



**Mansfield
District Council**



*Mansfield and Ashfield
Clinical Commissioning Group*

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Mansfield Local Plan (MLP)

Statement of Common Ground

As agreed between

Mansfield District Council and

Mansfield & Ashfield Clinical Commissioning Group

Reference: SoCG MDC/ BDC

Date 30 November 2018

1. Introduction

- 1.1 This Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) has been developed in order to address Strategic Planning issues between the parties consisting of Mansfield District Council (MDC) and Mansfield & Ashfield Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). The parties are seeking to identify Strategic Planning issues and the approach of the respective parties in addressing these.
- 1.2 The Statement sets out the confirmed points of agreement between the parties with regard to:
- The requirements for primary health care arising from the proposed housing development contained within the Mansfield Local Plan 2018;
 - The co-ordinated approach of the Local Plan and the CCG investment plans; and
 - The Level of financial contributions required in order to deliver the necessary infrastructure.
- 1.3 The purpose of the Statement of Common Ground is to inform the Inspector of the Mansfield Local Plan and other parties about the areas of agreement between Mansfield District Council and the CCG in relation to key strategic issues contained in the Mansfield District Local Plan (2013-2033), primarily the delivery of social infrastructure. The agreement has been in a consideration in the development of the proposed policy wording and the Infrastructure Delivery Plan.

2. Background

- 2.1 Mansfield District Council is a public body which is the Local Planning Authority (LPA) for its administrative area. Mansfield & Ashfield Clinical Commissioning Group is a clinically-led public body that is responsible for the planning and commissioning of health care services for the Mansfield and Ashfield area. Both are prescribed Bodies for the purposes of the Duty to Cooperate.
- 2.2 In developing the Mansfield Local Plan, the CCG have been engaged on an ongoing basis in order to assess capacity issues and determine the requirements for financial contributions or new facilities to mitigate the impacts of population growth arising from new development.
- 2.4 This Statement of Common Ground reflects the agreed position between Mansfield District Council and Mansfield & Ashfield Clinical Commissioning Group for submission to the Inspector for the Local Plan Examination of the Mansfield Local Plan.

3. Areas of Common Ground

3.1 Requirements for health care provision

3.1.1 The Publication version of the Local Plan proposes an increase of some 6,500 houses¹ in Mansfield District between 2013 and 2033. The increase in housing will have a commensurate increase in population. The demographic structure of the District is also forecast to change. As a result of the proposed growth in population and changing demographic circumstances, there will be additional pressures on social infrastructure including primary health care.

3.1.2 MDC commissioned an Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP) in April 2018 which sought to assess the implications of potential growth on health provision.

3.1.3 The parties agree that:

3.1.4 There will be a requirement for improvements in health care capacity arising from development set out in the Mansfield Local Plan;

3.1.5 Thirteen additional GP places² or equivalent professional persons and commensurate increases in practice facilities and floorspace will be required in order to accommodate the proposed levels of growth arising in the plan;

3.1.6 The Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP) has adequately assessed the level of demand for primary health care arising from the proposed growth within the District of Mansfield during the plan period;

3.1.7 Improvements to primary care provision can be delivered through extensions to existing premises and no new primary care facilities are required³;

3.1.8 Based on the proposed location of growth and an assessment of potential capacity in GP practices, financial contributions will be spent at practices in the following areas:

- I. Mansfield Urban Area⁴;
- II. Pleasley area⁵; and

¹ Since publication of the plan, the Government's new 2016-based household projections were released on September 20th, 2018. Using the 'Standard Methodology' for calculation housing requirements - 338 houses per year are required (6,760 between 2013 and 2033). In order to provide flexibility some 7,800 houses are being proposed through the Local Plan.

² As identified in the Mansfield District Infrastructure Delivery Plan (July 2018)

³ This does not prejudice the delivery of new facilities or relocation of existing GP practices to help meet identified need should they be promoted.

⁴ Forest Medical - Oak Tree Lane Surgery / Rainworth Health Centre,

⁵ Bull Farm Primary Care Resource Centre / Pleasley Surgery

III. Forest Town area⁶.

3.1.9 Given that patients have freedom of choice and to provide flexibility this list is not prescriptive or exhaustive and other facilities may be expanded using financial contributions⁷.

3.2 Co-ordination of financial contributions and CCG investment plans

3.2.1 The financial requirements arising from development, as identified in the Infrastructure Delivery Plan⁸, will be funded through planning obligations. Financial contributions should complement, and not duplicate, any capital works identified by the CCG.

3.2.2 The contributions are necessary to fund the potential increase in population growth arising from the proposed levels of new growth in the local plan.

⁶ Sherwood Medical Partnership.

⁷ Where this is necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms, directly related to the development, and fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind.

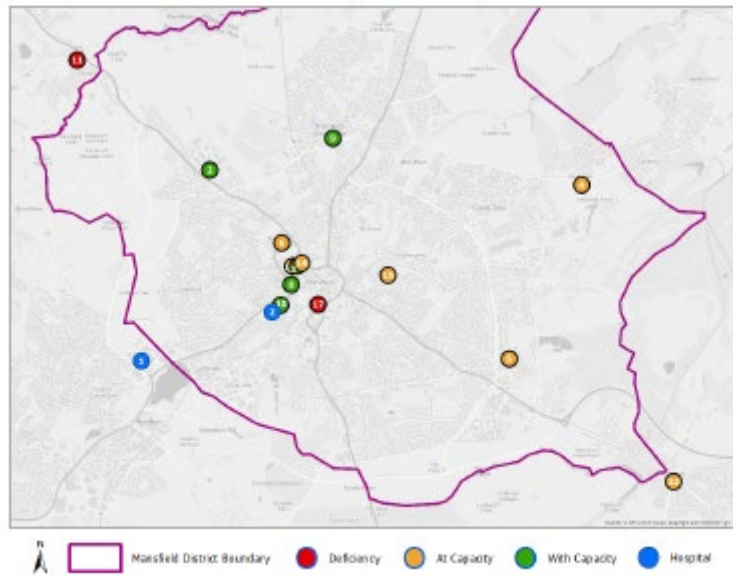
⁸ Indicative financial requirement is for £950 per dwelling.

4.0 Map of the Strategic Area

Image 1 – Locations of GP Practices in the North of the District²

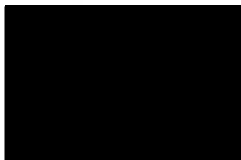


Image 2 – Locations of GP Practices (and Hospitals) in the South of the District



AGREEMENT

Signed on behalf of Mansfield District Council



Hayley Barsby

Chief Executive

Dated: 14 December 2018

Signed on behalf of Mansfield & Ashfield Clinical Commissioning Group



Amanda Sullivan

Accountable Officer

Dated: 30 November 2018