

Lingwood and Burlingham Neighbourhood Development Plan 2022-2042

Qualifying Bodies response to the Examiner's Clarification Note

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| <p>Question 4: Re. Policy 3 (Traveller Sites and Campsites) (Page 22)</p> <p>The District Council has made representations concerning this Policy and consider that it should be split into two separate policies, with a policy concerning the provision of accommodation for Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople and a policy concerning proposals for Campsites. Following my initial assessment of the Plan, I share this view.</p> <p>I therefore invite the Qualifying Body to prepare a note setting out proposed new text for each of those two policies, which can be linked to the supporting text at paragraphs 45-50 (Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople) and paragraphs 51-55 (Campsites), which I may consider as potential modifications to the Plan.</p> | <p>The steering group have considered the examiners comments and have split up the two policies. Suggested wording is set out below:</p> <p>Policy 3: Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople</p> <p><i>Development proposals to meet the needs of the Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople community (as defined in planning policy for traveller sites or any subsequent policy) will be supported where they:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) <i>Are of a scale appropriate to meet the accommodation need identified or personal circumstances for Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople;</i> b) <i>Would not be likely to result in a significant harm to the capacity of available local services;</i> c) <i>Are capable of being provided with infrastructure such as power, water supply, foul water drainage and recycling/waste management;</i> d) <i>Would not be likely to result in significant harm being caused to the health, well-being or living of future occupiers or neighbouring residents by way of noise;</i> e) <i>Causes no significant harm to the local landscape or biodiversity designations and other important features of the natural or built environment that cannot be adequately mitigated;</i> f) <i>Have safe vehicular access and be located so as to reduce the need for long-distance travelling to access services and facilities.</i> <p>New Policy 4: Campsites</p> <p><i>Development proposals for campsite uses, which require planning permission, will be supported where they:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) <i>Are capable of being provided with infrastructure such as power, water supply, foul water drainage and recycling/waste management;</i> b) <i>Would not be likely to result in significant harm being caused to the health, well-being or living of future occupiers or neighbouring residents by way of noise;</i> c) <i>Causes no significant harm to the local landscape or biodiversity designations and other important features of the natural or built environment that cannot be adequately mitigated;</i> |

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| | <p>d) <i>Have safe vehicular access and be located so as to reduce the need for long-distance travelling to access services and facilities.</i></p> |
| <p>Question 6: <u>Re. Sustainable Development</u></p> <p>As part of my initial assessment of the draft Plan, I have not identified a sufficiently clear statement within the Plan, for example in its Objectives or Policy Context, which addresses the national requirement to contribute to the achievement of sustainable development as it applies to the Plan area.</p> <p>I therefore invite the Qualifying Body to consider providing some suitable text in order to address this point, either as a statement for inclusion in the Policy Context section, or as an over-arching Objective in the Vision and Objectives section, which I may consider as a potential modification to the Plan.</p> | <p>The steering group do not wish to change the vision and objectives which were originally written for the NDP. We wish to add further suitable text to the policy context section as a statement to overcome the concerns of the examiner. The statement is as followed and should be inserted after Para 18:</p> <p><i>"One of the basic conditions the Neighbourhood Development Plan must address is contributing to the achievement of sustainable development. A widely accepted definition of sustainable development is 'development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own need'¹. 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.</i></p> <p><i>This is captured by Paragraph 8 of the NPPF (September, 2023) in particular, which summarises the three interdependent objectives which are economic, social and environmental. The Lingwood and Burlingham Neighbourhood Development Plan has considered the need for sustainable development within the parish by addressing the three overarching objectives in a localised way by creating policies which can add further detail to Broadland District Council local plan policies. The policies within our plan reflect the presumption in favour of sustainable development, whilst also seeking to manage development pressures, to ensure in addition to economic and growth considerations, reasonable environmental and social considerations are considered.</i></p> <p>Table X below sets out which policies in the Neighbourhood Development Plan relate to the sustainable development objectives in the NPPF. Some of the NDP policies will be relevant to more than one objective at one time.</p> |

¹ United Nations: Report of the World Commission on Environment and Development: Our Common Future, March 1987

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