01: Pendle Local Plan 4th Edition

Our Pendle Our Future

Pendle Local Plan

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4th Edition (2021-2040)

We want your views on how we propose to manage development and growth in Pendle up to 2040.

We want to make Pendle a better place for you and





The policies in our new Local Plan will show:

- where growth should take place and what it should look like
- how much development we need for housing, employment, and other uses
- allocate specific sites for future development.
- promote good design that helps:
 - address the climate emergency
 - 7 enhance our quality of life
 - improve our health and wellbeing
 - provide a net gain for biodiversity





02: What is the Local Plan for?

In England, our planning system is plan-led.

The Government requires us to prepare a Local Plan that looks at our development needs for at least the next 15 years.

Without a Local Plan, applications for planning permission are more likely to be decided at an appeal and in line with national planning policy. This means that there is more risk that new developments would not address the needs and aspirations of our community.

Our Local Plan must be in general conformity with the National Planning Policy Framework, but it also considers local issues that are important to us. It looks at our:

- goal to be net zero carbon by 2030
- beautiful scenery that our residents and visitors love and should be protected
- ageing population and the decline in people of working age
- significant need for affordable housing
- pockets of inner urban deprivation
- economy, which relies on manufacturing, putting many jobs at risk in a recession
- high levels of childhood obesity and lower levels of life expectancy











03: Our vision and objectives

Have we got the right strategic objectives?

Our Local Plan reflects the unique character and needs of Pendle and our communities.

Our vision establishes what we would like Pendle to be like by 2040.

Our 11 strategic objectives will help us to achieve this vision.

- Promote sustainable development and growth, focussing on re-using existing buildings and land that has previously been developed
- 2. Make sure we have the right infrastructure, so our communities can function properly
- 3. Create accessible, attractive, and safe places to live
- 4. Respond to the causes and impacts of climate change
- 5. Deliver quality housing which supports the needs of our residents
- 6. Strengthen the local economy
- 7. Support vibrant town centres
- 8. Reduce inequality and promote health and wellbeing.
- 9. Protect and improve access to our green and recreational spaces
- 10. Conserve and enhance highly valued habitats, landscapes, and townscapes
- 11. Promote sustainable travel options, reducing the need to travel by car











04: Our approach to development

Is our strategy for future development right?

We have used a large amount of evidence to help us prepare our draft Local Plan. We now need your local knowledge to make sure our proposals give you what you need and what you want to see.

Our strategy looks at three areas and directs development to where it is most needed:

- M65 Corridor Urban Area 70%
- M65 Corridor Rural Area 10%
- West Craven 20%

A settlement hierarchy directs development to the most appropriate locations, helping to reduce the need to make short journeys by car.

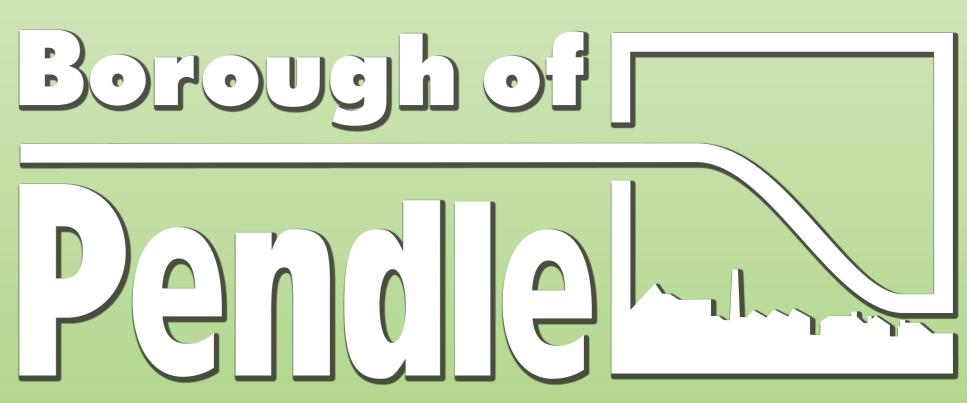
Tier	Settlements	Comments
1. Main Towns	Nelson, Colne and Barnoldswick	Focus for major developments and future growth
2. Key Service Centres	Barrowford, Brierfield and Earby	Play a supporting role by providing a limited range of goods and services
3. Rural Service Centres	Fence, Foulridge, Kelbrook & Sough, and Trawden	Focus for development outside the urban areas.
4. Rural Villages	Barley, Blacko, Higham, Laneshaw Bridge, Newchurch-in- Pendle and Spen Brook, Roughlee and Crow Trees, and Salterforth	Development will normally be restricted to meeting identified local needs.



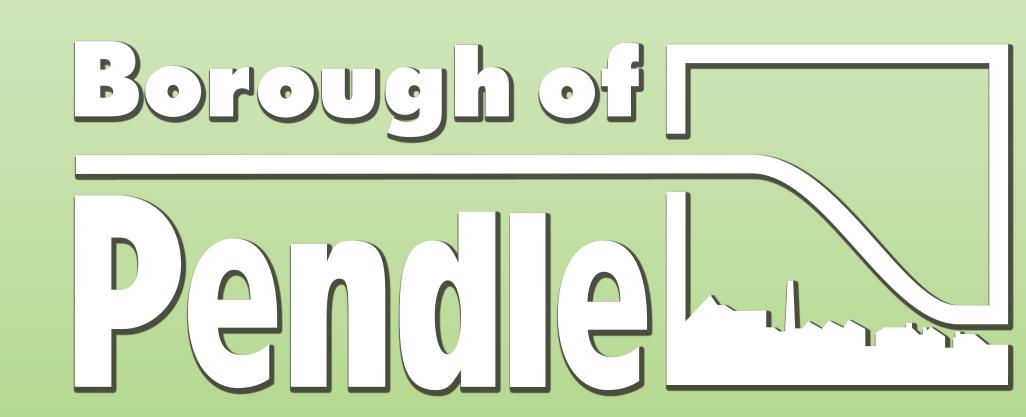












06: Development management

What should new development deliver?

The 12 strategic planning policies in our Local Plan set out a framework for future development.

A further 46 detailed planning policies tell anyone applying for planning permission what their proposals should contribute to our community and what design features we want to see.

They cover issues such as:

- a focus on the redevelopment of brownfield land
- an annual housing requirement of 140 dwellings (i.e. 2,660 new homes by 2040)
- allocated sites, which will deliver over 500 new dwellings and 10 hectares of employment land
- the size, tenure and quality of new housing and our need to increase the supply of affordable homes
- extensions to existing employment sites in Barnoldswick and Earby, to complement the strategic employment site at Lomeshaye in the M65 Corridor
- promoting high quality and beautiful design
- zero carbon developments
- protecting green spaces that are of particular significance to a community from future development, by designating them as Local Green Space









07: Site allocations

Have we got the right sites in the right places?

Many factors restrict development opportunities in Pendle. The most significant are:

- the Green Belt
- the Forest of Bowland Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB)
- the South Pennine Moors Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)
- areas which are at risk from flooding

We have looked at potential sources and can see that we have a relatively small number of deliverable sites within our urban areas compared to the number of houses we need to provide.

A large number of housing sites already have planning permission, or they are identified in a neighbourhood plan. These sites are not included in the Local Plan.

Evidence shows that we can also justify making an allowance for development on small unidentified 'windfall' sites. Many of these will be on brownfield land.

Settlement	Sites (site plans are available)	Total Capacity
Nelson	Former Riverside Mill, Reedyford Road (140 dwellings); Land at Giles Street (35), Former nursery, Barkerhouse Road (12); Land at Bamford Street (self-build) (4); Land at Wickworth Street (self-build) (2)	193
Barnoldswick	Former Barnsey Shed, Long Ing Lane (128)	128
Colne	Land South of Colne Water, Cotton Tree Lane (50)	50
Brierfield	Former Mansfield High School, Taylor Street (43); Former Council Depot, Halifax Road (9); Former Railway Sidings, Railway Stret (40); Land at Mansfield Crescent (self-build) (3)	95
Earby	Former Brook Shed, New Road (48)	48

Small extensions to the West Craven Business Park (Earby) and Crow Nest Industrial Estate (Barnoldswick) will supplement the strategic employment site at Lomeshaye (Nelson).

We have no proposals to develop in the Green Belt.





08: What happens next?

What should I do?

The public consultation runs for eight weeks. We need to hear from you by **5pm on Friday 18 August 2023.** You can send us your comments by email or letter, or by using our online form.

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Further information

Our Local Plan and all supporting documents are on our website: www.pendle.gov.uk/LPconsultation

To keep up to date with progress on the Local Plan, please ask to be added to our mailing list. We will email you copies of our award-winning newsletter and you will get advance notice of any public consultations.

Next steps

Autumn-Winter 2023 – We will respond to all the comments we receive during this consultation and amend the draft Local Plan where necessary.

Spring 2024 – There will be another public consultation to consider the final draft of our Local Plan.

Summer 2024 – We will send the final draft of our Local Plan, all supporting documents and any comments we have received to the Secretary of State for independent examination.

Autumn 2024 – An Examination in Public will be held. The Inspector appointed to conduct the examination may recommend further modifications to the Local Plan before it can be adopted.



