**Appendix 14 for Downton Neighbourhood Plan**

**Glossary of terms and acronyms (listed in order of appearance in the Plan)**

Terms

**Neighbourhood Plan** – a plan created by communities to influence planning decisions and local development, introduced within the Localism Act November 2011

**Wiltshire Core Strategy** – A strategy created by Wiltshire Council to identify the needs and characteristics of areas within Wiltshire and describe a plan to meet the needs, particularly for housing. The plan was adopted in February 2015.

**The Parish** – Includes the village of Downton, Charlton-all-Saints and Standlynch and the surrounding countryside as seen in the map at the beginning of the Plan

**Steering Group** – a group of interested community members set up to manage the development of the plan, accountable to the Parish Council and with defining terms of reference

**Engagement Group** – a sub group of the Steering Group set up to manage the engagement with the community to identify views and alert the community to actions within the development of the Plan. The Engagement Group is accountable to the Steering Group and has defining terms of reference.

**Local Service Centre** – defined in Wiltshire’s Core Strategy as “smaller towns and larger villages which serve a surrounding rural hinterland and possess a level of facilities and services that, together with improved local employment, provide the best opportunities outside the Market Towns for greater self-containment’’.

**Policy** - A plan or course of action intended to influence and determine decisions, actions, and other matters

**Proposal** - A plan or suggestion put forward for consideration by others

**Referendum** (in this context) - a general vote by the registered electorate of the Parish of Downton on the question of acceptance of the Neighbourhood Plan. This is arranged by Wiltshire Council following their inspection of the Plan and a period of further consultation

**National Policy Planning Framework** - The National Planning Policy Framework was published on 27 March 2012 and sets out the Government’s planning policies for England and how these are expected to be applied.

**Community Infrastructure Levy** – The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a charge made on developments exceeding 100 square metres and all housing other than rented affordable housing where the rent is less than 80% of a market rent. The majority of the levy will go to the charging authority, Wiltshire County Council, to be spent on infrastructure projects as defined by the legislation.

**Section 106** - Planning obligations under Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) are a mechanism that makes a development proposal acceptable in planning terms, which would not otherwise be acceptable. They are focused on site specific mitigation of the impact of development. Developer contributions of this sort are in addition to the Community Infrastructure Levy

**Village Design Statement** – published jointly between Downton Society and Salisbury District Council this document aims to ensure that the design of any future development and any change to existing dwellings in Downton, are based on an understanding both of the village’s past and present character and of its precious environmental setting, so that it can contribute sensitively to the protection and improvement of Downton.

**Housing Site Allocation Development Plan Document (DPD)** The purpose of the Wiltshire Housing Site Allocations DPD is to support the delivery of new housing set out in the Wiltshire Core Strategy (adopted January 2015) and will address two key matters:

* The document will identify sufficient land (in the form of sites) across Wiltshire to ensure delivery of the Wiltshire Core Strategy housing requirement and maintain a five year housing land supply up to the end of the plan period to 2026.
* In addition to identifying sites for housing delivery, the document will review settlement boundaries, as defined in the adopted Wiltshire Core Strategy in relation to: the Principal Settlements of Salisbury and Trowbridge; Market Towns; Local Service Centres in the South Wiltshire Housing Market Area; and Large Villages.

**Strategic Housing Market Assessment** – cross boundary studies designed to ensure that there is an adequate supply of good quality housing of all types and of all tenures, delivered to address the needs of people in Wiltshire’

**Special Landscape Area** - landscapes of County Importance.

**Southern Wiltshire Community Area** - Southern Wiltshire Community Area sits in the south east corner of Wiltshire where the chalk of the Salisbury Plain dips down to form the Hampshire Basin with its surface sands and gravels. It includes Downton

**Qualitative Survey** – an initial survey carried out in Spring 2014 specifically for Downton Neighbourhood Plan to ask ‘open’ questions about what residents like/dislike or want to change about the Downton Parish area

**Quantitate survey** - survey carried out in late Autumn 2014 specifically for Downton Neighbourhood Plan to ‘closed’ questions to establish strength of view about issues raised in the Qualitative survey above.

**Ofsted** – Government body responsible for maintaining standards in education and services linked to children.

**Place shaping** - overs a wide range of local activity—anything which affects the well-being of the local community. The term is particularly relevant to Local Government working in partnership with other bodies for the good of the community.

**Sustrans –** Sustainable transport solutions

Acronyms

SHLAA - Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment

AONB – Area of outstanding natural beauty

WC – Wiltshire Council

NP - Neighbourhood Plan

HGV – Heavy goods vehicle

SSSI – Site of Special Scientific Interest

SAC – Special Area of Conservation

EU – European Union

DEFRA – Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

MUGA – Multi Use Games Area