

Brailsford Parish



Neighbourhood Plan 2013-2033

Basic Conditions Statement

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Brailsford Parish Neighbourhood Plan has been prepared in accordance with the Town & Country Planning Act 1990, the Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, the Localism Act, 2011, and the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.
- 1.2 The Plan establishes a vision for the Parish and its four settlements and sets out how that vision will be realised through applying appropriate planning policies, controlling land use and defining the type of development and associated infrastructural change required.
- 1.3 The Town and Country Planning Act 1990 specifically requires that Neighbourhood Development Plans must meet the following basic conditions:
 - Take account of national policies and advice contained in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)
 - Contribute to the achievement of sustainable development
 - Give special regard to listed buildings and their settings and features of special architectural and historic interest
 - Align with the strategic policies contained in the relevant Local Plan – in this case Derbyshire Dales Local Plan (December 2017)
 - Meet the relevant EU obligations, including those related to biodiversity and habitats
- 1.4 Comply with any other relevant national legislation, such as the Equalities Act 2010 and the European Convention on Human Rights within the meaning of the Human Rights Act 1998.
- 1.5 This document sets out how the Brailsford Parish Neighbourhood Plan meets all of the above basic conditions.
- 1.6 Development of the Neighbourhood Plan has been overseen by the Brailsford & Ednaston Parish Council and delivered by the Neighbourhood Plan Development Group (NPDG). The Parish Council is responsible for its submission.

2. Key Statements

- 2.1 The Plan area covers the Parish of Brailsford and the administrative area of Brailsford & Ednaston Parish Council. The Parish Council is the qualifying body responsible for the preparation of this Neighbourhood Plan.
- 2.2 The Neighbourhood Plan expresses policies that relate to the development and use of land only within the designated area – the Parish boundary. It also sets out complementary priority actions and plans.
- 2.3 The Brailsford Neighbourhood Plan covers the period from 2013 to 2033.
- 2.4 The Plan proposals do not deal with County matters such as mineral extraction and waste management, nationally significant infrastructure or any other matters set out in Section 61 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as 'excluded development'.
- 2.5 The Plan does not relate to more than one neighbourhood area. It is solely related to the area of Brailsford Parish as designated by Derbyshire Dales District Council

(DDDC) in April 2015. There are no other neighbourhood plans in place for the Brailsford neighbourhood area.

- 2.6 The Brailsford Parish Neighbourhood Plan has taken account of national planning policy, which is largely set out in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) published in March 2012 and revised in February 2019.
- 2.7 Preparation of the Brailsford Plan has included a review of all documents commissioned or produced by DDDC to support the emerging Local Plan and these have also been used to guide the setting of Neighbourhood Plan policies.
- 2.8 The Draft Brailsford Neighbourhood Plan was made available for a preliminary consultation with stakeholders from 9 December 2016- 23 December 2016. Some amendments were made to reflect the views of consultees and a public meeting was held on 25 January 2017 to present the results of the consultation ahead of a formal submission. Ten submissions were received.
- 2.9 The formal Regulation 14 consultation under Regulation 14 of the Neighbourhood Plan Regulations March 2012 took place between March-April 2017 and was completed on 21 April 2017. Comments were considered and relevant redrafting took place in May and June 2017. A summary of outputs from this consultation are set out in the Consultation Statement.
- 2.10 The majority of comments received were from the DDDC. One particular concern was that a number of Plan policies duplicated those set out in the Derbyshire Dales Local Plan. In ongoing discussions with the NPDG and Parish Council a consensus was reached that the 'duplication' was necessary to ensure that when considering any future plans for development, full consideration was given to policy areas which may be considered as advisory across the Derbyshire Dales district.
- 2.11 Consultation and discussion with DDDC about the structure and content of the Plan continued until November 2019 with updates and amendments made as required to reflect the changing circumstances for the Parish. These changes were discussed at Parish Council meetings. These discussions culminated in a meeting in November 2019 when a DDDC policy official agreed to accept a revised Plan ahead of its submission for independent examination.

2 The Achievement of Sustainable Development

- 3.1 The NPPF has a presumption in favour of sustainable development, which it defines as having three dimensions: economic, social and environmental. To reflect and achieve the relevant balance required by the NPPF the Brailsford Parish Neighbourhood Plan embraces the principle of sustainable development and aims to achieve a balance of the three dimensions through activity which reflects the relevant sustainability objectives as set out in the examples below:
 - **Economic** (*Building a strong competitive economy*): Brailsford Parish is predominantly rural, containing a number of areas designated as high landscape value, and has a relatively strong agricultural sector comprising mixed farming activity. There is limited opportunity to increase the local employment base, with only three small existing employment sites. There is a relatively high rate of self-employment, predominantly in construction, retail

and the services sectors although most residents travel to neighbouring centres for employment in the professions. The Neighbourhood Plan therefore aims to support conditions which sustain and encourage growth of existing businesses; to optimise high value economic activity at the existing employment sites and to encourage mixed development with commercial and live/work space at one further development site.

- **Social:** (*Promoting healthy and safe communities; achieving well-designed places*): Recognising that there will be new development within the existing settlements, to protect and enhance the existing amenity, particularly public open space and services, and support the introduction of infrastructure and amenity which will maintain a thriving but coherent, cohesive and distinctive community.
- **Environmental** (*Promoting sustainable transport; meeting the challenge of climate change; conserving and enhancing the natural environment; conserving and enhancing the historic environment; making effective land use; achieving well-designed places*): To protect the rural environment and existing biodiversity, habitat and historic environment through directing development to those sites which do not cause demonstrable harm; and by encouraging the retention of existing natural features, the implementation of planting schemes based on native and disease-resistant species, and the introduction of methods of sustainable travel.

4 Compliance with the NPPF

4.1 This section demonstrates that the Brailsford Parish Neighbourhood Plan has regard to relevant sustainability objectives within the NPPF in relation to:

- Delivering a wide choice of high quality homes requiring good design in line with Section 12 of the NPPF
- Promoting healthy and safe communities through the protection and enhancement of green and public open space, improving road and traffic conditions and promoting the introduction of more cycleways and public footpaths
- Conserving and enhancing the natural environment
- Conserving and enhancing the historic environment, in particular the designated conservation area in Brailsford village and the many listed buildings
- Promoting sustainable transport
- Meeting the challenge of climate change with our requirement for the introduction of renewable energy systems and high standards of energy efficiency in new buildings, protecting and enhancing the landscape, habitat and biodiversity through encouraging tree planting and habitat creation in all new development
- Building a strong local economy/supporting a prosperous local economy by promoting the creation of live-work space and the conversion of buildings to for small business units to create local employment.

4.2 The Brailsford Parish Neighbourhood Plan contains a Vision, Aim and Objectives; the latter as proposed key policies. The policies are summarised in **Table A1** alongside the NPPF goals they seek to address, and the alignment of the proposals with the DDDC Local Plan.

Table: A1: Compliance with NPPF and the Local Plan

Objective	Policy	NPPF	2013-2033 Local Plan
Housing	<p>Policy H1: Housing developments within the Parish, and as proposed by the Derbyshire Dales Local Plan, should be designed as small-scale clusters, with a mix of housing styles and forms, and provide a range of housing types, including affordable homes, two and three bedroom dwellings, and bungalows which meet the needs of the elderly and people with disabilities.</p>	<p>NPPF 5: Delivering a Sufficient Supply of Homes; NPPF 12 Achieving Well-Designed Places</p>	<p>SO2, SO4, SO7, SO8, S1, S4, S5, S6, S9, PD3, HC1, HC4, HC11, HC12</p>
	<p>Policy H2: Housing infill, development on brownfield sites within the settlement boundary as proposed in the Derbyshire Dales Local Plan, and the conversion of existing buildings within the Parish to residential use will be supported where these are small-scale and contribute positively to local character, do not create significant traffic impact on roads in and around the Parish, and where these help to meet local housing needs.</p>	<p>NPPF 9: Promoting Sustainable Transport, NPPF8: Promoting Healthy and Safe communities NPPF11: Making Effective Use of Land</p>	<p>SO4, SO7, SO12, S1, S3, S4, S6, S9, PD3, HC4, HC7, HC8, HC13, HC19, EC9, EC10</p>
	<p>Policy H3: The construction of individual new homes or modifications to existing properties will be supported where the scale and design is appropriate to the environment, and suitable complementary building materials used to mirror the traditional red brick are plain clay tiles predominant in Brailsford and Ednaston.</p>	<p>NPPF 5: Delivering a Sufficient Supply of Homes; NPPF 12 Achieving Well-Designed Places</p>	<p>SO2, SO3, SO4, SO7, S1, S9, PD1, HC9, HC10</p>
	<p>Policy H4: Small development sites, which can accommodate self-build or the construction of individual homes to be provided by local builders and craftspeople, thereby creating local employment opportunity will be supported.</p>	<p>NPPF 5: Delivering a Sufficient Supply of Homes NPPF 6: Building a Strong Competitive Economy</p>	<p>SO3, SO7, SO8, SO15, SO16, S1, S9, HC3</p>
	<p>Policy H5: Taking account of NPPF Section16 para 185, the protection of the designated Brailsford conservation area will be paramount when considering any future development.. Therefore large-scale developments within or adjacent to the conservation area which could impact on the area as an entity, create loss of significance and/or cause substantial harm will not be encouraged or promoted.</p>	<p>NPPF 16: Conserving and Enhancing the Historic Environment</p>	<p>SO2, SO4, S1, S4, S9, PD2</p>
	<p>Policy H6: All new development should meet the following criteria set out in more detail in Annex 4 - Design Principles Statement:</p>	<p>NPPF 8: Promoting Health Communities, NPPF 12: Achieving Well-Designed</p>	<p>SO3,SO4, SO5, SO10, SO11, SO13, S1, S4, S9, HC14,</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The development is appropriate in terms of its scale, character and location to maintaining the integrity of the village environment and the distinctive qualities of the landscape prevailing in the Parish • Creates no significant impact on the surrounding rural landscape, views and vistas, and its biodiversity, and maintains the appropriate balance of settlement size with the natural environment and therefore can be deemed sustainable development • Is consistent with the current Derbyshire Dales Flood Risk Policy • Design and build is consistent with the characteristic architecture of the area, with the use of building materials in keeping with the setting and rural environment • Considers the conservation of heritage assets and their settings in a manner appropriate to their significance • Street furniture/streetscape and lighting is kept to a minimum and is consistent and compatible with the prevailing environment, including the maintenance of dark skies • Construction includes the highest standards of energy, waste and water efficiency using appropriate materials and equipment to support this • The development considers people and place and the approved design includes gardens of an appropriate scale to the property, green space and landscaping which reflects the prevailing ecology, and easily accessible and manageable communal areas. • The design for individual plots includes off road parking for at least two vehicles and garaging which can accommodate a mix of vehicle sizes. • Construction contracts are let wherever possible to increase local employment, using local builders and tradespeople, including opportunities for training local young people. 	Places; NPPF 14 Meeting the Challenge of Climate Change, NPPF15: Conserving and enhancing the natural environment	HC21, PD1, PD3, PD7, PD8
Traffic Management and Accessibility	<p>TMA1: As recommended by PTB, it is considered that development within the settlement boundary for Brailsford village (as proposed by the Derbyshire Dales Local Plan), and in other parts of the Parish in accordance with our Housing policies, will be supported where measures to meet the following traffic management and road safety objectives are incorporated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investment in convenient and safe access (footpaths and crossing points across the A52) to the village services, which are primarily on the south side of the A52 and for access to the new school across Luke Lane. These must prioritise safety for children, the elderly and those with disabilities. (see Dept of Transport document <i>Inclusive Mobility (2005)</i> which is referenced by <i>Manual for Streets</i>) and take account of the requirements of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995. To achieve this an additional pelican crossing should be introduced at the required statutory distance from the Luke Lane junction to improve pedestrian safety for those crossing the road from new developments to access the bus stops, the school, the village shops and services, and the GP surgery, and a new pedestrian crossing installed on Luke Lane to provide safer access to the school for pedestrians. 	NPPF9: Promoting Sustainable Transport NPPF 8: Promoting healthy communities	SO9, SO10, SO14, S1, PD4, HC19, S11, EC11

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing funding for footpath and pavement maintenance in and approaching Brailsford village to meet the recommendations of the DfT Report '<i>Inclusive Mobility</i>¹. This would require footpaths within and approaching the western end of the village where all new development is currently planned, to be widened or restored to their original width to improve overall pedestrian safety. New maintained cycle ways and footpaths to improve safe non-vehicular movement around the Parish and provide additional recreational facility. Making land available for additional communal car parking to improve access to services and amenities in the village including the GP surgery and in the vicinity of the new school. These should include the provision of electrical charge points in support of future sustainable travel needs. 		
	<p>TMA2: All future planning applications should be required to include achievable sustainable Travel Plans, which reinforce the requirements of the Local Plan as appropriate to the location of development in Brailsford Parish, and which allocate a consideration of funding for additional public transport services (bus routes) within the Parish, including accessible transport for those with mobility issues, and demand responsive services to connect to the main A52 bus route.</p>	<p>NPPF9: Promoting Sustainable Transport NPPF 8: Promoting healthy communities</p>	<p>SO10, SO14, HC18, HC19, HC20, S1, S11</p>
Green and Open Spaces	<p>Policy GSL1: As public open space within the Parish is limited, and to reinforce Local Plan Policy PD1 in the village context, new development will not be supported if proposed on any existing green and open spaces within the Parish, or if it would have an adverse effect on the openness or special character of existing spaces. In this context 'green spaces' include the Playing Field on The Plain, the land surrounding the Institute, the allotments, the cricket field and golf course.</p>	<p>NPPF 8: Promoting Healthy & Safe Communities</p>	<p>SO2, SO4, SO9, SO11, S1, PD4, HC14, HC17</p>
	<p>Policy GSL2: In line with Local Plan policies PD3 and PD4, developments which include the creation of green spaces accessible to the public, such as managed grassed space (ideally incorporating wildflower habitat), community gardens, children's play areas, and the establishment of new rights of way or accessible links to the wider footpath network and valued amenity green spaces will be promoted in the consideration of any future development. To ensure that the long term maintenance of these spaces is assured, adequate financial arrangements within a S106 agreement will be sought in accordance with Policy S10 of the approved Local Plan.</p>	<p>NPPF 12: Achieving well-designed spaces NPPF 8: Promoting Healthy & Safe communities</p>	<p>SO9, SO10, SO11, S1, S11, PD1, PD4, HC14</p>
	<p>Policy GSL3: All new developments will be encouraged to include the construction of new cycle-ways, bridleways and off road footpaths, with linkages to established green infrastructure where possible, together with an ongoing management and finance plan for their maintenance.</p>	<p>NPPF 8: Promoting Healthy and Safe Communities NPPF 12: Achieving Well-designed Spaces</p>	<p>SO1, SO5, SO11, S1, S11, PD1, PD4, HC14, HC15, HC17</p>

¹ DfT Inclusive Mobility: A Guide to best Practice on Pedestrian and Transport Infrastructure 2005

<p>The Local Landscape and Wildlife</p>	<p>Policy LW1: In order to conserve the rurality of the Parish and to maintain its status as an area of Priority Sensitivity (DCC AMES), future development will be directed away from areas of high landscape sensitivity within the Parish, and those sites which would affect the prevailing vistas, and/or would be visually prominent. Any development proposed within such areas will require adequate remedial measures and /or offsetting investment.</p>	<p>NPPF 15: Conserving and enhancing natural environment</p>	<p>SO2, SO4, S1, PD1, PD3, PD5, PD6</p>
	<p>Policy LW2: In accordance with Local Plan policies PD3, 5 and 6, and in order to protect local landscape quality and biodiversity, any new scheme must demonstrate that it has been designed to retain existing features wherever possible, particularly tree belts, copses and hedgerows. Any new planting proposed should be in accordance with DEFRA <i>Countryside Stewardship TER1: Planting standard hedgerow trees</i>, or any subsequent government advice or requirement and with the guidance given in the Landscape Character Descriptions, particularly the planting of predominant native and disease resistant species.</p>	<p>NPPF 12: Achieving Well-Designed Spaces; NPPF 14: Meeting the Challenge of Climate Change; NPPF 15: Conserving and enhancing natural environment</p>	<p>SO2, SO4, S1, PD3, PD5, PD6</p>
	<p>Policy LW3: The design of all new areas of open, amenity or recreational green space and flood attenuation ponds required as part of a new development should incorporate features designed to encourage nature conservation and biodiversity; with suitable long-term maintenance plans put in place by the developer as part of a S106 agreement to ensure their upkeep and security.</p>	<p>NPPF 12: Achieving Well-Designed Spaces; NPPF 14: Meeting the Challenge of Climate Change; NPPF 15: Conserving and enhancing natural environment</p>	<p>SO2, SO4, SO5, S1, PD3, PD5, PD6, PD7, PD8</p>
	<p>Policy LW4: Where lighting is an essential requirement for safety in any new development, reduced lighting or low level lighting systems should be encouraged to ensure that these do not cause unnecessary light pollution, potentially damaging to local fauna and reduce the existing local 'dark sky' amenity established by the CPRE mapping.</p>	<p>NPPF 15: Conserving and enhancing natural environment</p>	<p>SO4, SO5, SO10, S1, S5, PD9</p>
<p>Community Wellbeing - Improving Amenities</p>	<p>Policy CW1: Development which would result in the loss of an existing community facility, such as a major change of use, e.g. from a pub to retail or domestic dwelling will not be encouraged.</p>	<p>NPPF 8: Promoting Healthy & Safe communities</p>	<p>SO8, SO10, S9, S10, HC15</p>
	<p>Policy CW2: Development proposals which could result in the over subscription of facilities and services, such as the GP Surgery, will be required to ensure that suitable alternate provision is included in the development proposal itself.</p>	<p>NPPF 8: Promoting Healthy & Safe Communities</p>	<p>SO9, S9, S10, HC15:</p>
	<p>Policy CW3: All future development will be encouraged to include investment for the following:</p>	<p>NPPF 8: Promoting Healthy & Safe Communities</p>	<p>SO9, HC14, HC15, HC17, S9, S10, PD1</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refurbishment of the Village institute, including improved and extended space to enable a wider range of activities to take place, including sports such as badminton, table tennis and judo, Adult Education, yoga/Pilates and peripatetic community services • Land allocation and the provision of additional community parking facilities, especially to support the GP surgery, PO and Shop • Additional external facilities, especially those identified by local people such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Extended outdoor sports provision – e.g. land for a tennis court and/or outdoor bowls ○ Upgraded children’s playground and amenity area ○ Sustained maintenance of public footpaths and more accessible cycle ways ○ Protection and extension of the allotments. 		
	<p>Policy CW4: New small-scale development within the settlement boundary or the conversion of redundant buildings to provide new retail outlets or small business units, including the provision of live-work space to create local employment will be encouraged.</p>	<p>NPPF 3 : Building a Strong and Prosperous Economy; NPPF 11 Making Effective Use of Land</p>	<p>SO9, SO15, S5, S6, S9, S10, EC1</p>
	<p>Policy CW5: Any future development plans should be required to demonstrate that they include investment to ensure connection with the high-speed broadband network or alternative facilities which provide adequate broadband speeds.</p>	<p>NPPF 10: Supporting High Quality Communications</p>	

5. Compliance with Strategic Local Policy

- 5.1 Preparation of the Brailsford Neighbourhood Plan has included discussion with Officers and elected members of DDDC and Derbyshire County Council, and with Derbyshire CCG.
- 5.2 Throughout the development of the Brailsford Parish Neighbourhood Plan, reference has been made to alignment and compliance with the vision and objectives of the approved DDDC Local Plan, including the recently declared Climate Change Emergency activity. Where requirements are of vital importance to the maintenance of sustainable development within the Parish, these objectives have been reiterated and extended, in particular to reflect the DDDC declaration of a Climate Change Emergency²

6. Compliance with Relevant EU Obligations

Strategic Environmental Assessment (EU Directive 2001/42/EC, Appendix 9).

- 6.1 During the preparation of the Brailsford Plan reference was made to the guidance for Neighbourhood Planning produced by the Dept. of Communities, Housing and Local Government (DCHLG). When the guidelines relating to the need for an SEA (Strategic Environmental Assessment) were applied to Brailsford it appeared that this level of assessment was not required because the Neighbourhood Plan is not likely to have any significant impact on the environment other than that already assessed as part of the Sustainability Appraisal for the Local Plan.
- 6.2 The relevant statement from DDDC is attached as Appendix A.

EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)

- 6.3 The Neighbourhood Plan has been considered in relation to the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 which embodies the requirements of the EU Directive. It has been considered that the areas covered by the Neighbourhood Plan are not in sufficiently close proximity to any European designated nature sites (Natura 2000) to necessitate an Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA).

EU Regulations and Directives on Equality

- 6.4 The following are believed to apply:
- Articles 20-29 European Social Charter
 - Directive 2004/113/EC Equal Access to Goods and Services
 - Racial Equality Directive 2000/78/EC
 - Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU.
- 6.5 The main issues to be considered are providing equal opportunity across genders, race and age groups, protecting the right to family life and in preventing all discrimination.
- 6.6 The Brailsford Neighbourhood Plan has been based on the responses of the community from an all-Parish survey and a series of consultation sessions held during the preparation period (see Consultation Statement).

² Derbyshire Dales District Council. Declaration of Climate Change Emergency. May 2019

6.7 The Plan complies with the requirements of existing EU policy by making positive contributions to equality, through:

- seeking to provide housing to meet the needs for older people, those wishing to self-build or extend existing property, or for young people wanting to buy their first home
- improving safety within the community
- providing green and open space to encourage participation in sport and physical activity
- to protect and/or enhancing the natural environment for the enjoyment of all age groups and to mitigate the impact of climate change
- ensuring the provision of adequate community facilities to support a high standard of health and wellbeing for all parts of the community.

7. Compliance with Equality Act 2010

7.1 The Equality Act 2010 places a duty on all public authorities to demonstrate that their functions have regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, to advance equality of opportunity, and to foster good relations between persons who have a 'protected characteristic' and those who do not. 'Protected characteristics' are defined as age, disability, gender, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief or sexual orientation.

7.2 A determination of the compliance of the Neighbourhood Plan and its proposals with the requirements of the Equality Act was made through an Equality Impact Assessment based on:

- Examining demographic data from the 2011 Census
- Returns from the Parish survey and subsequent consultations
- Open Parish meetings for residents
- Consultation responses from statutory consultees under the Regulation 14 process.

7.3 The Equality Impact Assessment is set out in Appendix B.

Appendix A

SEA Assessment

Appendix B

Equalities Impact Analysis

Purpose

- A1 The Equality Act 2010 places a duty on all public authorities to have regard to the elimination of discrimination, the advancement of equality of opportunity and a specific recognition of the needs of residents who have 'protected characteristics' in the exercise of their public duties. The purpose of this analysis is to demonstrate that due regard (a consideration of potential impacts) has been given to these requirements at all stages in the preparation of the Brailsford Neighbourhood Plan as set out in Schedule 19 Part 1 of the Equality Act 2010.
- A2 It also requires a demonstration that the requirements of the Human Rights Act 1998 have been met and to show that the specific objectives/proposals set out in the Plan meet the needs of residents within the 'Protected Characteristics' definition, where feasible and relevant, and that no adverse impacts will be created by the proposals on any particular group or community.

Aims and Objectives

- A3 The aim of the Brailsford Neighbourhood Plan is the achievement of sustainable development in Brailsford Parish which in turn means a community that:
- Conserves the integrity of the village environment and the cohesion of its communities by setting a level of development (and its form) within the Parish consistent with the rural environment in which the Parish is located
 - Minimises encroachment onto surrounding green fields and supports the retention of the agricultural economy wherever possible
 - Protects and enhances the landscape and associated biodiversity
 - Recognises the potential challenge and impact of climate change on the built and natural environment, including CO2 emissions and flooding, and provides built-in resilience through appropriate design and use of natural infrastructure where possible
 - Supports local employment opportunity consistent with maintaining and enhancing the rural environment
 - Promotes sustainable transport by promoting public transport, community transport schemes and assisting with the development of sustainable travel plans
 - Protects and enhances local amenity and services.
- A4 The Parish Survey and associated consultations identified the following objectives for the future of the Parish, which must be considered when planning any further development:
- Priority 1:** Sustaining the village integrity and cohesion in both Brailsford and Ednaston by carefully designing and managing any further expansion.
- Priority 2:** Maintaining, complementing and enhancing the natural environment and retaining the rural identity of the Parish as a whole.
- Priority 3:** Supporting development which meets the housing needs of local people by providing affordable homes and specially designed accommodation

enabling older residents to downsize and live independently while staying within the community, and within close contact to family or friends.

Priority 4: Wherever possible recommending that new housing should be built as infill and in small groupings or clusters of houses, attractive as investments to local builders and not solely through the approval of new housing estates.

Priority 5: Providing high design standards in any future development which ensures that:

- any new building retains local distinctiveness or is complementary to a recognised vernacular style based on the use of local materials and conforming to the design criteria included in the Design Policies Statement (see Annex)
- creates appropriate green infrastructure, including both individual garden space and communal areas.

Priority 6: Encouraging the inclusion of measures in any new development which help minimise additional traffic movements, such as effective and detailed travel planning, implementing rigorous traffic management and road safety standards, including speed control mechanisms across the Parish; and including adequate offroad parking with all new homes.

Priority 7: Protecting, retaining and enhancing existing public open space and play areas.

Priority 8: Seeking investment in local amenity such as that which could have been offered by CIL³, to enable the retention and/or enhancement of village amenities and services and, in particular the PO, Shop and Village Institute which provides a community hub for the village.

Priority 9: Increasing sports and leisure provision in the Parish especially for the young.

- A5 The NP Development Group considers that no adverse impacts are made by any proposals contained within the Neighbourhood Plan and that the proposals /objectives will have a positive impact across the community, and in particular to the following criteria:

Age

- A6 The 2011 census identified that Brailsford Parish had a higher population of residents aged 65 and over (25.4%) than Derbyshire as a whole (18.6%) and England nationally at 16.3%. The Brailsford Neighbourhood Plan seeks to respond to the needs of this population by seeking to:

- Ensure the provision of suitable housing – specially adapted bungalows – to meet the needs of this population, enabling them to downsize living accommodation while remaining part of their local community (Policy H1) Policy H4 requires good design to be implemented for all ages including those with restrictions on mobility through age or disability.
- Promoting the retention and enhancement of the village amenity including facilities at the GP surgery; local shops and services; a wide range of leisure activity, including the allotments; and accessible local transport arrangements (TMA1, CW1-4).

- A7 During the preparation of the Plan it is expected that the age profile of the population of the Parish would have been changed as a result of the new housing developments approved outside the Plan period. The needs of a younger population and in

³ Derbyshire Dales Community Infrastructure Levy Draft Charging Structure (Withdrawn December 2018)

particular young families have been recognised through a requirement to provide more starter and affordable homes; to improve/increase local early years education services; increase public open space including children's play areas; and enhance sports provision and the amenity provided by the Brailsford Village Institute (Policy H1 – provision of affordable housing and starter homes, H3 – support for self-build, TMA2- sustainable transport and GSL1-4 -improving public open space and amenity).

- A8 The objectives set to improve sustainable transport – public transport, walking and cycling routes – and the encouragement of live/work facilities respond to the requirements of a younger population who may wish to be self-employed and/or work from home; who cannot afford or have access to a car; or whose life styles reflect the growing concern with the protection of the natural environment. (Policies TMA2, GSL1-4, LW1-4, CW4).

Overall the impact of the Plan and its policies is designed to create a positive impact for all age groups.

Disability

- A10 The needs of residents with disability or have limited mobility are recognised in the policies relating to housing, transport and road safety and community facility. (Policies H1, H4, TMA1, CWA 1-4).

Overall the impact of the Plan and its policies is designed to create a positive impact for those with disability..

Gender

- A11 The 2011 Census and returns from the Parish survey indicated that there are roughly equal numbers of male and female residents with the proportion of females slightly higher. Throughout the preparation of the Plan the Working Group ensured that the views of male and female residents were sought at all times and any needs which were gender specific taken into account.
- A12 No specific data is available on gender reassignment or sexual orientation within the Parish and the Plan does not include proposals which specifically address these communities and related social issues.
- A13 All proposals in the Plan are considered to be gender neutral and to create a positive benefit for all through providing a range of housing, improved amenity, including safe public open space and no net loss to the wider environment.

Race and Ethnicity

- A14 The population profile for the Brailsford Parish (2011 census) shows that there are very low numbers of residents from a BAME community within the Parish (2.2%) with 3.4% born outside the UK compared with the England averages of 20.2% and 13.4% respectively. No requests were made for translation/interpretation materials during the preparation of the Plan and no specific requirements relating to race and ethnicity were identified.
- A15 All proposals in the Plan are considered to have an equal impact (positive) on the local population regardless of race through providing a range of housing, improved amenity, including safe public open space and no net loss to the wider environment.

Religion or Belief

- A16 The Parish Survey recognised the importance of the existing Christian churches (All Saints Anglican and the Methodist Chapel) to the community and village life. No specific comments or requests were identified in relation to local provision for other religions or religious groups but these could be accommodated by our aims for developing community amenity.
- A17 The Parish has a tradition of religious groups working together within the community, and to provide additional amenity, e.g. Brailsford Methodist Coffee Shop, and the proposals contained in this Plan are intended to support existing activity and to create a positive impact for all.

Conclusion

- A18 The Neighbourhood Plan provides a strategy for the development and enhancement of all communities within the Parish. The Development Group therefore believes, from the consultations which have been undertaken and the policies proposed to meet local need, that the requirement to ensure consistency with the fundamental rights and freedoms guaranteed under the relevant Equality legislation and an awareness of the needs of those residents within the Protected Characteristics definition have been met. Therefore the Plan:
- Does not exclude any groups are excluded from the plans proposed
 - Does not result in any direct or indirect discrimination.
 - Has no adverse (negative) impact on any particular group and has positive impact across the community
 - Act as a method to improve services, facilities and amenities
 - Aims to promote good relations between people of different equality groups as represented in the Parish.