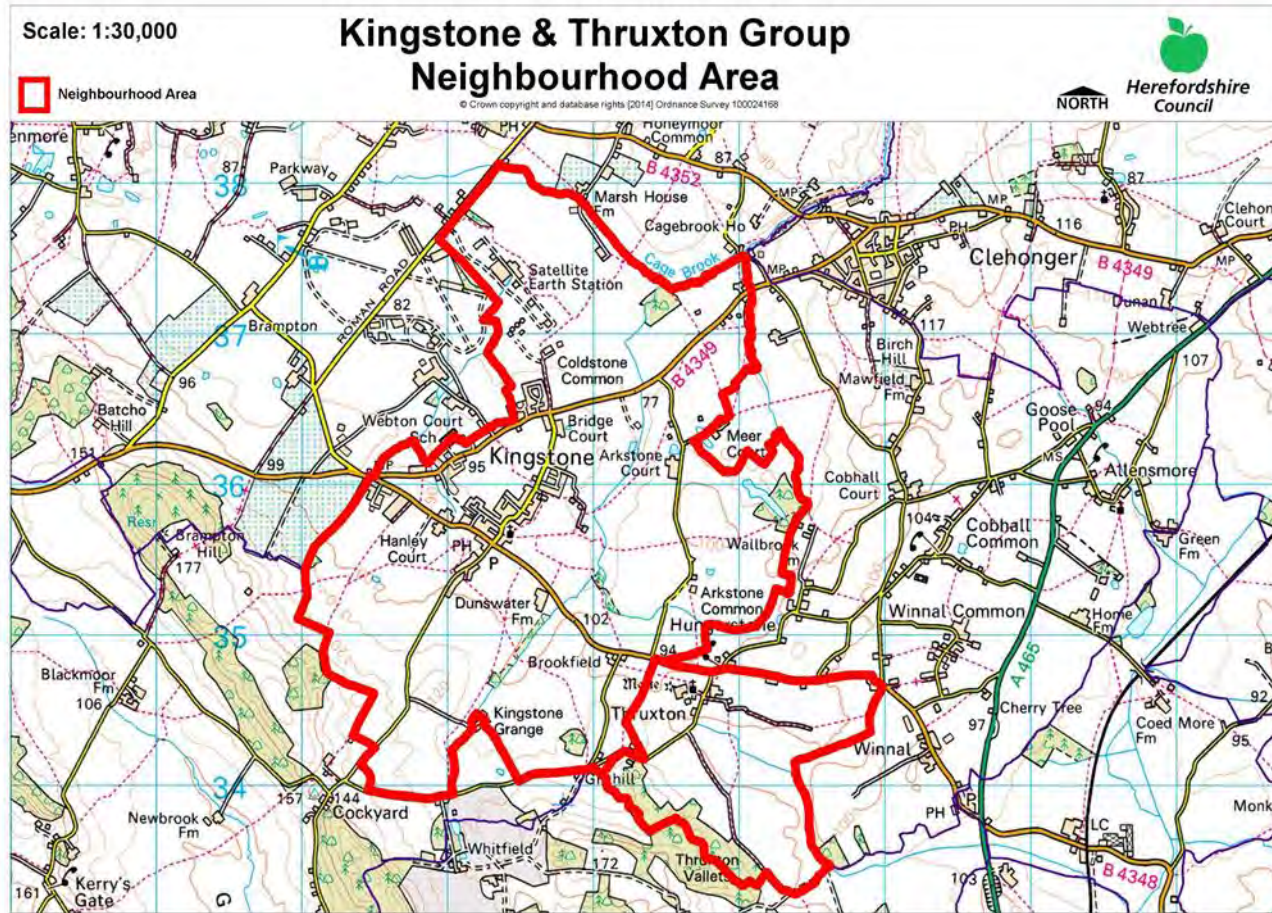


**Kingstone and Thruxton Submission Neighbourhood Development Plan
Consultation Statement – Winter 2015**



Map 1 Kingstone and Thruxton Designated Neighbourhood Area



Kingstone and Thruxton Group Parish (Licensee) Licence Number: 0100055481

1.0 Introduction and Background

- 1.1 This Consultation Statement has been prepared in accordance with The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (SI No. 637) Part 5 Paragraph 15 (2)¹ which defines a “consultation statement” as *a document which –*
- (a) contains details of the persons and bodies who were consulted about the proposed neighbourhood development plan;*
 - (b) explains how they were consulted;*
 - (c) summarises the main issues and concerns raised by the persons consulted; and*
 - (d) describes how these issues and concerns have been considered and, where relevant, addressed in the proposed neighbourhood development plan.*
- 1.2 Kingstone and Thruxton Neighbourhood Development Plan has been prepared in response to the Localism Act 2011, which gives parish councils and other relevant bodies, new powers to prepare statutory Neighbourhood Development Plans to help guide development in their local areas. These powers give local people the opportunity to shape new development, as planning applications are determined in accordance with national planning policy and the local development plan, and neighbourhood plans form part of this framework. Other new powers include Community Right to Build Orders whereby local communities have the ability to grant planning permission for new buildings.
- 1.3 In March 2014 the Group Parish Council applied to Herefordshire Council for Designation as a Neighbourhood Area and the Designation was consulted upon and then approved on 14th May 2014. The Designated Neighbourhood Area is the Group Parish Boundary and is shown in Map 1 above. The Neighbourhood Plan has been prepared by a Steering Group of Parish Councillors and local residents, advised by planning consultants Kirkwells.

¹ <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2012/637/contents/made>

2.0 Draft Neighbourhood Plan Development Informal Consultation on Emerging Plan, Spring 2015

2.1 Kingstone and Thruxton Group Parish Council held a Neighbourhood Plan Drop in Session at Kingstone Village Hall, on Saturday 18th April 2015 1.00pm—5.00pm. Around 50 local residents attended and gave feedback on the emerging draft plan, its vision. Objectives and draft policies. The emerging draft plan was also placed on the neighbourhood plan website <http://www.kingstoneandthrupton.btck.co.uk/NeighbourhoodPlan> for viewing and downloading and the consultation process was promoted through a newsletter/ flyer delivered to all households and businesses – see Appendix I. Key headline results included the following:

Number of questionnaires returned 28 (54% of people who attended event)

Q4 - Do you agree with our Neighbourhood Plan Vision for the Parish?

| | | |
|--------------|----|-----------------------------------|
| Yes | 23 | 82.14% of returned questionnaires |
| No | 0 | |
| Not Answered | 5 | 17.86% of returned questionnaires |

Q5 - Do you agree with our Neighbourhood Plan and policy objectives?

| | | |
|--------------|----|-----------------------------------|
| Yes | 24 | 85.71% of returned questionnaires |
| No | 0 | |
| Not Answered | 4 | 14.29% of returned questionnaires |

Q6 - Do you agree we have identified the major issues facing our Parish?

(see comments sheet for additional suggestions/comments)

| | | |
|-----|----|-----------------------------------|
| Yes | 19 | 67.86% of returned questionnaires |
|-----|----|-----------------------------------|

No 0
 Not Answered 9 32.14% of returned questionnaires

Q7 - Have we included the relevant policies in the plan?

(see comments sheet for additional suggestions/comments)

Yes 10 35.71% of returned questionnaires
 No 0
 Not Answered 18 64.29% of returned questionnaires

| RESULTS OF NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN SURVEY – APRIL 2015 | |
|---|---|
| LIKES | DISLIKES |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Excellent Doctors Surgery. ○ Accessible to Surrounding beautiful Open Countryside, walking, cycling etc. ○ Being part of a Village. ○ Close to Shop. ○ On Bus route/Good Bus Service. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Traffic Congestion. ○ Flooding. ○ Roads & Conditions. ○ Speeding Traffic, need speed calming. ○ Dog Mess. |

| | |
|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Peace & Quiet. ○ Clean Air. ○ Freedom from Crime. ○ Sevensite Playing Field. ○ Footpaths. ○ Living in a Rural Village. ○ Good Facilities i.e. Shop/Post Office, Surgery, Church, Playing Field & Village Hall. ○ Fact it's a Village not a Town. ○ Being part of a Village Community. ○ Environment. ○ Locality to Hereford, not too near but close for travel. ○ Self sufficient Village. ○ Within easy reach of nearby Towns. ○ Friends and Family living locally. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rubbish & Litter on verges and roads (some of which is being dropped by young people). ○ Lack of Footpaths in Village and surrounding areas (i.e. Goosesfoot Industrial Estate). ○ Limescale in the Water. ○ Vandalism. ○ Housing Developments and the ramifications of over development. ○ Travel to Hereford (Time taken). ○ No Public Transport after 7.00pm. ○ Groups of Children hanging around village areas. ○ Antisocial Behaviour, Bad Language etc. ○ Increase in Heavy Traffic, Traffic Queuing. Congestion into Hereford, especially on Belmont Road. ○ Strategic Lighting. |
|---|---|

| | |
|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Local People. ○ Open Plan Recreational Area. ○ Politeness and Tolerance of the Neighbourhood ○ Community of all Age groups. ○ Historical Village. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lack of Bus Service. ○ State of Road Infrastructure, including road surface. ○ Unattractive Village. ○ A few untidy properties that let the village down. ○ Deterioration of Pub. |
|---|---|

| |
|--|
| NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN SURVEY – APRIL 2015 |
| What could make the Parish a better place to live? |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ More things for young people (Teenagers). ○ Removal of the threat of excessive housing developments. ○ Regular Community litter collections. ○ Really good pub, but needing financial help to improve facilities and garden would make a lovely community centre. ○ Speed calming. ○ Increase opportunities for young people. |

- More community events.
- Volunteer litter pickers.
- Encourage wildlife, community garden?
- Flood Alleviation scheme.
- Increase lighting.
- Improve aesthetics.
- Very moderate of thought through development (not at the size of proposed planning).
- More people willing to be involved in their community.
- To stick to the Neighbourhood Plan forever.
- More Bungalows for Elderly People.
- Late Evening Bus Service.
- Better Transportation for residents that do not have their own vehicles.
- No more Building.
- Putting sleeping policemen along Church Road, and outside the Post office.

- Footpaths to make it safer to walk.
- Village OK as it is. Do not change.
- Improvements in the following:- Traffic Congestion into City, Flooding and Roads and condition of the Roads.
- Safer, better pavements.

| NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN SURVEY – APRIL 2015 |
|--|
| Comments Received |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ No Comments, but thank you or all your hard work.○ More Stylish 2 Bed Bungalows in the Private Sector.○ I think we need to have a village ‘hub’, at the moment the village is divided into two areas, near Church and near School and facilities are scattered.○ Stand firm on Proposals.○ Recognition that the Parish and County Council have an obligation to protect the interests of the existing residents. |

- The plans already approved by Herefordshire Council (Architype, Whitehouse Drive) seem to support that the aims in this Neighbourhood Project are unlikely to be fulfilled.
- Village Development must be agreed by Villagers, and development must proceed gradually, maybe six houses per year?
- The Village could control the development by borrowing the monies on a loan to build staggered payment basis with, at and given time after the sixth build monies outstanding would be the cost of 3.5 houses. The Houses must be of varying sizes and design to project natural village development through time.
- The Infrastructure, landscape etc. would be paid for by variously utilising European Grants, Government and Local Authorities money and housing price supplies.
- If Groundwater storage facilities were utilised for each house this would decrease the demand for treated water. With the collected water used for toilet flushing, car washing and irrigation. This facility could be offered to all existing Domestic, Commercial, and Industrial units.
- Sewage and Water treatment plants servicing single develop groups or houses and larger factories and schools are also available, run by Solar Power and producing 'Clean Water' at the end of the process.
- The development of solar power in the village should be looked at, alongside the purchase of Electricity in bulk at cheaper individual rate for all the participating villagers.
- Because wooded areas absorb sixty seven times more rainfall than grassed areas, perhaps an extensive tree and bush planting scheme might be undertaken with the crops from these trees and bushes used in new village ventures.

- Just a few ideas to either replace the existing plan or modify it. Some of the water and sewage proposals could alleviate concerns regarding over use.
- Perhaps greener efforts could be made to have any planning decisions more inclusive so that the talents and knowledge or all the Villagers could be utilised in arriving at decisions.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN SURVEY – APRIL 2015

Q 6 - Major Issues for the Parish - additional comments

- Employment agree with aims but like all the plans, aims and objectives are very laudable but concrete proposals, how, where and when have to be agreed upon.
- Yes particularly flooding, development and keeping industrial units on Gooses Foot.
- Travel (Bus)
- Generally yes but there is no recognition in the plan to support/maintain community transport or similar for the elderly. Without transport these residents can become more isolated and consequently put more of a demand on Social Services and the NHS.
- Antisocial behaviour.

| NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN SURVEY – APRIL 2015 |
|---|
| Q 7 –Have we included the relevant policies in the plan - additional comments |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Probably○ Travel, youths○ Positive discrimination towards the elderly and infirm residents. Encouragement and assistance offered and given to the three essential elements of the village, the church, the shop/PO and the pub.○ Develop Brownfield sites. Redevelop areas e.g. pub gentrification○ Try to keep facilities close to each other. |

2.2 The results of this informal stage of public consultation were used to inform the content of the Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan.

3.0 Formal Consultation on the Kingstone and Thruxton Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan - Monday 7th September until 5pm Monday 19th October 2015.

3.1 The public consultation on the Kingstone and Thruxton Draft Neighbourhood Plan was carried out in accordance with The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (SI No. 637) Part 5 Pre-submission consultation and publicity, paragraph 14. This states that:

Before submitting a plan proposal to the local planning authority, a qualifying body must—

(a) publicise, in a manner that is likely to bring it to the attention of people who live, work or carry on business in the neighbourhood area

(i) details of the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan;

(ii) details of where and when the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan may be inspected;

(iii) details of how to make representations; and

(iv) the date by which those representations must be received, being not less than 6 weeks from the date on which the draft proposal is first publicised;

(b) consult any consultation body referred to in paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 whose interests the qualifying body considers may be affected by the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan; and

(c) send a copy of the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan to the local planning authority.

3.2 The Kingstone and Thruxton Draft Neighbourhood Plan was published for formal consultation for 6 weeks from Monday 7th September 2015 until 5pm Monday 19th October 2015. The Environmental Report for Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) of the Neighbourhood Plan also was published for consultation with Historic England, Natural England and the Environment Agency by Herefordshire Council when the Draft Plan was published.

3.3 The Draft Neighbourhood Plan and a copy of the Response Form were available for viewing and downloading from the neighbourhood plan website <http://www.kingstoneandthruxton.btck.co.uk/NeighbourhoodPlan> with a link from Herefordshire Council's website

<https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/neighbourhood-planning/submitted-draft-plans-and-adopted-neighbourhood-development-plans> . Screenshots of these web pages are provided in Appendix II. Consultation responses were invited using the accompanying Response Form (provided in Appendix II) to the Parish Clerk via an email to kingpar@outlook.com or by post to Rachel Craine Parish Clerk, 48 Cottons Meadow, Kingstone HR2 9EW.

- 3.4 An e-mail or letter was sent to all Consultation Bodies, providing information about the consultation dates, and the locations where the Draft Plan and accompanying documents could be viewed and downloaded. Copies of the letters were sent or emailed out to local businesses and local community organisations. Respondents were invited to complete the Response Form and to submit completed forms / other comments by email or by post to the Parish Clerk. A copy of the letter and the complete list of Consultation Bodies and other groups / organisations consulted is provided in Appendix II. The list of Consultation Bodies was kindly provided by Herefordshire Council.
- 3.5 The Steering Group (in discussion with their planning consultants) felt that a drop in event would not be the most effective way to consult with local residents in Kingstone and Thruxton as an event had already been organised very recently at the informal consultation stage, providing an opportunity to comment on and discuss the content of the Plan with Steering Group members. Instead other methods of raising awareness and encouraging engagement were used including the following:
- A summary document published on the website and (see Appendix II)
 - Delivery of a flyer (see Appendix II) to all households in the Parish and local businesses
 - Display of the flyer on Parish Council notice boards
- 3.6 A copy of the Draft Neighbourhood Plan was submitted to Herefordshire Council.

4.0 Summary of Consultation Responses to the Draft Neighbourhood Plan

- 4.1 Around 55 consultation responses were submitted from around 12 organisations and individuals. Comments were submitted from 7 local residents and these included suggestions that the Plan should include more provision for accommodation for older people wishing to downsize and remain in the community such as bungalows, the need for clarification on various policy criteria particularly those included in Policy KTH1, KTH2 and KTH5 and concerns that the Plan is “too little too late”, taking into account significant existing commitments for new housing in the Parish. There were also suggestions that the identified Settlement Boundary at Thrupton should be extended.
- 4.2 Consultation Bodies which responded with comments included Historic England who supported the Plan and advised that “the plan reads as a well-considered, concise and fit for purpose document that responds well to the issues arising from considerable development pressures”, Cwmru Welsh Water who advised that they “are supportive of the vision, objectives and policies set out” and Natural England who had concerns that the Local Plan Core Strategy had not yet been adopted and therefore gave inadequate protection to wildlife. Natural England proposed “additional wording be added to the following policies: KTH1 – Housing Development Building and Phasing KTE1 – Proposals for New Employment KTH4 - Character and Distribution of Housing in Kingstone”.
- 4.3 Herefordshire Council submitted detailed comments from various departments including Planning Policy who suggested detailed wording changes to several policies including Policies KTH1, KTH3, and KTCF1. There were concerns about the enforceability of Policy KTF2 and advice that Policy KTDC1 falls within the remit of the local planning authority and if it is to be retained it should set out how the 25% CIL entitlement would be spent once the NDP and CIL are adopted. Neighbourhood Planning advised that the Plan required updating in relation to the Adopted Local Plan Core Strategy and that there was a need to include some additional wording as suggested within the SEA/HRA to assist with safeguarding the River Wye hydrological catchment. Strategic Housing advised that the Plan “does not stifle development therefore no further comment to make”. Environmental Health advised that apart from those with planning permission, given that no other specific sites have been identified in the plan they are unable to provide comment with regard to potential contamination.”

4.4 Table 1 below sets out the responses submitted to the Draft Neighbourhood Plan, together with information about how these responses have been considered by the Parish Council and have informed the amendments to the Submission Neighbourhood Plan. Table 2 sets out responses from the Consultation Bodies to the SEA Screening Report.

Table 1 Summary of Consultation Responses and Consideration of Responses, Kingstone and Thrupton Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan.

| Consultee Name Address Ref. No. | Page No. | Para. No. | Vision/ Objective/ Policy No. | Support / Object / Comment | Comments received | Parish Council Consideration | Amendments to NDP |
|---|----------|-----------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Dr J D Sleath The Surgery, Kingstone, Hereford, HR2 9HN Ref No. 1 | All | | | Support | I am very happy with the plan and appreciative of all the hard work put in by members of the parish council | Noted. | No change. |
| The Coal Authority 200 Lichfield Lane, Berry Hill, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire NG18 4RG | All | | | No Comment | Thank you for consulting the Coal Authority on the above. Having reviewed your document, I confirm that we have no specific comments to make on it at this stage. We look forward to continuing to receive your emerging planning policy related documents; preferably in electronic format. | Noted. | No change. |

| | | | | | | | |
|--|----|--|------|------------------|--|--|---|
| Ref No. 2 | | | | | | | |
| Katherine Balls 3 Orchard Close, Kingstone, Hereford, HR2 9ET Ref No. 3 | 27 | | KTH3 | All three ticked | For many years I have been endeavouring to persuade official bodies to build bungalows in the private sector to cater for elderly peoples needs. There are so many residents in Kingstone who would dearly love to downsize to a 2 bedroom bungalow with a small garden to enable them to cope better with housework and gardening but also to stay in Kingstone where our friends and family live. When I wrote to Parliament several years ago regarding the building of bungalows in the private sector, I was informed that once plans for bungalows have been passed the builder can build what he likes simply because they can make more money building houses which I think is wrong. I marvel how bungalows have been built for the elderly and disabled council tenants only to have young mothers and babies placed in them. This too is wrong. I live in a large bungalow with large gardens which I am beginning to find more difficult to manage and will be looking to downsize to a low maintenance 2 bedroom bungalow with a small garden hopefully in Kingstone which I hope will be built very soon. Flats and maisonettes are not acceptable and the bungalows must have 2 bedrooms. A friend of mine has recently sold her house and moved to Clehonger to a bungalow as there were | Accepted. Amend Policy KTH3. Insert additional clause to Policy supporting provision of 2 bedroomed bungalows. | Amend Plan. Insert additional sentence into para 4.1.13: <u>“There were several representations submitted during the consultation on the draft NDP, suggesting that the Plan should include support for two bedroomed bungalows, to enable more older residents to downsize to appropriate accommodation and remain within the community.”</u> Amend KTH3: Insert after first paragraph, point 3: <u>“Proposals which include two bedroomed bungalows with small gardens will be particularly encouraged.”</u> |

| | | | | | | | |
|--|----|-----|------|---------|---|---|---|
| | | | | | none available here in Kingstone which she really didn't want. Looking to the future we're all going to get to the stage where we need suitable accommodation to stay independent for as long as possible so please do your best to attain mine and many other local residents requests. | | |
| Barbara Collins 3 Orchard Close Kingstone Hereford HR2 9ET Ref No. 4 | 27 | | KTH3 | Comment | I am most concerned about the planned properties expected to be built here in Kingstone. I am of the age when I need to downsize in the private sector to a more suitable and manageable property ie. A small 2 bedroom bungalow which I notice is not included in any of the proposed plans. It appears that the only thought given to elderly peoples accommodation are maisonettes which have stairs unless I have missed something. We need a lot more bungalows to cater for the needs of the elderly and disabled to help them maintain their independence for much longer. We don't want to live in complexes which segregate us. Our friends and families are here in Kingstone so it makes sense to build suitable properties here in the Village. By downsizing we would make available larger properties for families, which is also needed. | Accepted. Amend Policy KTH3 as per Ref No. 3 above. | No further change. |
| Fiona Madison 2 Whitehou | 9 | 1.9 | | Comment | P.9, Para 1.9 'Kingstone has 19 Special Wildlife Sites and 2 Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs) and these are shown on Map2'. | Accepted. Amend Map 2 to make the SSSIs clearer to read and amend text to clarify. | Amend Plan. Amend Map 2 to make the SSSIs clearer to read. |

| | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----|-----------|------|---------|---|--|---|
| se Drive, Kingstone, Hereford | | | | | <i>I am unable to see these sites on the map, both on paper and on the internet.</i> | | Amend paragraph 1.9 second to last sentence to read: “ <u>Kingstone has Special Wildlife Sites at Kingstone Common, Arkstone Common, Cage Brook, and Whitfield. These are shown on Map 2 above. There are no SSSIs, SINClis, NNRs, and LNRs within the Parish.</u> ” |
| Ref. No. 5. | | | | | | | |
| Ref No. 6 | 20 | Table 1 | | Comment | P.20, Table 1, Rural Housing Figures. Housing Commitments as at 1 April 2014 is shown as 11. <i>What is meant by ‘commitments’? If ‘commitments’ includes those houses planned then the figure may need to include the houses at the end of White House Drive and the plan by the Severn Site.</i> | Noted. “Commitments” are housing numbers calculated from planning permissions granted and houses which have been built since April 2015. Existing commitments have been calculated to include both of these sites – see Table 2. This information will need updating before the Plan is submitted. | Amend Plan to include latest housing figures / commitments. <u>New Table 1 inserted.</u> |
| Ref. No. 7 | 22 | 4.1.4 | | Comment | P.22, Para 4.1.4. <i>Committed Site 2 building is in progress although planning should never have been passed due to the unsuitability of White House Drive as an access road.</i> | Noted. The Plan cannot reverse a decision on an existing planning permission. | No change. |
| Ref. No. 8 | 24 | Objective | KTH1 | Comment | P.24, bullet point ‘Housing proposals outside the settlement boundary, but within the Parish boundaries will be resisted unless the criteria in section 1 below are met’. | Noted. Amend Plan. | Amend Plan. Amend wording of Objective to read: |

| | | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | | <p><i>I am unsure whether section 1 is all of the policy KTH1 or just the two points numbered 1. within it.</i></p> | <p>This sentence is included in the Objectives for the Policies in section 4.1. The bullet point refers to “exception housing” in the wider countryside under Policy RA3 and is included in paragraph 2 of Policy KTH1. Amend wording to refer to Policy KTH1.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>“Housing proposals outside the settlement boundaries, but within the Group Parish boundary will be resisted except where the criteria in Policy KTH1 below are met”.</u> <p>Thrupton Insert after “proposed sites for housing”: <u>“within Thrupton settlement boundary (see Map 7 Thrupton Settlement Boundary)”</u></p> <p>Insert a new subtitle <u>“Rural exception housing”</u> and insert amended wording: <u>“Rural Exception Housing</u> <u>Proposals for housing development outside the settlement boundaries, but within the Group Parish boundary will be resisted, unless the proposal replaces an existing dwelling and is no larger than the dwelling to be</u></p> |
|--|--|--|--|--|---|--|--|

| | | | | | | | |
|------------|----|--|------|---------|---|---|--|
| | | | | | | | <p><u>replaced, or it re-uses an existing redundant building, or it is essential housing for an agricultural, forestry or other rural worker to live in permanently, at or near their place of work, or is of exceptional quality and innovative design..”</u></p> <p>Insert new subtitle “Phasing” for phasing paragraph.</p> |
| Ref. No. 9 | 24 | | KTH1 | Comment | <p><i>Also within KTH1 the wording of statement ‘exceptional quality and innovative design’ I find slightly worrying as that is open to interpretation, and as such could be considered a bit vague and therefore could potentially be misused.</i></p> | <p>Noted.</p> <p>This wording is set out in Herefordshire Local Plan Core Strategy Policy RA3 and is in line with paragraph 55 of the NPPF.</p> <p>The NDP steers new housing development to sites within the 2 settlement boundaries unless special circumstances apply. Any proposals would be required to demonstrate to Herefordshire Council how they meet such exception criteria before they would be considered acceptable.</p> | No change. |
| Ref. No.10 | 25 | | KTH1 | Comment | <p>P.25, point 4 of KTH1. <i>Would it be possible to have a figure instead of ‘significantly’?</i></p> | Noted. | No change. |

| | | | | | | | |
|-------------|----|-------|------|---------|--|---|---|
| | | | | | | <p>The Parish Council considers that the inclusion of a given figure would be difficult to evidence and justify, and could be seen as unduly prescriptive.</p> <p>Thrupton is a very small, rural settlement and new development proposals should be considered on a case by case basis.</p> <p>No change.</p> | |
| Ref. No. 11 | 25 | | KTH1 | Comment | <p>P.25 Final statement in KTH1. <i>Due to the huge difference between the number of new houses required within the group (67) and the number planned (200), I feel that the 200 houses should be phased over the 20 year period 2011-2031.</i></p> <p><i>If the phasing needs to be 2011-2025, then there should be no more housing development allowed during the 20 year timescale to 2031.</i></p> | <p>Not accepted.</p> <p>The NDP cannot alter existing planning consents eg by limiting development to phases over longer timescales.</p> <p>The NDP cannot place an upper limit on new housing and has to consider a housing target figure of “at least” 67 new houses.</p> <p>Due to the high level of existing commitments and the tightly drawn settlement boundary it is likely that further housing development over the Plan period from 2025-2031 will be limited.</p> | No change. |
| Ref. No. 12 | 25 | 4.1.8 | | Comment | <p>P.25, Para 4.1.8. <i>I notice that bungalows are requested as a need of the village, and yet the planning proposal for Committed Site 1 does not include bungalows. (The</i></p> | <p>Accepted – see Ref. No. 3 above.</p> | No further change – see Ref. No. 3 above. |

| | | | | | | | |
|-------------|----|------------|------|---------|--|---|--|
| | | | | | <i>same can be said for the housing on Committed Site 2)</i> | | |
| Ref. No. 13 | 26 | | KTH2 | Comment | P.26, KTH2. <i>Again, there are no bungalows mentioned.</i> | Accepted – see Ref. No. 3 above. | No further change – see Ref. No. 3 above. |
| Ref. No. 14 | 26 | 4.1.1 1 | | Comment | P.26, Para 4.1.11. <i>What does the term ‘market houses’ mean?</i> | Noted. “market housing” refers to housing sold on the open market as opposed to “affordable housing which is defined in the glossary of the NPPF”. Amend Plan to include a definition as above. | Amend Plan. Insert para 4.1.11 after bullet point 1 “market housing”: “(i.e. <u>housing sold on the open market as opposed to “affordable housing” which is defined in the glossary of the NPPF</u>)” |
| Ref. No. 15 | 32 | | KTH5 | Comment | P.32, KTH5, point 2. <i>A number of dwellings is not mentioned for Thruxton, whereas on P.30 small schemes should be limited to a maximum of 15 in Kingstone. Would it be advisable to mention a number?</i> | Noted and accepted. The Herefordshire Local Plan Core Strategy sets out in paragraph 4.8.12 that “The primary focus for this housing will be those settlements identified in Figure 4.14” which includes Kingstone. Thruxton is identified in Figure 4.15 “Other settlements where proportionate housing is appropriate”. Therefore the strategy is to guide the majority of new housing development towards Kingstone, and only very limited development, appropriate to the form, layout, character and setting of the site and its location | Amend Plan. Amend Policy KTH5 bullet point 2: “ <u>New housing schemes should be small in scale (up to 2 dwellings) and ...</u> ” |

| | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----|-------|-------|---------|--|---|--|
| | | | | | | <p>within Thruxton would be considered acceptable.</p> <p>However it may be advisable to include a guide to scale of development within the Policy eg up to 2 dwellings to provide greater certainty.</p> | |
| Ref. No. 16 | 56 | 4.6.3 | | Comment | P.56, Para 4.6.3. <i>Where are the 12.44 hectares of playing pitch area we are supposed to have?</i> | <p>Noted.</p> <p>The figure is taken from the Herefordshire Playing Pitch Assessment 2012 and is likely to include the school playing fields and any indoor pitches.</p> | <p>Amend Plan.</p> <p>Amend 4.6.3: Insert after bullet point 1 "<u>such as school playing fields and indoor pitch facilities in sports halls etc</u>".</p> |
| Ref. No. 17 | 57 | | KTDC1 | Comment | P.57, KTDC1, point 3. <i>Would the 'continued maintenance costs' be open ended forever or for a restricted time? What would happen if a developer ceased to trade?</i> | <p>Accepted.</p> <p>This requires clarification eg Developers would be required to pay a lump sum into a fund which provides an income stream to cover ongoing maintenance costs.</p> | <p>Amend Plan.</p> <p>Amend Policy KTDC1, point 3: Insert after "fund": "<u>such as through a commuted lump sum which provides an adequate income stream</u>".</p> |
| Ref. No. 18 | All | All | All | Support | Overall, I think the report is a tribute to the hard work of the committee and I thank you for all your time and effort. | Noted. | No change. |
| Herefords hire Council | All | | | Comment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planning Policy <p>Below are related to the practicality of the policy in relation to development</p> | Noted. | No change. |

| | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|--------------|------|---------|---|--|--|--|
| Service Providers responses – October 2015. Ref. No. 19 | | | | | management usage and relation to general conformity with the Core Strategy and its requirements. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this Plan. It is clear that a lot of work has been put into drafting and bringing this Plan together. | | | |
| Ref. No. 20 | | Tables 1 & 2 | | Comment | Table 1/2 | The commitment and completion figures for 1st April 2015 should be available in the coming months to allow these tables and text to be updated. | Accepted. Request updated information from Herefordshire Council and insert before Submission. | Amend Plan. Insert updated information as Table 1. |
| Ref. No. 21 | | | KTH1 | Comment | KTH1 | or adjacent to an existing settlement.. Replace ‘an’ with ‘the’. As this policy is the settlement of Thruxton after ‘in terms of accessibility and location’... suggest adding ‘either within or’.. adjoining the built up area’. This will allow infill within the village also. | Accepted. Amend Plan as suggested. Suggested infrastructure improvements are set out in Policy KTDC1. Those in paragraph 4.1.8 are related to the proposals for the committed site 1 only. | Amend Plan. Amend KTH1: Kingstone point 2: after ‘in terms of accessibility and location’... add ‘ <u>either within or</u> ’.. adjoining the built up area’. Thruxton Delete “an” and replace with “ <u>the</u> ” Last paragraph, after “need” insert “ <u>such as those listed in</u> ” |

| | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|--|--|------|---------|--|---|--|---|
| | | | | | | <p>Last sentence reference to ...'major improvements to current village infrastructure to meet local infrastructure need'... It would be helpful to be clear what this infrastructure is – i.e. is it that infrastructure listed in para 4.1.8</p> | | <p><u>Policy KTDC1 – Developer Contributions below</u>”</p> |
| <p>Ref. No. 22</p> | | | KTH3 | Comment | | <p>KTH3</p> <p>Second section, bullet point 1: 'over provision of one tenure, type or size of dwelling will not be permitted'. It might be useful to have comments from strategic Housing on this. Strategic Housing monitor the need and would comment on such applications if it was not deemed to be meeting the current need; It could be useful to have further clarity on this from Strategic Housing. Type and size of dwelling will</p> | <p>Noted.</p> <p>No comments submitted by Strategic Housing on this.</p> | <p>No change.</p> |

| | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|--|-------|-------|---------|--|--|---|--|
| | | | | | | be more difficult to monitor. | | |
| Ref. No. 23 | | 4.2.3 | | Comment | third line typo: ..'two parishes is provided | | Accepted. Amend Plan. | Amend Plan. Amend paragraph 4.2.3: Delete "two parishes in" and replace with "Group Parish is". |
| Ref. No. 24 | | | KTCF1 | Comment | KTCF1 | This will be difficult to enforce particularly if such buildings are no longer viable to carry on in a similar use. Suggest a period of time to justify and provide evidence to allow applicants to pursue such a change of use. | Accepted. Insert a time period as suggested. | Amend Plan. Amend KTCF1: Amend first paragraph to: "The change of use of shop, public house, post office, school, village hall, churches, nursery or other community facilities to residential uses will not be permitted <u>unless the premises have been empty for two years and during that time actively marketed through a commercial land and premises agent using advertisements and promotional activity on the internet and in regional property journals, without</u> |

| | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|-----|-------|------|---------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|---|
| | | | | | | | | | securing a viable alternative community use. In addition equivalent of better provision for the facility to be lost should be made elsewhere within the settlement boundary.” |
| Ref. No. 25 | P45 | 4.4.3 | | Comment | Bullet 2 p45 countryside’ | typo: ..’and in the sider | | Accepted. Amend wording as suggested. | Amend plan. Amend 4.4.3 bullet 2 p45 typo: ..’and in the <u>wider</u> countryside’ |
| Ref. No. 26 | | | KTF2 | Comment | | KTF2 | Difficult to enforce as current building regulations do not request more stringent standards for developments in flood zones. The planning application is expected to determine the appropriate flood mitigation measures to prevent flooding in the first place such as Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SUDS) or attenuation ponds. | Not accepted. This Policy is considered to be good practice and there were no objections submitted by the Environment Agency. The Policy should be retained. | No change. |

| | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|--|------------------------|-------|---------|--|---|--|--|
| Ref. No. 27 | | Para 4.6 – 4.6.6 | KTDC1 | Comment | | <p>Para 4.6 – 4.6.6 KTDC1</p> <p>Although the policy is aimed at ensuring the rural character of both villages is maintained; this area of planning falls within the remit of the Local Planning Authority and should not be included in the Plan.</p> <p>This section as drafted is not compliant with the latest legislative constraints governing Sec106's.</p> <p>The Planning Authority does this through negotiations with the developer depending on the scheme and arrangements for payment are settled between these two parties. In any case the contributions that local communities are entitled to will amount to 25% and will be paid on a biannual basis to reflect administration</p> | <p>Noted and partially accepted.</p> <p>The Policy should be retained but further information incorporated into the Policy as suggested setting out how the 25% CIL entitlement would be spent once the NDP and CIL are adopted.</p> | <p>Amend plan.</p> <p>Amend Policy KTDC1 fourth paragraph to :</p> <p><u>“Developer’s contributions such as the 25% CIL entitlement once the Neighbourhood Development Plan is made and the CIL charging schedule is adopted by Herefordshire Council will include”:</u></p> |
|----------------|--|------------------------|-------|---------|--|---|--|--|

| | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|--|------|--|---------|---|---|------------------------------|--|
| | | | | | | <p>arrangements within the council.</p> <p>If this section is to be retained it might be useful to set out how the 25% CIL entitlement would be spent once the NDP and CIL are adopted.</p> | | |
| | | | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neighbourhood Planning | | | |
| Ref. No. 28 | | 4.02 | | Comment | 4.0.2 | Update to take account of the status of the Core Strategy and remove reference to the UDP | Accepted. Amend Plan. | Amend Plan. Amend 4.02 to read: <u>“Neighbourhood Plans are required to be in general conformity with national and local planning policies. The Policies have been prepared taking account of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)² and planning policies in the Adopted Herefordshire Local Plan Core Strategy 2011 – 2031³. Further information about the relevant aspects of these policies in relation to</u> |

² <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-planning-policy-framework--2>

³ <https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/planning-policy/core-strategy>

| | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|--|-------|--|---------|-------|--|---|--|
| | | | | | | | | the Kingstone and Thruxton Draft Neighbourhood Plan can be found in the background document Planning Policy Assessment and Review of Evidence Base which is published on the neighbourhood plan website.“ |
| Ref. No. 29 | | 4.1.1 | | Comment | 4.1.1 | Remove reference to the UDP | Accepted. Amend text as suggested. | Amend Plan. Amend paragraph 4.1.1: - Delete references to UDP. |
| Ref. No. 30 | | 4.1.2 | | Comment | 4.1.2 | Update to review status of the Core Strategy | Accepted. Amend text as suggested | Amend Plan. Delete 4.1.2. Insert additional text at end of 4.1.1 to provide new paragraph 4.1.2: “ <u>Table 1 Proportional Growth below sets out the existing commitments of housing with planning consent and housing completions from 2011 to November 2015. This leaves a net housing figure of XX for Kingstone and Thruxton Group Parish, based on the 14% proportional growth for the Ross on Wye rural Housing</u> |

| | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------|--|--|---------|-----|--|--|--|
| | | | | | | | | Market Area in the Local Plan Core Strategy.” |
| | | | | | | | | Update Table 1 as per Ref. No. 6 above. |
| Ref. No. 31 | Maps | | | Comment | Map | The map numbers and the text do not always tally up. I.e KTH5 refers to Map 6 in the text but the map is labelled map 7 | Accepted. Check all Map reference numbers and update. | Amend Plan. Check all Map reference numbers and update. |
| Ref. No. 32 | 4.5.6 | | | Comment | | Inclusion of some additional wording as suggested within the SEA/HRA would assist safeguarding the River Wye hydrological catchment. | Accepted. Insert additional wording as suggested to section 4.5 | Amend Plan. Insert additional wording to 4.5.6 as provided by Herefordshire Council: <u>“Development should not have a significant adverse effect on the River Wye SAC. If such effects are identified they must be suitably mitigated. In particular, development will only be permitted when it can be demonstrated by the applicant that it would not compromise the ability of the</u> |

| | | | | | | | |
|----------------|--|--|--|--|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | | <u>River Wye SAC Nutrient Management Plan to reduce overall nutrient levels along stretches of the River Wye that exceed, or are at risk of exceeding, water quality target</u> |
| | | | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transportation and Highways <p>None received</p> | Noted. | No change. |
| Ref. No. 33 | | | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Health <p>My understanding is that apart from the two “Committed housing Sites” identified in orange on Map 4 –“Kingstone & Thrupton Neighbourhood Plan - Proposals Map”- which have already been granted planning approval, no other specific sites have been identified in this plan and as such I would advise:</p> <p>Given that no other specific sites have been identified in the plan I am unable to provide comment with regard to potential contamination.</p> <p>General comments:</p> <p>Developments such as hospitals, homes and schools may be considered ‘sensitive’</p> | Noted. Environmental Health will be consulted as and when planning applications are submitted for specific sites and any detailed comments on contamination should be taken into consideration at that time. | No change. |

| | | | | | | | |
|----------------|-----|--|--|---------|--|--------|------------|
| | | | | | <p>and as such consideration should be given to risk from contamination notwithstanding any comments. Please note that the above does not constitute a detailed investigation or desk study to consider risk from contamination. Should any information about the former uses of the proposed development areas be available I would recommend they be submitted for consideration as they may change the comments provided.</p> <p>Finally it should be recognised that contamination is a material planning consideration and is referred to within the NPPF. I would recommend applicants and those involved in the parish plan refer to the pertinent parts of the NPPF and be familiar with the requirements and meanings given when considering risk from contamination during development.</p> <p>These comments are provided on the basis that any other developments would be subject to application through the normal planning process.</p> | | |
| Ref. No. 34 | All | | | Comment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic Housing | Noted. | No change. |

| | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----|--|--|---------|---|--------|------------|
| | | | | | Does not stifle development therefore no further comment to make. | | |
| | | | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landscape/conservation/Archaeology None received | Noted. | No change. |
| | | | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic Development None received | Noted. | No change. |
| | | | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parks and Countryside None received | Noted. | No change. |
| | | | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waste None received If any additional comments are received before the closing date, this will be forwarded separately. 14 October 2015 | Noted. | No change. |
| Historic England Ref. No. 35 | All | | | Support | Thank you for the invitation to comment on the draft Neighbourhood Plan. Historic England are supportive of the content of the document, particularly its' emphasis on local distinctiveness and the maintenance of rural character and we consider it takes a suitably proportionate approach to the historic environment of the Parish. Overall | Noted. | No change. |

| | | | | | | | |
|---|-----|--|--|---------|--|--------|------------|
| | | | | | <p>the plan reads as a well-considered, concise and fit for purpose document that responds well to the issues arising from considerable development pressures.</p> <p>Beyond those observations we have no further substantive comments to make on what Historic England considers is a good example of community led planning.</p> <p>I hope you find this advice helpful.</p> | | |
| <p>Cymru Welsh water</p> <p>Ref. No. 36</p> | All | | | Support | <p>I refer to your email dated the 31st August 2015 regarding the above consultation. Dŵr Cymru Welsh Water (DCWW) appreciates the opportunity to respond and we offer the following representation: Given that the Kingstone and Thrupton Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan has been prepared in accordance with the emerging Herefordshire Local Plan Core Strategy, DCWW are supportive of the vision, objectives and policies set out. With particular regard to housing, DCWW has previously provided representations to Herefordshire Council for the two committed housing sites as part of the planning application process, therefore we have no further comments to make on</p> | Noted. | No change. |

| | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----|--|--|---------|--|--------|------------|
| | | | | | these sites. We will continue to provide representation to any future planning applications within the Group Parish area that we are consulted on. We hope that the above information will assist you as you continue to progress the Kingstone and Thrupton Neighbourhood Development Plan. In the meantime, should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact us at Forward.Plans@dwrcymru.com or via telephone on 0800 917 2652. | | |
| Severn Trent Water Ref. No. 37 | All | | | Comment | <p>Thank you for giving Severn Trent Water the opportunity to comment on the above consultation.</p> <p>We are in regularly communication with Herefordshire Council, therefore any drainage issues and concerns will be addressed when and where necessary.</p> <p>Many thanks</p> <p><i>Dawn</i></p> | Noted. | No change. |
| Natural England Ref. No. 38 | All | | | Comment | <p>Re: Kingstone and Thrupton Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP)</p> <p>Thank you for your consultation on the above dated and received by Natural England on 31 August 2015. Natural England is a non-departmental public body.</p> | Noted. | No change. |

| | | | | | | | |
|----------------|-----|--|--|--------|--|---|-------------------------|
| | | | | | Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development. Kingstone and Thruxton Neighbourhood Plan The NDP relies on policies of the as yet un-adopted Herefordshire Local Plan. Until such time as the Herefordshire Local Plan is adopted the plan, policies within it cannot be relied upon to ensure the NDP will not have a likely significant effect. | | |
| Ref. No. 39 | HRA | | | Object | As a consequence, we disagree with the conclusions of the HRA of the NDP. In order to conclude that the NDP will not have a likely significant effect, we advise that either the NDP is adopted only after the Herefordshire Local Plan is adopted, or suitable policies are included within the NDP. We advise that you discuss with Herefordshire Council how the NDP could be strengthened to demonstrate that there will be no likely significant effects on the SAC. An example of additional policy wording is set out below: "Development can only proceed where any adverse impacts on designated sites can be avoided or mitigated. Development will only be permitted when it does not compromise the ability of the nutrient management plan to deliver the necessary overall nutrient reductions along those stretches | Accepted. Use suggested policy wording for identified policies as set out below. | Amend Plan – see below. |

| | | | | | | | |
|----------------|--|--|----------------------|---------|---|---|---|
| | | | | | of the River Wye SAC which are already exceeding water quality targets.” | | |
| Ref. No. 40 | | | KTH1 KTE1 KTH4 | Comment | We advise that this additional wording be added to the following policies: KTH1 – Housing Development Building and Phasing KTE1 – Proposals for New Employment KTH4 - Character and Distribution of Housing in Kingstone We note the inclusion within this policy of the provision of open space, SUDs and design to limit light pollution and welcome these. | Accepted. Insert suggested policy wording to Policies KTH1, KTE1 and KTH4. | Amend Plan. Insert additional supporting text to para 2.7: <u>“Following this a full Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) and Environmental Report were published for consultation with the consultation bodies of Natural England, Environment Agency and Historic England. Natural England disagreed with the conclusions of the HRA and advised that in order to conclude that the NDP will not have a significant environmental effect, the NDP should be adopted only after the Herefordshire Local Plan Core Strategy is adopted, or suitable policies are included in the NDP. Since then the Local Plan Core Strategy has been adopted, but the Parish Council also agreed to include the proposed additional wording for Policies KTH1, KTE1 and KTH4 to help provide</u> |

| | | | | | | | |
|----------------|--|--|-------------------------|----------------------|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | | <p>protection to the River Wye SAC.”</p> <p>Insert additional wording to the end of Policies KTH1, KTE1 and KTH4:</p> <p><u>“Development can only proceed where any adverse impacts on designated sites can be avoided or mitigated. Development will only be permitted when it does not compromise the ability of the nutrient management plan to deliver the necessary overall nutrient reductions along those stretches of the River Wye SAC which are already exceeding water quality targets.”</u></p> |
| Ref. No. 41 | | | KTD2 / New Policy | Support / Comment | <p>Page 2 of 2 Policy KTD2 – Protecting Local Green Spaces</p> <p>We welcome this policy and advise expanding it to include more about green infrastructure, to protect existing green infrastructure within the boundary of the plan area and to promote creation of new green infrastructure if new development proposals come forward. Such green infrastructure could include traditional</p> | <p>Accepted.</p> <p>Amend Plan.</p> <p>Insert additional paragraph 4.2.9 and new Policy KTD3.</p> | <p>Amend Plan.</p> <p>Insert new paragraph 4.2.9: <u>“Representations submitted by Natural England during the consultation on the Draft Plan advised that there is a need to protect existing green infrastructure within the boundary of the plan area and to promote creation of new</u></p> |

| | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|---|--|
| | | | | <p>orchards and woodland within the Kingstone and Thrupton parish boundaries and other environmental assets in the area to preserve the existing ecosystem network. You may find it helpful to refer to the Herefordshire Green Infrastructure Study (2010). Multi-functional green infrastructure is important to underpin the overall sustainability of a development by performing a range of functions including flood risk management, the provision of accessible green space, climate change adaptation and supporting biodiversity. An example of a green infrastructure provision is sustainable drainage systems. These can deliver benefits for people and for wildlife and make a valuable contribution to the local green infrastructure network. Actions such as re-naturalising watercourses can also bring multifunctional benefits, including benefiting flood attenuation. Woodland planting can also help mitigate flooding, see Woodland for Water: Woodland measures for meeting Water Framework Directive objectives for further information. Proposals may present opportunities to incorporate features such as roosting opportunities for bats, the installation of bird nest boxes or the use of native species in the landscape planting and we advise including within a green infrastructure policy the requirement for ecological enhancements. We advise</p> | <p><u>green infrastructure if new development proposals come forward. Such green infrastructure could include traditional orchards and woodland within the Kingstone and Thrupton Group Parish boundary and other environmental assets in the area to preserve the existing ecosystem network in line with the Herefordshire Green Infrastructure Study (2010).</u></p> <p><u>4.2.10 Multi-functional green infrastructure is important to underpin the overall sustainability of a development by performing a range of functions including flood risk management, the provision of accessible green space, climate change adaptation and supporting biodiversity. An example of a green infrastructure provision is sustainable drainage systems. These can deliver benefits for people and for wildlife and make a valuable contribution to the local green infrastructure network. Actions such as re-naturalising</u></p> |
|--|--|--|--|---|--|

| | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|---|--|---|
| | | | | <p>including policy to protect specifically priority habitat for example the traditional orchards which are around the villages of Kingstone and Thruxton and other environmental assets in the area to preserve the existing eco-system network.</p> | | <p><u>watercourses can also bring multifunctional benefits, including benefiting flood attenuation. Woodland planting can also help mitigate flooding, see Woodland for Water: Woodland measures for meeting Water Framework Directive objectives for further information. Proposals may present opportunities to incorporate features such as roosting opportunities for bats, the installation of bird nest boxes or the use of native species in the landscape planting.”</u></p> <p>Insert new Policy KTD3:</p> <p><u>“Policy KTD3 Green Infrastructure</u></p> <p><u>New development proposals are required to include ecological enhancements as part of landscaping and building design.</u></p> <p><u>Proposals should include enhancements such as sustainable drainage systems, re-naturalising watercourses,</u></p> |
|--|--|--|--|---|--|---|

| | | | | | | | |
|----------------|--|--|--|--|---|--------|---|
| | | | | | | | <p><u>woodland planting, roosting opportunities for bats, the installation of bird nest boxes and the use of native species in the landscape planting.</u></p> <p><u>Priority habitats such as the traditional orchards around the settlements of Kingstone and Thrupton and other environmental assets in the area are protected to preserve the existing eco-system network."</u></p> |
| Ref. No. 42 | | | | | <p>We would be happy to comment further should the need arise but if in the meantime you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us. For any queries relating to the specific advice in this letter only please contact Gillian Driver on 0300 060 4335. For any new consultations, or to provide further information on this consultation please send your correspondences to consultations@naturalengland.org.uk. We really value your feedback to help us improve the service we offer. We have attached a feedback form to this letter and welcome any comments you might have about our service. Yours sincerely Gillian Driver Miss Gillian Driver Planning Adviser South Mercia Team.</p> | Noted. | No change. |

| Late Responses (received after 19/10/15) | | | | | | | |
|---|----|--------|------|---------|---|--|---|
| Mr & Mrs EG Clive Whitfield Estate, c/o The estate office, Whitfield, Hereford HR2 9BA Ref. No. 43 | 29 | 4.1.17 | KTH5 | Comment | This paragraph makes reference to Hanley Court, Dunswater, Exchequer Court and Thrupton Court as being five farms. They are in fact four farms and so two amendments need to be made to this paragraph to correct this. | Accepted. Amend Plan as suggested. | Amend Plan. Amend para 4.1.17 to refer to four farms rather than five: “These <u>four</u> farms are all part of the Whitfield Estate owned by the Clive family. The houses and parts of the farmsteads are listed. Each of the <u>four</u> farmhouses whilst owned by the same family are quite distinctive and individual in style.” |
| Ref. No. 44 | 60 | Ap I | | Comment | Appendix I – listed buildings Please be advised that Whitfield Park and garden are not a Grade II Listed Building. The Whitfield park and garden are in fact “Registered Park and gardens for England” which is a non-statutory designation. Reference to the parks and gardens at Whitfield should therefore be removed | Noted and partially accepted. The list of Listed Buildings has been downloaded directly from the Historic England website and this list includes historic parks and gardens and it would not be appropriate / correct to amend the content of the list. | Amend Plan. Amend title of Appendix I to “Listed Buildings, <u>Scheduled Monuments and Historic Parks and Gardens</u> ”, Historic England” |

| | | | | | | | |
|----------------|----|--|------|---------|--|---|---|
| | | | | | from the list of Listed Buildings in both Kingstone and Thruxton. | However the title of the Appendix should be amended to include "Historic parks and gardens". | |
| Ref. No. 45 | 24 | | KTH1 | Comment | <p>In principle we would be supportive of Policy KTH1 – Kingstone, but would wish to raise the following comments and suggested amendments.</p> <p>The policy states that development will only be permitted within the settlement boundary where it is as a result of re-using brownfield sites. The policy goes further to state that proposals outside of the settlement boundary will be resisted unless they are a replacement or re-use of a redundant building. Both of these requirements are very prohibitive as very limited sites would fall within these criteria, particularly if land shown as being within the flood zones is also excluded. Our concerns are the policy in its current format could lead to the density of housing within the settlement boundary significantly increasing due to one of infill plots, which would not be desirable.</p> <p>The policy states that development will only be permitted when it provides affordable housing to meet local needs. It is important that a balance may be struck in this regard as imposing too onerous</p> | <p>Paritally accepted.</p> <p>Kingstone and Thruxton neighbourhood area is subject to considerable development pressure and the indicative housing growth target for the rural Housing market Area of Ross on Wye of 14% is likely to be exceeded if existing commitments come forward over the Plan period. The Parish Council is committed to ensuring any further development takes place within the defined settlement boundary wherever possible and that further major growth in this very rural area is appropriate to the location and character.</p> <p>The Policy does not explicitly refer to supporting small infill development, but this is considered appropriate in terms of the character of the village, provided that the layout, siting and design are sensitive to the surrounding area and other criteria in the Policy are satisfied. It would not be appropriate therefore to</p> | <p>Amend Plan.</p> <p>Amend Policy KTH1:</p> <p>Amend Criteria 1 to "<u>Re-use brown field sites or buildings, or comprise the conversion or alteration of existing buildings to provide residential accommodation; and</u>"</p> <p>Amend Criteria 7 to: "<u>Include the provision of appropriate affordable housing units to meet local need; and</u>"</p> |

| | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|---|--|
| | | | | <p>requirements for affordable housing may prohibit some development as sites become unviable.</p> <p>We would therefore recommend the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prohibition of in-fill or “backyard development” which in some instances could otherwise lead to gardens being considered brownfield land. - The policy should give preference to development that makes use of brownfield sites, the reuse or buildings or the conversion or alteration to existing buildings to provide residential accommodation. - The policy should not completely prohibit appropriate scale development immediately adjoining the settlement boundary provided that it meets the other criteria of the policy. - Criteria 7 of the policy should consider a more flexible approach to the provision of affordable housing to meet local needs. It should make provision for such requirements only where appropriate and at an appropriate | <p>prohibit in-fill or backyard development and such a criteria in the Policy could be viewed as unnecessarily prescriptive and negative.</p> <p>In terms of preference to brownfield sites, criteria 1 encourages re-use brown field land. This could be expanded to include the wording proposed.</p> <p>It is appropriate that development adjoining the settlement boundary is not considered to be acceptable. The settlement boundary determines which policies in the Herefordshire Local Plan Core strategy apply; those within the settlement boundary will be considered under Policies RA1 and RA2; those outside are considered to be in the wider countryside under Policy RA3.</p> <p>Criteria 7 does not require all development to be affordable housing, but that new development should include proposals for affordable and local needs housing. This could be amended slightly to make the intention clearer.</p> | |
|--|--|--|--|--|---|--|

| | | | | | | | |
|----------------|----|--|------|---------|---|--|------------|
| | | | | | <p>scale to the development as a whole.</p> <p>The recommended changes would help prevent the density of housing within the settlement boundary from increasing and would, in certain circumstances, enable appropriate development to take place that would meet the housing need without making future development unviable. It is considered that meeting the housing need criteria could not be achieved solely with the use of brownfield sites within the settlement boundary.</p> | | |
| Ref. No. 46 | 27 | | KTH3 | Support | <p>In principle we are supportive of policy KTH3 but would advise that not only should the mixture of tenure types be appropriate to the needs identified but also not be so onerous that development is stifled. Whilst the size and scale of each development proposal would need to be considered individually, we would recommend that flexible approach be adopted as otherwise development could be made unviable. We are therefore pleased to note that the policy allows for this and hope that it will be implemented as such.</p> | Noted. | No change. |
| Ref. No. 47 | 32 | | KTH5 | Support | <p>We are supportive of this policy and its intention to continue to keep any development within the settlement boundary that has been established and</p> | <p>Not accepted.</p> <p>The settlement boundary for Thruxton is drawn tightly around the</p> | No change. |

| | | | | | | | |
|--|-------|--|--|----------------|--|---|-------------------|
| | | | | | <p>prevent development in the open countryside. We would however recommend that Pool House and Pool Cottage be included within the settlement boundary as they form part of the hamlet.</p> | <p>existing settlement to protect the setting of the settlement from unacceptable levels of development and expansion of the built up area.</p> <p>Extending the boundary to Poole House would be a major extension and would lead to the inclusion of potential development sites which are considered to be in the wider countryside, and away from the core of the village.</p> | |
| <p>Roderick Simpson Thrupton House Herefords hire HR2 9AX</p> <p>Ref. No. 48</p> | 10-13 | | | <p>Comment</p> | <p>Dear Sirs</p> <p>Kingstone and Thrupton Draft Neighbourhood Plan v6 (the “Draft Plan”)</p> <p>This Draft Plan is far too little and far too late. Unsurprisingly perhaps, it comes across as very Kingstone-centric.</p> <p>Reference is made on pages 10 to 13 to the informal consultation on the Emerging Plan that took place in April 2015. As an aside I do not recall being made aware that such an event was taking place and it would be useful to know how the event was publicised. What seems clear from the feedback is that there is a disconnect between the survey / the results of the survey and the Draft Plan and it is far from</p> | <p>Not accepted.</p> <p>The Parish Council though the Steering Group gave very careful consideration to all responses submitted and amended the Plan accordingly.</p> <p>Many of the suggestions put forward were not planning related and therefore these have not been included the Draft NDP eg where they do not refer to the use and development of land and buildings.</p> <p>The consultation was widely publicised and details of this process are provided in the accompanying consultation statement.</p> | <p>No change.</p> |

| | | | | | | | |
|----------------|----------|--|--|---------|--|--|------------|
| | | | | | clear how, if at all, the April 2015 feedback has been incorporated within the Draft Plan. It certainly looks as if those attending the April 2015 session were not led by someone who was familiar with the purpose and scope of the Plan or the policies that were going to be set out within it. | | |
| Ref. No. 49 | 20 25 | | | Comment | <p>It is a source of extreme concern that there are “Current approved housing applications of approximately 200 houses in Kingstone [to be] phased in over the period 2011-2025” (page 25), equivalent to more than 40% of the existing 478 households in the parish (page 20). This consultation and this Draft Plan comes far too late. Much of the Draft Plan seems to have been written almost as if this had not happened.</p> <p>Three examples of this:</p> | <p>Noted but not accepted.</p> <p>The Parish Council agrees that the proposed growth of the neighbourhood area is significant and this is partly as a result of existing commitments (eg planning consents). The NDP cannot turn the clock back and amend earlier decisions, but It can be used to help influence and determine future proposals.</p> <p>The Parish Council does not accept that the Plan has been written as though this has not happened. In fact the Plan includes policies which guide development to within tightly defined settlement boundaries, and a policy to restrict any future proposals on the committed site 1 to that which already has planning permission ie a proposal which includes exemplar sustainability</p> | No change. |

| | | | | | | | |
|----------------|----|------|--|---------|---|---|------------|
| | | | | | | projects. The Plan also includes extensive background supporting text explaining the level of proposed growth and how this compares to the indicative housing growth target of 14% in the Local Plan Core Strategy. | |
| Ref. No. 50 | 9 | 1.12 | | Comment | Page 9, paragraph 1.12 is completely undermined by the fact that 200 additional houses are demonstrably far more than is currently needed by “local people to live locally”, and there are most definitely not enough local jobs currently to justify this increase. As such the nature of the parish will change beyond recognition over the next ten years and the Draft Plan falls far short of outlining the steps that will be required to ensure this scale of change is properly managed and that all stakeholder interests are preserved so far as is possible. | Not accepted. As above - the Plan includes policies to manage future development which is likely to come forward over the Plan period, and cannot change decisions that have already been made. The Plan includes a policy (KTH1) which aims to ensure new housing proposals come forward in a phased manner over the Plan period up to 2031. | No change. |
| Ref. No. 51 | 14 | 2.6 | | Comment | Paragraph 2.6, page 14 makes it clear that the Draft Plan contemplates even further growth over and above this already massive change – and this is surely wrong. Surely the Draft Plan should start from the premise that enough is enough and that growth beyond what is already approved should be embargoed for at least ten years and very possibly longer until the impact of the change that comes with the existing 200 new houses has been absorbed properly. The Draft Plan pays lip- | Not accepted. Development Plan policies are required in the NPPF to be positive and to promote sustainable development including housing which meets objectively assessed needs. A policy which restricts all future housing growth would be unacceptable in planning terms and not in conformity with national and local strategic planning policy. | No change. |

| | | | | | | | |
|-------------|---------|-----|------|---------|--|---|------------|
| | | | | | service to “proportional growth” (e.g. page 19, paragraph 4.1.2), but fails to address the fact that the parish is subject to extreme disproportionate growth already. It is very concerning that the Draft Plan seems to contemplate that “proportional growth” will encourage and permit even greater levels of new housing development because we start from a base that has just been 40% enlarged. | | |
| Ref. No. 52 | 16 | 3.1 | | Comment | Paragraph 3.1, page 16 states that the “Vision ... is to support development that maintains the rural character of the region and preserves the rural nature of the parishes ... “. The character and rural nature will be severely affected by so many new houses so this vision statement is an empty platitude that means nothing and has already been compromised. | Not accepted. The Vision is underpinned by a range of objectives and policies aimed at protecting and enhancing the rural character of Kingstone and Thruxton including policies related to design, open spaces and (in the revised, submission plan) green infrastructure. | No change. |
| Ref. No. 53 | 24 - 25 | | KTH1 | Comment | Policy KTH1 page 24 to 25 The policy for Kingstone should be significantly curtailed given so many new houses have been approved already. Is it not too late to require that the 200 new houses already approved should be limited so as to provide “essential housing for a LOCAL agricultural, forestry or other rural worker to live in permanently”? The policy for Thruxton is also far too wide and should be significantly curtailed. There | Not accepted. The policies and settlement boundaries relating to new development in Kingstone and Thruxton are in conformity with the Herefordshire Local Plan Core Strategy which identifies these settlements as settlements where housing growth can be accommodated. The criteria are designed to manage new | No change. |

| | | | | | | | |
|----------------|----|--|------|---------|--|---|------------|
| | | | | | <p>is no current need for additional houses; any additional houses whether or not adjacent to an existing settlement will inevitably utilise green-field sites and the possibility of this happening should be seriously restricted. Ideally it would be restricted to re-using brown field land (as with Kingstone). Item 4: “The scale of development should not increase significantly the scale or size of the population” is worthy, but was completely disregarded in Kingstone last year. What safeguards are the Parish Council offering this time?</p> | <p>development to that which is appropriate.</p> <p>Safeguards are not offered by the Parish Council as Herefordshire Council will continue to determine planning applications in the future as the local planning authority. However the NDP offers the opportunity for local residents to influence planning policies in a development plan document and planning applications are determined accordance with the development plan (including the NDP) and any other material considerations.</p> | |
| Ref. No. 54 | 26 | | KTH2 | Comment | <p>Policy KTH2 page 26</p> <p>This policy seems absurd and pointless and an example of seeking to ratify the opening of the stable door after the horse has bolted. If it is not a completely pointless policy then it should still be struck out from this Draft Plan on the grounds that this development is not proportional and does not maintain the rural character of the region and rural nature of the parishes. If it needs to be retained, the Draft Plan should also recognise that the B4348 and other roads will suffer a significant increase in traffic and there are many junctions</p> | <p>Not accepted.</p> <p>The Policy is not pointless. It seeks to limit new development on the site to that which already has planning consent ie an exemplar of sustainable design. If for example the planning permission expired, or a new application came in which sought to deliver development which did not provide these sustainability assets, then a new application would be considered against this policy.</p> | No change. |

| | | | | | | | |
|----------------|----|--|------|---------|--|---|------------|
| | | | | | which need to be protected by traffic calming systems. | | |
| Ref. No. 55 | 32 | | KTH5 | Comment | <p>Policy KTH5 (page 32)</p> <p>Policy 2 as drafted should be rejected. It is quite clear that no new housing development scheme could be undertaken within the settlement boundary which did not breach the criteria in KTH1 for Thrupton. The settlement boundary has been drawn very narrowly and should be extended if the Draft Plan is to provide real protection to the existing inhabitants. Poole House should be included, and the land 30m either side of the road leading from the red-marked boundary to the B4348 and to Poole House should also be included. There are houses on the B4348 that fall within the Thrupton village boundaries and they, together with the land 30m either side of the road should also be included. As currently written the policy is a complete nonsense and provides no protection to the present inhabitants.</p> <p>The Draft Plan makes much reference to Thrupton Church – but Thrupton Tump is also an important Ancient Monument and its surroundings and views need far greater protection than this Draft Plan offers.</p> | <p>Not accepted.</p> <p>Thrupton is identified in the Herefordshire Core Strategy as an “other settlement where proportionate housing is appropriate.”</p> <p>It would not appropriate to extend the settlement boundary to land 30m either side of the road leading from the red-marked boundary to the B4348 and houses on the B4348 as this area is clearly some distance from the existing built up area and includes land that should be considered to be open countryside. The settlement of Thrupton is considered to be the settlement clustered around the church as shown on the existing settlement boundary map. Extending the boundary as suggested could lead to significant unsustainable housing development in the countryside and would conflict with the character of the existing small rural hamlet.</p> | No change. |

| | | | | | | | |
|--|-----|--|--|---------------------|---|--|--------------------|
| | | | | | | Thrupton Tump is included in Appendix I as a listed building (Grade II) and therefore has statutory protection in terms of the heritage asset and its setting. | |
| Ref. No. 56 | All | | | Comment / objection | Conclusion I believe this Draft Plan is wholly inadequate. It fails to take sufficient cognisance that Kingstone has just allowed unprecedented change to be forced upon both itself and Thrupton and accordingly in my view it needs to be significantly amended: The Draft Plan needs to make it extremely difficult if not impossible for any further houses to be built within the parish for the next 15 years unless there are truly compelling circumstances and it needs to make sure that the Community can properly manage and absorb the changes and challenges that the new houses at Kingstone are going to bring. The Draft Plan as drafted does neither. I would be pleased to discuss this email with you | Not accepted. The Plan provides criteria based policies which support some further limited housing growth which is required by the Herefordshire Local Plan Core Strategy and the NPPF. | No change. |
| Natural England Customer Services Hornbeam House | All | | | Comment | Dear Ms Craine Re: Kingstone and Thrupton Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) Thank you for your consultation on the above dated and received by Natural England on 31 August 2015. | Noted. See Ref. No. 38 – 42 above – Plan has been amended as per emailed comments submitted earlier. | No further change. |

| | | | | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| <p>Crewe Business Park Electra Way Crewe Cheshire CW1 6GJ</p> | | | | | <p>Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.</p> | | |
| <p>Ref. No. 57</p> | | | | | <p>Kingstone and Thruxton Neighbourhood Plan</p> <p>The NDP relies on policies of the as yet un-adopted Herefordshire Local Plan. Until such time as the Herefordshire Local Plan is adopted the plan, policies within it cannot be relied upon to ensure the NDP will not have a likely significant effect. As a consequence, we disagree with the conclusions of the HRA of the NDP. In order to conclude that the NDP will not have a likely significant effect, we advise that either the NDP is adopted only after the Herefordshire Local Plan is adopted, or suitable policies are included within the NDP.</p> <p>We advise that you discuss with Herefordshire Council how the NDP could be strengthened to demonstrate that there will be no likely significant effects on the SAC. An example of additional policy wording is set out below:</p> | | |

| | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | <p>- “Development can only proceed where any adverse impacts on designated sites can be avoided or mitigated.</p> <p>- Development will only be permitted when it does not compromise the ability of the nutrient management plan to deliver the necessary overall nutrient reductions along those stretches of the River Wye SAC which are already exceeding water quality targets.”</p> <p>We advise that this additional wording be added to the following policies:</p> <p>KTH1 – Housing Development Building and Phasing</p> <p>KTE1 – Proposals for New Employment</p> <p>KTH4 - Character and Distribution of Housing in Kingstone</p> <p>We note the inclusion within this policy of the provision of open space, SUDs and design to limit light pollution and welcome these.</p> <p>Policy KTD2 – Protecting Local Green Spaces</p> <p>We welcome this policy and advise expanding it to include more about green infrastructure, to protect existing green infrastructure within the boundary of the plan area and to promote creation of new green infrastructure if new development proposals come forward. Such green infrastructure could include traditional orchards and woodland within the</p> | | |
|--|--|--|--|---|--|--|

| | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | <p>Kingstone and Thruxton parish boundaries and other environmental assets in the area to preserve the existing ecosystem network. You may find it helpful to refer to the Herefordshire Green Infrastructure Study (2010).</p> <p>Multi-functional green infrastructure is important to underpin the overall sustainability of a development by performing a range of functions including flood risk management, the provision of accessible green space, climate change adaptation and supporting biodiversity. An example of a green infrastructure provision is sustainable drainage systems. These can deliver benefits for people and for wildlife and make a valuable contribution to the local green infrastructure network. Actions such as re-naturalising watercourses can also bring multifunctional benefits, including benefiting flood attenuation. Woodland planting can also help mitigate flooding, see Woodland for Water: Woodland measures for meeting Water Framework Directive objectives for further information.</p> <p>Proposals may present opportunities to incorporate features such as roosting opportunities for bats, the installation of bird nest boxes or the use of native species in the landscape planting and we</p> | | |
|--|--|--|--|---|--|--|

| | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|--|--|--|---|--------|------------------------|
| | | | | | <p>advise including within a green infrastructure policy the requirement for ecological enhancements.</p> <p>We advise including policy to protect specifically priority habitat for example the traditional orchards which are around the villages of Kingstone and Thrupton and other environmental assets in the area to preserve the existing eco-system network. We would be happy to comment further should the need arise but if in the meantime you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.</p> <p>For any queries relating to the specific advice in this letter only please contact Gillian Driver on 0300 060 4335. For any new consultations, or to provide further information on this consultation please send your correspondences to consultations@naturalengland.org.uk.</p> <p>We really value your feedback to help us improve the service we offer. We have attached a feedback form to this letter and welcome any comments you might have about our service.</p> <p>Yours sincerely</p> | | |
| Natural England Customer Services | SEA and HRA | | | | <p>Re: Kingstone and Thrupton Neighbourhood Development Plan SEA and HRA</p> <p>Thank you for your consultation on the above dated and received by Natural England on 31 August 2015.</p> | Noted. | No change to the Plan. |

| | | | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|---|--|--|
| <p>Hornbeam House Crewe Business Park Electra Way Crewe Cheshire CW1 6GJ</p> <p>Ref. No. 58</p> | | | | <p>Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.</p> <p>THE CONSERVATION OF HABITATS AND SPECIES REGULATIONS 2010 (AS AMENDED) (HABITATS REGULATIONS) Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) Report</p> <p>The draft Local Plan has not yet been adopted and both it, and its HRA, are therefore potentially subject to further changes until it is adopted. Given this, relying on the draft Local Plan and its HRA to avoid or mitigate for any potential impacts arising from the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) is not considered sufficient at this stage. The NDP's HRA may, of course, rely on the evidence supporting the Local Plan's HRA to draw conclusions as to whether the policies in the plan will have significant effects on the River Wye SAC, and incorporate mitigation measures as necessary.</p> <p>Natural England agrees with the conclusion that subject to policies KTH1 (Housing Development Building and Phasing) and KTE1 (Proposals for New Employment) in the Kingstone and Thrupton NDP being</p> | | |
|---|--|--|--|---|--|--|

| | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | <p>strengthened with appropriate safeguarding criteria, it can be concluded that likely significant effects can be avoided on the River Wye SAC, and therefore enable the NDP to progress in advance of the Core Strategy.</p> <p>Draft Kingstone and Thruxton Environment Report</p> <p>Natural England welcomes the production of an Environmental Report. Having reviewed the report Natural England confirms that it meets the requirements of the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) European Directive and national regulations, and that we concur with its conclusions.</p> <p>We would be happy to comment further should the need arise but if in the meantime you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.</p> <p>For any queries relating to the specific advice in this letter only please contact Gillian Driver on 0300 060 4335. For any new consultations, or to provide further information on this consultation please send your correspondences to consultations@naturalengland.org.uk.</p> <p>We really value your feedback to help us improve the service we offer. We have attached a feedback form to this letter and</p> | | |
|--|--|--|--|---|--|--|

| | | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | | | | | welcome any comments you might have about our service. Yours sincerely | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|

Table 2 Responses to Strategic Environmental Assessment and Habitats Regulations Assessment

| Consultation Body | Comments |
|-------------------|--|
| Natural England | <p>Thank you for your consultation on the above dated and received by Natural England on 31 August 2015.</p> <p>Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.</p> <p>THE CONSERVATION OF HABITATS AND SPECIES REGULATIONS 2010 (AS AMENDED) (HABITATS REGULATIONS) Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) Report</p> <p>The draft Local Plan has not yet been adopted and both it, and its HRA, are therefore potentially subject to further changes until it is adopted. Given this, relying on the draft Local Plan and its HRA to avoid or mitigate for any potential impacts arising from the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) is not considered sufficient at this stage. The NDP's HRA may, of course, rely on the evidence supporting the Local Plan's HRA to draw conclusions as to whether the policies in the plan will have significant effects on the River Wye SAC, and incorporate mitigation measures as necessary.</p> <p>Natural England agrees with the conclusion that subject to policies KTH1 (Housing Development Building and Phasing) and KTE1 (Proposals for New Employment) in the Kingstone and Thruxton NDP being strengthened with appropriate safeguarding criteria, it can be concluded that likely significant effects can be avoided on the River Wye SAC, and therefore enable the NDP to progress in advance of the Core Strategy.</p> <p>Draft Kingstone and Thruxton Environment Report</p> <p>Natural England welcomes the production of an Environmental Report. Having reviewed the report Natural England confirms that it meets the requirements of the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) European Directive and national regulations, and that we concur with its conclusions.</p> |

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| | <p>We would be happy to comment further should the need arise but if in the meantime you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.</p> <p>For any queries relating to the specific advice in this letter only please contact Gillian Driver on 0300 060 4335. For any new consultations, or to provide further information on this consultation please send your correspondences to consultations@naturalengland.org.uk.</p> <p>We really value your feedback to help us improve the service we offer. We have attached a feedback form to this letter and welcome any comments you might have about our service.</p> <p>Yours sincerely</p> |
| Environment Agency | No response |
| Historic England | No response |

Flyers

IMPORTANT!
***Kingstone & Thruxton
Neighbourhood Plan Meeting
At Kingstone Village Hall
Saturday 18th April 2015
1.00pm—5.00pm
Meet your Councillors &
community to discuss the
Joint Neighbourhood
Development Plan***



Kingstone & Thruxton
Surgery Housing
Roads/Transport

***Be there and have your say!
Refreshments will be provided***

IMPORTANT!
***Kingstone & Thruxton
Neighbourhood Plan Meeting
At Kingstone Village Hall
Saturday 18th April 2015
1.00pm—5.00pm
Meet your Councillors &
community to discuss the
Joint Neighbourhood
Development Plan***



Kingstone & Thruxton
Surgery Housing
Roads/Transport

***Be there and have your say!
Refreshments will be provided***

Hereford Times Advert - County Times Section (16 April 2015)

Kingstone & Thruxton Group Parish Council will be holding a Neighbourhood Plan Drop in Session at Kingstone Village Hall, Saturday 18th April 2015

1.00pm—5.00pm. If you live, or run a business located in Kingstone or Thruxton, please come along and give us your views on our draft Neighbourhood Plan.

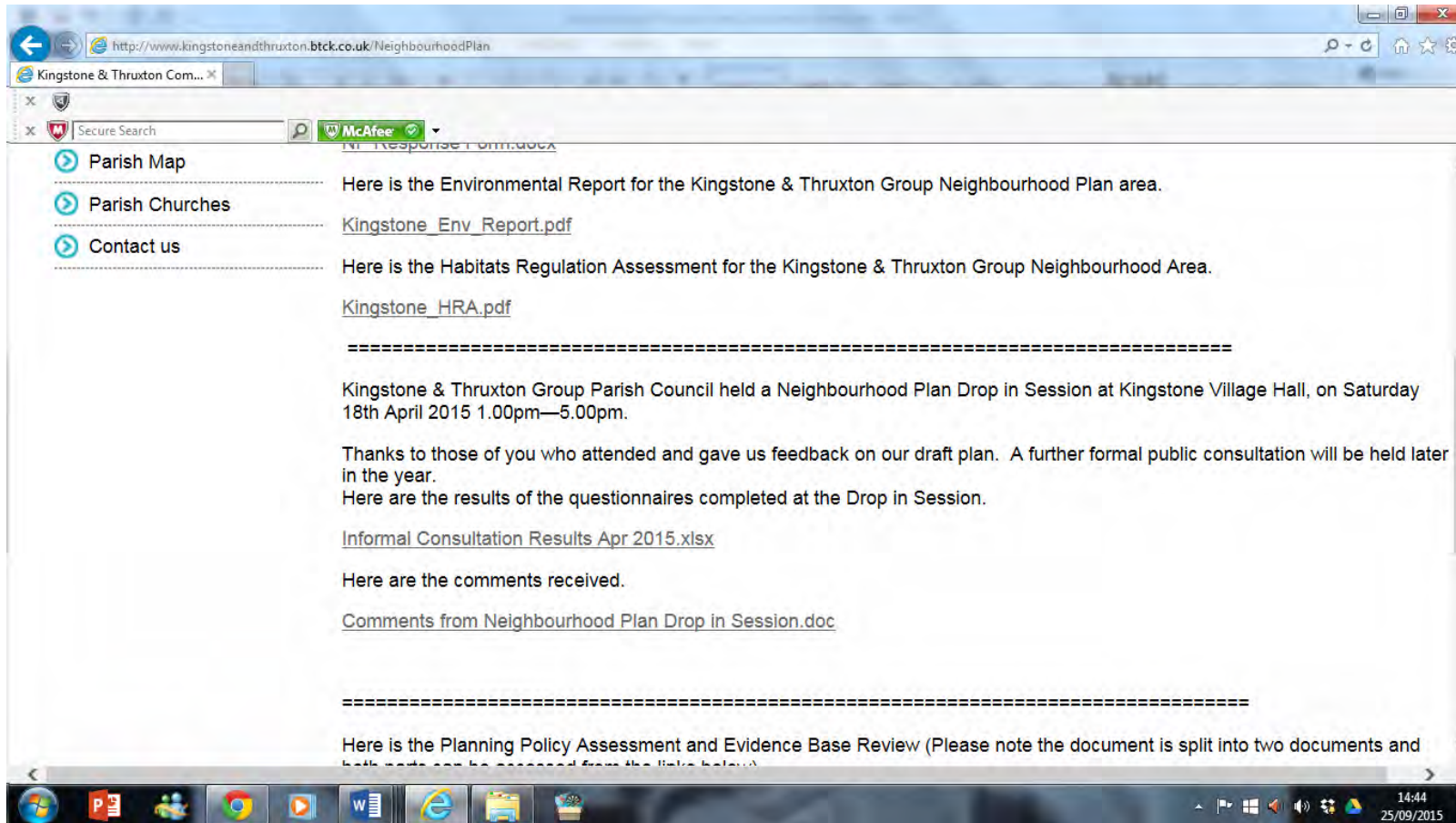
Refreshments will be provided.

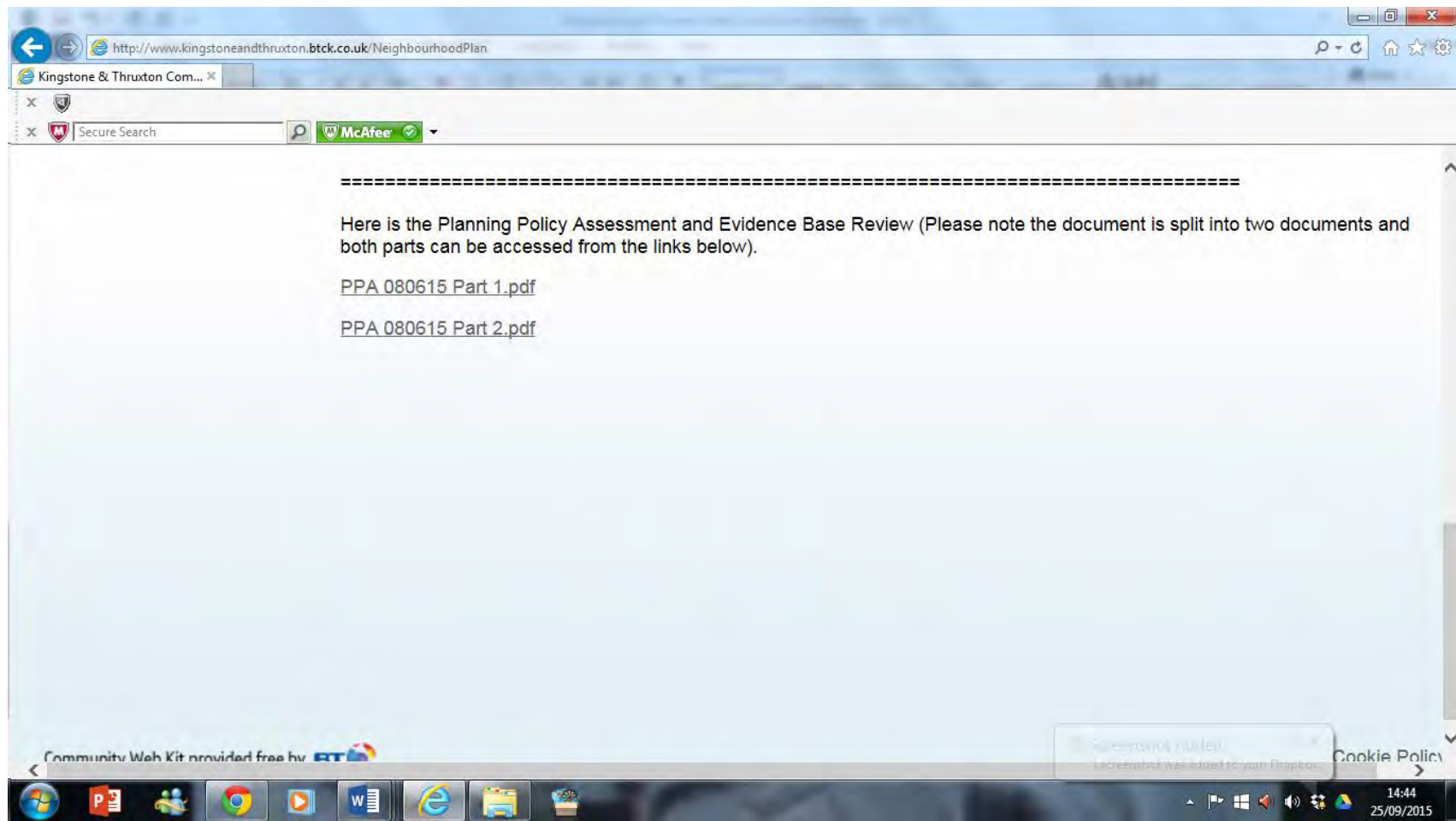
Appendix II Regulation 14 Public Consultation

Screenshots

Kingstone and Thruxton Neighbourhood Plan website







Herefordshire Council website

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/neighbourhood-planning/draft-plans-regulation-14-and-submitted-plans-regulation-16>. The browser tabs include 'Inbox (3,846) - louise.kirkwells...', 'Kingstone & Thruxton Comm...', and 'Draft Plans (Regulation 14) ...'. The website breadcrumb is 'Home > Planning > Neighbourhood planning > Draft Plans (Regulation 14) and Submitted Plans (Regulation 16)'. The main heading is 'Draft Plans (Regulation 14) and Submitted Plans (Regulation 16)'. Below the heading, it states: 'To date, there are 9 submitted plans and 19 draft plans. For further information on these plans please see below.' There are two sub-sections: 'Submitted plans (Regulation 16)' with 'Regulation 16 plans currently on consultation' listing 'Wellington', and 'Regulation 16 plans finished consultation' listing 'Bosbury'. A 'Related pages' section on the right lists 'Submitted Neighbourhood Areas' and 'Contact neighbourhood planning'. The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows icons for Internet Explorer, PowerPoint, Chrome, VLC, Word, Edge, File Explorer, and Adobe Reader, with the system tray showing the time as 09:50 on 22/10/2015.

[Home](#) > [Planning](#) > [Neighbourhood planning](#) > Draft Plans (Regulation 14) and Submitted Plans (Regulation 16)

Draft Plans (Regulation 14) and Submitted Plans (Regulation 16)

To date, there are 9 submitted plans and 19 draft plans. For further information on these plans please see below.

Submitted plans (Regulation 16)

Regulation 16 plans currently on consultation

- [Wellington](#)

Regulation 16 plans finished consultation

- [Bosbury](#)

Related pages

- [Submitted Neighbourhood Areas](#)
- [Contact neighbourhood planning](#)

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar containing the URL: <https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/neighbourhood-planning/draft-plans-regulation-14-and-submitted-plans-regulation-16>. The browser tabs include 'Inbox (3,846) - louise.kirkowells...', 'Kingstone & Thruxton Comm...', and 'Draft Plans (Regulation 14) ...'. The page content includes a breadcrumb trail: [Home](#) > [Planning](#) > [Neighbourhood planning](#) > Draft Plans (Regulation 14) and Submitted Plans (Regulation 16). The main heading is 'Draft Plans (Regulation 14) and Submitted Plans (Regulation 16)'. Below the heading, a paragraph states: 'To date, there are 9 submitted plans and 19 draft plans. For further information on these plans please see below.' The page is divided into two sections: 'Submitted plans (Regulation 16)' and 'Regulation 16 plans currently on consultation'. Under 'Submitted plans (Regulation 16)', there is a list item: '• [Wellington](#)'. Under 'Regulation 16 plans currently on consultation', there is a list item: '• [Bosbury](#)'. To the right of the main content, there is a 'Related pages' section with two links: '• [Submitted Neighbourhood Areas](#)' and '• [Contact neighbourhood planning](#)'. The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows various application icons and the system tray with the time '09:50' and date '22/10/2015'.

[Home](#) > [Planning](#) > [Neighbourhood planning](#) > Draft Plans (Regulation 14) and Submitted Plans (Regulation 16)

Draft Plans (Regulation 14) and Submitted Plans (Regulation 16)

To date, there are 9 submitted plans and 19 draft plans. For further information on these plans please see below.

Submitted plans (Regulation 16)

Regulation 16 plans currently on consultation

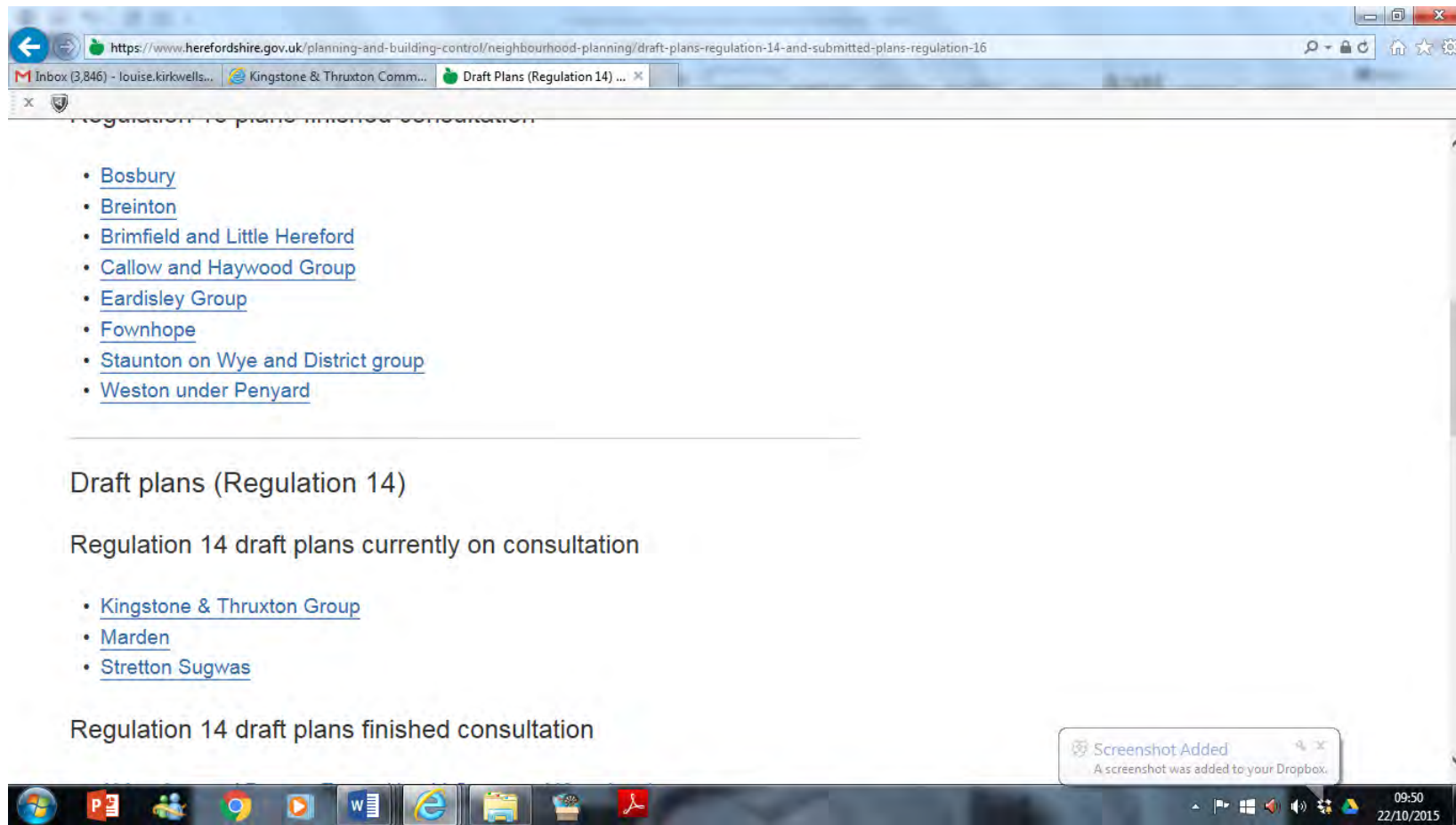
- [Wellington](#)

Regulation 16 plans finished consultation

- [Bosbury](#)

Related pages

- [Submitted Neighbourhood Areas](#)
- [Contact neighbourhood planning](#)



Hereford Times Notice – County Times Section (27 August 2015 and 3 September 2015)

Kingstone & Thruxton Draft Neighbourhood Plan.

The formal consultation period for the Kingstone & Thruxton draft Neighbourhood plan starts on 7 September and runs until 19 October 2015. The Plan can be viewed at: www.kingstoneandthruxton.btck.co.uk. (click on the Neighbourhood Plan section.), or at Kingstone Surgery, Kingstone Shop/Post Office, The Village Hall, Kingstone Church, Thruxton Church, and The Bull Ring pub.

Comment forms are available on the website, and at the above locations. All comments must be received by 19 October.

Consultation Letter / Email

Dear Consultee,

Notification of Formal Public Consultation on the Kingstone and Thrupton Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan (Regulation 14 Town and Country Planning, England Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012)

I am writing to advise you that the Kingstone and Thrupton Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan has been published for consultation by Kingstone and Thrupton Group Parish Council.

The Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan has been prepared by a neighbourhood planning group of local parish councillors and interested residents on behalf of the Parish Council, following informal public consultation on the emerging Draft Plan in Spring 2015.

The consultation period runs for 6 weeks from 7 September 2015.

The Draft Plan and other supporting documents can be viewed and downloaded from the Kingstone & Thrupton Parish

Website: www.kingstoneandthrupton.btck.co.uk. Click on the Neighbourhood Plan section. Hard copies of all Neighbourhood Plan can be viewed in the following locations at normal opening times: Kingstone Surgery, Kingstone Shop/Post Office, Kingstone Church. Thrupton Church, The Bull Ring Public House.

Hard copies of the Draft Plan also will be provided on request from the Parish Clerk (see contact details below). A Representation Form is provided for comments, but the Parish Council also welcomes comments by email or in writing. Please submit all comments on the Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan to kingpar@outlook.com.

or in writing to Rachel Craine Parish Clerk, 48 Cottons Meadow, Kingstone. HR2 9EW

Following the public consultation process on the Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan, the Plan will be amended and submitted to Herefordshire Council together with supporting documentation, including a Basic Conditions Statement and Consultation Statement setting out who has been consulted, how the consultation has been undertaken and how the representations received have informed the Plan. Herefordshire Council will then re-consult, before the Plan is subjected to an Examination by an Independent Examiner. Once any further amendments have been made the Plan will be subjected to a local Referendum, and then Made by Herefordshire Council and used to determine planning applications in Kingstone and Thrupton Group Parish.

If you require any further information please contact the Parish Clerk at the address provided above.

Yours Sincerely, Rachel Craine

Response Form

Kingstone and Thrupton Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan

Public Consultation Autumn 2015

Representation Form

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN ONE FORM FOR EVERY COMMENT MADE

| |
|---|
| Office Use Only Consultee No. Representation No. |
|---|

| | |
|--------------|--|
| Name | |
| Organisation | |
| Address | |
| Email | |
| Tel. No. | |

To which part of the Draft Kingstone & Thrupton Neighbourhood Development Plan does your representation refer?

| | |
|------------------|--|
| Page Number | |
| Paragraph Number | |
| Policy Number | |

Are you supporting, objecting, or making a comment? (Please Tick)

| | |
|------------------|--|
| Support | |
| Object | |
| Making a Comment | |

Please use the box below and overleaf for any comments.

Thank you for your time and interest. Please return this form by 5pm 19 October 2015 to: Rachel Craine Parish Clerk, 48 Cottons Meadow, Kingstone HR2 9EW.

Or email it to: kingpar@outlook.com

List of Consultation Bodies and Other Organisations – contacted by post or email

| Consultation Body / Organisation | Address | Email |
|--|--|---|
| The Coal Authority | 200 Lichfield Lane Berry Hill Mansfield Nottingham NG18 RG | planningconsultation@coal.gov.uk |
| Homes and Communities Agency | 5 St Phillips Place Colmore Row Birmingham B3 2PW | lucy.blasdale@hca.gsi.gov.uk |
| Woodland Trust | Jayrise Butcombe Bristol BS40 7UJ | justinmilward@woodland-trust.org.uk |
| Herefordshire Nature Trust | Lower House Farm Ledbury Road Hereford HR1 1UT | enquiries@herefordshirewt.co.uk |
| Arriva Trains Wales | St Marys House 47 Penarth Road Cardiff CF10 5DJ | michael.vaughan@arrivatw.co.uk |
| AMEC Environment & Infrastructure UK Ltd | Gables House Kenilworth Road Leamington Spa Warwickshire CV32 6JX | damien.holdstock@entecuk.co.uk/Robert.Deanwood@amec.com |
| Campaign to Protect Rural England | Burnside Cusop Hay on Wye Herefordshire HR3 5RQ | ian.jardin@zen.co.uk |
| National Trust | Attingham Consultancy Hub Attingham Park Shrewsbury SY4 4TP | mi.customerenquiries@nationaltrust.org.uk |
| RWE Npower Renewables | 27 Hamire Enterprise Park | |

| | | |
|--|---|---|
| | Barnard Castle County Durham DL12 8BN | |
| Dwr Cymru Welsh Water | Linea Cardiff CF3 0LT | ryan.norman@dwrcymru.com |
| English Heritage | The Axis 10 Holiday Street Birmingham B1 1TG | kezia.taylerson@english-heritage.org.uk |
| Environment Agency | Planning Liaison Hafren House Welshpool Road Shelton, Shrewsbury SY3 8BB | mark.t.davies@environment-agency.gov.uk |
| Hereford and Worcester Chamber of Commerce | Severn House Prescott Drive Warndon Business Park Worcester WR4 9NE | goodbusiness@hwchamber.co.uk |
| Wye Valley NHS Trust | County Hospital Hereford HR7 2ER | John.Burnett@wvt.nhs.uk |
| Highways Agency | The Cube 199 Wharfside Street Birmingham B1 1RN | stephen.williams@highways.gsi.gov.uk |
| Natural England | Consultation Service Hornbeam House, Electra Way Crewe Business Park Crewe, Cheshire CW1 6GJ | consultations@naturalengland.org.uk |
| Network Rail (West) | 3rd Floor, Temple Point Redcliffe Way Bristol BS1 6NL | Barbara.Morgan@networkrail.co.uk |
| Severn Trent Water Ltd | Job Control Manager | dawn.williams@severntrent.co.uk |

| | | |
|---|---|--|
| | Sherbourne House St Martin Road Finham, Coventry CV3 6PR | |
| Madley Parish Council | | clerk@madley.org.uk |
| Eaton Bishop Parish Council | | pjr@shadeoak.freerve.co.uk |
| Clehonger Parish Council | | Samoyedskye@aol.com |
| Allensmore Parish Council | | Samoyedskye@aol.com |
| Kilpeck & District Group Parish Council | | parishclerkmw@btinternet.com |
| Abbeydore & Bacton Group Parish Council | | parishclerkmw@btinternet.com |
| Cllr J Johnson | | Jon.Johnson@herefordshire.gov.uk |
| Natural Resources Wales | Ty Cambria 29 Newport Road Cardiff CF24 0TP | enquiries@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk |
| Neighbourhood Planning Team, Herefordshire Council | | neighbourhoodplanning@herefordshire.gov.uk |

Kingstone & Thruxton Neighbourhood Plan



Your Chance to Comment on our Draft Neighbourhood Plan.

Between 7 September and 19 October 2015, you have an opportunity to comment on our draft Neighbourhood Plan. The Plan can be viewed at Kingstone Surgery, Kingstone Shop/ Post Office, The Village Hall, Kingstone Church, and Thruxton Church, The Bull Ring pub. The plan can also be viewed on line at:

www.kingstoneandthruxton.btck.co.uk (click on the Neighbourhood Plan section.)

If you want a copy of the Neighbourhood plan please email kingpar@outlook.com, or contact Rachel Craine Parish Clerk at 48 Cottons Meadow, Kingstone, HR2 9EW.

To comment on the plan please complete one of the comment forms provided, and either email to kingpar@outlook.com, or return to Rachel Craine Parish Clerk, 48 Cottons Meadow, Kingstone. All comments must be received by 19 October.

Please turn over for a short summary of what the plan contains

Please note Neighbourhood Plans Cannot:

- Conflict with the policies within the Herefordshire Local Plan - Core Strategy
- Be used to prevent any development.
- Be prepared by a body other than a parish or town council in Herefordshire.
- Include County matters such as waste collection, local Policing, construction of roads (unless already covered by the Parish Council Longterm scheme), Commission new public Transport schemes, develop new infrastructure (unless linked to new development).

Kingstone & Thruxton Neighbourhood Plan

Our Vision for Kingstone & Thruxton

The Vision for our plan is to support development that maintains the rural character of the region and preserves the rural nature of the Parishes of Kingstone and Thruxton.

To that end all development should proceed in a way to minimise impact on the environment and adjoining parishes.

Development will be encouraged that supports the local community, including suitable provision of housing, small scale local business and the development of appropriate infrastructure to support these enterprises.

Key Issues for our Parish which can be addressed by the Neighbourhood Plan.

- The need for suitable housing to allow local people to live locally.
- The need to provide opportunities for small scale local businesses to establish and thrive
- The need to ensure that all development proceeds in such a way as to preserve the rural character of the Parish.
- The need to preserve community facilities, buildings and sites of historical importance, including but not restricted to Doctors Surgery, Schools (Primary and Secondary), Bull Ring Public House, Shop and Post Office, Village Hall, Black and White Houses, Kingstone Church, Four Alms Houses, Recreation Ground / Sports Field.

The need to protect all local green spaces.

Settlement Boundary.

There is a settlement boundary for Kingstone. This defines the area where limited development (as defined in the housing policy) should take place. It is the same boundary as used to exist in the Herefordshire Council Unitary Development Plan, but now also includes land where recent planning permission has been granted e.g. Archetype site, land to the rear of Whitehouse Drive. Thruxton also has a settlement boundary drawn tightly around the existing settlement.

Our Neighbourhood Plan Objectives

The principal objective of the Neighbourhood Development Plan is to ensure that the housing and employment needs of the local community are met in such a way that minimises the impact of development on the rural nature of the parish.

The plan will provide guidance on how such developments can be designed and implemented in accordance with the wishes of the local community and clearly highlight all areas where special consideration needs to be given.

Our Neighbourhood Plan Policies.

The plan contains six policies, each policy also has a set of objectives.

The policies are - i) Housing, ii) Protecting and enhancing built heritage and open spaces, iii) Provision and protection of community facilities and services, iv) Employment, v) Flooding, vi) Developer Contributions.

Summary document for residents

KINGSTONE & THRUXTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

What is a Neighbourhood Plan ?

Neighbourhood planning is a right for communities introduced through the Localism Act 2011. Communities can shape development in their areas through the production of Neighbourhood Development Plans. Neighbourhood Development Plans become part of the Local Plan and the policies contained within them are then used in the determination of planning applications.

Our Neighbourhood Plan links to, and supports the Herefordshire Council Core Strategy which covers the period 2011 to 2031.

Designated Plan Area



Why do we need a Plan ?

Basically to give our community some control over how future planning applications will impact our villages

Our Vision for Kingstone & Thruxton

The Vision for our plan is to support development that maintains the rural character of the region and preserves the rural nature of the Parishes of Kingstone and Thruxton.

To that end all development should proceed in a way to minimise impact on the environment and adjoining parishes.

Development will be encouraged that supports the local community, including suitable provision of housing, small scale local business and the development of appropriate infrastructure to support these enterprises.

Key Issues for our Parish.

- The need for suitable housing to allow local people to live locally.
- The need to provide opportunities for small scale local businesses to establish and thrive.
- The need to ensure that all development proceeds in such a way as to preserve the rural character of the Parish.
- The need to preserve community facilities, buildings and sites of historical importance, including but not restricted to Doctors Surgery, Schools (Primary and Secondary), Bull Ring Public House, Shop and Post Office, Village Hall, Black and White Houses, Kingstone Church, Four Alms Houses, Recreation Ground / Sports Field.
- The need to protect all local green spaces.

Settlement Boundary.

There is a settlement boundary for Kingstone (see Appendix 1). This defines the area where limited development (as defined in the housing policy) should take place. It is the same boundary as used to exist in the Herefordshire Council Unitary Development Plan, but now also includes land where recent planning permission has been granted e.g. Archetype site, land to the rear of Whitehouse Drive. Appendix 1 does not show these sites. Thruxton also has a settlement boundary drawn tightly around the existing settlement.

Our Neighbourhood Plan Objectives

The principal objective of the Neighbourhood Development Plan is to ensure that the housing and employment needs of the local community are met in such a way that minimises the impact of development on the rural nature of the parish.

The plan will provide guidance on how such developments can be designed and implemented in accordance with the wishes of the local community and clearly highlight all areas where special consideration needs to be given.

Each policy also has a set of objectives.

Our Neighbourhood Plan Policies.

The policies are quite detailed so there is a short summary of each below:

APPENDIX 1

1) Housing.

- Four policies which define the building, phasing, tenure, mix, scale, location, layout, character, distribution, use of brown field sites and other criteria for any future housing development in the Parish.

2) Protecting & Enhancing Built Heritage and Open Spaces.

- Policy to protect local heritage assets and green spaces.

3) Provision and Protection of Community Facilities and Services.

- Policy to protect and enhance existing parish facilities and services.

4) Employment.

- Two policies which define criteria for the location and type of any future employment opportunities in the Parish. Also includes criteria for change of use of existing agricultural buildings in the Parish, and protection of existing employment premises. It also includes criteria for provision of high speed broadband and other relevant communication networks.

5) Flooding.

- Three policies set criteria that any new development will have to meet to protect existing and future properties from flooding from surface water, and other flood risks.

6) Developer Contributions.

- Policy which defines financial contributions any future developer will have to make to the Parish - for example to enhance village facilities.

What Next ?

Our plan will be subject to formal public consultation and further consultation organised by Herefordshire Council. The formal public consultation period runs from 7 September to 19 October. This is where residents of the Parish, local businesses located in the Parish and other interested parties will have chance to comment. Once both consultations have been completed, a referendum will then be held in the Parish where residents of the Parish vote to accept or reject the plan. Providing a majority of those voting, vote to accept the plan, then it will be adopted i.e. becomes legally binding, and will be used by Herefordshire Council Planning Department when deciding the outcome of any planning applications received for the Parish. Our plan will only be adopted when the Herefordshire Council Core Strategy is formally adopted, as our plan needs to support the Core Strategy.

SETTLEMENT BOUNDARY

