Appendix II:

Bearing Fruits 2031: The Swale Borough Local Plan 2017 – NPPF (2018) Compliance

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ST1	Strategic Policy - Delivering sustainable development in Swale	Policy ST1 is an overarching general policy that sets out the broad issues development proposals should address in order to demonstrate how they will deliver sustainable development.	The presumption in favour of sustainable development remains at the heart and centre of the NPPF and therefore ST1 is compliant with the revised NPPF. However, the Sustainability Appraisal and other relevant studies and evidence along with consultation feedback from 'Looking Ahead' will help to shape policies in the new local plan as it progresses.
ST2	Strategic Policy - Development targets for jobs and homes 2014-2031	Policy ST2 sets out the Objectively Assessed Needs for housing and employment land.	Strategic Policy which will require review to respond to new NPPF requirements to plan positively for their development needs for the plan period as set out in this Policy. Paragraph 60 of the NPPF states that housing needs should be assessed using the standardised methodology in the national planning guidance. The recently published ELR already identifies the employment land needs for the new local plan period and a retail and leisure needs study is underway.
ST3	Strategic Policy - The Swale	Policy ST3 sets out the settlement	Policy ST3 will need to be reviewed in

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	settlement strategy	strategy for the Borough which places the focus for development on PDL within defined built up areas and on sites allocated within the Local Plan. The policy also sets out the Borough's settlement hierarchy with Sittingbourne, as the principal town for the Borough, the main focus for development followed by the urban centres of Faversham and Sheerness then the Rural Local Service Centres and other villages with built up confines. The policy sets out the circumstances in which development in the countryside would be permitted.	coming to a view on how best to accommodate new development requirements to 2038. The settlement strategy in the new local plan with be informed by the evidence base; compliance with NPPF; Sustainability Appraisal, and consultation responses. Studies and evidence will shape the new local plan strategy which must, as set out in paragraph 21 of the NPPF, make sufficient provision for the development needs of the area during the plan period. Reasonable alternative strategies will be generated, from which one will need to be worked up as the Council's Preferred Option.
ST4	Strategic Policy - Meeting the Local Plan development targets	Policy ST4 sets out all of the housing and employment development allocations in the local plan.	Will need review and updating to address the new development targets and chosen development strategy.
ST5	Strategic Policy - The Sittingbourne area strategy	Policy ST5 sets out the strategy for development in Sittingbourne. It sets out details that will be expected in development proposals as appropriate, e.g. that proposals will ensure the vitality and viability of the town centre.	Likely to need review and updating to be informed by evidence base; Sustainability Appraisal and consultation feedback. Further consultation will take place next. A similar policy approach to the broad locations for development in the strategy would be appropriate and in line with the NPPF.
ST6	Strategic Policy - The Isle of	Policy ST6 sets out the strategy for	Likely to need review and updating to be

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	Sheppey area strategy	development within the Isle of Sheppey. It sets out the requirements of development proposals as appropriate, e.g. that it will support tourism, bring forward improvements in the identified regeneration areas and so on.	informed by evidence base; Sustainability Appraisal and consultation feedback. Further consultation will take place next. A similar policy approach to the broad locations for development in the strategy would be appropriate and in line with the NPPF.
ST7	Strategic Policy - The Faversham area and Kent Downs strategy	Policy ST7 sets out the strategy for development in the Faversham and Kent Downs area.	Likely to need review and updating to be informed by evidence base; Sustainability Appraisal and consultation feedback. Further consultation will take place next. A similar policy approach to the broad locations for development in the strategy would be appropriate and in line with the NPPF.
CP1	Strategic Policy - Building a strong competitive economy	Policy CP1 sets out the strategy for building a strong and competitive economy. It sets out the criteria against which development proposals for employment related uses will be assessed.	NPPF, Chapter 6 'Building a strong, competitive economy' supports this policy approach. Studies and evidence along with the Sustainability Appraisal, and consultation feedbackwill inform the economic vision and strategy for the new local plan.
CP2	Strategic Policy - Promoting sustainable transport	Policy CP2 sets out the criteria against which development proposals will be assessed with regards to its approach to the provision of transport infrastructure.	Will need review and updating. NPPF, Chapter 9'Promoting sustainable transport' requires local planning authorities to consider transport issues from the earliest stages of plan-making and development proposals. Modelling of reasonable alternative strategies will

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			inform choices for the way forward and working with highway authorities, public transport providers and other stakeholders to embed sustainable transport proposals in the local plan. It will also inform a supporting local transport strategy to be prepared in collaboration with Kent County Council; and bidding for public funding for schemes as appropriate.
CP3	Strategic Policy - Delivering a wide choice of high quality homes	Policy CP3 sets out the criteria against which development proposals for new housing will be assessed within the context of delivering a wide choice of high quality homes.	Will need review and updating. As part of the evidence base for the new local plan, there is the need for information on the size, type and tenure of housing needed for different groups in the community and should be reflected in planning policies. This includes local plan policies that will specifically identify and address the affordable housing requirements and other needs such as Travellers and those wishing to undertake self-builds. The NPPF sets out this specific requirement in paragraph 61.
CP4	Strategic Policy - Requiring good design	Policy CP4 sets out the criteria against which development proposals will be assessed in terms of design quality.	Policy is NPPF compliant. Achieving well-designed places remains a key priority for the NPPF. May need minor review and updating
CP5	Strategic Policy - Health and wellbeing	Policy CP5 sets out the criteria against which development	Policy is NPPF compliant. Promoting healthy and safe communities remains a

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		proposals will be assessed in terms of their impact and contribution to health and wellbeing.	key priority for the NPPF and policy would be appropriate in the new local plan. May need minor review and updating.
CP6	Strategic Policy - Community facilities and services to meet local needs	Policy CP6 sets out the criteria against which development proposals will be assessed for their ability to deliver and protect community facilities.	Policy is NPPF compliant. Part of promoting healthy and safe communities includes ensuring there are appropriate community facilities and services to meet local needs and as such this would be an appropriate policy to roll forward to the local plan review. The review will be supported by an updated Implementation and Delivery Schedule; an site specific allocations will indicate necessary supporting infrastructure.
CP7	Strategic Policy - Conserving and enhancing the natural environment – providing for green infrastructure	Policy CP7 sets out the criteria against which development proposals will be assessed for how they will ensure the protection, enhancement and delivery of the conservation and enhancement of the natural environment and the provision for green infrastructure.	Policy is NPPF compliant. Conserving and enhancing the natural environment remains a key priority for the NPPF. A similar policy would be appropriate in the new local plan. May require some updating to policy and Proposals Map.
CP8	Strategic Policy - Conserving and enhancing the historic environment	Policy CP8 sets out the criteria against which development proposals will be assessed for how they will ensure the conservation and enhancement of the historic environment. The policy also sets out the Council's commitment to the	Policy is NPPF compliant. Conserving and enhancing the historic environment remains a key priority for the NPPF. Policy remains appropriate for local plan review and little need for updating anticipated. Plan will be supported by a Heritage Strategy and Action Plan.

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A1	Allocation - Existing committed employment locations	preparation of a Heritage Strategy. Policy A1 identifies land allocated for 'B' class employment uses as shown on the proposals map.	NPPF compliant. As this policy seeks to ensure the Borough's employment land needs for the current plan period are being met. Will be updated and included in the local plan review.
A2	Allocation - Land south of Kemsley Mill	Policy A2 identifies land south of Kemsley Mill as shown on the proposals map for employment uses and sets out specific criteria against which development proposals will be assessed.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
A3	Allocation- Land at West Minster, Sheerness	Policy A3 identifies land at West Minster, Sheerness for employment uses as shown on the proposals map and sets out the specific criteria against which development proposals will be assessed.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
A4	Allocation - Land at Cowstead Corner, Queensborough	Policy A4 identifies land at Cowstead Corner, Queenborough for employment uses as shown on the proposals map and sets out the specific criteria against which development proposals will be assessed.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
A5	Allcoation - Land at Selling Road, Faversham	Policy A5 identifies land at Selling Road, Faversham for employment uses as shown on the proposals map and sets out the specific	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.

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		criteria against which development proposals will be assessed.	
A6	Allocation - Land at Graveney Road, east of Faversham	Policy A6 identifies land at Graveney Road, east of Faversham for employment uses as shown on the proposals map and sets out the specific criteria against which development proposals will be assessed.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
A7	Allocation - Thistle Hill, Minster	Policy A7 identifies land at Thistle Hill, Minster for housing development as shown on the proposals map and sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
A8	Allocation - Stones Farm, Canterbury Road, Sittingbourne	Policy A8 identifies land at Stones Farm, Canterbury Road, Sittingbourne for housing development and open space and landscaping as shown on the proposals map. It sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
A9	Allocation - Land at Crown Quay Lane, Sittingbourne	Policy A9 identifies land at Crown Quay Lane, Sittingbourne for housing development as shown on the proposals map. It sets out the	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.

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A10	Allocation - Milton Pipes, Mill way, Sittingbourne	Policy A10 identifies land at Milton Pipes, Mill Way, Sittingbourne for housing development as shown on the proposals map and sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
A11	Allocation - Land at Plover Road, Minster	Policy A11 identifies land at Plover Road, Minster for housing development as shown on the proposals map and sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
A12	Allocation - Land west of Barton Hill Drive, Minster	Policy A12 identifies land West of Barton Hill Drive, Minster for housing development as shown on the proposals map and sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
A13	Allocation - Land at Belgrave Road, Halfway	Policy A13 identifies land at Belgrave Road, Halfway for housing as shown on the proposals map and sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.

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A14	Allocation - Land at the Western Link, Faversham	Policy A14 identifies land at the Western Link, Faversham for housing as shown on the proposals map and sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
A15	Allocation - Land north of Graveney Road, Faversham	Policy A15 identifies land north of Graveney Road, Faversham for housing as shown on the proposals map and sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
A16	Allocation - Land at Preston Fields, Faversham	Policy A16 identifies land at Preston Fields, Faversham for housing as shown on the proposals map and sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
A17	Allocation - Iwade expansion	Policy A17 identifies land at Iwade for housing as shown on the proposals map and sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.

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A18	Allocation - Land north of High Street	Policy A18 identifies land north of High Street, Newington for housing as shown on the proposals map and sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
A19	Allocation - Land east of Station Road, Teynham	Policy A19 identifies land east of Station Road, Teynham for housing as shown on the proposals map and sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
A20	Allocations - New allocations on sites within existing settlements	Policy A20 sets out housing allocations within the settlement confines across the Borough as sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
A21	Allocations - Smaller allocations as extensions to settlements	Policy A21 sets out smaller housing allocations that are extensions to settlements and sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
MU1	Allocation - Land at north-west Sittingbourne	Policy MU1 identified land at northwest Sittingbourne for mixed use	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic

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		development and sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
MU2	Allocation -Land at north-east Sittingbourne	Policy MU2 identified land at northeast Sittingbourne for mixed use development and sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
MU3	Allocation - Land at south-west Sittingbourne	Policy MU3 identified land at southwest Sittingbourne for mixed use development and sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
MU4	Allocation - Land at Frognal Lane, Teynham	Policy MU4 identified land at Frognal Lane, Teynham for mixed use development and sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
MU5	Allocation - The Oare gravel workings, Oare Road, Faversham	Policy MU5 identified land at The Oare gravel workings, Oare Road, Faversham for mixed use development and sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.

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MU6	Allocation - Land at Lady Dane Farm, east of Love Lane	Policy MU6 identified land at Lady Dane Farm, east of Love Lane, Faversham for mixed use development and sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
MU7	Allocation - Perry Court Farm, Faversham	Policy MU7 identified land at Perry Court Farm, Faversham for mixed use development and sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas.
Regen1	Central Sittingbourne: Regeneration Area	Policy Regen1 sets out the policy for the regeneration of Central Sittingbourne as shown on the proposals map. It sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals within this area to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out policy for specific areas.
Regen2	Queenborough and Rushenden: Regeneration Area	Policy Regen2 sets out the policy for the regeneration of Queenborough and Rushenden as shown on the proposals map. It sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals within this area to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out policy for specific areas.

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Regen3	The port of Sheerness: Regeneration Area	Policy Regen3 sets out the policy for the regeneration of the Port of Sheerness as shown on the proposals map. It sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals within this area to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out policy for specific areas.
Regen4	Kent Science Park, Sittingbourne: Regeneration Area	Policy Regen4 sets out the policy for the regeneration of Kent Science Park Sittingbourne as shown on the proposals map. It sets out the specific requirements that will need to be met for the development proposals within this area to be acceptable.	NPPF compliant. Depending on strategy chosen for local plan review, may need updating.
NP1	Faversham Creek Neighbourhood Plan	Policy NP1 sets out the Faversham Creek Neighbourhood Plan area as shown on the proposals map and sets out criteria against which development proposals will be assessed.	NPPF compliant Paragraph 29 -30 of the NPPF cover neighbourhood plans. The adopted Neighbourhood Plan will apply in this area, unless its content is superseded by local plan strategic or non strategic policies which may be adopted in future.
AS1	Safeguarded area of search: Sittingbourne Northern Relief Road – The A2 link	Policy AS1 safeguards the area of search for the Sittingbourne Northern Relief Road – The A2 link as identified on the proposals map. Development proposals likely to impact upon the potential route will	NPPF compliant. Depending on strategy chosen for local plan review, may need updating.

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DM1	Maintaining and enhancing the vitality and viability of town centres and other areas	not be permitted. Policy DM1 sets out the criteria against which proposals for development in town centres will be assessed.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 85 of the NPPF requires planning policies to define the extent of town centred and make clear the range of uses permitted in such locations, as part of a positive strategy for the future of each town centre. Studies, evidence, the Sustainability Appraisal and consultation will help inform and shape any review needed to Policy and Proposals Map.
DM2	Proposals for main town centre uses	Policy DM2 sets out the Council's retail hierarchy and sets out the policy for determining development proposals in the town centres and for appropriate town centre uses.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 85 of the NPPF requires planning policies to define a network and hierarchy of town centres which this policy has done. Studies, evidence, the Sustainability Appraisal and consultation will inform any review necessary.
DM3	The rural economy	Policy DM3 sets out the criteria against which proposals for development in the countryside/rural areas that relate to the rural economy will be assessed.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 83 of the NPPF states that planning policies should enable sustainable growth and expansion of all types of business in rural areas; the development and diversification of agricultural and other land-based rural businesses; and, sustain rural tourism and leisure developments which respect the character of the countryside. The retention and development of accessible local services and community facilities is

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			also supported. Review will be dependent upon evidence; development strategy chosen; Sustainability Appraisal and consultation.
DM4	New holiday parks or extensions to existing parks	Policy DM4 sets out the criteria against which proposals for new/ extensions will be assessed.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas or topics
DM5	The occupancy of holiday parks	Policy DM5 states that planning permission will not be granted for the permanent occupancy of holiday and 10 month occupancy allowed only if certain criteria is met.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy for specific areas or topics.
DM6	Managing transport demand and impact	Policy DM6 sets out the criteria against which proposals will be assessed for their impacts on the road network	NPPF compliant. As required by paragraph 102 of the NPPF, this policy allows for the consideration of transport issues from the earliest stages of development proposals and provides for the provision of detail needed to address potential transport issues in local areas. May need updating to reflect evidence base; new strategy; and approach to Air Quality.
DM7	Vehicle parking	Policy DM7 sets out the Council's parking standards until more up to date SPD is adopted.	NPPF compliant Paragraph 105 of the NPPF supports the use non-strategic policies to set out more detailed policy to address specific concerns. Policy likely to need updating to cross refer to Swale SPD to be prepared on vehicle parking

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DM8	Affordable housing	DM8 sets out the Council's policy on affordable housing	Policy compliant with NPPF but will require updating to reflect evidence base; local need and new NPPF definitions of affordable housing. Paragraph 63 requires provision to be sought in major developments only (other than in designated rural areas). Paragraph 64 requires major development involving the provision of housing to make at least 10% of the homes available for affordable home ownership. The NPPF also has a revised definition of 'affordable housing' which includes social housing for rent and other products such as discounted market sales housing. Affordable housing policies in the local plan review will need to take into account these revisions in national policy and the amount of affordable housing to be provided will be influenced by whole plan viability and balanced against other development costs. Para 57 of the NPPF also places the emphasis on viability assessment at the plan making stage; and that any developer wishing to diverge from this and adopted policy requirements will need to provide a publicly available viability assessment to support this. More

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			robust application of this Bearing Fruits Policy may therefore be possible in determining planning applications as a result of the new NPPF.
DM9	Rural exceptions housing	Policy DM9 sets out the criteria against which proposals for affordable housing to meet local needs in rural areas will be granted.	NPPF Compliant. Paragraph 77 of the NPPF supports rural exception housing policies. For local plan review other rural housing will be dependent upon development strategy and informed by the evidence base.
DM10	Gypsy and Traveller sites	DM10 sets out the criteria against which proposals for Gypsy and Traveller accommodation will be assessed.	NPPF compliant. The Planning Policy for Traveller Sites (August 2015) remains current government policy. A GTAA is underway and will identify the need for pitches (and plots for Travelling Showpersons) that will need to be planned for during the new local plan period.
DM11	Extensions to, and replacement of, dwellings in the rural area	Policy DM11 sets out the parameters within which it will be acceptable to extend or replace dwellings in the rural area.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy to address specific concerns.
DM12	Dwellings for rural workers	Policy DM12 sets out the criteria against which proposals for rural worker dwellings will be assessed.	NPPF compliant Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy to address specific concerns and para 79a) deals with rural workers' housing. The content of such

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DM13	Extending the garden of a dwelling in the rural area	Policy DM13 sets out the criteria against which proposals to extend the garden of a dwelling in the rural area, or to use such land as amenity land, will be assessed against.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy to address specific concerns.
DM14	General development criteria	In seeking to achieve high quality design or the conservation and enhancement of the natural and built environment, DM 14 sets criteria against which planning applications can be considered against.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy to address specific concerns.
DM15	New shopfronts, signs and advertisements	Policy DM15 sets out the Council's requirement for a high standard of shopfront design and advertisements that both safeguards those features which are of visual and historic interest and provides interest within the town centres.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy to address specific concerns. Para 132 has been subject to minor modification in dealing with advertisement control.
DM16	Alterations and extensions	Policy DM16 sets out the criteria for assessing planning applications for alterations and extensions to existing buildings.	NPPF compliant Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy to address specific concerns.
DM17	Open space, sports and recreation provision	Policy DM 17 seeks to protect existing open space, playing pitches and sports facilities and seeks,	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more

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		where required as a result of new development, the provision and enhancement of good quality and well-maintained open space, sport and recreation facilities.	detailed policy to address specific concerns. Paras 96-97 specifically support this policy. The local plan review will need to update this policy to respond to updated evidence and the chosen development strategy.
DM18	Local green spaces	Policy DM 18 has no direct influence on the management of Local Green Spaces, however, it will be used to preserve them and proposals for development which would conflict with the purposes of designating the land will not be permitted, other than in very special circumstances.	NPPF compliant. Para 99-101 of the NPPF supports this policy
DM19	Sustainable design and construction	Policy DM19 deals with sustainable construction techniques to address climate change issues.	NPPF compliant. Local Plan review may need to be updated and informed by evidence if design standards are to be introduced.
DM20	Renewable and low carbon energy	Policy DM 20 deals with renewable and low carbon energy installations.	NPPF compliant. However this section of the NPPF has been revised and no longer refers to energy efficiency or zero carbon policy Local plans should however, provide a positive strategy to help increase the use and supply of renewable energy and heat, so this policy will need to be reviewed.
DM21	Water, flooding and drainage	Policy DM21 deals with water drainage and managing flood risk.	NPPF compliant. The NPPF has not changed significantly in its approach to these topics although clarity has been

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DM22	The coast	Policy DM 22 deals with development proposals at the coast	improved. NPPF compliant (Paras 166-169). There is little change in the NPPF, although local plan review policy may need to take account of any updated evidence and Marine Policy Statement and marine plans.
DM23	Coastal change management	Policy DM23 Coastal Change Management	NPPF compliant. As per DM22
DM24	Conserving and enhancing values landscapes	Policy DM24 is the policy dealing with protection afforded to the hierarchy of landscape value.	NPPF compliant. The NPPF continues to support designated landscapes (para 11 and 172). Local designations will need to be supported by updated evidence and could potentially be affected by the chosen development strategy.
DM25	The separation of settlements – Important Local Countryside Gaps	Policy DM25 deal with retaining the individual character and setting of settlements as well as recognising the intrinsic beauty of the countryside.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy to address specific concerns and para 170 in respect of the intrinsic character and beauty of the countryside. However, this policy may need review in the light of updated evidence and the chosen development strategy.
DM26	Rural lanes	Policy DM26 seeks to safeguard rural lanes and ensure that development proposals have particular regard to their landscape,	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy to address specific

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		amenity, biodiversity, and historic or archaeological importance.	concerns. This policy may need review in the light of updated evidence and the chosen development strategy
DM27	The keeping and grazing of horses	The keeping of horses is a popular activity in Swale. Whilst these activities can bring economic benefits to the rural area, they can, individually, and especially cumulatively, adversely change the rural character of the area. This policy gives design and landscape criteria to ensure future impacts are limited.	NPPF compliant. Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy to address specific concerns.
DM28	Biodiversity and geological conservation	Policy DM28 aims to ensure that all development proposals will conserve, enhance and extend biodiversity, in accordance with the hierarchy of their importance. It provides for net gains in biodiversity where possible, minimise any adverse impacts and compensate where impacts cannot be mitigated against.	NPPF compliant Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy to address specific concerns. Paras 174-177 add detail to The extent of such policy on the Proposals Map may need to be informed by any updated evidence on specific sites .
DM29	Woodlands, trees and hedges	Policy DM 29 seeks to safeguard trees, woodlands, old orchard trees, and hedgerows as features, habitats, and areas to ensure that they continue to be an essential part of the environment. It supports the	NPPF compliant. Supported by paras 175 and para 28 which supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy to address specific concerns

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		establishment of new sites and addresses trees that may be protected by Tree Preservation Orders.	
DM30	Enabling development for landscape and biodiversity enhancement	Policy DM30 looks to facilitate landscape and biodiversity enhancements more widely in a way that does not undermine Policy ST 3 and targets real and substantial benefits to areas identified as a priority for enhancement. It is only likely to be applicable in a relatively small number of exceptional situations.	NPPF compliant para 175d).
DM31	Agricultural land	Policy DM 31, in recognition of the importance of the agricultural sector to Swale, in terms of its identity and economy, looks to safeguard its most important resource – its soils, and in particular the proportion of best and most versatile land that is present here.	NPPF compliant (para 170) but no moratorium on development of BMV agricultural land.
DM32	Development involving listed buildings	Policy CP 8 provides a general presumption in favour of the preservation of a listed building except where a convincing case can be made for alteration or, exceptionally, demolition. It states that applicants must prepare a	NPPF compliant.

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		heritage statement and a design statement for any proposals for listed building works. In all cases the policy seeks to safeguard the character and setting of listed buildings.	
DM33	Development affecting a conservation area	Policy DM33 sets out what the Council expects of developments within, and adjacent to, a conservation area and aims to preserve or enhance features that contribute positively to the area's special character or appearance.	NPPF compliant
DM34	Scheduled Monuments and archaeological sites	Policy DM34 sets out the protection given to these sites, together with other nationally important monuments or archaeological sites not scheduled. It sets out the Council's approach to dealing with development proposals that may affect known, or potentially important, archaeological sites and maritime remains.	NPPF compliant
DM35	Historic parks and gardens	Policy DM35 seeks to protect registered Historic Parks and Gardens and protect them from development that would adversely affect the landscape character, layout and features of a Historic	NPPF compliant

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DM36	Area of high townscape value	Park and Garden, or its setting. The Council's objectives here are to encourage a high standard of design of new development, the retention and reinstatement of original features and the preservation of the spaces between buildings, landscaping and parks, alongside the retention and expansion of its street trees, in this area.	NPPF compliant Paragraph 28 of the NPPF supports the use of non-strategic policies such as this to set out more detailed policy to address specific concerns.
IMP1	Implementation and Delivery Plan.	Policy IMP1 sets out how the Council will implement and deliver the vision, objectives and strategy of the Local Plan with delivery partners. Local Plan milestones as per the implementation delivery plan. This document is a snapshot in time and for each pre-app and planning application infrastructure providers are consulted on their updated requirements.	NPPF compliant (para 35 deliverability is a soundness requirement for local plans), but will need to be updated in the local plan review to reflect the new plan period; the chosen development strategy; and new allocations which support it.