Town/ Parish	Status	Projected timetable	Dates
Gillingham	 Following a public meeting in May 2009 a Steering Group was established to prepare a TDS for Gillingham. Over the last few years evidence has been gathered and the local community has been involved with various public meetings and displays. In June 2010 an outline TDS was submitted to the Council and following a meeting with the Steering Group some amendments were suggested. A revised draft TDS was subsequently published for informal consultation in November 2011. However, at the same time the Government began to introduce some major changes to the planning Policy Framework and the Localism Act. In response the Steering Group, The Town Council and North Dorset District Council decided that the best way forward for Gillingham would be to use the evidence gathered through the TDS process and combine this with a Neighbourhood Plan. In November 2011 the Council applied for front runner status from the Department of Communities and Local Government. The Council are keen to recognise the draft TDS and the work that the local community have put into the project to date and as such plan to adopt the draft TDS as an evidence based study on an interim basis pending its subsequent inclusion in the Neighbourhood Plan. 	Evidence gathering	Complete
		Local preparation of draft TDS with guidance from NDDC	Complete
		First draft TDS and informal public participation	Complete
		Further informal public participation	Complete
		Report to Planning Policy Panel	(tbc) Feb 12
		Cabinet to adopt draft TDS	19 Mar 12
		Endorsement of draft TDS by Council	30 Mar 12

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Marnhull	A 'text' only draft of the Marnhull VDS was submitted to the Council in January 2010. A meeting was held with the Steering Group at the beginning of 2011 and it was suggested that the VDS be revised and more detail added. It was hoped to have a revised VDS for consultation by September 2011, however, the publication of the Draft National Planning Policy Framework in the summer of 2011 and the subsequent introduction of the Localism Act the Steering Group decided to suspend work on the VDS in order to evaluate the opportunities associated with Neighbourhood Plans.	SUSPENDED
Pimperne	In October 2009 the Parish Council decided to prepare a VDS. Funding was secured and an inaugural meeting was held on 10 May 2010 to establish a Steering Group. Progress on the VDS was subsequently suspended whilst the Parish Plan was updated. Work on the VDS started again at the beginning of 2011 when a questionnaire was circulated to all residents in the village. However, the publication of the Draft National Planning Policy Framework in the summer of 2011 and the subsequent introduction of the Localism Act the Steering Group decided to suspended work on the VDS once again in order to evaluate the opportunities associated with Neighbourhood Plans.	SUSPENDED
Charlton Marshall	A Steering Group for the Charlton Marshall VDS was established in the Autumn of 2010. Evidence is currently being gathered and in February 2011 a questionnaire was circulated to all residents in the village. As with Marnhull and Pimperne work on the VDS has been suspended in order for the opportunities associated with a Neighbourhood Plan to be evaluated.	SUSPENDED