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Annual Monitoring Report 2021

(01/04/2020 – 31/03/2021)



5.149 No employment development on Green Belt land in Kidlington beyond review areas was recorded during 2020/21.

Other Indicators – Policy Kidlington 2 Strengthening Kidlington Village Centre

5.150 Policy Kidlington 2 is concerned with supporting the village centre and ensuring that the everyday shopping needs of residents are met. Several indicators and targets have been developed in the Monitoring Framework to measure the effectiveness of this Policy: permitted residential development at ground floor level in Kidlington village centre, village centre vacancies, diversity of uses, and completed town centre uses within and outside of Kidlington village centre. These are dealt with in turn below.

5.151 There were no permissions granted for residential development at ground floor level in Kidlington village centre during 2020/21. The monitoring target for this indicator was therefore met in 2020/21.

5.152 It has not been possible to collect data on vacancy rates within Kidlington village centre for this AMR. However, data was collated in 2021 as part of the Retail Needs Study to accompany the Local Plan Review and therefore an update will be provided in the 2021/22 AMR.

Table 38 - Town Centre uses completions within and outside of Kidlington Village Centre

Location	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1a	D2	Total
Within Kidlington village centre	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Outside Kidlington centre	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kidlington Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

5.153 There were no town centre uses completions within or outside Kidlington village centre in 2020/21.

Other Indicators – Policy Villages 1 Village Categorisation

5.154 Policy Villages 1 provides a categorisation of villages to guide the consideration of small-scale proposals for residential development within the built-up limits of settlements. Data relating to the monitoring indicator “completed development per village category and size of scheme (number of dwellings)” is recorded in the Housing Delivery Monitor in Appendix 2.

Other Indicators – Policy Villages 2 Distributing Growth Across the Rural Areas

5.155 Policy Villages 2 of the adopted Local Plan 2011-2031 provides for an additional 750 dwellings at Category A villages (2014-2031) in addition to the rural allowance for small

site 'windfalls' and planning permissions as at 31 March 2014. Therefore, new planning permissions given at the Category A villages from 1 April 2014 and completions on those sites will contribute to the requirement of 750 dwellings.

5.156 Table 39 shows 749 dwellings are either completed or under construction on sites with planning permission in Category A villages. During 2020/21 there were 88 dwellings completed at Category A villages that contribute to the Policy Villages 2 requirement of 750 dwellings. There are also 246 dwellings that are under construction from the supply of permitted sites and are likely to be delivered in the short term. Between 1 April 2014 and 31 March 2021 there were a total of 503 net housing completions on the above sites which is an average of 71 homes per year.

Delivering Policies Villages 1 and Villages 2 and the Local Plan strategy

5.157 The Cherwell Local Plan 2011-2031 (Part 1) directs the majority of development to the two main towns in Cherwell with a proportion of the overall growth expected to come forward in the rural areas. Policy Villages 1 is intended to manage small scale development in the built-up limits of villages while Policy Villages 2 identifies 750 dwellings to be delivered in Category A villages on sites of 10 or more dwellings. It was intended that sites would be allocated in an emerging Local Plan Part 2 (now Local Plan Review).

5.158 Table 40 shows sites with planning permission but not yet started (319 dwellings) and sites with resolution to approve (26 dwellings) which results in a total of 345 dwellings. If a 10% non-implementation rate is to be applied to sites with permission but not started this will be reduced from 319 dwellings to 287 dwellings.

5.159 Since 1 April 2014 a total of 1,062 dwellings have been identified for meeting the Policy Villages 2 requirement of 750 dwellings. These are included in the Housing Delivery Monitor in Appendix 2. Policy Villages 2 requirement has already been exceeded by 312 dwellings when considering the planning permissions and identified sites without planning permission in the above (749+287+26).

5.160 There is one rural strategic allocation namely the Former RAF Upper Heyford included in the adopted Local Plan 2011-2031. The completion figure below for Policy Villages 2 excludes any completions at this strategic allocation.

Table 39 - Housing completions at Category A villages for meeting Policy Villages 2 (10 or more dwellings) since 31 March 2014

(Sites with planning permission that have been completed or under construction at 31/03/2021)