

SITE ALLOCATION PROCEDURE

Sites for housing development to be included in the final Plan will be reviewed in terms of which of the proposed sites best fit most of the objectives based on the assessments and evidence available. All sites will be reviewed collectively to avoid subjectivity which can be present when sites are reviewed individually.

The following are critical points and sites that meet these will be prioritised over those that do not.

- 1. The Owner/s has/have full development control of the whole development site, and could in theory “start on site” tomorrow.**

Reason: to guard against a stalled site and achieve sustainable growth

- 2. The site helps to maintain the crossroad layout as the village focal point and its main access route is directly connected to either the B1117 or the B1118. The site should be located in the 30mph area of the village.**

Reason: to maintain social cohesion and preserve the conservation area as a focus of the village in accordance with the Village Design Statement. This will also maintain the rural character and heritage of the Village.

- 3. The site is well connected to the village centre, or is capable of design to create good pedestrian and cycle/mobility connection.**

Reason: to assist those with mobility needs including the elderly, those of limited mobility and parents with young children to access central village services

- 4. The site can mitigate manage or reduce car dependency, and promote pedestrian and cycle use.**

Reason: to promote green economy, encourage recreation and healthy living and promote the environment

- 5. The site has a low impact on the established Queen Street bottleneck or can help reduce its impact.**

Reason: to encourage pedestrian travel to the school, assist through traffic at rush hour, help lower air and noise pollution levels in Queen Street and encourage further site use and growth.

- 6. The site assists or can be designed with a wide range of housing, to support a range of demographics (i.e. affordable housing, housing for young families, residents wishing to downsize but stay in the Village, and other independent people at different ages).**

Reason: to preserve and support the continued range of education services available to a growing population, together with health services and other infrastructure.

- 7. The site is able to provide community benefit(s).**

Reason: to achieve the vision and objections of the Plan.

- 8. The site is able to be directly connected to one of the 2 “main line” electrical supply networks in the village (Eye Primary and Eye feeder from Laxfield Primary).**

Reasons: the other overhead lines are “spurs” off the main line and therefore less ideally suited to the connection of load in the future.