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INFRASTRUCTURE


- Includes 4 of West Berkshire Core Strategy Policies
 - Infrastructure Facilities and Amenities
 - Transport
 - Green Infrastructure
 - Flooding
- Initial Mortimer objective shown together with exemplars/questions of what might be included

Under INFRASTRUCTURE grouped four of West Berkshire Core Strategy policies.

Taking each of these in turn the initial objective developed by the NDP team is displayed and policy area is fleshed out by way of a few examples that might be considered/included during the development of the NDP.

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Infrastructure Facilities and Amenities



Mortimer will be well served by both public and private Infrastructure while retaining its existing rural character.

Health, care and welfare - Expanding population and changing demographics, local surgery services rather than hospital based ones, and new ways of delivering health and care services, what facilities, types of care and suitable sites are required?


Parking – Is there a need for more, if so, what kind and where? E.g parking to be included in new housing developments

Superfast broadband for business, enable working from home, support new digital services as they are developed such as health care, home entertainment.

Schooling - Will there be enough school places, if not how many more places on what sites?

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Transport



The transport opportunities be maintained, and where possible, improved while retaining the existing rural character of the area.

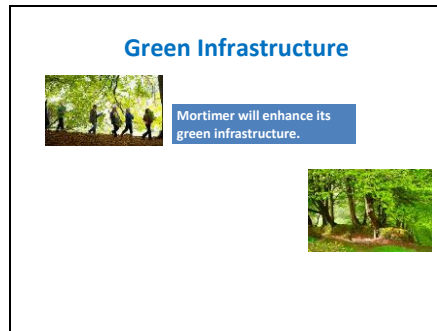
Trains, bus services, roads - Are they adequate, what improvements in quantity and quality might be needed?

Walking and cycling routes For example

New housing will be no more than a 10 minute walk (about 800m) from community facilities, schools, health centres, shops, playing fields, etc.

Design streets/roads to accommodate the needs of pedestrians and cyclists e.g. shared-use footpaths/cycleways to be included in road designs.

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Specified planting programmes of native arboreal species and green spaces to be an integral part of any significant new housing development.

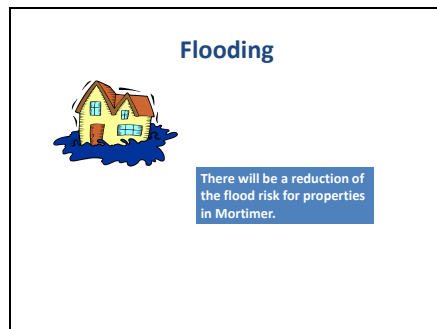
Policies for

Hedgerows - protection, enhancement and establish new ones with native species.

Rural pathways – protect existing, have more and better.

‘Green Spaces’ - improve legal protection from unwanted development using the ‘Local Green Space Designation’ guidance and rules issued by the Government as part of NDPs.

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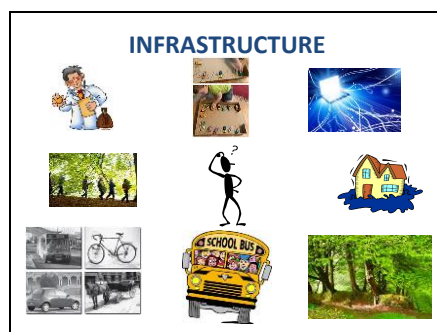


Build on West Berkshire core strategy flooding policy, develop policies specific to Mortimer e.g.

New developments should not be in flood risk area nor increase flood risk elsewhere,

Reduce the risk of flooding where possible taking into account climate change.

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Given a flavour of what might be considered and fleshed out in the infrastructure section of the Mortimer NDP.

Questions, views, ideas, issues and concerns (See meeting notes).