

Question	Priority	Answer
Local Plan: Housing Allocations & Growth		
Has WNC pressed the Government for clarity on funding for health and roads?	Urgent	This question is much broader than the local plan. In terms of the local plan, the Infrastructure Delivery Plan , which sits alongside the local plan identifies what infrastructure is required to mitigate the impacts of development, the cost where this is known, finding sources and timing. The IDP is updated at each stage of plan making.
Is there a further call for sites? Are new sites still likely to come forward or is the call for sites over now? Is there a current list of all call-for-sites responses available? Where is the call-for-sites information? How is a site chosen when multiple exceed allocation?		
Is it possible for the management company issue to be included in this plan?		This would be too detailed for the local plan, but we will consider for the Developer Contributions SPD.
Does the plan include anything about social housing requirements?		Yes, there are draft policies in the Homes section – welcome comments on these.
If a rural area has no land inside confines, will building be allowed outside?		There are proposed policies that allow for this, subject to certain criteria being met, for example see draft policies HO4 and HO5 in the homes section. The proposed rural housing requirement will in many cases be met outside of the confines, the proposal is that this is plan led through Neighbourhood Plans.
How can housing allocation be based on an Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) when the numbers differ? Is Local Plan allocation in addition to or net of the NDP figures?	Urgent	The proposed requirement in the plan is in addition to anything which is already planned (e.g. allocations in NPs or planning permissions). The proposal in the plan is that

		anything newly granted or allocated sites from 1 st April 2025 would count towards the requirement. See paragraph 10.9.8
If you remove housing figures from villages, will they be added elsewhere? What have been WNC's annual housing completions?		Yes, the plan has to demonstrate how the housing requirement will be met, so if proposals in the plan are deleted, alternative provision would have to be made. The Homes Background Paper sets out that over the last 9 years the annual average completion rate has been 2,073, this compares to the new government requirement of 2,503.
Are you able to give a housing allocation for Far Cotton & Delapre?		
Where can we find details of the revised NRDA? Have inconsistencies in the document now been reconciled?		The proposed confines can be seen here . Not sure what inconsistencies are being referred to, but welcome any comments on the proposed confines.
How do we know we won't end up with an oversupply of warehousing?		The proposed scale of warehousing aligns with the evidence which underpins the plan. The evidence, the Housing and Economic Needs Assessment can be seen here . The Council has to demonstrate that it can meet identified needs, if it doesn't, the plan will not be found 'sound' and cannot therefore progress to adoption.
Can WNC confirm what steps are being taken to address school place shortages?		
Why was a self-build site replaced by a private worship facility?		Not sure what this refers to, if more details are provided we will help if we can.
Are there specific allocations for lorry parks?		No, there are no proposed allocations in the plan for lorry parks. There is a policy (TR6 on page 340) which would be the basis for determining any

		planning applications.
Are you accepting residential sites in your call for sites?		Yes
Is WNC saying it does not currently have a 5-year housing supply?		Yes, an Inspector considering a recent appeal at Brackley determined that we can't currently evidence a five year supply.
Would undeliverable sites cause a loss of 5-year supply? If there isn't a 5-year supply, will rural allocation R6 be altered?		The guidance for five year land supplies requires the council to demonstrate that sites included in the supply are deliverable. In the recent Brackley case the inspector discounted sites that had planning permission, because in his view there was insufficient evidence that the permissions will be implemented within 5 years. This will not affect proposed policy R6.
Why has legally protected land between Quinton & Grange Park been included in the Local Plan?		
Will WNC require the current landowner to begin construction on approved housing in Blisworth?		No, we have no powers to compel the developer to complete the scheme.
Please provide links for the plan and also where villages are scored.		
Rural Hierarchy & Settlement Classification		
Could you please share a link to the hierarchy document?		
What is the cutoff between secondary and other settlements?		Please see the Settlement Hierarchy Background Papers.
Do you assess schools/GP capacity when setting hierarchy?	Urgent	Schools yes, and we will look to refine this as the latest data becomes available. GPs have not presently been included, but we are engaging with health colleagues. We will continue to consider capacity and catchments as the plan progresses. Please review the published Settlement Hierarchy Background Papers.
Do you consider oversubscribed facilities	Urgent	As above. We are considering

when classifying villages?		data for schools and GPs. If there are other services and facilities it is considered that we should be considering please make us aware through the consultation process.
Why is Staverton scored incorrectly?		
Why does Syresham appear inconsistently in data vs policy?		
Where does Fosters Booth sit within the hierarchy?		
Is East Farndon being redefined and confines removed?		
Infrastructure & Services		
What infrastructure is to be provided for additional homes?		
Will S106 money from rural developments fix potholes?	Urgent	No. There are strict rules about what can be included in a s106, these rules are set out in paragraph 58 of the NPPF. Potholes are a highway maintenance issue so can't be covered by a s106 agreement.
How is business district investment balanced with parking charges?		The parking charges currently under consideration by the Council are not part of the local plan.
Is there a plan to make Long Buckby Station accessible?		
Employment, Warehousing & Economy		
What proportion of warehousing units are operational and where is the workforce from?		
Does the job-creation plan focus too much on low-paid warehousing?		
Does warehousing need account for national strategic projects?		
Why can't all new warehousing be required to install solar panels?		
Neighbourhood Development Plans (NDP)		
What support will be given to creating Neighbourhood Plans? Will WNC reinstate support for Neighbourhood Plans?	Urgent	The Council's website already contains material to assist parish councils produce neighbourhood plans, but we will look to add to this to further assist parish councils to produce NPs which meet the proposed

		housing requirements. We would be happy to have a discussion with parish councils to identify how we can best assist. There are no proposals currently to provide financial assistance.
Do we need to review our NDP site allocations again? Do we need to update our NDP with specific sites?	Urgent	As noted above, the base date for the new requirement is 1 st April 2025, so any allocations in existing plans which pre-date this will not count.
How does a housing-allocation-only NDP work? How binding is a housing-only document? Can you provide guidelines for such a document?		There is no requirement for Neighbourhood Plans to be comprehensive, a NP has recently been adopted for Grange Park which has only two policies. As noted above we will work with parishes on how best we can support development of NPs that focus on housing allocations.
Why has Onley been drawn with confines despite the NDP saying otherwise?		
Maps, Data Accuracy & Transparency		
Where are the green spaces maps for rural areas?		The Background Paper explaining how decisions on Local Green Space nominations have been made can be seen here .
Can we still propose areas for green spaces?	Urgent	Yes, there is a form on our website – link here . Deadline is 27 th March
Where do we find M1 Junction 16 proposals?		Pages 284 to 286 of the local plan.
Where is information on parish facilities located?		
Five-Year Land Supply		
Are you saying WNC does not have a 5-year supply?		See above
Would undeliverable sites cause loss of 5-year supply?		See above
Will lack of 5-year supply alter rural allocations?		See above
Environmental / Flooding		
Where can I see downstream flood impact assessments?		

Where can I see the assessment of storm water impact downstream?		
Will additional homes worsen flooding issues?		