Blandford + Neighbourhood Plan Review

Modifications Statement under Regulation 17(e)(ii) of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended)

As set out in the Government's Planning Practice Guidance (Paragraph: 106 Reference ID: 41-106-20190509) there are 3 types of modification which can be made to a neighbourhood plan or order. The process will depend on the degree of change which the modification involves:

1. Minor (non-material) modifications to a neighbourhood plan or order are those which would not materially affect the policies in the plan or the permission granted by the order. These may include correcting errors, such as a reference to a supporting document, and would not require examination or a referendum.

2. Material modifications which do not change the nature of the plan or order would require examination but not a referendum. This might, for example, entail the addition of a design code that builds on a pre-existing design policy, or the addition of a site or sites which, subject to the decision of the independent examiner, are not so significant or substantial as to change the nature of the plan.

3. Material modifications which do change the nature of the plan or order would require examination and a referendum. This might, for example, involve allocating significant new sites for development.

The analysis below looks at the policies in the 'made' Blandford + Neighbourhood Plan and the policies in the modified Plan to assess which type of modification is being made.

'Made' Blandford + Neighbourhood Plan	Modified Blandford + Neighbourhood Plan	Type of Modification	Comments
Policy	Policy		
Policy B5 – Community Facilities	Policy B5 – Community Facilities	Material modifications	Policy B5 has been amended to
		that do not change the	include a new community facility
The Neighbourhood Plan defines the	The Neighbourhood Plan defines the	nature of the plan.	(Blandford St Mary Village Hall)
following properties as community	following properties as community		and a facility has also been
facilities:	facilities:		renamed. What was referred to
			as the Bryanston Estate Club is
i. The Corn Exchange, The Market Place,	i. The Corn Exchange, The Market Place,		now called The Old Powerhouse.
Blandford Forum, DT11 7AF	Blandford Forum, DT11 7AF		
ii. The Leisure Centre, Milldown Road,	ii. The Leisure Centre, Milldown Road,		The supporting text to the policy
Blandford Forum, DT11 7DB	Blandford Forum, DT11 7DB		has also been amended to reflect
			changes to the use classes order.





iii. Woodhouse Gardens and Pavilion, The	iii. Woodhouse Gardens and Pavilion, The	It is detailed that all of the
Tabernacle, Blandford Forum, DT11 7UN	Tabernacle, Blandford Forum, DT11 7UN	community facilities identified in
iv. The Bowling Club, Milldown Road,	iv. The Bowling Club, Milldown Road,	Policy B5 are classed as Class F2
Blandford Forum, DT11 7DD	Blandford Forum, DT11 7DD	uses and will therefore require
v. The Football Pavilion, Milldown Road,	v. The Football Pavilion, Milldown Road,	planning permission for any
Blandford Forum, DT11 7DD	Blandford Forum, DT11 7DD	change of use.
vi. The Cricket Pavilion, Milldown Road,	vi. The Cricket Pavilion, Milldown Road,	
Blandford Forum, DT11 7DD	Blandford Forum, DT11 7DD	
vii. Larksmead Pavilion, Larksmead,	vii. Larksmead Pavilion, Larksmead,	
Blandford Forum DT11 7LU	Blandford Forum DT11 7LU	
viii. The Victorian Garden, Blandford	viii. The Victorian Garden, Blandford	
Museum, Blandford Forum, DT11 7HQ	Museum, Blandford Forum, DT11 7HQ	
ix. Blandford Forum Parish Centre,	ix. Blandford Forum Parish Centre,	
Blandford Forum, DT11 0YU	Blandford Forum, DT11 0YU	
x. The Skate Park, Stour Park, Blandford St	x. The Skate Park, Stour Park, Blandford St	
Mary, DT11 9LQ	Mary, DT11 9LQ	
xi. Bryanston Estate Club, Hillside,	xi. Blandford St Mary Village Hall, St Mary's	
Blandford Forum, Dorset DT11 0PR	Hill, Blandford St Mary, DT11 9PX	
	xi. The Old Powerhouse, Hillside, Blandford	
Proposals that will result in either the loss	Forum, Dorset DT11 0PR	
of or cause significant harm to a defined		
facility will be resisted, unless it can be	Proposals that will result in either the loss	
clearly demonstrated that the operation of	of or cause significant harm to a defined	
the facility, or the on-going delivery of the	facility will be resisted, unless it can be	
community value of the facility, is no	clearly demonstrated that the operation of	
longer financially viable.	the facility, or the on-going delivery of the	
	community value of the facility, is no	
Development proposals to sustain or	longer financially viable.	
extend the viable use of existing		
community facilities, and the development	Development proposals to sustain or	
of new facilities, will be supported.	extend the viable use of existing	
	community facilities, and the development	
	of new facilities, will be supported.	

Policy B7 – Health Provision	Policy B6 – Health Provision	Material modifications	Policy B7 has been amended to
		that do not change the	reflect the outcome of the
Proposals to meet increasing demand by	Proposals to meet increasing demand by	nature of the plan.	merger of the GP Practices in the
expanding the existing Whitecliff Surgery	expanding the existing Blandford Group		neighbourhood area.
and the Blandford Community Hospital will	Practice Whitecliff site, the Blandford Clinic		Furthermore, the policy now
be supported.	and the Blandford Community Hospital will		makes reference to the Blandford
	be supported.		Clinic and details that expansion
All new residential development proposals			plans relating to the clinic will be
will only be permitted where they provide	All new residential development proposals		supported.
or improve the delivery of essential health	will only be permitted where they provide		
and/or wellbeing facilities and services	or improve the delivery of essential health		
required to serve the scale of development	and/or wellbeing facilities and services		
proposed.	required to serve the scale of development		
	proposed.		
Development proposals which would have			
a detrimental effect on, or result in the loss	Development proposals which would have		
of essential GP facilities and services that	a detrimental effect on, or result in the loss		
meet community needs and support well-	of essential GP facilities and services that		
being will only be permitted where it can	meet community needs and support well-		
be clearly demonstrated that:	being will only be permitted where it can		
	be clearly demonstrated that:		
i. The service or facility is no longer			
needed; or	i. The service or facility is no longer		
ii. It is demonstrated that it is no longer	needed; or		
practical, desirable or viable to retain	ii. It is demonstrated that it is no longer		
them; or	practical, desirable or viable to retain		
iii. The proposals will provide sufficient	them; or		
community benefit to outweigh the loss of	iii. The proposals will provide sufficient		
the existing facility or service.	community benefit to outweigh the loss of		
	the existing facility or service.		

Policy B11 - Managing Design in the	Policy 10 – Blandford + Design Code	Material modifications	It is proposed that Policies B11,
Conservation Area: Blandford Forum		that do not change the	B12 and B13 in the existing
	Development proposals will be supported	nature of the plan.	'made' plan are deleted and
Proposals within or affecting the setting of	provided they have full regard to the		replaced by a new policy titled
the Conservation Area, as shown on the	Blandford + Design Code (Appendix B) as		Blandford + Design Code. The
Policies Map Inset B, must sustain and	relevant to their location, scale and nature.		policy cross-refers to the design
enhance its character and appearance and			code which forms Appendix B to
should demonstrate:			the modified plan. Whilst the
			design code is a lengthy
i. consistently high standard of design and			document it includes the design
detailing reflecting the scale and character,			guidance content of the existing
including the layout of the streets,			policies in the 'made' plan and
development patterns, burgage plots,			other existing design guidance
building lines and building form;			documents. The greater detail set
ii. the use of building materials and finishes			out in the code refines the
which are sympathetic to the area, in			existing approach to considering
particular the use of red brick in facades;			design matters but does not
iii. no harmful impact on the townscape			contradict the design principles of
and roofscape;			the 'made' plan.
iv. the retention and protection of trees,			
gardens, spaces between buildings, and			
other open areas which contribute to its			
character and appearance, and the use of			
permeable surfaces to reduce surface			
water flooding;			
v. where appropriate, the removal of			
unsightly and inappropriate features or			
details; and			
vi. the retention and, where appropriate,			
the reinstatement of original features such			
as chimneys, chimney pots, gates, railings			
and shop fronts and small scale			
architectural details such as mouldings			

which individually or cumulatively		
contribute to its character and appearance.		
All planning applications within the		
Conservation Area must demonstrate how		
the design of proposals has sought to		
preserve and enhance the significance of		
the heritage assets and their setting in line		
with the recommendations of the		
Character Area Appraisal.		
Proposals including proposed changes of		
use that are likely to have an adverse		
impact on the character or appearance of		
the Conservation Area will not be		
supported.		
Policy B12 - Managing Design in the		
Conservation Area: Blandford St Mary		
Proposals including infill within or affecting		
the setting of the Conservation Area, as		
shown on the Policies Map Inset B, must		
sustain and enhance its character or		
appearance and should demonstrate:		
i. a consistently high standard of design		
and detailing reflecting its scale and		
character;		
ii. ensure that where flats may be		
proposed, their scale, massing, detailing		
and landscaping is domestic in form and		
their appearance harmonises with the		

housing types of the area; iii. the use of		
building materials and finishes which are		
sympathetic to the area;		
iv. the retention and protection of trees,		
front gardens, boundary hedges and other		
open areas which contribute to its		
character and appearance;		
v. the use of permeable surfaces to reduce		
surface water flooding; and		
vi. where appropriate the removal of		
unsightly and inappropriate features or		
details.		
Proposals including proposed changes of		
use that are likely to have an adverse		
impact on the character or appearance of		
the Conservation Area will not be		
supported.		
Policy B13 - Managing Design in the		
Conservation Area: Bryanston		
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Proposals including infill within or affecting		
the setting of the Conservation Area, as		
shown on the Policies Map Insets A and B, must sustain and enhance its character and		
appearance and should demonstrate:		
appearance and should demonstrate.		
i. consistently high standard of design and		
detailing reflecting the scale and character		
or appearance of the village;		
ii. the use of red brick and slate roofs and		
finishes which are sympathetic to the area		

and to the original Portman style of houses; iii. the retention of flint and brick walls, protection of trees, front gardens and grass verges and other open areas which contribute to its character and appearance; iv. sympathetic on plot parking and the use permeable surfaces to reduce surface water flooding; and			
v. the removal of unsightly and inappropriate features or details where appropriate.			
Proposals including proposed changes of use that are likely to have an adverse impact on the character or appearance of the Conservation Area or views towards or			
from The Cliff will not be supported.			
N/A	Policy B11 – Local Heritage Assets The Neighbourhood Plan identifies Local Heritage Assets, as listed below and shown on the main Policies Map and Local Heritage Assets Inset Maps, by way of their local architectural and historic value.	Material modifications that do not change the nature of the plan.	The new policy identifies buildings and structures that have local heritage value and seeks to prevent harm to, or unnecessary loss of, them unless it can be demonstrated that there is a public benefit that outweighs the harm or loss. Although the policy
	Proposals that will result in harm to, or unnecessary loss of, a Local Heritage Asset, will be resisted, unless it can be demonstrated that there is a public benefit that outweighs the harm or loss.		is new and property specific it is consistent with the heritage principles of the 'made' plan.

Blandford Forum	
1. Parish Centre, The Tabernacle, DT11	
7DW	
2. Methodist Church, The Close, DT11 7HA	
3. Post Office, The Plocks, DT11 7DN	
4. 1 The Tabernacle, DT11 7DW	
5. 43b East Street DT11 7DX	
6. Gulley Covers in the Market Place and	
Sheep Market Hill, DT11 7AH/EB/DP	
7. Poetic Paving, Market Place, DT11	
7АН/ЕВ	
8. 13 West Street, DT11 7AW	
9. Riverside House, West Street, DT11 7AW	
10. United Reformed Church and halls,	
Whitecliff Mill Street, DT11 7PY	
11. 35 Salisbury Street, DT11 7AY	
12. 34 Salisbury Street, DT11 7PR	
13. 59 Salisbury Street, DT11 7DX	
14. 1 Dorset Street, DT11 7 RG	
15. 23 Dorset Street, DT11 7RG	
16. 59 Dorset Street, DT11 7RG	
17. 21-35 Bryanston Street, DT11 7AZ	
18. 48-58 Harewood Place, Shorts Lane,	
DT11 7BB	
19. Damory Street boundary, including	
former secondary school archway, burial	
ground, The Old School House and former	
infants school, DT11 7RH	
20. 12 Damory Street, DT11 7ET	
21. Badger House, Salisbury Road, DT11	
7QD	
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22. Darcy Court (archway, coach house and		
flats 1, 3 and 4-7), Salisbury Road, DT11		
7HJ		
23. Barnes Homes, Salisbury Road, DT11		
7HU		
24. Damory House, Salisbury Road, DT11		
7HU		
25. 66-76 Salisbury Road, DT11 7LN		
26. Our Lady of Lourds & St Cecelia		
Catholic Church, Whitecliff Mill Street,		
DT11 7BN		
27. Wall, 29 Park Road to Whitecliff		
Gardens, Whitecliff Mill Street DT11 7BP		
28. 19-23 Park Road, DT11 7BX		
29. Forum Centre, Park Road, DT11 7BX		
30. 1-3 Milldown Road, DT11 7DB		
31. Blandford Cottage Hospital, Milldown		
Road, DT11 7DD		
32. Mortain Bridge, Marsh & Ham to Stour		
Meadows		
33. Preetz Bridge, Langton to Stour		
Meadows		
34. Railway Arches, Langton Meadows		
35. Langton Garage, Langton Road, DT11		
7EN		
36. Railway footbridge & Station Master's		
House, DT11 7RJ/RL?		
37. North Dorset Trailway within Blandford		
boundary		
38. Former Railway Hotel, Oakfield Street,		
DT11 7EX		
39. 9 Damory Court Street, DT11 7QX		
40. 6-8 Old Oak Gardens, Damory Court		
Street, DT11 7RW		

62. Bryanston Club (The Old Powerhouse),
DT11 0PR
63. Nos. 1 and woodstore, 3 – 7 Bryanston,
DT11 0PR
64. The Old Forge, DT11 0PR
65. Diary Farm, 14 & 14A Walnut Avenue,
DT11 0PT
66. 15, 16 & 18 Walnut Avenue, DT11 0PT
67. School wall at north side of New Road
68. 19 Walnut Avenue (Old Park Cottage
and outbuildings), DT11 0PT
69. Fields at the rear of Old Park Cottage

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Other Modifications

Other modifications to the plan, such as factual updates in relation to housing completions, commitments and allocations, are considered to be minor (nonmaterial) modifications.

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Conclusion

In terms of the modification status, as per the Modifications Statement required under Regulation 17(e)(ii) of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended), Dorset Council considers that the modified Blandford + Neighbourhood Plan consists of minor (non-material) modifications and material modifications which do not change the nature of the plan. Consequently, the Council considers that the modified plan requires an examination but not a referendum.