

## Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA)

2024 update

**Bestwood Village** 

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#### Introduction

The Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) is an annual review of potential housing sites. Its purpose is to help us understand where and when housing could be built in the future. Sites are assessed against a range of criteria to establish their suitability, availability and achievability for housing development. The results of the assessment will be used to inform the Council's housing monitoring work such as the five year housing land supply and feed into other work that we do.

It is important to note that inclusion in the SHLAA process does not in itself allow for housing development to occur on site and that planning permission must still be granted where it hasn't already. Some of the sites in the assessment can only come forward if planning policy is changed. Decisions to change planning policy are taken through a review of the Local Plan and will be subject to widespread public consultation.

The Council updates the SHLAA using the approach set out in the Greater Nottingham Planning Partnership's Joint Methodology Report for Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessments (SHLAAs) which can be found at the following web page www.gedling.gov.uk/shlaa. This will be referred to as the "SHLAA methodology report" in this report.

The SHLAA 2024 update includes:-

- All strategic sites in the Aligned Core Strategy and site allocations in the Local Planning Document.
- Sites submitted by agents, developers and landowners prior to 31 March 2024.
- Sites granted planning permission prior to 31 March 2024.
- Sites identified by the Borough Council.
- Updated information relating to existing sites in the SHLAA database during the current financial year (i.e. since 1 April 2024 to 31 July 2024) such as work starting on site, construction completing, a new planning permission being granted or a new planning application being submitted.

Any new sites submitted by developers and new sites granted planning permission or approved subject to the signing of the s106 since 1 April 2024 are not included in this report but they will be included in next year's report.

The SHLAA methodology report explains that sites are assessed to understand possible constraints to development and the sites are then grouped into seven categories:-

• **Deliverable 5 years** – this category consists of sites that are suitable for development, available now and achievable now. These sites will be expected to be built in the next five years and the category includes small sites with outline permission, sites with detailed planning permission, sites that are currently under construction and medium/large sites with outline

planning permission with evidence that the site will be progressed within five years.

- Developable 6-10 years this category consists of sites that are suitable (or could be suitable) for development and can be delivered in 6-10 years subject to the availability and achievability of the site. This includes sites allocated in the Local Plan that do not have planning permission, medium/large sites with outline planning permission where there is no evidence that housing completions will begin on site within five years, sites where there is a resolution to grant permission subject to s106 agreement and sites that had lapsed permission and new planning application submitted, unless information indicates that any of these sites are deliverable within the first five years.
- **Developable 11-15 years** this category consists of sites that are suitable (or could be suitable) for development and can be delivered in 11-15 years subject to the availability and achievability of the site. This includes sites where a previous planning permission has now lapsed and no new planning application has been submitted.
- Could be suitable this category consists of sites that could be suitable for housing but are currently affected by policies in the Local Plans and/or other Plans.
- Not deliverable or developable this category consists of sites that are not suitable for development, not available or not achievable.
- **Site complete** this category consists of sites which were previously in the SHLAA but are now fully built for housing.
- Excluded from SHLAA this category consists of sites where information exists which indicates that landowners/developers no longer wish to promote their sites for residential development or where there has been no information received from landowners/developers to confirm that they want their sites to remain in the SHLAA, in accordance with each Council's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) policy.

Sites that were fully built out before 31 March 2024 and sites that have been excluded from the SHLAA are not included in this report and will not be shown on the SHLAA map.

Agents, developers and landowners are asked to provide information on the delivery rates through the SHLAA process. If these are not provided for deliverable sites, then the assumptions from the SHLAA methodology report are applied.

#### **Assessment of SHLAA sites**

The following SHLAA sites have been assessed:-

## G20: Bestwood Business Park

#### Site information:

Street name	Park Road		
Locality/area	Bestwood Village	Bestwood Village	
Ward	Bestwood St Albans		
Parish	Bestwood Village		
CIL zone	Zone 1		
Existing use	(I) INDUSTRY - Business Park		
Site source	Submitted by landowner, developer or agent		
Year site added to SHLAA		2008	
Brownfield or greenfield status		Brownfield	
Site on Brownfield Land Register?		Yes	

#### Dwelling capacity and density information:

Type of settlement	Higher density settlement
Type of site	Large site (50+ dwellings)
Dwelling capacity (net)	220 homes
Site area (ha)	6.01 ha
Developable area (ha)	6.01 ha
Density	37 dwellings per hectare

#### Planning status:

Site allocated in Local Plan?	Yes (H13)
Planning status	Lapsed permission
Planning application ref	2014/0214
Planning application type	Outline
Decision date	26 March 2015
Expiry date	26 March 2018
Type of development	New build
Construction status	Not started

Green Belt	Site is not in the Green Belt
Heritage assets	Not applicable
Ecology	Not applicable
Agricultural land	Not applicable
Flooding	Not applicable
Air quality	Not applicable
Land contamination	Not applicable

Highways and access	Not applicable
Coal referral area	Not applicable
Ownership issue	Not owned by a public authority. Site is allocated in the Local Plan. Information received through the Local Plan process indicates that the landowner is intending to deliver the site and there is no indication of any legal or ownership impediments to the development of the site. However no information has been received from the landowner through the SHLAA 2023 consultation to confirm this remains the case
Overcoming constraints	Site is allocated in the Local Plan so the key constraints would have already been addressed through the plan preparation process. Any constraints would be addressed through the planning application process when a planning application is submitted.

Suitability	Suitable = Existing housing allocation
Availability	Available now = Existing housing allocation
Achievability	Achievable = Site that previously had planning permission for
	residential development which has now lapsed or has new
	planning application pending a decision
Assessment	The site is allocated for 220 homes in the Local Planning
conclusion	Document (site H13). Outline planning permission for up to
	220 homes (2014/0214) lapsed in March 2018. No planning
	application has been received. SHLAA 2023 reponse stated
	the owners are still looking to dispose of this site for residential
	development and will be market testing towards the end of
	2023.
SHLAA conclusion	Site is developable 6-10 years
category	

Site included in Five Year Housing Land Supply Assessment 2024?	No
Housing delivery source	Delivery rates to be added when planning application is submitted or permission granted
Units lost as at 31 March 2024	0
Units built as at 31 March 2024	0
Units remaining as at 31 March 2024	220

## G26: Westhouse Farm/Moor Road (site H12)

#### Site information:

Street name	Moor Road	
Locality/area	Bestwood Village	
Ward	Bestwood St Albans	
Parish	Bestwood Village	
CIL zone	Zone 1	
Existing use	(A) AGRICULTURAL LAND	
Site source	Submitted by landowner, developer or agent	
Year site added to SHLAA		2008
Brownfield or greenfield status		Greenfield
Site on Brownfield Land Register?		No

#### Dwelling capacity and density information:

Type of settlement	Higher density settlement
Type of site	Large site (50+ dwellings)
Dwelling capacity (net)	210 homes
Site area (ha)	10.23 ha
Developable area (ha)	10.23 ha
Density	21 dwellings per hectare

#### Planning status:

Site allocated in Local Plan?	Yes (H12)
Planning status	Planning permission granted (on part of site)
Planning application ref	2018/0823
Planning application type	Full
Decision date	8 August 2019
Expiry date	8 August 2022
Type of development	New build
Construction status	Under construction

Green Belt	Site is not in the Green Belt
Heritage assets	Not applicable
Ecology	Not applicable
Agricultural land	Not applicable
Flooding	Not applicable
Air quality	Not applicable
Land contamination	Not applicable
Highways and access	Not applicable
Coal referral area	Not applicable

Ownership issue	Not owned by a public authority. Part of the site is currently under construction. The remainder part of the site is allocated in the Local Plan. Information received from the SHLAA 2023 consultation indicates that the landowner is intending to deliver the site and there is no indication of any legal or ownership impediments to the development of the site
Overcoming constraints	Part of site is currently under construction so the constraints would have already been addressed through the planning application process. The remainder part of the site is allocated in the Local Plan so the key constraints would have already been addressed through the plan preparation process.

Suitability	Suitable = Site currently under construction
Availability	Available now = Site currently under construction
Achievability	Achievable now = Site currently under construction
Assessment	The site boundary was amended in 2019 to cover the housing
conclusion	allocation H12 only. The site is allocated for 210 homes in the
	Local Planning Document (site H12). Part of the site is
	currently under construction for 101 homes (2018/0823). As at
	31 March 2024, 49 homes have been built. Full planning
	permission for a further 93 homes was submitted in early 2024
	and is currently pending.
SHLAA conclusion	Site is deliverable
category	

#### Delivery information:

Site included in Five Year Housing Land Supply Assessment 2024?	Yes
Housing delivery source	SHLAA consultation response 2023
Units lost as at 31 March 2024	0
Units built as at 31 March 2024	49
Units remaining as at 31 March 2024	145

## Projected housing completions for each year (for deliverable sites and allocated sites only):

2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	After 2029
20	15	15	15	15	40

## G27: Westhouse Farm/Moor Road (safeguarded land)

#### Site information:

Street name	Moor Road	
Locality/area	Bestwood Village	
Ward	Bestwood St Albans	
Parish	Bestwood Village	
CIL zone	Zone 1	
Existing use	(A) AGRICULTURAL LAND	
Site source	Submitted by landowner, developer or agent	
Year site added to SHLAA		2008
Brownfield or greenfield status		Greenfield
Site on Brownfield Land Register?		No

#### Dwelling capacity and density information:

Type of settlement	Higher density settlement
Type of site	Large site (50+ dwellings)
Dwelling capacity (net)	350 homes
Site area (ha)	13.32 ha
Developable area (ha)	12.00 ha
Density	29 dwellings per hectare

#### Planning status:

Site allocated in Local Plan?	No
Planning status	No planning application
Planning application ref	
Planning application type	
Decision date	
Expiry date	
Type of development	
Construction status	Not started

Green Belt	Part of the site is in the Green Belt (6.14 ha)
Heritage assets	No known designated and/or non-designated heritage assets within, adjacent to or in close proximity to the site
Ecology	Site contains trees protected by Tree Preservation Orders
Agricultural land	Agricultural land grade 3 (13.32 ha), grade 3a (11.85 ha), grade 3b (1.11 ha) and other (0.25 ha) [Source: Provisional Agricultural Land Classification (for grade 3) and Post-1988 Agricultural Land Classification (for grade 3a, grade 3b and other)]

Flooding	Site does not fall within area at risk of flooding from rivers (Flood Zone 2 or 3). Part of site falls within area of high risk of flooding from surface water (0.01 ha), medium risk of flooding from surface water (0.10 ha) and low risk of flooding from surface water (0.31 ha). Site falls within area susceptible to groundwater flooding
Air quality	Site is not within or near an Air Quality Management Area
Land contamination	Past or present use: farm and former brick works
Highways and access	A footway would be required extending across the site B683 frontage and connecting with the existing facility to the south that may require improvement. This would require the loss of much of the hedgerow across the site frontage and similarly when creating visibility splays to any proposed junction onto the B683. A number of points of access will be required to serve this number of dwellings. Possibly two on the B683 with connections also to Keepers Close and Lean Close. [Highways comments provided in 2018]
Coal referral area	Site does not fall within 'Development High Risk Area'
Ownership issue	Not owned by a public authority. Information received through the SHLAA 2022 consultation that the landowner still wishes to develop the site and there is no indication of any legal or ownership impediments to the development of the site
Overcoming constraints	Very special circumstances required to allow development on the Green Belt. An assessment would need to demonstrate that existing Tree Preservation Orders will be protected. A flood risk assessment may be required to support a planning application and site would require good sustainable drainage systems in place to ensure surface water runoff does not occur. A land contamination assessment would be required to ensure the site is suitable for its proposed use. Highways comments would need to be addressed.

Suitability	Could be suitable = Site designated as safeguarded land
Availability	Available = Site promoted through SHLAA or Council's call for
	sites by landowner
Achievability	Achievable = Site promoted through SHLAA or Council's call
	for sites by landowner
Assessment	The site boundary was amended in 2019 to exclude the
conclusion	housing allocation H12. Part of the site is currently designated
	as safeguarded land ("Moor Road, Bestwood Village") in the
	Local Planning Document which means the site is protected
	from development in order to meet longer term development
	needs. The remainder of the site falls within the Green Belt.
	Where a site is located within the Green Belt, the Government
	is clear that inappropriate development is harmful to the Green

Site included in Five Year Housing Land Supply Assessment 2024?	No
Housing delivery source	Not applicable
Units lost as at 31 March 2024	0
Units built as at 31 March 2024	0
Units remaining as at 31 March 2024	350

## G125: Land at Park Road/Broad Valley Drive (2)

#### Site information:

Street name	Broad Valley Drive	
Locality/area	Bestwood Village	
Ward	Bestwood St Albans	
Parish	Bestwood Village	
CIL zone	Zone 1	
Existing use	(N) NATURAL AND SEMI-NATURAL LAND - Amenity space	
Site source	Other	
Year site added to SHLAA		2024 (2008)
Brownfield or greenfield status		Greenfield
Site on Brownfield Land Register?		

#### Dwelling capacity and density information:

Type of settlement	Higher density settlement
Type of site	Small site (1 - 9 dwellings)
Dwelling capacity (net)	5 homes
Site area (ha)	0.16 ha
Developable area (ha)	0.16 ha
Density	31 dwellings per hectare

### Planning status:

Site allocated in Local Plan?	
Planning status	Lapsed permission
Planning application ref	2016/0253
Planning application type	
Decision date	27 April 2016
Expiry date	
Type of development	
Construction status	Not started

Green Belt	Site is not in the Green Belt
Heritage assets	No known desingnated and/or non-designated heritage assets within, adjacent to or in close proximity to the site
Ecology	No known designated nature conservation assets and/or local designations within the site
Agricultural land	Site is currently recreation area so no loss of agricultural land
Flooding	Site does not fall within area at risk of flooding from rivers (Flood Zone 2 or 3)
Air quality	Site is not within or near an Air Quality Management Area
Land contamination	

Highways and access	The site had planning permission in the past. Highway issues will already have been considered and found that the site can be accessed. Further consideration will be given to highways issues through the planning application process when a new planning app
Coal referral area	Site does not fall within 'Development High Risk Area'
Ownership issue	Owned by public authority
Overcoming constraints	Site is owned by public authority

Suitability	= Site that previously had planning permission for residential
	development which has now lapsed or has new planning
	application pending a decision
Availability	Available = Site that previously had planning permission for
	residential development which has now lapsed or has new
	planning application pending a decision
Achievability	Achievable = Site that previously had planning permission for
	residential development which has now lapsed or has new
	planning application pending a decision
Assessment	Full planning permission for residential development
conclusion	(2016/0253) granted in April 2016
SHLAA conclusion	Site is developable 6-10 years
category	

Site included in Five Year Housing Land Supply Assessment 2024?	
Housing delivery source	Not applicable
Units lost as at 31 March 2024	0
Units built as at 31 March 2024	0
Units remaining as at 31 March 2024	3

## G484: The Sycamores (Land South)

#### Site information:

Street name	Moor Road	
Locality/area	Bestwood Village	
Ward	Bestwood St Albans	
Parish	Bestwood Village	
CIL zone	Zone 1	
Existing use	(R) RESIDENTIAL - Garden land	
Site source	Planning application	
Year site added	to SHLAA 2009	
Brownfield or gro	eenfield status	Greenfield
Site on Brownfield Land Register?		No

#### Dwelling capacity and density information:

Type of settlement	Higher density settlement
Type of site	Medium site (10 - 49 dwellings)
Dwelling capacity (net)	11 homes
Site area (ha)	0.62 ha
Developable area (ha)	0.62 ha
Density	18 dwellings per hectare

#### Planning status:

Site allocated in Local Plan?	Yes (H11)
Planning status	Planning permission granted
Planning application ref	2024/0101
Planning application type	Full
Decision date	3 July 2024
Expiry date	20 September 2024
Type of development	New build
Construction status	Not started

Green Belt	Site is not in the Green Belt
Heritage assets	Not applicable
Ecology	Not applicable
Agricultural land	Not applicable
Flooding	Not applicable
Air quality	Not applicable
Land contamination	Not applicable
Highways and access	Not applicable
Coal referral area	Not applicable

Ownership issue	Site is currently under construction and there is no indication of any legal or ownership impediments to the completion of the site
Overcoming constraints	Site is currently under construction so the constraints would have already been addressed through the planning application process.

Suitability	Suitable = Site currently under construction
Availability	Available now = Site currently under construction
Achievability	Achievable now = Site currently under construction
Assessment	The site is allocated for 25 homes in the Local Planning
conclusion	Document (site H11). The site has completed 11 homes
	(2018/0650 and 2019/0678). Full permission for the final 3
	dwellings (2024/0101) was granted in July 2024.
SHLAA conclusion	Site is deliverable
category	

#### Delivery information:

Site included in Five Year Housing Land Supply Assessment 2024?	Yes
Housing delivery source	Assumptions for lead-in times and build-out
	rates
Units lost as at 31 March 2024	0
Units built as at 31 March 2024	11
Units remaining as at 31 March 2024	0

# Projected housing completions for each year (for deliverable sites and allocated sites only):

2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	After 2029
	3				

## G877: Land at Park Road/Broad Valley Drive (1)

#### Site information:

Street name	Broad Valley Drive	
Locality/area	Bestwood Village	
Ward	Bestwood St Albans	
Parish	Bestwood Village	
CIL zone	Zone 1	
Existing use	(N) NATURAL AND SEMI-NATURAL LAND - Amenity space	
Site source	Other	
Year site added	to SHLAA 2024 (2015)	
Brownfield or gre	Infield or greenfield status Greenfield	
Site on Brownfield Land Register? No		

#### Dwelling capacity and density information:

Type of settlement	Higher density settlement
Type of site	Small site (1 - 9 dwellings)
Dwelling capacity (net)	3 homes
Site area (ha)	0.1 ha
Developable area (ha)	0.1 ha
Density	30 dwellings per hectare

#### Planning status:

Site allocated in Local Plan?	
Planning status	Lapsed permission
Planning application ref	2016/0254
Planning application type	
Decision date	7 April 2016
Expiry date	
Type of development	
Construction status	Not started

Green Belt	Site is not in the Green Belt
Heritage assets	Not applicable
Ecology	Not applicable
Agricultural land	Agricultural Land Grae 3
Flooding	Site does not fall within area at risk of flooding from rivers
	(Flood Zone 2 or 3). Site falls within area susceptible to
	groundwater flooding
Air quality	Site is not within or near an Air Quality Management Area
Land contamination	No known land contamination
Highways and access	

Coal referral area	Site does not fall within 'Development High Risk Area'
Ownership issue	Owned by a public authority.
Overcoming constraints	

Suitability	Suitable = Site that previously had planning permission for
	residential development which has now lapsed or has new
	planning application pending a decision
Availability	Available = Site that previously had planning permission for
	residential development which has now lapsed or has new
	planning application pending a decision
Achievability	Achievable = Site that previously had planning permission for
	residential development which has now lapsed or has new
	planning application pending a decision
Assessment	Full planning permission for three dwellings (2016/0254)
conclusion	lapsed in April 2019.
SHLAA conclusion	Site is developable 6-10 years
category	

Site included in Five Year Housing	
Land Supply Assessment 2024?	
Housing delivery source	Not applicable
Units lost as at 31 March 2024	0
Units built as at 31 March 2024	0
Units remaining as at 31 March 2024	3

## G1248: Forge Farm

#### Site information:

Street name	Moor Road	
Locality/area	Bestwood Village	
Ward	Bestwood St Albans	
Parish	Bestwood Village	
CIL zone	Zone 1	
Existing use	(B) AGRICULTURAL BUILDINGS - Farm buildings	
Site source	Planning application	
Year site added	to SHLAA 2022	
Brownfield or gro	nfield or greenfield status Greenfield	
Site on Brownfie	Brownfield Land Register? No	

#### Dwelling capacity and density information:

Type of settlement	Higher density settlement
Type of site	Small site (1 - 9 dwellings)
Dwelling capacity (net)	4 homes
Site area (ha)	1.54 ha
Developable area (ha)	1.54 ha
Density	3 dwellings per hectare

#### Planning status:

Site allocated in Local Plan?	No
Planning status	Planning permission granted
Planning application ref	2021/0930
Planning application type	Full
Decision date	25 November 2021
Expiry date	25 November 2024
Type of development	Change of use
Construction status	Not started

Green Belt	Site is in the Green Belt		
Heritage assets	Not applicable		
Ecology	Not applicable		
Agricultural land	Not applicable		
Flooding	Not applicable		
Air quality	Not applicable		
Land contamination	Not applicable		
Highways and access	Not applicable		
Coal referral area	Not applicable		

Ownership issue	Not owned by a public authority. Site has extant planning permission. Information received from the SHLAA 2022 consultation indicates that the landowner is intending to deliver the site and there is no indication of any legal or ownership impediments to the development of the site
Overcoming constraints	Site has planning permission so the constraints have been addressed through the planning application process.

Suitability	Suitable = Site with outline or detailed planning permission				
Availability	Available now = Site with outline or detailed planning				
	permission				
Achievability	Achievable now = Site with detailed planning permission				
Assessment	Full planning permission for change of use from farm buildings				
conclusion	to four dwellings (2021/0930) granted in November 2021.				
	SHLAA 2023 consultation indicates site is to be marketed over				
	the next 12 months.				
SHLAA conclusion	Site is deliverable				
category					

#### Delivery information:

Site included in Five Year Housing Land Supply Assessment 2024?	Yes
Housing delivery source	SHLAA consultation response 2023
Units lost as at 31 March 2024	0
Units built as at 31 March 2024	0
Units remaining as at 31 March 2024	4

# Projected housing completions for each year (for deliverable sites and allocated sites only):

2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	After 2029
4					