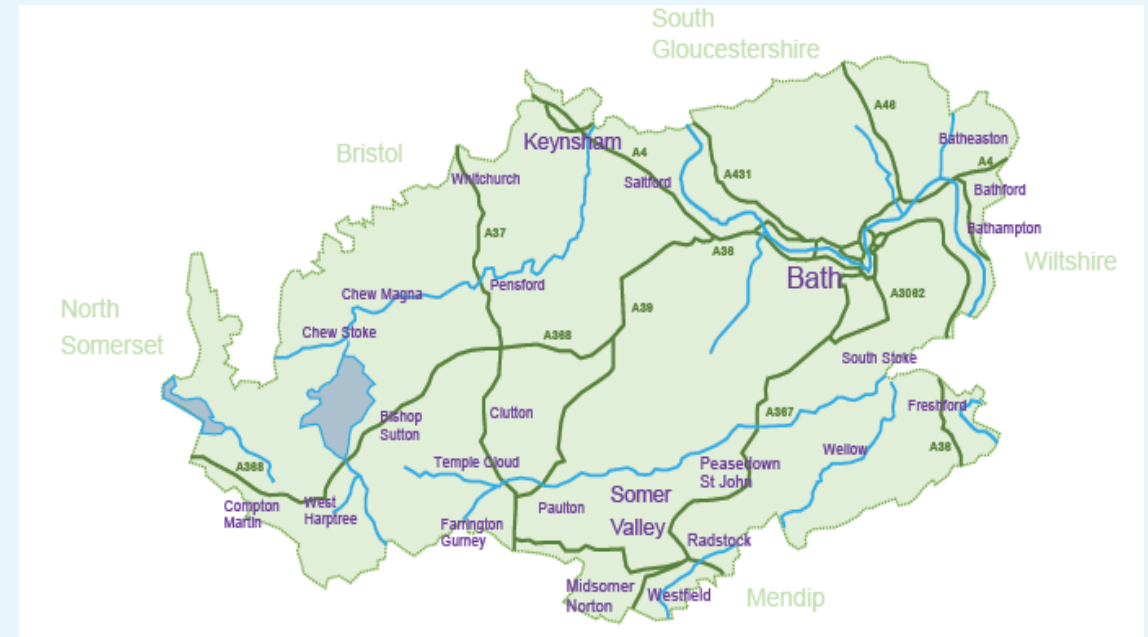

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Keynsham Area Forum
Local Plan Update & Next Steps

The new Local Plan

- Sets out the planning framework for the next 20 years
- Spatial priorities and strategy, including site allocations and Development Management policies
- Reflects corporate priorities, relevant evidence and strategies, recent consultations and stakeholder engagement.



Local Plan Process



Keynsham Area Stakeholder Workshop – 26th Jan 2023

Key values/issues & priorities

- Retain strong community identity
- Attractive countryside setting and other key environmental assets e.g. Memorial Park, Rivers Avon & Chew etc
- Locational advantages - close to both Bristol and Bath offering a different types of experiences/facilities
- Local character and heritage
- Transport – addressing congestion and improving sustainable means of transport



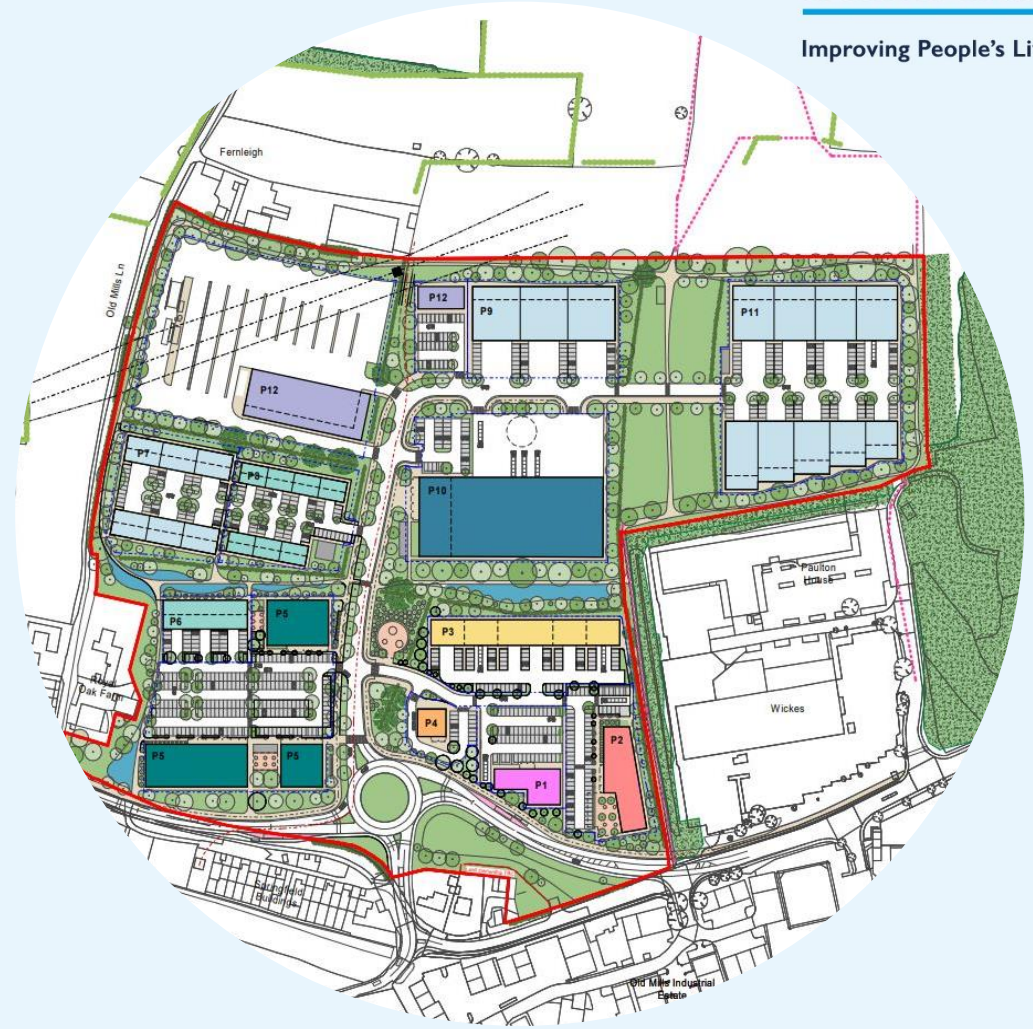
Evidence

- **Local Housing Needs Assessment (LHNA)**
 - Identify the overall level of housing need: standard method figure = 725 per annum
 - More detailed work:
 - Breakdown of housing need by dwelling size, type and tenure (including different types of affordable housing need and First Homes)
 - Housing accessibility requirements
 - Need for different forms of older persons housing
 - Affordable housing – income profile of need



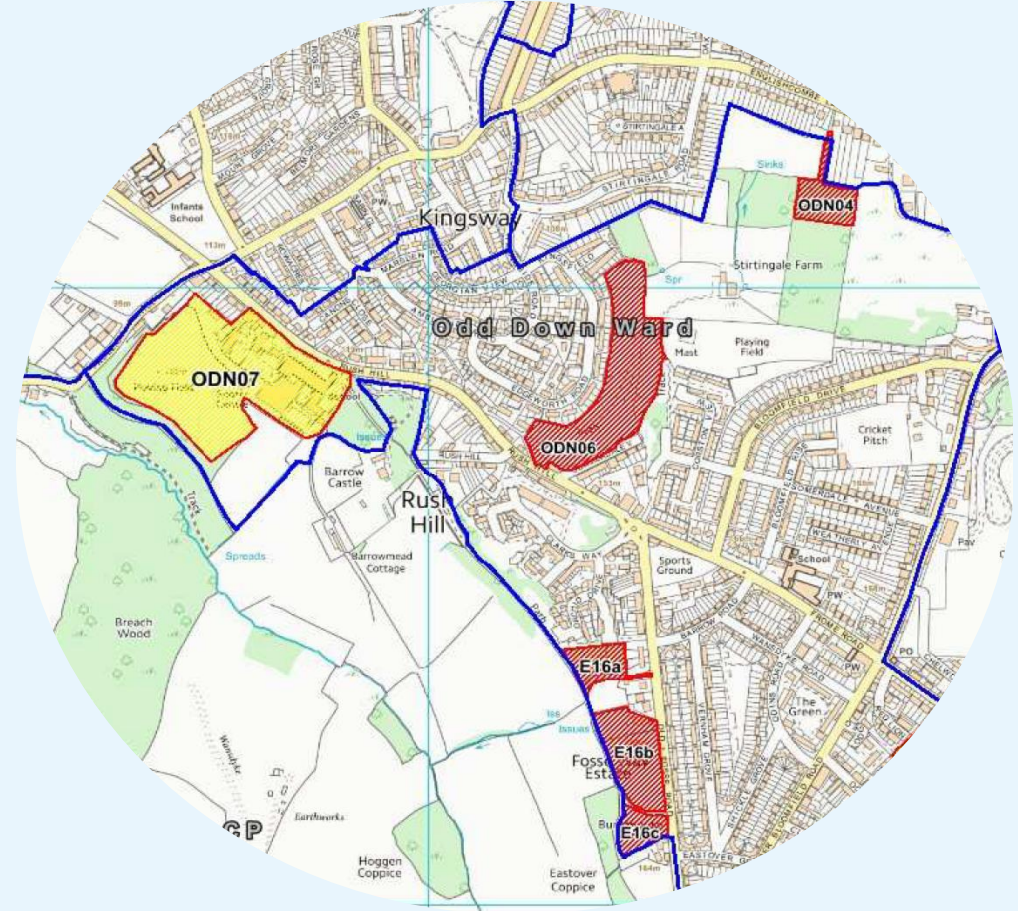
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- **Economic growth and office and industrial market assessment**
 - Assessment of future growth of different economic sectors and resultant demand for different types of employment space
 - Review of current supply of office, industrial and other types of employment space and current demand (allow to monitor impacts/effectiveness of the current strategy and policies)



Evidence

- **Housing & Employment Land Availability Assessment**
 - Call for sites – landowners/communities/stakeholders submit potential sites
 - Technical assessment of suitability, availability and achievability
 - Informs spatial strategy/identification of potential sites (options) to meet housing requirement



Evidence

District-wide, includes:

- Renewable energy potential/strategy
- Green Spaces Strategy and Local Green Spaces
- Visitor Accommodation
- Strategic Flood Risk Assessment update

...and more

Place specific, includes:

- Strategic Place Assessment/Sustainable Transport Strategy
- Facilities audit/transport accessibility

Next steps

- Place based community representatives/stakeholders' workshop later in July and September
 - *Confirmation of issues & priorities – place vision*
 - *B&NES strategies/wider context*
 - *Strategic place assessments - evidence*
 - *Identify & discuss potential opportunities*
- Generated options to then be assessed
- Evidence work to be completed
- Options document prepared for consultation

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