# Scothern Neighbourhood Plan Review

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## **Basic Conditions Statement**

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### Introduction

This Statement has been prepared by Scothern Parish Council (the Parish Council) to accompany its submission to the local planning authority, West Lindsey District (WLDC) of the review of the Socthern Neighbourhood Development Plan (the Neighbourhood Plan) under Regulation 15 of The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations. The Neighbourhood Plan must meet the following Basic Conditions:

### Legal Requirements

The Plan is submitted by Scothern Parish Council, which, as a qualifying body, is entitled to submit a Neighbourhood Plan for its own parish. The Plan has been prepared by the Scothern Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group, which is led by Scothern Parish Council. The whole parish of Parish has been formally designated as a Neighbourhood Area under the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012 (part2) and was formally approved by WLDC on the 9th April 2015. Figure 1 shows the extent of the designated neighbourhood area.

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### Figure 1: Scothern Parish Area

The Plan contains policies relating to the development and use of land within the neighbourhood area. Proposals relating to planning matters (the use and development of land) have been prepared in accordance with the statutory requirements and processes set out in the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011) and the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012.

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The Plan identifies the period to which it relates as 2023 to 2040. The Plan does not deal with county matters (mineral extraction and waste development), nationally significant infrastructure or any other matters set out in Section 61K of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. The Plan relates only to the parish of Scothern. It does not relate to more than one neighbourhood area. There are no other neighbourhood development plans in place within the neighbourhood area.

### Having regard to national policies and advice contained in guidance issued by the Secretary of State

The Neighbourhood Plan has been prepared having regard to national policies, in particular those set out in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and the National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG) suite. It is considered that the neighbourhood plan accords with the Core Planning Principles at the heart of the NPPF. Table 1 below provides a summary of how each policy in the neighbourhood plan conforms to the NPPF. It is important to note that the NPPF paragraphs referred to below are those considered most relevant and it is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all NPPF policies.

#### Table 1

Policy Reference	Policy Title	NPPF Paragraphs	Comment
Policy H1:	Location of New Residential Development	8, 11, 68-70, 78, 79	The Neighbourhood Plan seeks to direct new residential development in places where it will cause the least impacts to people and place.
Policy H2:	Housing Type and Mix	62-65, 78, 79	This policy seeks to positively influence the type and mx of new homes to make sure the village gets the right type of properties to meet local need
Policy H3:	Site H1.4 Land to the southwest of Dunholme Road, Scothern	8, 78, 79	The neighbourhood plan supports the allocation of land at (identified WL/SC/003 through the review of the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan and sets a comprehensive design code for the site. The neighbourhood plan seeks to deliver a mix of housing types that meet the requirements of the current and future population. Particular regard is paid to the requirements of the ageing population through the encouragement of smaller units

Policy	Policy Title	NPPF	Comment
Reference		Paragraphs	
			and those built to life-time
			standards.
Policy H4:	Site H1.5 Land	8, 78, 79	The neighbourhood plan
	off Nettleham		supports the allocation of land
	Road/Juniper		at WL/SC/004A (identified
	Drive, Scothern		through the review of the
			Central Lincolnshire Local Plan
			and sets a comprehensive
			design code for the site. The
			neighbourhood plan seeks to
			deliver a mix of housing types
			that meet the requirements of
			the current and future
			population. Particular regard is
			paid to the requirements of the ageing population through the
			encouragement of smaller units
			and those built to life-time
			standards.
Policy D1	Design and	126-136	The neighbourhood plan
	Character	120 100	includes a robust and
			comprehensive design and
			character policy that sets out
			the quality of development
			expected for the area
			particularly for those aspects of
			local character. It is not
			unnecessarily prescriptive and
			does not attempt to impose
			specific architectural tastes.
Policy D2:	Renewable	152-158	This Policy seeks to support
	Energy and Low		appropriate renewable energy
	Carbon		technology within new
	Development		developments to help make sure new development
			contributes positively towards
			reducing its impact on climate
			change.
Policy T1:	Parking	104	This Policy has been saved
	Standards		from the existing
			Neighbourhood Plan and seeks
			to influence the number of off-
			street parking spaces for new
			development.
Policy T2:	Pedestrian and	100	The Neighbourhood Plan seeks
	Cycle Routes		to protect existing walking and
	-		cycling routes and encourages

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			the enhancement of these route through new development.
Policy :B1	Working from home	84	The neighbourhood plan promotes the retention and development of local services and community facilities in the village such as the meeting places, sports venues, public house and places of worship. It plans positively for the future provision and aims to promote a healthy community by guarding against the unnecessary loss of valued facilities and services.
Policy E1	Local Green Space	101, 102	This policy protects certain green spaces from development due to their importance to the community and the environment.
Policy E2:	Biodiversity	174 -182	The neighbourhood plan seeks to ensure development minimises its impact on biodiversity and proposals contribute to and enhance the natural and local environment.
Policy E3:	Scothern Beck Green Corridor	174, 175	This Policy seeks to protect the Scothern Beck Green Corridor from harmful development or change.
Policy C1:	Provision of New or Improved Community Facilities:	93	This policy seeks to support new or the enhancement of existing community facilities.

### Contributes to the achievement of sustainable development

The following sustainability appraisal has been carried out to assess how the policies in the neighbourhood plan contribute positively to delivering sustainable development. The plan will perform an economic, social and environmental role and seeks to balance these objectives.

Table 2 summarises the various sustainability outcomes of each policy in the neighbourhood plan.

** very positive	
* positive outcome	
- neutral	
x negative	
xx very negative	

### Table 2

Policy Reference	Social	Environmental	Economic	Comment
Policy H1:				This Policy will have a very positive effect on people as it seeks to provide a sufficient level of homes over the Plan period. It will also have a positive outcome for employment as it will support construction and supply chain jobs.
Policy H2:				This Policy will have a very positive effect on people as it seeks to provide the right type, and mix of homes for the community over the plan period.
Policy H3:				This policy will have a general positive effect as it seeks to allocate land for housing using a strict design code to support the design and protect and enhance the wider environment. The development of this site will also have a positive effect on employment through

Policy Reference	Social	Environmental	Economic	Comment
				construction and
				supply chain jobs.
Policy H4:				This policy will have a
				general positive effect
				as it seeks to allocate
				land for housing using
				a strict design code to
				support the design and protect and enhance
				the wider environment.
				The development of
				this site will also have
				a positive effect on
				employment through
				construction and
				supply chain jobs.
Policy D1				This Policy will have a
				positive effect on social
				and environmental
				aspects due to the
				focus on protecting
				and enhancing the
				character of the area. It will have a neutral
				effect on employment.
Policy D2:				This policy will
				generally have positive
				impact socially,
				environmentally and
				economically due to it
				seeking to reduce the
				overall impact of
				development on
				climate change. It will
				support local jobs
				through renewable
				energy infrastructure and alterations to
				buildings.
Policy T1:				This will have a
				general neutral effect.
Policy T2:				This will have a
				positive effect on
				protecting and
				enhancing walking and
				cycling infrastructure
				which supports health
				and wellbeing through

Policy Reference	Social	Environmental	Economic	Comment
				encouraging walking and cycling and therefore reducing the need to travel by car.
Policy :B1				This policy will generally have a positive effect as it encourages people to work from home, reducing the need to travel by car and improves health and wellbeing.
Policy E1				This Policy will have a very positive effect on social and environment as it supports health and wellbeing and protects green spaces and the environment. It has a neutral effect on the economy.
Policy E2:				This Policy has a very positive effect on the environment as it seeks to both protect and enhance local biodiversity. It has a neutral effect on society and the economy.
Policy E3:				This Policy has a very positive effect on the environment as it seeks to both protect and enhance local biodiversity. It has a neutral effect on society and the economy.
Policy C1:				This Policy have a very positive effect on social as it seeks to enhance community facilities for the community to use. It have a neutral effect on both the

Policy Reference	Social	Environmental	Economic	Comment
				environment and economy.

### General conformity with the strategic policies of the adopted development plan and emerging Local Plan (due to be adopted Spring 2023)

The development plan for the area is the adopted Central Lincolnshire Local Plan (adopted April 2017). At the time of writing this report, the review of the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan is near its conclusion. The review Local Plan is due to be adopted in Spring 2023. The neighbourhood plan has to demonstrate general conformity with the strategic policies in the adopted development plan. Table 3 illustrates how the neighbourhood plan is in general conformity with the policies within both the current and emerging Central Lincolnshire Local Plan.

Table 3
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Policy Reference	Policy Title	Relevant Policies in the 2017 CCLP	Relevant Policies in the CLLP review 2022	Comment
Policy H1:	Location of New Residential Development	LP2, LP4	S2, S4, S5	The Neighbourhood Plan seeks to direct new residential development in places where it will cause the least impacts to people and place.
Policy H2:	Housing Type and Mix	LP10, LP11	S22, S23	This policy seeks to positively influence the type and mx of new homes to make sure the village gets the right type of properties to meet local need
Policy H3:	Site H1.4 Land to the southwest of Dunholme Road, Scothern	LP53	S81	The neighbourhood plan supports the allocation of land at WLKEE/003 (identified through the review of the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan and sets a comprehensive design code for the

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				site. The neighbourhood plan seeks to deliver a mix of housing types that meet the requirements of the current and future population. Particular regard is paid to the requirements of the ageing population through the encouragement of smaller units and those built to life-time standards.
Policy H4:	Site H1.5 Land off Nettleham Road/Juniper Drive, Scothern	LP53	S81	The neighbourhood plan supports the allocation of land at WLKEE/003 (identified through the review of the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan and sets a comprehensive design code for the site. The neighbourhood plan seeks to deliver a mix of housing types that meet the requirements of the current and future population. Particular regard is paid to the requirements of the ageing population through the encouragement of smaller units and those built to life-time standards.
Policy D1	Design and Character	LP26	S53	The neighbourhood plan includes a robust and comprehensive design and character

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				policy that sets out the quality of development expected for the area particularly for those aspects of local character. It is not unnecessarily prescriptive and does not attempt to impose specific architectural tastes.
Policy D2:	Renewable Energy and Low Carbon Development	LP18, LP19	S6, S13, S14	This Policy seeks to support appropriate renewable energy technology within new developments to help make sure new development contributes positively towards reducing its impact on climate change.
Policy T1:	Parking Standards	LP12, LP13	S49	This Policy has been saved from the existing Neighbourhood Plan and seeks to influence the number of off-street parking spaces for new development.
Policy T2:	Pedestrian and Cycle Routes	LP20	S48	The Neighbourhood Plan seeks to protect existing walking and cycling routes and encourages the enhancement of these route through new development.
Policy :B1	Working from home	LP5	S28	The neighbourhood plan promotes the retention and development of local services and community facilities in

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				the village such as the meeting places, sports venues, public house and places of worship. It plans positively for the future provision and aims to promote a healthy community by guarding against the unnecessary loss of valued facilities and services.
Policy E1	Local Green Space	LP23	S64	This policy protects certain green spaces from development due to their importance to the community and the environment.
Policy E2:	Biodiversity	LP21	S59, S60, S61	The neighbourhood plan seeks to ensure development minimises its impact on biodiversity and proposals contribute to and enhance the natural and local environment.
Policy E3:	Scothern Beck Green Corridor	LP20	S59, S60	This Policy seeks to protect the Scothern Beck Green Corridor from harmful development or change.
Policy C1:	Provision of New or Improved Community Facilities:	LP15	S50	This policy seeks to support new or the enhancement of existing community facilities.

### The making of the neighbourhood plan does not breach, and it otherwise compatible with, Human Rights Obligations

As part of the process of developing the neighbourhood plan the Parish Council prepared a Strategic Environmental Assessment Scoping Report with a request for a

formal Strategic Environmental Assessment screening opinion in order to determine whether the plan was likely to have significant environmental effects and whether a Strategic Environmental Assessment would be required.

This report was published the Scoping report for a 4 week period during which time comments were sought from the statutory consultation bodies, including the Environment Agency, Natural England and Historic England. Based on the response it was confirmed that the emerging Scothern Neighbourhood Development Plan would not have significant effects on the environment and it was considered that a full Strategic Environment Assessment would not be required.

The neighbourhood area is not in close proximity to any European site hence a Habitats Regulation Assessment screening opinion was deemed unnecessary. Lastly, the Neighbourhood Plan has regard to and is compatible with the fundamental rights and freedoms guaranteed under the European Convention on Human Rights. The main issues for planning in the context of human rights are: protection of property, right to respect for private and family life and prohibition of discrimination. The Plan complies with the requirements of the Human Rights Act 1998.