Latest Government Planning Changes

The Wyre Local Plan Issues and Options 2024 was prepared prior to the new Government being elected in July 2024.

Proposed planning reform has not been considered or factored into this consultation document.

On 30 July, the new Government published its initial proposals to reform the planning system in the form of a draft National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and draft revised local housing need (Standard Method).

The purpose of the NPPF is to establish national planning policy to which local plans and decisions on planning applications must have regard.

The Standard Method identifies the minimum number of homes that a local planning authority should plan for in its area.

The NPPF makes clear that the outcome of the standard method is mandatory and sets the minimum number of homes the local plan should plan for.

Current standard method

Additional homes needed: Circa 1400 homes

















Proposed standard method

Additional homes now needed: Circa 6000 homes

Next steps

The Government are holding a public consultation on the above changes until 24 September. The Government have indicated that the above changes will be implemented before the end of the year. We will have to review the implications alongside the feedback from this public consultation.

