Glentworth Neighbourhood Plan 2018-2036

Basic Conditions Statement



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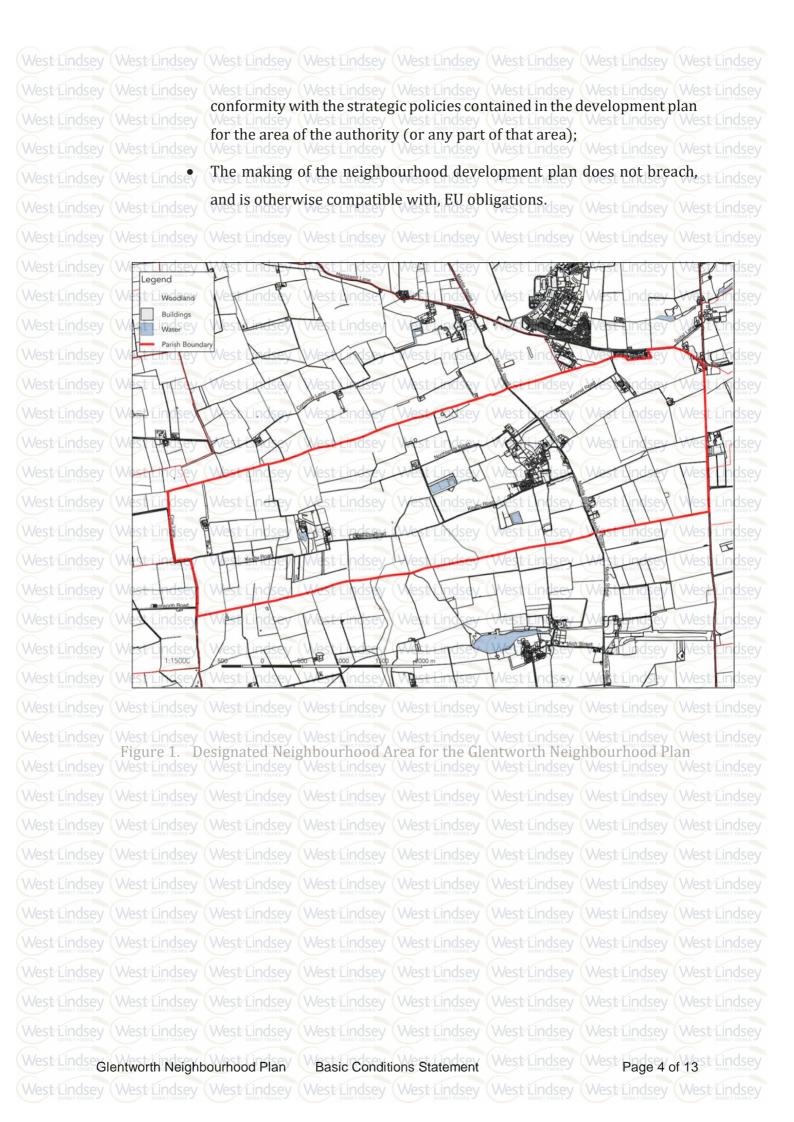
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1. Introduction

- 1.1. This Basic Conditions Statement has been prepared in support of the Glentworth Neighbourhood Plan. It demonstrates how the Plan meets the statutory requirements set out within the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011), the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, and the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012.
- 1.2. The Plan has been produced by the Glentworth Neighbourhood Plan Working Group on behalf of the Glentworth Parish Council, a qualifying body as defined by the Localism Act 2011, and refers solely to the area within the Parish boundary (Figure 1). The Glentworth Neighbourhood Plan covers a Plan Period of 18 years, between 2018 and 2036.
- 1.3. The Plan was presented for Regulation 14 consultation from 9 February 2018 until 23rd March 2018
- 1.4. The Glentworth Neighbourhood Plan refers only to planning matters (use and development of land) and does not deal with county matters (mineral extraction and waste development), nationally significant infrastructure or any other matter set out in Section 61K of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
- 1.5. This statement addresses each of the four "basic conditions" required by the Regulations and explains how the Glentworth Neighbourhood Plan meets the requirements of paragraph 8 of Schedule 4B of the Town & Country Planning Act. The Regulations state that a Neighbourhood Plan will be considered to have met the basic conditions if:
 - Having regard to national policies and advice contained in guidance issued by the Secretary of State, it is appropriate to make the neighbourhood development plan;
 - The making of the neighbourhood development plan contributes to the achievement of sustainable development;
 - The making of the neighbourhood development plan is in general



2. Conformity with the Basic Conditions

- 2.1. As part of the Basic Conditions Statement, an Assessment of Compliance has been prepared, testing all policies within the Glentworth Neighbourhood Plan against the principles of sustainable development, NPPF regulation, and the policies Central Lincolnshire Local Plan (Adopted April 2017). The result of the Assessment of Compliance has been summarized in the tables below.
- 2.2. The definition of sustainable development employed in the Assessment of Compliance has been derived from the NPPF's definition (*NPPF, paragraph 7*):

"There are three dimensions to sustainable development: economic, social and environmental. These dimensions give rise to the need for the planning system to perform a number of roles:

An economic role - contributing to building a strong, responsive and competitive economy, by ensuring that sufficient land of the right type is available in the right places and at the right time to support growth and innovation; and by identifying and coordinating development requirements, including the provision of infrastructure;

A social role - supporting strong, vibrant and healthy communities, by providing the supply of housing required to meet the needs of present and future generations; and by creating a high quality built environment, with accessible local services that reflect the community's needs and support its health, social and cultural well-being; and

An environmental role - contributing to protecting and enhancing our natural, built and historic environment; and, as part of this, helping to improve biodiversity, use natural resources prudently, minimise waste and pollution, and mitigate and adapt to climate change including moving to a low carbon economy."

2.3. The Glentworth Neighbourhood Plan has been prepared having regard to

national policies as set out in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) of April 2012. It is also taken account of the National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG) published by the Government in April 2014 in respect of formulating neighbourhood plans.

Paragraph 16 of the NPPF - Application of Presumption in Favour of Sustainable Development: the Glentworth Neighbourhood Plan contains policies which support the development needs of the Local Plan including housing and employment.

- 2.4. Paragraph 183 of the NPPF Develop a Shared Vision: the community of Glentworth has been actively engaged in developing a shared vision for the future of the Parish.
- 2.5. Paragraph 184 of the NPPF General conformity with the strategic policies of the Local Plan: during the production of the Glentworth Neighbourhood Plan the Steering Group has consulted with the local planning authority in order to ensure that the Plan is in general conformity with the saved policy of the ELLP and in particular the strategic policies of the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan (Adopted April 2017).

Conformity with the National Planning Policy Framework

NP Policy	NPPF Paragraph	How Conformity is Achieved		
Policy 1: Views	¶ 109, 116, 156	The policy protects important natural and historic landscapes and scenic beauty through the protection of specific views over the countryside and the built up form of the village		
Policy 2: Local Green Space	¶ 76, 77, 78, 109, 117	This policy designates Local Green Space following the provisions set in paragraph 76, 77, and 78 of the NPPF, in order to protect valued landscape, local ecological corridor and biodiversity sites, recreation facilities, and green infrastructures.		
Policy 3: Design and Character of Development	¶ 17, 39, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 99, 126 - 129, 137, 159, 170	This Policy ensures that new developments in the Parish disclose high quality and appropriate design that promotes and reinforces local distinctiveness, discloses appropriate architectural features and landscaping solutions, and conserves heritage assets. The Policy set the general principles without setting unnecessary prescriptions nor stifle innovation and originality. The policy includes considerations for the increased vulnerability to climate change event such as flooding in the design of new development in the area. Design should consider the impact of climate change and flooding, incorporating SUDs where necessary. The Neighbourhood Plan considered the element of paragraph 39 when making provision for parking requirements contained in the Policy. The Policy specifically address the housing need of older people and people with disabilities, as per paragraph 156. The Neighbourhood Plan lead to the development of a Neighbourhood Character Profile, a type of document recommended in paragraph 170		
Policy 4: Community Facilities	¶ 28, 70	This policy supports the retention and development of local services and community facilities, and support the deliver of social, recreational and cultural facilities and services in the community.		

NP Policy	NPPF Paragraph	How Conformity is Achieved	
Policy 5: Green Infrastructure	¶ 69, 75, 109, 114	The Policy aims to protect existing footpaths and pedestrian routes with public right of way and access, while at the same time protecting important landscape areas, networks of biodiversity and recreational facilities	
Policy 6. Broadband Connection		The policy aims to promote the diffusion of high-speed broadband technologies expansion of electronic communication network	

Figure 2. Neighbourhood Plan conformity with NPFF provisions.

Conformity with the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan (Adopted April 2017).

NP Policy	CLLP Policies	How Conformity is Achieved		
Policy 1: Views	LP17, LP25, LP26	This Policy aims to protect key local views, and hence maintain and enhance the character of the Village, in line with Policy LP17. Moreover, as some of the identified views are from and toward heritage assets, by protecting them the policy is in line with Policy LP25 and LP26		
Policy 2: Local Green Space	LP20, LP21, LP23, LP24	The Local Green Space Policy identifies open space that should be protected for their role in promoting community and environmental wellbeing due to their biodiversity, historic, landscape, recreation and tranquillity value. In doing so, the Policy gives a local dimension to typologies of sites mentioned in CLLP policies such as LP20 on Green Infrastructure, LP21 on biodiversity sites, LP24 open spaces. The Policy is in line with the provision of Policy LP23 regarding Local Green Spaces in line with the NPPF.		
Policy 3: Design and Character of Development	LP10, LP13, LP14, LP17, LP25, LP26	This Policy aims to protect the existing character of the Village, peculiar townscape and views, existing green features, positive visual impact of traditional walls and roofs, etc., in line with Policy LP17. In such a way, the Policy aims to protect the existing historic environment in Glentworth by setting locally distinctive Design Principles, in line with Policies LP25 and LP26. This Policy requires consideration of Sustainable Urban Drainage solutions in new developments when required, as mentioned in Policy LP14. This Policy requires consideration of the need of less mobile occupants, as specified in Policy LP10, and parking need as specified in Policy LP13		
Policy 4: Community Facilities	LP15,LP24	The Policy define locally important community facilities and gives a local dimension to the principle and provision of Policy LP15. The Policy identify a number of community facilities that could be defined as Open Space, sports and recreational facilities under LP24, and give consideration to the provision and requirement of such policy as well.		

NP Policy	CLLP Policies	How Conformity is Achieved		
Policy 5: Green Infrastructure	LP13, LP20, LP24	The Policy protects existing walking and cycling infrastructures and promotes schemes that would enhance the existing network of public rights of way. The Policy supports the creation of additional green infrastructures (such as green corridors, green linkages, etc.) and public open spaces, being in line with Policies LP20 and LP24.		
Policy 6. Broadband Connection		The Policy promotes the development of communication infrastructure, such as broadband, and it is thus in lien with Policy LP12		

Figure 3. Neighbourhood Plan conformity with the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan (Adopted April 2017).

Conformity with the definition of Sustainable Development

NP Policy	Economic Factors	Social Factor	Environmental Factor	How Conformity is Achieved
Policy 1: Views	0	✓	✓	Protection of important views contributes to maintain and enhance the character of the village, and hence promote sense of place and community cohesion. Moreover, protection of important views over the countryside, natural features, and historic sites helps enhancing and protecting the historic and natural environment of the Parish. The Working Group, following consultation with the residents, selected the most important views whose protection will benefit the social and environmental wellbeing of the Parish
Policy 2: Local Green Space	0	✓	✓	The Local Green Space designation aims to protect sites important for their environment value as ecosystems and biodiversity sites, or for their community value as sites used for recreation, tranquil contemplation, and for their value as historical or beautiful sites. The Working Group, following consultation with the residents, selected the most important sites whose protection will benefit the social and environmental wellbeing of the Parish
Policy 3: Design and Character of Development	✓	✓	✓	This policy ensures future development is located and designed sustainably and in a way that respect the existing character of the settlement. In doing so, it supports social and cultural wellbeing of the community through high quality design, while ensuring housing need are met. The policy protects and enhance the historic and natural environment in the Parish, protecting designated and non-designated buildings, exisiting mature tree and green features, and traditional features of the built environment.

NP Policy	Economic Factors	Social Factor	Environmental Factor	How Conformity is Achieved
Policy 4: Community Facilities	0	✓	✓	Protection of existing and promotion of new community facilities has a positive effect on the social and historic environment strands of sustainability. The social benefit of community facilities derives from their capacity to meet local residents needs and thus promote a cohesive community; moreover, St. Michael Church community facility is an historic site that contribute to the enhancement of the Parish built and historic environment.
Policy 5: Green Infrastructure	0	√	✓	The protection of existing green infrastructures and public green spaces will be positive in term of protecting the natural environment, improve biodiversity, and will have social beneficial effects in term of promoting healthy lifestyles and recreational opportunities
Policy 6. Broadband Connection	√	✓	0	The promotion of high-speed broadband connection will promote working from home, enhancing the number of people working within the Parish. Moreover, it will improve access to information and internet services for the whole community

Figure 4. Neighbourhood Plan conformity with the definition of Sustainable Development

Compatibility with EU Obligations and Legislation

- 2.6. The Glentworth Neighbourhood Plan has regard to the fundamental rights and freedoms guaranteed under the European Convention on Human Rights and complies with the Human Rights Act.
- 2.7. A screening opinion was issued by WLDC and concluded a full SEA did not need to be undertaken. Such opinion is contained in the WLDC Sustainability Appraisal Screening Report. A copy is included as an Attachment to the Plan.
- 2.8. The Neighbourhood Area does not contain any European designated nature sites, and although it is in close proximity to a Site of Special Scientific Interest, ELDC concluded that the Plan does not require a Habitat Regulation Assessment under the EU Habitats Regulations.

3. Conclusion

3.1. The Basic Conditions as set out in Schedule 4B to the Town and County Planning Act 1990 are considered to be met by the Glentworth Neighbourhood Plan and all the policies contained within it.