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Bradwell with Pattiswick Parish Neighbourhood Plan

Basic Conditions Statement

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Bradwell with Pattiswick **Neighbourhood** Plan

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1 Introduction

1.1 Paragraph 8(2) of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as applied to neighbourhood plans by section 38A of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 requires a Neighbourhood Plan to meet the following basic conditions in order to progress to referendum:

1. the Neighbourhood Plan has regard to national policies and advice contained in guidance issued by the Secretary of State;
2. the making of the Neighbourhood Plan contributes to the achievement of sustainable development;
3. the making of the Neighbourhood Plan is in general conformity with the strategic policies contained in the Local Plan;
4. the making of the Neighbourhood Plan does not breach, and is otherwise compatible with, EU obligations; and
5. prescribed conditions are met in relation to the Neighbourhood Plan and prescribed matters have been complied with in connection with proposals within the Neighbourhood Plan[1].

1.2 When submitting a Neighbourhood Plan to a local authority, Regulation 15 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended) states that the Plan should be accompanied by a statement which identifies how the draft Neighbourhood Plan meets the requirements of the basic conditions listed above. This statement is referred to as a Basic Conditions Statement.

1.3 The basic conditions require a different level of assessment between national and local planning policy. In relation to national policies and advice, neighbourhood plans are required to 'have regard' to their content, therefore referencing and relating appropriately to relevant national policy and guidance. In relation to local planning policy, neighbourhood plans are required to be 'in general conformity' with strategic policies, therefore complying, agreeing, and seeking similar outcomes as local strategic planning policies.

[1] Regulations 32 and 33 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended) add a basic condition for Neighbourhood Plans in addition to those set out in the primary legislation, requiring the making of the Neighbourhood Plan to not have a likely significant effect on a European site (as defined in the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2012).

1.4 The Parish was designated as a Neighbourhood Area for the purposes of producing a Neighbourhood Plan in Sept 2016. Following public consultation, examination, and referendum, the Bradwell with Pattiswick Neighbourhood Plan (BPNP) was 'made' on 22nd July 2019. The Neighbourhood Plan has since formed part of the Development Plan, alongside the Braintree District Local Plan (BDLP), to inform decision making on development proposals in the area. Bradwell with Pattiswick Parish Council are undertaking a review of the Neighbourhood Plan, and the Regulation 14 consultation was undertaken in March 2025. The updated Neighbourhood Plan period is 2024-2041.

1.5 Development plan documents for the area include the Essex Minerals Local Plan (2014), the Essex and Southend-on-Sea Waste Local Plan (2017), and Braintree District Council's Local Plan 2033. The Braintree District Local Plan 2033 is formed of Section 1 and 2. Section 1 of the Local Plan was adopted in February 2021, and Section 2 was adopted in July 2025.

1.6 This statement supports the submission of the review and update to BPNP. The statement will begin by clarifying which Local Plan policies are considered to be strategic and outlining how the overarching legal requirements of a Neighbourhood Plan are met. The remaining sections of the statement will review each Neighbourhood Plan objective and policy to consider how they meet the requirements of the basic conditions.

2 Adopted local strategic planning policies

2.1 Part 3 of the basic conditions listed in section 1 above requires a neighbourhood plan to be 'in general conformity with the strategic policies contained in the Local Plan'. Given the local planning policy context in Braintree District outlined above, this would require the BPNP to consider the strategic policies contained within the Braintree District Local Plan 2033.

2.2 The strategic policies in the adopted Local Plan are set out in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Adopted local strategic planning policies within Braintree District

Strategic policy code	Strategic policy name
Policy SP 1	Presumption in Favour of Sustainable Development
Policy SP 2	Recreational disturbance Avoidance and Mitigation Strategy (RAMS)
Policy SP 3	Spatial Strategy for North Essex
Policy SP 4	Meeting Housing Needs
Policy SP 5	Employment
Policy SP 6	Infrastructure and Connectivity
Policy SP 7	Place Shaping Principles
Policy SP 8	Development and Delivery of a New Garden Community in North Essex
Policy SP 9	Tendring/Colchester Borders Garden Community
Policy LPP2	Location of Employment Land
Policy LPP3	Employment Policy Areas
Policy LPP9	Retailing and Regeneration
Policy LPP16	Housing Provision and Delivery
Policy LPP17 Strategic Growth Location	Land East of Great Notley, South of Braintree
Policy LPP18 Strategic Growth Location	Land East of Broad Road, Braintree
Policy LPP19 Strategic Growth Location	Former Towerlands Park Site
Policy LPP20 Strategic Growth Location	North West Braintree
Policy LPP21 Strategic Growth Location	Land at Feering
Policy LPP22 Strategic Growth Location	Wood End Farm, Witham
Policy LPP29 Comprehensive Redevelopment Area	Land between A12 and GEML, Hatfield Peverel
Policy LPP31	Affordable Housing
Policy LPP34	Gypsy and Traveller and Travelling Showpersons' Accommodation

Strategic policy code	Strategic policy name
Policy LPP42	Sustainable Transport
Policy LPP45	New Road Infrastructure
Policy LPP47	Built and Historic Environment
Policy LPP63	Natural Environment and Green Infrastructure
Policy LPP64	Protected Sites
Policy LPP78	Infrastructure Delivery and Impact Mitigation

3 Legal requirements of a Neighbourhood Plan

3.1 The BPNP has been produced by Bradwell with Pattiswick Parish Council. The Parish Council is a qualifying body to produce a Neighbourhood Plan in accordance with Schedule 9 of the Localism Act 2011.

3.2 In Sept 2016, and in accordance with Part 2 of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012, Braintree District Council (BDC) formally designated Bradwell with Pattiswick Parish as a Neighbourhood Area for the purposes of producing a Neighbourhood Plan.

3.3 The draft BPNP contains policies relating to the development and use of land within the neighbourhood area. All policies 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.

3.4 The draft BPNP relates to the period 2024-2041. The draft BPNP does not propose policies relating to 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.

3.5 The draft Plan relates only to the parish of Bradwell with Pattiswick. There are no other Neighbourhood Plans in place or proposed within the neighbourhood area.

4 Assessment of the Neighbourhood Plan objectives

4.1 Through ongoing engagement with the local community and consultation responses from 2015, 2017 and 2024, the Bradwell with Pattiswick Parish Council identified 22 objectives set out within 8 topic areas to guide the production of the Neighbourhood Plan. Table 2 assesses the general themes of the identified objectives against the requirements of the basic conditions, to consider if the objectives have regard to national planning policy and advice and conform with the identified local strategic planning policies listed in Table 1.

Table 2: Assessment of the Steeple Bumpstead Neighbourhood Plan Objectives against the requirements of the basic conditions

Objectives	Have regard to national planning policy	Objectives conform with the following local strategic planning policies:
Environment		
To maintain the natural environment and rural tranquillity of the Parish To enhance the biodiversity of the Parish To conserve the valued rural landscape of the Parish	NPPF 8 Promoting healthy and safe communities NPPF Section 15 Conserving and enhancing the natural Environment	Policy LPP 47 - Built and Historic Environment Policy LPP 63 - Natural Environment and Green Infrastructure
Community facilities and public open space		
To support a cohesive, supportive community To retain and encourage the use of facilities for outdoor recreation To provide leisure facilities to meet the needs of all residents To protect locally important areas of open space and community facilities	NPPF 2 Achieving sustainable development NPPF 3 Plan-making NPPF 6 Building a strong, competitive economy NPPF 8 Promoting healthy and safe communities NPPF Section 15 Conserving and enhancing the natural Environment	Policy LPP 63 - Natural Environment and Green Infrastructure Policy LPP 78 - Infrastructure Delivery and Impact Mitigation.

Objectives	Have regard to national planning policy	Objectives conform with the following local strategic planning policies:
Heritage		
To conserve and promote the heritage of the Parish	NPPF 5 Delivering a sufficient supply of homes NPPF 16 Conserving and enhancing the historic environment NPPF 17 Facilitating the sustainable use of minerals	Policy LPP 47 - Built and Historic Environment
Drainage		
To seek improvements to watercourses which will minimise flood risk and damage to property	NPPF 14 Meeting the challenge of climate change, flooding and coastal change	SP 6 - Infrastructure & Connectivity
Housing		
To support very small scale housing proposals which meet local needs To encourage the provision of owner-occupied housing which meet local needs To ensure that housing is designed to high standards (eg Passivhaus) To support housing which respects and enhances the Parish's heritage and character To support proposals which strengthen and support the hamlets	NPPF 5 Delivering a sufficient supply of homes NPPF 11 Making effective use of land NPPF 12 Achieving well-designed places	Policy SP 4 - Meeting Housing Needs Policy LPP 16 – Housing Provision and Delivery Policy LPP 31 – Affordable Housing;
Local economy		
To support and encourage small scale employment	NPPF 6 Building a strong, competitive economy	Policy SP 5 - Employment

Objectives	Have regard to national planning policy	Objectives conform with the following local strategic planning policies:
uses appropriate to a rural area To encourage new business opportunities for local people		
Transport		
To improve road safety by creating a safe road network, which is fit for purpose To maintain an excellent network of public footpaths and public rights of way (including byways and bridleways) To improve off-road parking facilities in The Street and Forge Crescent To improve the provision of community and public transport within the Parish	NPPF 9 Promoting sustainable transport	Policy LPP 42 - Sustainable Transport Policy LPP 45 - New Road Infrastructure
Design		
To ensure high standards of design within new development To support design which respects and enhances the Parish's heritage and character	NPPF 8 Promoting healthy and safe communities NPPF 9 Promoting sustainable transport NPPF 12 Achieving well-designed places	Policy LPP 47 - Built and Historic Environment

4.2 Table 2 demonstrates that the BPNP objectives have regard to the themes of national planning policy and generally conform with the themes of local strategic planning policy.

5 Assessment of the Neighbourhood Plan policies against the basic conditions

5.1 There are 11 policies within the BPNP. This section will review each policy against the requirements of the basic conditions. Please see the submission version of the BPNP for the full policies and supporting text.

Policy 1 – Protecting and Enhancing the Natural Environment and Green Infrastructure

Summary of BPNP policy	
Policy 1 seeks to protect the natural environment from the impact of new development in the countryside and also enhance features of the local natural environment. The policy also supports the use of land within the Parish for the purpose of providing off-site BNG in addition to protecting existing habitats and species. The policy identifies 16 natural environment features within the Parish to be protected within any development proposals.	
Have regard to national planning policy	
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has regard to national planning policy and guidance
NPPF paragraph 20d	Supports conservation and enhancement of the natural environment, including landscapes and green infrastructure
NPPF paragraph 106	Encourage the protection of Local Green Space
NPPF paragraph 164a	Encourage adaptation measures through incorporating green infrastructure and sustainable drainage systems where appropriate
NPPF paragraph 187, 188	Policy contributes to the natural and local environment and enhance networks of habitats and green infrastructure
NPPF paragraph 192, 193	Encourage proposals to protect and enhance biodiversity, including delivering off-site BNG, and improving public access to nature

Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has not had regard to national planning policy and guidance
n/a	n/a
Topics within the policy which are not included within national planning policy and guidance	
n/a	
Conformity with local strategic planning policy	
Relevant local strategic planning policy	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy conforms with local strategic planning policy
LPP 63	Supports the protection and enhancement of the natural environment including existing habitats, species and biodiversity. Policy also supports development which contributes towards the enhancement of green infrastructure and where possible.
Relevant section of local planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy does not conform with local strategic planning policy
n/a	n/a
Topics within the policy which are not included within local strategic planning policy	
• Incorporation the principle of Sustainable Urban Drainage (SUDs) where appropriate	
Conclusions on having regard to national planning policy and guidance and conforming with local strategic policy	
The requirements of Policy 1 have regard to national planning policy and conform with local strategic planning policy. The development proposals are required to protect and enhance identified natural environmental features in the Parish. Non-designated Policy LPP 66 supports the protection of biodiversity and the mitigation of any adverse impacts. In addition, the policy aligns with non-strategic Policy LPP 76, which supports the incorporation of Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SuDS) where appropriate.	
Contribution towards the achievement of sustainable development:	
Policy 1 contributes to improved environmental conditions by ensuring that the natural environment is protected and integrated within development, incorporating Biodiversity	

Net Gain (BNG) requirements. The use of land for off-site BNG further supports the protection and enhancement of green infrastructure and biodiversity.

Policy 2 – Protection of Special and Sensitive Landscapes

Summary of BPNP policy	
Policy 2 identifies two landscape character areas within the Parish (as identified in the BDC Landscape Character Assessment) and seeks to protect the important features of the Parish which form these landscape character areas.	
Have regard to national planning policy	
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has regard to national planning policy and guidance
NPPF paragraph 135 c)	The policy requires development proposals to demonstrate that it contributes to the enhancement of the overall local character and landscape setting
NPPF paragraph 187 a), 189	Supports the protection and enhancement of valued landscapes.
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has <u>not</u> had regard to national planning policy and guidance
n/a	n/a
Topics within the policy which are not included within national planning policy and guidance	
• Doesn't explicitly mention specifics of landscape character assessment or landscape character areas • Accessibility improvements to the open countryside within the Landscape Character Area for recreation	
Conformity with local strategic planning policy	
Relevant local strategic planning policy	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy conforms with local strategic planning policy
LPP 47	Protects landscape sensitivity areas as identified under the policy

Relevant section of local planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy does not conform with local strategic planning policy
n/a	n/a
Topics within the policy which are not included within local strategic planning policy	
• Accessibility improvements to the open countryside within the Landscape Character Area for recreation	
Conclusions on having regard to national planning policy and guidance and conforming with local strategic policy	
The requirements of Policy 2 have regard to national planning policy and conform with local strategic planning policy. The NPPF doesn't specifically mention the specifics of landscape character assessment or landscape character areas but emphasis on understanding and protecting landscape character implies the need for such assessments at a local level to inform planning decisions. However, the Policy 2 complies with the non-strategic Policy LPP 67 which protects the identified Landscape Character Areas and enhances the special features where possible.	
Contribution towards the achievement of sustainable development:	
Policy 2 contributes towards improved environmental conditions by ensuring the protection and enhancement of valued landscapes	

Policy 3 – Protecting and Enhancing Community Facilities and Public Open Space

Summary of BPNP policy	
Policy 3 aims to address the local need for more leisure facilities within the Parish through the multiple use of community facilities. It also highlights the role of developer contributions to address local needs, including any required enhancements and upgrades to the playing fields. It also requires development proposals to demonstrate overriding benefits where the development would result in the net loss of existing community facilities or public open space.	
Have regard to national planning policy	
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has regard to national planning policy and guidance
NPPF paragraph 88 d)	Enables the development of accessible local services and community facilities.
NPPF paragraph 98 c)	Guard against loss of valued facilities and services, especially the playing fields in Bradwell village
NPPF paragraph 104 a)	Preventing building on playing fields or open space unless evidence shows this to be surplus, or upgrades needed to the playing fields in Bradwell village.
NPPF paragraph 104 b)	Requires development that may result in the loss of open space, sports and recreational buildings and land to provide a replacement of equivalent or better provision in terms of quantity and quality.
NPPF paragraph 128 b)	Supports more effective use of community sites.
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has not had regard to national planning policy and guidance
n/a	n/a
Topics within the policy which are not included within national planning policy and guidance	
• Requiring the loss of existing community facilities or public open space to demonstrate overriding benefits which outweigh any harm.	

Conformity with local strategic planning policy	
Relevant local strategic planning policy	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy conforms with local strategic planning policy
LPP 78	Supports development that is sustainable and fulfils the local needs
Relevant section of local planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy does not conform with local strategic planning policy
n/a	n/a
Topics within the policy which are not included within local strategic planning policy	
• Requiring the loss of existing community facilities or public open space to demonstrate overriding benefits which outweigh any harm.	
Conclusions on having regard to national planning policy and guidance and conforming with local strategic policy	
The requirements of Policy 3 have regard to national planning policy and conform with local strategic planning policy. The policy also conforms with the non-strategic policy LPP 50 which requires developer contributions towards any enhancement and upgrades to existing facilities to meet the local needs. The policy LPP 50 also requires any loss of existing community facilities or public open space to demonstrate overriding benefits are provided which outweigh any harm.	
Contribution towards the achievement of sustainable development:	
Policy 3 contributes towards sustainable development by ensuring that development proposals support local infrastructure needs through developer contributions, including enhancements and upgrades to playing fields and other community facilities	

Policy 4 – Local Green Space

Summary of BPNP policy	
Policy 4 recognises key recreational and community facilities that have significant recreational and social value for the local community. The policy designates these areas as Local Green Space, ensuring they are protected from inappropriate development except in very special circumstances.	
Have regard to national planning policy	
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has regard to national planning policy and guidance
NPPF paragraph 11 b)	Supports sustainable development by protecting identified Local Green Spaces
NPPF paragraph 106, 107	Identifies and designate land as Local Green Space (Bradwell Village Playing Fields, Allotments, and Village Orchard), which demonstrate special to a local community and holds a particular local significance.
NPPF paragraph 108, 153	Supports the principle that development proposals can only be approved in very special circumstances
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has not had regard to national planning policy and guidance
n/a	n/a
Topics within the policy which are not included within national planning policy and guidance	
n/a	
Conformity with local strategic planning policy	
Relevant local strategic planning policy	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy conforms with local strategic planning policy
LPP 64	Protects locally designated sites
Relevant section of local planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy does not conform with local strategic planning policy
n/a	n/a

Topics within the policy which are not included within local strategic planning policy
• Designation of Local Green Spaces
Conclusions on having regard to national planning policy and guidance and conforming with local strategic policy
The requirements of Policy 4 have regard to national planning policy and conform with local strategic planning policy. The protection of identified Local Green Spaces and the consideration of development in exceptional circumstances are supported by national planning policy. While the local strategic policy refers to locally designated sites, it does not specifically address Local Green Spaces.
Contribution towards the achievement of sustainable development:
Policy 4 contributes towards improved social conditions by protecting important community spaces (identified Local Green Spaces such as Bradwell Village Playing Fields, Allotments, and the Village Orchard) and helps safeguard social, environmental, and recreational benefits for the local community.

Policy 5 – Protecting and Enhancing the Historic Environment

Summary of BPNP policy	
Policy 5 seeks to protect existing 'designated' and 'non-designated' heritage assets. It has identified seven 'non-designated' heritage assets which are of significant local importance and require ongoing protection and enhancement.	
Have regard to national planning policy	
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has regard to national planning policy and guidance
NPPF paragraph 11 b)	Supports sustainable development by protecting identified existing 'designated' and 'non-designated' heritage assets
NPPF section 16	Conserves and enhances the heritage assets
NPPF paragraph 84 b)	Allows development in the countryside where it demonstrates the optimal viable use of a heritage asset, or where the development helps secure its future of the asset.
NPPF paragraph 202	Contributes towards conserving and enhancing heritage assets for the enjoyment of current and future generations.
NPPF paragraph 207-211	It requires development proposals to describe the significance of any heritage assets affected, including any contribution made by their setting and to be acknowledged and addressed.
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has not had regard to national planning policy and guidance
n/a	n/a
Topics within the policy which are not included within national planning policy and guidance	
n/a	
Conformity with local strategic planning policy	
Relevant local strategic planning policy	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy conforms with local strategic planning policy
LPP 47	Supports development that protects and enhance the historic environment including both designated and non-designated heritage assets.

Relevant section of local planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy does not conform with local strategic planning policy
n/a	n/a
Topics within the policy which are not included within local strategic planning policy	
n/a	
Conclusions on having regard to national planning policy and guidance and conforming with local strategic policy	
The requirements of Policy 5 have regard to national planning policy and conform with local strategic planning policy. In addition to the referenced national and local policies, non-strategic local planning policy LPP 57 supports the enhancement of non-designated heritage assets by appropriate control over the development.	
Contribution towards the achievement of sustainable development:	
Policy 5 contributes towards improved social and cultural well-being of the community by protecting and enhancing heritage assets	

Policy 6 – Drainage and Flood Management

Summary of BPNP policy	
Policy 6 seeks to manage the risk of flooding by understanding the watercourse in the Parish and improving the identified flood risk areas. The policy also incorporates the management of water and wastewater discharge.	
Have regard to national planning policy	
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has regard to national planning policy and guidance
NPPF paragraph 171	Manages flood risk from all sources including fluvial, surface water, and wastewater discharge. The Parish Council has worked with Essex County Council acting as the Lead Local Flood Authority to identify susceptible areas and reduce future flood risk.
NPPF paragraph 172	Development proposals should, where appropriate, avoid and reduce the risk of flooding both on-site and elsewhere within the catchment
NPPF paragraph 182	Involvement of the Lead Local Flood Authority and local community in managing watercourses and drainage systems to ensure their appropriate maintenance.
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has not had regard to national planning policy and guidance
n/a	n/a
Topics within the policy which are not included within national planning policy and guidance	
n/a	
Conformity with local strategic planning policy	
Relevant local strategic planning policy	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy conforms with local strategic planning policy
SP 6	Supports the management of water and wastewater discharge

Relevant section of local planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy does not conform with local strategic planning policy
n/a	n/a
Topics within the policy which are not included within local strategic planning policy	
n/a	
Conclusions on having regard to national planning policy and guidance and conforming with local strategic policy	
The requirements of Policy 6 have regard to national planning policy and conform with local strategic planning policy. In addition, Policy 6 conforms with non-strategic Policy LPP 74, which requires new development to demonstrate minimal impact on watercourses and contribute towards reducing flood risk on site and in the surrounding area.	
Contribution towards the achievement of sustainable development:	
Policy 6 contributes towards improved environmental conditions by protecting the local environment, supporting community resilience by reducing flood risk, and mitigating potential adverse impacts on surrounding areas.	

Policy 7 – Housing

Summary of BPNP policy	
Policy 7 seeks to support well-designed residential development proposals that meets the current and future housing needs of the Parish. Development should be energy efficient, and reflect the scale, design, layout and character of existing development. It also aims to retain appearance of existing development within the vicinity of any proposal site and protect the rural character of the Parish. The policy also seeks to supports small-scale residential development, extensions, and conversions of residential use outside the settlement boundary where proposals sustain the future viability of the Parish.	
Have regard to national planning policy	
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has regard to national planning policy and guidance
NPPF section 15 & 16	Protects and enhance natural environment and heritage assets
NPPF paragraph 61 - 63	Promotes balanced mix of housing types and tenures in accordance with the existing housing stock and future needs
NPPF paragraph 88 a)	Supports the conversion of residential use outside the Bradwell village settlement boundary that contributes towards rural economy and sustainability of the adjacent settlement
NPPF paragraph 115 d) & 116	Ensures that development proposals do not have harmful impact on the local highway safety
NPPF paragraph 133 - 135	Requires consideration to the scale, design, density and layout of existing development in the surrounding area, that reflect local character with a consistent and high-quality standard of design.
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has not had regard to national planning policy and guidance
n/a	n/a
Topics within the policy which are not included within national planning policy and guidance	

The policy includes local requirements, including the sustainability of small-scale development outside the settlement boundary and the specification of high energy efficiency standards (Passivhaus) for new housing.

Conformity with local strategic planning policy	
Relevant local strategic planning policy	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy conforms with local strategic planning policy
SP 4	Supports development that contributes towards meeting housing need
SP 7	Supports development that responds positively to local character and context to preserve and enhance the quality of existing places and their environment
LPP 31	Supports development that ensures appropriate housing mix
Relevant section of local planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy does not conform with local strategic planning policy
n/a	n/a

Topics within the policy which are not included within local strategic planning policy
• Development proposals for small scale residential development and extensions and conversions for residential use outside the Bradwell village settlement boundary but adjacent to existing settlements shall be supported as an exception to planning policies, subject to meeting specified conditions.

Conclusions on having regard to national planning policy and guidance and conforming with local strategic policy
The requirements of Policy 7 have regard to national planning policy and conform with local strategic planning policy. The policy includes additional local measures, including support for small-scale development outside the settlement boundary but adjacent to existing settlements where it sustains the community and the specification of high energy efficiency standards (Passivhaus) for new housing. These additional requirements are generally consistent with the aims and objectives of national and local planning policy.

Contribution towards the achievement of sustainable development:
Policy 7 contributes towards improved social conditions by requiring a mix of housing types with high quality design that conforms with the local character and needs. It also ensures environmental sustainability by requiring any new residential development to protect and enhance biodiversity and the natural environment.

Policy 8 – Economy

Summary of BPNP policy	
Policy 8 seeks to support existing, and encourage new, small-scale skilled trade and home-working businesses in the Parish.	
Have regard to national planning policy	
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has regard to national planning policy and guidance
NPPF Section 15 &16	Protects and enhances natural environment and heritage assets
NPPF paragraph 85, 86 e) & 88 a)	Supports small-scale and home-working businesses that contribute to the local economy and also protect existing economic activity
NPPF paragraph 89	Ensures accessibility to any new developments without having a negative impact on the local road network and traffic congestion within the Parish. It also supports development that meets local business and community needs
NPPF paragraph 117 c)	Supports local character and design standards
NPPF paragraph 119	Promotes and supports high-quality digital infrastructure, including broadband connectivity by requiring developments to provide fast and reliable broadband connections to the premises
NPPF paragraph 135 f)	Supports development that does not undermine residential amenity, health, and quality of life
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has not had regard to national planning policy and guidance
n/a	n/a
Topics within the policy which are not included within national planning policy and guidance	
n/a	
Conformity with local strategic planning policy	

Relevant local strategic planning policy	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy conforms with local strategic planning policy
SP 1	Improves economic, social and environmental conditions in the area favouring sustainable development
SP 5	Supports employment generating development to promote a strong, sustainable and diverse economy
SP 6	Supports digital connectivity
Relevant section of local planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy does not conform with local strategic planning policy
n/a	n/a
Topics within the policy which are not included within local strategic planning policy	
n/a	
Conclusions on having regard to national planning policy and guidance and conforming with local strategic policy	
The requirements of Policy 8 have regard to national planning policy and conform with local strategic planning policy. In addition to the reference to digital connectivity in local strategic policy, non-strategic Policy LPP 46 specifically addresses broadband, supporting the requirement for fast and reliable connections, including internal cabling and full connection to the main telecommunications network, which is not covered in the local strategic policy.	
Contribution towards the achievement of sustainable development:	
Policy 8 contributes towards improved economic conditions by supporting the diversification of the rural economy and enabling small-scale businesses. Policy 8 contributes towards improved social conditions by supporting health and quality of life. Policy 8 contributes towards improved environmental conditions by protecting and enhancing natural features. The policy also supports digital connectivity and infrastructure.	

Policy 9 – Transport

Summary of BPNP policy	
Policy 9 seeks to ensure that development proposals provide parking with regard to the adopted Essex County Council standards. The policy also seeks to protect the public right of way and ensure road safety.	
Have regard to national planning policy	
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has regard to national planning policy and guidance
NPPF paragraph 96	Supports protection of pedestrian and cycle routes
NPPF paragraph 105	Supports protection of public rights of way
NPPF paragraph 109	Promotes early consideration of transport issues including parking.
NPPF paragraph 113	Supports local parking standards.
NPPF paragraph 115 d) & 116	Ensures highway safety and minimise any development impact
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has not had regard to national planning policy and guidance
n/a	n/a
Topics within the policy which are not included within national planning policy and guidance	
n/a	
Conformity with local strategic planning policy	
Relevant local strategic planning policy	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy conforms with local strategic planning policy
SP6	Supports the provision of sustainable transport infrastructure
SP7	Supports the creation of well-connected places that prioritise the needs of pedestrians, cyclists and public transport services above the use of the private car.
LPP 42	Supports sustainable transport

Relevant section of local planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy does not conform with local strategic planning policy
n/a	n/a
Topics within the policy which are not included within local strategic planning policy	
• Protection of bridleways	
Conclusions on having regard to national planning policy and guidance and conforming with local strategic policy	
The requirements of Policy 9 have regard to national planning policy and conform with local strategic planning policy. In addition, non-strategic local planning policy LPP 43 supports the requirement for development to provide parking in accordance with the Essex Vehicle Parking Standards. The protection of bridleways is not specifically referenced in national planning policy or relevant local strategic policy.	
Contribution towards the achievement of sustainable development:	
Policy 9 contributes towards improved social conditions by ensuring safety and accessibility for active travel and highways users.	

Policy 10 – Design

Summary of BPNP policy	
Policy 10 seeks to ensure that proposals for new development demonstrate high quality design and ensure the character and appearance of its surrounds are respected, in conformity with the Village Design Statement for the Parish. The policy also seeks to protect the existing natural environment and requires development proposals to carefully consider the sensitivity of the environment.	
Have regard to national planning policy	
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has regard to national planning policy and guidance
NPPF section 2	Supports and contributes towards achieving sustainable development
NPPF section 15	Contributes towards conserving and enhancing the natural environment
NPPF paragraph 76, 125 e)	Reference to the Village Design Statement prepared for the Parish capturing various style, character and design features of the buildings in the Parish. The policy requires new developments to reflect the local design, scale, and size of surrounding buildings
NPPF paragraph 109 b)	Ensures that parking is considered and integrated into the design of new development
NPPF paragraph 135, 139	Policy is clear about design expectations in accordance with the Village Design Statement.
NPPF paragraph 136	Supports protection of the natural environment by encouraging new plantation and protecting existing ones
NPPF paragraph 212-221	Ensures that the new development doesn't cause significant harm to the heritage assets
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has not had regard to national planning policy and guidance
n/a	n/a
Topics within the policy which are not included within national planning policy and guidance	

- The policy requires all new development to incorporate sustainable design features which promote energy efficiency to Passivhaus standards

Conformity with local strategic planning policy	
Relevant local strategic planning policy	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy conforms with local strategic planning policy
SP 7	Requires development to meet high quality design standards and support local character and appearance in accordance with the Parish Village Design Statement. Supports measures to promote environmental sustainability
LPP 47	Supports high standard of design and layout in all new development. Ensures that the proposals retain the historic character of existing development in the surrounding area
LPP 63	Supports development that respond sensitively to the existing natural environment
Relevant section of local planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy does not conform with local strategic planning policy
n/a	n/a

Topics within the policy which are not included within local strategic planning policy

- Development proposals are encouraged to plant broadleaf species to retain the leafy character of the Parish
- Development proposals are encouraged to ideally incorporate native wildflowers which support local fauna

Conclusions on having regard to national planning policy and guidance and conforming with local strategic policy

The requirements of Policy 10 have regard to national planning policy and conform with local strategic planning policy. Non-strategic Policy LPP 52 encourages development proposals to incorporate native plant species where possible. In addition, Policy LPP 52 requires all new development to incorporate sustainable design features that promote energy efficiency to Passivhaus standards.

Contribution towards the achievement of sustainable development:

Policy 10 contributes towards improved social conditions by ensuring development reflects and enhances the character of the Parish. It contributes towards improved environmental conditions by protecting natural features, biodiversity and incorporating sustainable design.

Policy 11 – Developer Contributions

Summary of BPNP policy	
Policy 11 seeks to ensure that new development contributes towards local infrastructure needs through proportionate developer contributions within the Parish, as identified in the Neighbourhood Plan. The policy also requires proposed developments to mitigate any identified impacts through appropriate developer contributions.	
Have regard to national planning policy	
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has regard to national planning policy and guidance
NPPF paragraph 35	Policy sets out contributions expected from development.
NPPF paragraph 59	Requires planning applications to comply with identified developer contributions and to justify the measures proposed to mitigate the impacts of development.
Relevant section of national planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy has not had regard to national planning policy and guidance
n/a	n/a
Topics within the policy which are not included within national planning policy and guidance	
n/a	
Conformity with local strategic planning policy	
Relevant local strategic planning policy	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy conforms with local strategic planning policy
LPP 78	Supports potential developer contributions towards the provision of relevant infrastructure in the Parish
Relevant section of local planning policy and guidance	How the Neighbourhood Plan policy does not conform with local strategic planning policy
n/a	n/a
Topics within the policy which are not included within local strategic planning policy	
n/a	

Conclusions on having regard to national planning policy and guidance and conforming with local strategic policy
The requirements of Policy 11 have regard to national planning policy and conform with local strategic planning policy.
Contribution towards the achievement of sustainable development:
Policy 11 contributes towards improved social conditions by ensuring development supports local infrastructure and community facilities Policy 11 also contributes towards improved infrastructure which could support economic growth in the area.

6 Compatibility with EU obligations and meeting prescribed conditions

6.1 Considering the relatively minor nature of the changes made to the BPNP through this review, and also taking into account the existing content of the Plan and previous considerations regarding the Plan's compatibility with EU obligations and the prescribed conditions, it is not considered necessary to screen this updated version of the Neighbourhood Plan.

6.2 The content of the policies within the updated Plan will continue to have positive effects on the area by providing an additional updated layer of local policy provisions which support and promote sustainable development. The policies contained within the updated Plan continue to be unlikely to have any significant effects on a European site (as defined in the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2012) or a European offshore marine site (as defined in the Offshore Marine Conservation (Natural Habitats, and c.) Regulations 2007) either alone or in combination with other plans or projects.

6.3 The updated Plan continues to not breach, and is otherwise compatible with, EU obligations. The BPNP continues to meet all prescribed conditions for a Neighbourhood Plan outlined within the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012 (as amended).

7 Conclusions

7.1 This Basic Conditions Statement demonstrates how the Bradwell with Pattiswick Neighbourhood Plan meets the requirements of the basic conditions. The objectives contained within the BPNP were assessed as meeting the neighbourhood plan basic conditions. All BPNP policies have been prepared with regard to the latest national planning policy and are considered to be in general conformity with local strategic planning policy. All BPNP policies contribute towards the achievement of sustainable development. No issues have been identified regarding the compatibility of the policies with EU obligations or meeting the prescribed conditions.