

## **Crookham Village Parish Neighbourhood Plan – Hart District Council Decision to proceed to referendum**



The following has been prepared to meet Regulation 4(3)(b)(iv-bb) of the Neighbourhood Planning (Referendums) Regulations 2012 (as amended) to demonstrate that Hart District Council as the Local Planning Authority are satisfied that the draft neighbourhood plan meets the basic conditions and can proceed to referendum.

### **Hart District Council**

#### **Crookham Village Parish Neighbourhood Plan:**

#### **POST EXAMINATION DECISION STATEMENT**

#### **The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended)**

#### **Summary**

1. Following an independent examination, Hart District Council confirms that the Crookham Village Parish Neighbourhood Plan, as recommended to be modified by the Examiner, will proceed to a Neighbourhood Planning Referendum.
2. This 'decision statement' sets out Hart District Council's response to each of the Examiner's recommendations.
3. The date of the referendum is to be determined. Due to Covid-19 the Government has passed regulations<sup>1</sup> preventing neighbourhood plan referenda from taking place before 6 May 2021.

#### **Background**

4. The Crookham Village Neighbourhood Plan relates to the area that was designated by the Council as a Neighbourhood Area on 7 August 2014. This area is coterminous with the Crookham Village Parish boundary and is entirely within the Local Planning Authority area (i.e Hart District).
5. Crookham Village Parish Council undertook pre-submission consultation on the draft Plan in accordance with Regulation 14 (March 2019).
6. Following the submission of the Crookham Village Neighbourhood Plan to the Council in July 2019, the Council publicised the draft Plan for a six-week period and representations were invited in accordance with Regulation 16. The publicity period ended on 5 September 2019.

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<sup>1</sup> Local Government and Police and Crime Commissioner (Coronavirus)(Postponement of Elections and Referendums)(England and Wales) Regulations 2020

7. The Council appointed Mr Andrew Ashcroft, with the consent of Crookham Village Parish Council, to undertake the examination of the Crookham Village Neighbourhood Plan.
8. During the examination a further consultation was held (October-November 2019) which focused on the evidence for the Preserving the Gaps Between Settlements policy.
9. The Examiner's Report, dated 16 March 2020, concludes that subject to making the recommended modifications, the Plan meets the basic conditions set out in the legislation and should proceed to a Neighbourhood Planning referendum. The Examiner also recommends that the referendum area is based on the Neighbourhood Area that was designated by the Council in August 2014.

### **Decision and reasons**

- 10 The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended) requires in Regulation 18 for the local planning authority to outline what action to take in response to the recommendations of an Examiner in relation to a neighbourhood plan.
11. Having considered each of the recommendations in the Examiner's report and the reasons for them, the Council, with the agreement of Crookham Village Parish Council, has decided to accept the recommended modifications to the Crookham Village Parish Neighbourhood Plan set out in Table 1 below. This decision was made at Cabinet on 2 July 2020.
- 12 The Council considers that subject to the modifications set out in Table 1 below, the Plan meets the basic conditions set out in the legislation.
- 13 The Council is also required to consider whether to extend the area to which the referendum is to take place under Regulation 18(1e). The Examiner recommended that the Neighbourhood Plan should proceed to a referendum based on the area that was designated by Hart District Council as a Neighbourhood Area. The Council has considered this recommendation and the reasons for it, and has decided to accept it. The referendum on the Crookham Village Neighbourhood Plan will be based on the designated Crookham Village Parish Neighbourhood Area.

**Table 1: Examiner’s Recommended Modifications and Amendments**

Submitted Neighbourhood Plan Policy / Section/Page	Examiner’s Report para reference	Recommended Modification	HDC Consideration / Justification
<b>Settlement Boundary</b>			
Policy SB01 – Settlement Boundaries	Para 7.16	<p>In the third bullet point add at the beginning ‘the development of sensitive adaptations or extensions of’</p> <p>In the fifth bullet point replace ‘a sustainable.... scale development’ with ‘small scale sustainable leisure activity’</p> <p>Delete the penultimate criterion.</p>	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner’s Report.
<b>Built Environment Policies and Sustainable Development Principles</b>			
Policy BE01 – Sustainable Development Principles	Para 7.20	<p>At the beginning of the second sentence add: ‘As appropriate to the nature, scale and location of the proposed development’</p> <p>In the second sentence replace ‘will be expected to’ with ‘should’</p> <p>In the first bullet point delete ‘and satisfy.... below’</p> <p>In the second bullet point delete ‘(where appropriate)’</p> <p>In the fourth bullet point replace ‘by encouraging’ with ‘through’</p> <p>In the final bullet point replace ‘adequate’ with ‘required’</p>	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner’s Report.
Policy BE02- General Design Principles	Para 7.25	At the beginning of the policy add: ‘As appropriate to the nature, scale and location of the proposed development’	Agree with the modifications for the reasons

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		<p>In the opening part of the policy replace 'statutory, local and neighbourhood plan' with 'development plan'</p> <p>In the first bullet point replace 'possible' with 'practicable'</p> <p>In the fifth bullet point delete 'and not isolated.... the site'</p> <p>In the sixth bullet point add 'where practicable' after 'enhanced'</p> <p>In the penultimate bullet point replace 'appropriate' with 'practicable'</p> <p><i>At the end of the second paragraph in the Rationale add:  'This policy does not affect extant planning permissions in the neighbourhood area. Any reserved matters applications which arise fall to be determined on the basis of the principles agreed as part of the granting of the relevant outline planning permission'</i></p>	<p>set out in the Examiner's Report.</p>
<p>Policy BE03 – Crookham Village Ward Character Area</p>	<p>Para 7.28</p>	<p>At the beginning of the policy add: 'As appropriate to the nature, scale and location of the proposed development'</p> <p>In the opening part of the policy replace 'statutory, local and neighbourhood plan' with 'development plan'</p> <p>In the penultimate bullet point replace 'significant' with 'unacceptable'</p>	<p>Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner's Report.</p>

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		Replace the final bullet point with: 'are designed not to increase the level of light pollution within any of the three conservation areas within the neighbourhood area. Proposals for any necessary street lighting or external lighting should be fully justified through an assessment demonstrating the need for the lighting and the measures taken to minimise any impact'	
Policy BE04 – Zebon Ward Character Area	Para 7.31	At the beginning of the policy add: 'As appropriate to the nature, scale and location of the proposed development'  Replace the final criterion with: 'Complies with the parking requirements included in Policy TM01 of this Plan'	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner's Report.
Policy BE05- Netherhouse Ward Character Area	Para 7.35	At the beginning of the policy add: 'As appropriate to the nature, scale and location of the proposed development'  In the third criterion replace 'NHM' with 'Netherhouse Ward'  Replace the final criterion with: 'Complies with the parking requirements included in Policy TM01 of this Plan'	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner's Report.
Policy BE06 – Prevention of Flooding	Para 7.40	Replace the policy with:  'Development will be supported where it avoids increasing the risk of flooding from any source and will be safe from flooding for the lifetime of the development. Development should take account of the vulnerability to flooding of its users, should not increase flood risk elsewhere (e.g. downstream) and, where possible, should reduce the flood risk overall. As appropriate to their scale, nature and location development proposals should be designed in accordance with the following principles:	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner's Report.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• development in locations, in particular greenfield sites, shown to be at risk of flooding from any source will be considered in accordance with the HDC Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA) sequential test;</li> <li>• development that increases the risk of flooding from any source, either on- or off-site, should be associated with adequate mitigation;</li> <li>• development in locations immediately adjacent to a river or canal should provide a buffer from development in line with the Hart SFRA and Hart Green Infrastructure Strategy;</li> <li>• the incorporation of Sustainable Drainage Systems will be supported where they adhere to the principles in this policy and will only discharge surface water either at, or less than, greenfield runoff rates (where technically viable), will leave green corridors along watercourses and/or will reduce flood risk; and</li> <li>• developments should, where practicable, incorporate sustainable drainage design features to manage the risk of surface water flooding within their boundary and elsewhere in the parish. Source control measures should, wherever practicable, be natural in their character, design and appearance'</li> </ul> <p><i>Replace the Rationale and Evidence Base with the following :-</i></p> <p><i>Within Crookham Village Parish, most significant flooding issues are concentrated in small, discrete areas with the rest of the parish at relatively low risk of flooding. The areas most at risk of flooding lie along the lower reaches of Crondall Road from Brook House down to the land along Zephon Common Lane and Watery Lane.</i></p>	

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		<p><i>These areas represent the lowest lying land within the parish and accept runoff from the surrounding higher areas both within the parish from Cross Farm and outside the parish from the higher land at Beacon Hill, which runs down through Ewshot Marsh, across Redfields Lane into the parish via Zebon Copse estate and then alongside the aptly named Watery Lane. The Street in Crookham Village also suffers from periodic surface water flooding from the runoff from the higher ground at Cross Farm. These represent the areas where the effects of flooding are likely to be most marked on the receiving environment. For example, old, listed properties such as Brook House on Crondall Road and West View and Grove Cottages on The Street have no foundations nor damp courses and are therefore particularly susceptible to increases in groundwater levels, runoff and floods. Prior to the building of the Zebon Copse estate, Velmead Farm was very marshy in character and acted as a sink for the runoff water from the higher land towards Ewshot and Beacon Hill. This meant that when the Zebon Copse development was planned in the late 1980's, the developer, Martin Grant, built a Sustainable Drainage System (SuDS) consisting of three large balancing ponds supplemented by several smaller drainage areas and a network of new and pre-existing drainage ditches that traversed the entire development. Unfortunately, experience has shown that this early SuDS proved inadequate to deal with the volume of water running off the surrounding high land and has had to be enhanced.</i></p> <p><i>Between 2000 and 2016, the Zebon Copse development experienced four major flooding events with numerous minor incidents. The first major flooding event took place in November 2006 following an extended period of heavy rain and was followed by further significant flooding events in January and February 2007 and again in July 2007. Following this flooding, the SuDS on the estate were enhanced by raising the height of the bank on the main balancing pond on Brandon Road but this still proved insufficient to prevent further flooding on 4 January 2014 after which</i></p>	

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		<p><i>the bank was further extended and, apart from one instance when the outlet from the pond was partially blocked by a discarded plastic container, no further overflows have been reported. On each occasion, the flooding was not limited to the Zebon Copse development and significant levels of flooding also occurred in Crookham Village, reaching as far as the parish boundary with Dogmersfield. Particular impacts were felt at the western edge of the parish; on the southern side of The Street and along Crondall Road, Stroud Lane and Zephon Common Lane, with subsequent downstream impact to the Dogmersfield conservation area. There is also documentation of extensive flooding on Hitches Lane towards Fleet.</i></p> <p><i>The Parish wishes to take a proactive approach to mitigating and adapting to climate change. Most of the flooding events described in this section have been described as one in a hundred-year events, despite taking place far more regularly than that. Due to climate change, it is anticipated that such events will continue to occur on a regular basis with long-term implications for flood risk, biodiversity and landscapes. The parish wishes to implement a flooding policy to support appropriate measures to ensure the future resilience of each of its three community areas and implement appropriate infrastructure to help ameliorate the impact of climate change. This policy for flood prevention will also provide an opportunity to avoid increasing the exposure of both new and existing development to the risk of flooding and will also protect blue/green infrastructure<sup>4</sup> for wildlife and amenity purposes. With regard to surface water drainage, the Parish regards it as being the responsibility of the developer of any future developments within the Parish to make proper provision for drainage to ground, watercourses or surface water sewers.</i></p> <p><i>Footnote: 4 Blue/green infrastructure is defined as the set of ecological services for water quality, flood management, conservation of biodiversity and adaptation to climate change that work by controlling runoff, preventing soil erosion, and</i></p>	

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		<p><i>recharging aquifers. Natural infrastructure (unsurfaced areas and water bodies) and designed elements (such as SUDS) can help developments avoid flooding and other environmental impacts and support healthy ecosystems.</i></p> <p><b>Evidence</b>  <i>Supporting evidence for this policy can be found in:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>NPPF core planning principles and requirements in Part 14 on meeting the challenge of climate change and flooding  (<a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/779764/NPPF_Feb_2019_web.pdf">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/779764/NPPF_Feb_2019_web.pdf</a>);</i></li> <li>• <i>In particular, according to NPPF paragraph 158: ‘The aim of the sequential test is to steer new development to areas with the lowest risk of flooding. Development should not be allocated or permitted if there are reasonably available sites appropriate for the proposed development in areas with a lower risk of flooding. The strategic flood risk assessment will provide the basis for applying this test. The sequential approach should be used in areas known to be at risk now or in the future from any form of flooding.’</i></li> <li>• <i>Hart District Council Local Plan 2016 – 2032 Submission Version policies: NBE6;</i></li> <li>• <i>Hart District Council Strategic Flood Risk Assessment July 2016  (<a href="https://www.hart.gov.uk/sites/default/files/4_The_Council/Policies_and_published_documents/Planning_policy/SFRA%2012th%20December%20FINAL.pdf">https://www.hart.gov.uk/sites/default/files/4_The_Council/Policies_and_published_documents/Planning_policy/SFRA%2012th%20December%20FINAL.pdf</a>);</i></li> <li>• <i>In particular, according to Hart's SFRA 2016: table 17.1 key policy recommendations. Recommendation 7: It is recommended that an 8m buffer is left alongside main rivers and 5m buffer along ordinary watercourses.</i></li> </ul>	

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		<p><i>Hart's SFRA 2016 section 9.5 Planning Considerations (page 64): 'Although the residual risk of a canal embankment breach is low, the consequence on the local area immediately adjacent to the canal, should a breach occur, could be significant. For this reason, the site allocations should consider the risk of canal breach. Development adjacent to the canal embankments should be supported by a breach analysis and appropriate mitigation.'</i></p> <p><i>According to Hart's Green Infrastructure Strategy 2017:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>• Page 17: There are opportunities to create green corridors along roads, the railway line, rivers, the canal, footpaths, and also to enhance ecological connectivity through hedgerows</i></li> </ul> <p><i>Page 22:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>• Access to the rivers and canal for recreation should be promoted;</i></li> <li><i>• The Whitewater and Hart river valleys should also be protected from development, and managed to promote natural flood alleviation.</i></li> <li><i>• Where possible, a green buffer should be retained either side of the Basingstoke Canal and watercourses; an 8-metre buffer for main rivers and 5 metres for other watercourses respectively.</i></li> </ul> <p><i>Page 29</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>• The Hart and Basingstoke Canal and Whitewater Valley are valuable resources but are fragmented in some locations. There are opportunities to increase connectivity enhancing the recreational value of these river corridors.</i></li> </ul> <p><i>Page 30</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>• Regular flooding in a number of locations, including parts of all the main settlements highlights the need for more functional GI features in river catchments, and reinstatement of natural river flood plains where feasible.</i></li> </ul> <p><i>Priorities:</i></p>	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Strategic Green Corridors of SANGs - Can deliver biodiversity, access and flood management – use river corridors as basis for these.</i></li> <li>• <i>Secure appropriate investment to respond to SFRA- protect up stream flood plains</i></li> <li>• <i>Zebon Copse Residents Association Flooding Reports:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o <i>April 2007</i></li> <li>o <i>July 2007</i></li> <li>o <i>January 2014</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>FACE IT Press Release 022 dated January 2014;</i></li> <li>• <i>Personal statement made to land at Watery Lane (14/00504/MAJOR) planning appeal by Annette Blackwell re flooding at Zephon Common Lane Appeal document ID23;</i></li> <li>• <i>Photographs of flooding along footpath 1 towards The Street.</i></li> </ul>	
Policy BE07 – Development of Footpath and Cycleway Networks	Para 7.42	Replace 'where effective...made' with 'which incorporate effective measures'	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner's Report.
<b>Protection of Historic and Community Assets</b>			
Policy PA01 – Crookham Village Conservation Area	Para 7.50	<p>At the beginning of the policy add: 'As appropriate to the nature, scale and location of the proposed development'</p> <p>In the opening part of the policy replace 'statutory, local and neighbourhood plan' with 'development plan'</p> <p>Throughout the policy replace 'shall' with 'should'</p>	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner's Report.

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		<p>Replace the third principle with: 'Development should respect the linear nature of pattern of development in the Conservation Area, following adherence to recognised good examples of traditional building forms and the prevailing grain of development within the area. Where appropriate it should reflect the mix of single and two storey traditional buildings in order to introduce interest and variety into the development in order to reinforce the character and distinctiveness of an area'</p> <p>Replace the sixth principle with: 'Development shall respect the significance of heritage assets in the Conservation Area street scene. Particular consideration shall be given to retaining the contribution of buildings and sites to the significance of the conservation area where they frame, punctuate or terminate views though, out and into the village'</p> <p>In the seventh principle replace 'distinct setting that' with 'positive contribution that'. Between 'the' and 'Conservation Area' add 'setting of the'</p> <p>In the penultimate principle delete 'together with.... street scene'</p> <p>Delete the final principle.</p>	
Policy PA02 – Basingstoke Canal Conservation Area	Para 7.58	<p>At the beginning of the policy add: 'As appropriate to the nature, scale and location of the proposed development'</p> <p>In the opening part of the policy replace 'statutory, local and neighbourhood plan' with 'development plan'</p>	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner's Report.

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		<p>Throughout the policy replace 'shall' with 'should'</p> <p>Incorporate the fifth, sixth and seventh bullet points as detailed elements of the overarching fourth bullet point rather than as free-standing principles</p> <p>Delete the final principle.</p>	
Policy PA03 – Dogmersfield Conservation Area	Para 7.64	<p>At the beginning of the policy add: 'As appropriate to the nature, scale and location of the proposed development'</p> <p>In the opening part of the policy insert:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 'the element of' between 'within' and 'the'</li> <li>• 'that lies within the Crookham Village neighbourhood area' between 'Area' and 'and'</li> </ul> <p>In the opening part of the policy replace 'statutory, local and neighbourhood plan' with 'development plan'</p> <p>Throughout the policy replace 'shall' with 'should'</p> <p>Replace the first principle with the following two principles:</p> <p>'Development proposals will be supported where their design reflects:</p>	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner's Report.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the distinct village character and respond to and reinforce the pattern of development in the Dogmersfield Conservation Area;</li> <li>• the character, appearance and architectural detail of existing buildings and the character and/or appearance of the streetscape in respect of the use of construction materials and finishes for buildings or extensions; and</li> <li>• as appropriate to their locations these finishes should include timber framed structures, local red brick, clay plain roof tiles, natural wood lap above render, and the use of wood or visually similar natural materials for fittings.</li> </ul> <p>New buildings should be of a density, scale, size, colour, style and proportions to complement the character of the Dogmersfield Conservation Area'</p> <p><i>At the beginning of the Rationale add: 'This policy addresses that part of the Dogmersfield Conservation Area that is within the Crookham Village neighbourhood area. The substantive part of the conservation area is within Dogmersfield Parish to the west. The policy has been designed so that it is consistent with Policy DNP2 of the made Dogmersfield Neighbourhood Plan. This will ensure that the District Council will be able to determine development proposals throughout the conservation area in a clear and consistent fashion'</i></p>	
Policy PA04 – Protection of Historic Assets	Para 7.67	<p>Replace the first paragraph with:          'Insofar as planning permission is required restoration and conservation proposals that would conserve or where practicable enhance the historic environment in the neighbourhood area will be supported'</p>	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner's Report.

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		<p>Replace the second sentence of the third part of the policy with:            'Within conservation areas development proposals which respect the built form and linear nature of their built environment will be supported. Where it is practicable to so development proposals should not involve the net loss of native trees and hedges'</p> <p>At the end of the third paragraph of the policy replace 'encouraged' with 'supported'</p>	
Policy PA05 – Protection of Assets of Community Value	Para 7.70	<p>In the first part of the policy replace 'be resisted' with 'not be supported'</p> <p>In the second part of the policy replace 'affecting' with 'which would affect the integrity or the use of an'</p> <p>Delete the third part of the policy</p> <p><i>At the end of the first paragraph in the Rationale add: 'The policy will apply to any additional Assets of Community Value which may be designated within the Plan period.'</i></p>	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner's Report.
<b>Landscape and Natural Environment Policies</b>			
Policy NE01 – Preserving the Gaps between Settlements	Para 7.105	<p>Dogmersfield Gap – Pilcot Farm Area</p> <p><i>Delete the proposed Local Gap from Figure 18.</i></p> <p>At the beginning of the policy insert:            'The Plan designates the following Local Gaps as shown on Figure 18:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Crookham Village Gap – Grove Farm Area; and</li> </ul>	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner's Report.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Crookham Village Gap – Cross Farm, Peatmoor Copse and the River Hart floodplain Area'</li> </ul> <p>Replace 'Development in the Gaps between Settlements' with 'Proposed development in the identified Local Gaps'</p> <p>Replace 'will only be permitted' with 'will be supported'</p> <p><i>At the beginning of the Rationale add: 'This policy reflects the sensitivity of the geographic location of Crookham Village and its surrounding settlements. The two identified Local Gaps are located in the countryside and are outside the settlement boundary of Crookham Village itself. In this context this policy has been designed to add distinctive value to the general approach towards the countryside in Policy SB01 of this Plan'</i></p> <p><i>After the first paragraph in the submitted Plan add: The two identified local gaps are Crookham Village Gap – Grove Farm Area and Crookham Village Gap – Cross Farm, Peatmoor Copse and the River Hart floodplain Area. They are shown on Figure 18'</i></p> <p><i>In the second paragraph of the submitted Plan delete the final sentence.</i></p> <p><i>In the third paragraph of the submitted Plan (first sentence) replace 'The gap' with 'The Local Gaps' and 'is' with 'are'</i></p> <p><i>In the third paragraph of the submitted Plan delete the second and third sentences.</i></p>	

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		<p><i>In the third paragraph of the submitted Plan (fourth sentence) replace 'This is set' with 'The policy approach'</i></p> <p><i>In the third paragraph of the submitted Plan (fifth sentence) delete 'Although this...designation' and replace 'the identified...settlements is' with 'The identified Local Gaps are' and 'its' with 'their'</i></p> <p><i>Replace the final paragraph of the Rationale with: 'The policy approach seeks to ensure that any development which may be proposed within the Local Gaps in the context of the approach in Policy SB01 of this Plan would be determined on an assessment of the extent to which it would, either individually or cumulatively, lead to the physical or the visual coalescence of the settlements concerned. Plainly such decisions will be a matter of judgement for Hart District Council on a case-by case basis and in the context of policies in this Plan and Policy NBE2 Landscape of the Local Plan'</i></p> <p><i>In the Evidence section insert an additional bullet point to read '<a href="#">Supporting Paper for Policy NE01 of the Neighbourhood Plan (Amended Version - 17/10/2019)</a>'</i></p>	
Policy NE02 – Preserving Key Views	Para 7.111	<p>Replace the policy with:</p> <p>'The Plan identifies a series of key views in Table 1 and as shown on Figure 19.</p> <p>Development proposals should respect the identified key views and should be designed so that their layout, scale, massing and height does not have an unacceptable impact on the characteristics of any affected key view concerned. Development proposals which would have an unacceptable impact on the character of an identified key view will not be supported'</p>	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner's Report.

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		<p><i>Delete proposed views 10, 11 and 15 from Figure 19 and from Table 1 (page 83).</i></p> <p><i>In the first paragraph of the Rationale delete the fourth, fifth and sixth sentences and replace with: 'The various views are principally shown on Figure 19. They are also shown on Figures 13-16 to add value to the other information shown on those figures'</i></p> <p><i>At the end of the Rationale add: 'Policy NE02 provides a context within which new development should take account of the significance of the various identified viewpoints. It seeks to ensure that through careful design, massing and the orientation of buildings that new development can be incorporated within the neighbourhood area whilst respecting the identified views'</i></p>	
Policy NE03- Local Green Spaces	Para 7.114	<p><i>In the final part of the policy delete 'for example....in any other place'</i></p> <p><i>At the end of the second paragraph of the Rationale add: 'Policy NE03 provides appropriate protection for the three identified green spaces. The policy approach follows the matter-of-fact approach in the NPPF. The District Council will be able to take an informed decision on a case-by-case basis if any development is proposed within any of the three proposed green spaces. Very special circumstances may reflect the scale and nature of the three sites concerned. However, they may include the provision of essential infrastructure where it cannot be provided elsewhere'</i></p>	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner's Report.
Policy NE04 – Protected Open Space	Para 7.118	<p><i>In the second paragraph replace 'permitted' with 'supported'</i></p> <p><i>In the first bullet point delete 'e.g. play equipment'</i></p>	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the

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		In the final paragraph delete 'they shall not.... development'	Examiner's Report.
Policy NE05 – Protecting Biodiversity	Para 7.121	<p>Replace the third element of the policy with:  'Development proposals should take account of the following Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation (as shown in Figure 28): [List the twelve sites]</p> <p>Proposals which would have an unacceptable impact on the integrity and biodiversity of any of the sites listed above will not be supported'</p>	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner's Report.
Traffic and Movement Policies			
Policy TM01 – Parking Standards	Para 7.126	<p>In the first criterion replace 'new developments' with 'they' and 'through the provision.... associated property' with 'through their design and layout in general, and through the provision of electric vehicle charging points appropriate to the layout of the development in particular'</p> <p>In the second criterion replace 'must make.... sale or rent' with 'should provide appropriate parking provision, in terms of amount, design and layout, in accordance with the Hart District Council's published parking standards at that time'</p> <p>In the third criterion replace 'are still' with 'continue to be'</p> <p>In the fourth criterion replace 'which require.... commercial properties' with 'should provide appropriate parking provision, in terms of amount, design and layout, in accordance with the Hart District Council's published parking standards'</p> <p><i>In the Rationale delete the first three paragraphs.</i></p>	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner's Report.

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		<p><i>At the beginning of the fourth paragraph add: 'The neighbourhood area has a range of housing types. Some larger houses have sufficient capacity to park the vehicles used by their household within their curtilages. Older properties in the village centre were not designed to accommodate current car parking requirements. The more modern developments at Zebon Copse and Netherhouse Moor present a specific set of car parking issues'</i></p> <p><i>In the fourth paragraph replace the penultimate and the final sentences with: 'Policy TM01 requires that any new developments comply with the District Council's published standards. The current published standards are interim in nature (August 2008). The District Council will be preparing a Supplementary Planning Document on this matter. Once it is adopted its parking standards will then be applied in the neighbourhood area. Whilst this approach will not resolve the existing parking issues in the neighbourhood area it should ensure that they do not become more intense. The first criterion of the policy also offers support to sustainable transport initiatives. This approach consolidates the approach included in Policy I3 of the adopted Local Plan and wider initiatives being pursued by the County Council'</i></p>	
Aspiration TM02 – Reducing Congestion	Para 7.128	<p><i>Replace the Aspiration to read:</i></p> <p><i>'The local community will work with relevant organisations to secure:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>• enhanced community transport;</i></li> <li><i>• safe cycle and pedestrian facilities; and</i></li> <li><i>• measures to enhance road safety and to reduce congestion'</i></li> </ul>	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner's Report.
Other Matters			

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General	Para 7.130	<i>Modification of general text (where necessary) to achieve consistency with the modified policies.</i>	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner's Report.
General	Para 7.132	<p><i>Replace the Rationale on pages 13 to 15 of the Plan with:</i></p> <p><i>'This Plan was prepared as the Hart Local Plan (Strategy and Sites) 2032 was being examined. That Plan was adopted in March 2020. The adopted Local Plan acknowledges the committed sites in the neighbourhood area. In this context this neighbourhood plan does not identify additional development sites nor does it contemplate specific development proposals. Its focus is on a series of local and environmental matters which are of importance to the local community'</i></p> <p><i>In Section 3 – Policies replace the second, third and fourth paragraphs with:</i></p> <p><i>'In March 2020 Hart District Council adopted the Hart Local Plan (Strategy and Sites) 2032. The policies in this neighbourhood plan are in accordance with the strategic vision, priorities and policies of this local plan. The examination of the neighbourhood plan used the Local Plan 2032 as the development plan for the basis of assessing the neighbourhood plan against the basic conditions'</i></p>	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner's Report.
<b>Detailed Matters</b>			
	Para 7.133	<p><i>Whole document – delete any residual references to the NPPF 2012.</i></p> <p><i>Section 1 Page 9- replace '154' with '16' and in the brackets replace '(NPPF)' with '(2019 NPPF)'</i></p>	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the

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		<p><i>Figure 2 Page 11 – replace 'Existing Settlement Boundaries' with those shown (as proposed) in the Definitive Maps Supplement</i></p> <p><i>Figure 4 Page 19 – show the SSSIs and SINCs on the figure. If necessary, produce the Figure to an appropriate scale to allow these designations to be shown with the clarity required for a development plan document.</i></p> <p><i>Objectives Page 23 – update the three footnotes so that they correspond with the relevant elements of the 2019 NPPF (and to include the relevant paragraph numbers).</i></p>	Examiner's Report.
Maps	Para 7.135	<i>Incorporate the Definitive Maps into the main body of the Plan.</i>	Agree with the modifications for the reasons set out in the Examiner's Report.

Extract of the [Minutes](#) of the meeting 2 July 2020 as applicable to Crookham Village Parish Neighbourhood Plan :

## **6 CROOKHAM VILLAGE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN: EXAMINER'S REPORT AND DECISION TO PROCEED TO REFERENDUM**

To seek agreement for the Crookham Village Parish Neighbourhood Plan to proceed to referendum at the next available opportunity. This would mean the Plan attracts 'significant weight' for decision-making purposes, despite Neighbourhood Plan referenda being postponed until May 2021.

Appendix 1 – Examiners Report

Appendix 2 – Decision Statement

Julia Ambler the Vice-Chairman of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group for Crookham Village Parish Council, spoke briefly in support of the Crookham Village Neighbourhood Plan. She commended the plan to Cabinet for approval and confirms that all queries raised by both the Inspector and Hart District Council had been dealt with in an equitable manner. She also thanked all the members of the Steering Group for their invaluable help in preparing the plan on behalf of Crookham Village Parish Council, in particular Peter Kenaghan, Kerry ten Kate and David Jackson. DECISION Members supported the recommendation to proceed action to a referendum on 6 May 2021. This was approved.

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