



BREXLEY AND MATFIELD PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2020 - 2038

SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL

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Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012-2017*

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INTRODUCTION

Economic, Social and Environmental Sustainability have been central considerations throughout the preparation of this Neighbourhood Plan, as required by Government policy. This Sustainability Appraisal provides a check that this focus has been carried through to the policies that have been developed during the planning process.

Section 2 of the Neighbourhood Plan describes the context and starting point for the Neighbourhood Plan, providing a baseline from which the Neighbourhood Plan policies and proposals will move forward.

The allocation of sites for Brenchley and Matfield has been done by Tunbridge Wells Borough Council through their Local Plan process.

SUSTAINABILITY OBJECTIVES

The Starting point for the framework for this assessment was the 19-point set of sustainability objectives used by Tunbridge Wells Borough Council (TWBC) in the preparation of the Tunbridge Wells Local Plan. This helps ensure that this Neighbourhood Plan follows good practice and conforms to the framework set by our planning authority. *However, the roles and scale of operations of boroughs and parishes are different so the 19 TWBC objectives were consolidated into 13. It was also thought more useful to group objectives under the three headings of Economic, Environmental and Social Sustainability. While recognising that there is significant overlap in some cases between the categories the grouping seems more helpful than an alphabetical list. The table below shows the objectives used for this Sustainability Appraisal and how they relate to the framework used by TWBC.*

Sustainability Issue	Objective	TWBC Equivalent
Economic Sustainability		
1. Business Growth and Employment	Encourage business growth and competitiveness and support employment	<i>3. Business Growth Encourage business growth and competitiveness</i> <i>7 Employment Facilitate and support employment opportunities</i>

Environmental Sustainability		
2. Air noise and light pollution	Reduce air, noise and light pollution	<i>1 Air Reduce air pollution</i> <i>14 Noise Reduce noise pollution</i>
3. Biodiversity	Protect and enhance biodiversity and the natural environment	<i>2 Biodiversity Protect and enhance biodiversity and the natural environment</i>
4. Climate Change	Reduce carbon footprint and adapt to predicted changes	<i>4 Climate Change Reduce carbon footprint and adapt to predicted changes</i>
5. Heritage and Landscape	Protect and enhance cultural heritage assets and the landscape and townscape of the parish	<i>10 Heritage Protect and enhance cultural heritage assets</i> <i>13 Landscape Protect and enhance landscape and townscape</i>
6. Land Use,	Protect soils, and reuse previously developed land and buildings	<i>12 Land use Protect soils, and reuse previously developed land and buildings</i>
7. Resources and Waste	Reduce pressure on resources through design that utilises sustainable and local materials and reduces waste	<i>15 Resources Reduce the impact of resource consumption</i> <i>18 Waste Reduce waste generation and disposal</i>
8. Travel	Improve travel choice and reduce the need to travel by private vehicle	<i>17 Travel Improve travel choice and reduce the need to travel by private vehicle</i>
9. Water	Manage flood risk and conserve, protect and enhance water resources	<i>19 Water Manage flood risk and conserve, protect and enhance water resources</i>
Social Sustainability		
10. Deprivation and Equality	Reduce poverty and increase social mobility and inclusion	<i>5. Deprivation Reduce poverty and assist with regeneration</i> <i>8 Equality Increase social mobility and inclusion</i>
11. Health, Social Care and Education	Improve health and education services and outcomes	<i>6 Education Improve educational attainment and enhance the skills base</i> <i>9 Health Improve health and wellbeing, and reduce health inequalities</i>
12. Housing	Provide sufficient housing to meet identified needs	<i>11 Housing Provide sufficient housing to meet identified needs</i>
13. Services and Facilities	Improve access and range of key services and facilities	<i>16 Services & Facilities Improve access and range of key services and facilities</i>

CRITERIA FOR ASSESSING SUSTAINABILITY

Criteria for assessing the sustainability of policies against the 13-point framework were developed by reviewing the decision-aiding questions in Annex 2 to the TWBC Sustainability Appraisal along with a number of other Sustainability Appraisals available on-line.

Sustainability Objective	Criteria: does the policy...?
Economic Sustainability	
1. Business Growth and Employment Encourage business growth and competitiveness and support employment	Support improvements to business infrastructure, notably mobile services and broadband? Support the increase in new ways of working and small business? Encourage retention of sustainable businesses? Meet the needs of the rural economy, especially agriculture? Provide housing for key workers? Promote an environment conducive to small-scale tourism?
Environmental Sustainability	
2. Air noise and light pollution Reduce air, noise and light pollution	Cut the reliance on oil/LPG in heating for new developments? Encourage less use of motor transport? Promote the use of electric charging points? Discourage HGVs? Preserve the quiet nature of the parish? Ensure light pollution is minimised to retain dark skies? Promote the retention and planting of trees for carbon absorption?
3. Biodiversity Protect and enhance biodiversity and the natural environment	Protect the natural landscape? Promote the use of native species? Protect and promote wildlife corridors? Respect the AONB?
4. Climate Change Reduce carbon footprint and adapt to predicted changes	Promote best practice in building design to minimise energy needs and encourage energy efficiency? Promote renewable energy? Promote a lower carbon economy?
5. Heritage and Landscape Protect and enhance cultural heritage assets and the landscape and townscape of the parish	Protect natural and built heritage assets and their setting? Respect the AONB? Utilise designs and materials that reflect the local context? Protect and enhance the landscape and townscape character and quality of the High Weald AONB and neighbouring areas? Protect and enhance ancient woodland and provide opportunities for management of new and existing woodland?
6. Land Use Protect soils, and reuse previously developed land and buildings	Encourage use of brownfield sites in preference to greenfield? Prioritise any development on greenfield sites on areas with lower agricultural potential and lower biodiversity value?

	Make efficient use of land to minimise encroachment on greenfield areas?
7. Resources and Waste Reduce pressure on resources through design that utilises sustainable and local materials and reduces waste	Discourage unsustainable demolition and rebuild projects? Improve the use of responsibly-sourced and low environment impact materials, eg traditional weatherboarding? Help reduce construction waste? Deter land contamination?
8. Travel Improve travel choice and reduce the need to travel by private vehicle	Encourage walking and cycling? Improve opportunities for children to walk or cycle to school? Promote bus services? Focus development within walking distance of local services? Limit the impact of increased traffic on road safety and parking?
9. Water Manage flood risk and conserve, protect and enhance water resources	Ensure that any flood risk is minimised? Promote economy in water-use and encourage its recycling? Prevent activities that would potentially pollute water sources?
Social Sustainability	
10. Deprivation and Equality Reduce poverty and increase social mobility and inclusion	Meet affordable and accessible housing needs? Safeguard/support employment opportunities? Avoid provision of affordable housing remote from services? Encourage community activities that involve more isolated groups, including the disabled and elderly?
11. Health, Social Care and Education Improve health and education services and outcomes	Encourage walking and cycling? Promote safer roads? Protect and conserve green spaces and open spaces? Encourage exercise and sports? Promote design of developments to discourage crime and anti-social behaviour, and reduce the fear of them? Enhance education and skills opportunities and standards?
12. Housing Provide sufficient housing to meet identified needs	Meet housing needs, especially for affordable and accessible housing, starter homes and down-sizing? Respect the AONB in the location, scale and design of development? Ensure infrastructure is adequate to meet the needs of increased development?
13. Services and Facilities Improve access and range of key services and facilities	Help ensure retention and improvement of key social services? Support superfast broadband and reliable mobile connectivity for all? Encourage the retention of local retail and leisure businesses?

SUSTAINABILITY ASSESSMENT

Each policy in the Neighbourhood Plan has been assessed against the 19-point framework. The text of the Neighbourhood Plan provides the detailed policy statements and supporting text for each policy. The assessment follows the framework of six Strategic Objectives for the Neighbourhood Plan, namely: Housing; Design; Business and Employment; Landscape and Environment, Access and Movement; and Community, Leisure and Recreation.

The scoring system used for this Sustainability Appraisal is the same as that used by TWBC for the Local Plan:

Very Positive	Positive	Slightly positive	Neutral	Slightly negative	Negative	Very negative	Unknown or mixed
+++	++	+	0	-	--	---	?

1. HOUSING

H1 Scale of Development

H2 Location of Housing Development

H3 Density of Housing

H4 Housing Mix

H5 Housing for Older Residents and People with Disabilities

H6 Affordable Housing

H7 Rural Exception Sites

H8 Housing for Rural Workers

H9 Residential extensions, alterations, outbuildings and annexes in the Parish and Replacement Buildings outside the LBD

H10 Developer Contributions

H11A Site -specific policies and development contributions for the Island Site

H11B Site -specific policies and development contributions for the Village Hall Site

H12 Good practice in construction

Sustainability Objective	H1	H2	H3	H4	H5	H6	H7	H8	H9	H10	H11A	H11B	H12
Economic													
1.Business Growth and Employment	0	0	0	+	0	++	++	+++	0	0	0	0	0
Environmental													
2 Air, Noise and Light Pollution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	++
3 Biodiversity	++	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	++	++	+
4 Climate Change	0	++	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	0	++	++	+
5 Heritage and Landscape	++	+++	+++	0	0	0	0	0	++	+	++	++	0
6 Land Use	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7 Resources and Waste	0	++	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	0	0	0	+
8 Travel	0	++	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	++	++	++	0
9 Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Social													
10 Deprivation and Equality	0	0	0	++	0	+++	+++	0	0	+	++	++	0
11 Health, Social Care and Education	0	0	0	0	+++	+	+	0	0	++	++	++	+

12 Housing	+++	++	++	+++	+++	+++	+++	+++	++	0	++	++	0
13 Services and Facilities	+	++	0	0	++	0	0	0	0	++	++	++	0

Analysis of scores (+++/++/+/0)

	Very Positive	Positive	Slightly Positive	Neutral	Slightly negative	Negative	Very Negative	Unknown or mixed
	+++	++	+	0	-	--	---	?
H1	1	2	1	9				
H2	1	5	0	7				
H3	1	1	0	11				
H4	1	1	1	10				
H5	2	1	0	10				
H6	2	1	1	9				
H7	2	1	1	9				
H8	2	0	0	11				
H9	0	2	2	9				
H10	0	3	2	8				
H11A	0	8	0	5				
H11B	0	8	0	5				
H12	0	1	4	8				
Total	12	34	12	111				

2. DESIGN

D1 High Weald AONB and Design Standards

D2 Respecting the local architectural style.

D3 Permitted Agricultural and Rural Buildings

D4 Accessibility and Flexibility

D5 Providing an Inclusive, Safe and Secure Environment

D6 Climate Change, Environmental Sustainability and Resilience

D7 Flood Risk Management

D8 Surface Water Management

Sustainability Objective	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	D7	D8
Economic								
1 Business Growth and Employment	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0
Environmental								
2 Air, Noise and Light Pollution	+	+	0	0	0	++	0	0
3 Biodiversity	++	0	0	0	0	0	+	+
4 Climate Change	+	0	0	0	0	+++	++	0
5 Heritage and Landscape	+++	+++	+++	0	0	+++	+	+

6 Land Use	0	0	+	0	0	+	++	+
7 Resources and Waste	+	++	+	0	0	+++	0	0
8 Travel	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9 Water	0	0	0	0	0	+++	+++	+++
Social								
10 Deprivation and Equality	0	0	0	+++	++	0	0	0
11 Health, Social Care and Education	0	0	0	+++	++	+	0	0
12 Housing	++	++	+	+++	+++	++	+	+
13 Services & Facilities	0	0	0	++	0	0	0	0

Analysis of scores (+++/++/+/0)

	Very Positive	Positive	Slightly Positive	Neutral	Slightly negative	Negative	Very Negative	Unknown or mixed
	+++	++	+	0	-	--	---	?
D1	1	2	3	7				
D2	1	2	2	8				
D3	1	0	4	8				
D4	3	1	0	9				
D5	1	2	0	10				
D6	4	2	2	5				
D7	1	2	3	7				
D8	1	0	4	8				
Total	13	11	18	62				

3. BUSINESS AND EMPLOYMENT

BE1 Retention of agricultural buildings and commercial sites or redevelopment for residential use

BE2 Supporting additional employment and new ways of working

BE3 Infrastructure for Business

BE4 Agricultural Diversification

BE5 Support and promote Small-Scale Tourism

BE6 Energy efficiency in non-residential buildings

BE7 Renewable energy generation

Sustainability Objective	BE1	BE2	BE3	BE4	BE5	BE6	BE7
Economic							
1 Business Growth and Employment	+++	+++	+++	+++	+++	0	++
Environmental							
2 Air, Noise and Light Pollution	0	0	0	0	0	+	++

3 Biodiversity	0	0	0	0	0	0	+
4 Climate Change	0	0	0	0	0	+++	+++
5 Heritage and Landscape	+	0	0	++	++	0	++
6 Land Use	++	0	0	++	0	0	0
7 Resources and Waste	+	0	+	+	0	+++	+++
8 Travel	0	++	++	++	0	0	0
9 Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Social							
10 Deprivation and Equality	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 Health, Social Care and Education	0	0	0	0	0	+	0
12 Housing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13 Services & Facilities	0	0	+++	+	0	0	0

Analysis of scores (+++/++/+/0)

	Very Positive	Positive	Slightly Positive	Neutral	Slightly negative	Negative	Very Negative	Unknown or mixed
	+++	++	+	0	-	--	---	?
BE1	1	1	2	9				
BE2	1	1	0	11				
BE3	2	1	1	9				
BE4	1	3	2	7				
BE5	1	1	0	11				
BE6	2	0	2	9				
BE7	2	3	1	7				
Total	10	10	8	63				

4. LANDSCAPE AND ENVIRONMENT

LE1 Protecting the AONB

LE2 Development outside the AONB

LE3 Historic Landscapes and Heritage Assets

LE4 Protection of Views

LE5 Protection of Green Spaces

LE6 Biodiversity

LE7 Protection and planting of Trees and Hedges

LE8 Dark Skies Policy

LE9 Advertising

Sustainability Objective	LE1	LE2	LE3	LE4	LE5	LE6	LE7	LE8	LE9
Economic									
1 Business Growth and Employment	+	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	0
Environmental									
2 Air, Noise and Light Pollution	0	0	0	0	0	+	++	+++	+
3 Biodiversity	++	++	++	+	++	+++	+++	++	+
4 Climate Change	++	++	0	0	+	++	+++	+	0
5 Heritage and Landscape	+++	+++	+++	+++	+++	+++	+++	+++	+++
6 Land Use	+++	+++	++	0	+	++	+	0	0
7 Resources and Waste	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	0
8 Travel	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9 Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Social									
10 Deprivation and Equality	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 Health, Social Care and Education	0	0	0	+	++	0	+	+	0
12 Housing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13 Services & Facilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Analysis of scores (+++/++/+/0)

	Very Positive	Positive	Slightly Positive	Neutral	Slightly negative	Negative	Very Negative	Unknown or mixed
	+++	++	+	0	-	--	---	?
LE1	2	2	1	8				
LE2	2	2	1	8				
LE3	1	2	1	9				
LE4	1	0	2	10				
LE5	1	2	2	8				
LE6	2	2	1	8				
LE7	3	1	2	7				
LE8	2	1	3	7				
LE9	1	0	2	10				
Total	15	12	15	75				

5. ACCESS AND MOVEMENT

AM1 Sustainable and Active Travel

AM2 Provision of a non-motorised route between Brenchley and Matfield

AM3 Enhancing the local highway network

AM4 Parking

Sustainability Objective	AM1	AM2	AM3	AM4
Economic				
1 Business Growth and Employment	0	0	0	0
Environmental				
2 Air, Noise and Light Pollution	++	++	++	0
3 Biodiversity	0	0	0	0
4 Climate Change	+++	+++	+++	+
5 Heritage and Landscape	++	0	++	++
6 Land Use	0	0	0	0
7 Resources and Waste	++	++	+	0
8 Travel	+++	+++	+	++
9 Water	0	0	0	0
Social				
10 Deprivation and Equality	+	+	0	0
11 Health, Social Care and Education	+++	+++	+++	0
12 Housing	0	0	0	0

13 Services & Facilities	++	++	0	0
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Analysis of scores (+++/++/+/0)

	Very Positive	Positive	Slightly Positive	Neutral	Slightly negative	Negative	Very Negative	Unknown or mixed
	+++	++	+	0	-	--	---	?
AM1	3	4	1	5				
AM2	3	3	1	6				
AM3	2	2	2	7				
AM4	0	2	1	10				
Total	8	11	5	28				

6. COMMUNITY, LEISURE AND RECREATION

CLR1 Education, Health and Care Services

CLR2 Sports and Leisure

CLR3 Natural and Amenity Greenspaces, Play Areas and Playground facilities

CLR4 Facilities for young people and teenagers

CLR5 Retention of Open Spaces in the Parish

Sustainability Objective	CLR1	CLR2	CLR3	CLR4	CLR5
Economic					
1 Business Growth and Employment	0	0	0	0	0
Environmental					
2 Air, Noise and Light Pollution	0	0	0	0	0
3 Biodiversity	0	0	0	0	0
4 Climate Change	0	0	0	0	0
5 Heritage and Landscape	0	0	+	0	+++
6 Land Use	0	0	0	0	0
7 Resources and Waste	0	0	0	0	0
8 Travel	0	++	++	++	++
9 Water	0	0	0	0	0
Social					
10 Deprivation and Equality	++	++	++	++	++
11 Health, Social Care and Education	+++	+++	+++	+++	+++
12 Housing	0	0	0	0	0
13 Services & Facilities	+++	+++	+++	+++	+++

Analysis of scores (+++/++/+/0)

	Very Positive	Positive	Slightly Positive	Neutral	Slightly negative	Negative	Very Negative	Unknown or mixed
	+++	++	+	0	-	--	---	?
CLR1	2	1	0	10				
CLR2	2	2	0	9				
CLR3	2	2	1	8				
CLR4	2	2	0	9				
CLR5	3	2	0	8				
Total	11	9	1	44				

POLICIES SUPPORTING EACH SUSTAINABILITY OBJECTIVE

Sustainability Objective	Related Policies and Scores	Comments
Economic		
1 Business Growth and Employment	<p>H4+, H6++, H7++, H8+++,</p> <p>D2+, D3+</p> <p>BE1+++, BE2+++, BE3+++, BE4+++, BE5+++, BE7++</p> <p>LE1+, LE2+, LE3+</p>	<p>Policies cover rural workers housing and conversion of commercial buildings</p> <p>Encouraging local sourcing and covering permitted development</p> <p>Encouraging retention of businesses, meeting infrastructure needs and supporting new forms of business</p> <p>Ensuring businesses respect the AONB and its setting</p>
Environmental		
2 Air, Noise and Light Pollution	<p>H12++</p> <p>D1+, D2+, D6++,</p> <p>BE6+, BE7++</p> <p>LE6+, LE7++,</p> <p>LE8+++, LE9+,</p> <p>AM1++, AM2++, AM3++</p>	<p>Promoting good practice in construction</p> <p>Protecting the characteristics of the AONB and the environment</p> <p>Promoting better energy efficiency and renewable energy</p> <p>Promoting reduced reliance on fossil fuels</p> <p>Requiring more tree planting helps combat air pollution and helps with light and noise</p> <p>Minimising light pollution</p> <p>More non-motorised movement reduces air pollution and noise</p>
3 Biodiversity	<p>H1++, H11A++, H11B++, H12+</p> <p>D1++, D7+, D8+</p> <p>BE7+</p> <p>LE1++, LE2++, LE3++, LE4+, LE5++, LE6+++, LE7+++, LE8++, LE9+,</p>	<p>Respecting AONB and ensuring design and location of developments protect biodiversity</p> <p>Respecting the AONB and managing flood risks and surface water contributes to protecting diversity</p> <p>Policies to ensure retaining biodiversity is central to decisions on development, eg by protecting green spaces and wildlife corridors and tree planting with native species</p>

4 Climate Change	H2++, H9+, H11A++, H11B++, H12+ D1+, D6+++, D7++ BE6+++, BE7++ LE1++, LE2++, LE5+, LE6++, LE7+++, LE8+ AM1+++, AM2, ++, AM3+++, AM4+	Location and design of developments needs Inclusion of electric charging points, promotion of alternatives to oil and LPG for heating and requirement for energy efficient design all encourage lower carbon development Respecting the rural landscape, encouraging biodiversity and planting trees and hedges will help mitigate climate change Limiting motorised traffic helps mitigate climate change
5 Heritage and Landscape	H1++, H2+++, H3+++, H9++, H10+, H11A++, H11B++ D1+++, D2+++, D3+++, D6+++, D7+, D8+ BE1+, BE4++, BE5++, BE7++ LE1+++, LE2+++, LE3+++, LE4+++, LE5+++, LE6+++, LE7+++, LE8+++, LE9+++, AM1++, AM3++, AM4++ CLR3+, CLR5++	New development inevitably risks impairment of the historic landscape and buildings. The Plan seeks to reconcile the potential conflict between conservation and development Plan strongly supports protection of the AONB Design of developments required to respect local setting and traditions without slavish repetition Support for retention of agricultural and other rural businesses to help maintain the landscape Policies will help ensure that development protects and conserves the outstanding heritage and landscape assets of the parish Encouraging more non-motorised transport, mitigating the impact of increased traffic and well-planned parking will help protect the built and natural landscape Green and open spaces improve the landscape
6 Land Use	D3+, D6+, D7++, D8+ BE1++, BE4++ LE1+++, LE2+++, LE3++, LE5+, LE6++, LE7+	Encouraging agriculture and other local business makes best use of land and developed sites Protecting the local environment
7 Resources and Waste	H2++, H9+, H12+ D1+, D2++, D3+, D6+++, BE1+, BE3+, BE4+, BE6+++, BE7++ LE8+	Plan promotes environmental sustainability of design Greater energy efficiency and renewable energy generation

	AM1++, AM2++, AM3+	Encouraging more non-motorised traffic
8 Travel	<p>H2++, H10++, H11A++, H11B++</p> <p>BE2++, BE3++, BE4++ AM1+++, AM2+++, AM3+, AM4++</p> <p>CLR2++, CLR3++, CLR4++, CLR5++,</p>	<p>Focus on LBD makes easier to access local services</p> <p>Promotion of local employment reduces the need to travel for work Likely increases in traffic, primarily generated outside the parish, will be a major challenge with adverse environmental and social costs.</p> <p>Efforts to be made to tackle speeding and other pressures from likely increases in traffic within the limits of a Neighbourhood Plan</p> <p>The Plan encourages non-motorised travel and promotes improved routes for cyclists and pedestrians, while recognising that the lack of public transport alternatives makes substantial reliance on cars inevitable</p> <p>Availability of sports and leisure facilities reduces the need to travel to access them</p>
9 Water	D6+++, D7+++, D8+++	The Plan seeks to contribute in this area by promoting economy in water use and recycling of water
Social		
10 Deprivation and Equality	<p>H4+, H6+++, H7+++, H10+, H11A++, H11B++</p> <p>D4+++, D5++</p> <p>AM1+, AM2+</p> <p>CLR1++, CLR2++, CLR3++, CLR4++, CLR5++</p>	<p>The parish is fortunate in not being a focus of deprivation and poverty but lower income families, the disabled and older people for housing are not well-served</p> <p>The Plan promotes affordable housing, with more smaller-sized houses and high accessibility standards</p> <p>Promotes designs that meet the needs of older and disabled residents</p> <p>Facilitates non-motorised travel for those without cars</p> <p>Promotion of local sports and leisure facilities and of playground and other outside leisure areas</p>
11 Health, Social Care and Education	<p>H5+++, H6+, H7+, H10++, H11A++, H11B++, H12+</p> <p>D4+++, D5++, D6+,</p>	<p>These services fall outside the responsibilities of a parish but are crucial to the well-being and life prospects of the community. Current primary school and GP services are good but the impact of developments in neighbouring areas is a concern.</p> <p>Provision of housing tailored to the needs of older and disabled residents and of affordable housing will benefit health and welfare</p> <p>Meeting needs of the older residents and those with health issues as well as ensuring an inclusive, safe and secure environment will enhance health and welfare</p>

	<p>BE6+</p> <p>LE4+, LE5++, LE7+, LE8+</p> <p>AM1+++, AM2+++, AM3+++</p> <p>CLR1+++, CLR2+++, CLR3+++, CLR4+++, CLR5+++</p>	<p>Provides benefits to health and welfare</p> <p>Policies to promote less reliance on cars and more exercise will be beneficial to health and well-being</p> <p>Participation in sports and other leisure has both health and education benefits</p>
12 Housing	<p>H1+++, H2++, H3++, H4+++, H5+++, H6+++, H7+++, H8+++, H9++, H11A++, H11B++</p> <p>D1++, D2++, D3+, D4+++, D5+++, D6++, D7+, D8+</p>	<p>Policies seek to ensure that new housing developments match expressed needs for affordable and accessible housing and for smaller homes for starter homes and downsizing</p> <p>Design policies reconcile the need for housing with preserving the AONB and neighbouring areas and ensures that design of housing is consistent with needs</p>
13 Services & Facilities	<p>H1+, H2++, H5++, H10++, H11A++, H11B++</p> <p>D4++</p> <p>BE3+++, BE4+</p> <p>AM1++, AM2++</p> <p>CLR1+++, CLR2+++, CLR3+++, CLR4+++, CLR5+++</p>	<p>Seeking to retain and encourage existing businesses and to encourage new ones, recognising the shift towards home-working</p> <p>Promotes Improved non-motorised access to local services</p> <p>Sports and leisure facilities encouraged Importance of maintaining standards of health care and education emphasised, while recognising their provision lies outside the scope of the Neighbourhood Plan</p>