



# The 2016 Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA)

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## 1. What is a 'HELAA'?

A Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA) provides evidence to inform the development of a local plan. The 2016 HELAA provided an interim update to support the Placemaking Plan. A full 2018 HELAA is also being prepared to support the Local Plan 2016-2036. This will be published later in 2018.

Whilst the HELAA is an important evidence source to inform plan making the assessments of land do not determine whether a site should be allocated for development. This is because not all sites considered in the assessment will be suitable for development (e.g. because of policy constraints or if they are unviable). It is the role of the assessment to provide information on the range of sites which are available to meet need, but it is for the development plan itself to determine which of those sites are the most suitable to meet those needs.

The Department for Communities and Local Government's [Planning Practice Guidance](#) provides further information about HELAA.

The 2016 HELAA will be replaced by the 2018 HELAA, once completed.

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## 2. The 2016 HELAA Findings Report

The 2016 HELAA Findings Report updates the previous Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) Findings Report. It presents a strategic overview/summary of the housing land supply position in Bath and North East Somerset for the period 2011/12 to 2028/29.

The [Housing Land Supply Findings Report](#) provides an overview of the assessment of sites and the delivery trajectory. It should be read alongside [Appendix 1 \(Site Assessments and Plans\)](#), [Appendix 2: Housing Land Supply Trajectory 2011-2029](#) and the recently produced Housing Land Supply Maps below:

- [Housing Land Supply Findings Report 2016](#)
- [Housing Land Supply Trajectory 2011-2029](#)
- [Housing Land Supply Map – Bath](#)
- [Housing Land Supply Map – Keynsham](#)
- [Housing Land Supply Map – Somer Valley](#)
- [Housing Land Supply Map – Rural Areas](#)

Please note that only the Findings Report, Appendix 2 (housing trajectory) and maps above have been updated since the Core Strategy was adopted.

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### 3. HELAA Appendix 1: Site Assessments and Plans

The various sections of Appendix 1 were produced to support the SHLAA Findings Report and continue to support the renamed HELAA Findings Report.

#### Appendix 1a: Bath

- [Bath Site Assessments \(4.8 MB\)](#)
- [Bath Site Plans \(2.6 MB\)](#)

#### Appendix 1b: Bath Green Belt

- [Bath Green Belt Site Assessments \(4.2 MB\)](#)
- [Bath Green Belt Site Plans \(6.3 MB\)](#)

#### Appendix 1c: Keynsham and surrounding Green Belt

- [Keynsham Site Assessments \(0.5 MB\)](#)
- [Keynsham Site Plans \(0.8 MB\)](#)
- [Keynsham Green Belt Site Assessments \(1 MB\)](#)
- [Keynsham Green Belt Site Plans \(0.8 MB\)](#)
- [Keynsham Digital Terrain Model \(3.1 MB\)](#)

#### Appendix 1d: Somer Valley

- [Midsomer Norton & Westfield Site Assessments \(2.6 MB\)](#)
- [Midsomer Norton & Westfield Site Plans \(0.8 MB\)](#)
- [Radstock Site Assessments \(1.3 MB\)](#)
- [Radstock Site Plans \(0.7 MB\)](#)
- [Paulton & Peasedown Site Assessments \(0.2 MB\)](#)
- [Paulton & Peasedown Site Plans \(0.7 MB\)](#)
- [Somer Valley Digital Terrain Model \(3.8 MB\)](#)

#### Appendix 1e: Rural Villages in Bath & North East Somerset

- [Village Site Assessments \(1.9 MB\)](#)
- [Village Site Plans \(6.3 MB\)](#)

#### Appendix 1f: South East Bristol

- [South East Bristol Site Assessments \(0.2 MB\)](#)
- [South East Bristol Site Plans \(2.1 MB\)](#)
- [Whitchurch Digital Terrain Model \(3 MB\)](#)
- [Hicks Gate Digital Terrain Model \(3.8 MB\)](#)