

4 Planning Policy Context

- 4.1 The current local planning policy framework for the Neighbourhood Development Plan area comprises the Eden Core Strategy 2010 and the remaining 'saved' policies of the Eden Local Plan 1996.
- 4.2 Eden District Council is currently awaiting approval of the Eden Local Plan for the District. This sets how the growth of jobs, homes and infrastructure will be managed in the period up to 2032 – "Local Plan 2032". The Plan was submitted to the Government in December 2015 and its examination started in May 2016, a series of public hearings have been held and modifications proposed. The latest set of further Main Modifications were consulted upon early in 2018. Once adopted, this Local Plan will replace the 'saved' 1996 Local Plan policies and the 2010 Core Strategy. The spatial implications of Local Plan 2032 are shown on **Figure 8** of this document.
- 4.3 Eden District Council has drafted a Penrith Vision Strategic Masterplan (2032-2050) which is due to go to public consultation in July 2018. The aim of the Masterplan is to provide a long-term vision of what Penrith and Eden might become. It will help to shape and influence how Eden District Council will deliver economic growth and new housing looking beyond the Eden Local Plan 2014 to 2032 providing a framework for development to 2050.
- 4.4 National planning policy is set out in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)¹ published in 2012. This sets out in paragraphs 6 and 7 that the purpose of the planning system is to contribute to the achievement of sustainable development, and that the planning system has to perform an economic role, a social role and an environmental role.
- 4.4 Neighbourhood planning is addressed in paragraphs 183-185:
- "183. Neighbourhood planning gives communities direct power to develop a shared vision for their neighbourhood and deliver the sustainable development they need. Parishes and neighbourhood forums can use neighbourhood planning to:*
- set planning policies through neighbourhood plans to determine decisions on planning applications; and*
 - grant planning permission through Neighbourhood Development Orders and Community Right to Build Orders for specific development which complies with the order 184. Neighbourhood planning provides a powerful set of tools for local people to ensure that they get the right types of development for their community. The ambition of the neighbourhood should be aligned with the strategic needs and priorities of the wider local area. Neighbourhood Plans must be in general conformity with the strategic policies of the Local Plan.*


[1 https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/6077/2116950.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/6077/2116950.pdf)

To facilitate this, local planning authorities should set out clearly their strategic policies for the area and ensure that an up-to-date Local Plan is in place as quickly as possible. Neighbourhood Plans should reflect these policies and neighbourhoods should plan positively to support them. Neighbourhood Plans and orders should not promote less development than set out in the Local Plan or undermine its strategic policies.

184. Outside these strategic elements, Neighbourhood Plans will be able to shape and direct sustainable development in their area. Once a Neighbourhood Plan has demonstrated its general conformity with the strategic policies of the Local Plan and is brought into force, the policies it contains take precedence over existing non-strategic policies in the Local Plan for that neighbourhood, where they are in conflict. Local planning authorities should avoid duplicating planning processes for nonstrategic policies where a Neighbourhood Plan is in preparation.”

- 4.5 NDPs have to be in “general conformity” with strategic local planning policies, and it is therefore important that as the plan is prepared, the emerging draft policies reflect this higher-level planning framework. This is currently the Eden Core Strategy. However, the Core Strategy will soon be replaced by the Eden Local Plan 2014-2032. In line with government guidance this Draft NDP has been prepared to take account of this emerging planning policy document. In addition, a masterplan is being prepared for Penrith to 2050, this will not be a development plan document. A summary document, Planning Policy Background and Evidence Base Review, has been prepared as a background document to the NDP. This has been used to inform the draft policies in the Penrith Neighbourhood Development Plan, PNDP for short.

Key to Figure 8.



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**Eden District Planning Area
Local Plan
2014 - 2032**

Policy Map Legend

































<p> Eden District boundary</p> <p> Lake District National Park boundary</p> <p> Local Plan Area boundary</p> <p>Development in the Right Place</p> <p> Flood Risk Zone 2</p> <p> Flood Risk Zone 3</p> <p> Ethylene Pipeline Hazard Area</p> <p>Decent Homes for All</p> <p> Housing Allocation</p> <p> Reserve Housing Site</p> <p> Mixed Use Allocation</p> <p> Gypsy and Traveller Site</p> <p>A Strong Economy</p> <p> Employment Allocation</p> <p> Primary Shopping Area</p> <p> District / Town Centre</p> <p>A Rich Environment</p> <p> County Wildlife Site</p> <p> Limestone Pavement Order</p> <p> Local Nature Reserve</p> <p> National Nature Reserve</p> <p> Regionally Important Geological and Geomorphological Site</p> <p> Site of Special Scientific Interest</p> <p> Special Area of Conservation</p> <p> Special Protection Area</p> <p> Ancient Woodland</p> <p> Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty</p> <p> Wind Energy Suitable Area</p> <p> Proposed Air Quality Management Area</p> <p> Groundwater Source Protection Zone 1</p> <p> Groundwater Source Protection Zone 2</p> <p> Conservation Area</p> <p> Historic Parks and Gardens</p> <p> Listed Building</p> <p> Scheduled Ancient Monument</p> <p>Thriving Communities</p> <p> Public Open Space</p>	<p>Policy DEV2 - Water Management and Flood Risk</p> <p>Policy DEV2 - Water Management and Flood Risk</p> <p>Policies AL1, AP1, KS1, PEN1</p> <p>Policy PEN1</p> <p>Policies AL1, PEN1</p> <p>Policy HS7 - Gypsy and Traveller Sites</p> <p>Policies AL1, AP1, KS1, PEN1</p> <p>Policy EC7 - Town Centres and Retailing</p> <p>Policy EC7 - Town Centres and Retailing</p> <p>Policy ENV1 - Protection and Enhancement of the Natural Environment, Biodiversity and Geodiversity</p> <p>Policy ENV1 - Protection and Enhancement of the Natural Environment, Biodiversity and Geodiversity</p> <p>Policy ENV1 - Protection and Enhancement of the Natural Environment, Biodiversity and Geodiversity</p> <p>Policy ENV1 - Protection and Enhancement of the Natural Environment, Biodiversity and Geodiversity</p> <p>Policy ENV1 - Protection and Enhancement of the Natural Environment, Biodiversity and Geodiversity</p> <p>Policy ENV1 - Protection and Enhancement of the Natural Environment, Biodiversity and Geodiversity</p> <p>Policy ENV1 - Protection and Enhancement of the Natural Environment, Biodiversity and Geodiversity</p> <p>Policy ENV1 - Protection and Enhancement of the Natural Environment, Biodiversity and Geodiversity</p> <p>Policy ENV2 - Protection and Enhancement of Landscape and Trees</p> <p>Policy ENV3 - The North Pennines Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty</p> <p>Policy ENV6 - Renewable Energy</p> <p>Policy ENV7 - Air Pollution</p> <p>Policy ENV9 - Other Forms of Pollution</p> <p>Policy ENV9 - Other Forms of Pollution</p> <p>Policy ENV10 - The Historic Environment</p> <p>Policy ENV10 - The Historic Environment</p> <p>Policy ENV10 - The Historic Environment</p> <p>Policy ENV10 - The Historic Environment</p> <p>Policy COM2 - Protection of Open Space, Sport, Leisure and Recreation Facilities</p>
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Figure 8. Emerging Eden Local Plan (Source: Eden District Council)

Penrith Inset Map 1

