

Poringland Neighbourhood Plan

STATEMENT OF BASIC CONDITIONS

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1. Introduction

Section 1.01

This Basic Conditions Statement has been prepared to support the submission of the Poringland Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) that has been submitted to South Norfolk Council.

Section 1.02

The purpose of this statement is to demonstrate that the NDP meets the legal requirements for a Neighbourhood Plan and the four basic conditions as set out in paragraph 8(2) of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as applied to Neighbourhood Development Plans by section 38A of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004).

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The four basic conditions are:

- *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 conformity with the strategic policies contained in the development plan for the area of the authority (or any part of that area),*
- *the making of the neighbourhood development plan does not breach, and is otherwise compatible with, EU obligations.*

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The Statement confirms that:

- The legal compliance requirements have been met (part 2);
- The NDP has had due regard to national policies and advice contained in guidance issued by the Secretary of State (part 3);
- The NDP contributes to sustainable development (part 4);
- The NDP is in general conformity with the strategic policies contained in the Joint Core Strategy for Broadland, Norwich and South Norfolk (2014) and the South Norfolk Plan (2015) (part 5);
- The NDP does not breach and is otherwise compatible with EU obligations, and that its making is not likely to have a significant effect on the environment, either alone or in combination with other plans or projects (part 6).

2 Legal and regulatory compliance

Section 1.05

The NDP relates to the area that was designated by South Norfolk Council as a Neighbourhood Area on 15 November 2017. The NDP relates only to this Area, which is contiguous with the parish boundary. No other Neighbourhood Development Plan has or is being made for the Area. Poringland Parish Council is the qualifying body.

Section 1.06

The NDP is a plan which sets out policies in relation to the development and use of land in the Neighbourhood Area and which has been prepared in accordance with the statutory provisions. Initial consultations had due regard to guidance, whilst the Regulation 14 (pre-submission) consultation was consistent with the specific regulatory requirements as explained in the Statement of Community Involvement. For example, the consultation period from 12:00 noon on 13th February 2019 through to 12:00 noon on 27th March 2019; six weeks as required, and residents/ businesses were made aware of the deadline. Residents/ businesses were notified via newsletter, the website and Facebook. This explained that the plan was available on-line as well as hard copies available at The Community Centre. Feedback forms were made available in hard copy as well as on-line. A copy was also sent to South Norfolk Council as well as a range of key stakeholders, some of whom responded.

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The NDP specifies the period for which it is to have effect, which is 2019-2039. It also includes a map of the designated area.

Section 1.08

The NDP does not include provision about development that is excluded development, such as mineral and waste matters, nationally significant infrastructure projects or other prescribed development under section 61K of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

3 Having due regard to the NPPF

Section 1.09

National planning policy is set out in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). The most recent version was published in February 2019. This NDP has been prepared with the policies and guidance contained within the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) at its core. The NPPF sets out more specific guidance on neighbourhood plans at paragraphs 28 to 30, but there is relevant policy scattered throughout the NPPF.

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Set out below are the policies contained within the Poringland Submission NDP, cross referenced to national policies and guidance, to demonstrate how they have had regard to this. It should be noted that the table below is not exhaustive and there may be other cross- references that are not included in the table below.

Table 1: National Planning Policy Framework

NDP Policy reference and title	NPPF cross-references	Comments on NDP policies
General	Para 8, para 13, para 15, para 16, para 28 and 29, para 31, para 32, para 34, Section 12	<p>The plan will help to deliver sustainable growth that meets the economic, social and environmental objectives.</p> <p>The plan provides a suite of policies that should shape and direct development that is outside of the current strategic policies of the Joint Core Strategy or South Norfolk Local plan.</p> <p>The plan supports the on-going strategic policies in the JCS as shown in Table 2.</p> <p>The NDP provides a framework for addressing housing needs and other economic, social and environmental priorities, and has been a platform for local people to shape their surroundings. It has been prepared positively and has engaged the community and other consultees (see statement of community involvement).</p> <p>The plan includes non-strategic policies for infrastructure and community facilities, design principles, conserving and enhancing the natural and historic environment and other development management matters such as residential car parking standards.</p> <p>The plan is supported by a robust but proportionate evidence base. This is available in a separate document (Poringland Neighbourhood Plan Evidence Base), but key</p>

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		<p>aspects are presented in the supporting text of policies.</p> <p>The plan will have no significant environmental impacts. An SEA was screened out (see Section 6).</p> <p>The plan sets out what contributions might be expected from development, such as at Policy 10 and Policy 24.</p> <p>Design pervades many of the policies, with the emphasis on achieving a rural feel. Policy 14 is the main policy on design, but others are relevant such as 6, 10 and 18..</p>
Policy 1. Phasing residential growth	Para 8, para 13, para 28, para 29	<p>This policy seeks to ensure a sustainable rate of housing growth by promoting a pause in planned growth, whilst not seeking to prevent overall planned growth or the quantum of development. Policy will help to ensure planned phased delivery of housing and associated infrastructure by influencing the next Greater Norwich Local Plan, due for adoption in 2021 or 2022.</p> <p>The policy seeks to support the policies of the next Greater Norwich local plan, currently in the early stages of development, by engaging fully with the local planning authorities and influencing the phasing of housing development¹.</p> <p>NDPs should not have strategic policies or undermine the strategic policies in a local plan. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF sets out that NDPs can include allocations, an explicit part of which will be the phasing of them, and so phasing at a local level can be part of a NDP, suggesting it is not a strategic matter at a local level. Indeed, paragraph 73 says that all plans should consider whether it is appropriate to set out the anticipated rate of</p>

¹ The proposed phasing of housing set out in the NDP Policy 1 is, it is argued, not a strategic policy as it does not influence the quantum or distribution of growth, which is a matter for the Greater Norwich Local Plan. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF sets out that NDPs can include allocations, an explicit part of which will be the phasing of them, and so phasing at a local level can be part of a NDP, suggesting it is not a strategic matter. Even if phasing at a local level were to be considered a strategic matter, Policy 1 is not contrary to the next Greater Norwich Local Plan, as that plan does not exist yet. There has to be a local plan to be 'in general conformity with'. The NDP should be in general conformity with the existing strategic policies set out in the JCS, as shown in Table 2, as Policy 1 does not refer to the existing strategic policies and it has no bearing on the existing JCS. This is consistent with a point of law. The Court of Appeal in *DLA Delivery v Lewes District Council* [2017] EWCA Civ 58 have upheld the approach taken in a number of High Court judgments in finding that a neighbourhood plan is not prevented from coming forwards ahead of an up-to-date local plan. Lindblom LJ rejected the argument that in order to meet the basic conditions necessary to adopt a neighbourhood plan there must be an up-to-date local plan for the neighbourhood plan to be in 'general conformity' with. The statutory requirement for a neighbourhood plan to be in general conformity with the strategic policies contained in the development plan simply means that if there are strategic policies the neighbourhood plan must not be otherwise than in accordance with them.

NDP Policy reference and title	NPPF cross-references	Comments on NDP policies
		development for specific sites; this would include NDPs, and so this suggests it is not a strategic matter at a local level.
Policy 2. Housing - Scale	Para 68, Section 9, Section 12	<p>The policy will support small and medium sized sites which can make an important contribution to meeting the housing requirement, and are often built-out relatively quickly. Supports small windfall sites.</p> <p>By delivering smaller sites, this policy will help to reduce the impact on the transport network by dispersing rather than concentrating development</p> <p>Smaller sites should attract smaller builders and potentially more interesting and bespoke developments rather than the generic pastiche often delivered by the volume housebuilders.</p>
Policy 3. Housing mix	Para 8, para 11, paras 58 and 61, para 131, section 14	<p>Will help ensure a sufficient range of homes will be available to meet the diverse needs of the community, including those with specific housing needs such as older people and those with disabilities, as well as self-builders. It positively seeks to provide for the development needs of the community.</p> <p>Helps to mitigate climate change and deliver high standards of sustainability by supporting passivhaus standards</p>
Policy 4. Housing – location	Para 8, para 78, Section 9, section 14	<p>Policy will help to protect valued landscape to the south, and improve sustainable access.</p> <p>Policy promotes that housing should be located where it will enhance or maintain the vitality of Poringland, with an emphasis on having good access to the village centre, and minimising traffic through the village centre. Also promote locations within/ adjacent to the development boundary or, for exception sites, close to the village and having good sustainable access.</p> <p>Focus on good access to services in village centre should promote sustainable transport and so reduce greenhouse gas emissions</p>
Policy 5. Affordable housing	Para 8, para 11, paras 61 and 62, para 71, para 77	Will help to ensure a sufficient range of homes will be available to meet the diverse needs of the community. It positively seeks to provide for the development needs of the community, especially those needing affordable housing. The policy also seeks to meet the needs of service families, and supports both rural and entry-level exception sites.
Policy 6. Natural	Para 8, Section 15,	Policy protects and enhances the natural environment

NDP Policy reference and title	NPPF cross-references	Comments on NDP policies
environment	including para 174	and improves biodiversity Delivers a net gain in biodiversity and supports a network of green infrastructure, and identifies the B-line as a key corridor for biodiversity enhancement and management
Policy 7. Trees and hedgerows	Para 8, section 15	Trees and hedgerows play an important visual, amenity, ecological, landscape and heritage role within the parish. Policy protects and enhances the natural environment and improves biodiversity. It recognises the intrinsic value of trees and woodland blocks. Delivers a net gain in biodiversity Gives particular regards to protecting trees and hedgerows as biodiversity rich habitat as well as landscape features.
Policy 8. Landscape	Para 8, section 15	Policy protects and enhances the natural environment Protects the valued landscape to the south of the village
Policy 9. Long views	Para 127. Para 170	This policy seeks to protect the most important views and enjoyment of the landscape. These views are important for the character of Poringland.
Policy 10. Recreational open space provision	Para 8, para 91 and 92, paras 96-98, section 15	Policy supports community access to green open spaces Supports an outdoor, active lifestyle, bringing benefits for health and community cohesion. Supports provision of open space for the community Supports the protection of PRoW and the provision of additional open space Delivers a net gain in biodiversity and has a focus on a network of green infrastructure
Policy 11. Local green space designations	Para 8, paras 99-101,	Policy supports community access to green open spaces, and improves biodiversity Designates local green spaces in line with green belt policy
Policy 12. Street lighting	Section 14, para 180	Helps to reduce the need for energy and thereby mitigates climate change Reduces light polluting impacts on amenity, tranquillity, dark skies and wildlife
Policy 13. Flood risk	Section 14	Policy will help to adapt to climate change

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		<p>Poringland has particular issues of flood risk associated with surface water. This is likely to get worse with climate change due to intense rainfall events. The policy should help with the better management of surface water, including through SUDS. Particular focus on not increasing flood risk elsewhere, and avoiding ineffective solutions such as infiltration unless shown to work.</p>
<p>Policy 14. Character and design</p>	<p>Para 8, para 91, Section 9, section 12</p>	<p>Policy will foster a well-designed, accessible and safe community.</p> <p>Policy supports well-designed development that has a community/ public focus. Supports sustainable access and so supports a healthy, active lifestyle. Also aims to design out crime.</p> <p>Supports good sustainable transport infrastructure</p> <p>The policy provides and focus on how new development should function and how it integrates, both with the surrounding countryside and its immediate setting whilst ensuring a rural village feel. It is deliberately not prescriptive in terms of appearance, providing developers scope and flexibility. There are however photographic examples of what is locally considered to be good design. Also an emphasis on quality.</p>
<p>Policy 15. Historic environment</p>	<p>Para 8, section 12, Section 16</p>	<p>Policy will protect the historic environment</p> <p>Aims to ensure design sympathetic to historic character where this is relevant</p>
<p>Policy 16. Sustainable transport</p>	<p>Para 8, para 91, Section 9, section 14, para 181</p>	<p>Policy supports improved sustainable access to services.</p> <p>Supports a healthy and active lifestyle</p> <p>Supports good sustainable transport infrastructure</p> <p>Promotion of sustainable transport should reduce greenhouse gas emissions as well as air and noise pollution.</p>
<p>Policy 17. School parking</p>	<p>Para 94, Section 9</p>	<p>Supports the principle of school expansion</p> <p>Aims to improve traffic flow/ management and road safety though better parking around the schools</p>
<p>Policy 18. Transport layout</p>	<p>Para 8, para 91, Section 9, section 12,</p>	<p>Policy will foster a well-designed, accessible and safe community.</p>

NDP Policy reference and title	NPPF cross-references	Comments on NDP policies
of new developments	section 14	<p>Lower speeds will improve safety and encourage people to walk and cycle, which will reduce greenhouse gas emissions.</p> <p>Makes sure that transport considerations are integral to the design of new places. Enabling people to walk and cycle safely and without fear</p>
Policy 19. Residential parking standards	Section 9	<p>Aims to improve traffic flow/ management and road safety though better off-street parking.</p> <p>Does not set out maximum parking standards. Standards have been set that reflect the high levels of car ownership, public transport provision, and the availability of local services.</p>
Policy 20. Local Community Facilities and Services	Para 8, para 83, para 92	<p>Policy support economic and community development.</p> <p>Policy supports the retention of accessible and valued rural local services and facilities. This in turn should support community cohesion as people will be able to gather and linger in the village centre</p>
Policy 21. Development in the village centre	Para 8, para 11, para 83, para 91, para 92, para 182	<p>Policy supports economic and community development, and improved sustainable access to services by focusing on the village centre. It positively seeks to provide for the development needs of the community.</p> <p>Policy supports the growth and provision of accessible rural local services and facilities.</p> <p>Policy aims to promote the village centre as a place where people linger and interact and this should promote community cohesion. Supports provision of community facilities and services.</p> <p>Focus on the village centre for new community facilities and services should mitigate amenity impacts such as noise</p>
Policy 22. Economic development	Para 8, para 11, para 81, para 182	<p>Policy supports local economic development. It positively seeks to provide for the development needs of the community.</p> <p>Policy encourages sustainable economic growth</p> <p>Support for economic development removed from residential areas should reduce the risk of amenity impacts limiting the growth of such development</p>
Policy 23. Telecommunicati	Para 8, Section 10	Supports appropriate infrastructure

NDP Policy reference and title	NPPF cross-references	Comments on NDP policies
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Policy 24. Physical and Social Infrastructure	Para 8, para 11, para 81, para 92	<p>Policy will help to ensure planned delivery of associated infrastructure. It positively seeks to provide for the development needs of the community.</p> <p>Policy aims to address infrastructure needs that might limit growth, including economic development</p> <p>Supports provision of community facilities</p>

4 Sustainable development

Section 1.11

Sustainable development is defined as ‘development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own need’. It is about ensuring better quality of life for everyone, now and for generations to come. In doing so, social, environmental and economic issues and challenges should be considered in an integrated and balanced way.

Section 1.12

This is captured by paragraph 8 of the NPPF in particular, which summarises the three inter-dependent objectives. The middle column of **Table 1**, above, has a number of references to NPPF paragraph 8, demonstrating the number of policies in the NDP that have due regard to these overarching objectives.

Section 1.13

Indeed the NPPF as a whole represents sustainable development, and **Table 1**, above, sets out that the NDP is very consistent with the NPPF. It should therefore be the case that the NDP will help to deliver sustainable development in Poringland through delivering the economic, social and environmental objectives.

Section 1.14

The NDP is positively prepared, reflecting the presumption in the NPPF in favour of sustainable development, but it seeks to manage development pressures to ensure that, in addition to economic and growth considerations, reasonable environmental and social considerations are taken into account.

5 General conformity with local strategic policies

Section 1.15

The Joint Core Strategy for Broadland, Norwich and South Norfolk (2014) comprises the strategic policies of relevance to the Poringland NDP, whilst the South Norfolk Local Plan (2015) also includes a few strategic policies. **Table 2** below sets out how the NDP is in general conformity with these local strategic policies.

NB – References in the middle column to Policies designated by just a number (e.g Policy 6) are from the JCS, whilst policies preceded by DM (e.g DM 1.3) are from the South Norfolk Local Plan.

Table 2: General conformity with local strategic policies

Policy reference and title	Strategic policies cross-references	Comments on NDP policies
Policy 1. Phasing residential growth	<p>Policy 4: Housing delivery</p> <p>Policy 7. Supporting communities</p> <p>Policy 9: Strategy for growth in the Norwich Policy Area</p>	<p>This policy seeks to ensure a sustainable rate of housing growth by promoting a pause in planned growth, whilst not seeking to prevent overall planned growth or the quantum of development. Policy will help to ensure planned phased delivery of housing and associated infrastructure by influencing the next Greater Norwich Local Plan, due for adoption in 2021 or 2022.</p> <p>The policy seeks to support the policies of the next Greater Norwich local plan, currently in the early stages of development, by engaging fully with the local planning authorities and influencing the phasing of housing development.</p> <p>NDPs should not have strategic policies or undermine the strategic policies in a local plan. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF sets out that NDPs can include allocations, an explicit part of which will be the phasing of them, and so phasing at a local level can be part of a NDP, suggesting it is not a strategic matter at a local level. Indeed, paragraph 73 says that all plans should consider whether it is appropriate to set out the anticipated rate of development for specific sites; this would include NDPs, and so this suggests it is not a strategic matter at a local level.</p> <p>Will support community and community cohesion by providing a breathing space for the village to integrate following the large scale expansion in recent years.</p> <p>The policy is positive about sustainable growth in the village to meet the growth needs of the</p>

Policy reference and title	Strategic policies cross-references	Comments on NDP policies
		Norwich Policy Area.
Policy 2. Housing - Scale	<p>Policy 4: Housing delivery</p> <p>Policy 7. Supporting communities</p> <p>Policy 9: Strategy for growth in the Norwich Policy Area</p> <p>Policy 14: Key Service Centres</p>	<p>Policy promotes smaller sites. As recognised in the NPPF, smaller sites can be delivered more quickly and so this policy promotes housing delivery and the growth in the Norwich Policy Area.</p> <p>Will support community cohesion by having smaller sites that better integrate with existing village, and reduce feeling of existing residents of being overwhelmed by large estates.</p> <p>Supports South Norfolk smaller sites in the NPA, and smaller sites can be delivered more quickly so will help to deliver the planned growth.</p>
Policy 3. Housing mix	<p>JCS Policy 1: Addressing climate change and protecting environmental assets</p> <p>Policy 3: Energy and water</p> <p>Policy 4: Housing delivery</p> <p>Policy 7: Supporting communities</p>	<p>Policy promotes eco-homes to Passivhaus standards, thereby reducing the need for energy.</p> <p>Policy promotes a mix of housing, especially meeting the needs of the ageing population, including housing with care provision.</p> <p>Housing mix will support community cohesion.</p>
Policy 4. Housing – location	<p>JCS Policy 1: Addressing climate change and protecting environmental assets</p> <p>Policy 4: Housing delivery</p> <p>Policy 6. Access and transportation</p> <p>Policy 7. Supporting communities</p> <p>Policy DM 1.3 The sustainable location of new development</p>	<p>Policy promotes locations with good access to the services in the village centre, thereby reducing the need to travel further and promoting sustainable transport modes.</p> <p>Aims to avoid undue harm to the valued landscape to the south of the village.</p> <p>Policy gives a steer on locational criteria that would be encouraged for new housing.</p> <p>Supports healthy lifestyles by enabling active travel modes by locating housing close to village centre and services.</p> <p>Supports development within the adopted settlement boundary.</p>
Policy 5. Affordable housing	<p>Policy 4: Housing delivery</p> <p>Policy 7. Supporting communities</p>	<p>Promotes affordable housing, including rural and entry-level exception sites. Should encourage community cohesion.</p> <p>Supports development in the settlement</p>

Policy reference and title	Strategic policies cross-references	Comments on NDP policies
	<p>Policy 20: Implementation</p> <p>Policy DM 1.2 Requirement for infrastructure through planning obligations</p> <p>Policy DM 1.3 The sustainable location of new development</p>	<p>boundary, but support for rural and entry-level exception sites outside.</p>
Policy 6. Natural environment	<p>JCS Policy 1: Addressing climate change and protecting environmental assets.</p> <p>Policy 5: The economy</p> <p>Policy 20: Implementation</p> <p>Policy DM 1.2 Requirement for infrastructure through planning obligations</p> <p>Policy DM 1.4 Environmental quality and local distinctiveness</p>	<p>Improves the resilience of ecosystems by delivering a net gain in biodiversity.</p> <p>Helps to deliver a cohesive green infrastructure network.</p> <p>Supports sustainable tourism by promoting the green infrastructure network.</p> <p>Delivers green infrastructure.</p>
Policy 7. Trees and hedgerows	<p>JCS Policy 1: Addressing climate change and protecting environmental assets.</p> <p>Policy DM 1.4 Environmental quality and local distinctiveness</p>	<p>Improves the resilience of ecosystems by protecting environmental assets. Helps to deliver a cohesive green infrastructure network.</p> <p>Aims to avoid environmental harm. Supports improved economic value of green assets.</p>
Policy 8. Landscape	<p>JCS Policy 1: Addressing climate change and protecting environmental assets</p> <p>Policy 2: Promoting good design</p> <p>Policy 5: The economy</p> <p>Policy DM 1.3 The</p>	<p>Improves the resilience of ecosystems by protecting landscapes. Helps to deliver a cohesive green infrastructure network.</p> <p>Protects the valued landscape setting to the south of the village.</p> <p>Supports sustainable tourism by promoting the green infrastructure network</p> <p>Protects local environmental distinctiveness</p>

Policy reference and title	Strategic policies cross-references	Comments on NDP policies
	<p>sustainable location of new development</p> <p>Policy DM 1.4 Environmental quality and local distinctiveness</p>	
Policy 9. Long views	JCS Policy 1: Addressing climate change and protecting environmental assets	Will provide for the quiet enjoyment of the natural environment
Policy 10. Recreational open space provision	<p>JCS Policy 1: Addressing climate change and protecting environmental assets.</p> <p>Policy 5: The economy</p> <p>Policy 7. Supporting communities</p> <p>Policy 8: Culture, leisure and entertainment</p> <p>Policy 20: Implementation</p> <p>Policy DM 1.2 Requirement for infrastructure through planning obligations</p> <p>Policy DM 1.4 Environmental quality and local distinctiveness</p>	<p>Improves the resilience of ecosystems by delivering additional green open space. Helps to deliver a cohesive green infrastructure network. Will provide for the quiet enjoyment of the natural environment by improving access to the countryside and green spaces.</p> <p>Supports sustainable tourism by promoting the green infrastructure network.</p> <p>Supports healthy lifestyles by enabling active travel modes</p>
Policy 11. Local green space designations	<p>JCS Policy 1: Addressing climate change and protecting environmental assets</p> <p>Policy 8: Culture, leisure and entertainment</p>	Improves the resilience of ecosystems by protecting key green spaces. Helps to deliver a cohesive green infrastructure network.
Policy 12. Street lighting	JCS Policy 1: Addressing climate change and protecting environmental assets	Reduces the need for energy and so reduce climate change emissions
Policy 13. Flood risk	JCS Policy 1: Addressing climate change and protecting	<p>Policy will help to adapt to climate change.</p> <p>Poringland has particular issues of flood risk</p>

Policy reference and title	Strategic policies cross-references	Comments on NDP policies
	<p>environmental assets</p> <p>Policy 3: Energy and water</p> <p>Policy 20: Implementation</p>	<p>associated with surface water. This is likely to get worse with climate change due to intense rainfall events. Will also reduce water consumption and so reduces impact on infrastructure capacity.</p>
Policy 14. Character and design	<p>JCS Policy 1: Addressing climate change and protecting environmental assets</p> <p>Policy 2: Promoting good design</p> <p>Policy 7. Supporting communities</p> <p>Policy 9: Strategy for growth in the Norwich Policy Area</p>	<p>Will help to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by minimising the need to travel and promoting sustainable transport.</p> <p>Encourages high quality, sympathetic design. Encourages good landscaping and public space. Designs out crime. Promotes a sense of place and distinctiveness.</p> <p>Promotes improvements to walking and cycling provision.</p>
Policy 15. Historic environment	<p>JCS Policy 1: Addressing climate change and protecting environmental assets.</p> <p>Policy 2: Promoting good design</p> <p>Policy DM 1.4 Environmental quality and local distinctiveness</p>	<p>Poringland's heritage assets and their setting will be conserved by sympathetic design. Helping people to enjoy them.</p>
Policy 16. Sustainable transport	<p>JCS Policy 1: Addressing climate change and protecting environmental assets</p> <p>Policy 6. Access and transportation</p> <p>Policy 7. Supporting communities</p> <p>Policy 9: Strategy for growth in the Norwich Policy Area</p>	<p>Will help to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by minimising the need to travel and promoting sustainable transport.</p> <p>Aims to improve public transport to Norwich from Poringland.</p> <p>Supports healthy lifestyles by enabling active travel modes</p> <p>Promotes improvements to walking and cycling provision, and public transport.</p>
Policy 17. School parking	Policy 6. Access and transportation	Policy recognises, in line with the JCS, that in rural areas the private car will remain an important

Policy reference and title	Strategic policies cross-references	Comments on NDP policies
	Policy 7. Supporting communities	means of travel. Supportive of school expansion in the village
Policy 18. Transport layout of new developments	Policy 2: Promoting good design. Policy 7. Supporting communities	Promotes sustainable transport such as walking and cycling. Supports healthy lifestyles by enabling active travel modes
Policy 19. Residential parking standards	Policy 6. Access and transportation	Recognises that in rural areas the private car will remain an important means of travel
Policy 20. Local Community Facilities and Services	JCS Policy 1: Addressing climate change and protecting environmental assets. Policy 6. Access and transportation Policy 7. Supporting communities Policy 14: Key Service Centres	Protection of existing facilities will reduce the need to travel further afield, thereby reducing emissions. Supports local service delivery, accessible by foot. Helps to retain existing provision of facilities
Policy 21. Development in the village centre	JCS Policy 1: Addressing climate change and protecting environmental assets. Policy 5: The economy Policy 6. Access and transportation Policy 7. Supporting communities Policy 8: Culture, leisure and entertainment Policy 14: Key Service Centres	Encouraging more facilities in the village centre will reduce the need to travel further afield, thereby reducing emissions. Policy supports economic growth. Promoting the development of appropriate new and expanded businesses. Supports local service delivery, accessible by foot. Supports development of leisure facilities such as restaurants and cafes. Also supports development of healthcare provision and other services. Support for economic opportunities appropriate in the village centre.
Policy 22. Economic development	Policy 5: The economy	Policy supports economic growth. Promoting the development of appropriate new and expanded businesses
Policy 23. Telecommunications	Policy 5: The economy Policy 6: Access and transportation	Policy supports economic growth. Policy supports improved broadband connections.

Policy reference and title	Strategic policies cross-references	Comments on NDP policies
	<p>Policy 14: Key Service Centres</p> <p>Policy 20: Implementation</p>	<p>Support for economic opportunities.</p>
<p>Policy 24. Physical and Social Infrastructure</p>	<p>JCS Policy 1: Addressing climate change and protecting environmental assets.</p> <p>Policy 3: Energy and water</p> <p>Policy 6. Access and transportation</p> <p>Policy 7. Supporting communities</p> <p>Policy 20: Implementation</p> <p>Policy 9: Strategy for growth in the Norwich Policy Area</p> <p>Policy DM 1.2 Requirement for infrastructure through planning obligations</p> <p>Policy DM 1.4 Environmental quality and local distinctiveness</p>	<p>Supports sustainable transport infrastructure such as improved footways, which should promote use of sustainable transport and thereby reduce emissions.</p> <p>Policy will help to ensure planned delivery of associated infrastructure and contributions from development. Promotes renewable energy generation for the community.</p> <p>Aims to improve public transport to Norwich from Poringland</p> <p>Supportive of school expansion in the village, as well as health care provision. Identifies other key community infrastructure.</p> <p>Promotes improvements to walking and cycling provision, and public transport.</p>

6 EU obligations

Section 1.16

A screening opinion request was made to South Norfolk Council as to whether Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) would be required. This was supported by a short report and assessment. South Norfolk Council confirmed on 7 March 2019, following consultation with Natural England, Environment Agency and Historic England, that the Poringland NDP would not be likely to have significant environmental effects. With regards to the Habitats Regulations Assessment and whether an Appropriate Assessment would be required, there are no internationally designated nature conservation (SPA or SAC) sites within or near to the Poringland Neighbourhood Plan area so the plan is not likely to have a significant effect on European designations, and this was confirmed by Natural England.

Section 1.17

The Neighbourhood Plan has regard to and is compatible with the fundamental rights and freedoms guaranteed under the European Convention on Human Rights, transposed into UK law by the Human Rights Act 1998. The NDP is highly unlikely to be incompatible because it has been prepared within the existing framework of statute, and national planning policy and guidance. In accordance with established process, its preparation has included consultation with the local community.