# Saxlingham Nethergate Village Cluster Site Assessment Forms

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## Part 1 Site Details

Site Reference	SN0198
Site address	6 Kensington Close
Current planning status (including previous planning policy status)	Unallocated
Planning History	Historic refusal for single dwelling
Site size, hectares (as promoted)	0.34 ha
Promoted Site Use, including (a) Allocated site (b) SL extension	SL extension
Promoted Site Density (if known – otherwise assume 25 dwellings/ha)	Up to 10 dwellings = up to 29 dph (25 dph = 9 dwellings)
Greenfield/ Brownfield	Greenfield

### **Part 2 Absolute Constraints**

ABSOLUTE ON-SITE CONSTRAINTS (if 'yes' to any of the below, the site will be excluded from further assessment)		
Is the site located in, or does t	he site include:	
SPA, SAC, SSSI, Ramsar	No	
National Nature Reserve	No	
Ancient Woodland	No	
Flood Risk Zone 3b	No	
Scheduled Ancient Monument	No	
Locally Designated Green Space	No	

#### **Part 3 Suitability Assessment**

#### **HELAA Score**:

The RED/ AMBER/ GREEN score in the HELAA Score column below is based upon the assessment criteria set out in Appendix A of the 'Norfolk Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (July 2016)' methodology.

#### **Site Score**:

Where a HELAA Assessment has indicated either a RED or AMBER score, has the promoter of the site submitted any supporting evidence to indicate that the issues can be overcome (e.g., a Flood Risk Assessment, Contaminated Land Survey, Ecological Survey)? If yes, and if appropriate, note any changes to the HELAA score in the Site Score column. Additional criteria have been included under 'Accessibility to local services and facilities' and 'Landscape', which need to be reflected in the Site Score.

(Please note boxes filled with grey should not be completed)

Constraint	HELAA Score (R/ A/ G)	Comments	Site Score (R/ A/ G)
Access to the site	Red	No access. Would rely on access through adjacent property. Does not appear possible to create a safe access.	Red
		NCC Highways – Red. There is no possibility of creating suitable access to the site. Norwich Road in the vicinity of the site lacks footways & there is no safe walking route to school.	
Accessibility to local services and facilities  Part 1: O Primary School O Secondary school O Local healthcare services O Retail services O Local employment opportunities O Peak-time public transport	Amber	800m walk to primary school  Limited employment opportunities within 3000m and bus service (including peak) within 1800m	

Part 2: Part 1 facilities, plus OVillage/ community hall OPublic house/ cafe OPreschool facilities OFormal sports/ recreation facilities		Village hall (with groups), re ground within 1800m	creation	Amber
Utilities Capacity	Green	Wastewater capacity to be confirmed		Amber
Utilities Infrastructure	Green	Promoter advises electricity and foul drainage to site. No constraints.		Green
Better Broadband for Norfolk		Site is within the area served fibre technology	d by	Green
Identified ORSTED Cable Route		Unaffected by the identified ORSTED cable route or subs		Green
Contamination & ground stability	Green	Unlikely to be contaminated known stability issues	l and no	Green
Flood Risk	Green	Flood zone 1. No identified flood risk within site		Green
Impact	HELAA Score (R/ A/ G)	Comments		Site Score (R/ A/ G)
Impact SN Landscape Type		Comments  Rural River Valley		
			X	
SN Landscape Type		Rural River Valley	X	
SN Landscape Type (Land Use Consultants		Rural River Valley Tributary Farmland Tributary Farmland with	X	
SN Landscape Type (Land Use Consultants		Rural River Valley Tributary Farmland Tributary Farmland with Parkland	X	
SN Landscape Type (Land Use Consultants		Rural River Valley Tributary Farmland Tributary Farmland with Parkland Settled Plateau Farmland Plateau Farmland Valley Urban Fringe	X	
SN Landscape Type (Land Use Consultants 2001)		Rural River Valley Tributary Farmland Tributary Farmland with Parkland Settled Plateau Farmland Plateau Farmland Valley Urban Fringe Fringe Farmland	X	
SN Landscape Type (Land Use Consultants		Rural River Valley Tributary Farmland Tributary Farmland with Parkland Settled Plateau Farmland Plateau Farmland Valley Urban Fringe	X	
SN Landscape Type (Land Use Consultants 2001)  SN Landscape Character Area (Land		Rural River Valley Tributary Farmland Tributary Farmland with Parkland Settled Plateau Farmland Plateau Farmland Valley Urban Fringe Fringe Farmland	X	
SN Landscape Type (Land Use Consultants 2001)  SN Landscape Character Area (Land		Rural River Valley Tributary Farmland Tributary Farmland with Parkland Settled Plateau Farmland Plateau Farmland Valley Urban Fringe Fringe Farmland B1: Tas tributary farmland		
SN Landscape Type (Land Use Consultants 2001)  SN Landscape Character Area (Land Use Consultants 2001)  Overall Landscape	(R/ A/ G)	Rural River Valley Tributary Farmland Tributary Farmland with Parkland Settled Plateau Farmland Plateau Farmland Valley Urban Fringe Fringe Farmland B1: Tas tributary farmland ALC: N/A Detrimental impacts may be		(R/ A/ G)
SN Landscape Type (Land Use Consultants 2001)  SN Landscape Character Area (Land Use Consultants 2001)  Overall Landscape	(R/ A/ G)	Rural River Valley Tributary Farmland Tributary Farmland with Parkland Settled Plateau Farmland Plateau Farmland Valley Urban Fringe Fringe Farmland B1: Tas tributary farmland ALC: N/A Detrimental impacts may be reasonably mitigated througe	gh	(R/ A/ G)

Historic Environment	Green	No detrimental impact on HAs  HES - Amber	Green
Open Space	Green	Development would not result in the loss of any open space	Green
Transport and Roads	Green	NCC to confirm if impact on local network could be mitigated.  NCC Highways – Red. There is no possibility of creating suitable access to the site. Norwich Road in the vicinity of the site lacks footways & there is no safe walking route to school.	Amber
Neighbouring Land Uses	Green	Agriculture/residential	Green

## Part 4 Site Visit

Site Visit Observations	Comments	Site Score (R/ A/ G)
Impact on Historic Environment and townscape?	No direct impacts	
Is safe access achievable into the site? Any additional highways observations?	No existing access and no opportunity to provide this. Promoter relying on access beside existing dwelling	
Existing land use? (including potential redevelopment/demolition issues)	Garden/amenity	
What are the neighbouring land uses and are these compatible? (impact of development of the site and on the site)	Agriculture/ residential – compatible uses	
What is the topography of the site? (e.g. any significant changes in levels)	Flat	
What are the site boundaries? (e.g. trees, hedgerows, existing development)	Hedgerow including trees and residential boundaries.	
Landscaping and Ecology – are there any significant trees/ hedgerows/ ditches/ ponds etc on or adjacent to the site?	Trees along boundary and within site. Assessment required.	

Utilities and Contaminated Land— is there any evidence of existing infrastructure or contamination on / adjacent to the site? (e.g., pipelines, telegraph poles)	No constraints. No evidence of contamination.	
Description of the views (a) into the site and (b) out of the site and including impact on the landscape	Not prominent in views. Screened by existing development and established hedgerow.	
Initial site visit conclusion (NB: this is an initial observation only for informing the overall assessment of a site and does not determine that a site is suitable for development)	Walking route to school lacks footpath provision although wide verge in places and close to limited local services. Development as promoted would not reflect pattern and density of existing development. No separate access and does not appear feasible to provide. Development would also have significant impact on existing residential amenity.	Red

## **Part 5 Local Plan Designations**

Local Plan Designations, including those in Neighbourhood Plans, should be noted in the table below (excluding Open Countryside which will apply to all sites promoted outside the Development Limits).

Local Plan Designations (UNIFORM)	Comments	Site Score (R/ A/ G)
Open countryside		
Conclusion	Development of the site does not conflict with any existing or proposed land use designations	Green

# Part 6 Availability and Achievability

	Comments		Site Score (R/ A/ G)
Is the site in private/ public ownership?	private		
Is the site currently being marketed? (Additional information to be included as appropriate)	No		
When might the site be available for development? (Tick as appropriate)	Immediately	Х	
	Within 5 years		Green
	5 – 10 years		
	10 – 15 years		
	15-20 years		
	Comments:	l l	

ACHIEVABILITY (in liaison with landowners, and including viability)		
	Comments	Site Score (R/A/G)
Evidence submitted to support site deliverability? (Yes/ No) (Additional information to be included as appropriate)	Supporting statement from promoter	Amber
Are on-site/ off-site improvements likely to be required if the site is allocated? (e.g., physical, community, GI)	Yes. Currently no separate access to site.	Amber
Has the site promoter confirmed that the delivery of the required affordable housing contribution is viable?	No. Not included in supporting statement	Amber
Are there any associated public benefits proposed as part of delivery of the site?	No	

#### **Part 7 Conclusion**

#### **CONCLUSION**

**Suitability** Not suitable for allocation due to lack of access and impacts on townscape and existing residential amenity.

**Site Visit Observations** Walking route to school lacks footpath provision although wide verge in places and close to limited local services. Development as promoted would not reflect pattern and density of existing development. No separate access and does not appear feasible to provide. Development would also have significant impact on existing residential amenity.

**Local Plan Designations** Open countryside

**Availability** Promoter has advised availability within plan period.

Achievability Promoter has not commented

**OVERALL CONCLUSION: UNREASONABLE.** The site is adjacent to the settlement limit and existing modern residential properties however it is land-locked with no access into it. It would be contained within existing hedge boundaries but would be out of character with the surrounding development and would impact on residential amenity.

Preferred Site:

Reasonable Alternative:

Rejected: Yes

Date Completed: 12 January 2021

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## Part 1 Site Details

Site Reference	SN4005
Site address	North of Norwich Road
Current planning status (including previous planning policy status)	Unallocated
Planning History	No relevant history
Site size, hectares (as promoted)	1.1 ha
Promoted Site Use, including (c) Allocated site (d) SL extension	Allocated site
Promoted Site Density (if known – otherwise assume 25 dwellings/ha)	12 dwellings = 11 dph (25 dph = 27 dwellings)
Greenfield/ Brownfield	Greenfield

## **Part 2 Absolute Constraints**

ABSOLUTE ON-SITE CONSTRAINTS (if 'yes' to any of the below, the site will be excluded from further assessment)  Is the site located in, or does the site include:		
SPA, SAC, SSSI, Ramsar	No	
National Nature Reserve	No	
Ancient Woodland	No	
Flood Risk Zone 3b	No	
Scheduled Ancient Monument	No	
Locally Designated Green Space	No	

#### **Part 3 Suitability Assessment**

#### **HELAA Score**:

The RED/ AMBER/ GREEN score in the HELAA Score column below is based upon the assessment criteria set out in Appendix A of the 'Norfolk Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (July 2016)' methodology.

#### **Site Score**:

Where a HELAA Assessment has indicated either a RED or AMBER score, has the promoter of the site submitted any supporting evidence to indicate that the issues can be overcome (e.g., a Flood Risk Assessment, Contaminated Land Survey, Ecological Survey)? If yes, and if appropriate, note any changes to the HELAA score in the Site Score column. Additional criteria have been included under 'Accessibility to local services and facilities' and 'Landscape', which need to be reflected in the Site Score.

(Please note boxes filled with grey should not be completed)

SUITABILITY ASSESSMENT			
Constraint	HELAA Score (R/ A/ G)	Comments	Site Score (R/ A/ G)
Access to the site	Amber	Field access at northern end. Potential access constraints but these could be overcome through development  NCC Highways - Amber. No continuous f/w to village amenities & Norwich Road constrained in places.  Highways Meeting - Lack of continuous footpath back to the village. Would not be a safe walking route (alignment of the road is an issue), particularly as the school is located at the opposite end of the village. Highways not supportive.	Amber

Accessibility to local	Green	1000m walk to primary school		
services and facilities	G. cc	Toolin want to primary solice.		
		Limited employment opportuni	ities	
Part 1:		within 3000m and bus service		
o Primary School		(including peak) within 1800m		
<ul> <li>Secondary school</li> </ul>				
oLocal healthcare				
services				
o Retail services				
o Local employment				
opportunities				
<ul><li>Peak-time public transport</li></ul>				
transport				
Part 2:		Village hall (with groups), recrea	ation	Amber
Part 1 facilities, plus		ground within 1800m		
oVillage/ community				
hall				
oPublic house/ cafe				
o Preschool facilities				
o Formal sports/				
recreation facilities				
Utilities Capacity	Amber	Wastewater capacity to be		Amber
Others capacity	7411501	confirmed		Alliber
Utilities Infrastructure	Green	Promoter advises electricity, wa	ater	Green
		and foul drainage to site. No UK	KPN	
		constraints.		
Better Broadband for		Site is within the area served by	У	Green
Norfolk		fibre technology		
Identified ORSTED		Unaffected by the identified		Green
Cable Route		ORSTED cable route or sub stati	ion	
Contamination &	Green	Unlikely to be contaminated and	ıd no	Green
ground stability		known stability issues		
Flood Biol	Croon	Flood zone 1. No identified floo	\d	Green
Flood Risk	Green	risk within site.	JU	Green
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		LFFA – Green. Surface water		
		flooding.		
Impact	HELAA Score	Comments		Site Score
	(R/ A/ G)			(R/ A/ G)
SN Landscape Type		Rural River Valley		
(Land Use Consultants		Tributary Farmland X		
2001)		Tributary Farmland with		
		Parkland Settled Plateau Farmland		
		Plateau Farmland		
		Valley Urban Fringe		
		valicy or built tilinge		

		Fringe Farmland	
SN Landscape		B1: Tas tributary farmland	
Character Area (Land		B1. Tas tributary farifiand	
Use Consultants 2001)			
Ose Consultants 2001)		ALC: grade 3	
Overall Landscape	Green	Detrimental impacts may be	Amber
Assessment	Green	reasonably mitigated through	Allibei
Assessment		, -	
		design.	
		SDC Landscape Officer -	
		Development of this site is not	
		acceptable in landscape	
		terms. Considerable hedgerow	
		issues (conflicting with DM4.8) a	nc
		well as landscape character issue	
		well as laliuscape character issue	es.
Townscape	Green	Detrimental impacts may be	Amber
		reasonably mitigated through	
		design.	
		SDC Heritage Officer -	
		If linear development along road	d it
		would have more impact with la	rge
		new development. Preferable in	
		townscape terms to keep as muc	
		of hedge as possible and have a	
		slightly deeper site even with	
		smaller close with one point of	
		access maybe.	
		To the east side to the south the	uro
			ere
		is quite a lot of existing	
		development – with Kensington Close.	
		Close.	
Biodiversity &	Green	Any detrimental impacts on	Amber
Geodiversity		protected species or ecological	
		network could be reasonably	
		mitigated.	
		NCC Ecology – Green.	
		SSSI IRZ. Potential for protected	
		species/habitats and Biodiversity	y
		Net Gain	

Historic Environment	Green	No detrimental impact on HAs  SDC Heritage Officer - LBs are quite far to north, and CA to the south, so no real impact – all modern housing nearby.  HES - Amber	Green
Open Space	Green	Development would not result in the loss of any open space	Green
Transport and Roads	Amber	NCC to confirm if impact on local network could be mitigated.  NCC Highways - Red. No continuous f/w to village amenities & Norwich Road constrained in places.  Highways Meeting - Lack of continuous footpath back to the village. Would not be a safe walking route (alignment of the road is an issue), particularly as the school is located at the opposite end of the village. Highways not supportive.	Amber
Neighbouring Land Uses	Green	Agriculture/residential	Green

### Part 4 Site Visit

Site Visit Observations	Comments	Site Score (R/ A/ G)
Impact on Historic Environment and townscape?	No direct impacts	
Is safe access achievable into the site? Any additional highways observations?	Field access at northern end. NCC to confirm feasibility of new access as promoted due to proximity to bend.	
Existing land use? (including potential redevelopment/demolition issues)	Agriculture	
What are the neighbouring land uses and are these compatible? (impact of development of the site and on the site)	Agriculture/residential – compatible uses	
What is the topography of the site? (e.g. any significant changes in levels)	Northern part of site raised above adjacent highway. G/L falls to south, in line with highway	
What are the site boundaries? (e.g. trees, hedgerows, existing development)	Hedgerow including trees. Open to farmland to north.	
Landscaping and Ecology – are there any significant trees/ hedgerows/ ditches/ ponds etc on or adjacent to the site?	Hedgerow and trees along boundary and hedgerow transecting the site.	
Utilities and Contaminated Land— is there any evidence of existing infrastructure or contamination on / adjacent to the site? (e.g., pipelines, telegraph poles)	Telegraph poles and O/H lines along highway boundary.	
Description of the views (a) into the site and (b) out of the site and including impact on the landscape	Prominent in views along Norwich Road and from farmland to north.	
Initial site visit conclusion (NB: this is an initial observation only for informing the overall assessment of a site and does not determine that a site is suitable for development)	Walking route to school lacks footpath provision although wide verge in places. No opportunity to link into existing footpaths.  Townscape and landscape impacts would be limited by development of southern section only with landscaped boundary on north eastern side. Need to reflect existing pattern of development would constrain numbers. Seek early comment regarding access.	Amber

## **Part 5 Local Plan Designations**

Local Plan Designations, including those in Neighbourhood Plans, should be noted in the table below (excluding Open Countryside which will apply to all sites promoted outside the Development Limits).

Local Plan Designations (UNIFORM)	Comments	Site Score (R/ A/ G)
Conclusion	Development of the site does not conflict with any existing or proposed land use designations	Green

## Part 6 Availability and Achievability

	Comments		Site Score (R/ A/ G)
Is the site in private/ public ownership?	private		
Is the site currently being marketed? (Additional information to be included as appropriate)	No		
When might the site be available for development? (Tick as appropriate)	Immediately	Х	Green
	Within 5 years		
	5 – 10 years		
	10 – 15 years		
	15-20 years		
	Comments:	·	

ACHIEVABILITY (in liaison with landowners	, and including viability)	
	Comments	Site Score (R/A/G)
Evidence submitted to support site deliverability? (Yes/ No) (Additional information to be included as appropriate)	Supporting statement from promoter	Amber

Are on-site/ off-site improvements likely to be required if the site is allocated? (e.g., physical, community, GI)	Yes. Currently no separate access to site.	Amber
Has the site promoter confirmed that the delivery of the required affordable housing contribution is viable?	No. Not included in supporting statement	Amber
Are there any associated public benefits proposed as part of delivery of the site?	No	

#### **Part 7 Conclusion**

#### **CONCLUSION**

**Suitability** Not suitable for allocation as promoted due to lack of connectivity and landscape/townscape impacts. However, development of southern section only could limit these impacts but would not overcome other concerns.

**Site Visit Observations** Walking route to school lacks footpath provision although wide verge in places. No opportunity to link into existing footpaths. Townscape and landscape impacts would be limited by development of southern section only with landscaped boundary on north eastern side. Need to reflect existing pattern of development would constrain numbers. Seek early comment regarding access.

**Local Plan Designations** Open countryside

**Availability** Promoter has advised availability within plan period.

**Achievability** Supporting statement submitted

**OVERALL CONCLUSION: UNREASONABLE.** The site is adjacent to the settlement limit but there is no continuous footpath back to the village and there would not be a safe walking route. The site is out of scale with the village and would extend into the landscape and wider views to the north, elongating the village. Access from Norwich Road would require the removal of substantial mature hedging.

Preferred Site:

Reasonable Alternative:

Rejected: Yes

Date Completed: 12 January 2021

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## Part 1 Site Details

Site Reference	SN4007SL
Site address	Land south of Norwich Road
Current planning status (including previous planning policy status)	Unallocated
Planning History	No relevant history
Site size, hectares (as promoted)	0.37 ha
Promoted Site Use, including  (e) Allocated site  (f) SL extension	SL extension for affordable housing
Promoted Site Density (if known – otherwise assume 25 dwellings/ha)	3 dwellings = 8 dph (25 dph = 9 dwellings)
Greenfield/ Brownfield	Greenfield

## **Part 2 Absolute Constraints**

ABSOLUTE ON-SITE CONSTRAINTS (if 'yes' to any of the below, the site will be excluded from further assessment)  Is the site located in, or does the site include:		
SPA, SAC, SSSI, Ramsar	No	
National Nature Reserve	No	
Ancient Woodland	No	
Flood Risk Zone 3b	No	
Scheduled Ancient Monument	No	
Locally Designated Green Space	No	

#### **Part 3 Suitability Assessment**

#### **HELAA Score**:

The RED/ AMBER/ GREEN score in the HELAA Score column below is based upon the assessment criteria set out in Appendix A of the 'Norfolk Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (July 2016)' methodology.

#### **Site Score**:

Where a HELAA Assessment has indicated either a RED or AMBER score, has the promoter of the site submitted any supporting evidence to indicate that the issues can be overcome (e.g., a Flood Risk Assessment, Contaminated Land Survey, Ecological Survey)? If yes, and if appropriate, note any changes to the HELAA score in the Site Score column. Additional criteria have been included under 'Accessibility to local services and facilities' and 'Landscape', which need to be reflected in the Site Score.

(Please note boxes filled with grey should not be completed)

SUITABILITY ASSESSMENT			
Constraint	HELAA Score (R/ A/ G)	Comments	Site Score (R/ A/ G)
Access to the site	Amber	Existing field access. Potential constraints but these could be overcome through development.  NCC Highways - Red.  Visibility at frontage limited by road layout. No continuous f/w to village amenities & Norwich Road constrained in places.	Amber
Accessibility to local services and facilities  Part 1: O Primary School O Secondary school O Local healthcare services O Retail services O Local employment opportunities O Peak-time public transport	Green	Limited employment opportunities within 3000m and bus service (including peak) within 1800m	

Part 2: Part 1 facilities, plus OVillage/ community hall OPublic house/ cafe O Preschool facilities OFormal sports/ recreation facilities		Village hall (with groups), red ground within 1800m	Green	
Utilities Capacity	Amber	Wastewater capacity to be confirmed		Amber
Utilities Infrastructure	Green	Promoter advises electricity, and foul drainage to site. No constraints.		Green
Better Broadband for Norfolk		Within a proposed fibre insta area	allation	Amber
Identified ORSTED Cable Route		Unaffected by the identified ORSTED cable route or sub s	Green	
Contamination & ground stability	Green	Unlikely to be contaminated known stability issues	Green	
Flood Risk	Green	Flood zone 1. No identified f risk within site. LFFA – Green.	Green	
Impact	HELAA Score (R/ A/ G)	Comments		Site Score (R/ A/ G)
SN Landscape Type	( , , -,	Rural River Valley		( ) - /
(Land Use Consultants		Tributary Farmland	Х	
2001)		Tributary Farmland with	^	
2001)		Parkland		
		Settled Plateau Farmland		
		Plateau Farmland		
		Valley Urban Fringe		
		Fringe Farmland		
SN Landscape Character Area (Land Use Consultants 2001)		B1: Tas tributary farmland		
0 "1"		ALC: grade 3		
Overall Landscape Assessment	Amber	Detrimental impacts may be reasonably mitigated through design		Amber
Townscape	Amber	Detrimental impacts may be reasonably mitigated through design.		Amber

Biodiversity & Geodiversity	Amber	Any detrimental impacts on protected species or ecological network could be reasonably mitigated.  NCC Ecology – Green. SSSI IRZ. Potential for protected species/habitats and Biodiversity Net Gain	Amber
Historic Environment	Green	No detrimental impact on HAs  HES - Amber	Green
Open Space	Green	Development would not result in the loss of any open space	Green
Transport and Roads	Amber	NCC to confirm if impact on local network could be mitigated.  NCC Highways - Red. Visibility at frontage limited by road layout. No continuous f/w to village amenities & Norwich Road constrained in places.	Amber
Neighbouring Land Uses	Green	Agriculture/residential	Green

## Part 4 Site Visit

Site Visit Observations	Comments	Site Score (R/ A/ G)
Impact on Historic Environment and townscape?	No direct impacts	
Is safe access achievable into the site? Any additional highways observations?	Existing field access. NCC to confirm if safe access achievable as site near bend	
Existing land use? (including potential redevelopment/demolition issues)	Amenity land	
What are the neighbouring land uses and are these compatible? (impact of development of the site and on the site)	Agriculture/ residential – compatible uses	
What is the topography of the site? (e.g. any significant changes in levels)	Flat	

What are the site boundaries? (e.g. trees, hedgerows, existing development)	Hedgerow including trees. Fence to southern boundary.	
Landscaping and Ecology – are there any significant trees/ hedgerows/ ditches/ ponds etc on or adjacent to the site?	Trees along eastern and western boundaries.	
Utilities and Contaminated Land— is there any evidence of existing infrastructure or contamination on / adjacent to the site? (e.g., pipelines, telegraph poles)  Description of the views (a) into the site	No constraints. No evidence of contamination.  Prominent in views along Norwich	
and (b) out of the site and including impact on the landscape	Road.	
Initial site visit conclusion (NB: this is an initial observation only for informing the overall assessment of a site and does not determine that a site is suitable for development)	Walking route to school lacks footpath provision but wide verges in places. Improved access would require loss of hedgerow.	Amber

## **Part 5 Local Plan Designations**

Local Plan Designations, including those in Neighbourhood Plans, should be noted in the table below (excluding Open Countryside which will apply to all sites promoted outside the Development Limits).

Local Plan Designations (UNIFORM)	Comments	Site Score (R/ A/ G)
Within development boundary		
Conclusion	Development of the site does not conflict with any existing or proposed land use designations	Green

# Part 6 Availability and Achievability

	Comments		Site Score (R/ A/ G)
Is the site in private/ public ownership?	private		
Is the site currently being marketed? (Additional information to be included as appropriate)	No		
When might the site be available for development? (Tick as appropriate)	Immediately	Х	Green
	Within 5 years		
	5 – 10 years		
	10 – 15 years		
	15-20 years		
	Comments:	L	

ACHIEVABILITY (in liaison with landowners		
	Comments	Site Score (R/A/G)
Evidence submitted to support site deliverability? (Yes/ No) (Additional information to be included as appropriate)	Supporting statement from promoter	Amber
Are on-site/ off-site improvements likely to be required if the site is allocated? (e.g., physical, community, GI)	Yes. Access improvements.	Amber
Has the site promoter confirmed that the delivery of the required affordable housing contribution is viable?	Promoted for affordable housing only	Amber
Are there any associated public benefits proposed as part of delivery of the site?	Affordable housing in rural area	

#### **Part 7 Conclusion**

#### CONCLUSION

**Suitability** Not suitable for allocation as site is within existing SL. Proposals should be assessed against current DM policies. Access, design/layout and landscaping would be main considerations.

**Site Visit** Walking route to school lacks footpath provision but wide verges in places. Improved access would require loss of hedgerow

Local Plan Designations Within development boundary

**Availability** Promoter has advised availability within plan period.

**Achievability** As confirmed by promoter

**OVERALL CONCLUSION: NOT REASONABLE FOR ALLOCATION AS SITE ALREADY WITHIN SL.** The site is already located within the Settlement Boundary. Proposals would be assessed against current DM policies which already support development here in principle. Access, design, layout and landscaping would be the main considerations to be dealt with through a planning application.

**Preferred Site:** 

Reasonable Alternative:

Rejected: Yes

Date Completed: 12 January 2021

# <u>SN Village Clusters Housing Allocations Document – Site Assessment Form</u>

## Part 1 Site Details

Site Reference	SN4034SL
Site address	Land west of sandpit Lane
Current planning status (including previous planning policy status)	Unallocated
Planning History	2017/0360 single dwelling – refused and dismissed at appeal
Site size, hectares (as promoted)	0.1 ha
Promoted Site Use, including (g) Allocated site (h) SL extension	SL extension
Promoted Site Density (if known – otherwise assume 25 dwellings/ha)	Up to 5 dwellings = 50 dph (25 dph = 2.5 dwellings)
Greenfield/ Brownfield	Greenfield

## **Part 2 Absolute Constraints**

ABSOLUTE ON-SITE CONSTRAINTS (if 'yes' to any of the below, the site will be excluded from further assessment)  Is the site located in, or does the site include:			
SPA, SAC, SSSI, Ramsar	No		
31 A, 3AC, 3331, Namsai			
National Nature Reserve	No		
Ancient Woodland	No		
Flood Risk Zone 3b	No		
Scheduled Ancient Monument	No		
Locally Designated Green Space	No		

#### **Part 3 Suitability Assessment**

#### **HELAA Score**:

The RED/ AMBER/ GREEN score in the HELAA Score column below is based upon the assessment criteria set out in Appendix A of the 'Norfolk Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (July 2016)' methodology.

#### **Site Score**:

Where a HELAA Assessment has indicated either a RED or AMBER score, has the promoter of the site submitted any supporting evidence to indicate that the issues can be overcome (e.g., a Flood Risk Assessment, Contaminated Land Survey, Ecological Survey)? If yes, and if appropriate, note any changes to the HELAA score in the Site Score column. Additional criteria have been included under 'Accessibility to local services and facilities' and 'Landscape', which need to be reflected in the Site Score.

(Please note boxes filled with grey should not be completed)

SUITABILITY ASSESSMENT			
Constraint	HELAA Score (R/ A/ G)	Comments	Site Score (R/ A/ G)
Access to the site	Red	Existing access. Potential constraints but these could be overcome through development.	Amber
		NCC Highways - Red. Access & safe walking route not achievable.	
Accessibility to local services and facilities  Part 1: O Primary School O Secondary school O Local healthcare services O Retail services O Local employment opportunities O Peak-time public transport	Amber	1400 m walk to primary school  Limited employment opportunities within 3000m and bus service (including peak) within 1800m	

Part 2: Part 1 facilities, plus OVillage/ community hall OPublic house/ cafe O Preschool facilities O Formal sports/ recreation facilities		Village hall (with groups), recreation ground within 1800m		Green
Utilities Capacity	Green	Wastewater capacity to be confirmed		Amber
Utilities Infrastructure	Green	Promoter advises electricity, and foul drainage to site. No constraints.		Green
Better Broadband for Norfolk		Within a proposed fibre insta area	llation	Amber
Identified ORSTED Cable Route		Unaffected by the identified ORSTED cable route or sub station		Green
Contamination & ground stability	Green	Unlikely to be contaminated and no known stability issues.  NCC Minerals - site within the 400m consultation area for safeguarded key Water Recycling Centres. If these sites were to go forward as allocations then a requirement for future development to comply with the mineral and waste safeguarding policy in the Norfolk Minerals and Waste Local Plan, should be included within any allocation policy.		Green
Flood Risk	Green	Flood zone 1. No identified flood risk within site.  LFFA – Green.		Green
Impact	HELAA Score	Comments		Site Score
SN Landscape Type	(R/ A/ G)	Rural River Valley		(R/ A/ G)
(Land Use Consultants		Tributary Farmland	Χ	
2001)		Tributary Farmland with		
,		Parkland		
		Settled Plateau Farmland		
		Plateau Farmland		
		Valley Urban Fringe		
		Fringe Farmland	-	

SN Landscape Character Area (Land Use Consultants 2001)		B1: Tas tributary farmland  ALC: N/A	
Overall Landscape Assessment	Green	Detrimental impacts may be reasonably mitigated through design	Amber
Townscape	Green	Detrimental impacts may be reasonably mitigated through design.	Amber
Biodiversity & Geodiversity	Green	Any detrimental impacts on protected species or ecological network could be reasonably mitigated.	Amber
		NCC Ecology – Green. Potential for protected species/ habitats and Biodiversity Net Gain	
Historic Environment	Green	No detrimental impact on HAs  HES - Amber	Green
Open Space	Green	Development would not result in the loss of any open space	Green
Transport and Roads	Green	NCC to confirm if impact on local network could be mitigated.  NCC Highways - Red. Access & safe walking route not achievable.	Amber
Neighbouring Land Uses	Green	Agriculture/residential	Green

## Part 4 Site Visit

Site Visit Observations	Comments	Site Score (R/ A/ G)
Impact on Historic Environment and townscape?	No direct impacts	
Is safe access achievable into the site? Any additional highways observations?	Existing access onto track off Sandpit Lane which is very narrow, no verge and enclosed by high hedgerow. NCC to confirm if safe access achievable	
Existing land use? (including potential redevelopment/demolition issues)	Garden/amenity	
What are the neighbouring land uses and are these compatible? (impact of development of the site and on the site)	Agriculture/ residential – compatible uses	
What is the topography of the site? (e.g. any significant changes in levels)	Flat	
What are the site boundaries? (e.g. trees, hedgerows, existing development)	Hedgerow including trees	
Landscaping and Ecology – are there any significant trees/ hedgerows/ ditches/ ponds etc on or adjacent to the site?	Trees along boundary and within site. Assessment required.	
Utilities and Contaminated Land— is there any evidence of existing infrastructure or contamination on / adjacent to the site? (e.g., pipelines, telegraph poles)	Telegraph poles and O/H lines along southern boundary. No evidence of contamination.	
Description of the views (a) into the site and (b) out of the site and including impact on the landscape	Not prominent in views. Screened by existing development and established hedgerow.	
Initial site visit conclusion (NB: this is an initial observation only for informing the overall assessment of a site and does not determine that a site is suitable for development)	Walking route to school lacks footpath provision along very narrow lane with limited visibility. Also impacts on connectivity to other local services which would rely on private car. Development as proposed would not reflect existing scattered pattern of development.	Red

## **Part 5 Local Plan Designations**

Local Plan Designations, including those in Neighbourhood Plans, should be noted in the table below (excluding Open Countryside which will apply to all sites promoted outside the Development Limits).

Local Plan Designations (UNIFORM)	Comments	Site Score (R/ A/ G)
Conclusion	Development of the site does not conflict with any existing or proposed land use designations	Green

## Part 6 Availability and Achievability

	Comments		Site Score (R/ A/ G)
Is the site in private/ public ownership?	private		
Is the site currently being marketed? (Additional information to be included as appropriate)	No		
When might the site be available for development? (Tick as appropriate)	Immediately	Х	Green
	Within 5 years		
	5 – 10 years		
	10 – 15 years		
	15-20 years		
	Comments:	I	

ACHIEVABILITY (in liaison with landowners, and including viability)		
	Comments	Site Score (R/A/G)
Evidence submitted to support site deliverability? (Yes/ No) (Additional	Supporting statement from promoter	Amber

information to be included as appropriate)		
Are on-site/ off-site improvements likely to be required if the site is allocated? (e.g., physical, community, GI)	Yes. NCC to confirm	Amber
Has the site promoter confirmed that the delivery of the required affordable housing contribution is viable?	Promoted for affordable housing only	Amber
Are there any associated public benefits proposed as part of delivery of the site?	Affordable housing in rural area	

#### **Part 7 Conclusion**

#### CONCLUSION

**Suitability** Not suitable for extension to settlement limit due to lack of connectivity to school and other local services and townscape impacts.

**Site Visit** Walking route to school lacks footpath provision along very narrow lane with limited visibility. Also impacts on connectivity to other local services which would rely on private car. Development as proposed would not reflect existing scattered pattern of development.

**Local Plan Designations** Open countryside

**Availability** Promoter has advised availability within plan period.

**Achievability** As confirmed by promoter

**OVERALL CONCLUSION: UNREASONABLE.** It is detached from the village and remote from the school and other services with poor connectivity along very narrow, single track, unlit roads with no footpaths. The site is visually contained but development here is sporadic and this type of consolidation would be out of character. It would require the removal of established frontage hedging which would significantly add to this impact.

Preferred Site:

Reasonable Alternative:

Rejected: Yes

Date Completed: 12 January 2021