpe and Tasburgh who have lived in one or more of those parishes (or the <u>parishes</u> of Long Stratton <u>or</u> Tharston and Hapton) for the last 3 years or more.</i> • <i>Residents of the <u>parishes</u> of Long Stratton <u>or</u> Tharston and Hapton who have lived in <u>those parishes</u> for less than 3 years.</i> • <i>Residents of the adjacent parishes of Wacton, Morningthorpe and Tasburgh, who have lived in these parishes (or the parishes of Long Stratton or Tharston and Hapton) for less than 3 years.</i> • <i>Residents of South Norfolk in accordance with the standard allocation criteria for the property type.</i> • <i>Any other person in accordance with the standard allocation criteria for the property type.”</i> 	
1 st Long Stratton Scout Group	Need to consider housing for single people/younger people ie. Starter homes/flats as well.	<p>Policy SC3 focuses on ensuring that a proportion of the affordable housing that is provided in the plan area (as required by South Norfolk policies) is allocated to people with a local connection which could include housing for single people and younger people.</p> <p>Policy SC1 focuses on ensuring the housing mix on all schemes (affordable and market housing) is appropriate for meeting local needs. The policy specially requires, as part of</p>

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		this, specific regard to be had to meeting the needs of entry level purchasers on low and medium income including flats and terraced housing.
2 nd Long Stratton Brownies	Homes for young people to afford houses in Long Stratton.	The plan seeks to achieve this through policies SC1 and SC3.
	Agree: 3 Disagree: 1	

Policy LSNP-SC4 Pedestrian and cycle friendly neighbourhoods

	Agree: 4 Disagree: 0	
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Policy LSNP-SC5 Maintaining good connectivity with outlying areas

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
Wood Green Residents Group	We greatly appreciate the attention given to concerns raised by Wood Green residents regarding connectivity for pedestrians and cyclists and welcome the presumption against severing the hamlet from the village by the bypass. We fully support the policies covering green bridges for access and wildlife over the proposed bypass and will continue to ask for this to be part of the bypass plans.	Noted.
Cornerstone Planning Ltd (on behalf of Norfolk Homes Ltd and Norfolk Land Ltd)	The policies' objective of maintaining and enhancing good connectivity between Long Stratton and outlying hamlets is to be supported. However, the position that proposals that result in the severance of walking and cycling links will not be supported, should be caveated. The current Norfolk Homes Ltd/Norfolk Land Ltd planning applications (re. Policy LSGS1 of the Long Stratton Area Action Plan) include proposals to both maintain and enhance such linkages but do involve parallel proposals for public rights of way (PROW) stopping up and	The policy and supporting text has been amended to increase clarity with respect to these points. See recommended change SC5-2 and SC5-3.

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	diversions, presently being managed by Norfolk County Council through the appropriate statutory process (including public consultation). The applications' proposals – particularly the construction of a bypass - will necessitate changes to the PROW network; the policy should avoid a blanket approach to precluding such or to conflict with the adopted Development Plan (e.g. Policy LNGS1 of the Long Stratton Area Action Plan states that: "Links between the village and the countryside to the east of the bypass corridor will be enhanced for the benefit of public access and to contribute to green infrastructure.")	
Norfolk Wildlife Trust	We support a careful and considered approach to the design of the Long Stratton bypass, noting the potential for delivery of important green infrastructure on adjacent land and the importance of maintaining links across it for people and wildlife. There is also a significant risk that, without appropriate linkages, the bypass would result in the permanent severance of habitats either side with long term impacts on the biodiversity that it could support. With significant declines in wildlife reported nationally and the need to maintain habitat connectivity to allow wildlife to adapt to the changing climate we strongly recommend the provision of a green bridge in addition to underpasses as the most appropriate way of retaining links for wildlife, whilst also ensuring that the existing walking and cycling connections are maintained. The provision of a green bridge of adequate size would allow for connectivity and ensure compliance with the requirement in policy LNGS1 of the AAP to enhance links between Long Stratton and the settlements to the east for public access and green infrastructure. Norfolk Wildlife Trust has previously discussed options for green infrastructure and the new bypass with the local councils and we would be happy to continue the conversation with all interested parties to ensure that the best outcome for wildlife can be achieved alongside the other desired outcomes for the bypass	Noted.

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Norfolk County Council (Transport)	<p>Policy LSNP – SC5 (page 43), is too rigid. It is agreed that connectivity is important but as drafted the policy could be contrary to the Long Stratton bypass proposals. The bypass will sever existing links but will provide diversions and crossing points at suitable locations of an appropriate standard.</p> <p>The supporting text to this policy states the requirement for a bridge or underpass, which is not appropriate in all cases and the supporting text should be amended to require suitable crossing provision.</p> <p>The policy and supporting text should be redrafted to allow flexibility in the approach to dealing with severance.</p>	<p>The policy and supporting text has been amended to increase clarity with respect to these points.</p> <p>See recommended change SC5-2 and SC5-3</p> <p>The supporting text emphasises the need to provide appropriate crossings in order to avoid existing links being severed.</p>
South Norfolk Council	<p>We support the aims of this policy. However, it is not entirely clear if the policy is principally intended to apply to ‘hamlets’ within the neighbourhood area, or also those hamlets and villages in close proximity, but outside; as such it would be useful if the wording of the policy itself and in paragraph 5.2.6 of the supporting text was expanded to clarify this. The policy could also be expanded to clarify that it refers to the existing Public Right of Way network, bridle paths, cycle ways etc.</p>	<p>Paragraph 5.2.6 clarifies which hamlets this policy is intended to apply to.</p> <p>Agree the policy can be clearer about the fact that policy is intended to apply to existing public rights of way network.</p> <p>See recommended change SC5-2</p>
	Agree: 3 Disagree: 1	

Policy LSNP-SC6 Location of new community facilities

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
South Norfolk Council	<p>As above, we understand and support the intention of this policy. However, in its current form we are unsure how successfully it builds upon the existing planning policy framework. In order to address this concern are there any specific details or requirements that could be</p>	<p>Policy SC6 is deliberately generic so that it can apply to a range of proposals which may come forward. The policy sits alongside policy LSNP R20 in the NP which relates specifically to a</p>

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	included in the policy or supporting text (for example, particular community facilities that are required other than those ‘generic’ facilities that are stated, or possible locations for the same)? This would also have the added benefit of linking the plan directly back to the neighbourhood plan area.	new community meeting space in Long Stratton. This can be made clearer in the supporting text. See Recommended Change SC6-3
1 st Long Stratton Scout Group	Community facilities will still need car access/parking otherwise this may limit some uses of the facility.	Noted and agreed.
2 nd Long Stratton Brownies	Car park still needed for people as far to walk if disabled or old.	Noted and agreed.
	Agree: 3 Disagree: 0	
	Other comments	
1 st Long Stratton Scout Group	Ref: 5.2.7/8 – Community facilities need to include those community organisations run by volunteers and supported by the community itself. The local Scouting and Guiding Organisations are in need of some land provision to build their community facilities ie. Scout and Guide Headquarters which will be used by the young people from the community and run by adult volunteers from the community. These facilities would also be able to be used by other community groups managed by the organisations themselves.	Agreed. It is our aspiration that the new community meeting space referred to in Policy LSNP R20 will encompass such needs.
2 nd Long Stratton Brownies	5.2.7/8 – ‘Community Facilities’ are also groups/organisations run by volunteers for the people/young people in the Long Stratton area. A building for these to run from in Long Stratton would be an asset to the village.	Agreed. See Recommended Change SC6-2 and SC6-4.

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Policy LSNP-DC7 Landscape and settlement character

Ref	Comment	NP steering group response
South Norfolk Council	This policy has a clear focus on the landscapes to the east of Long Stratton. Whilst we support the policy, we also consider that it would be more robust if it was updated to clarify that working within the context of the existing landscape (e.g., trees, hedgerows etc) is expected on <u>all</u> development sites that come forward within the plan area. It would be also useful to cross refer to the Landscape Character Assessment for South Norfolk (as reviewed and updated in 2012) and also the 2012 South Norfolk Place-Making Guide, which includes a specific section on Long Stratton.	The intention of this policy is to sit alongside existing Local Plan policies (e.g. DM4.9). See Recommended Change DC7-2. Paragraphs 5.3.1 to 5.3.3. already provides information on the 2012 South Norfolk Place Making Guide including the section Long Stratton. See Recommended Change DC7-3
	Agree: 3 Disagree: 0	

Policy LSNP-DC8 Creating successful neighbourhoods

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
South Norfolk Council	To add clarity, it may be of benefit to applicants of smaller sites to confirm what information would be required to demonstrate that they make a positive contribution towards the creation of a successful neighbourhood; for example, ensuring Planning Statements cross-refer to other relevant policies in the Neighbourhood Plan and the wider development plan, as well as supporting documents such as the Place-Making Guide or the adopted Conservation Area Appraisal, and explaining how proposals fulfil these.	Accepted. See Recommended Change DC8-3
	Agree: 3 Disagree: 0	

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Policy LSNP-DC9 Strengthening and enhancing Long Stratton's historic core

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
South Norfolk Council	We have previously suggested that this policy section could be enhanced by including reference to specific listed buildings and/or their settings. At present the policy refers only to “individual properties” and it could be clearer and more focused.	Accepted. See Recommended change DC9-1
	Agree: 3 Disagree: 0	

Policy LSNP-DC10 Long Stratton design principles

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
Cornerstone Planning Ltd (on behalf of Norfolk Homes Ltd and Norfolk Land Ltd)	It is noted that the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan Design Guidelines uses a number of plans submitted with the current Norfolk Homes Ltd/Norfolk Land Ltd planning applications (re. Policy LNGS1 of the Long Stratton Area Action Plan). These should not be relied upon for the purposes of specific design guidance or in references in the Neighbourhood Plan (Policy LSNP-DC10), as such are liable to be amended or superseded during the consideration of the said applications.	The group have worked with AECOM to secure necessary amendments.
South Norfolk Council	Whilst the Policy itself is worded with sufficient flexibility, we have some concerns about the weight the policy and supporting text (specifically paragraph 5.3.21) attach to the Design Guidelines produced by AECOM in terms of how applications will be assessed. It would be useful to understand what ‘extensive consultation’ with the wider community has been undertaken and how this has been reflected in the version of the document accompanying the Regulation 14 consultation. It may also be more appropriate to include the assessment questions referred to as an appendix to the Neighbourhood Plan itself, to give them added weight.	See recommended Change DC10-4 and DC10-5

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	<p>Detailed comments specifically relating to the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan Design Guidelines have been included separately below. These should also be considered as part of our formal consultation response.</p> <p>Given that the applications referred to under paragraph 5.3.22 have yet to be determined, specific references to the applications and applicants should be omitted.</p>	
	Agree: 3 Disagree: 1	
	Further comments	
2 nd Long Stratton Brownies	Need more car parking in village 5.3.11	Noted. See Recommended Change TC13-1

Policy LSNP-E11 New employment uses in Tharston

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
South Norfolk Council	<p>Whilst we are sympathetic to the intentions of this policy, we are concerned that it conflicts with adopted Policy LINGS2 of the Long Stratton Area Action Plan. In particular, the supporting text refers to B8 use being more appropriately located away from the Tharston Industrial Estate (para 5.4.6), contrary to the requirements of the Area Action Plan. We have also previously suggested that this policy text should be amended to read “<i>no <u>significant</u> additional HGV movements</i>” and we re-iterate this observation. We do not consider it would be reasonable to expect new B8 uses to result in zero additional HGV movements.</p>	Noted. See Recommended Change E11-1
	Agree: 3 Disagree: 0	

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Policy LSNP-E12 Training Long Stratton's local workforce

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
Long Stratton High School	But if your encouraging the 'older generation' to live here.....is this valid? Do proposed members support viability.	The housing policies in the NP are focused on ensuring appropriate housing to meet the projected needs of the population. This includes a growing older population. This does not negate a need for training opportunities to meet the employment force including younger members.
Cornerstone Planning Ltd (on behalf of Norfolk Homes Ltd and Norfolk Land Ltd)	Whilst the policies objectives are laudable, we question the appropriateness/validity of their inclusion having regard to the statutory tests set out in Regulation 122 of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010, as amended. This requires that a planning obligation may only constitute a reason for granting planning permission for the development if the obligation is: (a) necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms; (b) directly related to the development; and, (c) fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development. In which context one must question the validity of the policy requiring some development proposals to - via a S.106 obligation – invest in local training or apprenticeship schemes.	These statutory tests are acknowledged, and the policy can only apply to cases where these tests are met. The NP covers the period 2019 to 2036 and it is important polices are sufficient flexible and broad for a range of planning applications which may come forward during this plan period. See Recommended Change E12-2
South Norfolk Council	We have previously discussed the inclusion of this policy (or similar) within the Neighbourhood Plan. Whilst we understand the intention of the policy, and recognise that it has been subject to amendment, we remain concerned that this requirement would be difficult to achieve or enforce and as such it is not reasonable.	Noted .

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	<p>Notwithstanding the above, if the policy is to remain within the draft Neighbourhood Plan, we would recommend that further guidance is included within the supporting text outlining the proposed mechanisms for securing such schemes. The supporting text should also clarify the scale of employment development proposals that would be expected to deliver these training opportunities.</p> <p>The opening sentence of the 'Policy Intent' also requires rewording for clarification purposes.</p>	<p>See Recommended Change E12-3 and E12-3</p> <p>See Recommended Change E12-1</p>
	Agree: 3 Disagree: 1	
	Other comments	
1 st Long Stratton Scout Group	Ref: 5.4.3 – Agree the Flowerpot Lane/A140 junction is a problem for pedestrians. Could this be addressed by a pedestrian crossing of some sort to bring together the accessibility between east and west of A140?	Noted. We are seeking, through Policy TC13 and as articulated in our aspirations in Chapter 6, a solution which will deliver improved pedestrian safety at the Flowerpot Lane/A140 junction. We will work with stakeholders on this including the county council as the highways authority.
2 nd Long Stratton Brownies	Ref: 5.4.3 – Traffic light – Flowerpot Lane/A140 junction agree unsafe pedestrians to cross (esp. school children). It does need a pedestrian crossing.	Noted.

Policy LSNP-TC13 Re-establishing The Street as the heart of the town

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
Norfolk County Council (Transport)	Policy LSNP – TC13 (page 63-65), the policy is quite prescriptive on highway measures. The AECOM work is a good reference, but as yet none of these works have been agreed with the Highway Authority. Whilst the AECOM work may have merit, the degree of specificity can hamper the development of town centre highway measures. For	It is agreed that work and discussions needs to be progressed between NP group and the Highways Authority as well as other stakeholders.

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	<p>example, it may be better to change the form of junction at Flowerpot Lane, but this will require further work.</p> <p>The policy should focus on the opportunities presented by the bypass and what the outcomes of the post bypass improvements the Town would like to see.</p> <p>The reference to 'Highways' in the supporting text, para 5.5.12 (page 65), as a body should be replaced by 'Norfolk County Council as Local Highway Authority'.</p>	<p>In the meantime, the bullet points have been amended to focus on outcomes.</p>
South Norfolk Council	<p>In terms of presentation, we would recommend that Figure 5.11 should be moved from within the policy text.</p> <p>The content of this policy may be considered as aspirational and the cross-reference to this policy from Chapter 6 is therefore an important linkage.</p> <p>Some of the detailed measures included within the policy text may be better placed within the supporting text. We note that the requirements to improve pedestrian permeability and cycle access would require the support of the local Highways Authority and it is not clear whether these policy requirements have been developed with their input.</p> <p>Many of these measures would only be possible following completion of the Long Stratton by-pass however this is not made clear in either the policy or the supporting text.</p>	<p>Noted and accepted. See Recommended Change TC13-3</p> <p>Noted. Norfolk County Council have engaged as part of the Pre-submission consultation and are generally supportive of the recommendations provided in the Long Stratton Masterplanning document. However, following input from County Council two of the measures have been reviewed to focus more on outcomes rather than specific highway measures. It is agreed Long Stratton Town Council will need to work together with the County Council and other stakeholders to explore the implementation of specific measures.</p> <p>Noted. Paragraph 5.5.7 explains this.</p>

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2 nd Long Stratton Brownies	Hard not to see the A140 as a main road through the village.	Noted
	Agree: 3 Disagree: 0	

Policy LSNP-TC14 Long Stratton Market Place

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
1 st Long Stratton Scout Group	Unconvinced if the town needs a market place as such. Independent shops etc in town centre may struggle enough in economic climate with footfall?	Noted. But it is anticipated the presence of a market will attract increased footfall.
2 nd Long Stratton Brownies	Long Stratton not very good at supporting things like this!	Noted
	Agree: 2 Disagree: 2	

Policy LSNP-TC15 The Firestation and Telephone Exchange

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
Norfolk County Council (Norfolk Property Service)	<p>It is noted that Policy LSNP - TC15 (page 67) addresses the future use of the Fire Station site (should this no longer be required for operational purposes). The supporting text suggests that “the purpose of this policy is to articulate clearly the priorities shared by the community with regard to the future of this site” but furthermore states “the policy is not intended to restrict the uses that could come forward on this site”.</p> <p>However, the wording in the policy is excessively prescriptive and restrictive and not consistent with the policy aim not “to restrict the uses that could come forward on the site”.</p>	See recommended change TC15-1 which provides clarity on what is required and what would be desirable.

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	<p>Therefore, it is considered that the policy LSNP - TC15 should be re-worded (to be more flexible) as follows:</p> <p><i>In the event of the Fire Station and Telephone Exchange Site – see Map 6 coming forward for redevelopment during the plan period, support will be given for a comprehensive scheme which delivers the following:</i></p> <p><i>Redevelopment on this central site should be mixed use (including an element of housing) and development proposals should include consideration (subject to viability) of the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• provision of a town centre public open space / market place;</i> <i>• high quality landscaping providing visual amenity and green infrastructure to town centre visitors;</i> <i>• retention or replacement of improved public toilet facilities;</i> <i>• provision of town centre uses at ground floor level; and</i> <i>• satisfactory provision of off-street parking ensuring that any scheme does not result in inappropriate on-street parking in the town centre and results in an overall increase in town centre car parking capacity.</i> <p><i>Applicants will also be encouraged to fully explore the inclusion of a market place at this location.</i></p> <p><i>Any scheme should conserve or enhance the setting of the conservation area and other heritage assets.</i></p> <p>There is a need for the policy to recognise that without a financially viable use for the site, the community aspirations for the site may not be able to be met.</p>	
Norfolk County Council	Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS) have reviewed the Neighbourhood Plan. Policy LSNP – TC15 (page 67) refers to the	

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(Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service)	<p>potential for re-developing the fire station site within the period of time that the Neighbourhood Plan covers. NFRS are currently consulting on its integrated risk management plan (IRMP) which is the community risk assessment and subsequent plan to respond, this IRMP covers a period of 2020 to 2023.</p> <p>NFRS have no plans at this time to review any station location, however, the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan will be used to inform further IRMP planning.</p> <p>The IRMP is currently being consulted on and the neighbourhood planning group may wish to provide comments on the IRMP Consultation.</p>	
South Norfolk Council	<p>Although we note that the ‘Policy Intent’ states that Policy LSNP TC15 is not intended to restrict the possible uses of this site, and therefore the policy is not a site allocation, we have some concerns that in its current form it could be considered as such e.g. if a scheme came forward without meeting all of the criteria, such as a new public open space, would this be a reason to reject it?. Some relatively minor amendments to the wording of this policy could address this concern.</p> <p>Further clarification would also be useful in terms of defining ‘town centre uses’ by reference to the NPPF and/or specific use classes.</p> <p>The third bullet point needs minor rewording: <i>‘retention <u>of existing or replacement of</u> <u>with improved public toilet facilities</u>’.</i></p>	See recommended change TC15-1 which provides clarity on what is required and what would be desirable.
1 st Long Stratton Scout Group	Agree in principle, but surely the Fire Station should be kept within the town itself to allow those retained fire fighters in our community to give a quick response?	It is not within the power of the NP to remove these two assets but it is the role of NP to anticipate and plan for the future in the event of the fire service themselves choosing to

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		relocate, which they may well do once the by-pass is built.
2 nd Long Stratton Brownies	Where will the Fire Station be moved too?	It is not within the power of the NP to remove these two assets but it is the role of NP to anticipate and plan for the future in the event of the fire service themselves choosing to relocate, which they may well do once the by-pass is built.
	Agree: 2 Disagree: 1	

Policy LSNP-GI16 Long Stratton recreational open space standards

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
Norfolk Wildlife Trust	<p>We support the inclusion of a specific policy on green infrastructure (GI) to ensure there are no adverse impacts on existing wildlife sites and to provide robust wildlife rich open space close to new development to ensure everyday access and experience for new residents.</p> <p>Whilst the focus of these areas is rightly for recreational open space, we recommend that there is also a requirement for appropriate design of such spaces to ensure that they also contribute to local biodiversity, through provision of ecological corridors (trees, hedges and scrub along boundaries for a wide range of species and carbon capture, and wildflower areas subject to relaxed cutting regimes away from key sports areas for pollinators) along boundaries and informal areas wherever possible. Planting should be with local provenance seeds (collected locally) wherever possible, perhaps in partnership with local schools and community groups</p>	Agreed. See Recommended Change GI16-1

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Orbit Homes	This policy simply repeats the requirements of South Norfolk Council's Open Space Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) 2018, but in a more onerous manner that would require all proposals of 16 dwellings or more to make provision for all types of open space either on-site or in the vicinity of the proposed development. Not only is it unrealistic for developments of just 16 dwellings to provide sports provision on-site or to secure new sports provision in the vicinity, but this requirement would also preclude the Town Council the flexibility to ask for a commuted sum to improving existing facilities if this is preferred. As was the case with our client's application at St Mary's Road, the proposed provision of on-site facilities (e.g. a tennis court in our client's case) is not always favourable to financial contributions (e.g. paying for the resurfacing of the existing MUGA in our client's case). We recommend that this policy is either deleted or amended to simply refer to the development having to provide open space in accordance with South Norfolk Council's SPD.	See Recommended Change GI16-1
South Norfolk Council	Overall, we consider that this section of the Neighbourhood Plan is well written however it is not clear what additional detail this particular policy provides to the existing planning policy framework. It may be of benefit to expand the policy to include specific references to the types of open space or leisure facilities the community would like to see delivered (for example, later reference is made to the provision of a trim trail). In its current form the policy and supporting text appears to simply repeat the requirements of the Council's 'Guidelines for Recreational Provision in Residential Developments' SPD.	Policy GI16 provides development plan status where as the current SPD has the status of material consideration.
2 nd Long Stratton Brownies	What about future graveyard provision with more people living around in Long Stratton.	The need for burial grounds has been discussed as part of the plan preparation. From our work and communication with the Vicar of Long Stratton, we understand there is no <u>current</u> shortfall in space. It is

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		acknowledged, this position may change as the town grows. Policy LINGS8 in the Area Action Plan allows for new burial ground proposals. The NP policies will sit alongside the AAP policies and there is no need for the NP to duplicate the provisions of Policy LINGS8.
	Agree: 4 Disagree: 0	

Policy LSNP-GI17 Delivering green infrastructure in Long Stratton

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
Norfolk Wildlife Trust	We support the recognition given in this policy to the visitor pressure on ecologically sensitive sites and all of the recommendations set out in the bullet points of the policy, in particular for creation of new areas of common land, which we consider will contribute significantly to the future well-being of the local community and wildlife	Noted.
	Agree: 5 Disagree: 0	

Policy LSNP-GI18 Green infrastructure management

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
Norfolk Wildlife Trust	We support this policy, which will ensure that any new green infrastructure is adequately maintained and managed and therefore able to continue delivering its function in the long term.	Noted.
	Agree: 5 Disagree: 0	

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Policy LSNP-GI19 Protecting existing sites of biodiversity value in the plan area

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
Norfolk Wildlife Trust	<p>We support the inclusion of a map showing areas of known biodiversity value in the parish, and recommend that other non-designated areas of green infrastructure such as green lanes and hedgerows mentioned in supporting text paragraph 5.6.23 are also included, perhaps through a map based on that included in Appendix 3 of the AAP.</p> <p>We recommend that direct reference is made to the need for development in the plan to delivery net biodiversity gain. This will help match the commitment made in section 5.6.26 of the AAP and paragraph 170 of the National Planning Policy Framework. We support the promotion of the GI map in appendix 3 of the AAP for GI requirements for new developments, which can help deliver biodiversity net gain.</p> <p>We recommend that the policy wording for green roofs and walls, integral bat boxes and swift bricks is strengthened. Green roofs and walls can make an important contribution to nature conservation and energy efficiency of buildings, as well as slowing down surface water run-off. Integral nest and roost boxes for declining and vulnerable species such as swifts and bats are recommended to be installed as mandatory except where unsuitable. In addition, boundaries between new development plots should also be made permeable (i.e. with suitable gaps between or underneath fences) for hedgehogs, to help ensure that they can remain a resident species in the parish, given the widespread and rapid declines the species has faced nationally in</p>	<p>The NP supports these requirements which are already established in the AAP. There is no need to duplicate these requirements through NP policies.</p> <p>See Recommended Change GI19-1, GI19-2 and GI19-3</p>

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	<p>recent years. These measures will help build and develop on policy LINGS5 of the AAP.</p> <p>This policy and any accompanying map (as well as the background text in section 2.31) should also make reference to the roadside nature reserve present in the parish. Wood Lane, immediately to the east of Wood Green is notified as a Roadside Nature Reserve for its diverse flora, and it is possible that the ancient lane network in the countryside surrounding Long Stratton holds other road verges which are of similar value and which would benefit from conservation management to maintain their diverse flora. Management of such sites can provide important corridors for wildlife to move through the landscape, as well as being important resources for the maintenance of pollinator populations in their own right. They can also act as sources of native seeds for the creation of new wildflower areas in new green infrastructure provision associated with the neighbourhood plan. We therefore recommend that the plan makes reference to roadside nature reserves in addition to the other designated wildlife sites already mentioned, and highlights the important contribution that they can make to safeguarding and restoring wildlife in the parish.</p>	See Recommended Change GI19-1, GI19-2 and GI19-3
	Agree: 4 Disagree: 0	

Policy LSNP-R20 Delivering a new community meeting space in Long Stratton

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
South Norfolk Council	The policy states that developer contributions will be sought towards the delivery of this new facility. It would be useful to clarify where S106 contributions will be sought, e.g. through the provision of a village hall site as part of a largescale mixed-use application. CIL is not sought on the basis of a specific project; within Greater Norwich CIL is pooled	See Recommended Change R20-1 and R20-3

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	<p>and projects then prioritised across the three-district area. Consequently, a case would need to be made as to why the village hall should be prioritised for this pooled -CIL. Should the Neighbourhood Plan be made, the Town Council will receive 25% of CIL receipts within its area to spend on projects that support the delivery of growth and could therefore prioritise the village hall for spending of this 'local' element of CIL. The final paragraph of the policy and/or the supporting text would benefit from being expanded to clarify this.</p> <p>We recommend that the specific reference to the Norfolk Homes/Norfolk Land planning applications are removed from the supporting text. If the Town Council has a preference for the location of the new facility, this could be made without reference to a specific planning application.</p>	
2 nd Long Stratton Brownies	Where will it be built and what happens to old village hall?	The existing village hall will still be needed. We are looking at the site in Star Lane for the provision of expanded village hall space.
	Agree: 3 Disagree: 0	

Policy LSNP-R21 A new swimming pool for a larger community

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
South Norfolk Council	<p>Although we understand the rationale for its inclusion in the Neighbourhood Plan, reflecting community feedback, we remain concerned about the viability of this policy/proposal.</p> <p>We welcome the revisions that have been made to this policy and the supporting text as the document has been developing; however, we consider further amendments are required to clarify both the expectations of the policy and its practical application. For example,</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>The second paragraph in the policy clarifies that a business case will need to be in place together with a delivery mechanism being</p>

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	<p>clarification surrounding the collection of developer contributions towards this facility is required, at what point will a decision be made as to whether contributions will be sought? which developments will be expected to contribute? how will this money be held, and for how long? At present the policy does not give any prospective developers any clarity about what is required/expected.</p> <p>It would also be useful if the supporting text made reference to the proposals to bring the existing school-based facility back into use.</p>	<p>demonstrated by the Town and parish Councils.</p> <p>See Recommended Change Chapter 3-3</p>
1 st Long Stratton Scout Group	Would like to see a pool within the community again in the future.	Noted.
2 nd Long Stratton Brownies	Why not repair old swimming pool and put under leisure centre to manage it.	It is our understanding, the leisure centre do not wish to manage a new swimming pool.
	Agree: 2 Disagree: 1	
	Further comments	
1 st Long Stratton Scout Group	5.6.30 – Yes community space is needed for the town but specific facilities are needed to support the young people in scouting and guiding. Requests for discussions to review space/potential locations have not yet been answered by Council/Norfolk Homes Ltd which is disappointing. Provision for these specific organisations could then be used as community space but managed by those groups and it would free up other local venues aswell for other local users.	The Long Stratton NP aspiration for a new community meetings space (Policy R20) would be sufficiently sized to meet the needs of scouts, brownies, guides and brownies to accommodate for groups of over 100 children.
2 nd Long Stratton Brownies	5.6.30/31/29 – Yes, community meeting space is needed in Long Stratton. Guiding and Scouting use most of the available halls all nights during the week now, what will happen when Long Stratton has more children/houses etc?	Noted and agreed. See Policy R20 of the NP.

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Policy LSNP-C22 Fibre to the premises

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
South Norfolk Council	<p>We have some concerns that the delivery of this infrastructure may be outside the scope of developers to secure and it is therefore unreasonable to include this as a policy requirement.</p> <p>As an alternative, it may be more appropriate to include this within Chapter 6 as a 'Community Aspiration'.</p>	Noted.
1 st Long Stratton Scout Group	Will the superfast broadband be accessed by ALL existing in the town in the future or only new dwellings?	BT Open Reach are looking at a backfit capability.
2 nd Long Stratton Brownies	New houses will be better off than ones already built? Not priority.	BT Open Reach are looking at a backfit capability.
	Agree: 2 Disagree: 1	

Overall do you agree or disagree with the Neighbourhood Plan?

	Agree: 6 Disagree: 0	
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Any further comments about the Neighbourhood Plan

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
Long Stratton High School	I am slightly disappointed that there has been no consideration of the High School. If there is an increase in primary provision where are those pupils going to high school? Also there are so many collaborative projects that the high school could be involved in. Shared school/community library, shared large space...improve provision for school, cost less for community.	The NP group have considered the needs of the High School from the outset of plan preparation. Meetings were held in 2017 with the High School and Norfolk Education Services. At this meeting we had identified that there is capacity in the High School for more pupils in the short term though further

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		<p>expansion of facilities will be required if demand for pupil places outstrips supply.</p> <p>Additional education provision and infrastructure needed as a result of the development proposed in the Long Stratton Area Action Plan is addressed in the AAP. The Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan works within the context already established in the AAP.</p> <p>The work of the Neighbourhood Plan has resulted in the identification of a range of additional projects and initiatives for the Town Council and Parish Council to progress outside the scope of the Neighbourhood Plan. We agree there is scope for collaborative working. See Recommended Change Chapter 6-4.</p>
Anglian Water	<p>It is noted that the Neighbourhood Plan includes a number of criteria based policies which are intended to be used in the determination of planning applications within the Parish but does not identify any specific sites. These do not appear to raise any issues of relevance to Anglian Water.</p> <p>The Adopted South Norfolk Local Plan includes the Development Management Policies Document (adopted October 2015) includes district wide policies relating to water recycling infrastructure (Policy DM 4.2 Sustainable drainage and water management).</p>	Noted.

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	As the Development Plan is intended to be read as a whole it is not considered necessary to include similar policies in the Neighbourhood Plan. Therefore we have no comments to make relating to the Draft Neighbourhood Plan.	Agreed and noted.
1 st Long Stratton Scout Group	Lots of valuable effort has been done on housing/designs/overall plans but I feel the community infrastructure policies need much more community involvement and discussion. Particularly with regard to support for local community groups such as the Scouts and Guides which are voluntary led and who need the Neighbourhood Plan and Town Council to be working with them to ensure a bright future of opportunities for the young people and adults in the community: support in creating a community infrastructure with regards to a space to deliver Scouting and Guiding in the best possible way in our community with specific facilities is long overdue and would be a huge asset to the community for future generations.	Noted and accepted. The NP group have met with the Scout and Guide groups following the consultation.
2 nd Long Stratton Brownies	Well done to all those who have worked on this Neighbourhood Plan. It still needs more discussion re: community involvement – especially poss building or areas for young people to use.	Noted.

Long Stratton Design Guidelines, AECOM 2019

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
South Norfolk Council	<u>General Observations</u> 1. We have included comments about the proposed/ anticipated status of the Design Guidelines in the table above. We note that the Design Guidelines are referred to as a ‘supporting document’ within the Neighbourhood Plan consultation webpage. As such, this document is considered as part of the evidence base produced to support the Neighbourhood Plan rather than a decision-making	The NP group have worked with AECOM to address necessary changes.

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	<p>tool (as it is presented within Policy LSNP – DC10 of the Neighbourhood Plan).</p> <p>2. The overall intention of the Design Guidelines would benefit from further consideration. There remains a tension within the document regarding its function – whilst we understand its primary role is to provide design support for applicants submitting schemes within the whole of the neighbourhood plan area, it also makes frequent reference to the current applications for the expansion of the village and p4 states <i>[t]his document provides advice in addressing [the] Town Council’s concerns ...and must be read jointly with the village extension planning application documents</i>. Detailed references to these planning applications include illustrations/ plans. We have previously raised concerns regarding this and understand that the promotor of this scheme has formally expressed reservations about this.</p> <p>3. The Long Stratton Design Guidelines should relate to and be compatible with existing design guidance (for example, The National Design Guide, The South Norfolk Place Making Guide).</p> <p>4. In sections, the Design Guidance is prescriptive in its language. Use of the phrase “should seek” (or similar) may be more appropriate than the frequent use of the word “must”, for example. As the document is intended to be design guidance rather than a design code we would suggest this should be amended to ensure that it is both realistic and enforceable.</p> <p><u>Design Guidelines</u> <u>Rear Parking Courtyards (p29)</u></p>	
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	<p>5. The Senior Conservation & Design Officer has provided specific comments relating to the provision of courtyards within development. In particular the following advice has been received, <i>“I [have] a preference towards more open courtyard arrangements with buildings at the rear providing better overlooking through forming part of a mews/lane style network rather than small enclosed parking courts”</i>. It has been suggested that there could be a greater emphasis on mews/ courtyard style arrangements rather than the parking courtyard; this approach would be compatible with the RIBA guidance ‘By Design: Better Places to Live’. To aid natural surveillance, consideration could also be given to the inclusion of flats over garages within development schemes.</p> <p><i>Gateway and Access Features (p37)</i></p> <p>6. The use of gateway buildings – identical landmark buildings on either side of the street – is not a historic tradition in rural Norfolk. Rather, it may be more appropriate to reword this section to encourage the use of landmark buildings instead. Alternative phrasing could be <i>“...using landmark buildings to provide legibility and a gateway feature to the development”</i> or similar. This would not necessarily require the same type of building on both sides of the street.</p> <p><i>Materials and Building Details (p42)</i></p> <p>7. We would suggest that ‘pebbles’ are associated with sea eroded stone and are therefore not characteristic of this area. It may be better to use the descriptive term, ‘coarse field flints’. Similarly hung clay tiles are neither a historic or widely adopted style in Norfolk and can not be considered vernacular; we would therefore recommend that this style is removed from the design guidance. Finally, as flint is not a prevalent building material it would perhaps be appropriate to suggest that this is limited in use only.</p>	
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	<p><i>Street Grid and Layout (p53)</i></p> <p>8. Whilst we concur that traditional lengthy cul-de-sacs should not be encouraged, we consider that short private drives could provide an opportunity for safe streets whilst still allowing for pedestrian and cycle connectivity. Courtyard arrangements could also provide safe enclosed areas and help to reduce vehicle speeds, as can mews streets that terminate at one end but retain pedestrian and cycle linkages.</p>	
2 nd Long Stratton Brownies	Too long	
	<p>Agree: 0 Disagree: 1</p> <p>Not read/don't know: 4</p>	

Long Stratton Masterplan Report, AECOM 2018

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
1 st Long Stratton Scout Group	Preferable option for star lane pocket park compared to market place option. Confirmation needed on car parking in relation to town centre.	Noted. Also on car parking see Recommended Changes R20-1, R20-2, TC13-1
2 nd Long Stratton Brownies	Still need car parks. Prefer Star Lane pocket park to market place.	Noted.
	<p>Agree: 2 Disagree: 0</p> <p>Not read/don't know: 2</p>	

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Other supporting documents

Consultee	Comment	NP steering group response
2 nd Long Stratton Brownies	Re: above – Not clear these could also be read at village hall drop-in session.	Noted.

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Table 5.4 - Schedule of recommendations by Healthcheck Report

Reference	Healthcheck comment	NP steering group response
Page 16, paragraph 2.31	for completeness, it would be helpful and prudent to summarise the outcome of any Habitats Regulations Assessment in this paragraph (presumably concluding an absence of harm to any protected sites).	Agreed. But insert clarification in Section 1 (introduction). See Recommended Change Introduction-1
Page 17, paragraph 2.36	perhaps the word ' <i>insufficient</i> ' may be better replaced with ' <i>deficient</i> ' in the first sentence. Should the reference to Parish Council in the last line also include Town Council?	Agreed. See Recommended Change Chapter 2-1
Page 18	The table refers to the 2007 SNDC Open Spaces Assessment. As this is rather old, it would be prudent to check with SNC if any more recent assessment data exists which could be relied upon.	See Recommended Change Chapter 2-2
Page 18, paragraph 2.42	The reference to 32" should include or be replaced by its metric equivalent.	See Recommended Change Chapter2-3
Page 19, paragraph 2.44	missing possessive apostrophe in <i>Faden's 1797 map</i> .	See Recommended Change Chapter 2-4
Page 19, paragraph 2.46	2 nd sentence should include ... " <i>if the bypass was not to be delivered ...</i> ".	See Recommended Change Chapter 2-5

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Reference	Healthcheck comment	NP steering group response
Page 23	Page 23: when available, the content of the Consultation Statement could helpfully expand on how the 'key issues' for the LSNP area were identified and addressed. This information could be summarised by expanding paragraph 3.5.	Section 2 of the Consultation Statements covers this. Also see also Recommended Changes Chapter 3-1, 3-2 and 3-3.
Page 28	Page 28 onwards: the precis of the AAP is informative. It would subsequently be helpful if a brief explanation could be provided on how the AAP has informed the LSNP and is complemented by the final content of the Plan. As a 'Basic Condition' requires general conformity with the strategic policies of the Development Plan, it would be helpful to cross reference the intended Basic Conditions Statement (and its content) in this section. It would also be prudent to acknowledge the intended joint Local Plan (the Greater Norwich Local Plan) that is currently under production by SNC and its partners.	Section 5 of the Basic Conditions Statements discusses the conformity with the NP with the Area Action Plan. Recommended Change Chapter 3-2 provides more detail on the priorities to be addressed in the NP and how these relate to the existing policy context in the AAP. See also Recommended Change Chapter 4-5 and Recommended Change Chapter 3-4
Page 31, paragraph 3.25	Page 31, paragraph 3.25: the LSNP identifies 7 priorities, but it is unclear how these have been specifically derived. It would be helpful to explain how the priorities have been identified with cross referencing (presumably) to the engagement and visioning work carried out by the Steering Group (and issues/SWOT analysis etc). The link between these 7 priorities and the Vision, Themes and Objectives which follow on page 33 is not clear.	See Recommended Change Chapter 3-1, Chapter 3-2 and Recommended Change 4-1

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Reference	Healthcheck comment	NP steering group response
Page 33, Section 4	<p>Page 33: Section 4 provides the LSNP Vision. This should be checked with SNC for consistency with the AAP, which identifies the Vision for Long Stratton as being ‘a revitalised large village ...’ rather than a town. It would be helpful if the origin of the Vision was explained briefly with cross references to any community engagement and feedback. Likewise, an explanation of how the Themes and Objectives (Table at paragraph 4.1) have been identified would be helpful. The reasoning behind the theme of superfast broadband is unclear as it did not appear in the SWOT analysis or in the indications of community engagement; an explanation would be helpful.</p> <p>Would an additional column summarising which policies contribute to which Themes be helpful? This could also inform any monitoring of the efficacy of the LSNP policies after it was ‘made’.</p> <p>The provision of at least 132 affordable homes for LSNP area residents (column 3 of the table) is an outcome not clearly iterated subsequently in the policies of the LSNP; this should be clarified and sense checked with SNC.</p>	<p>No change required. The status of Long Stratton has changed since the adoption of the Area Action Plan. Long Stratton, formerly a village, is now a town and the former Long Stratton Parish Council is now Long Stratton Town Council.</p> <p>See Recommended Change Chapter 4-1</p> <p>See Recommended Change 4-4</p> <p>See Recommended Change SC3-1</p>
Page 36, Policy LSNP - SC1	<p>Page 36: Policy LSNP – SC1 is positively worded. The policy requires a third of all new dwellings to be small to medium two/three bedroom. The supporting justification (paragraphs 5.1.2 onwards) sets out the background to the housing evidence compiled including a need for 70% of homes for Long Stratton being 2/3 bed. Whilst the overall level of</p>	<p>See Recommended Change SC1-1</p>

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	<p>housing intended for Long Stratton is serving a broader strategic housing need, it is still unclear as to why the policy indicates that one third of dwellings should be two/three bedroom in size; indeed Figure 5.1 would suggest a basic need (of around a third) for dwellings with 2 bedrooms or fewer. The policy approach should be more clearly explained, with cross references to the evidence (eg AECOM study) and the extant Development Plan where relevant. At present, the policy is not sufficiently justified.</p> <p>The final sentence of the policy is understandable but what does this mean in practice? How would it be implemented? Amended wording may aid the precision of the policy in this regard; clearly setting out what is expected within any residential scheme in meeting some of the needs for entry level purchasers. Liaison with SNC may be fruitful in this regard.</p>	
Page 38, Policy LSNP-SC2	<p>Page 38: Policy LSNP – SC2 has a sub-heading of ‘Specialist Housing for the elderly’. The ensuing policy also refers to those with disabilities. The sub-heading should reflect this. The first sentence of the policy should grammatically include: “...with disabilities are strongly encouraged.” Feasibly the final sentence of the policy could be more effective if worded along the following lines: “All schemes should ensure adequate pavements widths and the appropriate location of dropped kerbs ...”.</p>	See Recommended Change SC2-1

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Reference	Healthcheck comment	NP steering group response
Page 39, Policy LSNP- SC3	<p>Page 39: Policy LSNP – SC3 requires a proportion of affordable homes to be prioritised for residents with a close connection to Long Stratton. This requirement should be discussed and agreed for its consistency with the Development Plan and national policy with SNC. The justification for the approach should be explained more clearly by paragraph 5.1.16 and with regard to any supporting evidence. SNC should be able to advise specifically on whether the LSNP approach is in general conformity with the strategic aims of the Development Plan, including the Development Management Policies (see Chapter 3) which appears only to maintain a requirement for affordable housing for people with a ‘local connection’ on rural exception sites and therefore would not be applicable to the 1800+ homes earmarked for Long Stratton.</p> <p>At present the definition of a close connection in the LSNP is a bullet point list which, in effect and with regard to the final two bullets, appears very broad whilst the scale of any provision (ie what is an acceptable ‘proportion’) is not defined. These matters should be resolved, with support from the available evidence, prior to submission of the final Plan.</p>	<p>Policy approach has been agreed with South Norfolk. See Recommended Change SC3-3</p> <p>The list has been agreed by South Norfolk. South Norfolk officers are content with the approach referring to a “proportion”. See recommended change SC3-2 that provides context to this.</p>
Page 43	Page 43: the reasoned justification for Policy LSNP – SC5 should make clear that its requirements only apply to proposals occurring within the Neighbourhood Plan Area (to	See Recommended Change SC5-1

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Reference	Healthcheck comment	NP steering group response
	be legally compliant ³). This could be secured by revising the wording of paragraph 5.2.6 to avoid any ambiguity in its application.	
Page 44	Page 44: the first sentence of Policy LSNP – SC6 requires an ‘and’ before ‘sports facilities	See Recommended Change SC6-1
Page 48	Page 48: the relationship between Policy LSNP – DC7 and Map 1 is unclear and would benefit from an explanation or amendment	See Recommended Change DC7-1
Page 49	Page 49: The second paragraph of Policy LSNP - DC8 and its supporting justification (eg paragraph 5.3.11) should be amended to reference and take account of the recently published National Design Guide ⁴ . The PPG has some helpful information which may be of use ⁵ .	See Recommended Change DC8-1
Page 50, Policy LSNP – DC9	Policy LSNP – DC9 refers to new proposals either side of the A140 not being taller or out of scale with those that give the historic core its distinctive character. It would be helpful to set out what evidence supports this requirement. High quality buildings can sometimes be taller than their surroundings without detriment and it is feasible that a more flexible policy would be more effective; for example: “new proposals on	See Recommended Change DC9-1 and DC9-2 which provides a stronger and clearer justification for this.

³ Section 38A(2) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended).

⁴ https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/835212/National_Design_Guide.pdf

⁵ <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/design>

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Reference	Healthcheck comment	NP steering group response
	either side of the A140 should complement the scale of those that give the historic core its distinctive character”.	
Page 53, Policy LSNP - DC10	A further reference to the National Design Guidelines would be prudent in support of Policy LSNP-DC10.	See Recommended Change DC10-3
Page 56, Policy LSNP - E11	<p>Page 56: Policy LSNP – E11 has a positive intention. Could the first sentence be clearer with an amendment such as: “...subject to acceptable effects upon pedestrian safety and amenity considerations at the Flowerpot ...”?</p> <p>Paragraph 5.4.9 should be amended and expanded to more fully explain why the second part of Policy LSNP – E12 (investment in training) is justified with particular regard to paragraph 56 of the NPPF⁶ (which states that obligations can only be legally secured where necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms; where directly related to the development and where fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development). SNC may be able to advise on this point.</p>	See Recommended Change E12-2
Page 67	Page 67: in light of the Policy requirements (TC14), the final sentence of paragraph 5.5.14 could be clarified by the addition of “...parking spaces <i>which should be addressed by any proposal</i> ”.	<p>Policy has been amended in light of other consultation responses. See Recommended Change TC15-1</p> <p>See also Recommended Change TC15-2</p>

⁶ <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-planning-policy-framework/4-decision-making>

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Reference	Healthcheck comment	NP steering group response
	Policy LSNP- TC15 contains a number of criteria to be addressed in a bulleted list. The reasoning for these requirements should be clearly set out with cross references to any supporting evidence, for example by expanding paragraph 5.5.16 or 5.5.17. Is it the intention to secure all of the criteria or some? If the latter, the policy could be amended accordingly.	
Page 69	Page 69: to avoid the situation where a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) is given the unwarranted weight of development plan policy in decision making, the second sentence of Policy LSNP – GI16 could either be moved to the supporting justification for the policy or be amended along the following lines: “Demonstrable regard should be had to South Norfolk Council’s Open Space Supplementary Planning Document 2018 when identifying appropriate requirements.	See Recommended Change GI16-1
Page 73, criteria i, ii and iii of Policy LSNP - GI18	Page 73: criteria i, ii and iii of Policy LSNP GI18 are particularly prescriptive. Whilst understandable in their intent, for reasons of flexibility of implementation, the criteria would be better placed in the supporting justification of the policy (eg after paragraph 5.6.17) leaving the policy worded along the following lines: “Where applicable and with due regard to the South Norfolk Council Guidelines for Recreation Provision in New Residential Developments Supplementary Planning Document, development proposals will include robust arrangements for the provision and future maintenance of all new green infrastructure areas and features (including public open space, new habitat provision, surface drainage	This point was discussed in depth by the NP Steering group at its meeting on 3 August 2020. Due to the circumstances created by the district no longer taking on ownership or maintenance of new recreational open spaces and play areas (as reported in the Open Spaces SPD) and due to the priority attached to this issue by both Long Stratton Town Council and Tharston and Hapton Town Council, it was decided to keep the criteria in the policy.

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	<p>infrastructure, landscape mitigation areas, pedestrian and cycle paths and related furniture/structures)".</p> <p>Paragraph 5.6.17 refers to the 'Open Spaces SPD', this is shorthand for the SNC document: 'The Guidelines for Recreation Provision in New Residential Developments SPD'. This abbreviation should be explained in the text of the LSNP.</p>	<p>The abbreviation is now explained in the supporting text.</p>
<p>Page 74, Policy LSNP - GI19</p>	<p>Page 74: Policy LSNP – GI19 identifies 4 sites of biodiversity value which are indicated on Map 7 and which are referenced in paragraph 5.6.23 by Appendix 3. Unfortunately, Appendix 3 has not been made available for this Health Check. It is important that the identification and protection of all 4 sites are supported by evidence which includes their specific biodiversity value and that any affected landowners are notified/consulted upon the LSNP proposals. Natural England and the Environment Agency should be consulted upon the acceptability of the wording of the policy. Any Habitat Regulations Assessment Screening should address all relevant sites and proposals/policies of the LSNP.</p>	<p>This is a misunderstanding. The spaces are not in Appendix 3 to the AAP.</p> <p>The AAP is a part of the Local Plan and available to all.</p> <p>HRA screening has been undertaken by South Norfolk Council.</p>
<p>Page 78</p>	<p>Page 78: as referenced by the NPPF paragraph 56, developer contributions can only be obtained in certain circumstances and therefore the words 'where justified' should be added to the end of Policy LSNP – R20.</p>	<p>See Recommended Change R20-1</p>

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Reference	Healthcheck comment	NP steering group response
Page 79	Page 79: Policy LSNP refers to a new swimming pool. This is not referenced anywhere else in the document, eg the table at paragraph 4.1, and therefore a cross reference to/or inclusion within the Plan’s earlier aspirations would be helpful.	There is a long established desire articulated often by the community for a new swimming pool. This has come out throughout the consultation on the NP. It is referenced as such in Figure 3.2, 3.5. Recommended Change Chapter 3-3
Page 81	Page 81: Policy LSNP – C22 requires all development proposals to include broadband infrastructure. It would be helpful to clarify this intention as ‘development’ covers a broad range of activities, eg minor household extensions where such a requirement would not be justified (nor no doubt intended). If it is the intention for the policy to apply to new housing and new economic developments, then it may be prudent to amend the policy accordingly.	See Recommended Change C22-1
Page 83	Page 83: It may be helpful to include a list of the evidence sources relied upon for future reference. The acronym SNDC is used in the glossary, albeit South Norfolk Council does not use the word District to describe itself.	Agreed. See Recommended Change General -2 Agreed. See Recommended Change General-1
General	General – the Plan is clearly structured and is straightforward to read. It would be helpful to briefly address the intended arrangements for the future Monitoring and Review of the Plan in partnership with SNC. For example, there is no indication on how the successful implementation of the Plan’s policies will be monitored, or the circumstances (such as changes in strategic planning policies or national policy) which might necessitate a formal Review of the Plan prior to 2036.	Agreed. Include a monitoring chapter.

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Table 5.5 - Schedule of Recommended Changes to the Pre-Submission Neighbourhood Plan

Reference	Para. etc	Change	Reason for Change
Contents Page	5	Ensure policy titles are consistent with policy titles in the document	Correction
Introduction-1	1.3	Insert new paragraph summarising outcome of SEA and HRA screening <u>“1.4 The NP has been subject to screening for both Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA). In 2019, SNC concluded that development resulting from the Long Stratton NP will not lead to an impact on sensitive receptors and therefore a full Appropriate Assessment is not required. In March 2020, SNC concluded that the NP is unlikely to have significant environmental effects on the environment and therefore does not require a Strategic Environmental Assessment.”</u>	Health check recommendation.
Introduction1-1	Insert new paragraph under 1.3	<u>“Requirements of Neighbourhood Plans</u> <u>1.4 There are certain requirements, referred to as basic conditions which all Neighbourhood Plans will be tested against at examination: The planning policies in the plan will need to:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>• be in broad conformity with the strategic policies of the South Norfolk Local Plan;</u> <u>• contribute towards the achievement of sustainable development;</u> <u>• be appropriate having regard to national policy and guidance (e.g. the National Planning Policy Framework 2019); and</u> <u>• be in accordance with environmental and human rights legislation.</u> <u>1.5 In the preparation of this NP we have had to ensure compliance with these requirements. Compliance is demonstrated in the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan Basic Conditions Statement. In addition, Chapter 4 of this plan(vision and</u>	Health check recommendation, response from Wood Green Residents and to improve clarity for reader.

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		<p><u>objectives) provides an explanation as to how the plan contributes towards addressing cross-cutting priorities relating to climate change and sustainable development.</u></p> <p><u>1.6 At the time of submission, the South Norfolk Local Plan which is applicable to the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan comprised the following documents:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Adopted Joint Core Strategy March adopted 2011;</u> • <u>Development Management Policies Document adopted 2015;</u> • <u>The adopted Norfolk Minerals and Waste Core Strategy (2011); and</u> • <u>Long Stratton Area Action Plan adopted 2016</u> 	
Chapter 2-1	2.36	Replace 'insufficient' with 'deficient'.	Health check recommendation.
Chapter 2-2	Figure 2.7	Insert a paragraph under this table to read: South Norfolk's latest standards for Recreational Open Spaces is set out in Table 3 of the Open Spaces SPD adopted in September 2018. The standards blend the previous standards (shown in the middle column of Figure 2.7) and are easily not directly comparable.	Health check recommendation.
Chapter 2-3	Paragraph 2.42	Change 32" to 81.2 cm	Health check recommendation.
Chapter 2.4	Paragraph 2.44	Insert apostrophe William Faden's 1797 map.	Health check recommendation.
Chapter 2-5	Paragraph 2.46	2 nd sentence should include ... <i>" if the bypass was not to be delivered ... "</i> .	Health check recommendation.
Chapter 2-6	Paragraph 2.41	Amend as follows: 2.41. In the centre of the town, there is a public car park available for workers , shoppers and visitors <u>but due to a two hour limit is of limited use to workers.</u>	Statutory consultation

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Chapter 2-7	Paragraph 2.38	Amend the paragraph as follows: 2.38 As the town grows, it is expected there will be a need There is a need for additional burial ground facilities in the plan area.	To reflect the current position more accurately
Chapter 3-1	Paragraph 3.25	Amend paragraph 3.25 as follows: 3.25 Having considered the key issues highlighted during early consultation, the existing policy context provided by the Joint Core Strategy and the Long Stratton AAP, the key areas which the Neighbourhood Plan must focus on are: Priority 1 - Address housing choice and seek to ensure new housing is suitable for meeting existing needs as well as needs of future residents <u>(to address the fear identified in Figure 3.2 that the new housing (coming forward as part of the Area Action Plan development) will not be suitable for meeting Long Stratton specific needs.</u> Priority 2 - Be focused on retaining those characteristics that make Long Stratton special. This includes its rural feel, <u>heritage and biodiversity assets.</u> <u>(to manage the threat identified in Figure 3.2 that the current sense of identity and community will weaken when new development comes forward and respond to community feedback summarised in paragraph 3.9.6)</u> Priority 3 - Include planning policies on employment <u>and seek to facilitate opportunities for providing skills development training to residents (to address the threat identified in Figure 3.2 that the current sense of identity and community will weaken when new development comes forward and ensure the current local population are able to benefit from new employment growth identified in Policy LINGS2 in the Area Action Plan)</u>	Health check recommendation.

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		<p>Priority 4 - Plan for successful integration of new communities with existing communities and plan for infrastructure to be provided alongside new development <u>(to address the threat identified in Figure 3.2 that the current sense of identity and community will weaken when new development comes forward and address identified weaknesses regarding existing community infrastructure provision (overstretched doctors, no swimming pool, need for new or expanded community centre/village hall facilities, parking issues at shops, lack of leisure facilities and outdoor sports facilities).</u></p> <p>Priority 5 - Highlight existing shortages in community infrastructure and highlight shortages anticipated as new development comes forward <u>(to address the threat identified in Figure 3.2 that the current sense of identity and community will weaken when new development comes forward and address identified weaknesses regarding existing community infrastructure provision (overstretched doctors, no swimming pool, need for new or expanded community centre/village hall facilities, parking issues at shops, lack of leisure facilities and outdoor sports facilities).</u></p> <p>Priority 6 - Look at improving accessibility to and from shops and services in the town centre <u>(to address the weaknesses identified in Figure 3.2 regarding the A140).</u></p> <p>Priority 7 - Provide more detail than the LSAAP in terms of a vision for the town centre once the by-pass has come forward <u>(to address the threat identified in Figure 3.2 that opportunities to improve the town centre will not be realised).</u></p> <p>Priority 8 – Secure economic success in Long Stratton as the settlement grows. This priority is linked to Priority 3 and 4 and reflects Long Stratton’s economic role in <u>relation to Norwich but also in relation to its ‘market town’ role with respect to its surrounding rural hinterland (as described in paragraph 2.48 to 2.53).</u></p>	

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Chapter 3-2	Insert new paragraph after paragraph 3.25	<p>In addition to the eight priorities expressed above, the Neighbourhood Plan must also meet the basic conditions required of it by legislation. These basic conditions are explained in the introduction to this plan. We have therefore identified two important cross-cutting priorities which emanate from these basic conditions:</p> <p>Cross Cutting Priority A: - Take a proactive approach to mitigating and adapting to climate change (as required by paragraph 149 of the NPPF).</p> <p>Cross Cutting Priority B: - Contribute towards the achievement of sustainable development (as required by the basic conditions but also by reference to paragraph 16 of the NPPF).</p>	
Chapter 3-3	Insert a new paragraph after paragraph 3.6	<p><u>“3.7 A further popular issue raised at early engagement stage was a widely shared aspiration for a swimming pool to be built in Long Stratton. As recorded in the Consultation Statement, this is an issue that continued to be raised throughout the plan preparation process.”</u></p>	To reflect more accurately the shared community aspiration for a swimming pool in Long Stratton (as evidenced in the Consultation Statement. Health check recommendation.
Chapter 3-4	Insert a new paragraph after paragraph 3.24	<p><u>“At the time of writing the Greater Norwich Local Plan (GNLP) is in preparation. This is being prepared by Broadland District Council, Norwich City Council and South Norfolk Council. The GNLP will replace the current Joint Core Strategy for the area. The Joint Core Strategy plans for the area up to 2026 where as the GNLP will ensure needs continue to be met to 2038. The Regulation 18 GNLP does not allocate additional development in Long Stratton beyond the current strategic site allocation</u></p>	Health check recommendation.

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		<u>set out in the Long Stratton Area Action Plan. Neither does the Regulation 18 GNLP propose to supersede the Long Stratton Area Action Plan.”</u>	
Chapter 4-1	Paragraph 4.1	<p>Replace the paragraph as follows:</p> <p><u>4.1 The Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan Group initially worked with their planning consultant, Modicum Planning, to develop a set of plan themes and objectives which could address the concerns addressed by the community whilst also being within the scope of a neighbourhood plan to address. These were first consulted on during the summer and autumn of 2018. Objective 8 did not initially appear as part of earlier consultation in 2018. It is identified by the NP steering group as an important component of the Long Stratton vision which seeks that ‘our employment and business base will grow and diversify as the town takes on a more strategic role in the wider geographic area’.</u></p> <p><u>4.2 The final and agreed themes and objectives are set out in the table below.</u></p>	Health check recommendation.
Chapter 4-2	Vision and objectives table	<p>Amend objective 2</p> <p><u>2. Successful integration between new community and existing community where new community facilities are located in sustainable locations and which facilitates good cycle and pedestrian connectivity</u></p> <p>Amend objective 2</p> <p><u>3. A strong sense of place incorporating sustainable design</u></p> <p>3.1 Retain and enhance those characteristics that make Long Stratton special. Based on existing studies such as the South Norfolk Place Making Guide and the Long Stratton Conservation Character Appraisal this would include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthening the character of the historic core and prioritising the conservation or enhancement of historic buildings. • Outside the historic core, high quality and locally distinctive neighbourhoods • New perimeter of LS to provide attractive setting to the settlement 	To reflect intention more accurately and the policies which underpin it:

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Protecting ancient countryside beyond new settlement boundaries <p><u>3.2 Ensuring new development delivers high quality and sustainable design that adds to the overall quality of Long Stratton and is sympathetic to Long Stratton's character and history.</u></p> <p>Amend theme title and objective 6 Theme: <u>Outdoor recreation, green infrastructure and biodiversity policies</u> 6. Improved opportunities <u>for green infrastructure and recreation in the NP area</u></p> <p>Amend theme title: Theme: Infrastructure <u>Indoor community infrastructure</u></p>	
Chapter 4-3	Insert a new paragraph before second tables	<p><u>How this plan contributes towards achieving sustainable development</u></p> <p><u>4.2 All Neighbourhood Plans are required by the basic conditions to contribute towards the achievement of sustainable development. Paragraph 8 of the NPPF states that "achieving sustainable development means the planning system has three overarching objectives, which are interdependent and need to be pursued in mutually supportive ways". It goes on to define these three objectives as economic, social and environmental.</u></p> <p><u>Economic Goal: The Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan works within the strategic context established by the 2016 Area Action Plan that includes a strategic site allocation for 1,800 new homes in the plan. The plan focuses on ensuring this growth can happen successfully by prioritising the growth and diversification of Long Stratton's employment and business base as it takes on a more strategic role in the wider regional area and by prioritising the success of Long Stratton town centre, especially once the bypass has been built.</u></p>	

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		<p><u>Social Goal: A key principle underpinning the Long Stratton NP is to ensure the existing Long Stratton community will also benefit from the housing that is built recognising the existing Long Stratton need for housing (as evidenced in the Long Stratton housing needs assessment) and existing need for more affordable homes. This will assist with successful integration of new and existing neighbourhoods. The Long Stratton NP identifies additional community infrastructure items (e.g. a new centrally located Community meeting space or hub to address a range of existing but growing demand from community groups and services including the library) which it considers essential for the delivery of successful places. Key to the creation of successful communities is maintaining and enhancing sense of place. The policies underpinning theme Design and Character are focused on addressing this priority.</u></p> <p><u>Environmental Goal: Whilst the strategic context provided by the Long Stratton Area Action Plan is one of growth, the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan does prioritise the delivery of development which accords with sustainability principles (see Policy DC10) as provided in the Long Stratton Design Principles document. The Neighbourhood Plan has also identified existing areas within the plan area which are important for biodiversity and seeks to protect them as well as seeking to secure and enhance existing green infrastructure.</u></p>	
Chapter 4-4	Insert a new paragraph before second tables	<p><u>How this plan takes a proactive approach to mitigating and adapting to climate change</u></p> <p><u>4.3 The Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan is very much focused on reducing the need to travel by private vehicles and improving pedestrian and cycle links in the town centre and securing good pedestrian and cycle connections as part of new development, with particular regard for the strategic site allocation for 1,800 new homes. With regards to the town centre the emphasis is very much on improving the safety and street scene environment (including tree planting and greening the urban environment) along and in the vicinity of the Street. Outside the town centre,</u></p>	

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		<p><u>the emphasis is on ensuring new community facilities are located where residents can access them through public transport, walking or cycling. The protection and enhancement of green infrastructure to benefit both people but also biodiversity is the subject of policies under theme Outdoor recreation, biodiversity and open space.</u></p> <p><u>Chapter 6 in the Neighbourhood Plan includes a community aspiration to work with stakeholders to seek a renewable energy scheme in the plan area where the schemes does not impact adversely on landscape character and where schemes deliver community benefits such as tariffs from the energy generated.</u></p>	
Chapter 4-5	Insert a new paragraph before second table.	<p><u>4.4 In reviewing the policies set out in this Neighbourhood Plan it is very important to regard the policies against strategic planning policies set out in the South Norfolk Local Plan as well as against national planning policy (set out in the NPPF) and national guidance set out in national planning practice guidance. As required in paragraph 16 of the NPPF, the Neighbourhood Plan should serve a clear purpose, avoiding unnecessary duplication of policies that apply to the plan area already.</u></p>	
Chapter 4-6	Insert new section under table in paragraph 4.1	<p>4.5 The following table illustrates the link between the plan theme and objectives on the one hand and the priorities on the other:</p> <p>See table at end of this document.</p>	Health check recommendation.
SC1-1	Policy LSNP – SC1 Housing Mix	<p>Amend the policy to read:</p> <p><u>Residential development proposals will be supported where they incorporate a mix of dwelling types and sizes that meet the needs of current and future residents (as evidenced in up to date housing needs assessments applicable to the plan area) including homes suitable for older people that can encompass</u></p>	Resident Consultation

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		<p><u>accessible, adaptable general needs housing through to the full range of retirement and specialised housing for those with support or care needs.</u></p> <p><u>For major residential development proposals (10 dwellings or more), a significant proportion (circa 70 per cent) should be two and three bedroom dwellings. A third of all dwellings should comprise small to medium two and three bedroom dwellings. An alternative housing mix must be justified with reference site-specific context and an up-to-date assessment of existing needs applicable to Long Stratton.</u> Specific regard should be had to meeting the needs of entry level purchasers on low and medium incomes for example including flats and terraced housing as part of a residential scheme.</p>	Health check recommendation in relation to error where policy requirement does not reflect the evidence provided in Figure 5.1
SC1-2	Policy intent	<p>Insert a new Policy intent paragraph under existing paragraph 5.1.1</p> <p><u>5.1.2 Two- and three-bedroom dwellings required as part of this policy will need to be of an adequate size to ensure a good quality of residential amenity for future occupiers. A two-bedroom property will need to include at least three rooms excluding the kitchen, bathroom and toilets. A three-bedroom property would need to include at least 4 rooms excluding the kitchen, bathroom and toilets. These are the definitions used in the Long Stratton Housing Needs Assessment (HNA) 2017 (see paragraph 137).</u></p> <p><u>5.1.3 The Technical housing standards – nationally described space standard provide a further method for measuring minimal internal space in square metres for new dwellings and, as such, provides a mechanism for assessing space standards in Long Stratton. South Norfolk District Council have not yet adopted the technical housing standards but are seeking to do this through the Greater Norwich Local Plan which is at Regulation 18 Stage as at March 2020.</u></p>	Statutory Consultation.

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SC1-3	Insert new paragraph before existing paragraph 5.1.2	<p><u>5.1.4 A review of existing housing stock in the civil parishes of Long Stratton and Tharston and Hapton helps to provide context to this policy. Compared to South Norfolk and the country as whole, Long Stratton has a large proportion of household spaces with 2 and 3 bedrooms. The parish of Tharston and Hapton on the other hand has a high proportion of household spaces with 4 and 5 bedrooms. The Long Stratton NP area includes the whole of the parish of Long Stratton and small proportion of the parish of Tharston and Hapton. The housing characteristics of the plan area can be regarded as typical of a large village or small market town rather than small South Norfolk village.</u></p> <p>Insert</p> <div><p>Number of bedrooms in households (Census 2011)</p><table border="1"><thead><tr><th>Bedrooms</th><th>Tharston and Hapton</th><th>Long Stratton</th><th>South Norfolk</th><th>England</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>No Bedrooms</td><td>0.00%</td><td>0.00%</td><td>0.00%</td><td>0.00%</td></tr><tr><td>1 Bedroom</td><td>2.00%</td><td>5.00%</td><td>6.00%</td><td>12.00%</td></tr><tr><td>2 Bedrooms</td><td>15.00%</td><td>31.00%</td><td>25.00%</td><td>28.00%</td></tr><tr><td>3 Bedrooms</td><td>33.00%</td><td>44.00%</td><td>43.00%</td><td>41.00%</td></tr><tr><td>4 Bedrooms</td><td>37.00%</td><td>17.00%</td><td>20.00%</td><td>14.00%</td></tr><tr><td>5 or More Bedrooms</td><td>14.00%</td><td>4.00%</td><td>6.00%</td><td>5.00%</td></tr></tbody></table></div>	Bedrooms	Tharston and Hapton	Long Stratton	South Norfolk	England	No Bedrooms	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1 Bedroom	2.00%	5.00%	6.00%	12.00%	2 Bedrooms	15.00%	31.00%	25.00%	28.00%	3 Bedrooms	33.00%	44.00%	43.00%	41.00%	4 Bedrooms	37.00%	17.00%	20.00%	14.00%	5 or More Bedrooms	14.00%	4.00%	6.00%	5.00%	To provide improved context to the policy requirement.
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SC1-4	Insert a new paragraph following change SC1-3	<u>5.1.5 The Long Stratton HNA 2017 also looks at existing housing stock and looks specifically at how this has changed between 2001 and 2011 in order to identify any trends – see Table 14 on page 33. The work shows that the actual number of properties with 4 rooms (which could equate to both a 2 bedroom 2 reception room property or a 3 bedroom 1 reception room property) has actually fallen. This indicates a current squeeze on 2 or 3 bedroomed properties in the plan area.</u>	To provide improved context to the policy requirement.
SC1-5	Paragraph 5.1.2	5.1.2 6 The Long Stratton HNA <u>Housing Needs Assessment (HNA)</u> prepared in 2017 by AECOM concludes that there is a total housing need arising within the neighbourhood plan area of 408 dwellings from 2017 to 2026. Long Stratton specific needs will be higher than this over the entire plan period. The level of need arising within the plan area means it is very important that the housing being delivered as part of the AAP to deliver on wider district needs also succeeds to address Long Stratton specific needs. Of the need arising in the plan area, the Long Stratton HNA finds that 70% of need falls within the category of small to medium two and three - bedroomed homes – See Figure 5.1 below (and illustration for <u>CORE HMA (inc. Long Stratton)</u>).	To remove possible ambiguity by the adjectives ‘small’ and ‘medium’ in front of 2 – 3 bedroomed homes.
<u>SC1-6</u>	<u>Insert new paragraph 5.1.7</u>	<u>5.1.7 It is recognised that the growth allocated for the Long Stratton NP area in the adopted 2016 Area Action Plan has a purpose to serve a wider district need. Figure 5.1 shows a lower need for 1 bedroom dwellings in the South Norfolk Housing Market Area than for the Core Housing Market Area but the need for two and three-bedroomed homes are similarly high at circa 70%.</u>	To improve clarity with reference to the evidence supporting the policy
SC1-7	Existing Paragraph 5.1.3	Correct policy reference in first sentence to Policy LSNP – SC3. Update paragraph number	Correction
SC1-8	New paragraph after 5.1.5	<u>5.1.6 The proportion of Long Stratton residents aged 65-84 is lower than that across South Norfolk as a whole and more in line with England as a whole. However, as is the case across the nation, the proportion of older people in the plan area is</u>	Resident consultation

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		<p><u>expected to increase significantly. Table 20 in the Long Stratton HNA predicts the proportion of Long Stratton residents aged 75 plus to increase from 9% of the population as at 2011 to 14% of the population by 2031. The health and lifestyles of older people will differ greatly, as will their housing needs, which can range from accessible and adaptable general needs housing to specialist housing with high levels of care and support. Specialist housing suitable for the older people is specifically addressed in Policy LSNP – SC2.</u></p> <p><u>Some needs of older people can be met through accessible and adaptable housing (such as bungalows) made available as private or affordable housing.</u></p> <p><u>Accessible and adaptable housing will provide safe and convenient approach routes into and out of the home and outside areas, suitable circulation space and suitable bathroom and kitchens within the home. Wheelchair user dwellings include additional features to meet the needs of occupants who use wheelchairs, or allow for adaptations to meet such needs.</u></p>	
SC2-1	Policy LSNP – SC2 Homes for the Older Generation	<p><u>Policy LSNP – SC2 Homes for the older generation Specialist and Supported Housing</u></p> <p><u>Specialist Housing for the elderly</u></p> <p><u>Development proposals providing specialist housing (class ‘C3’) for the elderly older generation (including retirement housing, sheltered housing or extra care housing) and specialist or supported housing for people with disabilities is are strongly encouraged.</u></p> <p>Proposals will be supported where:</p>	<p>To reflect policy content accurately</p> <p>Health check recommendation</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • they are close to Long Stratton Town Centre or otherwise easily accessible to shops, services and community facilities without the need to rely on private transport; • they are integrated well with surrounding development and land uses; • incorporate a mix of tenure to meet identified need in the area including affordable homes; and • they achieve a high standard of residential amenity for occupiers. <p>Residential Institutions A proposal for a new residential institution (class ‘C2’) will be supported where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • it is located in a location easily accessible to shops, services, community facilities and public transport as appropriate to meet the needs of the intended residents, staff and visitors; • the scheme layout and design achieves a high standard of residential amenity for occupiers. <p>In all <u>All schemes should ensure consideration should be given to the need to improve adequate pavement widths and/or ensure the appropriate location of dropped curbs so as to facilitate good access and egress to the property.</u></p> <p><u>All development proposals will be expected to relate well with surrounding built environment. Gated developments will only be supported where the security is necessary to protect the intended occupiers and where it is sensitively designed to result in welcoming and attractive street-scene environment.</u></p>	<p>Health check recommendation.</p> <p>Resident consultation.</p>
SC2-4	Insert new paragraph after 5.1.10	5.1.12 “Long Stratton Town Council and Tharston and Hapton Parish Council will work with South Norfolk Council, Norfolk County Council and potential providers to	Resident Consultation.

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		seek the provision of additional specialist housing schemes which can best meet the needs of the plan area”	
SC2-5	Insert new paragraph after 5.1.10	5.1.13 In addition to the identified additional need for extra care housing of 360 units needed in South Norfolk, Norfolk County Council have also identified a need for additional residential and nursing home bed spaces. The total identified additional need in South Norfolk up to 2028 is for 288 care and nursing beds.	County Council consultation.
SC3-1	Policy intent	Amend the first paragraph and insert one new intent paragraph: 5.1.11 To help ensure that Long Stratton residents and those with a connection to Long Stratton have affordable housing needs met. <u>This is in order to meet the need for 132 additional affordable homes currently estimated (see Long Stratton Housing Needs Assessment, AECOM) to be needed to meet Long Stratton specific needs during 2018 to 2026.</u> 5.1.12 This policy is intended to sit alongside the Local Plan policy which sets the affordable housing thresholds for all development proposals. This is currently Policy 4 in the Joint Core Strategy which includes a 30% affordable housing target for schemes of 10 to 15 dwellings and 33% on schemes comprising 16 or more units.	Healthcheck recommendation and statutory consultation
SC3-2	Paragraph 5.1.12	Add a sentence at the end of existing paragraph 5.1.12 “... 16 or more units. <u>South Norfolk District are able to apply a local connection criteria to affordable housing made available on a rental basis. The actual proportion will be determined on a case by case basis, but should be a meaningful proportion of the overall level of affordable housing planned for in the plan area (circa 600 homes during the period 2017 to 2026 if Local Plan policy requiring 33% affordable housing is met) in order to effectively address Long Stratton affordable housing needs over the plan period.</u> ”	
SC3-3	Paragraph 5.1.13	Amend the final sentence of the paragraph as follows:	To improve accuracy.

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		“...For market housing schemes, it is acknowledged that some of the affordable housing proportion will be allocated on a needs basis to wider district needs basis. residents.	
SC3-4	Supporting text	<p>Insert new paragraph after existing paragraph 5.1.13</p> <p>“The Long Stratton HNA identifies (see paragraph 2) that 132 affordable dwellings will be needed in the plan area over the period 2017 to 2026. It is unlikely that these will be delivered via rural exception sites on the edge of Long Stratton since Long Stratton itself is not an identified rural area. It is therefore important that the proportion of the affordable housing being provided as part of market schemes are earmarked for those with a local connection”.</p>	Increased clarity required as highlighted by the health check report.
SC3-5	Paragraph 5.1.16	<p>Revise the paragraph as follows:</p> <p><i>A close connection to Long Stratton is defined (in priority order) as:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Residents of the <u>parishes</u> of Long Stratton or Tharston and Hapton who have lived in <u>either</u> parish for a total of at least 3 years of the last 10 years.</i> • <i>Former residents of the <u>parishes</u> of Long Stratton or Tharston and Hapton who have lived in <u>either of those parishes</u> for a total of at least 3 years of the last 10 years.</i> • <i>Residents of the <u>parishes</u> of Long Stratton or Tharston and Hapton who have lived in <u>those parishes</u> or the adjacent parishes of Wacton, Morningthorpe and Tasburgh for the last 3 years or more.</i> • <i>People working in the <u>parishes</u> of Long Stratton or Tharston and Hapton and have done so for the last year or more for at least 10 hours each week.</i> • <i>Residents of the adjacent parishes of Wacton, Morningthorpe and Tasburgh who have lived in one or more of those parishes (or the <u>parishes</u> of Long Stratton or Tharston and Hapton) for the last 3 years or more.</i> 	South Norfolk Consultation.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents of the <u>parishes of Long Stratton or Tharston and Hapton</u> who have lived in <u>those parishes</u> for less than 3 years. Residents of the adjacent parishes of Wacton, Morningthorpe and Tasburgh, who have lived in these parishes (or the parishes of Long Stratton or Tharston and Hapton) for less than 3 years. Residents of South Norfolk in accordance with the standard allocation criteria for the property type. <p>Any other person in accordance with the standard allocation criteria for the property type.</p>	
SC4-1	Amend the first sentence of the policy.	The design and layout of new residential development proposals will be expected to provide for direct, safe and attractive walking and cycling routes <u>(including adequate street lighting and pavement condition)</u> within the scheme and utilise opportunities to link directly with neighbouring areas.	Resident Consultation.
SC5-1	Policy	Amend the first line of the policy as follows: “Development proposals coming forward in the plan area...”	Health check recommendation.
SC5-2	Policy	<u>Amend second sentence to read:</u> “Proposals which result in the severance of existing walking and cycling links <u>(the Public Rights of Way Network)</u> ...”	To increase clarity in response to comment from South Norfolk District.
SC5-3	Policy	<u>Add a third sentence to the policy stating: “In locations where the proposed bypass will sever an existing route, this will be mitigated through the provision of safe, attractive and viable crossing points (e.g. attractive underpass, footbridge) that successfully links into existing routes.”</u>	To increase clarity in response to comments by County Council and Norfolk Homes Ltd and Norfolk Land Ltd.
SC5-4	Policy intent	Insert new policy intent paragraph after existing paragraph 5.2.4:	To increase clarity in response to

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Reference	Para. etc	Change	Reason for Change
		“It is recognised that the bypass will sever some existing links and the intention of this policy is not to undermine the delivery of the bypass. However, where existing links are severed it is essential new, attractive and viable links are provided so that overall connectivity between Long Stratton and outlying hamlets is maintained and enhanced”	comments by County Council and Norfolk Homes Ltd and Norfolk Land Ltd.
SC6-1	Policy	Insert and on first line between library facilities and sports facilities	Health check recommendation
SC6-2	Policy intent	Amend paragraph 5.2.7 as follows: 5.2.7 The intent of this policy is to facilitate opportunities for all residents to access community facilities and to facilitate the provision of shared meetings spaces where members of different neighbourhoods can come together. Clearly the town centre is a good location for many residents but the intent of this policy is to have a distribution of facilities <u>(i.e. buildings and spaces)</u> throughout the plan area as well as in more centrally located hubs.	Statutory consultation/to improve clarity.
SC6-3	Policy intent	Insert a new paragraph under existing paragraph 5.2.7 <u>5.2.8 Elsewhere in this NP, Policy LSNP R20 addresses the need for a community meeting space close to Long Stratton Town Centre and Policy LSNP R21 seeks the provision of a new swimming pool in the plan area to meet the needs of a growing community.</u>	Statutory consultation.
SC6-4	Context and reasoned justification	Amend the second sentence in 5.2.8 as follows: The provision of accessible community facilities is key to allowing for successful integration of the existing community of Long Stratton and the new community. The opportunity to interact through sport, leisure and other shared interests is essential in a successful cohesive community. <u>Community groups (e.g. locally scouting groups), sports and leisure providers need sufficient provision of physical buildings and spaces in order to meet the needs of their participants. There is a current</u>	Statutory consultation/to improve clarity.

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		<u>demand from local scouting groups for additional meeting space in the plan area and demand will grow as the population grows. It is important new facilities (i.e. buildings and spaces) are in appropriate locations which are accessible to residents they are intended to serve.</u>	
DC7-1	Policy	<p>Amend the policy as follows:</p> <p><u>To be supported, development proposals must be</u> will be supported where they are sympathetic to Long Stratton's local landscape character and Long Stratton's heritage, including its existing built environment and the landscape which surrounds the settlement.</p> <p><u>This means:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development proposals coming forward on the edge of the existing settlement shall design in sensitive landscaping and lower densities to create an appropriate transition into the open countryside and avoid a hard perimeter to the edge of the settlement; • To the east of Long Stratton, beyond the new settlement boundaries, key features of the ancient countryside will be protected including surviving historic greens, the lanes and the historic hedgerow boundaries; • <u>All development proposals in the plan area to retain or enhance existing features of landscape value (including trees, hedgerows, water features etc) within the site and work within the context of existing features of landscape value in its surroundings; and</u> • <u>Beyond the Area Action Plan development boundary (see Appendix 2 of the Area Action Plan), the tranquil rural character of the outlying hamlets, including dark skies, shall be safeguarded.</u> 	Resident Consultation and statutory consultation.

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		<u>“Landscaping schemes of individual development proposals need to be planned as an integral part of the development from the outset and implemented at an early stage of the build-out phase. To be supported, development proposals must include agreed timings for the implementation of landscaping works. For schemes involving the development of publicly accessible spaces, developers are encouraged to provide opportunities for residents to participate in community planting schemes.”</u>	
DC7 – 2	Policy intent	<p>Insert new policy intent paragraph after existing paragraph 5.3.5</p> <p>Renumber other paragraphs accordingly</p> <p><u>5.3.6 This policy is intended to complement and work alongside Policy DM 4.9 in the South Norfolk Local Plan (Development Management Policies) which requires all proposals (where appropriate) to demonstrate a high quality of landscape design. This includes the provision of new planted features (such as tree belts, hedgerows, wild flowers and specimen trees) to form part of development proposals from their outset and should provide an appropriate landscape setting for the scheme.</u></p>	Resident and statutory consultation
DC7-3	Context and reasoned justification	<p><u>Insert a new supporting paragraph at the beginning of this section:</u></p> <p><u>“Further information on landscape and settlement character applicable to Long Stratton is provided in:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>• The South Norfolk Place Making Guide;</u> <u>• The South Norfolk Landscape Assessment (Land Use Consultants June 2001); and</u> <u>• The South Norfolk Local Landscape Designations Review, Landscape Character Areas and River Valleys in the Norwich Policy Area (Chris Blandford 2012).</u> 	Statutory consultation.

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Reference	Para. etc	Change	Reason for Change
DC7-4	Context and reasoned justification.	Insert new supporting paragraph after existing paragraph 5.3.8 and after Map 1. <u>5.3.10 The NP would support schemes which provide opportunities for residents to participate in community planting schemes because we consider this will assist in strengthening sense of place and community pride as the population grows.</u>	Statutory consultation/resident consultation
DC7-5	Context and reasoned justification	<u>Amend existing paragraph 5.3.8</u> 5.3.8 The extent of the Long Stratton East Sensitivity Zone as described in Norfolk County Council’s Historic Characterisation and Sensitivity Assessment is shown in Map 1. <u>The second bullet point in Policy DC7 therefore applies to this area which is also beyond the new settlement boundary as per the adopted Long Stratton Area Action Plan.</u>	Further clarity recommended by the healthcheck report.
DC8-1	Policy	Policy LSNP – DC8 Creating successful neighbourhoods All residential development proposals shall contribute positively to the quality of Long Stratton as a place. For smaller schemes, descriptions as to how a development achieves this should be provided in the Design and Access statement or Planning Statement as applicable. Major development proposals (10 dwellings or more) should be accompanied by a Building for Life 12 assessment (as updated or equivalent) that demonstrates how a scheme does this. Major development proposals (10 dwellings or more) should be accompanied by a Building for Life 12 assessment (as updated or equivalent) that demonstrates how a scheme does this, <u>taking into account the latest government design guidance.</u>	Healthcheck recommendation.
DC8-2	Policy intent	Add the following paragraph to policy intent section.	Healthcheck recommendation.

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		<u>The National Design Guide published in October 2019 by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government asserts that well-designed places have individual characteristics which work together to create its physical Character. The Guide identifies ten characteristics which help to nurture and sustain a sense of Community. These are context, identify, built form, movement, nature, public spaces, uses, homes and buildings, resources and lifespan. Applicants will be expected to refer to this when completing their Building for Life 12 assessments.</u>	
DC8-3	Context and reasoned justification.	<p>Insert a new supporting paragraph at the beginning of this section:</p> <p><u>“Applicants of smaller sites may also choose to complete a Building for Life 12 assessment. Alternatively, they can be guided by the design principles set out in Long Stratton’s Neighbourhood Plan Design Guidelines as well as the design principles set out in the South Norfolk’s Place Making Guide (as summarised in paragraph 5.3.4) when describing how their schemes contributes positively to Long Stratton as a place.</u></p> <p><u>For schemes within the Long Stratton Conservation area, applicants should also be guided by the Long Stratton Conservation Area Character Appraisal.”</u></p>	Statutory consultation
DC9-1	Policy	<p>Amend the policy as follows:</p> <p>Policy LSNP – DC9 Strengthening and enhancing Long Stratton’s historic core</p> <p>Development proposals (including comprehensive redevelopment schemes) within Long Stratton’s conservation area or within the setting of Long Stratton’s conservation area should respect the scale, form and proportions of existing vernacular buildings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • new proposals on either side of the A140 should <u>complement the-scale of those</u> with those that give the historic core its distinctive character (and should not be taller or out of scale with them); and 	Health check recommendation

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • infill will be supported where it conserves or enhances the heritage assets and their setting. <p>Proposals should be informed by the findings of the Long Stratton Conservation Area Character Appraisal and Management Plan. Where applicable, opportunities to address issues at individual properties individual listed buildings and buildings of townscape significance¹ will be sought.</p> <p>¹ Page 28 of the Long Stratton Conservation Area Character Appraisal and Management Plan includes a streetscape map which identifies both listed buildings and the buildings of townscape significance.</p>	Statutory Consultation
DC9-2	Supporting text	<p>Amend paragraph 5.3.19 as follows:</p> <p>The Historic Characterisation and Sensitivity Assessment published by Norfolk County Council in 2009 and introduced above describes five ‘sensitivity’ zones in Long Stratton. One of these is Zone 2, which is the Long Stratton historic core. This zone is categorised as high-medium sensitivity. Due to the inward-looking historic core, the assessment concludes that development either side of the road will not necessarily impact on the historic core (due to it being largely out of sight) unless the new development were taller and out of scale with the historic buildings. <u>In order to conserve the quality of the conservation area it is therefore important that Policy DC9 resists development on either side of the A140 unless it is taller or out of scale with those that give the historic core its distinctive character.</u> The assessment states the robustness of the zone is affected by modern infill and potential future development, and the busy road which has eroded the character.</p>	Further clarity required as highlighted in Healthcheck report.
DC10-1	Policy	<p>Insert the following paragraph in the policy following the list of bullet points.</p> <p><u>Innovative approaches to the construction of low carbon homes which demonstrate sustainable use of resources and high energy efficiency levels will be</u></p>	Resident consultation

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		<u>supported (for example, construction to Passivhaus standards, homes fitted with three phase electricity to allow for the addition of renewable technology such as heat pumps and incorporation of on-site renewable technology)</u>	
DC10-2	Context and reasoned justification.	<p>Insert new supporting text paragraphs after existing paragraph 5.3.25</p> <p><u>Flood risk and water management.</u></p> <p><u>Information on flood risk in the Long Stratton NP area can be found by referring to the latest Preliminary Flood Risk Assessment (adopted 2011 with an addendum issued in 2017 as at time of writing)</u></p> <p><u>The 2017 Preliminary Flood Risk Assessment (addendum to the 2011 report) states that there are over 200 properties in the Long Stratton area at risk from surface water flooding in the 1% AEP event.</u></p> <p><u>There is a record of internal flooding to 1 property in Glebe Close in March 2013.</u></p> <p><u>The Long Stratton History Report accompanying this plan also records historical flooding events in Long Stratton 12 August 1912, January 1939, March 1947 and September 1968.</u></p> <p><u>It is very important that any new development proposals in the plan area does not result in increased risk of flooding from an existing flood source and that when development does take place mitigation measures are implemented to address surface water arising within the development site.</u></p> <p><u>However, it is not considered that a Long Stratton NP-specific policy on flooding will add value to the existing adopted planning policies which are already in place.</u></p> <p><u>Existing policies include:</u></p>	Statutory consultation

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Reference	Para. etc	Change	Reason for Change
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Policy DM 4.2 (Sustainable drainage and water management) in the Development Management Policies document,</u> • <u>Policy 1 in the Core Strategy (Addressing climate change and protecting environmental assets) and</u> • <u>2019 NPPF policies.</u> <p><u>These will apply to development proposals coming forward in the Long Stratton NP area.</u></p>	
DC10-3	Policy intent	<p>Insert a new policy intent paragraph after paragraph 5.3.20</p> <p><u>The National Design Guide published in October 2019 by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government asserts that well-designed places have individual characteristics which work together to create its physical Character. The Guide identifies ten characteristics which help to nurture and sustain a sense of Community. These are context, identity, built form, movement, nature, public spaces, uses, homes and buildings, resources and lifespan. The intention of Policy DC10 is not to depart from the approach taken nationally but provide the Long Stratton specific context to it. The local priorities expressed throughout this Neighbourhood Plan but in particular in this chapter highlights the local priorities and concerns with regard to design. This is helpful in defining identity which is the second design characteristic identified in the National Design Guide.</u></p>	Healthcheck recommendation.
DC10-4	Context and reasoned justification to Policy DC10	<p>Amend the first sentence of paragraph 5.3.23 as follows:</p> <p><u>The Long Stratton Design guidelines was prepared by AECOM in May and June 2019 on the behalf of Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan Group. Prior to this, in April 2019, the Neighbourhood Plan Group had completed targeted consultation with the community on issues relating to design and sustainability. The feedback from this fed into the brief provided to AECOM. The Design guidelines was subjected to</u></p>	To provide clarity with regards the consultation that has taken place on the Design Principles document

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Reference	Para. etc	Change	Reason for Change
		<u>consultation with the wider community as part of the pre-submission consultation stage.</u>	
DC10-5	Context and reasoned justification to Policy DC10	Inset new paragraph after current paragraph 5.3.24 to read as follows: <u>Consultation undertaken with the Long Stratton community in April 2019 as part of the plan preparation highlighted strong community support for sustainable design and construction measures especially where this would contribute towards lower running costs of the property.</u>	To provide clarity with regards the consultation that has taken place in relation to the sustainability principles.
E11-1	Policy	New B1 and B2 employment uses at Tharston Industrial Site and at land west of Tharston Industrial Site will be supported in line with Policy LINGS2 of the Long Stratton Area Action Plan subject to traffic impacts being assessed as not triggering additional pedestrian safety or amenity issues at the Flowerpot Lane/A140 junction or along Chequers Road. New B8 uses will be supported where they will not lead to additional HGV movements along Flowerpot Lane as demonstrated through a transport assessment. <u>Where proposed new B8 uses at the Tharston Industrial Site are projected to trigger additional HGV movements at the Flowerpot Lane/A140 junction, the development proposals will only be supported if it can be demonstrated that there will be no resulting adverse impacts on road safety for pedestrians and cyclists using this junction, or where applicable, these are adequately addressed through mitigation measures (e.g. installation of a pedestrian controlled traffic lights).</u>	To reflect changes in the Use Classes Order. To be clearer about what proposals would not be supported. Change made following consideration of comment from South Norfolk Council.
E12-1	Policy intent	Amend the opening line as follows: 5.4.7. To support <u>and encourage</u> for proposals which...	Error. Statutory consultation.
E12-2	Policy intent	Insert a new paragraph after existing paragraph 5.4.7	Statutory consultation

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Reference	Para. etc	Change	Reason for Change
		<u>5.4.8 Proposals likely to generate more than 250 employees (i.e. above the UK threshold for a small or medium enterprise) will be considered as generating a high number of job opportunities.</u>	
E12-3	Context and reasoned justification	<p>Add the following text to existing paragraph 5.4.9</p> <p><u>Paragraph 56 of the NPPF⁷ states that obligations can only be legally secured where necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms; where directly related to the development and where fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development). It is acknowledged the policy can only apply to cases where these tests are met. The NP covers the period 2019 to 2036. During this time the role of Long Stratton in wider region is expected to change and evolve. It is important policies are sufficient flexible and broad for a range of planning applications which may come forward during this plan period.</u></p>	
TC13-1	Text before the policy	<p>Insert a supporting text paragraph after paragraph 5.5.6</p> <p><u>5.5.7 In addition to the issues picked up in the Long Stratton Masterplanning report, the Neighbourhood Plan also recognises there is an issue around town centre car parking. There is a car park on Swan Lane available to town centre shoppers and visitors and this is well used and often full resulting in some visitors having to look elsewhere which can be difficult. In order to maintain and enhance the shops and facilities in the town centre it is important that town centre car parking capacity is increased. Policies TC14 and TC15 would seek the provision of additional car parking capacity as part of any proposals for a new market place or the redevelopment of the existing fire station and telephone exchange sites. In addition, the Neighbourhood Plan also seeks a provision of a new community meeting space at Star Lane (see Policy R20). This community meeting facility will include parking</u></p>	Resident Consultation.

⁷ <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-planning-policy-framework/4-decision-making>

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		<u>capacity to meet the needs of the facility which will also be suitable as an overflow parking location to serve town centre shoppers and visitors.</u>	
TC13-2	Supporting text	Amend paragraph 5.5.12 Replace <i>Highways</i> with <i>Norfolk County Council as Local Highway Authority</i> .	
TC13-3	Figure 5.11	Move figure out of policy text.	
TC13-4	Supporting text	Insert a policy intention text after policy 5.5.9 <i>“As the by-pass is being built and once it is in place, Long Stratton Town Council will continue to review the impact on the town centre and maintain a traffic management plan, in consultation with the community and stakeholders including Norfolk County Council as the Local Highway Authority”.</i>	In recognition of an evolving situation as progress on the bypass takes place.
TC13-5	Supporting text	Explain in supporting text the specific points regarding desire highway measures which have been made more generic in policy text (see Change TC13-6). Insert new paragraph in Policy intent under paragraph 5.5.9. <u>Paragraph TC13-5, iii in the policy reflects an identified community desire as well as identified measure in the Long Stratton Masterplanning document for a pedestrian signalised junction to be installed at the Flowerpot/A140 junction. The most effective measure for improving pedestrian safety will be examined as part of working with Norfolk County Council as the Local Highway Authority.</u> <u>Paragraph TC13-5, iv, in the policy reflects and identified community desire as as well as an identified measure in the Long Stratton Masterplanning document for a raised crossing point to replace the existing signalised junction on the A140 between Swan Lane and Star Lane.</u>	To maintain overall clarity with regards to the intention of this policy.
TC13-6	Policy	Give all bullet points a numeral. Amend third and fourth bullet point:	To focus on intervention

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Reference	Para. etc	Change	Reason for Change
		<p>iii. Highway works at the Flowerpot/A140 junction in order to install a crossing with a pedestrian signalised junction that results in improved pedestrian safety</p> <p>iv. Highway works along the Street between the Swan Lane and Star Lane in order to increase pedestrian prioritisation and safety (for example through a raised zebra crossing). Replacing the existing signalised junction between Swan Lane and Star Lane with a raised zebra crossin</p>	outcomes in response to feedback from county council.
TC15-1	Policy	<p>Amend policy as follows: Policy LSNP – TC15 The Fire Station and Telephone Exchange</p> <p>In the event of the Fire Station and Telephone Exchange Site – see Map 6 coming forward for redevelopment during the plan period, support will be given for a comprehensive <u>mixed-use scheme subject to:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Retention of existing or replacement with improved toilet facilities or, alternatively, reprovision of public toilet facilities on alternative town centre site;</u> • <u>Adequate provision of off-street parking to meet the demand generated by the development;</u> • <u>Conservation or enhancement of heritage assets and their setting including the conservation area itself; and</u> • <u>High quality landscaping providing visual amenity and green infrastructure to town centre visitors.</u> <p><u>The following uses would be welcomed:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provision of a town centre public open space and a market place; 	Statutory consultation

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • high quality landscaping providing visual amenity and green infrastructure to town centre visitors; • retention or replacement of improved public toilet facilities; • provision of town centre uses at ground floor level; and • provision of additional town centre car parking capacity. <p>Applicants will also be encouraged to fully explore the inclusion of a market place at this location.</p> <p>Any scheme should conserve or enhance the setting of the conservation area and other heritage assets.</p>	
TC15-2	Context and reasoned justification	<p>Insert additional paragraph under existing paragraph 5.5.16</p> <p><u>The existing toilet facilities in the town centre well used and essential in order to meet the needs of town centre shopper and visitors. They are the only facilities currently available to the public. Existing capacity issues with regard to town centre carparking is a well established concern in the community as reflected in the NP SWOT analysis (See Figure 3.2) and as articulated by many during all stages of consultation on this plan. The sensitivity of the conservation area is well documented in the Long Stratton Conservation Area Character Appraisal; it is important any development of this town centre either conserves or enhances these heritage assets.</u></p>	Healthcheck recommendations. Group to check text.
GI16-1	Policy text	<p>Amend the first paragraph and insert additional (second) paragraph to policy.</p> <p>Policy LSNP GI16 – Long Stratton Recreational Open Space standards</p> <p>All development proposals will be required to make provision (either on-site or off-site as a commuted sum in the vicinity of the proposed development) for</p>	Statutory consultation

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		<p>recreational open space commensurate with the level of development proposed in order to meet the needs generated by the development. <u>Demonstrable regard should be had to South Norfolk Council's Open Space Supplementary Planning Document 2018, or any updates to this, when identifying appropriate requirements</u> When identifying appropriate requirements, the open space standards set out in South Norfolk District Council's Open Space Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) 2018, or any updates to this, will be followed. <u>New recreational open space should, wherever appropriate, be designed to contribute to local biodiversity for example through provision of ecological corridors (trees, hedges and scrub along boundaries for a wide range of species and carbon capture, and wildflower areas subject to relaxed cutting regimes away from key sports areas for pollinators) along boundaries and informal areas.</u></p>	Healthcheck recommendation
GI16-2	Context and reasoned justification.	<p>Insert additional paragraph at the end of the supporting text.</p> <p><u>Planting should be with local provenance seeds (collected locally) wherever possible. The NP would support schemes which provide opportunities for residents, community groups and local schools to participate in community planting schemes because we consider this will assist in strengthening sense of place and community pride as the population grows.</u></p>	Statutory consultation
GI18-1	Context and reasoned justification	<p>Paragraph 5.6.17</p> <p>Provide full reference to Open spaces SPD as follows: The Guidelines for Recreation Provision in New Residential Developments SPD (the Open Spaces SPD)</p>	Healthcheck recommendations.
GI19-1	Policy text	<p>LSNP GI19 – Protecting Existing sites of Biodiversity Value in the Plan Area</p> <p>The sites identified on Map 7 are recognised for the value they contribute towards protecting and maintaining biodiversity in the parish.</p>	Correction and statutory consultation. Third paragraph added to

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		<p>i Tyrells Wood County Wildlife Site</p> <p>ii Wood Green County Wildlife Site</p> <p>iii Wet Meadow on Swan Lane</p> <p>iv Area of grassland with pond and hedges behind the allotments</p> <p>v <u>Roadside nature reserves in the parish including Wood Lane as shown on Map 7</u></p> <p>Any development proposals which impact upon identified biodiversity assets including the sites listed here them must <u>will be expected to</u> contribute to, rather than detract from, their biodiversity value. When assessing possible impacts, consideration will be given to wildlife connectivity to and from these sites.</p> <p><u>Where a development proposal is likely to adversely impact a site of biodiversity value, the proposal will be refused unless the benefits of the development proposal in the location clearly outweighs the adverse impacts. Where significant impacts to biodiversity are likely to occur, permission will only be granted if impacts are adequately mitigated for or, as a last resort, compensated for. In all cases, development proposals will be expected to deliver net gains in biodiversity which means delivering measurable improvements for biodiversity by creating or enhancing habitats as part of the development proposal</u></p> <p>New built structures which incorporate new biodiversity features such as green roofs, walls, bat and swift bricks, and permeable boundaries between new <u>development plots, are welcomed, and may be required as part of achieving a net gain in biodiversity as required in Policy LNGS5 of the Area Action Plan.</u></p>	be in line with NPPF and take account of possibility that reflect the possibility of current proposals impacting adversely on the Wet Meadow on Swan Lane.
GI19-2	Map 7	Add Wood Lane Roadside Nature Reserve on map.	Statutory consultation

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GI19-3	Supporting text	<p>Insert the following supporting paragraphs before Map 7.</p> <p><u>Green roofs and walls can make an important contribution to nature conservation and energy efficiency of buildings, as well as slowing down surface water run-off. Integral nest and roost boxes for declining and vulnerable species such as swifts and bats are recommended to be installed as mandatory except where unsuitable. In addition, boundaries between new development plots should also be made permeable (i.e. with suitable gaps between or underneath fences) for hedgehogs, to help ensure that they can remain a resident species in the parish, given the widespread and rapid declines the species has faced nationally in recent years.</u></p>	Statutory consultation
R20-1	Policy R20	<p>Amend the policy as follows</p> <p>Development proposals for a new town hall or community centre meeting space will be supported subject to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The new facility being centrally located and accessible in terms of public transport and walking and cycling routes, <u>and being capable of providing overflow town-centre parking capacity.</u> Provision of adequate off-street parking so that on street parking problems are not triggered by the development <p><u>Map 8 accompanying this plan identifies the preferred location for a new community centre in Long Stratton</u></p> <p>Developer contributions (either through S106 agreement or through CIL funding) towards the delivery of new town hall/community meeting space (through the provision of land and development) will be sought,</p>	<p>Reflect the intention of the policy more accurately and respond to comments by South Norfolk Council.</p> <p>Healthcheck recommendation.</p>

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		<p><u>Development proposals coming forward as part of the strategic site allocation set out in Policy LINGS1 of the Area Action Plan will be supported subject to land being provided for the provision of a new centrally located community centre for Long Stratton. In addition, developer contributions towards the building and delivery of the site will be sought where justified (i.e where a development proposal generates new (unmet) demand for community meeting space and town centre improvements)</u></p> <p><u>Contributions towards the delivery of the community centre will continue to be sought from all other major development proposals in the plan area where justified (i.e. where a development proposal generates new (unmet) demand for community meeting space and town centre improvements).</u></p>	
R20-2	Supporting text to R20	<p>Amend the Policy intent paragraph and add an additional paragraph as follows:</p> <p>5.6.29 To facilitate the delivery of a new town hall or similar community meeting space close to the town centre once as the population grows. <u>Specifically, the NP would support the delivery of this facility on land south of Star Lane which is part of a current proposal by Norfolk Homes Ltd – see Map 8.</u></p> <p><u>“The provision of land for a new town hall/community meeting space and construction of a new town hall/community meeting space will be sought where justified such as the part of the strategic development allocated as part of the adopted Area Action Plan or as part of any other major development proposals. In this context, major development applies to residential developments of 10 dwellings or more. Developer contributions towards the delivery of the facility will be sought where this is necessary for the completion of the project and justified</u></p>	Reflect the intention of the policy more accurately, taking account of feedback from South Norfolk Council and information provided as part of the current planning application.

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		<p><u>through the additional demand created by the development proposal. In this context, additional demand includes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>additional demand for community meeting space and facilities to meet the needs of future occupiers</u> • <u>additional demand for town centre based off street parking provision to meet the needs of future occupiers</u> <p><u>The delivery of the centrally-located Long Stratton community centre is considered to be necessary in order to</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>sustain a healthy town centre to meet the every day needs of current and future residents;</u> • <u>minimising the need for car based journeys in the plan area;</u> • <u>secure successful integration of a new community with an existing community; and achieve</u> • <u>successful place-making.</u> <p><u>In terms of assessing quantitative need for additional meeting space, the latest available guidance on this from South Norfolk Council is as per the Greater Norwich Infrastructure Needs and Funding Study published in December 2007. This report states in paragraph 2.32 and Table 2.3 the following standards:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>61 sq metres per 1,000 population of community meeting space</u> • <u>26.5 sq metres per 1,000 population of library space.</u> <p><u>More recently than this the consultation on the Greater Norwich Local Plan was in March 2020 accompanied by a supporting evidence which includes the Greater</u></p>	

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		<p><u>Norwich Local Plan Infrastructure Needs Report. However this report did not include information on community meeting space standards.</u></p> <p><u>Context and reasoned justification</u></p> <p>The existing village hall on Ipswich Road is a popular facility and well used. However, it is also fully booked throughout the year. As the town expands when the AAP development comes forward, it will be necessary to provide an additional facility in the plan area.</p> <p><u>Community engagement undertaken as part of this plan and as documented in the Consultation Statement demonstrates there is strong community support for a new community meeting space centrally located in Long Stratton. There is also demand for additional community space from existing community groups including brownies, guides and scouts to keep pace with the development and the potential increment in people wanting to join these organisations.</u></p> <p><u>Due to current and projected growth in the plan area and in light of the existing town centre car parking capacity issues (described elsewhere in this plan), it is essential that the new facility has the capacity to provide additional car parking spaces for town centre visitors.</u></p> <p><u>In addition, the Long Stratton library located on the Street is an important community facility, particularly for Long Stratton's older and younger population (who tend to use the facilities more than others). As the town expands, the NP group consider it appropriate to house Long Stratton library facilities within a larger community hub. It is considered this would provide better access to library facilities for all residents. Co-location with other community uses would also have the benefit of helping the library strengthen its offer.</u></p>	

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Reference	Para. etc	Change	Reason for Change
		<p><u>The Long Stratton community aspires towards the delivery of a multi-use community centre along the lines delivered at Poringland in 2017. This is considered to work well because it is a place where people can use different services in one visit. As with the Poringland Community Centre, Long Stratton Town Council are keen to see improved library facilities, together with a police drop in centre and capacity for 200 car parking spaces.</u></p> <p><u>The provision of such a community hub at a central location as shown on Map 8 is considered an essential part of place making that will help achieve the vision underpinning this NP and in particular objectives 2, 3, 5 and 7:</u></p> <p><u>Objective 2: Successful integration between our new community and existing community where new community facilities are located in sustainable locations and which facilities good cycle and pedestrian connectivity:</u></p> <p><u>Objective 3: A strong sense of place incorporating sustainable design</u></p> <p><u>Objective 5: Opportunities to enhance the town centre will be realised.</u></p> <p><u>Objective 7: Infrastructure necessary to support the growing community will come forward in a timely manner</u></p> <p>The hybrid planning application submitted by Norfolk Homes Ltd in January 2018 proposes a site for a new community centre on land to the east of the A140 and on the south side of Star Lane. This is supported by the Neighbourhood Plan.</p>	

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Reference	Para. etc	Change	Reason for Change
		<p><u>The preferred route for delivering the Long Stratton community centre is through S106 contributions. This is because within the Greater Norwich area, the CIL is pooled and projects then prioritised across the three-district area. In order to access the funds, the Long Stratton Town Council would need to make a case as to why the community centre should be prioritised over projects. This is not considered an appropriate route given the uncertainty in delivery this would create and given the direct relationship between the planned development in Long Stratton and the need for a new community centre.</u></p> <p><u>Once the Neighbourhood Plan is made, the Town Council will receive 25% of CIL receipts within its area to spend on projects that support the delivery of growth and, if the community centre is not delivered via S106 agreements, the Town Council will have the option of prioritising the community centre for spending of this 'local' element of CIL.</u></p>	
R20-3	Supporting text	<p>Insert new paragraph after existing paragraph 5.6.31 to read:</p> <p><u>Within the Greater Norwich area, the CIL is pooled and projects then prioritised across the three-district area. If the village hall site is delivered through additional CIL receipts (as opposed the much preferred route of S106), the Long Stratton Town Council would need to make a case as to why the village hall should be prioritised over other projects. Once the Neighbourhood Plan is made, the Town Council will receive 25% of CIL receipts within its area to spend on projects that support the delivery of growth and, if the village hall is not delivered via S106 agreements, the Town Council will have the option of prioritising the village hall for spending of this 'local' element of CIL.</u></p>	To provide added clarity.
R20-1	Policy	Correct policy title LSNR to LSNP.	Healthcheck recommendation.

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Reference	Para. etc	Change	Reason for Change
R21-1	Policy	Amend paragraph 5.6.34 as follows: <u>“5.6.34 There are existing plans in place to bring the 15m learner pool at the current school back into use and to provide public access to this facility once opened. Whilst this is strongly welcomed, this pool will not address the current demand for a swimming pool suitable for those who are established swimmers. The nearest swimming pool facility to Long Stratton is in Diss or in Wymondham (both 11 miles away). A new facility in Long Stratton would not only satisfy demand in our growing community but in the wider rural area which Long Stratton serves for other shops and services.</u>	
C22-1	Policy	Amend the first paragraph as follows: All development proposals, <u>involving new build</u>, shall include the necessary infrastructure to allow for the delivery of superfast broadband.	Healthcheck recommendation.
Chapter 6-1	Chapter 6	Related to Proposed Change SC2-4, <u>Insert a new community aspiration “We will work with stakeholders and seek a sheltered housing scheme or similar in the plan area.”</u>	Resident consultation
Chapter 6-2	Chapter 6	Insert new community aspiration. <u>“We will work with stakeholders to seek improvements to cycle infrastructure to outlying areas including Tasburgh”</u>	Resident consultation Statutory consultation
Chapter 6-3	Chapter 6	Insert new community aspiration: <u>“We will work with stakeholders to seek a renewable energy scheme in the plan area where the schemes does not impact adversely on landscape character and where schemes deliver community benefits such as tariffs from the energy generated.”</u>	Statutory consultation.
Chapter 6-4	Paragraph 6.3	Insert a new paragraph after paragraph 6.3 to read: <u>“Long Stratton Town Council and Tharston and Hapton Parish Council recognise the importance of working with residents and community stakeholders during the plan period as we work towards the achievement of the aspirations set out in this</u>	

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Reference	Para. etc	Change	Reason for Change
		<u>Chapter. We will endeavour to maintain an open approach and will welcome collaborate working with key stakeholders including shops, businesses, Long Stratton High School and our many community-based groups.”</u>	
General - 1		Change all references to South Norfolk District Council and SNDC to South Norfolk Council and SNC	Health check recommendation
General -2		Provide a comprehensive list of sources of evidence on page 83.	Health check recommendation
Monitoring-1		Insert additional chapter in the plan on Monitoring.	Health check recommendation
Evidence base-1	DSE review	Change title of fourth column on page 11 from Net in-flow to Net out-flow	Resident consultation

Appendices

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Appendix No. 1 – Poster advertising the first public consultation in March 2017



Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan

Public Consultation

All are invited to take part in the public consultation taking place at the Village Hall on:

Wednesday 22nd March 6 – 8pm
Thursday 23rd March 9.30 – 4pm

And at the Methodist Church, Francis Road on

Saturday 25th March 1 – 4pm

All Welcome

"Our long-term goal is to make sure that Long Stratton is the best place to live, work and play anywhere in the UK."

As a qualifying body in accordance with section 61g of the 1990 Town and Country Planning Act as amended by the Localism Act 2011 and Section 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012, Long Stratton Parish Council is undertaking a Neighbourhood Plan

Appendix No 2 – Front and back of leaflet delivered in March 2017

Why Long Stratton needs a Neighbourhood Plan?



The two parish councils of Long Stratton and Tharston have listened to parishioners and resolved to start work on a neighbourhood plan which will cover the entirety of the parish of Long Stratton and parts of the parish of Tharston and Hapton. Only the parts of Tharston that are closer to Long Stratton are included in the neighbourhood plan area.

What will the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan do?

That depends on you! The Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan (NP) will be developed in consultation with the community which is why one of our first tasks is to ask you about your overriding priorities.

Before completing the survey overall, please be aware that South Norfolk Council have already adopted the Long Stratton Area Action Plan (LSAAP). The LSAAP identifies Long Stratton for growth of at least 1,800 new homes and employment opportunities but it also restricts the delivery of the housing until the by-pass has been built. After listening to the views of our community we will explore ways in which the NP can best complement the LSAAP in a way which brings benefits to our community.

For more information please contact
admin@longstrattonneighbourhoodplan.org.uk or 01508 530524



What is a Neighbourhood Plan?

The Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan will be a document created by local people that sets out planning policy for where you live. It helps you protect the things you care about in your community, as well as make improvements to the local area. For example, it can set out how buildings should look, and for what they can be used. It can also help to encourage the kind of development of which you would like to see more.

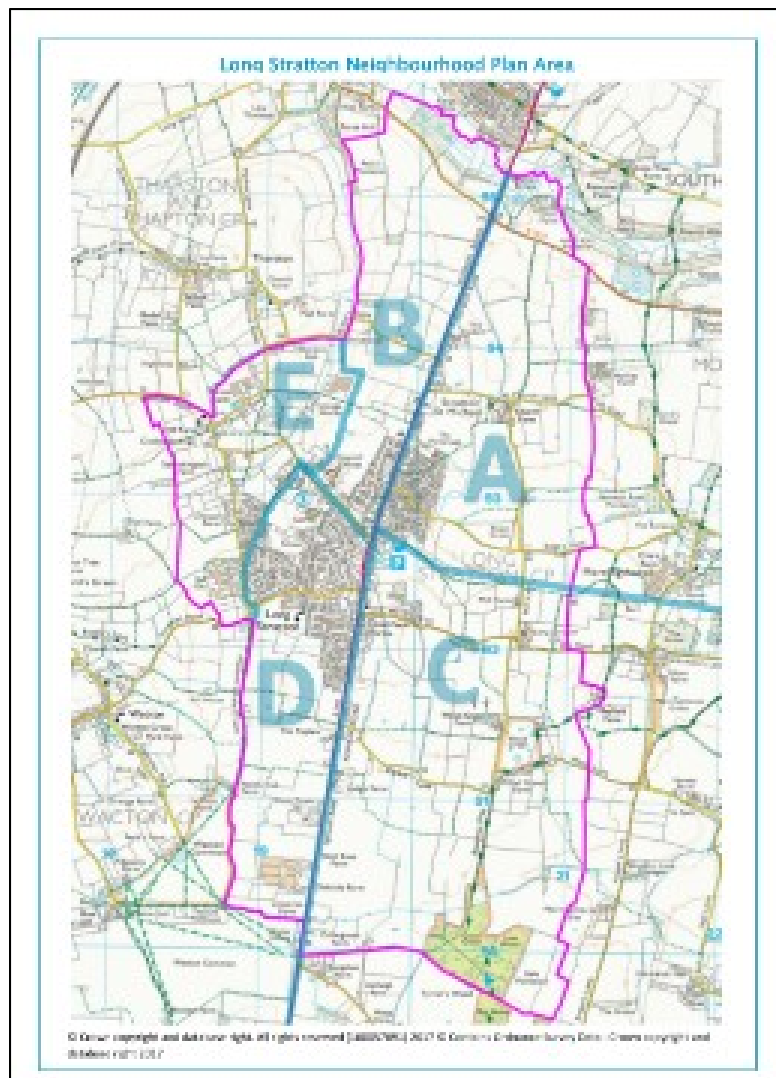


A neighbourhood plan carries the same legal weight as plans drawn up by your local council. South Norfolk Council must follow what's in your neighbourhood plan when making decisions about planning applications in your area.

Artwork by Local Artist Mr. Adrian Simpson

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Middle of the leaflet showing the Neighbourhood Plan area



Appendix No 3 – Questionnaire used for early consultation

Please complete this survey online at www.longstrattonneighbourhoodplan.org.uk. Alternatively, you can complete this paper copy and return to us at one of our four drop off points: 1) Library 2) Parish Office 3) Butcher's House or 4) Bekays. All surveys must be returned by 20th April 2017

A1. What are the THREE things that you MOST like about living in the NP area?

Q2. What are the THREE things that you LEAST like about living in the NP area?

Q3. What are the THREE things that you think should be done to IMPROVE the NP area?

Q4. Do you live in the Long Stratton NP Area? If so, for how long have you lived here? (please tick)

0 – 5 years	6 – 10 years	11 – 15 years	16 – 20 years	
21 – 30 years	31 years or more	I don't live here, I only work here.	I don't live or work here.	

Q5. How old are you?

Under 18	18 – 29	30 – 44	45 – 59	
60 – 74	75 and over			

Q6. Please tell us roughly where you live - see map. (please tick)

A) North East (North of star lane, East of A140)	B) North West (North of Swan Lane, West of A140)	C) South East (South of Star Lane and east of A140)	
D) South West (South of Swan lane and West of A140)	E) Tharston	Out of area	

If you would like to be involved in the work of the steering group please email the team at admin@longstrattonneighbourhoodplan.org.uk. If you would like to be kept informed of progress at the next stage please provide your contact details:

Name: _____ Email/postal address: _____

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Appendix No 4 - Poster for Public consultation held at St Mary's C of E Junior Academy April 2018

The logo is a circular emblem with a blue border. Inside the border, the words "LONG STRATTON" are written in a semi-circle at the top and "NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN" at the bottom, both in blue capital letters. The center of the logo features three overlapping circles: a green one with a white landscape illustration (a house, a tree, and a sun), a brown one, and a white one with a black gear-like pattern.

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Public Consultation

All are invited to take part in the public consultation taking place at St Mary's C of E Junior Academy,
Swan Lane, Long Stratton, on:

Friday 27 th April	4.30pm – 9.00pm
Saturday 28 th April	10.00am – 4.00pm
Sunday 29 th April	10.00am – 4.00pm

All Welcome

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Appendix No 5 – Leaflet delivered April 2018

Some of the ideas being put forward include widening of the footpaths, putting in a raised zebra crossing and creating a 'pocket park' which could be used as a mini market.

(Photo taken from ABC2M 2017)

(Illustration by ABC2M 2017 as shown in the Long Stratton Masterplanning Report 2017)

The Village Centre is not just the Plain but covers a long stretch of the A140 through Long Stratton. (see map)

Another option is to be able to have outdoor seating to enjoy a cuppa alongside the new quire road.

We would be grateful if you could fill in the enclosed questionnaire and return to one of the drop off points listed. Alternatively, you can complete a questionnaire online at www.longstrattonneighbourhoodplan.org.uk

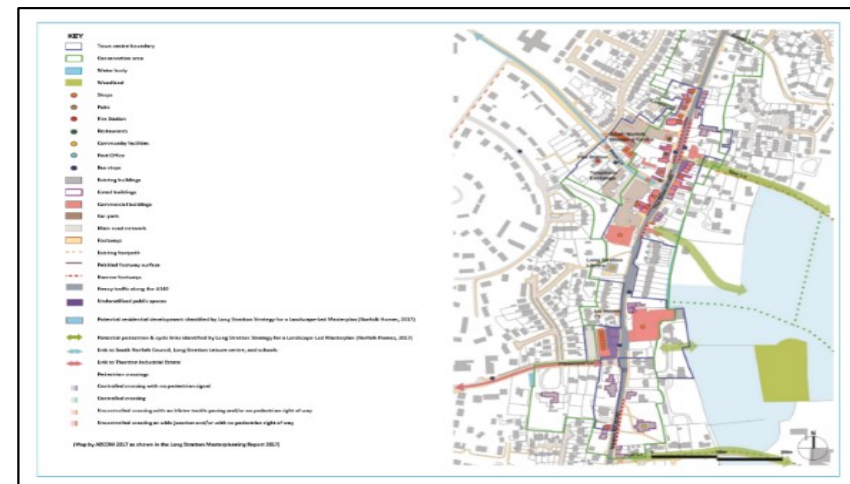
For more information please contact longstrattonneighbourhoodplan@gmail.com or 01508 530524

Long Stratton Village Centre is going to change. Over the next few years as the bypass is completed and the new residents move into the new houses the nature of the centre will change and we need to have ideas ready to be able to put into action.

When the traffic is diverted onto the bypass, Long Stratton Village Centre will be a different place. Very little traffic and a chance to walk or cycle in safety. The big question is how do you want Long Stratton Village Centre to look and what do you want to see happen differently in the Centre.

The Neighbourhood Plan Committee have asked a consultancy firm to draw up some ideas that may be possible.

The ongoing consultation is to get your views and opinions. Everybody's opinion is vital. If Long Stratton Village Centre is to become the safe hub that we all want to enjoy then your views are essential.



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Appendix No 6 – Questionnaire for public consultation in April 2018

Please complete this survey online at www.longstrattonneighbourhoodplan.org.uk. Alternatively, you can complete this paper copy and return to us at one of our four drop off points: 1) Library 2) Parish Office 3) Butcher's House or 4) Bekays. All surveys must be returned by Friday 18th May 2018.

Q1. What types of housing do you think Long Stratton needs?

Q2. Are there any features of local importance you feel need protecting?

Q3. Do you work in Long Stratton or own a business?

Q4. What employment opportunities do you think Long Stratton needs?

Q5. Would you like a market place in Long Stratton or would you rather leave it like it is?

Q6. Do you have any other town centre ideas? e.g. Trees, vegetation, seating away from the A140, cycle routes?

Q7. Would you like to have more provision for recreation in Long Stratton?

Q8. As well as the need for schools and doctors, what other infrastructure do you think Long Stratton requires?

Q9. What do you think of the current street lighting in Long Stratton, and how important will it be in the new development?

Appendix No 7 – Business letter and questionnaire sent out in June 2018

Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan

Dear Business owner/Manager,

The Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan is an opportunity for local businesses to influence what happens in our Parish over the next fifteen years.

So what is a Neighbourhood Plan? Neighbourhood planning gives communities direct power to develop a shared vision for their neighbourhood and shape the development and growth of their local area. They are able to choose where they want new homes, shops and offices to be built, have their say on what those new buildings should look like and what infrastructure should be provided, and grant planning permission for the new buildings they want to see go ahead. Neighbourhood planning provides a powerful set of tools for local people to ensure that they get the right types of development for their community where the ambition of the neighbourhood is aligned with the strategic needs and priorities of the wider local area.

In a designated neighbourhood area which contains all or part of the administrative area of a town or parish council, the town or parish council is responsible for neighbourhood planning. Where a parish or town council chooses to produce a neighbourhood plan or order it should work with other members of the community who are interested in, or affected by, the neighbourhood planning proposals to allow them to play an active role in preparing a neighbourhood plan or order.

The relationship between any group and the formal functions of the town or parish council should be transparent to the wider public. A parish or town council may choose to establish an advisory committee or sub-committee under [section 102\(4\) of the Local Government Act 1972](#) and appoint local people (who need not be parish councillors) to those bodies. Members of such committees or sub-committees would have voting rights under [section 13\(3\), \(4\)\(a\) or \(4\)\(h\) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989](#). The terms of reference for a steering group or other body should be published and the minutes of meetings made available to the public. These can be found on the plan website LSNP.info.

The Plan will set out a vision as to what the community will be like to live and work in over the next fifteen years and, hopefully, how that vision can be achieved. The Plan will set out sustainable policies for the use of land in the Parish both with regard to conservation and future needs of the community. This work should result in a robust Neighbourhood Plan that will be used as a material consideration in future decisions involving planning applications, infrastructure and economic/housing development.

Please complete the questionnaire within **21 days** and return it using the stamped addressed envelope enclosed.

If you have any questions about the plan or questionnaire please contact me on 07557990169 or email: ian.hetherington2@btinternet.com

Yours faithfully

Ian Hetherington
Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan steering group member

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Section 1 – Your Business

1 What is the name of your business?

2 Please state the nature of your business

3 Is your business carried out from *(please tick)*

	No	Yes
An office?		
A unit on a business park?		
Your home?		
Other? (please explain)		

4 How long has your business operated in the Parish?

5 Why did you locate in the Parish? E.g. It might be location, availability of land/premises, workforce, access, cost, location to services and other businesses, transport links? Please give as much detail as possible

Section 2 – Your Workforce

1 Please enter the number of people in your workforce

	Number of people
Full time (i.e. 35 hours or more a week)	
Part time (i.e. 34 hours or less)	

2 How many of your workforce live in the following areas?

	Number in each area
Long Stratton/Tharston	
Diss	
Tasburgh	
Norwich	
Other (please detail)	

3 Is there anyone in your workforce currently or will there be anyone in the near future in need of alternative accommodation?

No	Yes

4 If you have answered yes to question 3, where does this person need to move to? *(please tick)*

Another dwelling in Long Stratton/Tharston	
Diss	
Tasburgh	
Norwich	
Other (please detail)	

5 If you have answered 'Another dwelling in Long Stratton/Tharston' in question 4, which type of accommodation would be required? *(please tick all that apply)*

2 bedroom house	
3 bedroom house	
4 bedroom house	
2 bedroom bungalow	
3 bedroom bungalow	
1 bedroom flat	
2 bedroom flat	
Other (please specify)	

Section Three – Employment

1 Should the neighbourhood Plan encourage business/commercial development that provides local employment? *(please tick)*

No	Yes

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2 If you answered yes to question 1, how do you think this should be achieved? *(please tick one for each box of the following)*

	Not at all	unlikely	unsure	probably	Definitely
Expansion of existing businesses					
Clustering near existing businesses					
Brownfield sites(e.g. previously developed)					
Greenfield sites					

3 If you answered no to question 1 could you please specify the reason why.

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4 What should a Neighbourhood Plan contain to encourage employment in the Parish?

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5 How does Long Stratton/Tharston meet the needs of your business?

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Section Four - Transport

1 What percentage of your workforce need transport to get to work?

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2 What is the main type of transport of your workforce to your workplace?

Car/Van	
Motorcycle	
Bicycle	
Bus	
Taxi	
On foot	

3 Would your workforce prefer an alternative method of transport to their workplace? *(please tick)*

If yes please give details e.g. provision of cycle path, increased public Transport etc.

No	Yes

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Section Five- General

1 How would you like to see Long Stratton/Tharston develop over the next fifteen years?

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2 How can we support or encourage your business through the Neighbourhood Plan? Please specify

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3 Please add any other comments you would like to make.

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Thank you for filling in this questionnaire. We feel it's important to understand businesses in the Parish as they help create a vibrant and viable Neighbourhood and should therefore be part of the Neighbourhood Plan for it.

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Appendix No 8 – Leaflet for June 2018 public consultation



**YOUR VILLAGE, YOUR FUTURE,
YOUR PLAN,
HAVE YOUR SAY!**

Drop-In – Please come along to an informal drop-in session where you can have a chat with the Neighbourhood Plan committee members and have your chance to have your say on shaping the future of Long Stratton

**St Mary's C of E Junior Academy,
Swan Lane, Long Stratton, on:**

**Saturday 9th June 10.00am – 4.00pm
Sunday 10th June 10.00am – 4.00pm**

ALL WELCOME

June Drop-in Sessions

We look forward to seeing you at one of our drop-in sessions. At the sessions we will provide you with information on the latest progress on the Neighbourhood Plan.

This includes:

Neighbourhood Plan Vision
Proposed theme-based objectives

Key documents which will inform the detail in our plan:

- The Long Stratton Village Centre Masterplan – this provides an analysis of the area and identifies opportunities for improving your village centre once the by-pass has been built.
- The Long Stratton Housing Needs Assessment – this looks at the characteristics of housing need and demand specific to the Long Stratton plan area.

Come and tell us what you think about our work and about your priorities for the plan area.

If you are unable to attend one of our drop-in sessions, you can also have your say by filling in a questionnaire via our website or at the Parish Council office, Bekays, Butchers House or the Library. All the Neighbourhood Plan documents are available to view on our website www.longstrattonneighbourhoodplan.org.uk, together with a feedback section. The documents are also available to view in paper format at the Parish Council Office. If you have any queries regarding this consultation, please contact us at longstrattonnassistant@gmail.com or drop by our office.

The Neighbourhood Plan committee members are aiming to have the draft plan written by the end of this year, so now's the time to give us your opinions and ideas as they are a very important part of the plan.

(May 2018)

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Appendix No 9 – Questionnaire for the June, August and September 2018 public consultations and also used on survey monkey starting November 2018 until April 2019

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Alternatively, you can complete this paper copy and return to us at one of our four drop off points: 1) Library 2) Parish Office 3) Butcher's House 4) Bekays. All surveys must be returned by Sunday 1st July 2018.

General Questions to help us with developing the Neighbourhood Plan

Q1. What features of local importance do you feel need protecting?

Q2. What, if any, additional sports and recreation facilities do you feel we currently need?

	Agree (tick all that apply)	Most important (tick one)
Football pitches		
Cricket ground		
Skate park		
Informal open space		
Tennis court		
Park run		
Other (please specify)		

Q3. What would you like to see as new development comes forward?

	Agree (tick all that apply)	Most important (tick one)
Football pitches		
Cricket ground		
Skate park		
Informal open space		
Tennis court		
Park run		
Other (please specify)		

Q4. Would you like a market place in Long Stratton or would you rather leave it as it is?

Q5. Do you have any other village centre ideas? e.g. Trees, vegetation, seating away from the A140, cycle routes?

Q6. As well as the need for schools and doctors, what other infrastructure do you think Long Stratton requires as the community grows?

Q7. What do you think of the current street lighting in Long Stratton, and how important will it be in the new development?

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Neighbourhood Plan Vision and Objectives

Q8. Having considered the issues identified by the community during early consultation in 2017, we have drafted the following vision for the Neighbourhood Plan area.

"Long Stratton village will grow into a town but a village feel will be retained. Long Stratton will keep its close links to the surrounding countryside and the characterful feel of the enclosed historic centre will be strengthened not just as a result of reduced through-traffic but due to physical improvements which can take place once the by-pass has been built."

"Our strong sense of place in the Neighbourhood Plan area will grow as the new development is designed sensitively and reflect Long Stratton and Tharston's existing characteristics. Pedestrian and cycle access between existing estates and the shops, services and areas of employment will be improved whilst the new development will be designed to encompass pedestrian and cycle access to the town centre. We will have a vibrant, mixed and balanced community. Our employment and business base will grow and diversify as the town takes on a more strategic role in the wider geographic area. New housing developments will provide a varied and wide housing choice ensuring the needs of existing communities will be met alongside those of future residents"

	Agree	Disagree	Don't know
Do you agree with this vision?			
Your comment on the vision...			

Q9. Seven objectives are being developed to support this vision. You can comment on these below...

	Agree	Disagree	Don't know
Objective 1: Housing that is built should be suitable for meeting needs of existing and future NP area residents			
<p>More detail:</p> <p>A study of housing needs in the plan area has been undertaken by consultants on behalf of the steering group. This report (the Housing Needs Assessment) tells us:</p> <p>1.1 Of the new homes planned, 408 are needed to meet Long Stratton needs (as opposed to needs outside the plan area)</p> <p>1.2 There is a need for at least 132 affordable homes specifically for NP area residents</p> <p>1.3 New development should include sizeable proportion of private rental housing</p> <p>1.4 A high proportion of all houses should be 2-3 bedrooms</p> <p>1.5 We need provision of specialist housing for the older generation (totalling 126 units)</p>	Your comment on objective 1...		

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Objective 2: There should be successful integration between the new community and existing community	Agree	Disagree	Don't know
More detail: 2.1 Excellent pedestrian connectivity within between neighbourhoods and from residential areas to village centre 2.2 Good provision of shared open spaces, recreation and community facilities 2.4 A vibrant village centre	Your comment on objective 2...		
Objective 3: There should be a strong sense of place	Agree	Disagree	Don't know
More detail: 3.1 Retain and enhance those characteristics that make Long Stratton special. Based on existing studies this would include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strengthening the character of the historic core and prioritising the conservation or enhancement of historic buildings. Outside the historic core, high quality and locally distinctive neighbourhoods New perimeter of LS to provide attractive setting to the settlement Protecting ancient countryside beyond new settlement boundaries 	Your comment on objective 3...		
Objective 4: Long Stratton's employment and business base will grow and diversify as it takes on a more strategic role in the wider regional market	Agree	Disagree	Don't know
More detail: 4.1 Increase employment base 4.2 Increase opportunities for small business 4.3 No or significantly reduce industrial traffic through village 4.4 Explore how opportunities for appropriate skills and training can be opened up to NP area residents	Your comment on objective 4...		
Objective 5: Opportunities to enhance the village centre will be realised	Agree	Disagree	Don't know
More detail: 5.1 The public realm in the village centre will be improved. In the village centre: 5.2 Improved pedestrian safety across and along the old A140 5.3 Increased vegetation along the old A140 5.4 Much improved infrastructure for cyclists along the old A140	Your comment on objective 5...		

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Objective 6: Improved opportunities for recreation in the NP area	Agree	Disagree	Don't know
More detail: 6.1 Open space provision to increase in quantity and quality 6.2 Outdoor recreation facilities to be improved 6.3 Outdoor sports facilities to be improved 6.4 Open space to be distributed throughout settlement	Your comment on objective 6...		
Objective 7: Infrastructure necessary to support the growing community will come forward in a timely manner	Agree	Disagree	Don't know
More detail: 7.1 Identify the need for a new community centre/village hall as community grows 7.2 Continue to work with health providers to understand future space requirements and support provision through the plan if applicable 7.3 Work with education providers to understand future needs and support provision through the plan if applicable	Your comment on objective 7...		
About You Please help us monitor how representative our feedback is by telling us a little about yourself			
Q10. Do you live in the Long Stratton NP Area? If so, for how long have you lived here? (please tick)			
0 – 5 years	6 – 10 years	11 – 15 years	16 – 20 years
21 – 30 years	31 years or more	I don't live here, I only work here.	I don't live or work here.
Q11. How old are you?			
Under 18	18 – 29	30 – 44	45 – 59
60 – 74	75 and over		
Q12. Please tell us roughly where you live. (please tick)			
A) North East (North of star lane, East of A140)	B) North West (North of Swan Lane, West of A140)	C) South East (South of Star Lane and east of A140)	
D) South West (South of Swan lane and West of A140)	E) Tharston	Out of area	
If you would like to be kept updated on the work of the Neighbourhood Plan please visit www.longstrattonneighbourhoodplan.org.uk			

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Appendix No 10 – Display boards used at the public consultation in June 2018 (under the vision statement was an option to agree, disagree or don't know and under each of the objectives was a comments form)

Vision and Objectives for the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan

Proposed Vision

"Long Stratton village will grow into a town, but a village feel will be retained. Long Stratton will keep its close links to the surrounding countryside and the characterful feel of the enclosed historic centre will be strengthened not just as a result of reduced through-traffic but due to physical improvements which can take place once the by-pass has been built.

Our strong sense of place in the Neighbourhood Plan area will grow as the new development is designed sensitively and reflect Long Stratton and Tharston's existing characteristics. Pedestrian and cycle access between existing estates and the shops, services and areas of employment will be improved whilst the new development will be designed to encompass pedestrian and cycle access to the town centre. We will have a vibrant, mixed and balanced community. Our employment and business base will grow and diversify as the town takes on a more strategic role in the wider geographic area. New housing developments will provide a varied and wide housing choice ensuring the needs of existing communities will be met alongside those of future residents"

Theme: A Strong Community

Suggested Objective

1. Housing that is built should be suitable for meeting needs of existing and future NP area residents

More detail on this objective

A study of housing needs in the plan area has been undertaken by consultants on behalf of the steering group. This report (the Housing Needs Assessment) tells us:

1.1 During the period 2018 to 2026, 408 of the homes will need to be of size and tenure to meet Long Stratton needs (as opposed to needs outside the plan area)

1.2 There is a need for at least 132 affordable homes during the period 2018 to 2026 specifically for NP area residents

1.3 New development should include sizeable proportion of private rental housing (to meet needs of the 50% of households that can't afford a typical mortgage at 2016 prices)

1.4 A high proportion of all houses should be 2-3 bedrooms

1.5 We need provision of specialist housing for the older generation (totalling 126 units)

Theme: A Strong Community

Suggested Objective

2. There should be successful integration between the new community and existing community

More detail on this objective

We think this means the following:

2.1 Excellent pedestrian permeability within neighbourhoods, between neighbourhoods and from residential areas to village centre

2.2 Good provision of shared open spaces, recreation and community facilities

2.4.A vibrant village centre

(these elements to feature in other themes)

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Theme: Design and Character

Suggested Objective

3. There should be a strong sense of place

More detail on this objective

We think this means the following:

3.1 Retain and enhance those characteristics that make Long Stratton special. Based on existing studies such as the South Norfolk Place Making Guide and the Long Stratton Conservation Character Appraisal this would include:

- Strengthening the character of the historic core and prioritising the conservation or enhancement of historic buildings.
- Outside the historic core
- New period buildings
- Protecting the landscape

Theme: Employment

Suggested Objective

4. Long Stratton's employment and business base will grow and diversify as it takes on a more strategic role in the wider regional market

More detail on this objective

We think this means:

- 4.1 Increase employment base
- 4.2 Increase opportunities for small business
- 4.3 No or significantly reduce industrial traffic through town
- 4.4 Explore how opportunities for appropriate skills and training can be opened up to NP area residents

Theme: Village Centre

Suggested Objective

5. Opportunities to enhance the village centre will be realised

More detail on this objective

We think this should mean:

- 5.1 The public realm in the village centre will be improved. For example, through the creation of a market place
- 5.2. Improved pedestrian safety across and along the A140. For example, through the measures proposed in the Long Stratton masterplanning work.
- 5.3 Increased vegetation along the A140 (within the village centre)
- 5.4 Much improved landscaping

Theme: Recreation

Suggested Objective

6. Improved opportunities for recreation in the NP area

More detail on this objective

We think this should mean:

- 6.1 Open space provision to meet needs of population/increase in quantity and quality??
- 6.2 Outdoor recreation facilities will have been improved
- 6.3 Outdoor sports facilities will have been improved

Theme: Infrastructure

Suggested Objective

7. Infrastructure necessary to support the growing community will come forward in a timely manner

More detail on this objective

We think this should mean:

- 7.1 Identify the need for a new community centre/village hall as community grows
- 7.2 Continue to work with health providers to understand future space requirements and where they are and support provision through the plan if applicable
- 7.3 Work with education providers to understand future needs. Support provision of this through the NP.

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Appendix No 11 - Design questionnaire on survey monkey between November 2018 and April 2019

The following were the questions available on survey monkey between November 2018 and April 2019:

Long Stratton and Tharston Housing Development Design Survey (survey monkey)

Q1. Type of housing 1 bed 2 bed 3 bed 4 + bed Bungalows Flats Maisonettes Help to buy Sheltered housing Other	Q2. Car parking 1 space 2 space 3+ space Off road parking Street parking Parking bays Permit parking Other
Q3. Green spaces Play areas Informal open space Flower beds Seating areas Picnic benches Footpaths Cycle paths Other	Q4. Lighting Street lighting Footpath lighting LED lighting Permanent lighting Timed lighting Other
Q5. Please provide your comment on the design of the new housing development. Are there any particular design features you would like to see? How do you feel about the importance of in keeping with the current look/design/feel of Long Stratton and Tharston?	

Appendix No 12 – Poster and leaflet for the public consultation in March 2019

LONG STRATTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN OPEN DAY



OPEN DAY – Please come along to an informal drop-in session where you can have a chat with the Neighbourhood Plan steering group and give us your views on shaping the future of Long Stratton

Methodist Church, Manor Road, Long Stratton, on:

Saturday 16th March 10.00am – 4.00pm
Sunday 17th March 10.00am – 4.00pm

ALL WELCOME

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Appendix No 13 – Advert in the Sextons Wheel magazine for the public consultation in March 2019



YOUR VILLAGE, YOUR FUTURE, YOUR PLAN,

The Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan will be a document created by local people that sets out planning policy for where you live. It helps you protect the things you care about in your community, as well as make improvements to the local area. For example, it can set out how buildings should look, and for

what they can be used. It can also help to encourage the kind of development of which you would like to see more.

A neighbourhood plan carries the same legal weight as plans drawn up by your local council. South Norfolk Council must follow what's in your neighbourhood plan when making decisions about planning applications in your area.

Why Long Stratton needs a Neighbourhood Plan?

The two parish councils of Long Stratton and Tharston and Hapton have listened to parishioners through several public consultations and resolved to start work on a neighbourhood plan which will cover the entirety of the parish of Long Stratton and parts of the parish of Tharston and Hapton. Only the parts of Tharston that are closest to Long Stratton are included in the neighbourhood plan area.

What is happening next?

There is continuing work in gathering evidence to support the Neighbourhood Plan, there will be a public consultation on March 16th & 17th, 10am – 4pm, at the Methodist Church on Manor Road, where you will be asked for your thoughts and comments on several key matters including the provision of open space, a design code and a potential community centre. There are online surveys available at www.lsnp.info.

All of the comments, thoughts and opinions gathered will help form the evidence which will support the Neighbourhood Plan, Your Plan. There will be a draft plan available for thoughts and comments soon. There will be an update monthly in The Sexton's Wheel, but all information can be found on the website www.lsnp.info or pop into the Council office and have a chat with the Clerk.

Appendix No 14 – Questionnaires for public consultation in March 2019



Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan Housing Questionnaire

Over the next 15 to 20 years, Long Stratton is due to have 1800+ dwellings which will increase the number of residents to approximately 8500 to 9000

'The house we live in and where we live can have a major impact on our physical and mental health.'

Q1: What is most important to you for new housing in Long Stratton? Tick all that apply.

Size of dwelling	
Energy efficiency	
Garden size	
Off road parking spaces	
Superfast broadband	
Price	
Fit in with existing properties	
Access to facilities	
Other	

Q2: What type of dwellings do you think are most appropriate to meet the future needs of Long Stratton? Tick all that apply.

Starter homes	
Small family homes	
Large family homes	
Senior housing communities (for the aged)	
Age friendly (independent dwellings)	
Assisted needs accommodation	
Other	

Q3: Thinking about your answers above, what kind of dwellings would be most suited to development in Long Stratton?

One-bedroom flats	
Maisonettes	
Terraced	
Single storey semi detached	
Single storey detached	
Multiple storey semi detached	
Self-build (ie. A plot with services already laid on for you to build to your own design)	
Other	

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Open Space & Community Centre Questionnaire

Q1: Would you like areas planted with trees? If yes what type of trees?

Dense wood or sparsely planted?

Would you like a community orchard?

Comments:

Q2: Would you like an area specifically for dogs to run free?

Would you like an area where dogs can be walked on a lead?

Comments:

Q3: Where would you like a community games field?

What would you like?

Formal marked pitched?

Free games area?

Permanent goals for free use?

Would you like a trim trail around the village? E.g. a piece of equipment in each play area.
(see map)

Comments:

Q4: Would you like a community vegetable garden? (an area where you could plant and tend some vegetables and reap what others have sown)

Do we need additional allotments?

Comments:

Q5: What uses could be made of a community building?

Café?

Cinema?

Public Toilets?

Baby weighing/changing area?

Conference facilities?

Where should this building be located? (see map)

Comments:

Q6: Do you think we need to improve the access around the village for pedestrians and cyclists?

Comments:

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Overall Design Questionnaire

Q1: As part of the overall look and feel of any development that comes to Long Stratton and Tharston & Hapton, what do you think are the most important elements i.e suitable parking, green infrastructure, recycling bins, footpaths and cycle paths, colours used for building materials (eg. Would you mind if pink rendering was used?)

Comments:

Q2: Would you like to have footpath and street lighting in any medium to large development?

Comments:

Q3: Would you like to see formed recreational areas such as playgrounds for children?

Comments:



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Sustainability Questionnaire

What additions are needed to the Neighbourhood Plan to make sure the development has minimal environmental impact and provides for fully sustainable living?

Ex1: Lamp posts with solar panels (as well as an electric supply) to reduce electricity consumption

Agree/Disagree:

Comments:

Ex2: Tarmac with recycled plastic, extending the use of the road surface and makes use of waste plastic

Agree/Disagree:

Comments:

Ex3: Timber framed houses that act as a carbon sink rather than a carbon producer

Agree/Disagree:

Comments:

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Ex4: Homes fitted with three phase electricity to allow for the addition of renewable technology such as heat pumps, solar panels, battery storage and rapid charging of electric vehicles

Agree/Disagree:

Comments:

Ex5: Pocket parks with fruit and nut trees with an understory of fruit bushes and herbs for culinary use. To be cared for and harvested by local residents

Agree/Disagree:

Comments:

Ex6: All houses to have net zero carbon emissions achieved by using renewable heating technology and efficient insulation strategies

Agree/Disagree:

Comments:

What additional ideas do we need to consider?

Comments:

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Appendix No 15 – Facebook post for the March 2019 public consultation



Appendix No 16 – Website advertising for the March 2019 public consultation and a Facebook post for the Leisure Centre consultation in April 2019

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Appendix No 17 – Questionnaire for the public consultation in April 2019



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Section 1 – Housing

Section 2 – Sustainability

Section 3 – Overall Design

Section 4 – Open Space and Community Centre

Housing

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Q1: What kind of dwellings would be most suited to development in Long Stratton?

	Yes	No
One-bedroom flats		
Maisonettes		
Terraced		
Single storey semi detached		
Single storey detached		
Multiple storey semi detached		
Self-build (ie. A plot with services already laid on for you to build to your own design)		
Multiple storey detached		
Other		

Sustainability

Q2: Is environmental sustainability important to you when purchasing a house? (If yes, please fill in an additional questionnaire)

Yes	No

Overall Design

Q3: As part of the overall look and feel of any development that comes to Long Stratton and Tharston & Hapton, what do you think are the most important elements?

	Yes	No
Suitable parking		
Green infrastructure		
Recycling bins		
Footpaths		
Cycle paths		
Colours used for building materials		
Other		

Q4: Would you like to have footpath and street lighting in any medium to large development?

Yes	No

Q5: Would you like to see formed recreational areas such as playgrounds for children?

Yes	No

Open Space and Community Centre

Q6: Would you like areas planted with trees?

Yes	No

Q7: Would you like a community orchard?

Yes	No	What type?

Q8: Would you like a dog run area?

Yes	No	Don't have a dog

Q9: Would you like a specific dog walk?

Yes	No	Don't have a dog

Q10: Would you like a new community games field?

Yes	No

Q11: If yes, would you like?

	Yes	No
Formal marked pitch		
Free games area		
Permanent goals for free use		
Trim trail		
Other		

Q12: Would you like a community vegetable garden? (an area where you could plant and tend some vegetables and reap what others have sown)

Yes	No

Q13: Do you think additional allotments are needed?

Yes	No

Q14: What uses could be made of a new community building?

	Yes	No
Café		
Cinema		
Public toilets		
Baby weighing/changing area		
Conference facilities		
Other		
Where should this building be located?		

Q15: Do you think we need new cycle paths/ways?

Yes	No

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Residents of Norfolk's newest town given say on future plans

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Residents of Long Stratton are being urged to have their say on the new Neighbourhood Plan. Picture: Sonya Duncan

Appendix No 18 – Pre-submission consultation advert in the Diss Mercury in October 2019

People living in Long Stratton, which gained town status in May, are being urged to have their say on a plan that could shape its future for decades to come.

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Long Stratton high street as envisaged in the Neighbourhood Plan. Picture: Long Stratton Council/AECOM

Long Stratton's Neighbourhood Plan, outlining how Long Stratton and parts of Tharston will evolve in the midst of the expansive development, is in its final pre-submission consultation stage.

The town is facing a huge expansion with plans for 1,875 homes and facilities including a new primary school on more than 150 hectares of land to the east and west of the A140, a development that could unlock the long-awaited E20m bypass.

MORE: New town added to Norfolk map as Long Stratton villagers become townsfolk

The latest public consultations are being held Saturday, October 12 and Sunday, October 13 at Long Stratton Methodist Church on Manor Road (10am-4pm) and Friday, November 8 in Long Stratton Village Hall (6.30-9pm).

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Appendix No 19 – Pre-submission consultation advert in the Eastern Daily Press in October 2019



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People will be able to speak to members of the steering group committee. Alternatively, for more information and to view the plan and comment visit lsnp.info or call [01508 530524](tel:01508530524).



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Appendix No 20 – Pre-submission consultation leaflet delivered in October 2019



Pre-Submission Consultation

HAVE YOUR SAY!

We have now prepared the Neighbourhood Plan. We are formally consulting on the plan before we pass it onto South Norfolk District Council and for an independent examination.

You can view the plan on our website along with the Town Centre Masterplan and Design Guidelines from AECOM at www.lsnp.info

Paper copies are available to view from the Town Council office and at the following locations – Library, Bekays, The Butchers House.

Your views are very important. You can complete a comments form online at www.lsnp.info or complete a paper comments form (available from the locations listed above) and post it to Long Stratton Town Council, The Street, Long Stratton, NR15 2AH

Alternatively, you can send an email to longstrattonnpassistant@gmail.com

The consultation runs from 12th October to 7th December 2019

Comments must be received by 5pm on 7th December 2019

October and November 2019 Drop-in Sessions

Please come along to an informal drop-in session where you can learn more about the Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan, together with its supporting documents, and have a chat with a member of the team.

Long Stratton Methodist Church on:

Saturday 12 th October	10.00am – 4.00pm
Sunday 13 th October	10.00am – 4.00pm

Long Stratton Village Hall on:

Friday 8 th November	6.30pm – 9.00pm
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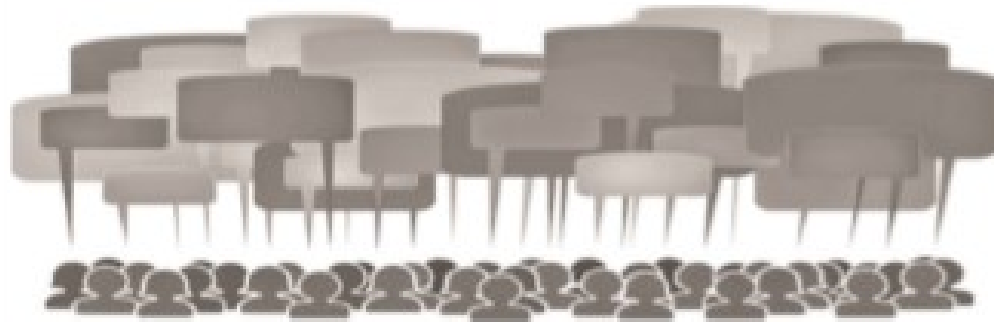
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Appendix No 21 – Pre-submission consultation advert in the Sextons Wheel magazine



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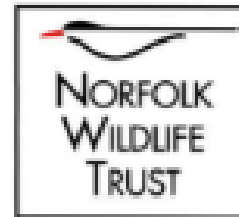
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Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan & Green Infrastructure

Initial comments from Norfolk Wildlife Trust



Background

Norfolk Wildlife Trust (NWT) comments and has input into a number of Neighbourhood Plans (NHP) across Norfolk and can bring expert advice on biodiversity mitigation and gain within towns and parishes.

NWT was previously part of the Green Infrastructure (GI) Working Group for Long Stratton. This group included Long Stratton Parish Council, Norfolk County Council and South Norfolk District Council planning and landscape officers; Eoghan Shiels from Shiels Flynn landscape architects, who were drawing up design plans for the proposed developments also attended on occasion.

A number of documents informed the thinking of the working group, including:

- Historic Characterisation and Sensitivity Assessment, Norfolk County Council. This described the unusual network of lanes and commons around Long Stratton and underlined the importance of accounting for this in any developments.
- Long Stratton Access to Countryside & Open Spaces, Norfolk Wildlife Trust, 2017. This looked at the impacts of recreational pressure on Sites of Special Scientific Interest and County Wildlife Sites with public access within a few miles of Long Stratton. Pressure on some sites was considerable and damaging to wildlife. The report found that most visitors came from Long Stratton and were driving a short distance because they perceived a lack of public open space within the village. The report included a survey of what public open space people would like to see within Long Stratton, which included habitat for wildlife, places to walk dogs, places for children to play in woodland and community woodland. Most dog walkers surveyed indicated that they want somewhere safe where they can let dogs off the lead.

Recent research on dog walking impacts on wildlife sites elsewhere in the UK indicates that circular walks of 2-2.5km are favoured for dog walkers, so creation of new circular routes of this length or additions to existing routes to create the same would be beneficial.

- Long Stratton GI Delivery Plan, GI Working Group. This set out visions and actions for GI delivery in Long Stratton going forward. It is included as an appendix to this document.
- Long Stratton Area Action Plan Indicative GI Plan, GI working Group. This map shows some of the key areas for public access and biodiversity within and close to Long Stratton. It is included in Appendix 2

- Draft Vision for a New Common, Norfolk Wildlife Trust. This sets out the principles and mechanisms for establishing areas of new public open space within Long Stratton that reflect the landscape of the historic commons of the area, provide biodiversity habitat and potential include meaningful rights for those who use the areas.

A further document worthy of note is the Strategy for a Landscape Led Master Plan for Long Stratton, developed by Sheila Flynn as part of the original planning application for housing and a bypass at Long Stratton.

Most of the key elements of this plan were developed through public consultation and through discussion with the GI working group and are worth capturing at this stage. They include:

- Recommendations for locally common tree species and locally unique grassland flowers
- Interconnected open space with public access
- Need for at least one larger open space, rather than many small and formal ones
- Two 'new commons' for biodiversity and people
- A woodland fringe with public access on the western edge of the bypass, providing circular walks/cycle rides and a buffer against the road.
- Places for people to enjoy wildlife
- Places for children to play away from road, including woodland play/den building not just formal play areas.
- Ensuring green corridors exist within the proposed developments areas and at major nodes, such as the proposed roundabouts.

The GI Working Group folded in 2018, when South Norfolk Council were no longer able to set up and administer the meetings. However, the work evolved in the meetings with input from a number of parties and should be carried forward as plans for proposed developments and the bypass go forward.

Given the overlap between the Neighbourhood Plan, Green Infrastructure Plans, PRoW revisions and housing and bypass planning applications, with the likelihood of some decisions being made before the NP is adopted, we recommend the reconvening of the GI Working Group to carry forward co-ordinated green infrastructure delivery and ensure that nothing falls through the gaps between the parties involved.

Norfolk Wildlife Trust recommendations for Long Stratton Neighbourhood Plan

- *Biodiversity Policy*
NWT operates on a principle of net gain for wildlife when commenting on planning applications. This means that new development should be required to deliver a measurable gain in biodiversity and differs from the past as new developments will not only mitigate for damage to wildlife, but actually lead to enhancements. The Government intends to make Biodiversity Net Gain mandatory in the future Environment Bill. This approach is already supported in local and national planning policy, through paragraphs 170 (d), 174 (b) and 175 (d) of the National Planning Policy Framework, and Policy LNGS5 of the Long Stratton Area Action Plan, adopted in 2016, which states that 'all new developments should deliver a net biodiversity gain'.

We recommend that the NP includes a specific biodiversity policy to include the above measures, as well as those below that do not fit into existing policy headings.

- *Connectivity to the countryside*

Connectivity to the countryside beyond the new bypass is essential for both people and wildlife, including for cyclists and pedestrians.

Retaining and enhancing connectivity for biodiversity and through public rights of way (PROW) should be a core principle of the NHP.

New roads create a major barrier for wildlife and connectivity needs to reach within in any new developments and beyond the proposed new road.

NWT has been working with NBIS to develop an ecological connectivity map for Norfolk based on green infrastructure work carried out by NBIS on behalf of Norfolk local authorities. This work provides essential background information for all levels of planning.

- *Green bridges*

In order to retain connectivity across the proposed bypass, NWT is seeking 'green bridges', providing public access and some semi-natural habitat, whilst also guarding against the long-term reduction in the quality of green areas isolated from the wider countryside by the building of the bypass. Key species that would benefit from green bridges would include great crested newts and badgers, as well as providing safe commuting routes for bats and hedgehogs away from the risk of road traffic collisions.

The location of green bridges will need to be informed by existing habitat and species records but potential areas of suitable topography and links to existing key green infrastructure include Star Lane and Edge's Lane.

- *Principle of protecting areas of biodiversity interest within proposed development areas and within future development area to south of Hail Lane*

Existing wildlife habitat and corridors identified in the ecological assessments for the proposed road and developments, plus those identified through the GI work, should be protected and enhanced in all future development.

Two areas of interest for wildlife flagged during the GI process are the wet meadow on Swan Lane (opposite surgery) and a grassland with pond and hedges behind the allotments. Both should be protected from development and retain links to other wildlife habitat within and beyond new development.

- *Protection of CWS/SSSI close to Long Stratton*

The Long Stratton Access to Countryside & Open Spaces report (see above) highlighted the adverse impacts of recreational pressure on some biodiverse habitats close to Long Stratton. An expansion of the village could increase this pressure if alternative access land is not available.

New public open spaces should include interconnected wildlife habitat and people's desire to enjoy wildlife on their doorstep.

Protection of the sites currently under threat needs to be taken into account as Long Stratton grows.

- *New Commons*

Originally proposed by NWT, new commons for Long Stratton means areas of public open space that reflect the attractive historic landscape of the area, especially the historic commons surrounding the village and that soften the transition for rural to urban in places. The areas will include a range of habitats for wildlife.

Two new commons have been recommended to date, with one at the Picton edge of the proposed western developments and a further one in the vicinity of either Hall Lane or Star Lane.

NWT will be able to advise on the development of new commons and is also interested in looking at the potential for new common rights, which are appropriate for a 21C community to be included, including community orchards. Orchard planting in appropriate locations, providing a resource for pollinating insects as well as a community asset.

- *Locally appropriate tree and meadow plantings*

Tree planting and new wildlife-friendly grasslands should reflect local species of note and not rely on standard mixes.

Trees to include would be small leaved lime, field maple and hornbeam.

Local meadow species include dyer's greenweed, sulphur clover, pepper saxifrage and spiny retharrow.

NWT is able to advice further on the sourcing of species.

- *Protecting species of conservation concern*

Long Stratton parish supports strong populations of hedgehogs, swifts, great crested newts, barn owls and bats, including the rare barbastelle bat.

New developments can enhance and protect these species in a number of ways, including: connectivity for hedgehogs between gardens (new and existing); **integral swift and bat** boxes in new housing; tunnels under roads and new or protected ponds for great crested newts, plus boxes for bats.

NWT recommends that the NHP include measures to protect and enhance these species.

- *Green buildings*

Green buildings can include those that reduce the carbon footprint of a building or encourage environmental sustainability, plus those designed to encourage biodiversity. NWT supports the inclusion of both measures within the NHP.

Features which can increase the biodiversity value of new development include green roofs and walls. These can provide benefits for wildlife and energy efficiency, providing new opportunities for wildlife habitats alongside the built environment and contributing to the biodiversity net gain policies previously mentioned.

Recognising the impact climate change will have on our native wildlife, NWT recognises the benefits of new development reducing their carbon emissions wherever possible and supports policies that seek to maximise the renewable energy generation provided by new development in the NP. Planning policy developed by Merton Council in 2003, commonly known as the Merton Rule, provides an example of a planning policy which required at least 10% of energy needs on new development to be generated from on-site renewable energy sources. Further advice on planning policies and climate change can be found in the Rising to the Climate Crisis report¹.

- *Western perimeter of bypass*

The planning application submitted by Norfolk Homes for the combined developments and bypass included a wide buffer of woodland and semi-natural habitat on the western edge of the proposed new road. These plans included a number of footpaths/cycle routes that would connect with other new green spaces within the developed areas.

This idea was generated by Long Stratton Parish Council and widely supported at both GI meetings and public consultations.

NWT supports this proposal as it create new interconnected habitats, can link to green bridges across the proposed road and provides public space within the village that can take pressure off the nearby CWS and SSSI.

¹ <https://www.tcpa.org.uk/planning-for-climate-change>

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Appendix 1: Long Stratton GI Delivery Plan

No	PROJECT	POLICY LINK	RESPONSIBLE BODIES	DELIVERY MECHANISM	FUNDING REQUIRED	POTENTIAL COST	TIME SCALE
GI Projects to be delivered by development in priority order							
1	<u>Development Masterplan</u> Masterplan for the development to include a comprehensive and integrated GI Plan (needs resolution of bypass route and design and consideration of links wider than just the allocated site)	LSAAP (LNGS1 & LNGS 5)	Developer (GI group to try and influence early identification and layout of GI on site – need to collect evidence)	Developer	No	None	
2	<u>New Common Land</u> A newly created common, primarily for public use as a 'gateway' to Long Stratton from the east (LS3)	LSAAP (LNGS1 & Indicative GI Plan LS3 & LS4)	Developer (GI group to try and influence early delivery of new common land – need to collect evidence)	Developer (Direct provision or S106)	No		
3	<u>New Community Woodland</u> Discussion with developers regarding the use of the buffer between the bypass and the development for public open space and new community woodland to relieve pressure on Tyrells Wood	LSAAP	Developer (GI group to try and influence early delivery of new community woodland – need to collect evidence)				
4	<u>Crossing points across the bypass</u>	LSAAP (LNGS1 &	Developer	Developer	No		

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	<p>A primary public crossing between Long Stratton and the wider countryside across the proposed bypass (LS1)</p> <p>Secondary public crossings for pedestrians from Long Stratton to the countryside across the bypass (LS2)</p>	Indicative GI Plan LS1 and LS2)		(Direct provision or S106)			
5	Provision of a significant buffer to the Long Stratton Waste Water Recycling Centre to be utilised for green infrastructure	LSAAP (LNGS1)	Developer	Developer (Direct provision or S106)	No		
GI Projects to be delivered through other sources e.g. CIL, Neighbourhood Plan, Volunteers etc							
6.	<p><u>Mitigating for increased visitor pressure on designated sites</u></p> <p>Improve the quality of local County Wildlife Sites to mitigate for increased visitor pressure or investigate alternative provision elsewhere to relieve pressure (LS7)</p> <p>Projects could include new</p>	LSAAP (LNGS5 & Indicative GI Plan LS7)		CIL? (Could be developer funded if pressures can be proved)	Yes (Possible grant funding?)	?	

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	provision of new community woodland to take pressure off Tyrells Wood and surrounding commons such as Fritton and Morningthorpe etc (link to 3), measures to prevent inappropriate parking, interpretation boards to encourage responsible use and encouraging people to walk and cycle rather than driving. (Would need piece of work to gather information and evidence about current pressures)						
7.	<p><u>Public access improvements</u></p> <p>Improvements to public access links from Long Stratton to existing common land (LS5)</p> <p>Securing public access to a public footpath between Wacton Common and Long Stratton (LS6)</p> <p>Improvements to public access between Long Stratton and</p>	(LNGS1 & Indicative GI Plan LS5, LS6, LS8 and LS9)					

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	<p>Norfolk Trails and promotion of circular walks to encourage health and wellbeing (LS8 and 9)</p> <p>(Work needed to map GI corridors, footpaths and PProW in and around Long Stratton to identify missing links, signage and need for infrastructure such as fencing, hedgerow planting, interpretation boards)</p>						
8.	<p>Protection of existing GI assets within Long Stratton. May include consideration of areas to protect as assets of Community Value. Potential to facilitate the use of community volunteers (e.g. restorative justice, use of Norwich Fringe Project)</p>		Parish Council?	Neighbourhood Plan?	? (Possible grant funding?)	?	

Appendix 2: Long Stratton Area Action Plan Indicative GI Plan

