

APPENDIX B – Candidate Local Service Centres

Parish Summary: Banham

Criteria	Information as at 1 st August 2008	Regional Criteria Met?
Population (2001 Census)	1443	
Number of houses built 1 st April 2001 – 31 st March 2008	51	
Number of houses with planning permission @ 1 st April 2008	13	
Primary School	Yes. Capacity is limited and school has no room to expand.	Yes
Primary Health Care Facilities	No. Nearest Doctor's Surgery is at Kenninghall.	No
Employment	From NNDR data (2008) there are 48 registered businesses in Banham, across 13 classifications	Yes
Public Transport	First Eastern Counties 10A return service provides 2 Buses daily to Norwich. 2 daily buses to Diss.	No
Local Shopping Facilities	Shop, Post Office	Yes
Other Facilities	Public House, Community Centre/Social Club	
Water and Utilities	No known capacity issues.	
Flood Risk	Ordinary watercourse to west and north west of village (Wash Farm and Church Farm Stream). Small area of 1 in 100 year flood risk area adjacent ordinary watercourses to west and north west of village.	
Local Road Network	Village is accessed from the B1113,	
Biodiversity	No European sites, SSSIs or CWS in vicinity of Banham.	
Landscape Assessment	The Landscape Character Assessment identifies the area surrounding Banham as having high risk character area sensitivity.	
Consultations		
Status in the Development Choices Consultation Document	Banham was deleted as a Local Service Centre.	
2007 Development Choices: Issues & Options	No representations on Banham	
Status in Core Strategy Preferred Options 2008	Banham was identified as a Local Service Centre for service protection only.	
Parish Council Meetings re: LDF	14 th March 2005. 6 th July 2005 22 nd July 2008: Site specific presentation.	
Parish Plan / Appraisal (2002)	Many villagers were unhappy with both the scale of new housing development and the types of houses being built (more low-cost housing was preferred to large detached homes on mini-estate type developments).	

Parish Summary: Great Ellingham

Criteria	Information as at 1 st August 2008	Regional Criteria Met?
Population (2001 Census)	1108	
Number of houses built 1 st April 2001 – 31 st March 2008	30	
Number of houses with planning permission @ 1 st April 2008	11	
Primary School	Yes. School recently expanded and has capacity for growth.	Yes
Primary Health Care Facilities	None. Doctor's Surgery and Dentist in nearby Attleborough	No
Employment	From NNDR data (2008) there are 40 registered businesses in Great Ellingham, across 13 classifications	Yes
Public Transport	1 daily service to Norwich via coach company. 2 daily services to Attleborough between 7am and 5:30pm. 1 daily college service to Watton	No
Local Shopping Facilities	Shop, Post Office	Yes
Other Facilities	Public House, Village Hall	
Water and Utilities	No known capacity issues.	
Flood Risk	1 in 100 year flood risk area to the east of the village. Localised flooding events have regularly been recorded on Long Street.	
Local Road Network	The village is on the B1077 Attleborough to Watton road and has good links to the A11. Hingham Road to the north of the village is a busy local link from Attleborough to Dereham.	
Biodiversity	No European sites, SSSIs or CWS in vicinity of Great Ellingham.	
Landscape Assessment	The Landscape Character Assessment identifies the Attleborough Hills Tributary Farmland and Woodland to the south and east of Great Ellingham as having high character area sensitivity. The Bow Street enclosed arable plateau immediately surrounding the village and to the north-west is identified as having a moderate landscape character area sensitivity.	
Consultations		
Status in the Development Choices Consultation Document	Identified as a Local Service Centre for Growth. Suggested allocating up to 50 houses to the village.	
2007 Development Choices: Issues & Options	11 consultees expressed their support that Great Ellingham be designated a Local Service Centre which will have future housing growth. 2 consultees were opposed to Great Ellingham becoming a Local Service Centre which would see future housing growth. 63% of consultees supported Option CS2a which identified Great Ellingham as a Local Service Centre that would see future housing growth.	
Core Strategy Preferred Options 2008	Great Ellingham identified as Local Service Centre for growth. Parish Council objected to identification as a LSC for growth. Mixed views received in relation to scale of development proposed.	
Parish Council Meetings re: LDF	20 th April 2005: Positive response to potential of Local Service Centre status. 18 th July 2007: Attended by some 100 residents. Meeting was largely against Local Service Centre status if it resulted in the release of a large site for housing on the edge of the village. The meeting acknowledged that local housing needs must be met and there was some support for small, incremental growth if it didn't radically alter the character of the village. 28 th July 2008: Site specific Issues and Options Consultation.	
Parish Plan / Appraisal	63% of residents in favour of small groups of houses in the village; 2% in favour of large housing estates; 54% in favour of business workshops.	

Parish Summary: Harling

Criteria	Information as at 1 st August 2008	Regional Criteria Met?
Population (2001 Census)	2,201	
Number of Houses Built between 1 st April 2001 and 31 st March 2008	60	
Number of houses with planning permission @ 1 st April 2008	12	
Primary School	Yes	Yes
Primary Health Care Facilities	Yes - Doctor Surgery and Dentist	Yes
Employment	From NNDR data (2008) there are 41 registered businesses in Harling, across 12 classifications. Additionally there is significant employment at Roudham (less than 2km from East Harling village)	Yes
Public Transport	First bus service 10a links East Harling to Norwich with 1 return service a day. Bus service CS192 provides a twice daily link to Thetford and Diss but not at a time for commuters. 1 bus service to Attleborough (Thursdays only). Commuter rail service from Harling Road station to Norwich and Cambridge.	Yes
Local Shopping Facilities	Shop; Butchers; Post Office; Chemist; 2 Hairdressers; Fast Food;	Yes
Other Facilities	Village Hall (Old School Hall); Sports and Social Club; 2 Pubs; Fire Station;	
Water and Utilities	No known capacity issues.	
Flood Risk	River Thet flows to the west of East Harling, areas of 1 in 100 year flood risk to south and west of village.	
Local Road Network	Village is accessed by the B1111 which provides a good access onto the A11. Local issue about HGVs through the village.	
Biodiversity	There is a SSSI and a SPA to the south of East Harling.	
Landscape Assessment	The Landscape Character Assessment identifies East Harling Fen to the north of the village as having a high landscape character area sensitivity, the Middle Harling Open Valley Floor as having a moderate/high landscape character area sensitivity and the East Harling Heathlands that immediately surround most of the village and extend to the east have a moderate landscape character area sensitivity.	
Consultations		
Status in the Development Choices Consultation Document	Identified as a Local Service Centre for Growth. Suggested an allocation of up to 50 houses to 2021.	
2007 Development Choices: Issues & Options	Five consultees express their support for East Harling to be designated as a Local Service Centre Village accommodating further growth. 63% of consultees supported Option CS2a which identified East Harling as a Local Service Centre, accommodating further growth of 50 homes	
Core Strategy Preferred Options 2008	East Harling identified as Local Service Centre for growth of 50 homes.	
Parish Council Meetings re: LDF	28 th February 2006. Uncertain about Local Service Centre status. Want local housing needs to be met but unsure whether further market housing development is the best way to deliver this objective. Further meeting with Harling Parish Council has been arranged for 25 th September. 27 th May 2008. Site Specifics consultation	
Parish Plan / Appraisal	No record of a Parish Plan / Appraisal for Harling.	

Parish Summary: Litcham

Criteria	Information as at 1 st August 2008	Regional Criteria Met?
Population (2001 Census)	592	
Number of houses built 1 st April 2001 – 31 st March 2008	8	
Number of houses with planning permission @ 1 st April 2008	2	
Primary School	Yes, plus High School	Yes
Primary Health Care Facilities	Yes - Doctors surgery	Yes
Employment	From NNDR data (2008) there are 14 Businesses across 11 classifications in Litcham.	No
Public Transport	3 coach services to Dereham Wed, Thurs, Fri. 1 service to Norwich on Wednesday. 3 coach services to King's Lynn (am) and additional coach on a Thursday and Friday. Coach service to Swaffham.	No
Local Shopping Facilities	Post Office with shop incorporated within, butchers, additional convenience store, takeaway.	Yes
Other Facilities	Village Hall, Youth Club.	
Water and Utilities	No known capacity issues.	
Flood Risk	Area of Flood Risk identified to the south of the village (River Nar).	
Local Road Network	Village is accessed by the B1145 which provides access to the A1065 to the west and the B1146 to the east.	
Biodiversity	Litcham Common and Nar Valley identified as a SSSI, County Wildlife site identified south of river Nar.	
Landscape Assessment	Landscape Character Assessment identifies Litcham as being within Chalk Rivers (Nar) landscape type, with the northern extent of the village being identified as Nar Tributary Farmland. Litcham was not included within settlement fringe assessment.	
Consultations		
Status in the Development Choices Consultation Document	Litcham was not identified as a Local Service Centre.	
2007 Development Choices: Issues & Options	Litcham was not identified as a Local Service Centre.	
Core Strategy Preferred Options 2008	Litcham was identified as a Local Service Centre for service protection.	
Parish Council Meetings re: LDF	18 th June 2008: Site-specifics presentation	
Parish Plan / Appraisal	Village Appraisal completed in 2003. Appraisal found that 44% parishioners think there is no need for new homes in Litcham but 6&% of the respondents would have no objection if it helped local people. People are most keen to see homes for young people and young families, followed by homes for the disabled and single homes. Low cost and local authority/ housing association rented housing.	

Parish Summary: Mattishall

Criteria	Information as at 1 st August 2008	Regional Criteria Met?
Population (2001 Census)	2631	
Number of houses built 1 st April 2001 – 31 st March 2008	44	
Number of houses with planning permission @ 1 st April 2008	15	
Primary School	Yes	Yes
Primary Health Care Facilities	Yes – Doctor Surgery	Yes
Employment	From NNDR data (2008) there are 32 registered businesses in Mattishall, across 12 classifications.	Yes
Public Transport	Konect bus Ltd KC4 hourly service to Norwich between 6am and 5.30pm (3 of 12 buses run at different times on school and non-school days). Konect bus Ltd KC4 hourly service to Dereham between 8am and 7pm (1 of the 13 buses run on different times on school and non-school days).	Yes
Local Shopping Facilities	2 Shops, Butchers, Post Office	Yes
Other Facilities	Public House, Social Club, Hair Dressers, Fast Food	
Water and Utilities	No known capacity issues.	
Flood Risk	Small area of 1 in 100 year flood risk east of Daffodil Way, area to north-west in and around Castleton Farm and to the north adjacent to the Occupation Road Drain.	
Local Road Network	Access onto the A47 is a significant local issue. Highways Agency is committed to delivering a roundabout at the Mattishall Road junction in 2008/09.	
Biodiversity	There is a SSSI to the north of Mattishall	
Landscape Assessment	The Landscape Character Assessment identifies the Mattishall Hall Small Scale Plateau, which is to the south, west and has small areas to the north, as having high landscape character area sensitivity. The Clippings Green Small Scale Tributary Farmland and Mattishall Burgh Large Scale Plateau Farmland to the north and east have moderate landscape character area sensitivity.	
Consultations		
Status in the Development Choices Consultation Document	Identified as a Local Service Centre for service provision only.	
2007 Development Choices: Issues & Options	One Consultee is in support on Mattishall becoming a Local Service Centre which will accommodate future growth	
Core Strategy Preferred Options 2008	Mattishall was identified as a Local Service Centre for service protection. Support for the strategy for the village. The Parish Council supported the preferred options for the village to be identified as a LSC but with no growth.	
Parish Council Meetings re: LDF	16 th March 2005 15 th May 2006 Parish Council AGM. Vote of around 40 residents which concluded that 39 did not want further development, 1 resident did want further development to meet local needs. Concern that village and local infrastructure had reached capacity and could not cope with further demands. 5 th September 2006 Parish Council organised meeting attended by over 100 residents. Over 90 residents voted against further development in the village. Support for more low-cost housing to meet local needs. Parish Council has subsequently presented evidence as to why Mattishall should not accommodate further development. 30 th June 2008: Parish briefings in respect of site-specific policies consultation.	
Parish Plan / Appraisal (2001)	The Village Appraisal did not ask a specific question about further (housing) development in the village.	

Parish Summary: Mundford

Criteria	Information as at 1 st August 2008	Regional Criteria Met?
Population (2001 Census)	1591	
Number of houses built 1 st April 2001 – 31 st March 2008	14	
Number of houses with planning permission @ 1 st April 2008	25	
Primary School	Yes	Yes
Primary Health Care Facilities	Satellite GP surgery	Yes
Employment	From NNDR data (2008), Mundford has 10 businesses across 6 classifications.	No
Public Transport	4 coach services daily to Thetford. 1 coach service to Brandon, 1 service to Swaffham. 2 daily coach services to King's Lynn with an additional service on Tuesdays and non-college days.	No
Local Shopping Facilities	Post Office/ Shop	Yes
Other Facilities	Village Hall	
Water and Utilities	No known capacity issues.	
Flood Risk	Land north of the village is identified as being within flood risk zones 2 and 3 (Wissey).	
Local Road Network	Mundford is accessed from the A1065, and the A134.	
Biodiversity	Breckland Forest SSSI, SPA and surrounding the village to south, east and west. County Wildlife to north. SAC to east and west.	
Landscape Assessment	Mundford is located within the Brecks – Plantations landscape type in the District-wide Landscape Character Assessment. The village was not examined in the settlement fringe analysis.	
Status in the Development Choices Consultation Document	Mundford was not identified as a Local Service Centre.	
2007 Development Choices: Issues & Options	Mundford was not identified as a Local Service Centre.	
Core Strategy Preferred Options 2008	Mundford was not identified as a Local Service Centre. However, comments received suggested that the village should be identified as an LSC for service protection.	
Parish Council Meetings re: LDF	5 th June 2008: Site Specifics presentation. Mundford Parish Council reiterated their desire to be identified as a Local Service Centre but did not wish for any additional growth.	
Parish Plan / Appraisal	None	

Parish Summary: Narborough

Criteria	Information as at 1 st August 2008	Regional Criteria Met?
Population (2001 Census)	1095	
Number of houses built 1 st April 2001 – 31 st March 2008	32	
Number of houses with planning permission @ 1 st April 2008	6	
Primary School	Yes	Yes
Primary Health Care Facilities	Yes – Premises for a Doctors Surgery established within village.	Yes
Employment	From NNDR data (2008) there are 45 registered businesses in Narborough, across 11 classifications.	Yes
Public Transport	First Eastern Counties X1 service half-hourly service to Norwich, Dereham, Swaffam and between 6am and 6.30pm and hourly thereafter until 10pm.	Yes
Local Shopping Facilities	Shop, Post Office	Yes
Other Facilities	Village Hall, Restaurant with public bar	
Water and Utilities	No known capacity issues	
Flood Risk	River Nar flows to the north of the village and is surrounded by an area of 1 in 100 year flood risk. Further small areas of flood risk to the west of the village adjacent to the Allotment and Butlers Drain.	
Local Road Network	A47 provides good access to Swaffham and King's Lynn	
Biodiversity	A SSSI is located to the immediate north of Narborough and there is a second SSSI further to the south of the village.	
Landscape Assessment	The Landscape Character Assessment identifies the Narborough Estate Valley Floor to the east, north-east and north of the village as having high landscape character area sensitivity. The Narborough Farmland and Plantation surrounding the southern half of the village has moderate landscape character area sensitivity.	
Consultations		
Status in the Development Choices Consultation Document	Narborough identified as a Local Service Centre for growth. Suggested an allocation of up to 50 houses to 2021.	
2007 Development Choices: Issues & Options	Three separate consultees give support for Narborough to be a Local Service Centre to accommodate future growth. 63% of consultees support Option CS2a which identifies Narborough as a Local Service Centre	
Core Strategy Preferred Options 2008	Narborough was identified as a Local Service Centre for growth of up to 50 houses.	
Parish Council Meetings re: LDF	2 nd July 2007. Parish Council very supportive of Local Service Centre designation. Status regarded as essential in maintaining and enhancing services in this rural part of western Breckland.	
Parish Plan / Appraisal (2003)	62% of respondents (306) said no to further development. The attitude to housing reflects the desire that the village should remain much as it is, although there is support for some housing as long as it is carefully considered and is not detrimental to the nature of the village.	

Parish Summary: Necton

Criteria	Information as at 1 st August 2008	Regional Criteria Met?
Population (2001 Census)	1,895	
Number of houses built 1 st April 2001 – 31 st March 2008	63	
Number of houses with planning permission @ 1 st April 2008	144	
Primary School	Yes.	Yes
Primary Health Care Facilities	Satellite surgery at Hale Road.	Yes
Employment	From NNDR data (2008) there are 17 registered businesses in Necton, across 12 sectors.	No
Public Transport	X1 Bus Service provides half-hourly connections to Swaffham and Dereham. Wider connections to Norwich and King's Lynn. Village also served by Konnectbus Service 11 providing service every 2 hours to Watton, Shipdham and Dereham.	Yes
Local Shopping Facilities	Mini-Supermarket (CO-OP); Butchers; Post Office; Garden Centre;	Yes
Other Facilities	Village Hall on Tuns Road; 1 Pub on Mill Street; Car Sales and Garage Services;	
Water and Utilities	No known capacity issues	
Flood Risk	River Wissey flows to the south of Necton and southern edge of village is within flood risk as identified in SFRA. Small areas of flood risk adjacent to Necton Drains and Necton Brook to north, south and west of village. Additional small, localised flooding events within other parts of the village, caused by poor drainage, have been recorded and attended to by Breckland Council since 2001.	
Local Road Network	Access onto the A47 is a significant local issue, particularly during peak hours when queues form to turn left from Tuns Road. Local campaign for a roundabout at the A47/Tuns Road junction.	
Biodiversity	No European sites, SSSIs or CWS in vicinity of Necton	
Landscape Assessment	The Landscape Character Assessment identifies the Holme Hale Small Scale Tributary Farmland is having high landscape character area sensitivity. The Sparham Hall Open Tributary Farmland to the north has moderate landscape character area sensitivity.	
Consultations		
Status in the Development Choices Consultation Document	Identified as a Local Service Centre for service provision only.	
2007 Development Choices: Issues & Options	No representations on Necton	
Core Strategy Preferred Options 2008	Necton was identified as a Local Service Centre for service protection. The Parish Council supported the preferred options for Necton to be identified as a LSC but with no additional growth.	
Parish Council Meetings re: LDF	27 th January 2005 7 th February 2005 6 th August 2007: Necton Parish Council has consistently been against further development in the village given the scale of existing permissions, concerns over local infrastructure and access onto A47. 12 th May 2008: Site specifics consultation presentation – continued objection to additional growth in village based on scale of existing permissions, access concerns regarding A47 junction and local infrastructure.	
Parish Plan / Appraisal (2006)	46% of respondents said there was no need for any further housing in the village. There was strong support for affordable housing and sheltered accommodation.	

Parish Summary: North Elmham

Criteria	Information as at 1 st August 2008	Regional Criteria Met?
Population (2001 Census)	1,428	
Number of houses built 1 st April 2001 – 31 st March 2008	34	
Number of houses with planning permission @ 1 st April 2008	12	
Primary School	Yes	Yes
Primary Health Care Facilities	Yes	Yes
Employment	From NNDR data (2008) there are 38 registered businesses in North Elmham, across 12 classifications.	Yes
Public Transport	Village is served by Konnectbus Service 30 providing service every 2 hours to Dereham and Fakenham (only morning and mid afternoon to Fakenham). Services into and out of Dereham would enable commuter journeys but the first bus into Fakenham does not arrive until 9.35am.	Yes
Local Shopping Facilities	Shop, Post Office, Bakery, Fast Food,	Yes
Other Facilities	Estate Agent, Village Hall, 2 Public Houses	
Water and Utilities	No known capacity issues.	
Flood Risk	River Wensum flows to the east of North Elmham and parts of the village are within flood risk as identified in SFRA. Small areas of flood risk lie adjacent to the Street harm Drain and Town Beck along the north of the village.	
Local Road Network	North Elmham is at the junction of the B1110 and B1145, neither are principal roads but nonetheless provide a good road access to the village.	
Biodiversity	There is a SSSI to the immediate north and east of the village.	
Landscape Assessment	The Landscape Character Assessment identifies the Elmham Park Tributary Farmland to the west of the village as having high landscape character area sensitivity. The County School Station Valley Floor to the east of the village has moderate landscape character area sensitivity.	
Consultations		
Status in the Development Choices Consultation Document	North Elmham was deleted as a Local Service Centre	
2007 Development Choices: Issues & Options	No representations regarding North Elmham	
Core Strategy Preferred Options 2008	North Elmham was not identified as a Local Service Centre. Comments were received from Parish Council advising that they now wished to be identified as a Local Service Centre but did not wish to see additional growth).	
Parish Council Meetings re: LDF	None. Parish Council had initially confirmed by letter (August 2007) that it does not want North Elmham to be identified as a Local Service Centre in the LDF. 21 st July 2008: Site-specific presentation.	
Parish Plan / Appraisal	No Parish Plan/Appraisal on file.	

Parish Summary: Old Buckenham

Criteria	Information as at 1 st August 2008	Regional Criteria Met?
Population (2001 Census)	1294	
Number of houses built 1 st April 2001 – 31 st March 2008	23	
Number of houses with planning permission @ 1 st April 2008	6	
Primary School	Yes and High School. High School has capacity issues.	Yes
Primary Health Care Facilities	None. Doctors and dentist in nearby Attleborough.	No
Employment	From NNDR data (2008) there are 15 registered businesses in Old Buckenham, across 11 classifications.	No
Public Transport	2 morning buses to Norwich run First Eastern Counties and H Semmence & Co Ltd suitable for commuting, only one return after 5pm. Thursday only service to Attleborough operated by eagles coaches.	No
Local Shopping Facilities	Shop/Post Office	Yes
Other Facilities	2 Public Houses	
Water and Utilities	No known capacity issues.	
Flood Risk	Area of flood risk derived from EA flood zone maps lies to the south and north-west of the village.	
Local Road Network	Old Buckenham is on the B1077 Attleborough to Diss road. It is also close to the B1113 road to Norwich.	
Biodiversity	There is a SSSI and a SAC to the north-west of the Old Buckenham.	
Landscape Assessment	The Landscape Character Assessment identifies all of the land surrounding Old Buckenham as having high landscape character area sensitivity.	
Consultations		
Status in the Development Choices Consultation Document	Old Buckenham was identified as a Local Service Centre for service provision.	
2007 Development Choices: Issues & Options	There were 3 consultees in support of Old Buckenham becoming a Local Service Centre accommodating further growth.	
Core Strategy Preferred Options 2008	Old Buckenham was identified as a Local Service Centre for service protection.	
Parish Council Meetings re: LDF	14 th March 2005 7 th June 2008: Site specifics drop-in session – Support for Local Service Centre status for service protection only.	
Parish Plan / Appraisal (2002)	383 respondents supported additional land in the village for development, against 310 responses.	

Parish Summary: Saham Toney

Criteria	Information as at 1 st August 2008	Regional Criteria Met?
Population (2001 Census)	1565	
Number of houses built 1 st April 2001 – 31 st March 2008	28	
Number of houses with planning permission @ 1 st April 2008	15	
Primary School	Yes	Yes
Primary Health Care Facilities	No. Doctors and dentist in nearby Watton (less than 2km)	No
Employment	From NNDR data (2008) there are 15 registered businesses in Saham Toney, across 7 classifications.	No
Public Transport	Konectbus KC11 hourly service to Watton, Dereham and Swaffam. Service runs between 8am and 2pm for Dereham and 7am and 4pm for Swaffam, final bus at 17.20 to Dereham. Single bus daily service to and from Norwich by First Eastern Counties suitable for commuting.	Yes
Local Shopping Facilities	Post Office	Yes
Other Facilities	Public House, Social Club	
Water and Utilities	No known capacity issues.	
Flood Risk	Watton Brook flows to the south of the village and is flanked by areas of flood risk as identified in the SFRA. There are other small areas of flood risk to the west, north and north-east of the village adjacent to the Richmond Road Drain, Saham Toney Drain and Meadow Farm.	
Local Road Network	Village is not on any 'A' or 'B' road network. The former B1077 links the village to Watton and Swaffham.	
Biodiversity	There are no European sites, SSSIs or CWS in vicinity of Saham Toney	
Landscape Assessment	The Landscape Character Assessment identifies all of the land surrounding Saham Toney as having high landscape character area sensitivity.	
Consultations		
Status in the Development Choices Consultation Document	Saham Toney was deleted as a Local Service Centre	
2007 Development Choices: Issues & Options	One consultee is in support of Saham Toney becoming a Local Service Centre accommodating future growth	
Core Strategy Preferred Options 2008	Saham Toney identified as a Local Service Centre for service protection.	
Parish Council Meetings re: LDF	5 th March 2007: Support for limited development to meet local needs. 12 th June 2008: Site specifics presentation – Parish Council comfortable with service centre for protection. Do not support additional growth.	
Parish Plan / Appraisal	No Parish Plan/Appraisal on file.	

Parish Summary: Shipdham

Criteria	Information as at 1 st August 2008	Regional Criteria Met?
Population (2001 Census)	2145	
Number of houses built 1 st April 2001 – 31 st March 2008	43	
Number of houses with planning permission @ 1 st April 2008	31	
Primary School	Yes	Yes
Primary Health Care Facilities	Yes - Doctors Surgery	Yes
Employment	From NNDR data (2008) there are 69 registered businesses in Shipdham, across 14 classifications. This includes the nearby Shipdham Airfield Industrial Area (in Cranworth Parish).	Yes
Public Transport	Konectbus KC11 hourly service to Watton and Dereham between 7am and 5.30pm and Swaffam between 7am and 3pm.	Yes
Local Shopping Facilities	Post Office, 2 shops, Butchers, Bakery, Fast Food	Yes
Other Facilities	3 Garages, Village Hall, 2 Public houses	
Water and Utilities	There are no known capacity issues.	
Flood Risk	The Blackwater River flows to the south-west of the village and is flanked by areas of flood risk as identified in the SFRA. There are other small areas of flood risk adjacent to the Parkland Stream and Watery Lane Drain.	
Local Road Network	A1075 provides links to Dereham and Watton.	
Biodiversity	There are no European sites, SSSIs or CWS in vicinity of Shipdham	
Landscape Assessment	The Landscape Character Assessment identifies the Crows Hill and Thorpe Row Arable Plateau that predominantly surrounds the village as having moderate/high landscape character area sensitivity. The area of Letton Hall Arable Farmland with Parkland and Woodland to the south of the village has moderate landscape character area sensitivity.	
Consultations		
Status in the Development Choices Consultation Document	Shipdham identified as a Local Service Centre for growth. Suggested an allocation of up to 100 houses to 2021.	
2007 Development Choices: Issues & Options	There were four separate consultees in support of Shipdham being designated a Local Service Centre with future growth. 63% of consultees supported Option CS2a which identified Shipdham as a Local Service Centre to accommodate future growth.	
Core Strategy Preferred Options 2008	Shipdham was identified as a Local Service Centre for growth.	
Parish Council Meetings re: LDF	17 th November 2004 August 2008: Site Specifics presentation.	
Parish Plan / Appraisal (2001)	Strong support for encouraging small businesses and local jobs. 60% of residents surveyed felt there was no more need for further housing. However some would like to see new homes for young first-time buyers and there is some support for accommodation for single people and for residents with disabilities.	

Parish Summary: Swanton Morley

Criteria	Information as at 1 st August 2008	Regional Criteria Met?
Population (2001 Census)	2415	
Number of houses built 1 st April 2001 – 31 st March 2008	10	
Number of houses with planning permission @ 1 st April 2008	17	
Primary School	Yes	Yes
Primary Health Care Facilities	Yes – Doctors Surgery	Yes
Employment	From NNDR data (2008) there are 22 registered businesses in Swanton Morley, across 10 classifications.	Yes
Public Transport	Konectbus Ltd KC4 service provides a 1-2hourly link to Dereham and Norwich between 6:43am and 16:38pm.	Yes
Local Shopping Facilities	Shop with Post Office, Butcher, Bakery	Yes
Other Facilities	Village Hall, 2 Public Houses, Garage	
Water and Utilities	There are no known capacity issues.	
Flood Risk	The river Wensum flows to the north-east of the village and is flanked by an area of flood risk as identified in the SFRA. Another area of flood risk lies to the east of the village beyond Park Farm and Frog's Hall. There are two small areas of flood risk surrounding Woodgate Stream and Church Stream.	
Local Road Network	Village accessed by B1147.	
Biodiversity	There is a SSSI to the north-east of Swanton Morley.	
Landscape Assessment	The Landscape Character Assessment identifies the Castle Farm Valley Floor to the north-east of the village as having high landscape character area sensitivity. The Woodgate Enclosed Tributary Farmland to the east has moderate/high landscape character area sensitivity. The Northall Green Enclosed Arable Farmland immediately adjacent to the village on the eastern side and to the west and south-west has moderate landscape character area sensitivity.	
Consultations		
Status in the Development Choices Consultation Document	Swanton Morley identified as a Local Service Centre for service provision.	
2007 Development Choices: Issues & Options	2 consultees give support for Swanton Morley to be designated a Local Service Centre with future growth. The Defence Estates wish that the Robertson Barracks become a Local Service Centre. They also state that Robertson Barracks could become surplus to requirements and therefore could contribute to future housing stock.	
Core Strategy Preferred Options 2008	Swanton Morley was identified as a Local Service Centre for growth. The Parish Council supported the preferred options for the village to be identified as a LSC for growth.	
Parish Council Meetings re: LDF	23 rd March 2005. Non committal about Local Service Centre status. 11 th December 2006: Confirmation that the village did not want further housing growth above that already planned for and scope for further incremental infilling. Some concern over future of Robertson Barracks and if the site became available then that could accommodate future development needs in the village. 14 th April 2008: Site-specifics presentation – Support for strategy proposed.	
Parish Plan / Appraisal (2004)	27% of respondents didn't want any further housing development. 33% supported more single houses in appropriate locations; 21% supported small groups of houses (less than 10 houses) and 18% supported expansion on edge of the village.	

Parish Summary: Weeting

Criteria	Information as at 1 st August 2008	Regional Criteria Met?
Population (2001 Census)	1751	
Number of houses built 1 st April 2001 – 31 st March 2008	42	
Number of houses with planning permission @ 1 st April 2008	30	
Primary School	Yes	Yes
Primary Health Care Facilities	No	No
Employment	From NNDR data (2008) there are 32 registered businesses in Weeting, across 17 classifications.	Yes
Public Transport	2-3 hourly coach only daily service to Thetford (early bus not available outside college days). Coach only service, morning and mid afternoon to Kings Lynn (additional early bus on college days). 1-2 hourly service to Brandon by coach. Railway station for Brandon in Weeting parish, less than 2km from village.	Yes
Local Shopping Facilities	Shop, Post office, Fast Food	Yes
Other Facilities	Village Hall, Public House, Garage,	
Water and Utilities	No known capacity issues.	
Flood Risk	A linear area of flood risk lies to the east of the village running from north to south and covering the eastern-most tip of Peppers Close and South Park.	
Local Road Network	A1065 skirts to the east of the village. Plans for a Brandon Bypass have been put on hold by Suffolk County Council. Former B1106 links village to Brandon.	
Biodiversity	There is a SSSI, pSPA, cSAC and NNR to the west of Weeting. Concerns over impact of future development on the integrity of European Habitats and Species.	
Landscape Assessment	The Landscape Character Assessment identifies all of the land surrounding Weeting as having high landscape character area sensitivity.	
Consultations		
Status in the Development Choices Consultation Document	Weeting identified as a Local Service Centre for service provision.	
2007 Development Choices: Issues & Options	3 separate consultees give support for Weeting to be a Local Service Centre for future growth	
Core Strategy Preferred Options 2008	Weeting was identified as a Local Service Centre for growth. Broad support for strategy. The Parish Council supported the preferred options for the village to be identified as a LSC for growth.	
Parish Council Meetings re: LDF	<p>4th March 2006 – LDF team attended Weeting21 Open Day. Opposition from local residents to current infilling and increased density of development in Weeting. Concern that further expansion would result in unsympathetic development that would not meet local needs. Anecdotal evidence that a significant number of homes are being bought to accommodate USAAF personnel at Lakenheath/Mildenhall.</p> <p>2nd April 2007. Mixed views on whether Weeting should be a Local Service Centre village. Some support for further development offset by concerns about impact on local environment and availability of service provision (no doctors in village and capacity of services in Brandon). No support for further housing development at Fengate Drove.</p> <p>7th July 2008: Site specific presentation – Broad support for proposed strategy.</p>	
Parish Plan / Appraisal	No record of Parish Plan/Appraisal on file.	