



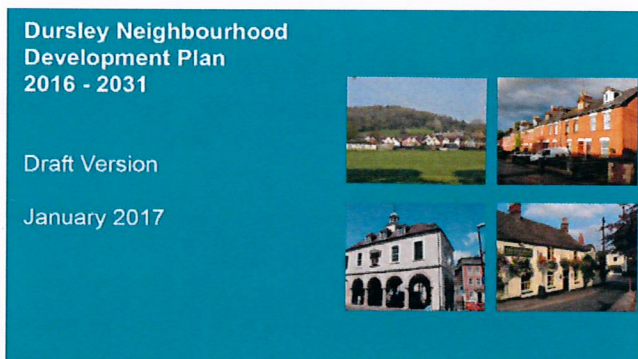
FUTURE DURSLEY

Our Neighbourhood Plan

Dursley Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP)

2016-2031

WHAT DO YOU THINK?



Working Draft 23 Jan 2017

What is a Neighbourhood Development Plan?

Neighbourhood Development Plans (NDP) are a Government Initiative first introduced in 2011. When agreed, they have legal weight to allow local people to say how they want to see development of their town over the next 20 years.

An NDP uses evidence and local residents' views to:

- Identify where new developments could take place.
- Protect and embrace green spaces, play areas and wildlife.
- Support the local economy.
- Influence what new buildings look like.

Where are we in the process?

The process so far in Dursley has involved:

- The formation of a local volunteer-led steering group in 2014.
- Consultation with multiple groups and people and liaison with surrounding Parishes and the District Council.
- Development of key objectives with six main themes.
- A working draft plan has been produced by the Steering Group with the help of planning experts.

We want your views & input

The draft Neighbourhood Development Plan is available for the people of Dursley to examine and comment on either online at www.dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk/uploads/dursley-ndp-v16-230117.pdf or a hard copy at the Library or Town Council offices.

Please complete the comments slip

This leaflet is being delivered to every household in Dursley. We would be grateful if you could look at the plan and complete the comments slip at the end of this leaflet.

Please return it to the Town Council offices (full address on last page) or email your comments to ndp@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk



NDP Consultation Events at Dursley Primary Academy & Festival

What's next?

We will review all the comments we receive and update the Plan where needed.

A further consultation on the plan will be undertaken in the near future.

Dursley Town Council will then submit the Plan to Stroud District Council, who will check the plan and organise an independent examination.

If the plan passes the examination, you will be asked to vote in a **Referendum** on whether you think the District Council should use the plan to help decide future planning applications.

The Vision, Objectives & Policies

Please tell us what you think

VISION FOR DURSLEY

In 20 years' time, Dursley will continue to retain its position as the prime Market Town serving the South of Stroud District, capitalising on its rich landscape and its location on the Cotswold Way. It will be a strong community and a place where people of all ages choose to live and work in a safe and accessible environment. It will be a place where wildlife thrives and where the natural environment and green spaces can be enjoyed by residents and visitors.

(from the Working Draft NDP Jan 2017)

Objectives Overview

1. To protect and enhance wildlife and biodiversity.
2. To support a range of suitable housing in order to maintain our mixed community.
3. To support and develop the local economy, including the Town Centre and Tourism.
4. To ensure that new development reflects the distinctive character of Dursley.
5. To protect and develop existing community facilities including allotments, green spaces and play areas.
6. To improve public transport, parking, traffic management and connections for cyclists and pedestrians.

Specific Policies have been developed to meet the Objectives

These deal with:

- The Green Infrastructure, ancient woodlands, key views and landscape.
- Housing development and housing quality.
- Safeguarding of employment sites and encouraging new businesses.
- Supporting Town Centre Retail and encouraging visitor accommodation.
- Maintaining the Town's character and encouraging good design.
- Maintaining and developing community facilities.
- Maintaining and enhancing play areas.
- Safeguarding Local Green Space Designations.
- Improving car parking and public transport as well as connections for cyclists and pedestrians.



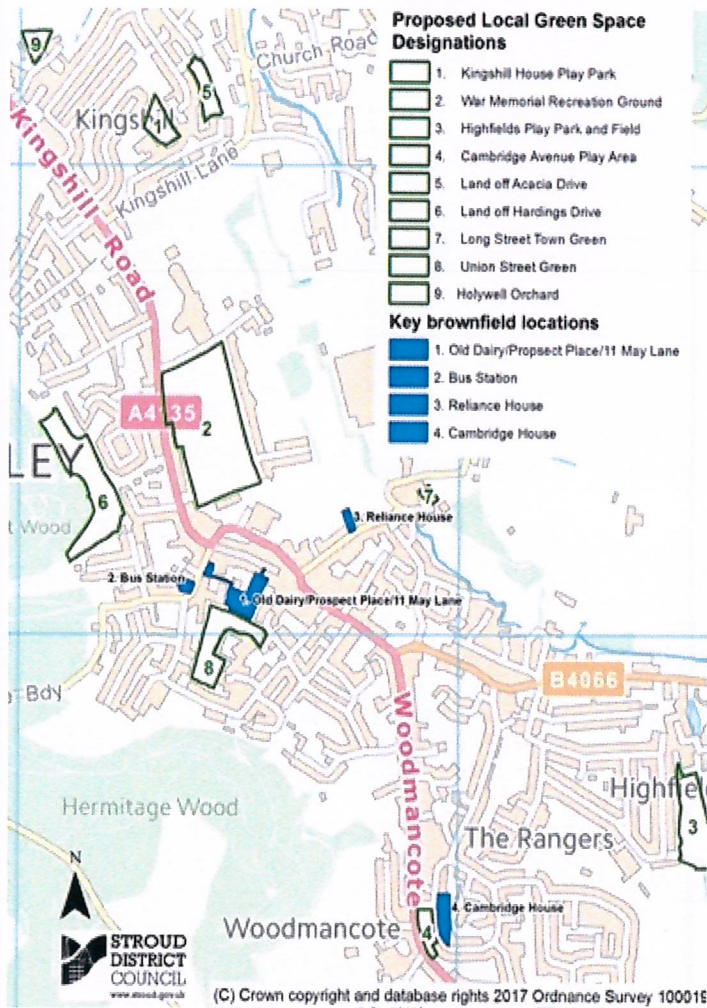
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Development Strategy

Four brownfield locations have been identified as having potential to enhance key gateways into Dursley and contribute to improvements to the town.

- Old Dairy, 11 May Lane and Land off Prospect Place
- Bus station
- Reliance House, Long Street
- Cambridge House

Map showing the 4 Brownfield Sites & Proposed Local Green Space Designations



2. War Memorial Recreation Ground



3. Highfields Play Park and Field



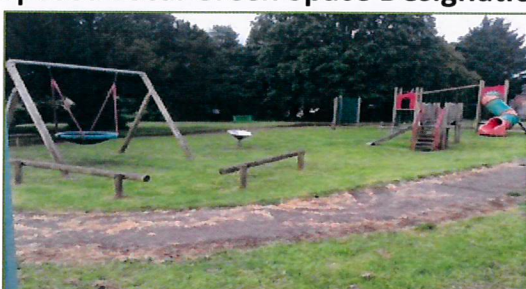
4. Cambridge Avenue Play Area

Local Green Spaces

An NDP can allow us to have special protection for green spaces that are important in Dursley. The following green spaces have been compiled based on the evidence and local feedback so far. If successfully designated, these spaces would be protected from future development.

Please use the comments slip to tell us why these green spaces are important to you & how you use them

Proposed Local Green Space Designations



1. Kingshill House Play Park



5. Land off Acacia Drive



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6. Land off Hardings Drive



7. Long Street Green



8. Union Street Green



9. Holywell Orchard

How is the Future Dursley NDP funded?

Future Dursley and the process to develop the NDP is supported and funded with assistance from the Community Development Foundation, Locality and Dursley Town Council.

**Please complete the
Comments Slip** 

We would like your general comments on the draft plan and your views on the proposed local green space designations.

Please return the slip by **Return by Friday 12th May 2017** to: Future Dursley NDP, c/o Dursley Town Council, Jacob's House, Castle Street, Dursley, Glos. GL11 4BS
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