

# Sheepy Neighbourhood Plan Review (2021)

## Major (material) updates to the 'Made' Sheepy Neighbourhood Plan (19 March 2019)

### Planning process

Following a considerable amount of community consultation, the first Sheepy Neighbourhood Plan was 'made' by Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council on 19 March 2019 following a successful local referendum. The Plan is over two years old and Sheepy Parish Council has decided to review and update it to take account of the latest national planning advice and introduce more detailed design guidance.

These revisions have been incorporated into a new (Pre-Submission) Draft version of the Sheepy Neighbourhood Development Plan. However, the broad nature of the Neighbourhood Plan has changed little.

### Planning Strategy

The Parish Council has concluded that some material changes to the Neighbourhood Plan are required but the broad nature of the Plan should not change. No new housing or employment allocations are planned.

### Neighbourhood Plan Modifications

The main changes are:

- The Neighbourhood Plan now covers the period 2020 to 2039;
- Minor revisions to Policies S1 (Countryside), S6 (Water Management), S8 (Design), S10 (Infill Housing);
- Addition of Design Code (Appendix 5);
- Addition of Local Wildlife Sites (Appendix 7); and
- Revised definition of affordable housing.

### Note on the Nature of the Changes

In accordance with Neighbourhood Planning Guidance, the Qualifying Body needs to take a view on the changes and whether they are so substantial as to change the nature of the Plan and give reasons. Where modifications do not change the nature of the plan and the Planning Authority and Independent Examiner agree, a referendum is not required.