Allendale is identified as a Service Centre in the West Delivery Area. Its main role is as a local centre for housing and services, supporting the agricultural sector and tourism. The village is within commuting distance of Tyneside but provides a range of services to support local communities and the tourism industry. Allendale will continue to provide employment, housing and services to maintain and strengthen its role as a Service Centre.

There is some existing employment land near to Allendale. No additional employment land allocations are proposed.

- Requirement for around 100 additional homes during the Plan period (5 per year).
- The Plan does not propose new housing land allocations. The housing number is expected to be delivered by small scale developments on windfall sites in accordance with the Neighbourhood Plan.

The Neighbourhood Plan did not define a settlement boundary and, at the request of the Neighbourhood Plan group, the Local Plan does not define one. Development in settlements without settlement boundaries is supported within the built form and immediately adjacent to the built form, where it is of an appropriate scale and does not adversely impact upon the character of the settlement.

- In the North Pennines AONB development proposals will be assessed against additional criteria and major development will not normally be permitted.
- Open space is protected in several locations north of the village centre.

**KEY POLICIES**

- Policy STP 1 – Spatial Strategy
- Policy ECN 6 – General Employment Land (Allocations & Safeguarding)
- Policy ENV 6 – North Pennines Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
- Policy INF 6 – Open Space and Facilities for Sport and Recreation
Belford is identified as a Service Centre in the North Delivery Area. It provides a range of services to support local communities and the tourism industry. Belford will continue to provide employment, housing and services to maintain and strengthen its role as a Service Centre.

**KEY POLICIES**

- Policy STP 1 - Spatial Strategy
- Policy ECN 6 - General Employment Land (Allocations & Safeguarding)
- Policy TRA 3 - Improving Northumberland’s Core Road Network
- Policy TRA 4 - Rail Transport and Facilities
- Policy MIN 6 - Aggregate Minerals

- There is some existing employment land near Belford. No additional employment land allocations are proposed.
- 30ha of land at Belford Quarry is identified as a preferred area for crushed rock extraction.
- Requirement for around 80 additional homes during the Plan period (4 per year).
- No new allocations proposed as requirement can be met through completions and sites with permission.

The Local Plan does not define a settlement boundary for the town, as the Neighbourhood Plan will define this in order to manage development.

- Supporting the full dualling of the A1 and improved local links to the A1
- Supporting the potential reopening of Belford Station.
Bellingham is identified as a service centre in the West Delivery Area. It is the largest settlement in the North Tyne Valley and provides services to a wide rural hinterland. It grew as an agricultural market town during the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries and for a time the village had industries associated with surrounding coal and iron working. Bellingham acts as a gateway for people visiting the National Park and Kielder Water and Forest Park. It looks to Hexham for many higher level services. Bellingham will continue to provide employment, housing and services to maintain and strengthen its role as a Service Centre.

There is some existing employment land in Bellingham. No additional employment land allocations are proposed.

Requirement for around 100 additional homes over the Plan period (5 per year).
• One site is allocated for housing totalling around 50–65 of the required dwellings. The remainder of the requirement is met through completions and sites with permission.

There is some existing employment land in Bellingham. No additional employment land allocations are proposed.

ECONOMY

There is some existing employment land in Bellingham. No additional employment land allocations are proposed.

HOMES

There is some existing employment land in Bellingham. No additional employment land allocations are proposed.

MANAGING DEVELOPMENT

There is some existing employment land in Bellingham. No additional employment land allocations are proposed.

LANDSCAPE & OPEN SPACE

There is some existing employment land in Bellingham. No additional employment land allocations are proposed.

Nearby Settlements: Otterburn, West Woodburn, Wark on Tyne

Otterburn, West Woodburn and Wark on Tyne have a settlement boundary defined to contain the spread of development and maintain the villages as sustainable settlements over the Plan period.

Two sites are allocated for housing in West Woodburn, totalling around 13–18 dwellings.

One site is allocated for housing in Wark on Tyne, totalling around 6–12 dwellings.

KEY POLICIES

Policy STP 1 – Spatial Strategy
Policy ECN 6 – General Employment Land (Allocations & Safeguarding)
Policy HOU 3 – Housing Development Site Allocations
Policy INF 6 – Open Space and Facilities for Sport and Recreation
Corbridge is identified as a Service centre in the Central Delivery Area. It is a village of great historic and architectural significance. It has a commuter housing role but also is an important service centre, which provides services to a wider rural area. It looks to Hexham for its higher services. Corbridge will continue to provide employment, housing and services to maintain and strengthen its role as a Service Centre.

**KEY POLICIES**

- **Policy STP 1** – Spatial Strategy
- **Policy HOU 3** – Housing Development Site Allocations
- **Policy ECN 6** – General Employment Land (Allocations & Safeguarding)
- **Policy STP 8** – Strategic Approach to the Green Belt
- **Policy ENV 8** – Hadrian’s Wall World Heritage Site
- **Policy INF 6** – Open Space and Facilities for Sport and Recreation

**There is some existing employment land beside Corbridge station. No additional employment land allocations are proposed.**

- **Requirement for around 170 additional homes during the Plan period (9 per year).**
- **No new allocations proposed as the requirement is expected to be delivered at Milkwell Lane on a development with planning permission.**

**Green Belt contains the spread of development in Corbridge. There are no major amendments proposed to the Green Belt in Corbridge.**

- **Hadrian’s Wall World Heritage Site is protected to the west of the village.**
- **Open space is protected in the village and along the River Tyne.**

**Nearby Settlements: Broomhaugh, Riding Mill**

- Riding Mill and Broomhaugh are defined as a Service Village. The plan allocates land for 5-8 homes at land at Riding Farm, Riding Mill.
- Riding Mill and Broomhaugh are inset from the Green Belt. Broomshaugh, previously washed over, has been inset from the Green Belt to improve coherence across the wider Green Belt and allow development within sustainable locations.
Guidepost and Stakeford together are identified as a Service Centre in the South East Delivery Area. The villages provide services for both residents and communities within the immediate neighbouring areas. Given the close proximity of larger towns, the area which it serves is limited. Choppington to the south of Guidepost is a Service Village with capacity to accommodate some of the needs of the local area. Guidepost and Stakeford will continue to provide employment, housing and services to maintain and strengthen their role as a Service Centre.

**KEY POLICIES**

- Policy STP 1 - Spatial Strategy
- Policy ECN 6 - General Employment Land (Allocations & Safeguarding)
- Policy INF 6 - Open Space and Facilities for Sport and Recreation

There is some existing employment land near to Guidepost and Stakeford. No additional employment land allocations are proposed.

- Requirement for around 340 additional homes over the Plan period (17 per year).
- No new allocations proposed as it is anticipated that the majority of this housing will be delivered at Whinney Hill Farm, north of Choppington on an application which is minded to approve.

Settlement boundaries defined to contain the spread of development and maintain the villages as sustainable settlements over the Plan period.

Open space is protected in several locations in and around the villages.
Haydon Bridge is identified as a Service Centre in the West Delivery Area. While Haydon Bridge is within the commuting influence of Tyneside, its main role is as a local housing and service centre for its immediate surroundings. The main high school in the south-west of the County is located in Haydon Bridge. Haydon Bridge will continue to provide employment, housing and services to maintain and strengthen its role as a Service Centre.

**KEY POLICIES**

Policy STP 1 – Spatial Strategy  
Policy HOU 3 – Housing Development Site Allocations  
Policy ECN 6 – General Employment Land (Allocations & Safeguarding)  
Policy INF 6 – Open Space and Facilities for Sport and Recreation

There is some existing employment land in Haydon Bridge. No additional employment land allocations are proposed.

- Requirement for around 170 additional homes over the Plan period (9 per year).
- Several sites are allocated for housing, totalling around 40 to 50 of the required dwellings. The remainder of the requirement is met through completions and sites with permission, including at the Showfield.

**ECONOMY**

**HOMES**

- Requirement for around 170 additional homes over the Plan period (9 per year).
- Several sites are allocated for housing, totalling around 40 to 50 of the required dwellings. The remainder of the requirement is met through completions and sites with permission, including at the Showfield.

**MANAGING DEVELOPMENT**

- Open space is protected across the village and along the River Tyne.

**LANDSCAPE & OPEN SPACE**

Settlement boundary defined to contain the spread of development and maintain the village as a sustainable settlement over the Plan period.

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Newbiggin-by-the-Sea is identified as a Service Centre in the South East Delivery Area. The settlement provides services for both residents and visitors. Given the close proximity of Ashington, the area which it serves is limited. Newbiggin-by-the-Sea will continue to provide employment, housing and services to maintain and strengthen its role as a Service Centre.

**KEY POLICIES**

- **Policy STP 1 – Spatial Strategy**
- **Policy ECN 6 – General Employment Land (Allocations & Safeguarding)**
- **Policy HOU 3 – Housing Development Site Allocations**
- **Policy TRA 3 – Improving Northumberland’s Core Road Network**
- **Policy INF 6 – Open Space and Facilities for Sport and Recreation**

There is a significant amount of employment land near Newbiggin-by-the-Sea both in Ashington and on the former Alcan Smelter site. No additional employment land allocations are proposed.

- Requirement for around 300 additional homes over the Plan period (15 per year).
- Several sites are allocated for housing, totalling around 176 to 194 of the required dwellings. The remainder of the requirement is met through completions and sites with permission.

Settlement boundary defined to contain the spread of development and maintain the village as a sustainable settlement over the Plan period.

Land will be safeguarded to support the progression of the Newbiggin / Ashington Link Road.

Significant areas of open space is protected within the settlement and at Newbiggin Moor.
Rothbury is identified as a Service Centre in the North Delivery Area. It is the largest settlement in western Coquetdale with its services supporting its resident population and those people who live in the more remote villages, including those in the Northumberland National Park. The village acts as a gateway to the Park for visitors and has important relationships with Alnwick and Morpeth. Rothbury will continue to provide employment, housing and services to maintain and strengthen its role as a Service Centre.

**Nearby Settlements: Longframlington and Thropton**

The villages of Longframlington and Thropton have defined settlement boundaries to cover the Plan period, to contain the spread of development and maintain the villages as sustainable settlements.

**KEY POLICIES**

- **Policy STP 1 – Spatial Strategy**
- **Policy ECN 6 – General Employment Land (Allocations & Safeguarding)**

There is some existing employment land in Rothbury. No additional employment land allocations are proposed.

- Requirement for around 140 additional homes over the Plan period (7 per year).
- No new allocations proposed as requirement can be met through completions and sites with permission.

Settlement boundary defined to contain the spread of development and maintain the village as a sustainable settlement over the Plan period.
Seahouses and North Sunderland are identified together as a Service Centre in the North Delivery Area. Together they provide a range of services to support the local communities and the tourism industry. Seahouses is a key hub for visitors to the North Northumberland coast and the Farne Islands. Seahouses and North Sunderland will continue to provide employment, housing and services to maintain and strengthen their role as a Service Centre.

**KEY POLICIES**

- Policy STP 1 - Spatial Strategy
- Policy HOU 3 - Housing Development Site Allocations
- Policy ENV 5 - Northumberland Coast Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
- Policy INF 6 - Open Space and Facilities for Sport and Recreation

An employment site is allocated in the Neighbourhood Plan. No additional employment land allocations are proposed.

- Requirement for around 90 additional homes during the Plan period (5 per year).
- The Plan allocates a new site for 80–100 housing units at land east of Broad Road.

A settlement boundary is defined in the North Northumberland Coastal Area Neighbourhood Plan, which will continue to manage development over the Plan period.

- In the Northumberland Coast AONB development proposals will be assessed against additional criteria and major development will not normally be permitted. Designated Areas along the coast are protected.
- There is protected open space south of Seahouses Primary School.
Seaton Delaval is identified as a Service Centre in the South East Delivery Area. It is located in the Seaton Valley and provides services for both residents and communities within neighbouring areas. Given the close proximity of larger towns, the area which it serves is limited. A number of Service Villages in the Seaton Valley also have housing and employment roles. Seaton Delaval will continue to provide employment, housing and services to maintain and strengthen its role as a Service Centre.

**KEY POLICIES**

- Policy STP 1 – Spatial Strategy
- Policy HOU 3 – Housing Development Site Allocations
- Policy ECN 6 – General Employment Land (Allocations & Safeguarding)
- Policy STP 8 – Strategic approach to the Green Belt
- Policy TRA 4 – Rail Transport and Safeguarding Facilities

**ECONOMY**

- Requirement for around 600 additional homes in the Seaton Valley during the Plan period (30 per year).
- A site for 25-35 houses is allocated in Seaton Delaval and another in neighbouring Seghill for around 20 houses.
- It is anticipated that much of the housing requirement will be delivered through existing permissions – including a site to the east of New Hartley.

**HOMES**

- As Green Belt contains the spread of development in Seaton Delaval, the settlement boundary from the Blyth Valley Local Plan will not be retained. There are no major amendments proposed to the Green Belt in Seaton Delaval.

**MANAGING DEVELOPMENT**

- A priority is to reintroduce passenger rail services on the ‘Northumberland Line’. Sites for stations have been identified and land will be safeguarded at Seaton Delaval and Seghill.

**CONNECTIONS**

There is some existing employment land in Seaton Delaval including the site of the Coty Factory. No additional employment land allocations are proposed.
Wooler is identified as a Service Centre in the North Delivery Area. It has an important relationship with both Berwick and Alnwick and is a local hub for services for its satellite communities. It is also a gateway for visitors to the northern part of the National Park. It has a working mart and is also the location for an important cluster of agricultural engineering and construction companies. Wooler will continue to provide employment, housing and services to maintain and strengthen its role as a Service Centre. The emerging Neighbourhood Plan for the town will, along with the Local Plan, guide future development.

**KEY POLICIES**

Policy STP 1 – Spatial Strategy
Policy ECN 6 – General Employment Land (Allocations & Safeguarding)

There is some existing employment land in Wooler. No additional employment land allocations are proposed.

- Requirement for around 170 additional homes during the Plan period (9 per year).
- No new allocations proposed as requirement can be met through completions and sites with permission.

At the request of the Neighbourhood Plan group, the Local Plan does not define a settlement boundary. Development in settlements without settlement boundaries is supported within the built form and immediately adjacent to the built form, where it is of an appropriate scale and does not adversely impact upon the character of the settlement.