

## 4. PLANNING POLICY CONTEXT

- 4.1 The current strategic planning policy framework for the Neighbourhood Development Plan area is set out in Eden District Council's Eden Local Plan (ELP) 2014-2032.
- 4.2 The ELP 2014-2032 sets out how the growth of jobs, homes and infrastructure will be managed in the period up to 2032. The Plan was adopted by Eden District Council (EDC) on 11 October 2018. The spatial implications of the ELP 2014-2032 are shown on **Figure 8** of this document. The PNDP must be in general conformity with these strategic planning policies:  
(<https://www.eden.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/eden-local-plan/>).
- 4.3 EDC has drafted a Penrith Strategic Masterplan (present -2050). The aim of the Masterplan is to provide a long-term vision of what Penrith and Eden might become. It will help to shape and influence how EDC will deliver economic growth and new housing looking beyond the ELP 2014 to 2032 providing a framework for development to 2050. The Masterplan is not a development plan and can have only limited influence on the PNDP which must be in general conformity with the ELP 2014-2032.
- 4.4 National planning policy is set out in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) published in revised form in July 2018. This sets out in paragraphs 7 and 8 that the purpose of the planning system is to contribute to the achievement of sustainable development, and that the planning system has to perform an economic role, a social role and an environmental role.
- 4.4 The ELP 2014-2032 sets strategic planning policy for the area. The NPPF sets out the scope of non-strategic policies that can be used in neighbourhood plans to set "more detailed policies for specific areas, neighbourhoods or types of development" (NPPF paragraph 28). This can include:

"allocating sites, the provision of infrastructure and community facilities at a local level, establishing design principles, conserving and enhancing the natural and historic environment and setting out other development management policies."

More specifically for neighbourhood plans NPPF paragraphs 29 and 30 state:

"29. Neighbourhood planning gives communities the power to develop a shared vision for their area. Neighbourhood plans can shape, direct and help to deliver sustainable development, by influencing local planning decisions as part of the statutory development plan. Neighbourhood plans should not promote less development than set out in the strategic policies for the area, or undermine those strategic policies.

30. Once a neighbourhood plan has been brought into force, the policies it contains take precedence over existing non-strategic policies in a local plan covering the neighbourhood area, where they are in conflict; unless they are superseded by strategic or non-strategic policies that are adopted subsequently."

**Key to Figure 8.**



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**Eden District Planning Area  
Local Plan  
2014 - 2032**

**Policy Map Legend**

<p><b>Boundaries</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Eden District boundary</li> <li> Lake District National Park boundary</li> <li> Local Plan Area boundary</li> </ul> <p><b>Development in the Right Place</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Flood Risk Zone 2</li> <li> Flood Risk Zone 3</li> <li> Ethylene Pipeline Hazard Area</li> </ul> <p><b>Decent Homes for All</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Housing Allocation</li> <li> Reserve Housing Site</li> <li> Mixed Use Allocation</li> <li> Gypsy and Traveller Site</li> </ul> <p><b>A Strong Economy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Employment Allocation</li> <li> Primary Shopping Area</li> <li> District / Town Centre</li> </ul> <p><b>A Rich Environment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> County Wildlife Site</li> <li> Limestone Pavement Order</li> <li> Local Nature Reserve</li> <li> National Nature Reserve</li> <li> Regionally Important Geological and Geomorphological Site</li> <li> Site of Special Scientific Interest</li> <li> Special Area of Conservation</li> <li> Special Protection Area</li> <li> Ancient Woodland</li> <li> Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty</li> <li> Wind Energy Suitable Area</li> <li> Proposed Air Quality Management Area</li> <li> Groundwater Source Protection Zone 1</li> <li> Groundwater Source Protection Zone 2</li> <li> Conservation Area</li> <li> Historic Parks and Gardens</li> <li> Listed Building</li> <li> Scheduled Ancient Monument</li> </ul> <p><b>Thriving Communities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Public Open Space</li> </ul>	<p>Policy DEV2 - Water Management and Flood Risk Policy DEV2 - Water Management and Flood Risk</p> <p>Policies AL1, AP1, KS1, PEN1 Policy PEN1 Policies AL1, PEN1 Policy HS7 - Gypsy and Traveller Sites</p> <p>Policies AL1, AP1, KS1, PEN1 Policy EC7 - Town Centres and Retailing Policy EC7 - Town Centres and Retailing</p> <p>Policy ENV1 - Protection and Enhancement of the Natural Environment, Biodiversity and Geodiversity Policy ENV1 - Protection and Enhancement of the Natural Environment, Biodiversity and Geodiversity Policy ENV1 - Protection and Enhancement of the Natural Environment, Biodiversity and Geodiversity Policy ENV1 - Protection and Enhancement of the Natural Environment, Biodiversity and Geodiversity Policy ENV1 - Protection and Enhancement of the Natural Environment, Biodiversity and Geodiversity Policy ENV1 - Protection and Enhancement of the Natural Environment, Biodiversity and Geodiversity Policy ENV1 - Protection and Enhancement of the Natural Environment, Biodiversity and Geodiversity Policy ENV1 - Protection and Enhancement of the Natural Environment, Biodiversity and Geodiversity Policy ENV1 - Protection and Enhancement of the Natural Environment, Biodiversity and Geodiversity Policy ENV2 - Protection and Enhancement of Landscape and Trees Policy ENV3 - The North Pennines Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty Policy ENV6 - Renewable Energy Policy ENV7 - Air Pollution Policy ENV9 - Other Forms of Pollution Policy ENV9 - Other Forms of Pollution Policy ENV10 - The Historic Environment Policy ENV10 - The Historic Environment Policy ENV10 - The Historic Environment Policy ENV10 - The Historic Environment</p> <p>Policy COM2 - Protection of Open Space, Sport, Leisure and Recreation Facilities</p>
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**Figure 8. ELP2014 to 2032** (Source: EDC <https://www.eden.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/eden-local-plan/>)

Penrith Inset Map 1

