
Hintlesham and Chattisham

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1 Introduction

- 1.1 As part of the formal submission of the Hintlesham and Chattisham Neighbourhood Plan for Examination, there is a requirement for the Parish Council, as the 'qualifying body' to illustrate that they have complied with a series of 'basic conditions' as set out in the Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended). This Statement accompanies the submission to the local planning authority, Babergh District Council, of the Hintlesham and Chattisham Neighbourhood Plan under Regulation 15 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 ("the Regulations"). Regulation 15 requires a submission neighbourhood development plan to be accompanied by "a statement explaining how the proposed neighbourhood development plan meets the requirements of paragraph 8(2) of Schedule 4B to the 1990 Act".
- 1.2 This statement has been prepared in order to confirm compliance with these basic conditions as follows:
- Section 2** identifies the legislative requirements for the 'basic conditions'
- Section 3** identifies how the Plan Objectives and Policies are in general conformity with the National Planning Policy Framework and the Strategic Policies of the adopted Local Plan.
- Sections 4** confirms that the neighbourhood plan is compatible with the European Union obligations and Human Rights, as required by regulations..
- It is considered that the Neighbourhood Plan complies with the requirements of the basic conditions as set out in Paragraph 8(1)(a) of Schedule 4B of the Act.
- 1.3 In April 2024 the Parish Council joined a Babergh District Council initiative to produce a "People and Place Plan", intended to provide communities with a simpler and more accessible way to set out priorities and preferences for their local area. It was originally intended that, when complete, our People and Place Plan would have a say in future planning decisions in our Parishes. The finished Plan would be a statement of the things we as a community felt strongest about, and wanted the District Council to take into account when they consider planning applications. It would be a quicker and less complicated process than preparing a neighbourhood plan.
- 1.4 However, having carried out an initial residents' survey, the Parish Council realised that a People and Place Plan would not carry the full weight that a neighbourhood plan would when planning applications in the area are decided. The Parish Council therefore decided to convert the work into a neighbourhood plan which must be taken into account when planning applications in the parishes are considered.
- 1.5 On 9 January 2025, Hintlesham & Chattisham Parish Council submitted an application to define the neighbourhood plan area boundary, covering the parishes of Hintlesham and Chattisham. The Neighbourhood Area was designated by Babergh District Council on 24 January 2025.

2. Legal Requirements

2.1 Paragraph 8 of Schedule 4B of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) identifies the “Basic Conditions” that the neighbourhood plan must comply with.

2.2 Paragraph 8 (1) states that the examiner must consider:

- (a) whether the draft neighbourhood development plan meets the basic conditions (see subparagraph (2)),
- (b) whether the draft neighbourhood development plan complies with the provision made by or under sections 38A and 38B of this Act,
- (d) whether the area for any referendum should extend beyond the neighbourhood area to which the draft neighbourhood development plan relates, and
- (e) such other matters as may be prescribed.

2.3 Paragraph 8 (2) states that a draft neighbourhood development plan meets the basic conditions if:

- (a) having regard to national policies and advice contained in guidance by the Secretary of State, it is appropriate to make the neighbourhood development plan,
- (d) the making of the neighbourhood development plan contributes to the achievement of sustainable development,
- (e) 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),
- (f) the making of the neighbourhood development plan does not breach, and is otherwise compatible with, EU obligations, and
- (g) prescribed conditions are met in relation to the neighbourhood development plan and prescribed matters have been complied with in connection with the proposal for the neighbourhood development plan.

The requirements of Paragraph 8(2(b), (2)(c) (3), (4) and (5) are not of relevance to the compliance with the basic conditions test.

2.4 Paragraph 8 (6) stipulates that the examiner is not to consider any matter that does not fall within subparagraph (1) apart from considering whether the draft neighbourhood plan is compatible with the Convention rights.

2.5 On 28 December 2018 the Conservation of Habitats and Species and Planning (Various Amendments) (England and Wales) Regulations 2018 came into force. Amongst other things, these Regulations amend the basic condition prescribed in Regulation 32 and Schedule 2 (Habitats) of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended) which stated:

- The making of the neighbourhood plan is not likely to have a significant effect on a European site or a European offshore marine site either alone or in combination with other plans or projects.

The Regulations substitute this with a new basic condition which states:

- The making of the neighbourhood development plan does not breach the requirements of Chapter 8 of Part 6 of the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017.

Meeting the Legal Requirements

Compliance with the individual elements of the legal requirements is set out below.

Requirement	Interpretation	NP response
4B 8 (1)(a) Whether the Draft NP meets the Basic Conditions	This requires the NP to demonstrate compliance with paragraph 8(2) of Schedule 4B of the T&CP Act.	This is considered in detail in later sections of this Statement.
4B 8 (1)(b) Whether the Draft Order Complies with Sections 38A & 38B of the Compulsory Purchase Act 2004	This requires the draft order to comply with Sections 38A & 38B of the Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. Section 38A sets out the "Meaning of Neighbourhood Development Plan".	Compliance with Sections 38A and 38B is demonstrated in the following rows.
	Section 38A(1) "any qualifying body is entitled to initiate a process for the purpose of requiring a Local Planning Authority in England to make a Neighbourhood Development Plan."	The Neighbourhood Plan has been submitted by Hintlesham and Chattisham Parish Council, a qualifying body (as defined in the Localism Act 2011).
	Section 38A(2) A "Neighbourhood Development Plan is a plan which sets out policies (however expressed) in relation to the development and use of land in the whole or any part of a particular neighbourhood area specified in the plan."	The NP sets out Policies that relate to the development and use of land for the Neighbourhood Area covering the Parishes of Hintlesham and Chattisham, as designated by Babergh District Council on 24 January 2025. The boundary of the Neighbourhood Area is shown in the NP.
	Section 38A, Paragraphs (3) - (12)	These paragraphs are not of relevance to the submission phase of the NP.
	Section 38B1(a) The Neighbourhood Development Plan "Must specify the period for which it is to have effect."	The plan period of the NP is from 2025 to 2040.
	Section 38B1(b) A Neighbourhood Development Plan "may not include provision about development that is excluded development."	The NP does not contain policies relating to excluded development as defined in Section 61K of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004
	Section 38B1(c)	The NP does not relate to more than one neighbourhood area. It solely relates to the Neighbourhood

Requirement	Interpretation	NP response
	A Neighbourhood Development Plan may not relate to more than one neighbourhood area	Plan Area as designated by Babergh District Council on 5 June 2014.
	Section 38B(2) Only one Neighbourhood Development Plan may be made for each neighbourhood area.	There are currently no other NP's in place in this neighbourhood area.
	Section 38B(3) If to any extent a policy set out in a Neighbourhood Development Plan conflicts with any other statement or information in the plan, the conflict must be resolved in favour of the policy.	There are no conflicts within the NP
	Section 38B(4)(a) Regulations made by the Secretary of State may make provisions for "restricting the provision that may be included in Neighbourhood Development Plans about the use of land." These Regulations are set out in Statutory Instrument 2012 No 637, The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.	The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 have been used to inform the process of making the NP.
	Section 38B(4)(b) Regulations made by the Secretary of State may make provisions "requiring Neighbourhood Development Plans to include such matters as are prescribed in the Regulations."	A screening process was carried out by the local planning authority, to determine whether a Strategic Environment Assessment (SEA) or Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA) would be required in support of the Neighbourhood Plan. In both cases it was concluded that the Hintlesham and Chattisham Neighbourhood Plan will not have significant environmental effects and that no European sites would be affected by the policies described in the NP, therefore the preparation of a Strategic Environmental Assessment or Appropriate Assessment (Habitats Regulations) is not required. See SEA/HRA

Requirement	Interpretation	NP response
		Determination Notice December 2024
	Section 38B, which include paragraphs 38B(4)(c), 5 & 6,	The remaining requirements of Section 38B are not of relevance to this Basic Conditions Statement
4B 8 (1)(d) Whether The Referendum Should Extend Beyond The NP Area	This requires the examiner to consider whether the area for any referendum should extend beyond the NP Area to which it relates.	The NP relates solely to land that falls within the Parishes of Hintlesham and Chattisham.
4B 8 (1)(e) Other Matters 3.28.	This requires the examiner to consider such other matters as may be prescribed	There are no other prescribed matters.
Conservation of Habitats and Species and Planning (Various Amendments) (England and Wales) Regulations 2018	These Regulations require an Appropriate Assessment of the Plan to be carried out should the SEA and HRA Screening Opinion deem it necessary.	The SEA Screening Opinion concluded that a full SEA was not required. The HRA screening concluded that no potential impacts were identified and therefore it was not necessary to proceed to the Appropriate Assessment stage.

3. Compliance with Basic Conditions

- 3.1 Paragraph 8(2) of Schedule 4B of the Town and Country Planning Act sets out the basic conditions that must be met by a draft Neighbourhood Plan. Subsections (a), (d), (e), (f), and (g) are of relevance to this statement. The Regulations state that the neighbourhood plan will have met the basic conditions if it:
- Has regard to national policies and advice contained in guidance issued by the Secretary of State;
 - Contributes to the achievement of sustainable development;
 - Is in general conformity with the strategic policies of the development plan for the area; and
 - Is compatible with European Union (EU) and European Convention on Human Right (ECHR) obligations.

National Policy

- 3.2 The Hintlesham and Chattisham Neighbourhood Plan must have appropriate regard to national policy. The following section describes how the Plan relates to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) the latest version of which was published in December 2024. The December 2024 NPPF has been used as the basis to assess the Neighbourhood Plan in terms of its regard to national policies. The NPPF is framed around a basic premise of achieving sustainable development, comprising three main dimensions: economic, social and environmental. It requires the planning system to have regard to three overarching objectives:

- "an economic objective – to help build a strong, responsive and competitive economy, by ensuring that sufficient land of the right types is available in the right places and at the right time to support growth, innovation and improved productivity; and by identifying and coordinating the provision of infrastructure;*
- a social objective – to support strong, vibrant and healthy communities, by ensuring that a sufficient number and range of homes can be provided to meet the needs of present and future generations; and by fostering well-designed, beautiful and safe places, with accessible services and open spaces that reflect current and future needs and support communities' health, social and cultural well-being; and*
- an environmental objective – to protect and enhancing our natural, built and historic environment; including making effective use of land, improving biodiversity, using natural resources prudently, minimising waste and pollution, and mitigating and adapting to climate change, including moving to a low carbon economy."*

- 3.3 The NPPF contains thirteen topic-based chapters in which more detailed policy guidance is set out for plan making and decision taking. Table 1, below, identifies how the Plan meets the basic condition of having regard to the NPPF by assessing the Plan against the principles for each of the NPPF topic-based chapters.
- 3.4 In December 2025 the government published for consultation a draft revised NPPF. At the time of preparing this Basic Conditions Statement it is unsure when the final new NPPF will be published.

Table 1 - Compatibility of the Plan's objectives and policies against the NPPF Core Principles

NPPF Topic	Hintlesham and Chattisham NP Objectives (as identified in Section 4 of the NP)	Hintlesham and Chattisham NP Policies
Delivering a sufficient supply of homes	3. Ensure that the amount and type of new housing meets the needs of the villages. 4. Enable opportunities for the provision of affordable housing to meet the needs of those with a connection to the Plan Area.	Policy H&C 2 – Housing Development Policy H&C 3 – Housing Mix Policy H&C 4 - Affordable Housing on Exception Sites
Building a strong, competitive economy	10. Protect and improve the level of services and facilities.	Policy H&C 13 – Loss of Services and Facilities
Ensuring the vitality of town centres	Not applicable to Hintlesham and Chattisham	None
Promoting healthy and safe communities	11. Support and encourage safe and sustainable transport, including walking, cycling and public transport.	Policy H&C 13 – Loss of Services and Facilities
Promoting sustainable transport	11. Support and encourage safe and sustainable transport, including walking, cycling and public transport. 12. Minimise the impact of vehicles passing through the village.	None
Supporting high quality communications	10. Protect and improve the level of services and facilities.	Policy H&C 10 – Development Design Considerations
Making effective use of land	1. Retain the separation between Hintlesham and Chattisham and with other nearby settlements. 2. Maintain the linear built form of the settlements and avoid backfill development. 5. Protect and enhance the landscape character of the Plan Area including the best and most versatile land, green spaces, woodland and watercourses.	Policy H&C 1 – Development Location Policy H&C 5 - Protecting Landscape Character
Achieving well-designed places	8. Ensure that new development is designed in a way that reflects local character.	Policy H&C 10 – Development Design Considerations Policy H&C 11 – Flooding and Sustainable Drainage Policy H&C 12 – Minimising Light Pollution

NPPF Topic	Hintlesham and Chattisham NP Objectives (as identified in Section 4 of the NP)	Hintlesham and Chattisham NP Policies
	9. Reduce the environmental impact of new development through the incorporation of measures that reduce energy and water use and maintain the area's dark skies.	
Protecting Green Belt land	Not applicable to Hintlesham and Chattisham	None
Meeting the challenge of climate change, flooding and coastal change	9. Reduce the environmental impact of new development through the incorporation of measures that reduce energy and water use and maintain the area's dark skies.	Policy H&C 10 – Development Design Considerations Policy H&C 11 – Flooding and Sustainable Drainage
Conserving and enhancing the natural environment	5. Protect and enhance the landscape character of the Plan Area including the best and most versatile land, green spaces, woodland and watercourses. 6. Deliver net gains to the extent and quality of natural habitats and biodiversity.	Policy H&C 5 - Protecting Landscape Character Policy H&C 6 – Biodiversity and habitats Policy H&C 7 - Important Views Policy H&C 8 Local Green Spaces
Conserving the historic environment	7. Conserve and enhance the villages' heritage assets.	Policy H&C 9 – Chattisham Special Character Area Policy H&C 10 – Development Design Considerations
Facilitating the sustainable use of minerals	Not applicable to the Neighbourhood Plan	None

How the purpose of the Neighbourhood Plan policies achieve sustainable development

3.6 The table below identifies the purpose of each policy in the Plan and its intended outcome in relation to achieving sustainable development as defined by the NPPF.

Policy	Purpose	Outcome
H&C 1	To provide a strategy for the location of new development within the neighbourhood plan area.	Ensures new development is compatible with the form and function of the settlement and that the parish retains its special qualities
H&C 2	Supports the provision of small dwellings on infill sites within the Settlement Boundaries under specified circumstances.	Enables the further development of small dwellings on infill sites.
H&C 3	Sets requirements for house sizes.	Seeks to ensure new dwellings meet local needs in terms of 1-2 bed adaptable dwellings.
H&C 4	Provides a mechanism for the delivery of affordable housing to meet local needs.	Will help people with a local connection remain in the village rather than move away to find affordable homes
H&C 5	To conserve the landscape, heritage and rural character of the parishes	Ensures that development does not have a detrimental impact on the landscape character of the area
H&C 6	Provides a mechanism to ensure biodiversity interests are retained.	Contributes to protecting and enhancing the natural environment, including helping to improve biodiversity
H&C 7	Identifies important views within the Plan Area that should be protected.	Protects and enhances the character and setting of the village.
H&C 8	Designates spaces that meet the NPPF Local Green Space criteria.	Protects spaces that have an identifiable local importance to the village
H&C 9	Identifies an area at Chattisham that has special historic character.	Protects built heritage characteristics of a designated area.
H&C 10	Provides design criteria for the consideration of the impact of development proposals.	Preserves and enhances the distinctiveness, character and sense of place of the built environment.
H&C 11	Requires proposals to demonstrate how on-site drainage and water resources will be managed.	To ensure that proposals adequately address such matters to the benefit of the locality and local surface water flooding is not exacerbated.

Policy	Purpose	Outcome
H&C 12	Limit the use of outdoor lighting	To protect the amenity of the locality and natural environment
H&C 13	Identifies facilities which will be protected from being lost	Contributes towards maintaining a viable and sustainable community

General conformity with the strategic policies contained in the development plan

- 3.7 The Neighbourhood Plan must demonstrate that it is in general conformity with the development plan for the local authority area concerned. The development plan currently in force is the Babergh and Mid Suffolk Joint Local Plan Part 1 (adopted November 2023). A small number of policies have been saved from the 2006 Local Plan and 2014 Core Strategy, none of which are applicable to the Neighbourhood Area, (see Appendix A for details). There are a number of "Local Policies" within the adopted Joint Local Plan which have not assessed as they are not strategic but add detail to the strategic policies. This Basic Conditions Statement therefore, assesses compatibility of the Neighbourhood Plan policies only against the identified strategic policies.

Compatibility of the Neighbourhood Plan with the Strategic Policies of the Development Plan

- 3.8 The Government's Planning Practice Guidance states:

"Strategic policies will be different in each local planning authority area. When reaching a view on whether a policy is a strategic policy the following are useful considerations:

- whether the policy sets out an overarching direction or objective
- whether the policy seeks to shape the broad characteristics of development
- the scale at which the policy is intended to operate
- whether the policy sets a framework for decisions on how competing priorities should be balanced
- whether the policy sets a standard or other requirement that is essential to achieving the wider vision and aspirations in the Local Plan
- in the case of site allocations, whether bringing the site forward is central to achieving the vision and aspirations of the Local Plan
- whether the Local Plan identifies the policy as being strategic"

- 3.9 The table below provides details of the strategic policies in the Joint Local Plan – Part 1, (JLP1) a link to the Neighbourhood Plan policy (where relevant) and a narrative of conformity of the Neighbourhood Plan with the development plan.

Table 2 - Compatibility of the Plan's policies against the Strategic Policies of the Local Plan

Joint Local Plan Strategic Policies (November 2023)		
SP01 Housing Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy H&C 1 – Development Location • Policy H&C 2 – Housing Development • Policy H&C 3 – Housing Mix • Policy H&C 4 – Affordable Housing on exception Sites 	The JLP1 identifies the minimum housing requirement for Babergh district. The Neighbourhood Plan does not conflict with this requirement.
SP02 Affordable Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy H&C 2 – Housing Development • Policy H&C 4 – Affordable Housing on exception Sites 	The JLP1 sets a requirement of 35% affordable housing on large sites. The Neighbourhood Plan does not conflict with this requirement.
SP03 The sustainable location of new development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy H&C 1 – Development Location • Policy H&C 2 – Housing Development 	The JLP1 sets out where new development will come forward and includes specific reference to Neighbourhood Plans. Whilst the Neighbourhood Plan does not include site allocations it includes positive policies with regard to new housing development.
SP04 Provision for Gypsy and Traveller and Travelling Showpeople	No specific policies apply	The JLP1 requires the needs of the travelling community to be met. The Neighbourhood Plan does not conflict with this requirement.
SP05 Employment Land	No specific policies apply	The JLP1 identifies strategic sites for employment uses and criteria for supporting employment provision. The Neighbourhood Plan does not conflict with this requirement.
SP06 Retail and Town Centre Use	No specific policies apply	The JLP1 policy relates to defined town centres, which do not include Hintlesham and Chattisham.
SP07 Tourism	No specific policies apply	The JLP1 policy supports the development of appropriate tourism enterprises. The Neighbourhood Plan does not conflict with this aspiration.

Joint Local Plan Strategic Policies (November 2023)		
SP08 Strategic Infrastructure Provision	No specific policies apply	The JLP1 policy identifies specific strategic infrastructure projects and also requires development to make community infrastructure levy contributions. The Neighbourhood Plan does not conflict with this requirement.
SP09 Enhancement and Management of the Environment	Policy H&C 5 – Protecting Landscape Character Policy H&C 6 – Biodiversity and Habitats Policy H&C 7 – Important Views Policy H&C 8 – Local Green Spaces	The JLP1 policy supports the enhancement and management of the natural and local environment and provides for the mitigation of effects on protected habitat sites. The Neighbourhood Plan policies generally support the strategic policy and specifically set requirements for the mitigation of impacts where applicable.
SP10 Climate Change	Policy H&C 10 – Development Design Considerations Policy H&C 11 – Flooding and Sustainable Drainage	The JLP1 policy sets requirements for the mitigation of the impacts of climate change. The policies of the Neighbourhood Plan support the intent of the Joint Local Plan.

4. Compatibility with European Union Obligations and Human Rights

Environmental Impact and Habitat Regulations

- 4.1 Section 4B 8 (2)(f) states that a draft Neighbourhood Plan will meet the basic conditions if, the making of the Neighbourhood Plan does not breach, and is otherwise compatible with EU obligations and the making of the neighbourhood plan is not likely to have a significant effect on a European site or a European offshore marine site, either alone or in combination with other plans or projects.
- 4.2 European Union Directive 2001/42/EC requires a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) to be undertaken for certain types of plan or programmes that would have a significant environmental effect. The Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004 (the Regulations) that this is to be determined by a screening process which should use a specified set of criteria (set out in Schedule 1 of the Regulations). The results of this process must be set out in an SEA Screening Statement, which must be publicly available.
- 4.3 In accordance with Regulation 9 of the Regulations, as amended by the Conservation of Habitats and Species and Planning (Various Amendments) (England and Wales) Regulations 2018, Hintlesham and Chattisham Parish Council requested Babergh District Council, as the responsible body, to consider whether an environmental assessment of the emerging Neighbourhood Plan is required. The District Council subsequently made this determination following consultation with the statutory consultees. The determination is set out in reports "[Hintlesham & Chattisham NDP HRA Screening Report](#)" and the "[Hintlesham & Chattisham NDP SEA Screening Report](#)" both dated September 2025. Babergh District Council then published a [Determination Notice](#) in October 2025, the outcome being that the need for both SEA and HRA were 'screened-out'.

Human Rights

- 4.3 The public consultation process for the Hintlesham and Chattisham Neighbourhood Plan has been wide and inclusive and has included direct engagement with the local community. The policies contained within the Plan do not disadvantage any minority group or group with protected characteristics.
- 4.4 The overall purpose of the Neighbourhood Development Plan is to improve the quality of life for people living and working now and in the future in the parish from an environmental, social and economic point of view. The aims and policies in the Neighbourhood Plan have been formulated in response to local people's views and in the light of evidence gathered for the parish, in order to meet the needs expressed and address the issues identified. In order to confirm that the Neighbourhood Plan does not have any unintended consequences for particular groups, the strategic aims and the policies in the Plan have been systematically scrutinised to ensure that they do not disadvantage any potentially vulnerable groups. The Equality Act 2010 places a duty on all public authorities in the exercise of their functions to 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 age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, and sexual orientation.
- 4.5 This section assesses the Submission Draft of the Neighbourhood Plan to ensure that Hintlesham and Chattisham Parish Council is satisfying its statutory duties in this regard. An assessment has been made on whether the objectives and the policies in the Neighbourhood Plan have a positive, negative or neutral impact on each of the protected characteristics. The purpose of each of the objective and the policies in the Neighbourhood Plan are provided, and their likely impact on persons with protected characteristics is assessed.

Table 3 - Impact of Objectives of Hintlesham and Chattisham Neighbourhood Development Plan on Persons with Protected Characteristics

Neighbourhood Plan Objectives	Outcome for persons with Protected Characteristics
<p>Development Location</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Retain the separation between Hintlesham and Chattisham and with other nearby settlements. 2. Maintain the linear built form of the settlements and avoid backfill development. 	<p>Protects the countryside around the settlements through focusing new development in the existing built-up areas of the settlements.</p> <p>Neutral impact for persons with protected characteristics.</p>
<p>Housing</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Ensure that the amount and type of new housing meets the needs of the villages. 4. Enable opportunities for the provision of affordable housing to meet the needs of those with a connection to the Plan Area. 	<p>Supports the provision of new homes in the village that respond to local needs.</p> <p>Broadly positive impact for persons with certain protected characteristics.</p>
<p>Business and Employment</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 10. Protect and improve the level of services and facilities. 	<p>Promotes the retention and improvement of services in the Plan Area.</p> <p>Broadly positive impact for persons with certain protected characteristics.</p>
<p>Natural Environment</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Protect and enhance the landscape character of the Plan Area including the best and most versatile land, green spaces, woodland and watercourses. 6. Deliver net gains to the extent and quality of natural habitats and biodiversity. 	<p>Protects and enhances the natural environment for the benefit of residents.</p> <p>Broadly positive impact for persons with certain protected characteristics.</p>
<p>Historic and Built Environment</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Conserve and enhance the villages' heritage assets. 8. Ensure that new development is designed in a way that reflects local character. 	<p>Promotes the preservation of the character and historic assets of the village.</p> <p>Supports development that reflects local character and reduces its environmental impact</p> <p>Neutral impact for persons with protected characteristics.</p>

Neighbourhood Plan Objectives	Outcome for persons with Protected Characteristics
<p>9. Reduce the environmental impact of new development through the incorporation of measures that reduce energy and water use and maintain the area's dark skies.</p>	
<p>Services and Facilities</p> <p>10. Protect and improve the level of services and facilities.</p>	<p>Ensures that capacity of infrastructure and services is maintained and enhanced.</p> <p>Broadly positive impact for persons with certain protected characteristics.</p>
<p>Highways and Travel</p> <p>11. Support and encourage safe and sustainable transport, including walking, cycling and public transport.</p> <p>12. Minimise the impact of vehicles passing through the village.</p>	<p>Promotes the management and improvement of the highways network.</p> <p>Broadly positive impact for persons with certain protected characteristics.</p>

Table 4 - Impact of Hintlesham and Chattisham Neighbourhood Development Plan Policies on Persons with Protected Characteristics

Policy	Purpose	Outcome
H&C 1	To provide a strategy for the location of new development within the neighbourhood plan area.	Ensures new development is compatible with the form and function of the settlement and that the parish retains its special qualities and retains its settlement gaps. Neutral impact for persons with protected characteristics.
H&C 2	Supports the provision of small dwellings on infill sites within the Settlement Boundaries under specified circumstances.	Ensures that new homes are provided in sustainable locations Neutral impact for persons with protected characteristics.
H&C 3	Sets requirements for house sizes.	Seeks to ensure new dwellings meet local needs in terms of 2-3 bed adaptable dwellings. Broadly positive impact for persons with certain protected characteristics.
H&C 4	Provides a mechanism for the delivery of affordable housing to meet local needs.	Enables developments to take place that meet local needs Neutral impact for persons with protected characteristics.
H&C 5	To conserve the landscape, heritage and rural character of the parishes	Protects and enhances the character and setting of the village. Neutral impact for persons with protected characteristics.
H&C 6	Provides a mechanism to ensure biodiversity interests are retained.	Contributes to protecting and enhancing the natural environment, including helping to improve biodiversity. Neutral impact for persons with protected characteristics.
H&C 7	Identifies important views within the Plan Area that should be protected.	Contributes to maintaining the landscape character of the settlement. Neutral impact for persons with certain protected characteristics

Policy	Purpose	Outcome
H&C 8	Designates spaces that meet the NPPF Local Green Space criteria.	Ensures that important open spaces are retained. Broadly positive impact for persons with certain protected characteristics.
H&C 9	Identifies an area at Chattisham that has special historic character.	Preserves the distinct heritage and natural features of the identified area. Neutral impact for persons with certain characteristics.
H&C 10	Provides design criteria for the consideration of the impact of development proposals.	Preserves and enhances the distinctiveness, character and sense of place of the built environment. Broadly positive impact for persons with certain protected characteristics.
H&C 11	Requires proposals to demonstrate how on-site drainage and water resources will be managed.	Ensures development proposals incorporate appropriate sustainable drainage mechanisms. Neutral impact for persons with certain protected characteristics.
H&C 12	Limit the use of outdoor lighting	To ensure only essential external lighting is provided in new developments to retain the rural character of the village. Neutral impact for persons with certain protected
H&C 13	Identifies facilities which will be protected from being lost	Contributes to ensuring a level of services and facilities are available locally. Broadly positive impact for persons with certain characteristics.

Certain protected characteristics are not affected by the Neighbourhood Plan, namely gender reassignment, race, religion, or sexual orientation. For persons with these characteristics, the Plan has a neutral effect. Where policies in the Plan would adversely affect persons with these protected characteristics, they would not be differently affected than persons without these characteristics. For example, if a person with these protected characteristics were disadvantaged by a policy, it would have the same consequence for a person without the protected characteristic who wished to do the same thing. Similarly, if a person with one of these protected characteristics were to benefit from a policy, it would have the same benefit for a person without the protected characteristic in the same circumstances.

Appendix A - Saved development plan policies that do not apply to Hintlesham and Chattisham Neighbourhood Plan

The following policies in the Babergh Development Plan (Core Strategy and Local Plan) are not appropriate to the Neighbourhood Plan area, either because they are not of a strategic nature or do not apply to the area and have therefore not been assessed in this Basic Conditions Statement.

Babergh Core Strategy 2014

CS4 Chilton Woods Strategic Land Allocation and Strategy for Sudbury / Great Cornard
CS5 Strategic Broad Location – East of Sudbury / Great Cornard
CS6 Hadleigh
CS7 Strategic Site Allocation - Babergh Ipswich Fringe
CS10 Brantham Regeneration Area

Babergh Local Plan (2006) Saved Policies

CR14 Houseboats - Estuarial/or Inland Waters
CR15 Houseboats at Pin Mill
CR16 Jetties at Pin Mill
RE15 Moorings and Marinas

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