

List of Policies and Questions

Policy SS1: Spatial Strategy for Wealden

Sustainable Development

1. The Council will expect development proposals and the use of land to contribute positively to the social, economic and environmental enhancement of Wealden. Planning applications that are consistent with the policies in the plan will be supported, unless material considerations indicate otherwise.

General Principles

2. During the plan period up to 2042 the Local Plan will:

- a) Deliver sustainable and high-quality development that meets the needs of our communities for homes and jobs, whilst balancing the impact of growth on our natural environment, protected landscapes and the countryside.
- b) Contribute to the continued sustainability of our towns and villages. This will involve supporting the improvements that are required to local services, community facilities and infrastructure. Subject to other policies in the plan, we will safeguard our existing employment and tourism sites and seek to deliver new employment and tourism sites, ensuring that people can access jobs, services and facilities locally.
- c) Support our towns and villages to be 'complete, compact and connected neighbourhoods' to help provide health, social, environmental and economic benefits to our communities.
- d) Support Neighbourhood Plans where Parishes have designated such areas for this purpose, including supporting site allocations for housing and employment purposes, providing such developments are consistent with the policies in this plan.

Development Boundaries

3. Subject to other policies in the plan, new development will be permitted within those settlements with an identified development boundary as shown on the Policies Map.

This includes the following settlements:

Crowborough, Uckfield, Hailsham, Heathfield, Polegate, Willingdon, Stone Cross, Westham, Pevensey, Forest Row, Horam, Mayfield, Wadhurst, Bells Yew Green, Berwick Station, Blackboys, Buxted, Cross in Hand, East Hoathly, Five Ash Down, Framfield, Frant, Groombridge, Hartfield, Herstmonceux, Isfield, Lower Horsebridge, Maresfield, Ninfield and Rotherfield.

4. Within these settlements, development proposals should make the best use of previously developed land, apply an appropriate density to its use, ensure the creation of strong, sustainable, cohesive and inclusive communities including required infrastructure provision. Development proposals should also consider land take and the impact this may have on the natural environment and resources, whilst also relating well to the existing and surrounding character of the area.

Employment

5. The Council will support economic development proposals which deliver a growth in high-skilled jobs and/or an expansion of tourism that contributes towards the delivery of sustainable economic prosperity in the district.

6. New strategic employment floorspace will be allocated for development within this local plan in line with policy SS6 (and the district's strategic employment sites will also be protected, alongside non-strategic employment land). Improvements to existing strategic employment sites (redevelopment, conversion, upgrading, intensification or reconfiguration) will also be supported where this meets other policies in the plan in order to meet the district's employment need. These sites will contribute to meeting an increase in employment land and jobs within the plan period.

District, Service and Local Centres

7. The role of our district, service and local centres will be protected and enhanced by encouraging a range of uses consistent with the scale and function of the centre having regard to its position in the hierarchy. Retail growth during the plan period will be

focused within these centres in accordance with the town centre hierarchy and policies TC1 (District, Service and Local Centre Hierarchy and 'Town Centre' First Principles) and TC2 (Sequential and Local Impact Test).

8. The Council will support improvements to district, service and local centres where this will support the vitality and viability of centres including improvements to the quality of our town centres and public realm, the provision of a diverse offer, the provision of community services, improvements to active travel infrastructure and the night-time economy. Development that is associated with the 'greening' of our town centres will be particularly supported.

Countryside

9. Land outside development boundaries will be considered as the countryside. The countryside will be protected unless development is supported by a specific policy referenced elsewhere in this plan.

Question 1

a) Do you agree with the updated draft Policy SS1: Spatial Strategy for Wealden, and if not, why?

b) Is there an alternative spatial strategy that we should be considering through this Local Plan? If so, please set out what the alternative spatial strategy should contain and why?

Policy SS2: Provision of Homes

New homes

1. A housing target of 16,609 (net) dwellings will be delivered in the district between 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2042. The provision of homes will be met through committed schemes (with planning permission), site allocations within this local plan and windfall development, as set out in Table 4.

2. New housing (allocations and windfall) development is supported in the district's most sustainable settlements and will be located within the defined development boundary areas within the district, as defined on the Policies Map.

Settlement category	Settlement
Type 1 settlements (Town)	Crowborough, Uckfield, Hailsham and Heathfield
Type 2 settlements (Settlements that geographically relate to a regional centre out with Wealden District)	Polegate, Willingdon, Stone Cross, Westham, Pevensey, Pevensey Bay
Type 3 settlements (Primary village)	Forest Row, Horam, Mayfield, Wadhurst.
Type 4 settlements (Secondary village)	Bells Yew Green, Berwick Station, Blackboys, Buxted, Cross in Hand, East Hoathly, Five Ash Down, Framfield, Frant, Groombridge, Hartfield, Herstmonceux, Isfield, Lower Horsebridge, Maresfield, Ninfield, Rotherfield
Type 5 settlements (Neighbourhood settlement)	Broad Oak, Cade Street, Chelwood Gate, Coleman's Hatch, Danehill, Five Ashes, Eridge, Hadlow Down, Halland, Hellingly, High Hurstwood, Laughton, Lower Dicker, Little Horsted, Mark Cross, Maynards Green, Nutley, Punnetts Town, Rushlake Green, Selveston, Upper Dicker, Upper Hartfield, Windmill Hill, Withyham

Parish	Committed Dwellings (Net) as of 1 April 2025	Windfall Allowance	'Focused' Local Plan Allocated Dwellings (Net)	Total	Changes to Allocations since Reg 18(1) (March 2024)
Hailsham	1,653	291	696	2,640	49 additional dwellings across 2 new sites
Hartfield	10	28	11	49	n/a
Heathfield and Waldron	55	155	176	386	25 additional dwellings across 3 new sites
Hellingly	923	52	199	1,174	174 additional dwellings across 3 new sites
Herstmonceux	145	35	9	189	n/a
Hooe	1	6	0	7	n/a
Horam	194	40	807	1,041	5 additional dwellings on site previously identified
Isfield	5	9	20	34	n/a
Laughton	15	8	0	23	n/a
Little Horsted	0	3	1,500	1,503	1,500 additional dwellings on 1 new site
Long Man	2	6	0	8	n/a
Maresfield	56	46	245	347	10 additional dwellings on 1 new site
Mayfield and Five Ashes	19	51	0	70	n/a
Ninfield	95	20	20	135	n/a
Pevensey	4	42	5	51	5 additional dwellings on 1 new site
Polegate	579	119	131	829	n/a
Rotherfield	31	42	5	78	n/a
Selmeston	0	2	0	2	n/a

The Sustainability Study (SSS) and the proposed settlement hierarchy is one of many evidence-based studies that we continue to take into account when considering the distribution of future growth and delivering sustainable development. The study itself does not determine how much growth should be allocated to each settlement as we need to consider many sustainability and planning matters to help us to determine this. For example, the availability of land, environmental constraints such as landscape and flooding as well as physical and social constraints such as the availability of infrastructure to support new growth. All aspects are considered in preparing a local plan, in combination with the Sustainability Appraisal (January 2026) and the Interim Habitats Regulations Assessment

Question 2

- a) Do you agree with draft Policy SS2 (Provision of Homes), and if not, why?
- b) Do you agree with the list of potential sites, the amount of development, and/or the issues identified in tables 6 (alternative scenario) associated with draft Policy SS2 –Provision of Homes?

Policy SS3: Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople - Accommodation Needs

To meet the identified accommodation needs for Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Show people within the District up to 2040, the Council will endeavour to make provision for 51 pitches for Gypsies and Travellers and 3 plots for Travelling Show people in accordance with the accommodation needs identified in the GTAA.

Local Plan Reference	SHELAA Reference	Site	Parish	Number of plots/pitches expected	Further Issues for assessment
OGT1	835/1510	Land at Polly Arch, Lynholm Road, Polegate*	Polegate	4	Flood risk along access track to site and viability issues.
OGT2	467/1310	Development Land at Station Road, Hailsham (part)	Hailsham	10	Likely suitable in part only. Further assessment needed on impact on ecology and green infrastructure; Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) proposals; odour assessment; and viability.
OGT3	230/1210	Monkhurst Field, Sandy Cross Lane, Heathfield	Heathfield	5	Likely suitable in part only. Further assessment needed on landscape impact; heritage; and access.
OGT4	1262/1980	Five Badgers and Little Robins, Stonehurst Lane, Mayfield*	Hadlow Down	4	Likely suitable in part only. Further assessment needed on landscape impact and access.
OGT5	1261/1610	The Stables, Hawkenbury Road, Bells Yew Green*	Frant	3	Likely suitable in part only. Further assessment needed on landscape impact; ecological buffers; and access
OGT6	959/1210	Little Rose, Meres Lane, Cross in Hand, Heathfield*	Mayfield and Five Ashes	1	Further assessment needed on ecology and buffer areas, and landscape impact.
			TOTAL:	27	

Question 3

- a) Do you agree with draft Policy SS3 Gypsy, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople – Accommodation Needs, and if not, why?
- b) Do you agree with the list of potential sites, the amount of development, and/or the issues identified in table 7 associated with draft Policy SS3 – Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Show people – Accommodation Needs?

Policy SS4: Retail Provision and Town Centres

The Council will support the provision of between 7,600 sqm and 9,700 sqm of convenience retail floorspace and between 7,600 and 11,900 sqm of comparison retail floorspace by 2040. This will be achieved within our District, Service and Local Centres as defined in Policy TC1 (District, Service and Local Centre Hierarchy and 'Town Centre' First Principles).

Question 4

- Do you agree with the updated draft Policy SS4: Retail Provision and Town Centres, and if not, why?
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Policy SS5: Provision of Employment Floorspace

1. The Council will support the provision of at least 159,530 sqm of employment floorspace in use Classes E(g), B2 and B8 by 2042. This will be achieved through the following measures:
 - a) The allocation of land as employment sites as listed within Policy SS6 Strategic Employment Sites;
 - b) The delivery of existing commitments for employment uses, with the largest commitments (above 5,000 sqm) already identified in Policy SS6 Strategic Employment Sites;
 - c) The retention of existing employment premises across the district and particularly strategic employment sites identified in Policy EC2: Existing Strategic Employment Sites;
 - d) Supporting existing businesses through the provision of new employment premises/floorspace or the redevelopment, conversion, upgrading, intensification or reconfiguration of employment premises or floorspace on existing employment sites as identified in Policy EC2: Existing Strategic Employment Sites;
 - e) The delivery of new economic development in rural areas in line with Policy EC4 Rural Economy; and
 - f) The provision of new office floorspace (Use Class E(g)(i)) within Wealden's designated district, service and local centres as identified in Policy TC1: District, Service and Local Centre Hierarchy and 'Town Centre' First Principles.

Question 5

Do you agree with the updated draft Policy SS5: Provision of Employment Floorspace, and if not, why?

Policy SS6: Strategic Employment Allocations

1. To meet the employment and growth aspirations of the district, the following sites are allocated for business and employment purposes:

Site Reference	SHELAA Reference	Allocations	Employment floorspace (net)
EMP1	896/1510	Land at North Polegate A22	66,370 sqm
EMP2	1039/1310	Knights Farm West, Hailsham	40,000 sqm
EMP3	1115/1310	Woodside Park, Land East of A22, Hailsham	16,750 sqm
EMP4	1029/1310	Natewood Farm, Polegate Road, Hailsham	9,300 sqm

Large Employment Commitments	Employment Floorspace (net)
Land at Natewood Farm, Polegate Road, Hailsham	5,999 sqm
Land West of Uckfield, Uckfield	12,511 sqm
Mornings Mill Farm, Eastbourne Road, Lower Willington	8,600 sqm

2. The sites are allocated to provide employment uses E(g), B2 and B8. Retail uses and other Main Town Centre uses (excluding offices) will not be permitted at these sites. Once delivered these sites will be considered as strategic employment sites and will form part of the sites listed in Policy EC2 – Existing Strategic Employment Sites. Development must be in accordance with the site-specific requirements set out in the policies of this draft Local Plan.

Question 6

a) Do you agree with the updated draft Policy SS6: Strategic Employment Allocations, and if not, why?

b) Do you agree with the list of potential sites, the amount of development, and/or the issues identified in table 11 associated with draft Policy SS6 – Strategic Employment Allocations?

Policy CC8: Sustainable Drainage and Protection of the Pevensey Levels SAC and Ramsar Site

Sustainable Drainage Requirements

a) Development proposals which could affect drainage on or around the site must incorporate Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) and, where relevant, demonstrate that surface water management will not adversely affect the integrity of the Pevensey Levels SAC and Ramsar site where the development proposal falls within the Pevensey Levels hydrological catchment.

b) All development proposals must:

i) Integrate SuDS as a fundamental part of site design unless demonstrated to be inappropriate due to site-specific constraints (e.g. geology or groundwater levels).

ii) Provide sufficient space within the site layout to accommodate SuDS features.

iii) Ensure SuDS are multi-functional, contributing to flood risk reduction, water quality improvement, biodiversity enhancement, and green/blue infrastructure.

iv) Deliver discharge rates agreed with the Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA) and the Pevensey and Cuckmere Water Level Management Board (WLMB), where relevant, considering site-specific conditions.

v) Follow the discharge hierarchy:

Rainwater re-use (e.g. harvesting); then

Discharge into the ground; then

Discharge to a surface water body; and then

Discharge to a surface water sewer or other drainage system.

vi) Be designed and implemented in accordance with the latest local, regional and national guidance on SuDS, including early engagement with the LLFA. Infiltration-based drainage should be considered where viable, but it is recognised that infiltration may not be appropriate in some circumstances due to underlying geology and hydrology.

vii) Ensure that the site's drainage system includes a clearly defined and viable point of discharge, with appropriate connectivity to the wider drainage network. Proposals should demonstrate how surface water will be taken from the site to an agreed outfall location, in consultation with the LLFA.

viii) For phased developments, provide a strategic drainage approach across all phases.

Water Quality and Treatment

c) All development proposals located outside the Pevensey Levels hydrological catchment, and where no part of the site discharges to the Pevensey Levels hydrological catchment area must:

- i) Ensure surface water passes through a minimum of two treatment stages, referencing the Construction Industry Research and Information Association (CIRIA) SuDS Manual and pollution hazard indices; and
- ii) Reference the SuDS Manual and CIRIA guidance to support appropriate treatment design.

Pevensey Levels SAC and Ramsar Site Protection

d) All development proposals within or adjacent to the Pevensey Levels hydrological catchment must engage with the Pevensey and Cuckmere WLMB and other relevant bodies at the earliest stage, and:

- i) Provide sufficient detail of surface water drainage schemes at the outline stage if a Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) is triggered, specifically where hydrology is identified as a potential impact pathway.
- ii) Demonstrate that drainage proposals will not result in adverse effects on the integrity of the SAC/Ramsar site;
- iii) Incorporate SuDS that enhance water quality and ecological resilience;
- iv) Ensure any SuDS scheme involves a minimum of three treatment stages and where necessary to avoid harm to the SAC/Ramsar site, include additional treatment stages; and
- v) Avoid direct discharge of untreated surface water into the Pevensey Levels.

e) The Council will support development that incorporates strategic-scale mitigation, including the use of off-site sustainable drainage systems designed to collectively address the impacts of multiple sites and deliver comprehensive flood and water quality management.

Implementation and Maintenance

f) All development proposals must:

- i) Submit a management and maintenance plan for SuDS over the lifetime of development, demonstrating permanent arrangements for repair and replacement; and
- ii) Use the LLFA's SuDS Decision Support Tool for small-scale development, where applicable.

g) All major development proposals must secure approval from the LLFA for the design and long-term maintenance of SuDS prior to commencement.

Question 7

Do you agree with the draft Policy CC8 Sustainable Drainage and Protection of the Pevensey Levels SAC and Ramsar Site, and if not Why?

Policy CC9 Coastal Change Management Area (CCMA)

1. New permanent residential development, including proposals involving change of use, will not be supported within the Pevensy Bay CCMA (identified at Figure 13).
2. Any other forms of development including infrastructure provision within the CCMA will only be considered acceptable where a Coastal Change Vulnerability Assessment—proportionate to the scale and type of development—demonstrates that:
 - (a) it is necessary in that specific location;
 - (b) it will be safe over its planned lifetime;
 - (c) it will not have an unacceptable impact on coastal change, including the character of the coast and any relevant designations: and
 - (d) it delivers wider sustainability benefits.
3. Development permitted under the above criteria may be subject to temporary planning permission and restoration conditions to ensure compatibility with long-term coastal change.
4. Adaptation of existing buildings, infrastructure or land uses within the CCMA will be supported where it reduces vulnerability and/or increases resilience, subject to compliance with other policies.
5. Proposals must safeguard and, where possible, enhance the King Charles III England Coast Path and public access to the shoreline, in accordance with the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009.
6. Proposals for coastal change measures, including the decommissioning, or relocation of existing development and infrastructure will be supported where it is demonstrated to be unsustainable and at risk of loss within the next 20 years (short term). Such proposals must:
 - (a) Align with the Shoreline Management Plan (SMP) and the National Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Strategy for England;
 - (b) Include a clear plan for restoration of the site to a natural or semi-natural condition, including the removal of built structures, materials, and services; and
 - (c) Demonstrate how the relocation will be to a sustainable location outside the CCMA, and how the vacated site will contribute to coastal resilience, biodiversity, or marine conservation objectives, particularly in relation to the Beachy Head East Marine Conservation Zone (MCZ), which extends from the shoreline offshore.
7. Where development or land management activities are permitted within the Coastal Change Management Area (identified at Figure 13) under the criteria set out in Part 2 of this policy, they must demonstrate no adverse impact on the Beachy Head East Marine Conservation Zone (MCZ), including:
 - (a) avoiding increased sedimentation, pollution, or disturbance to intertidal and subtidal habitats;
 - (b) supporting nature-based solutions such as saltmarsh restoration or shingle ridge enhancement; and
 - (c) maintaining vegetated buffers and sustainable drainage systems to reduce runoff.

Question 8

a) Do you support the designation of the CCMA at Pevensey Bay and do you have any comments on its boundary?

b) Do you have any other comments on the wording of the draft policy?

c) Should the Council consider this policy now and include it within the Wealden Local Plan, or consider it as part of a future review of the Local Plan when funding for future delivery phases for the Shoreline Management Plan may provide more certainty on the protection of the coast?

d) Should an Article 4 Direction be applied to remove permitted development rights for residential and commercial properties within the CCMA? This would include extensions, outbuildings, hard surfacing, and other forms of development that could increase vulnerability or hinder managed retreat.

e) Do you support the removal of the development boundary for Pevensey Bay to ensure that new windfall development is steered away from this location, which is at risk from coastal change?

Policy HO8: Affordable Housing

Affordable housing requirement

1) To meet the district's need for affordable housing, all residential development proposals of 10 or more units (net), or proposals for 6 or more units (net) within the High Weald National Landscape, or sites of 0.5 hectares or more outside the High Weald National Landscape, will be required to provide on-site affordable housing. Affordable housing will be expected to be provided at a level of 35% of the total number of dwellings. The application of this policy relates to use class C3, including permanent residential caravan sites and C2 self-contained units. Financial contributions will be sought in lieu of on-site affordable housing on permanent residential caravan sites only.

2) Where a proposal comes forward with an affordable housing contribution higher than that required under criterion 1 above, the Council will consider this on a case-by-case basis and will only seek to support schemes that deliver mixed and balanced communities, as well as provide sufficient infrastructure contributions and/or on-site infrastructure necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms.

3) If a development site is sub-divided to create two or more separate development schemes, one or more of which falls below the relevant affordable housing threshold, the Council will require an appropriate level of affordable housing to reflect the provision that would have been achieved on site as a whole, had it come forward as a single scheme.

Tenure

4) Affordable housing provision should incorporate a mix of tenures. The Council will expect a tenure mix of 55% social rent, 25% affordable rent and 20% through other affordable routes to home ownership, including shared ownership, First Homes, Rent to Buy and other types of intermediate accommodation. In the case where First Homes are provided, at least a discount of 30% will be expected to ensure that the actual housing cost is genuinely affordable for first time buyers within Wealden.

Exceptional circumstances

5) There may be exceptional circumstances where the provision of on-site affordable housing is not viable or desirable. The Council considers that the following issues may represent exceptional circumstances, where the applicant is unable to comply with this policy:

- a. The developer has provided written evidence that no Council Approved Registered Provider will take the units, and this has been demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Council that this is the case; or
- b. It is demonstrated that there is no realistic prospect of providing affordable housing by another means, such as the District Council; or
- c. It can be demonstrated that the provision of the policy-compliant level of affordable housing would make the development unviable.

6) Where it can be proven that the affordable housing requirement cannot be achieved, due to economic viability, there will be flexibility in meeting stated targets. It will be the responsibility of the applicant to demonstrate that the requirements of the policy cannot be met, and that the closest alternative provision that can be achieved is provided taking into account viability and need in agreement with the Local Planning Authority. The alternative provision should initially consider a change in tenure mix before considering reducing the overall totality of provision on site. If provision is not shown to be viable, then serviced plots for affordable housing could be provided, should this be acceptable to the Council. If this is not viable or considered appropriate by the Council, a commuted sum in lieu of on-site delivery will be required. This will be subject to independent assessment by the Council's appointed consultant, of which, the costs will be paid for by the applicant.

Affordable Housing Design

7) The design of all new affordable dwellings should be such that the quality and appearance of the homes (including the site layout) are indistinguishable from market housing. Any new housing scheme should make use of good quality materials and be designed in such a way as to reduce ongoing management, maintenance and repair costs. Such proposals should be designed to ensure that service charges for any affordable housing are kept relatively low. Affordable housing should be provided in small clusters throughout the development scheme to ensure the creation of mixed and balanced communities.

Community Land Trusts, Co-Housing and Alm houses

8) The Council supports CLTs, Co-Housing and Almhouse schemes that provide affordable housing subject to other policies within this Local Plan.

Question 9

Do you agree with the updated draft Policy HO8: Affordable Housing, and if not, why?

Policy HO9: Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople - Site Criteria

The following criteria will be taken into account when determining planning applications for new or extended permanent sites and transit sites for Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople:

- a) That the site or extension satisfies a clearly defined need, as evidenced by the GTAA for Wealden District and the occupiers of the site meet the definition as set out in the Planning Policy for Traveller Sites (PPTS) (2024), or any subsequent update;
- b) That the site is well related to an existing sustainable settlement (as defined within the settlement hierarchy) with local services and facilities, particularly shops, public transport provision, primary health care and schools;
- c) That new sites or the extension of existing sites in rural areas are of a scale appropriate to their surroundings and would not individually or cumulatively dominate the nearest settled community, or cause undue impact upon local infrastructure or services in the area;
- d) That the site avoids locations where there is a risk of flooding of all types, given the vulnerability of residential caravans. Where a site is identified as being at risk from surface water flooding, a site-specific flood risk assessment must be undertaken in line with Policy CC7: Managing Flood Risk;
- e) That the proposal has a safe vehicular and pedestrian access to the surrounding principal highway network, and that the site will be large enough to enable vehicle movements within the site, including parking and circulation to take place, having regard to the total number of pitches/plots provided on site;
- f) That any new site or extension provides for proper consideration of the effect of local environmental quality (such as through noise pollution or odour impact) on the health and well-being of any Gypsy, Traveller or Travelling Showpeople located close to such uses that may impact the occupiers of the site;
- g) That the site has existing or can be provided with power, drinking water, suitable sewage treatment and waste disposal facilities;
- h) In cases where proposals are in or adjacent to the High Weald National Landscape, or where the proposal is within the setting of the South Downs National Park, the scale and the extent of development should be limited, sensitively located and designed to avoid or fully mitigate adverse impacts on these designated landscapes;
- i) The proposal must be well-screened by existing or new native vegetation that contains the site visually. The screening should be maintained permanently, and any planning application should be accompanied by a landscape management plan to ensure it remains in perpetuity. The use of high fences or walls to supplement the existing screening of the site will not be supported;
- j) That the proposal is well designed and laid out, ensuring that suitable amenity space is provided in terms of open space and soft landscaping. For permanent sites, all pitches/plots should incorporate an amenity block/day room; hardstanding space for storage/drying; garden/amenity area; minimum firebreaks between site boundaries, and static/touring standings, whilst limiting the use of hard standing and further permanent structures. Each pitch/plot should at least be able to accommodate 1 mobile home, 1 touring caravan and 2 car parking spaces. Where proposals for amenity blocks/dayrooms are provided, these must be of appropriate scale to the pitch/plot, well-designed and collocated where possible; and
- k) Any proposal for a new or extended site for Travelling Showpeople plots will need to demonstrate sufficient space for the storage and maintenance of equipment/or the exercising of animals commensurate with any business needs of the site. In addition, suitable bays for lorries/trailers should be provided.

Question 10

Do you agree with the updated draft Policy HO9: Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Show People – Site Criteria, and if not why?

Policy SA1: Housing and Mixed Use Site Allocations

The Council has identified 'Housing and Mixed-Use Site Allocations' within the Wealden Local Plan and these are identified on the Council's Policies Map with the references identified below (for employment sites, see Policy SS6 – Strategic Employment Allocations). All housing and mixed-use site allocations must be delivered in accordance with the development plan when read as a whole. The following sites shown in table 13 are allocated within the draft Local Plan.

Question 11

a) Do you agree with the updated draft Policy SA1: Housing and Mixed-Use Site Allocations, and if not, why?

b) Do you agree with the site allocations listed within this policy and if not, what are the reasons for this?