



# Local Plan Strategy 2024-2027

## STRATEGY AIMS:

The Local Plan sets out the vision and overall development strategy for the Council's area and how it will be achieved over the next 15 years.

A new Local Plan will need to be prepared once the Government has enacted new legislation (Planning & Infrastructure Bill) and updated the National Planning Policy Framework and published associated updated Regulations and Guidance. The Council cannot start preparation of the new Local Plan until those issues have been clarified and put in place. Notwithstanding the uncertainty around the content and timing of the new Government guidance it is likely that any new Local Plan will take up to 30 months to prepare and be Adopted at Council.

## ALIGNMENT WITH COUNCIL PRIORITIES

Start Life Well	Live and Age Well	Prosper and Flourish	Clean and Tidy	A Strong and Sustainable Council
The Local Plan seeks to provide appropriate crucial infrastructure that supports children to start life well including new housing, community/leisure/education/play facilities etc.	The Local Plan seeks to provide appropriate crucial infrastructure that supports health, wellbeing, community participation and encourages people to live independently including new housing, community and leisure facilities, sustainable transport etc.	The Local Plan seeks to provide appropriate land and infrastructure that facilitates economic growth in industrial, commercial, retail, tourism areas etc.	The Local Plan will contain policies that seek to control development and ensure that the borough's environmental assets are protected and that sustainable development is delivered that reduces the borough's carbon footprint.	The Local Plan will contain policies and land allocations which will facilitate new development and drive economic growth. This economic growth will increase external investment, business rates and Council tax income and increased overall expenditure in the borough.

## PRINCIPLES

Principle 1	Principle 2	Principle 3	Principle 4	Principle 5	Principle 6	Principle 7	Principle 8
Sustainability & Design	Spatial Strategy	Regeneration	Economic Development	Housing	Natural Environment	Historic Environment	Transport & Accessibility



## ACTIONS

Principles	Actions and timescales	Survive: Years 1 - 2 – Quarter to be delivered 2024/25, 2025/26	Strive: Years: 3 - 5	Thrive: Years 6 - 10
<b>Principles 1</b>	Develop planning policies which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Set the geographical limits to new development.</li> <li>■ Securing contributions from developers.</li> <li>■ Support new renewable energy and low carbon energy.</li> <li>■ Control flood and water management on new development.</li> </ul>	Subject to Government Planning reforms the following is an indicative timescale of delivery:  Mid 2025 ■ Planning & Infrastructure Bill and NPPF Published  Late 2025 ■ Start Local Plan Preparation  Early 2026 ■ Agree Local Plan Principles with Elected Members  2026-27 ■ Extensive Local Plan Consultation with Elected Members, general public, businesses, landowners, developers etc. ■ Examination and Adoption.	Implement the Local Plan and determine planning applications in accordance with the policies in national and local planning policies.	Implement the Local Plan and determine planning applications in accordance with the policies in national and local planning policies.
<b>Principles 2</b>	Develop planning policies which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Set the spatial development principles in each town/village/industrial/rural/natural landscape area.</li> </ul>			
<b>Principles 3</b>	Develop planning policies which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Identify key geographical areas for regeneration.</li> </ul>			
<b>Principles 4</b>	Develop planning policies which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Set geographical boundaries for town, district and local retail centres and industrial/commercial areas.</li> <li>■ Control new development in retail centres.</li> <li>■ Control hot food takeaways, advertisements etc.</li> <li>■ Control new development in the rural area and new leisure/ tourism development</li> </ul>			
<b>Principles 5</b>	Develop planning policies which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Set the housing need for the next 15 years (e.g. 642 new dwellings per year).</li> <li>■ Identifies the type and mix of housing needed (e.g. detached, bungalows, executive, family, affordable etc.) and affordable housing target (e.g. 20%).</li> <li>■ Identifies where new housing will be located (e.g. urban brownfield, greenfield edge of urban, new village/town etc.).</li> <li>■ Controls sub-division of dwellings and/or HMOs.</li> <li>■ Set the need for Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople accommodation</li> </ul>			
<b>Principles 6</b>	Develop planning policies which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Protect and enhance the natural landscape, green infrastructure, strategic gaps, recreation routes, play areas, sports pitches, cemeteries, allotments etc</li> <li>■ Biodiversity and geological conservation</li> </ul>			
<b>Principles 7</b>	Develop planning policies which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Protect and enhance the historic environment (e.g. Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, other heritage assets, archaeological sites and monuments).</li> </ul>			
<b>Principles 8</b>	Develop planning policies which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Set out how transport should be considered in new development.</li> <li>■ Sustainable transport networks</li> </ul>			

Measure of success	Performance indicator/outcome	Outturn position 2023/24	Survive: Years 1 - 2	Strive: Years 3 - 5	Thrive: Years 6 - 10
<b>Sustainability &amp; Design</b>	Indicators to be identified when the Local Plan is prepared, but will likely include (as an example): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ % of new development on previously developed land</li> <li>■ % of new development on areas of flood risk</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Economic Development</b>	Indicators to be identified when the Local Plan is prepared, but will likely include (as an example): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Total employment floorspace developed on industrial sites (e.g. Teesworks).</li> <li>■ % of vacant floorspace in town centres (e.g. Redcar)</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Housing</b>	Indicators to be identified when the Local Plan is prepared, but will likely include (as an example): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Net additional dwellings completed (e.g. 642 per year)</li> <li>■ % of new dwellings delivered being affordable housing (e.g. 20%).</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Environmental Quality</b>	Indicators to be identified when the Local Plan is prepared, but will likely include (as an example): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Number of applications permitted on the heritage coast</li> <li>■ Number of heritage assets classified "at risk"</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Transport &amp; Community Infrastructure</b>	Indicators to be identified when the Local Plan is prepared, but will likely include (as an example): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Number of applications requiring travel plans</li> <li>■ Length (e.g. metres) of improved paths on public rights of way</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A