

On 18 January 2021, the former Northampton Borough Full Council approved the submission of the Northampton Local Plan Part 2 to the Government for independent examination by a Planning Inspector. The Local Plan has now been submitted to the Planning Inspectorate for examination and the policies therein are therefore a material consideration in the determination of planning applications.

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1	Presumption in favour of sustainable development	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Small number of objections to the policies replication of the NPPF but these have been adequately addressed	Significant weight
2	Placemaking	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Small number of changes proposed by respondents to avoid replication of / inconsistency with the NPPF but no objections received	Moderate weight

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3	Design	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Number of changes proposed regarding specificity of the policy wording and recommended that a reference to SPDs be made in the policy. Objections were made to the effects of the requirement for design coding	Moderate weight
4	Amenity and layout	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Some changes to the content of the policy were suggested to ensure compliance with the NPPF. A small number of objections were made relating to viability concerns	Moderate weight
5	Carbon reduction, community energy networks, sustainable design and construction, and water use	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	A number of objections were made relating to the policies conformity with Government guidance	Moderate weight
6	Health and wellbeing	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on	Small number of changes proposed relating to ensuring	Significant weight

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			behalf of the Secretary of State	that the policy is in conformity with the NPPF	
7	Flood risk and water management	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Small number of changes proposed but these have been adequately answered	Significant weight
8	Supporting Northampton Town Centre's role	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	No objections made to this policy	Significant weight
9	Regeneration opportunities in the central area	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	No objections made to this policy	Significant weight
10	Supporting and safeguarding the University of Northampton Waterside Campus	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	No objections made to this policy	Significant weight
11	Managing hotel growth	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	No objections made to this policy	Significant weight

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12	Development of main town centre uses	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Number of suggested changes made in round 1 of the consultation, none made in round 2	Significant weight
13	Residential and other residential led allocations	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Number of objections received to specific site allocations. These have been addressed	Significant weight
14	Type and mix of housing	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Significant number of comments received regarding changes to the content of the policy and what developments are required to provide	Moderate weight
15	Delivering houses in multiple occupation	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	No objections made to this policy	Significant weight
16	Gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	No objections made to this policy. Objections to lack of inclusion of policy in round one and consider further the potential to meet Government guidance	Moderate weight

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17	Safeguarding existing employment sites	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Some proposed changes to the policy were made around the use of existing employment areas	Significant weight
18	Supporting new employment developments and schemes	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Some objections received to the policy, but these have been adequately addressed	Significant weight
19	New retail developments and retail impact assessment	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Significant number of comments received regarding changes to the content of the policy. Need to reflect changes to use classes order	Moderate weight
20	Hot food takeaways	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	No objections made to this policy	Significant weight
21	Residential development on upper floors	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	No objections made to this policy	Significant weight
22	Neighbourhood centres	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on	No objections made to this policy	Significant weight

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23	Sports facilities and playing pitches	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Some objections received to the policy. These have been adequately addressed	Significant weight
24	Community facilities	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	No objections made to this policy	Significant weight
25	Childcare provision	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	No objections made to this policy	Significant weight
26	Sites for burial space	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	No objections made to this policy	Significant weight
27	Sustaining and enhancing existing, and supporting the creation of, Northampton's Green Infrastructure	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	No objections made to this policy	Significant weight

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28	Providing open spaces	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	The changes suggested to this policy between round 1 and 2 of the consultation to update the open space calculations were made	Significant weight
29	Supporting and enhancing biodiversity	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	A significant number of changes were made to this policy to bring it in line with national guidance	Moderate weight
30	Upper Nene Valley Gravel Pits Special Protection Area	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	A significant number of changes were made to the policy to ensure that the impact of new developments on the SPA are minimised	Moderate weight
31	Protection and enhancements of designated and non-designated heritage assets	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	No objections made to this policy	Significant weight
32	Designing sustainable transport and travel	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Some comments made in the 1st round of the consultation, none raised in the second.	Significant weight

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				Concerns raised regarding traffic generation	
33	Highway network and safety	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	No objections made to this policy	Significant weight
34	Transport schemes and mitigation	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Some changes to the content of the policy were proposed following receipt of the consultation responses. Comments made in round one of the consultation responded to sufficiently regarding the impact on biodiversity	Significant weight
35	Parking standards	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Some objections received to the policy related to the requirements to provide EVCPs and their impact on development viability. These have been adequately addressed	Significant weight

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36	Electronic communication networks	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Some objections received to the policy relating to the necessity of this policy. These have been adequately addressed	Significant weight
37	Infrastructure Delivery and contributions	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Some changes to the content of the policy were suggested. These have been adequately addressed	Significant weight
38	Development allocations	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Number of objections received to specific site allocations. These have been adequately addressed	Significant weight
39	Northampton Railway Station (LAA0288), railfreight and adjoining sites (LAA0333)	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	A further study was commissioned to support this following consultation in round one. Suggested changes to the wording of this policy in round two. These have been adequately addressed	Significant weight
40	Martin Yard's extension (LAA1005)	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Amendment to the policies map requested. No other objections received	Significant weight

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41	The Green, Great Houghton (LAA1098)	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	Significant objections received relating to a range of issues including traffic, social infrastructure and the natural environment. Changes proposed to take into account these objections	Moderate weight
42	Greyfriars (LAA1113)	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	No objections to the policy made in round two	Significant weight
43	Ransome Road (LAA1139)	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	A further study was commissioned to support this following consultation in round one. Change has been proposed following additional comments to round two	Significant weight
44	Sites in Tanner Street, Green Street, St Peter's Way and Freeschool Street (LAA0167/0818/0931/1010)	Policy considered to be consistent with framework	Plan submitted to Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State	A further study was commissioned to support this following consultation in round one	Significant weight