

Update – May 2026

The 9 volunteers of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group ([NPSG](#)) have been focused on:

- Generation of Draft Policies
- Engaging Consultancy Support
- Creating Draft Green Audit
- Community Engagement

As a result of recent successful planning applications, the total number of houses still required to meet the housing target, as laid out in the newly adopted Local Plan from Uttlesford District Council, is now 116. The Steering Group continues to monitor the progress of all planning proposals.

Significant work has gone into generating draft policies based on the approved objectives. In addition, background documents have been created to support the rationale and evidence base.

A specialist neighbourhood Plan consultant Ann Skippers was selected and approved by the Parish Council to support the group in development of the Neighbourhood Plan and ensure it complies with both local policies as well as national guidelines. Key documents including the draft policies have been sent to her for review.

The Green Audit document provides a baseline of evidence to support green policies and identifies those green spaces and wildlife corridors which are known to be so important to the residents of Clavering and to ensure they are protected despite the addition of the new housing. The draft document has been sent to UDC Officer Charles Welham for review and feedback.

A survey was sent to the business community to establish if they had any specific requirements. There were none within the NP remit identified in the responses. Parishioners had an opportunity to meet with the Steering Group at the Village Showcase on 12th April at the Village Hall.

What happens next?

- Meeting with UDC officer to discuss issues related to policies
- Refining draft policies
- Feedback on Draft Green Audit
- Initial meeting with consultant Ann Skippers and feedback from on documents sent for review

- Plan for next community engagement at fete on June 13th