

Appendix G: Schedule of key evidence, Stonehouse Neighbourhood Development Plan

1. Evidence

Stonehouse Neighbourhood Plan Group have used a range of sources as evidence including national and local planning guidance, the evidence base for the Local Plan, existing data relating to Stonehouse and data gathered by group members.

All policies were also informed by the results of a range of consultation exercises which are summarised in the [Consultation Statement](#) submitted with the draft Plan.

2. National and local planning guidance

Neighbourhood plans must be in conformity with national planning policy and strategic policies in the Local Plan. The draft Stonehouse Neighbourhood Plan for consultation includes references to relevant policies in the National Planning Policy Framework and Stroud District Local Plan in the justifications for the policies.

[National Planning Policy Framework](#)

[National Planning Practice Guidance](#)

[Stroud District Local Plan](#)

3. Stonehouse: Reports and Data

The following reports contain useful data about Stonehouse:

[Rural community profile for Stonehouse \(Parish\), Action with Communities in Rural England \(ACRE\) Rural evidence project, October 2013](#)

[Stroud District Settlement Role and Function Study \(2014\)](#)

[Sustainable Transport Assessment, Local Plan Evidence Base, May 2015](#)

The following documents informed the development of the draft Stonehouse Neighbourhood Plan:

[Stonehouse Design Statement - Supplementary Planning Advice \(2005\)](#)

[Stonehouse Community Plan \(2008\)](#)

4. Evidence used for each policy theme:

a) Amenities and facilities

[Retail, residential and amenity land survey, Stonehouse Neighbourhood Plan Group \(April 2014\)](#)

b) Travel and transport

[Gloucestershire's Local Transport Plan \(2015-2031\)](#)

[Manual for Gloucestershire Streets 4th edition, April 2016](#)

[Gloucestershire Countryside Access and Rights of Way Improvement Plan, 2011-2026](#)

[Gloucestershire County Council Cycle Facility Guidelines, March 2012](#)

c) Housing

[Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment \(SHLAA\) 2011 Update Report, Stroud District Council](#)

[Gloucestershire Strategic Housing Market Assessment Update, March 2014](#)

[Stroud District Council, Examination of Stroud District Local Plan, Stage 2 Hearing Statement, Matter 3B: Making Places – Stonehouse Cluster](#)

[Stonehouse Planning Completions and Commitments 2006-2015, Stroud District Council](#)

[Retail, residential and amenity land survey, Stonehouse Neighbourhood Plan Group \(April 2014\)](#)

[Notes of meeting of 3 March 2015 with Stroud District Council regarding Housing and Stonehouse Neighbourhood Plan](#)

[Notes of meeting of 6 March 2015, Stonehouse Neighbourhood Plan Group and Wycliffe College](#)

[Stonehouse Housing Report, July 2015, Gloucestershire Rural Community Council](#)

[Housing Briefing Paper, Stonehouse Neighbourhood Plan Group, August 2015](#)

[Notes of meeting of 15 November with Stroud District Council regarding emerging housing policies and Stonehouse Neighbourhood Plan](#)
[Stonehouse Neighbourhood Plan Population and Housing Evidence, May 2016](#)

(i) Call for sites

A call for sites was made using the Spring and Summer 2015 editions of Stonehouse News; one response was received of land unsuitable for development. The site assessment was carried out using criteria agreed by Stonehouse Neighbourhood Plan Group and a sustainability checklist based on sustainability objectives set out by the Sustainability Appraisal used for the development of Stroud District Council's Local Plan.

[Stonehouse Neighbourhood Plan Group Site Assessment Criteria](#)

[Stonehouse Neighbourhood Plan Group Sustainability Checklist](#)

d) Employment

[Stroud District Employment Land Study, 2013](#)

[The Strategic Economic Plan for Gloucestershire, GFirst LEP \(Local Economic Partnership\), 2014](#)

[The Gloucestershire Growth Deal, GFirst LEP](#)

[Stonehouse Neighbourhood Plan Business Consultation event, response summary, October 2014](#)

[Notes of meeting of 16 June 2015 with GFirst LEP regarding Stonehouse Neighbourhood Plan](#)

e) Environment

(i) Stonehouse Town Character Assessment

The Stonehouse Town Character Assessment has been carried out by volunteers at a level of detail sufficient to meet the purposes of contributing to the Neighbourhood Plan evidence base and identifying opportunities for the town. It therefore does not aim to provide detailed description or analysis of the diverse natural and manmade features of the town.

The character assessment work was carried out by members of the Stonehouse Neighbourhood Plan working group using guidance and pro formas from primarily, Bath and North East Somerset District Council (BNESDC) ("Snapshot" Character Assessment Toolkit, Bath and North East Somerset District Council and Place Studio) and also from Planning Aid England.

The six character area summaries covering the town together with the character assessments they were based on are shown below:

[Stonehouse Town Character Assessment, 2016](#)

Introduction and summary which contains links to the Character Area summaries shown below.

[Map to show Stonehouse Town Character Assessment Zones,](#)

(with thanks to Steve Palmer, Isight Design)

[Town and Retail Centre, Character Area Summary 1](#)

[Character Assessment Town and Retail Centre](#)

[West of High Street, Character Area Summary 2](#)

[Character Assessment North West](#)

[Character Assessment Little Australia](#)

[Character Assessment Elm Road and Laburnum Area](#)

[Character Assessment Park Estate](#)

[Character Assessment South West](#)

[East of High Street, Character Area Summary 3](#)

[Character Assessment North East](#)

[Character Assessment North East Middle](#)

[Character Assessment South East](#)

[Character Assessment Pearcroft Area](#)

[Character Assessment Ebley Road](#)

[Industrial Zone, Character Area Summary 4](#)

[Character Assessment North West](#)

[Character Assessment South West](#)

[Doverow Zone, Character Area Summary 5](#)

[Character Assessment Doverow](#)

[Canal Zone, Character Area Summary 6](#)

[Character Assessment Canal Zone](#)

[Stonehouse Town Character Assessment, 2016, Summary of conclusions](#)

(ii) [Green Spaces, Stonehouse, January 2016](#)

(iii) **Natural Environment**

[Map to show natural habitat areas and open space - aerial - Stonehouse, Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust \(GWT\)](#)

[Map to show natural habitat areas and open space - numbered - Stonehouse, GWT](#)

[Natural habitat areas and open space list - Stonehouse, GWT](#)

[Map to show Flood zone, Stroud District Council](#)

(iv) **Local Green Space**

Evidence for each of the five areas proposed to be designated as Local Green Space in Policy ENV3 in the draft Stonehouse Neighbourhood Development Plan was collated using a checklist and guidance developed by Cotswold District Council.

Park Estate Greens (Severn Road Green and Midland Road Green)

[Stonehouse NDP Local Green Space Checklist Park Estate Greens, June 2016](#)

[Stonehouse NDP Local Green Space justification Park Estate Greens, June 2016](#)

[1. Map of Park Estate Greens for Local Green Space designation, Stonehouse NP](#)

[2. Stonehouse NDP Park Estate Greens photographs](#)

[3. Extract from Stonehouse Town Council Regeneration and Environment Cttee Mins 22 Feb 2016](#)

[4a. Notes of meeting SNPG and Stroud District Council Local Green Space 15 March 2016](#)

[4b. G Mail-Proposal by Stonehouse Neighbourhood Plan Group for Local Green Space designation for Park Estate Greens 7 April 2016](#)

[5. Statements from Park Estate Residents on use of Greens and e-mail re meeting of 12 May 2016](#)

[6. Summary by APT worker of how Park Estate Greens used, March 2016](#)

[Email notifying owner Park Estate Greens re Local Green Space proposal 16 June 2016](#)

[Park Estate Greens LGS letter to SDC 16 June 2016](#)

Boakes Drive Green

[Stonehouse NDP Local Green Space Checklist Boakes Drive Green, May 2016](#)

[Stonehouse NDP Local Green Space justification, Boakes Drive Green, June 2016](#)

[1. Map of Boakes Drive Green for Local Green Space proposal Stonehouse NP](#)

[2. Photographs of Boakes Drive Green](#)

[3. Boakes Drive Survey May 2016](#)

[4. Extract from Stonehouse Town Council Regeneration and Environment Committee Minutes 4 April 2016](#)

[5. E-mails from residents of Boakes Drive regarding use of Green](#)

[6. Map of Stonehouse NP conservation area](#)

[Email notifying owner Boakes Drive Green re Local Green Space proposal 16 June 2016](#)

[Boakes Drive LGS letter to SDC 16 June 2016](#)

Verney Fields

[Stonehouse NDP Local Green Space Checklist Verney Fields April 2016](#)

[Stonehouse NDP Local Green Space justification Verney Fields](#)

- [1. Verney Fields Map SDC](#)
- [2a Photograph: Verney Fields](#)
- [2b Photograph: View West from Doverow Hill](#)
- [3. Map with footpaths around Verney Fields](#)
- [4. Stonehouse Town Council letter of support LGS Verney Fields](#)
- [5. Stonehouse Town Council survey Access to Doverow Wood Jan 2016](#)
- [6. Letters of support re access to Doverow Hill](#)
- [7. Extract from Stonehouse Town Council Regeneration and Environment Cttee Mins 22 Feb 2016](#)
- [8. Map Stonehouse NP Environment 2 Oct 2015 \(Key Wildlife Sites\)](#)
- [9a Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust \(GWT\) Map: Natural habitat areas and open space - numbered - Stonehouse](#)
- [9b GWT Natural habitat areas and open space list - Stonehouse](#)
- [E-mail notifying owner Verney Fields re Local Green Space proposal 11 May 2016](#)
- [Verney Fields LGS letter to owner 11 May 2016](#)
- [Letter Bruton Knowles Stonehouse Council 24 June 2016](#)
- [Letter Stonehouse NP to Bruton Knowles Verney Fields 5 July 2016](#)

Court View Newt Ponds

- [Stonehouse NDP Local Green Space Checklist Court View Newt Ponds, June 2016](#)
- [Stonehouse NDP Local Green Space justification Court View Newt Ponds, June 2016](#)
- [1. Map of Court View Newt Ponds for Local Green Space proposal Stonehouse NP](#)
- [2 a Photograph of Court View Newt Pond](#)
- [2 b Photograph of Court View Newt Pond](#)
- [3. Map of Stonehouse NP Key wildlife sites](#)
- [4. Extract from Stonehouse Town Council Regeneration and Environment Committee Minutes 4 April 2016](#)
- [5. Stroud Valleys Project Newt Survey 15th and 16th April 2016](#)
- [6. Stroud Valleys Project 2 year management plan Court View Newt Ponds](#)
- [7. E-mail of support from Stroud Valleys Project for Local Green Space proposal for Court View Newt Ponds](#)
- [8. Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust Map of Natural habitat areas and open space - aerial - Stonehouse Court View Newt Ponds](#)
- [E-mail notifying owner Court View Newt Ponds re Local Green Space proposal 16 June 2016](#)
- [Court View Newt Ponds LGS letter to owner 16 June 2016](#)

(v) Historic Environment

- [Listed Buildings, Stonehouse, February 2016](#)
- [Map to show heritage assets, Stroud District Council](#)
- [Gloucestershire County Council Historic Environment Record, Area Summary Report, Stonehouse](#)
- [Gloucestershire County Council, Map, Historic Environment Record, Stonehouse](#)
- [Stroud Industrial Heritage Conservation Area \(ICHA\) Conservation Statement \(CAS\) Volume 3 Conservation Area Management Proposals \(Supplementary Planning Document\)](#)
- [Stroud ICHA CAS Volume 4 Conservation Area Design Guide \(Supplementary Planning Advice\)](#)
- [Stonehouse History Group High Street walk handout 2015](#)

(vi) Views

- [Stonehouse NP Justification for ENV6 Protecting views: views identified in Town Character Assessment May 2016](#)
- [Map 13- Environment -- Stonehouse Neighbourhood Plan- Important Views](#)