

## Policies included in the Plan

We encourage you to read the Plan to appreciate the full context of the policies. Summaries are shown here:

Policies	Main intent
<b>Spatial Strategy</b>	
Policy S1: Spatial Strategy (page 23)	Sets out where development should be directed to within the parish
<b>Housing</b>	
Policy S2: Housing Strategy (page 25)	Indicates potential housing numbers and development sites
Policy S3: Dwelling Mix (page 27)	Sets out the type of housing needed in St Stephen
Policy S4: Design of Development (page 29)	Details criteria that all development should meet
<b>Green Spaces and the Environment</b>	
Policy S5: Minimising the Environmental Impact of Development (page 32)	Sets out environmental considerations that development proposals should consider
Policy S6: Protection of Natural Habitats (page 33)	Seeks to protect local habitats and species
Policy S7: Protection and Retention of Local Green Spaces (page 37)	Designates 7 local green spaces that should be protected from inappropriate development
Policy S8: Protecting the Setting and Function of the River Ver, the River Colne and their Tributaries (page 38)	Sets out criteria to help protect the rivers and their settings from negative impacts of development
Policy S9: Green Infrastructure and Development (page 39)	Maps the wildlife corridors worthy of protection
<b>Transport and Movement</b>	
Policy S10: Improvements to Local Key Junctions and Pinch Points (page 46)	Seeks to ensure that certain challenging parts of the local road network are not made worse
Policy S11: Off-Street Car Parking (page 48)	Safeguards parking, particularly in village centres
Policy S12: Bus Services & Community Transport (page 49)	Supports proposals that would contribute to improving public transport services and infrastructure
Policy S13: Provision for Walking & Cycling (page 50)	Supports proposals that will augment the local walking and cycling route network
Policy S14: Improving the Bridleway Network (page 51)	Supports proposals that will augment the local bridleway network
<b>Community Facilities</b>	
Policy S15: Community Facilities (page 52)	Making sure we retain our existing facilities
Policy S16: Provision of Leisure Facilities for Children and Teenagers (page 58)	Providing new and improved facilities for children and young people
Policy S17: Protection of Public Houses (page 56)	Trying to avoid losing our last public houses
Policy S18: Allotments and Community Growing Spaces (page 57)	Protecting our existing ones and providing opportunities for new 'growing spaces' in the future
Policy S19: Retirement / Care Home Facilities (page 58)	Addressing local care needs by supporting provision
Policy S20: Burston Nurseries (page 60)	Supporting the proposal for retirement properties
<b>Business and Local Economy</b>	
Policy S21: Supporting Expansion of Businesses (page 62)	Encouraging businesses to stay and grown locally
Policy S22: Village Retail Areas (page 63)	Supporting the role of our individual village centres
Policy 23: Protection of Existing Employment Premises or Land (page 63)	Protecting jobs within the parish
Policy 24: High Speed Broadband (page 65)	Securing high speed access across the parish
<b>Site Allocations (from page 67)</b>	
Policy S25: Land at Orchard Drive, Park Street Policy S26: Land at Park Street Baptist Church, Park Street Policy S27: Land south of Park Street Lane, Park Street Policy 28: Land to the rear of 42 to 75 Bucknalls Drive, Bricket Wood Policy 29: Land at Frogmore, Park Street	These policies seek to allocate housing to sites within the parish, in order to address the local housing need. All sites are within the green belt and require green belt boundary changes. Depending on the progress of the emerging St Albans Local Plan, these policies may not be feasible, as per the Important Notice above.