

Housing Supply in the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees

Five Year Deliverable Housing Supply Final Assessment: 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2019

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Introduction

The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was published on 27 March 2012. The NPPF restates the requirement for local planning authorities to demonstrate a five year supply of deliverable housing sites. This report sets out the Borough's housing land supply position in respect of this requirement using a base date of 31st March 2014.

Overview of the assessment

- The broad framework for undertaking the assessment has followed four main stages as follows:
 - Stage 1 Identify the housing provision to be delivered over the following five years;
 - ii. **Stage 2:** Identify sites that have potential to deliver housing over the five year period, including:
 - Sites that have planning permission (outline or full planning permission that have not been implemented),
 - Sites where the Council has resolved to grant planning permission subject to the signing of a Section 106 Agreement
 - Specific, unallocated sites that have the potential to make a significant contribution to housing delivery during the five year period; and,
 - iii. Stage 3: Allowing for 'windfall' sites
 - iv. **Stage 4** Allowing for demolitions and losses

Stage 1: Identify the level of housing provision to be delivered over the following 5 years

- The housing requirement for Stockton Borough is stated at paragraph 12.18 of the justification to adopted Core Strategy Policy 7 Housing Phasing and Distribution, as follows:
 - 2004 to 2011: 4,200 dwellings (600 per annum)
 - 2011 to 2016: 2,650 dwellings (530 per annum)
 - 2016 to 2021: 2,625 dwellings (525 dwellings)
 - 2021 to 2024: 1,665 dwellings (555 dwellings)
- The period to be covered is 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2019. The adopted Core Strategy housing requirement for 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2019 is 2635 dwellings. This comprises the following:
 - 2 x 530 dwellings for the period 2014/15 to 2015/16
 - 3 x 525 dwellings for the period 2016/17 to 2018/19.
- The housing requirement of 2636 dwellings needs to be adjusted for housing already delivered during the plan period. For the purposes of

housing supply, the plan period for the adopted Core Strategy is 2004 to 2024. The housing requirement for the period 1st April 2004 to 31st March 2014 is 5790 dwellings. This comprises the following:

- 7 x 600 dwellings for the period 2004 to 2011
- 3 x 530 dwellings for the period 2011 to 2014
- The net number of dwellings built during the period 1st April 2004 to 31st March 2014 was 5374. This is a shortfall of 416 dwellings.
- 7 This means that 416 dwellings are added to the requirement of 2635 dwellings to produce a housing requirement for the period 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2019 of 3051 dwellings. This figure is net of the buffer required by the NPPF.

Deciding whether to add a 5% or 20% buffer

- The guidance in the NPPF) states that a 5% or 20% buffer must be added to the supply of deliverable sites, depending on whether or not there has been a record of persistent under-delivery of housing. The Council accepts that there has been persistent under-delivery during the period since 2004. It is therefore necessary to add a 20% buffer to the requirement for a five year supply of housing sites. The requirement for the period 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2019 inclusive of a 20% buffer is therefore 3661 dwellings. This comprises the following:
 - The adopted Core Strategy requirement for this period of 2635 dwellings (see paragraph 6)
 - Plus the adjustment for previous housing delivery performance of 416 dwellings (see paragraph 8) = 3051
 - Plus the buffer of 20% (610 dwellings) = 3661 dwellings

Stage 1 Summary

9 The housing provision requirement for the period 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2019 is **3661 dwellings.**

Stage 2: Identify sites that have potential to deliver housing over the five year period

Stage 2a: Sites that have planning permission

- The schedule set out (Appendix 1) identifies the sites with planning permission which are anticipated to be developed over the five year period. **3000 dwellings** are expected to be built during the 5 year period through planning permissions already consented.
- 11 The rate of delivery for small sites is based on past delivery rates. An implementation rate of 80% has been applied to small sites (sites of less

than 10 dwellings) to take account of those permissions which are not implemented. This will be kept under review.

Stage 2b: Sites where the Council has resolved to grant planning permission subject to the signing of a Section 106 Agreement

- It is acknowledged that where the Council has resolved to grant planning permission subject to the signing of a S.106 Agreement, no decision notice has been issued. However, it is considered that it is legitimate to include a contribution from such sites in the supply if there is a clear expectation that the S.106 Agreement will be signed and that the sites will actually deliver units during the 5-year period.
- 13 An application to vary the permission for 17 dwellings at Land In The Vicinity Of Betty's Close Farm is subject to the signing of a S.106 Agreement but is expected to deliver units during the 5 year period.

Site Address	Number of units expected to be delivered during the period 1 st April 2014 to 31 st March 2019
Land In The Vicinity Of Betty's Close	8
Farm	
Land At Sandview And Sandgate,	115
Ingleby Barwick ¹	
Total	123

Stage 2c: Specific, unallocated sites that have the potential to make a significant contribution to housing delivery during the 5 year period

14 The following specific, unallocated brownfield sites have been assessed as having the potential to make a significant contribution to housing delivery during the 5 year period:

Site	Contribution expected during the period 1 st April 2014 to 31 st March 2019
Swainby Road	130
Total	130 dwellings

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¹ Planning permission has now been granted

Stage 2 Summary: Total housing delivery expected during the 5 year period

Site	Contribution expected during the period 1 st April 2014 to 31 st March 2019
Planning permissions	3000
+ Sites where the Council has	123
resolved to grant planning permission	
subject to the signing of a Section	
106 Agreement	
+ Specific, unallocated sites	130
= Total (gross)	3253 dwellings

Stage 3: Allowing for windfall sites

- 15 Paragraph 48 of the NPPF states that 'Local planning authorities may make an allowance for windfall sites in the five-year supply if they have compelling evidence that such sites have consistently become available in the local area and will continue to provide a reliable source of supply. Any allowance should be realistic having regard to the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment, historic windfall delivery rates and expected future trends, and should not include residential gardens.'
- With regards to the definition of windfalls the glossary to the NPPF states: 'Sites which have not been specifically identified as available in the Local Plan process. They normally comprise previously-developed sites that have unexpectedly become available.'
- 17 Small sites (sites of less than 10 dwellings) have consistently become available in the local area and provided a reliable source of supply (see paragraph 33). A windfall allowance of 55 dwellings per year has been made for this source. The figure of 55 dwellings per year is informed by the historic windfall delivery rate for this source (70 dwellings per year over the period 2007/8 to 2013/14) but allows for a discount of 20% as some have been on residential gardens. The remaining 80% have been other forms of development and represent an average of about 55 dwellings per annum (figure rounded). In order to avoid double counting the small sites with planning permission this allowance is only made for years 4 and 5 and represents a total of **110 dwellings**.

Stage 3 Summary: Total housing delivery expected during the 5 year period

Site	Contribution expected during the period 1 st April 2014 to 31 st March 2019
Planning permissions	3000
+ Sites where the Council has	123
resolved to grant planning permission	
subject to the signing of a Section	
106 Agreement	
+ Specific, unallocated sites	130
+ Windfall sites	110
= Total (gross)	3363 dwellings

Stage 4: Taking demolitions / losses into account

18 The housing requirement is a 'net' housing requirement. This means that it is net of demolitions and other losses to the existing housing stock of the Borough. The following table shows the number of demolitions and other losses.

Site	Number of demolitions / losses expected during the period 1 st April 2014 to 31 st March 2019
Parkfield Phase 2	30
Swainby Rd	25
Victoria Estate	254
Beech Terrace	25
Other sites	37
Total	371 dwellings

Stage 4 Summary: Total housing delivery expected during the 5 year period

Site	Contribution expected during the period 1 st April 2014 to 31 st March 2019
Planning permissions	3000
+ Sites where the Council has resolved to grant planning permission subject to the signing of a Section 106 Agreement	123
+ Specific, unallocated sites	130
+ Windfall sites	110
- Demolitions / losses	- 371
= Total (net)	2992 dwellings

How delivery has been assessed

Planning permissions where phasing has been provided by the development industry

19 In March 2014 all developers and agents with planning permission(s) for 10 dwellings or more were contacted and asked to provide their delivery schedule for the permission(s). This information was used to inform the assessment of whether planning permissions will be implemented and if so over what time period

Planning permissions where phasing has been estimated by SBC

Estimating build out rates

- When developers and agents have not provided delivery schedules the Council has had to estimate delivery rates. In doing so the Council has taken into account the following advice from the Home Builders Federation:
- 21 "HBF would point out that the average completion rate for housing on a single site by a single builder ranges between 25 and 35 dwellings per annum. Where flats or apartments are involved the average completion rate ranges between 35 50.
- "For large sites where two builders are involved, or where a builder operates the sites as 2 sites (i.e. one producing houses, the other flats) it is reasonable to double the output. Sites in the hands of an individual builder, even with a mix of houses and flats, very rarely exceed 50 dwellings per annum as output and never get to 100. This calculation, however, does not continue to exist where 3 or more builders become involved, as demand will limit take up" (letter from the Regional Policy Manager (Northern Regions) Home Builders Federation 7 April 2008).
- Where a site has planning permission and is under construction but no developer estimate has been provided then the SBC estimate has taken into account previous build out rates for the site.
- A column has been added into the trajectory which identifies if the phasing for a site has been assessed by the developer / agent or if SBC have undertaken the assessment.

Estimating lead in times

Where a developer has not responded, a cautious approach has been adopted to estimating lead in times cognisant with Planning Advisory Service advice that a common mistake with five year supply assessments is 'not factoring in long enough lead times between sites getting permission and delivering houses'. Factors taken into account

include conditions in the local housing market and whether significant site preparation work is required.

Planning permissions - small sites

There is currently permission for 280 dwellings on small sites. A discount of 20% has been applied to this figure to allow for the possibility that not all of the consented dwellings will be built. This gives a figure of 224 dwellings. The average annual build out rate of small sites since 2007/8 was 70 dwellings. A slightly higher delivery rate (74 dwellings per year) rate has been used to project the delivery of the discounted figure of 224 dwellings. This is in order to 'round off' the delivery over 3 years and not conflate it with the windfall allowance which is projected for years 4 and 5.

Specific, unallocated sites that have the potential to make a significant contribution to housing delivery during the 5 year period – testing suitability, availability and achievability

27 The Swainby Rd housing regeneration sites have also been assessed as contributing to the deliverable housing supply. The estimated build out timeframe for the Swainby Rd site has been provided by the Council's Housing Regeneration team.

Sites where the granting of planning permission is subject to the signing of a Section 106 Agreement

Sites where the granting of planning permission is subject to the signing of a S106 Agreement have only been included in the deliverable housing land supply if discussions with the Council's Planning Legal team report positive progress towards signing the S106 Agreement.

Schedule and trajectory of all deliverable sites (2014 to 2019)

- The schedule set out at Appendix 1 identifies the sites with planning permission which are anticipated to be developed over the five year period. As discussed in the previous section the deliverability of sites has been assessed with developers and where this has not been possible an anticipated timescale and build out rate has been included.
- The column entitled 'phasing assessment' within the schedule identifies whether the assessment of a sites phasing was undertaken by the developer / agent or the Council.

How Many Years Deliverable Land?

The Borough of Stockton-on-Tees has an overall deliverable housing land supply for 2992 dwellings (net) inclusive of the windfall allowance of 110 dwellings over the 5 year period 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2019. That is 669 dwellings less than the adopted Core Strategy requirement of

2635 dwellings (taking previous performance and the requirement for a 20% buffer into account) for the period 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2019. This equates to a housing land supply of 4.08 years as set out in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Five year deliverable housing supply –											
1 st April 2014 to 31 st March 2019											
Adopted Core Strategy Housing	5790 dwellings										
Requirement 1 st April 2004 to 31 st March											
2014											
Delivered 1 st April 2004 to 31 st March 2014	5374 dwellings										
Over / under at 31-3-2014	- 416 dwellings										
Adopted Core Strategy Housing	2635 dwellings										
Requirement 1 st April 2014 to 31 st March											
2019											
Net Requirement for 1 st April 2014 to 31 st	3051 dwellings										
March 2019 taking previous performance											
into account											
Plus 20% buffer required by the NPPF	3661 dwellings										
Average annual requirement for 1st April	732 dwellings (3661 /										
2014 to 31 st March 2019	5)										
Projected delivery 1 st April 2014 to 31 st	3366 dwellings										
March 2019 (gross)											
Projected demolitions / losses 1st April	371 dwellings										
2014 to 31 st March 2019											
Projected delivery period 1 st April 2014 to	2992 dwellings										
31st March 2019 (net)											
Supply (2992 / 732)	4.08 years										
Shortfall for 1.4.2014 to 31.3.2019	669 dwellings										

Conclusion

32 The Assessment at Appendix 1 shows that the Borough is not currently able to demonstrate a 5 year supply of deliverable housing land. The Regeneration and Environment LDD will incorporate the results of the Core Strategy Review of housing options. The LDD will allocate sufficient deliverable and developable housing sites to ensure that the housing requirement to 2030 is met and that a rolling 5-year supply of deliverable housing sites is achieved.

Appendix 1: Housing Trajectory

Site Ref	App Ref	Site Address	Total granted	Completed	Remaining	Under Construction	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Assessment	Phasing assumptions
Stag	e 2a - Sites that	have planning permission											
6	03/2516/FUL		11	5	6	2						SBC	As per phasing
		Wynyard Woods Self Build					6						assumptions
44	04/2404/REM	River View Zone A, Village	55	51	4	2						Developer	Developer phasing
		6, Ingleby Barwick					4						provided
45	07/0923/FUL	Mandale Redevelopment	266	212	54	53						Developer	Developer phasing
		Phase 2					6	6				•	provided
								,				SBC	As per phasing
							10	10	10	12			assumptions
48	06/1264/REM	Bowesfield Park,	56	41	15	6						SBC	As per phasing
		Bowesfield Lane, Preston											assumptions
		Industrial Estate					3	3	3	3	3		
52	06/3822/FUL		635	416	219	68						Developer	Developer phasing
		Hardwick Redevelopment					30	30	30				provided
												SBC	As per phasing
							35	35	35	24			assumptions
80	08/2271/REM	Land 35 Metres To West Of	46		46							SBC	Apartment scheme -
		British Legion Club, Queens											delivery within 5 years
		Avenue, Thornaby											cannot be relied upon
													due to viability
95	10/3118/FUL		196	58	138	74						Developer	Developer phasing
		Mandale Estate Phase 3					35	35	35	33			provided

99	04/2862/REM		212	208	4	4						Developer	Developer phasing
		Parkfield Foundry					4					•	provided
103	05/3240/FUL	Parkfield Redevelopment	105	93	12	6						SBC	As per phasing
		Phase 1					12						assumptions
130	06/0017/OUT	Ashmore House,	217	119	98	52	_					Developer	Developer phasing
		Richardson Road											provided
		(KVAERNER site)					20	20	20	20	18		
137	08/3577/VARY	Corus Pipe Mill, Portrack	318	82	236	51						Developer	Developer phasing
		Lane, Stockton-on-Tees, TS18 2NF					40	40	40	40	40		provided
158	13/2568/EIS		330		330		40	40	40	40	40	Agent	Phasing informed by
136	13/2308/113	Tall Trees Hotel, Worsall	330		330				4.5	20	20	Agent	discussion with agent
168	13/0299/FUL	Road, Yarm	117		117				15	30	30	Davidanan	9
108	13/0299/FUL		117		117							Developer	Developer phasing provided
100	05/0054/0514	Parkfield Phase 2	4.40				59	58					•
189	06/0951/REM	Peacocks Yard, Land East	149	90	59	50						Developer	Developer phasing
		Of Blakeston Lane, Norton					20	8					provided
							20	4.4				SBC	As per phasing
100	06/1983/OUT	Former Stockton And	170	175	1	1	20	11				CDC	assumptions
198	06/1983/001	Billingham College Site,	176	1/5	1	1						SBC	As per phasing assumptions
		Fincdale Avenue/The											assumptions
		Causeway					1						
202	06/1956/OUT	North Shore, Church Road,	999		849							Developer	The outline planning
		Stockton										•	consent is flexible and
													allows for different
													options. At the present
													time the preferred
													option is student
202	42/4026/05:	N 11 Cl /11 7	7.0									5 1	accommodation.
202	12/1836/REM	North Shore (Home Zone	76	2	74	53						Developer	Developer phasing
		Phase 2/3)					24	24	24	2			provided

206	06/3591/FUL	The Rookery, South View	13		13							SBC	Applicant has a number of different options for the site. Until preferred option is decided it cannot be determined whether it will contribute to the 5 year supply.
238	04/0627/FUL	Thornaby Football Club, Land At Teesdale Park, Acklam Road	64		64							SBC	Scheme includes 50 apartments - delivery within 5 years cannot be relied upon due to viability
248	09/2266/REM	Land At Boathouse Lane	174		174							SBC	Scheme includes 114 apartments - delivery within 5 years cannot be relied upon due to viability
262	07/2360/OUT	Northern Machine Tools Engineering, Land at Boathouse Lane, Stockton	118		118							SBC	Scheme includes apartments and townhouses - delivery within 5 years cannot be relied upon due to viability
295	09/3024/REM	Ashbrook, Ringwood, Hazeldene	370	251	119	84	45	45	29			Developer	Developer phasing provided
295	10/0000/MU	Remainder of Ingleby Barwick	470		470				30	50	70	Developer	Developer phasing provided
296	07/2524/FUL	6 - 10 Hume Street, Stockton-on-Tees, TS18 2ER	18		18							SBC	Apartment scheme - delivery within 5 years cannot be relied upon due to viability

297	07/1265/FUL	Land Off Norton Road, Stockton On Tees	551		250							Developer	the viability of the site. Until the review is complete it cannot be determined whether it will contribute to the 5 year supply
322	11/1322/FUL	The Grange Urlay Nook Road Eaglescliffe	9		9		9					Developer	Developer phasing provided
382	08/0567/EIS	Allens West, Durham Lane, Eaglescliffe	845		845				30	30	30	Agent phasing	Agent phasing provided
383	09/3025/OUT	Sandhill, Ingleby Barwick	138		138		15	25	25	25	25	Developer	Developer phasing provided
408	09/2385/FUL	British Visqueen Limited, Yarm Road, Stockton	474	46	428	40	25	25	25	25	25	Developer	Developer phasing provided
452	10/0244/OUT	Bowesfield Riverside Phase 1	150		150					15	30	SBC	As per phasing assumptions
479	11/0113/FUL	Land Parcel At Blair Avenue, Ingleby Barwick	48		48							Agent	Agent phasing provided
505	12/0166/FUL	Site B The Old Vicarage The Green Norton Stockton-on-Tees	13		13				5	8		SBC	As per phasing assumptions
506	11/2450/OUT	Kingfisher Way, Bowesfield Park, Stockton	37		37					17	20	SBC	As per phasing assumptions
510	12/1537/COU	Leven Camp, Low Lane, High Leven	34	4	30		4	4	4	4	4	SBC	As per phasing assumptions
511	12/0165/FUL	Site A, Red House School, The Green, Norton	68		68							Agent	Agent phasing provided
516	12/0980/OUT	Morley Carr, Allerton Balk, Yarm, TS15 9EG	350		350		5	35	35	35	35	Developer	Developer phasing provided

537	13/0776/EIS	Mount Leven Farm, Leven	349	349							Agent	Agent phasing provided
		Bank Road, Yarm					75	100	125	49		
538	12/1990/EIS	Land South of Green Lane,	370	370							Developer	Developer phasing
		Yarm					20	45	45	45		provided
544	13/1057/FUL		27	27	7						SBC	Phasing informed by
		Blenheim House, Trenchard										discussion with SBC
		Avenue, Thornaby,										Housing Regeneration
		Stockton-on-Tees, TS17 0EF				10	17					team
545	13/1518/COU	98 Dovecot Street,	10	10							SBC	As per phasing
		Stockton					10					assumptions
546	12/2517/OUT	Land At Low Lane, High	350	350							Agent	Agent phasing provided
		Leven, Yarm, TS15 9JT					25	30	30	30		
553	13/2184/OUT	Urlay Nook Road,	145	145			·				Developer	Developer phasing
		Eaglescliffe				5	30	30	30	30		provided
562	14/0078/FUL		38	38							SBC	Phasing informed by
		Billingham Community										discussion with SBC
		Centre Car Park The										Housing Regeneration
		Causeway, Billingham					38					team
564	13/2675/FUL		15	15							SBC	Phasing informed by
		Land Adjacent To										discussion with SBC
		Rosthwaite Avenue/										Housing Regeneration
		Rochester Road, Stockton				15						team
999	999		280			74	74	74				
		Small Sites Trajectory										
						536	703	674	603	484		

Stage 2b - Sites where the Council has resolved to grant planning permission subject to the signing of a S.106 agreement

	,	2 2 8 2 2 2 2										
13/2626/REM		180		180							Developer	Developer phasing
	Land At Sandview And											provided
	Sandgate, Ingleby Barwick					15	25	25	25	25		
10/2430/OUT	The Wellington Club,	44		44							SBC	S.106 outstanding and
	Wellington Drive, Wynyard											discussions ongoing

10/0660/FUL	Former Roseworth Hotel, Redhill Road, Stockton on Tees, TS19 9BX	12		12							SBC	S.106 outstanding and not progressed
06/1064/OUT	Land In The Vicinity Of Betty's Close Farm	17		17				2	3	3	SBC	As per phasing assumptions
	Stage 2c - Specific unallocate	ed site	s									
		160		160		45	25	20	20	20	SBC	Phasing informed by discussion with SBC Housing Regeneration
	Swainby Road					15	25	30	30	30		team
	Stage 3 - Taking windfalls in	to acco	ount									
									55	55		
	Stage 4 - taking demolitions	/losses	s into a	accour	nt							
		Total granted	Total completed	Remaining		2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19		
	Parkfield Phase 2	261	231	30		30						
	Swainby Road (All demolitions)	204	179	25		25						
	Beech Terrace, Port Clarence	25	25	25		25						
	Other sites	37		37		15	15	2				
	Victoria Estate	254		254		90	82	82				

Totals								
			2014/15	2014/15	2014/15	2014/15	2014/15	Totals
Housing requirement 2014 to 2019 + 20% buffer								3361
Planning permissions			521	693	691	611	484	3000
Subject to S.106			15	25	27	28	28	123
Specific unallocated sites			15	25	30	30	30	130
Windfall sites						55	55	110
Demolitions								371
Total supply 2014 to 2019								2992

Totals								
			2014/15	2014/15	2014/15	2014/15	2014/15	Totals
Housing requirement 2014 to 2019 + 20% buffer								3361
Planning permissions			521	693	691	611	484	3000
Subject to S.106			15	25	27	28	28	123
Specific unallocated sites			15	25	30	30	30	130
Windfall sites						55	55	110
Demolitions								371
Total supply 2014 to 2019								2992