Notes on Scoring of Sites

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The TFNP (Appendix 6D) explains how the full list of (66) assessment criteria supplied by Pendle Council was reduced to 39 to be appropriate within a village rather than a town or borough.

Within the 39 there are 4 criteria which, for the purposes of the TFNP, were interpreted differently from the intentions of the Pendle system:

- 0.1 Pendle excludes sites of less than 0.25 hectares. Any such sites are dropped at the first stage of the assessment. The Steering Group decided that all sizes of sites should be assessed. Therefore all sites scored 5 on this criteria.
- 0.3 There is no hierarchy of settlements in the parish, therefore an alternative criteria was created to score sites according to their relationship to the proposed Settlement Boundary:

1pt - in open countryside, not in or adjacent to a settlement boundary, or sites adjacent but extending significantly into open countryside
2pts – outside but adjacent to old settlement boundary
3pts – outside but adjacent to old boundary, but within proposed new boundary
5pts – sites within settlement boundary

- 1.10 It transpired that this criteria was not applicable to any of the sites to be assessed so it was decided to mark it as N/A on all 11 assessments, and not allocate scores.
- 3.18 The whole Parish lies within a Conservation Area, so this criteria was adapted to reflect a site's impact on neighbouring heritage assets and the townscape in general. Separate criteria (3.16 and 3.17) assess the impact on the wider landscape, and the impact on views from public vantage points. This criteria (3.18) concentrates on the proximity to heritage assets and the size of developments with particular reference to the impact on Areas of Townscape Character:
 - 1pt potential harm to Grade 1 listed building or scheduled monument 2pts – potential harm to Grade II* listed building
 - 3pts potential harm to Grade II listed building, or significant impact on townscape due to situation and size of development (more than 9 houses)
 - 4pts potential harm to a heritage asset likely to be on the emerging Local List, or minor impact on townscape character (fewer than 10 houses)
 - 5pts not affecting heritage assets, nor significant impact on townscape