

Ashtead Neighbourhood Forum submitted its Green Belt Boundary Review (February 2014) and Site Assessments (May 2014) to Mole Valley District Council as part of the evidence base for the Council's preparation of its Housing and Traveller Sites Plan.

Mole Valley District Council has not published its conclusions on the work carried out by Ashtead Neighbourhood Forum or on the development potential of the sites covered by the Site Assessments.

Paragraph 83 of the NPPF states that Green Belt boundaries can only be altered in exceptional circumstances, through the preparation or review of the Local Plan by the Local Planning Authority. On 9 December 2014, Mole Valley District Council terminated preparation of the Housing and Traveller Sites Plan, along with the Green Belt Boundary Review which formed part of that Plan.

Therefore, there has been no change in the planning policy status of those sites which are within the Green Belt or covered by other constraints. Any applications submitted at this stage would be considered in the light of current Development Plan policies and national guidance.