# **Corporate Priorities**

# Promote growth & prosperity to benefit West Norfolk

- Create job opportunities
- Support economic growth
- Develop skills needed locally support new & existing businesses, working with local employers & partners to equip workforce with skills & knowledge
- Encourage housing development & infrastructure increase number of good quality homes & associated infrastructure
- Promote West Norfolk as a destination support year-round programme of events, festivals, and activities for residents & visitors
- Maximise opportunities to regenerate & transform high streets & heritage assets

### Protect our environment

- Create a cleaner, greener, better protected West Norfolk leading by example by reducing our carbon emissions
- Work with partners across Norfolk to minimise carbon emissions & support others
- Considering environmental issues & encouraging residents & businesses to do the same
- Encourage active travel by reducing barriers to walking & cycling, improve EV infrastructure
- Minimise domestic & corporate waste by encouraging responsible disposal
- Increase biodiversity & create wildflower & pollinator opportunities
- Work with other agencies to manage & protect our coastline, rivers, streams, and improve sea water quality

# Efficient and effective delivery of our services

- Provide cost-effective, efficient services
- Focus capital expenditure on priority areas
- Provide sustainable financial planning & appropriate staffing manage our finances to remove projected deficits over financial plan
- Promote good governance provide information in a timely & accessible manner, consult & engage with communities
- Expand support to parish councils, undertake governance review
- Consider investigating town council for King's Lynn & renaming borough to West Norfolk – make KLACC decision-making body

# Support our communities

- Support health & wellbeing of communities by working with partners to reduce isolation & supporting people to live independently
- Tackle social & health inequalities, encourage healthy active lifestyles
- Seek improvements to NHS dentistry in West Norfolk
- Work with schools & colleges to improve educational opportunities & inclusion
- Help prevent homelessness, improve access to affordable homes & improve rented accommodation quality
- Address all types of antisocial behaviour & encourage respect for each other
- Assist people with access to benefits advice
- Ensure equal access to opportunities

# **Current LP Priorities**

## **Economy**

- Continue to grow strong local economy
- Improvements to strategic transport connects
- High calibre communications network

## Society

- Reduce inequality
- Adapt new development to climate change
- Deal with social change & bring higher wages, improved quality of life

## **Environment**

- Protect & enhance natural & historic environment
- Support use & development of sustainable transport systems
- Build connections, reduce reliance on cars

### **Places**

- Ensure local places meet the demands of the area
- Appropriate scale of new development
- Manage impact of climate change, including threats of erosion & flooding

# **Current LP Infrastructure Requirements**

### LP05

Identified investment requirements include:

- NORA utilities
- Waterfront regen remediation & utilities
- King's Lynn Transportation Strategy implementation
- Green infrastructure and community facilities
- Flood Coastal Risk Management (phase 1) for the Fens
- Surface water managements in collaboration with NCC as LLFA
- 1. All development in the plan area will need to be accompanied by appropriate infrastructure (including off-site infrastructure) in a timely way, with arrangements for its subsequent maintenance.
- 2. The Borough Council operates a CIL. These contributions (in accordance with the CIL charging schedule) will support borough wide facilities to accommodate increasing population.
- 3. In addition, obligations will be sought from developers through Section 106 Legal Agreements or other successor mechanisms. **All obligations are required to meet the tests in the NPPF and CIL Regulations.** These contributions will be sought for specific onsite infrastructure (or otherwise directly related to the development). Details of required provision is listed in the Infrastructure Delivery Plan, set out in either allocation policies in this plan or negotiated at planning application stage if it is not an allocation. This will apply to but is not limited to infrastructure including, where applicable:

- a. Community and recreation facilities (including education facilities, community halls, health facilities, libraries, social services facilities, allotments, indoor/outdoor sports facilities);
- b. Improved public transport facilities
- c. Other appropriate transport infrastructure including pedestrian and cycle links;
- d. Affordable or supported housing (in line with LP28 Housing and the NPPF)
- e. Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS), including surface water
- f. Flood management infrastructure
- g. Green infrastructure including habitat creation/recreation facilities/landscaping
- h. Water conservation measures
- i. Emergency services
- j. Recycling/composting facilities
- k. Improvements to the public realm including the historic environment: S106 will continue to offer opportunities for funding improvements to and the mitigation of adverse impacts on the historic environment, such as archaeological investigations, access and interpretation, and the repair and reuse of buildings or other heritage assets;
- I. Utilities;
- m. Green Infrastructure as required by policy LP19.

## 4. Key borough wide infrastructure projects will be funded by CIL, they include:

- a. infrastructure detailed in Policy LP13 Transportation.
- b. infrastructure needed to support policies LP39 Downham Market & LP40 Hunstanton
- c. infrastructure needed to support regeneration in King's Lynn detailed in Policy LP38 King's Lynn & appropriate transport infrastructure including the implementation of the King's Lynn Transport Strategy (KLTS)
  - d. infrastructure needed with regard to flood resilience and resistance measure
- 5. Provision will be achieved through:
  - a. CIL;
  - b. Contributions from all market residential and commercial development in the plan area through appropriate legal agreements or other successor mechanisms;
  - c. Coordination with the investment programmes of other public bodies and utility providers;
  - d. Taking full advantage of mainstream Government funding streams;
  - e. Active use, where necessary, by the local planning authorities and County Council of their legal powers to bring about the strategically significant development, including compulsory purchase.

## **LP13**

- deliver a sustainable transport network improving connectivity within and beyond
- improve strategic networks serving passengers & freight including the port, reducing
- congestion and improving reliability and safety within A10, A17, A134, A47, A148/9
- bypass for Middleton & East Winch working with A47 alliance
- West Winch Housing Access Road
- junction improvements at key interchanges including A47/A149

- improvements to rail infrastructure, facilities and services on King's Lynn-King's Cross line including better frequency & quality
- implement the KLTS including a package of transport improvements, balancing ease of access with car parking and highways safety
- priority locations are A149 QE Way; A47/17 Pullover; Southgates (A148 STARS); town centre gyratory; Tennyson Avenue & A148; A148/Castle Rising Road/A1078 signals; A1078 Edward Benefer Way
- improve towns especially in air quality issue areas
- maximise alternative modes of freight via rail & port
- improve accessibility & connections between towns & villages
- improve quality of bus network
- improve public transport connectivity through enhanced integration of bus & rail services at King's Lynn, Downham Market, Watlington & Lakenheath
- extend choice of transport available
- work with commercial broadband providers to increase high speed connections
- provide integrated and safe routes for pedestrians & cyclists
- recognise that private cars are important in rural areas

### LP19

- proposals to protect and enhance landscape, biodiversity, and geodiversity to be encouraged
- conserve County Wildlife sites, ancient woodlands & County geodiversity sites
- support initiatives and proposals to improve areas of poor quality and maintaining areas of good quality
- work to ensure integrated network of green infrastructure (Green Infrastructure Management Plan) including SUDS

## LP38

- provide at least 3000 new jobs in the allocated sites at Boal Quay, Hardwick,
   Saddlebow Road and Estuary Road and as part of the West Winch Growth Area
- focus for regeneration is waterfront & regeneration projects including Nelson Quay
- open space and recreational facilities to be provided to serve needs of growing population, assessed at application stage in accordance with LP22
- enhance green infrastructure in town in accordance with Green Infrastructure Strategy, especially Gaywood Valley
- alternative links for walking & cycling to be maintained and extended
- work to ensure continued presence of general hospital

## LP39

- enhancing strong convenience & service offer (Downham Market)
- strengthening night-time economy by accommodating diversity of uses
- facilities and services for full demographic including young pros, families and older people
- improving arts and culture
- promoting as a visitor destination
- improve pedestrian, cycling and public transport links
- enhance green infrastructure, maintain landscape and quality of open space
- conserve and enhance built, historic, and natural environment

### LP40

- provide modest employment growth for year-round, less reliance on seasonal
- residential development in town centre including mixed-use
- strengthen role as visitor destination, support for sustainable tourist facilities and leisure developments
- secure provision of adequate parking levels, especially in summer
- improvements to public transport, increasing frequency & reducing journey times to KL
- supporting more frequent coast services & public transport in rural areas
- improvements to routes, signage and facilities for walking & cycling
- enhance green infrastructure in town in particular Oasis Way

# Current IDP (2022)

# Annual List (2021)

• Education 18+, transport, environment, education, health, economic development, community facilities, green, open space & leisure, community transport

## Specific projects in schedule

- West Winch Health Centre (unknown costs, S106, CCG)
- Additional Sports Halls (unknown costs, S106, BCKLWN)
- Lynnsport additional cycling facilities (CIL, completed)
- Lynnsport Wellness Hub (CIL, completed)
- Lynnsport 3G pitch (CIL problematic)
- West Winch Primary School expansion (S106, NCC)
- New WW Primary School (S106, NCC)
- New Wisbech Primary School (S106, CCC)
- King's Lynn Secondary Schools (delivery not known, S106, NCC)
- South Wootton Jr School (unknown costs & delivery, S106, NCC)
- Fire hydrants (unknown costs & delivery, S106, Norfolk Fire Service)
- WW Community Centres (delivery not known, S106, BCKLWN)
- Library modernisation (unknown costs & delivery, S106, NCC)
- A10 slip road (West Winch, S106 & DfT Major Road Network Fund, NCC)
- A10 bypass (West Winch, S106 & DfT Major Road Network Fund, NCC)
- A47 dualling (by 2026!, (S106 & DfT Major Road Network Fund, NCC)NCC)
- Hardwick widening (S106 & DfT Major Road Network Fund, NCC)
- A47 roundabout expansion (by 2026, S106 & DfT Major Road Network Fund, NCC)
- Traffic calming in West Winch (S106 & DfT Major Road Network Fund, NCC)
- Reffley Lane cycle barriers (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- Fairstead Cycleway (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- Oldmedow Road (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- Fairstead Cycleway connection (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- Review Hulton Road barriers (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- Queen Mary Road crossing (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- Hulton Road barriers (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- Wootton Park barriers (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- Edward Benefer Way cycle lane (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- Hardwick cycle lane (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)

- St Valery Lane chicane barriers (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- NORA (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- Baker Lane Active Travel Hub (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- Bishops Road to Gaywood Hall Drive (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- Gayton Rd toucan (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- Sandringham Railway Path (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- Low Road toucan (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- Tennyson Avenue railway crossing (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- Low Road toucan (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- Edward Benefer Way island (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- Edward Benefer Way toucan (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- Blackfriars Road table (Towns Fund, BCKLWN)
- WWGA playing fields (S106, BCKLWN)
- WWGA equipped play areas (S106, BCKLWN)
- WWGA allotments (S106, BCKLWN)
- WWGA other green spaces (S106, BCKLWN)
- WWGA natural spaces (S106, BCKLWN)
- WWGA MUGA (S106, BCKLWN)
- Downham Market play equipment (BCKLWN)
- Sewer upgrades (developers, Anglian Water)

# **Neighbourhood Plans**

### Brancaster - 22.02.2021

5.9 We hope that housing and other development in Brancaster will contribute towards improving local services and infrastructure notably Highways. An increase in population within the villages means an increase in the need for transport, education, library services etc. There are mechanisms to do this (for example CIL, section 106 agreements and planning conditions) and it is important that these mechanisms are used to ensure that the infrastructure grows with the population.

### Burnham Market - 26.09.2023

The Parish Council will work with the local community to encourage action to enhance habitat and wildlife in public areas and in all gardens. This may include activities to encourage insect friendly planting, bird, and bat boxes, making the most of compost and encouraging wild patches. In public areas actions will be investigated including less frequent mowing, pond maintenance and planting trees. In relation to this, priority will be to work with local landowners to improve habitats for wildlife within the green corridors.

The Parish Council will work proactively with riparian owners, landowners, and statutory agencies, such as the Lead Local Flood Authority, to ensure that watercourses are properly maintained with a view to ensuring that they continue to play their role in the management of water and flood risk.

The Parish Council will work with local landowners, statutory agencies, and adjacent parishes to establish new and improved existing footpaths and routes. This will apply particularly to proposals for the use of the former Heacham to Burnham Overy railway line within the Parish as a walking and cycle route. The Parish Council will work with other public

bodies to secure the implementation of this important initiative. This includes improving signage and publicity and establishing all weather routes where appropriate.

## Castle Acre - 10.02.2022

Support given for the creation of new designated visitor parking off Priory Road.

Historic Environment: • Support a Castle Acre Heritage project for a programme of archaeological investigations and activities in and around Castle Acre including wildlife surveys and improvements to habitats, aimed at both residents, their families, special interest groups and visitors. • Press the Borough Council to review the Conservation Area Appraisal with a view to serving an Article 4 Direction

Natural Environment: Protecting the River Nar SSSI: • To prohibit vehicles from using part of South Acre Road from 50 metres below the junction with Blind Lane, across South Acre ford and onto Church Farm. This is to preserve the tranquillity of this SSSI beauty spot and to protect the gravel riverbed from engine pollution and damage to fish spawning. Open spaces and Community Facilities: • Secure an agreement with Holkham Estate to maintain open access over the lands close to the river Nar, converting existing footpaths to Public Rights of Way (PROW).

Traffic and Transport: • Restrict vehicular access to South Acre Ford to protect the riverbed and aquatic habitats and species. • Develop an appropriate contingency plan to identify and deliver an appropriate 'off road' parking facility should the proposed plan for a car park on Priory Road not be granted 'change of use' permission. • Review speed limits in and around the village through liaison with NCC Highways • Encourage/promote the use of public transport and look at different routes • Support discrete directional signing on Stocks Green and along Priory Road to new designated visitor parking off Priory Road. • Lobby for effective road safety measures at the Massingham Road/Back Lane junction by the SPAR shop. • Maintain the through traffic directions Newton Road/North Street/St James' Green/Massingham Road and to press for both North Street and St James Green to be gritted in the winter. • Encourage residents to park off-road on their driveways/garages to keep traffic pinch points clear e.g. Bailey Street, Pales Green, North Street. • Encourage Highways to amend the second directional sign to Castle Acre on the A1065 at Lower Lane (from Swaffham) to encourage restricted traffic to continue to the Newton Road turning. • Encourage all suppliers/HGVs/farm vehicles not to drive up or down Bailey Street and through Bailey Gate. • Contact national Sat Nav. suppliers to amend their software to highlight through routes and to avoid unsuitable routes e.g. Bailey Street. • Add a one way priority chicane before the eastern edge of the 30 mph sign on Newton Road to reduce traffic speeding. • Extend the Trod along St James' Green to North Street. • Maintain vigilance on vehicle speeding within the village boundaries and take appropriate action. • Press for a 20 mph speed limit within the village boundaries. • To lobby for 'High Risk' signs along the West Acre Road between Manor Farm and West Acre house to warn drivers of blind bends and the danger of further fatal vehicle collisions. • Not to add any further entry gates to village access routes.

Tourism and Community Facilities: • Manage visitor activity in a more sustainable manner through the promotion of green tourism and walking and cycling access. • Working with tourism providers such as English Heritage to manage sustainable tourism with particular emphasis on appealing to younger visitors. • Support arrangements likely to improve the visitor experience by encouraging a year round programme of activities, openings and events (which would benefit locals too). • Engage local residents in a Heritage Lottery

funded programme of archaeological and environmental studies of Castle Acre's rich heritage

## Grimston, Pott Row, Roydon, Congham – 27.08.2024

Expectation is that providers will indicate whether infrastructure requirements are necessary. Where this is the case growth should be phased accordingly (Policy 2)

### Heacham - 30.06.2022

Policy 11: Green Infrastructure:

- 1. Enhance the quality, accessibility & usage of public open spaces, allotment provision & areas of sport provision
- 2. Existing public rights of way within the parish, and to seek opportunities to create new public rights of wage to create linkages to the beaches, and into the wider countryside locally
- 3. The preservation & enhancement of Areas of Natural Beauty & local habitats
- 4. Increasing the number of trees in the village & enriching green areas with wild flower planting
- 5. Maintain existing grass verges where possible, eg where there is a footpath on the opposite side of the road

### Holme-next-the-Sea - 27.07.2021

Policy 8: New or improved footpaths and cycleways will be supported where it can be demonstrated that they will enhance he connectivity and pattern of destinations served by the existing network and where they will encourage a more sustainable modal share. Associated recreational facilities may also be supported. All development must demonstrate it will not impact negatively on habitats, wildlife and biodiversity.

Where proposals for footpaths / cycleways satisfy these criteria, encouragement will be given to the following routes: (i) Those that assist in dispersing pressure from the Protected Sites Zone including the National Nature Reserve (ii) Those that improve pedestrian access to the south of the A149, especially to and within the Adaptation and Resilience Zone (iii) Links between the east side of the village, Drove Orchards and Thornham (iv) A link from the west side of the village to join the Peddars Way footpath near its junction with Beach Road / the bus stop (v) Links from the west side of the village to Old Hunstanton / Hunstanton including an improved footpath along the River Hun

### North Wootton - 27.11.2024

Community Action 2: The Parish Council will work with the local community and primary school to encourage action to enhance habitat and wildlife in public areas and in people's gardens. This may include activities to encourage insect friendly planting, use of bird feeders, bird, and bat boxes, making the most of compost and encouraging wild patches. In public areas actions will be investigated including less frequent mowing, pond maintenance and planting trees. In relation to this, priority will be to work with local landowners to improve

habitat for wildlife. The Parish Council will implement a programme of tree planting, with emphasis on further greening of existing green spaces within the settlement.

Community Action 3: The Parish Council will work proactively with riparian owners, landowners, and statutory agencies, such as the Lead Local Flood Authority 37 and relevant IDB, to ensure that watercourses are properly maintained with a view to ensuring that they continue to play their role in the management of water and flood risk. This will ensure that issues with blocked ditches, which can create surface water flooding, are reduced. The Parish Council will look to secure Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) as well as other funding to support improvements where needed

Community Action 5: The Parish Council will work with local landowners, statutory agencies, community groups and adjacent parishes to establish new and improved existing permissive paths and routes. This includes improving signage and publicity and establishing all weather routes where appropriate. The parish will be proactive in promoting walking and cycling routes to residents and visitors within the parish especially with the expected growth in movement from future development expanding around the parish boundary including at Knights Hill and South Wootton.

Community Action 6: The Parish Council will proactively engage North Wootton Primary School, The Trust, relevant statutory bodies, and local landowners to try and find appropriate additional land for car parking. This will include conversations on the need for a school travel plan to accompany any school expansion if suitable land is agreed. Discussions will also take place regarding improving off street car parking.

## Ringstead - 20.02.2025

Community Action 2: The Parish Council will work proactively with riparian owners, landowners, and statutory agencies, such as the Lead Local Flood Authority, to ensure that watercourses are properly maintained with a view to ensuring that they continue to play their role in the management of water and flood risk.

Community Action 3: The Parish Council will work with partners such as landowners and the County Council to ensure that Public Rights of Way and permissive routes within the parish are well maintained for the continued enjoyment of residents and visitors.

## Sedgeford - 16.09.2019

The level and quality of flow in the Heacham River • The designation of the King William IV Inn and the Old Station as "non-designated heritage assets" • The designation of the King William IV Inn as an asset of community value • The provision of a regular bus service to serve the village • The designation of Fring Road as a Green Lane • Investigate the potential to deliver superfast broadband to all households • The continued monitoring of traffic volume and speed and exploration of measures to improve these • The problems associated with parking, especially around Cole Green • Investigate the need for future planning applications to be accompanied with planning obligations to provide or to contribute to off-site highway improvements or traffic calming measures where the need for such works directly arises from the development proposed

## **South Wootton – 20.01.2023 (review; prev 2015)**

Policy S2 – The parish council will liaise with the Borough and County Councils to ensure that local infrastructure funding is applied to ensure that local facilities are developed in association with new residential growth in the Plan area. Funding will be directed to the following priorities:

- A community centre with library
- Community sports facilities with playing fields and changing facilities
- The development of youth facilities and activities
- Maintenance or development of community open spaces and woodland belts
- Expansion of post office services

Policy T1 – The development of additional footpaths and cycle routes more generally within the Plan area will be supported, particularly where they have the ability to integrate new residential developments into existing footpaths and cycle routes.

## Stoke Ferry - 29.08.2023

The PC will work to retain and enhance routes identified.

Policy reference	Policy title	Main delivery mechanism(s)
SF1	Community facilities	CIL – priority infrastructure  S106 – where specific infrastructure is required (e.g. open space, additional classrooms) to service new development
SF2	Cemetery extension at Furlong Drive	CIL – priority infrastructure
SF3	Housing mix	S106 – affordable housing contributions
SF7	Accessibility	<ul> <li>CIL – priority infrastructure, e.g. improved accessibility to droves/opening up Public Rights of Way</li> <li>S106 – provision for walking and cycling, to service development</li> </ul>
SF8	Village Hall car park	CIL – priority infrastructure
SF16	New and existing business	CIL – priority infrastructure – high-speed broadband

## **Terrington St John – 12.10.2021**

Parish aspiration 3 – the PC will work with NCC & BCKLWN to achieve improvements to the roads passing through the village which will ensure that the increasing volume of traffic passing through the village as a result of development in the parish and the surrounding area is not harmful to the safety and living conditions of the residents

## Tilney All Saints - 27.07.2021

Community Policy 1: CIL – The Neighbourhood Plan priorities for investing the 25% CIL money raised by the borough council and managed by the Parish Council will be used to meet agreed community needs such as new children's playground at the Millennium Green and improved facilities at the Glebe Estate playing field; village hall improvements; maintenance of VH, MG, GE & allotments; walking & cycle network improvements within the parish

## *Upwell - 27.07.2021*

Community Action 4: CIL – Funding from the CIL, whether that portion deployed by the Parish Councill or that deployed by the Borough Council, will where reasonable be spent on projects that either support and make more sustainable and acceptable the overall level of planned growth in the Parish, or that are otherwise identified community priorities. This will include, but is not limited to, the following: measures to improve pedestrian safety and access; improvements to community buildings such as village halls; improved car parking at Three Holes VH; new off-road routes for walkers, cyclists and horse riders; improved children's play areas; improved/wider footways within the village; improved bus waiting facilities; traffic calming/village gateways; appropriate tree planting that does not detract from the openness and character; the removal of features that detract from the village character; improved street lighting; schemes that support local distinctiveness; and cycle parking facilities.

## Walpole Cross Keys – 05.10.2017

Community aspirations – footpaths clear & open; dykes maintained properly and managing local flood risk including schemes to address surface water drainage; maintenance of gardens and sign; maintain and increase bus shelter capacity.

## *Watlington – 13.12.2023*

Community action 1 – where the opportunity arises the PC will work with external agencies, including the Highway Authority and future developers, to address parking issues around the station.

Community action 2 – the PC will work with the local community to encourage action to enhance habitat and wildlife in public areas, people's gardens and at the rail station. This may include activities to encourage insect friendly planting, use of bird feeders, bird and bat boxes, making the most of compost and encouraging wild patches. In public areas actions will be investigated including less frequent mowing, pond maintenance and planting trees. In relation to this, priority will be to work with local landowners to improve habitat for wildlife within the Green Corridors.

Community action 3 – the PC will work proactively with riparian owners, landowners, and statutory agencies, such as the LLFA, to ensure that watercourses are properly maintained with a view to ensuring that they continue to play their role in the management of water and flood risk.

Community action 4 – the PC will work with NCC as the Highway Authority, as well as other agencies, to introduce the following measures that seek to reduce traffic speeds through the village: village gateway schemes to alert drivers to speed limit changes and the village environment; and a community speed watch initiative.

## West Winch & North Runcton - 05.10.2017

GA03 – For the purpose of the West Winch Growth Area, infrastructure will be delivered in line with an Infrastructure Delivery Plan adopted by the Borough Council to which all major

development proposals will be required to adhere to by planning condition and/or section 106 legal agreement – including relief road.

In order to mitigate impact on WWGA, developers will be expected to contribute as follows: delivery of new primary school; improvements to existing KL library or new library; fire service facilities; community meeting space; healthcare provision; transport infrastructure improvements; improvement of local bus services; green infrastructure; additional open space & play provision; affordable housing; commuted sums to assist in upgrading existing community facilities.