

Matter C, 1a

Settlement Limit: Alburgh and Denton

**a) Are the settlement limits proposed suitable and justified given their policy function?**

Yes, the settlement limits for Alburgh and Denton are suitable and justified.

The settlement limit for Alburgh is focused on the main area around The Street as the remaining existing development is very dispersed and not suitable for a settlement limit. The settlement limit for Denton has been focused on the main built form due to the rural nature of the area and to allow limited infill to accommodate this. These settlement limits will allow some limited future infill development to occur in the most sustainable locations in the cluster whilst preventing encroachment into the countryside.

The settlement limits do not meet any of the criteria outlined in the Topic Paper and therefore there are no proposed changes to the existing settlement boundaries

**b) Where changes to settlement limits are proposed, are these:**

**(i) Justified by development on the ground? or**

**(ii) Where potentially allowing further development, that development would be in a suitable location relative to services and facilities, would not harm the character and appearance of the area and would not have any other adverse planning effect?**

No changes to the settlement limit are proposed as part of the VCHAP.

**c) Should any other settlement limits be included in the plan to reflect other hamlets or existing areas of development in the cluster?**

No. There are no other hamlets or existing areas of development that are of a significant enough scale to justify a settlement limit.