

5 PLANNING POLICY CONTEXT

5.1 INTRODUCTION

- 5.1.1 This chapter considers the planning policy background against which the development proposal will be considered.

5.2 PLANNING POLICY BACKGROUND

National Planning Policy

- 5.2.1 The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) is a material consideration in planning decisions. Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) is a live, online document that provides further guidance in relation to certain issues raised in the NPPF.

Development Plan Policy Framework

- 5.2.2 The relevant development plan policy framework comprises of the recently adopted Barnsley Local Plan (2019) and the Barnsley, Doncaster and Rotherham Joint Waste Plan (adopted March 2012).
- 5.2.3 The housing requirement is for at least 21,546 net additional homes during the period 2014 to 2033, which equates to 1,134 dwellings per annum. The plan identifies Royston as a Principal Town, a second tier settlement within the settlement hierarchy. The Local Plan identifies a requirement for 1,302 homes in Royston in the plan period and accepts that some sites will come forward as windfall sites.
- 5.2.4 The principal policy relating to this development is Policy H5, which allows for residential development on large unallocated sites that are:
- *On previously or part previously developed land;*
 - *Are located within Urban Barnsley, Principal Towns and Villages;*
 - *Are accessible by public transport; and*
 - *Have good access to a range of shops and services.*
- 5.2.5 The relevant policies from the Local Plan are listed below:
- ***Policy SD1 Presumption in Favour of Sustainable Development***
 - ***Policy GD1 General Development***
 - ***Policy LG2 The Location of Growth***
 - ***Policy E4 Protecting Existing Employment Land***
 - ***Policy H1 The Number of New Homes to be Built***
 - ***Policy H2 The Distribution of New Homes***
 - ***Policy H5 Residential Development on Large Non-allocated Sites***
 - ***Policy H6 Housing Mix and Efficient Use of Land***
 - ***Policy H7 Affordable Housing***
 - ***Policy T3 New Development and Sustainable Travel***
 - ***Policy T4 New Development and Transport Safety***

- ***Policy D1 High Quality Design and Place Making***
- ***Policy LC1 Landscape Character***
- ***Policy GS1 Green Spaces***
- ***Policy GS2 Green Ways and Public Rights of Way***
- ***Policy BIO1 Biodiversity and Geodiversity***
- ***Policy GB1 Protecting Green Belt Land***
- ***Policy CC1 Climate Change***
- ***Policy CC2 Sustainable Design and Construction***
- ***Policy CC3 Flood Risk***
- ***Policy CC4 Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS)***
- ***Policy RE1 Low Carbon and Renewable Energy***
- ***Policy CL1 Contaminated and Unstable Land***
- ***Policy POLL1 Pollution Control and Protection***
- ***Policy I1 Infrastructure and Planning Obligations***

Supplementary Planning Documents

5.2.6 The following SPDs are a material consideration in determining the planning application:

- ***Affordable Housing SPD (adopted May 2019)***
- ***Biodiversity and Geodiversity SPD (adopted May 2019)***
- ***Design of Housing Development SPD (adopted May 2019)***
- ***Financial Contributions to Schools SPD (adopted May 2019)***
- ***Open Space Provision on New Housing Developments SPD (adopted May 2019)***
- ***Parking SPD (adopted March 2012)***
- ***Residential Amenity and the Siting of Buildings SPD (adopted May 2019)***
- ***Trees and Hedgerows SPD (adopted May 2019)***

Other Guidance and Documents

5.2.7 Other guidance and documents considered relevant given the context of the site and the proposed development are:

- ***South Yorkshire Residential Design Guide (January 2011)***
- ***Barnsley Borough Landscape Character Assessment (May 2002 and updated 2016)***