

NPPF Consultation & Wider Planning Reform

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New Government, New Approach



- **DLUHC MHCLG**
- Housing Development
- Economic Growth
- Tackling the Housing Crisis
- Planning key to enable this

NPPF Consultation Summary



Ministry of Housing,
Communities &
Local Government

National Planning Policy Framework

- 30 July, MHCLG launched a **consultation** seeking views on proposed reforms to the **National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and other changes to the system**. The consultation closes 24 September 2024.
- The Government will respond to this consultation and publish **NPPF revisions before the end of the year**.
- Impact: For **decision-making, straight away** post-adoption. For **plan-making, it's more involved**.
- Package includes **WMS: Building the homes we need**, Letters to LPAs, PINS, RTPI, etc...

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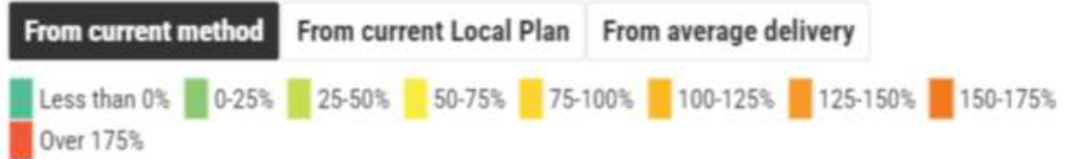


Changes Proposed will:

- Make **Housing targets mandatory** and **reverse 2023 changes**;
- **New standard method formula** to ensure local plans are ambitious enough to support the Government's manifesto commitment of 1.5 million new homes in this Parliament;
- **More weight for housing development** and the development brownfield land;
- Identify grey belt land within the Green Belt, to be brought forward for homes and other important development. Deliver affordable, well-designed homes, with new “golden rules” for land released in the Green Belt to ensure release delivers in the public interest;
- Ensure that LPAs are able to **prioritise the types of affordable homes communities need** and that the planning system **supports a more diverse housebuilding sector**;
- **Support economic growth in key sectors**, including laboratories, gigafactories, datacentres, digital economies and freight and logistics – given their importance to our economic future;
- **More weight for community needs** to support society; and
- **Support for clean energy and the environment**, including support for onshore wind and renewables.

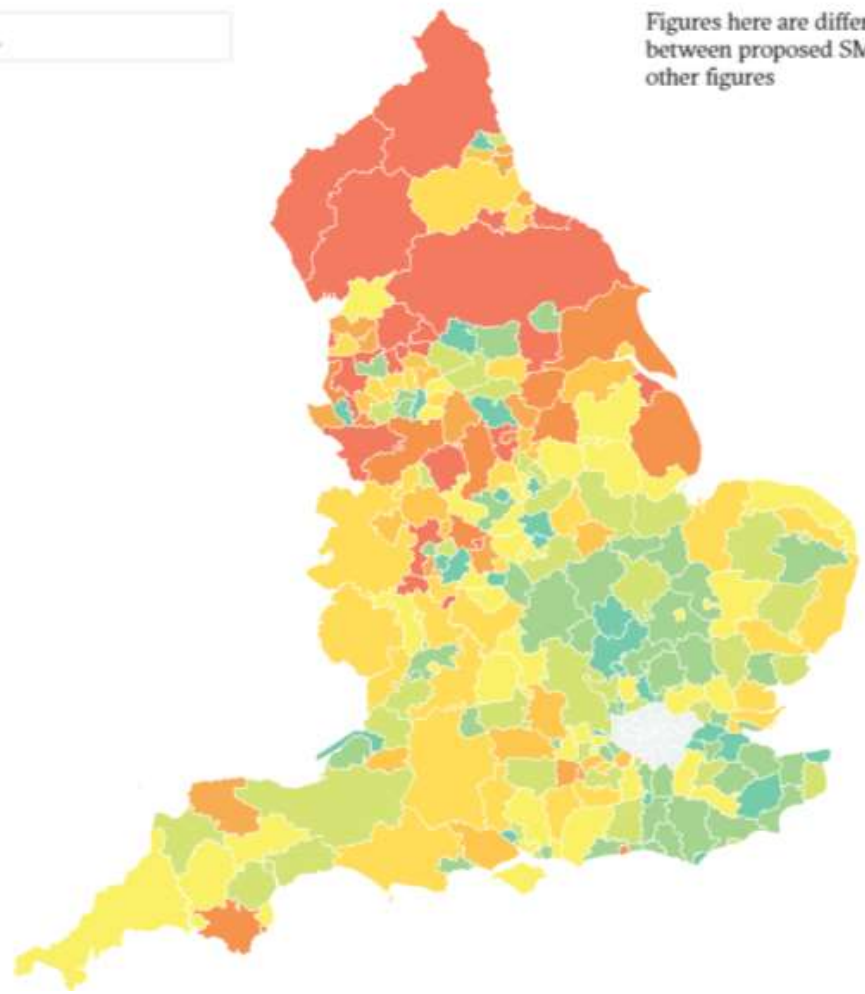


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Housing Numbers

King's Lynn and West Norfolk	
From current method	75-100%
Proposed standard method figure	1,042
Current standard method figure	554
Current Local Plan figure	660
Net additional dwellings 3y average	295
Change from current method (%)	88
Change from current Local Plan (%)	58
Change from average delivery (%)	253

Other Consultation Elements

- **Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (NSIP)** regime how it applies to renewable energy, commercial and water development;
- If **local plan intervention** criteria should be updated;
- **Increase some planning fees**, including for householder applications, so that LPAs are properly resourced to support a sustained increase in development and improve performance.

Wider Planning Reform

- Local Plan Making Process.
- National Development Management Policies.
- New Towns WMS & Commission.
- Strategic Level of Planning.
- Planning & Infrastructure Bill (including national scheme of delegation).
- New Homes Accelerator programme.
- National Housing Strategy.

BCKLWN Key Impacts



- Local Plan: Continue with examination through to adoption.
- Start again in the 'new system' when in place.
- Decision Making: 5 Year Housing Land Supply & Housing Delivery Test
- Housing Numbers

Discussion