



Rutland
County Council

Parish Council Forum Local Plan

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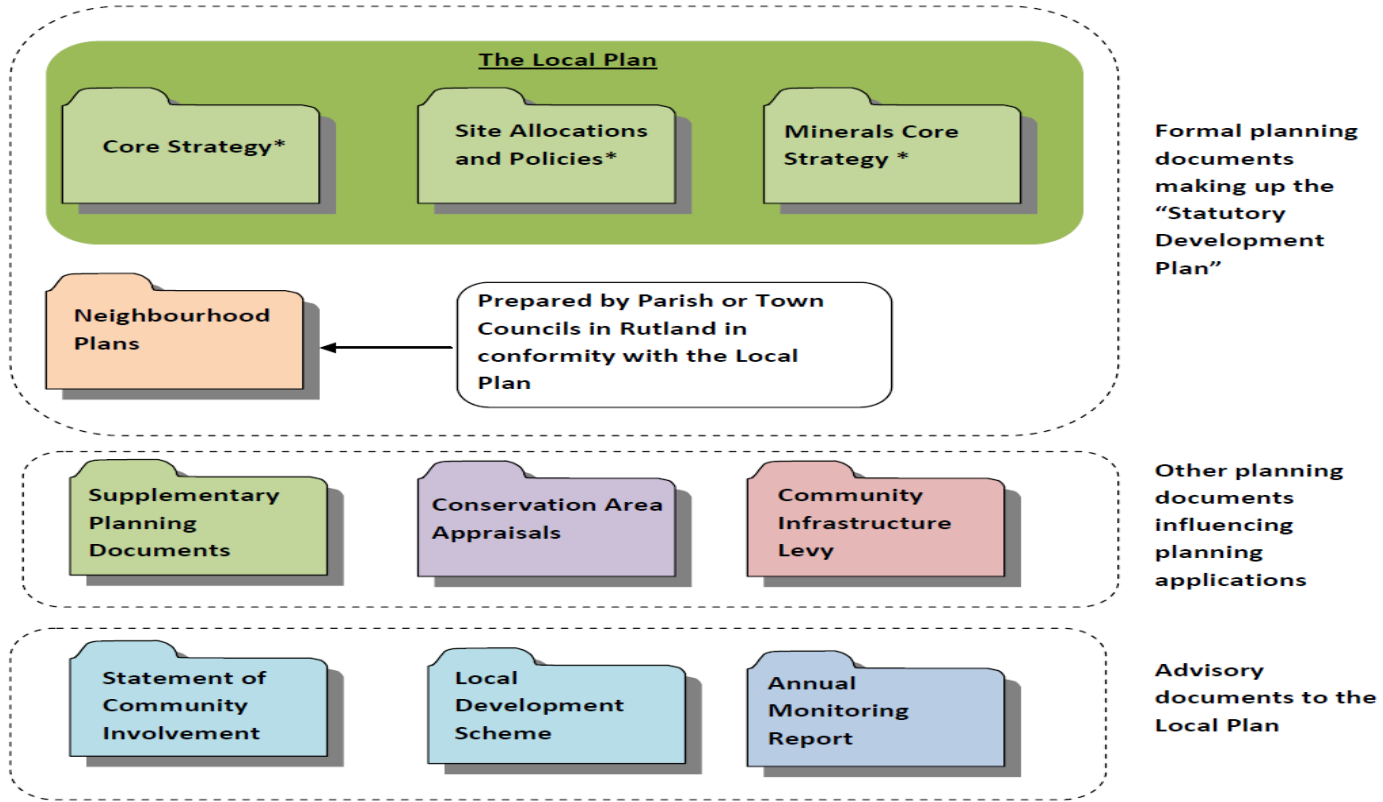


What I will cover

- Current Planning Policy Framework
- What to we want to achieve with the Local Plan
- Why do we need to prepare a new Local Plan
- How will the Local Plan be prepared
- Progress to date
- What next
- Neighbourhood Plans
- Questions

Current Planning Policy Framework

Figure 1. The Planning Policy Framework



* To be replaced by the Local Plan Review

What do we want to achieve with the Local Plan review

- To set out a vision and related strategic objectives for Rutland to cover the next 20 years
- To create a structure of certainty to guide investment and development decisions
- To establish the right amount of, and the right locations for, growth to meet our future needs
- Offer opportunities to involve and engage the public, stakeholders and Parish Councils to garner ownership of the plan



Why do we need to prepare a new Local Plan

- A Government imperative to prepare a single Local Plan for Unitary and District Councils
- To look forward to 2036 – to provide for the additional new housing, employment and other development required over this extended period
- A need to review/update Core Strategy and Site Allocations – particularly as the Core Strategy was prepared prior to the National Planning Policy Framework
- Must meet the Duty to Co-operate with neighbouring authorities, e.g. Agreement to meeting housing delivery targets within Rutland over the plan period.
- An increased emphasis on deliverability and viability

How we go about this

- Ensuring consistency with national planning policies
- Engaging with the public: initial work undertaken to scope out the plan and undertake an Issues and Options consultation
- Evidence based on objectively assessed need taking account of the duty to co-operate with neighbouring authorities and other public bodies and agencies
- The plan will be informed and influenced by a Sustainability Appraisal (SA) and Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA)

- Consultation on Vision and Strategic Objectives
- Consultation on settlement hierarchy, spatial strategy and potential directions of growth for Oakham and Uppingham
- Housing requirements based on Objectively Assessed Need = 173 dwellings per annum over the period 2015 to 2036, equating to 3,640 new homes over the 21 year period
- Evidence to update employment land and retail needs
- Call for Sites undertaken and details of sites promoted by landowners/developer interests published

- Responding to matters arising from the Issues and Options consultation
- Initial assessment of sites
- Additional elements of the evidence base, e.g. Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment
- Work commissioned on whole plan viability
- Peer review of the Local Plan
- Local Plan timetable to be reviewed – likely that the Local Development Scheme will need to be amended but still aim for adoption by the end of 2017

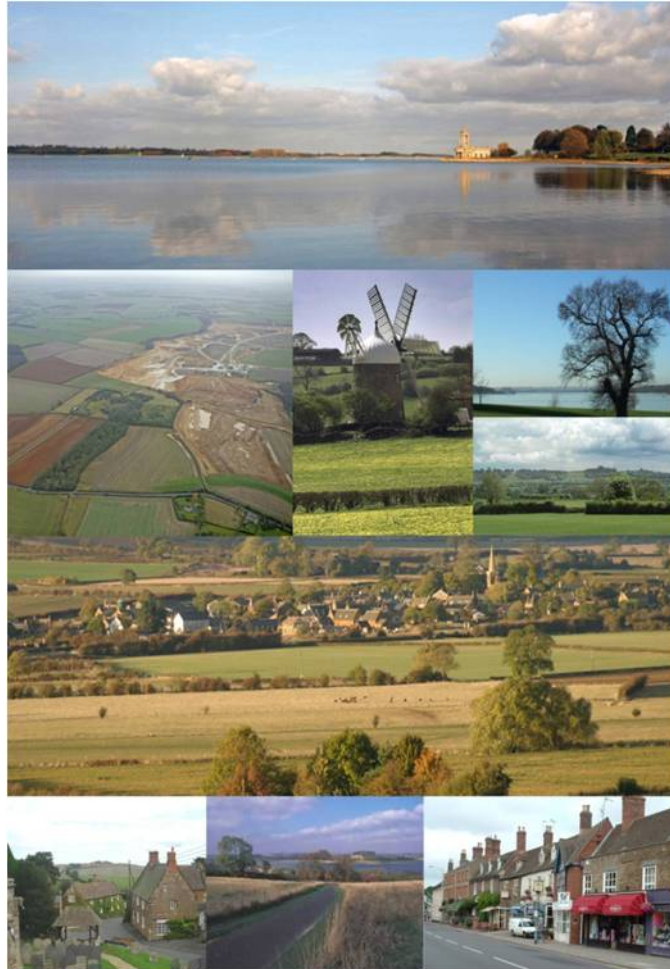
Neighbourhood Plans

- allow local communities (e.g. parish councils) to prepare their own **“Neighbourhood Plans” (NPs)**
- plans will need to conform with the statutory development plan – but can propose more development than the Local Plan (not less!)
- subject to approval through **local referendums**
- The lighter test means they get through examination quicker/easier
- Council have **duty to provide advice and guidance** with their preparation and adopt them

Neighbourhood Plans (contd..)

- Once in place the NP need to be **reviewed to re-align** with new strategic policy on regular basis
- The Parish/Town Council gets a **higher percentage of CIL** (25% of CIL development income) if in place

Any questions?



Further information is available on the Planning Policy on the Council's website:

www.rutland.gov.uk/localplan