STANFORD IN THE VALE LAND USE & SETTLEMENT BOUNDARY CONSULTATION
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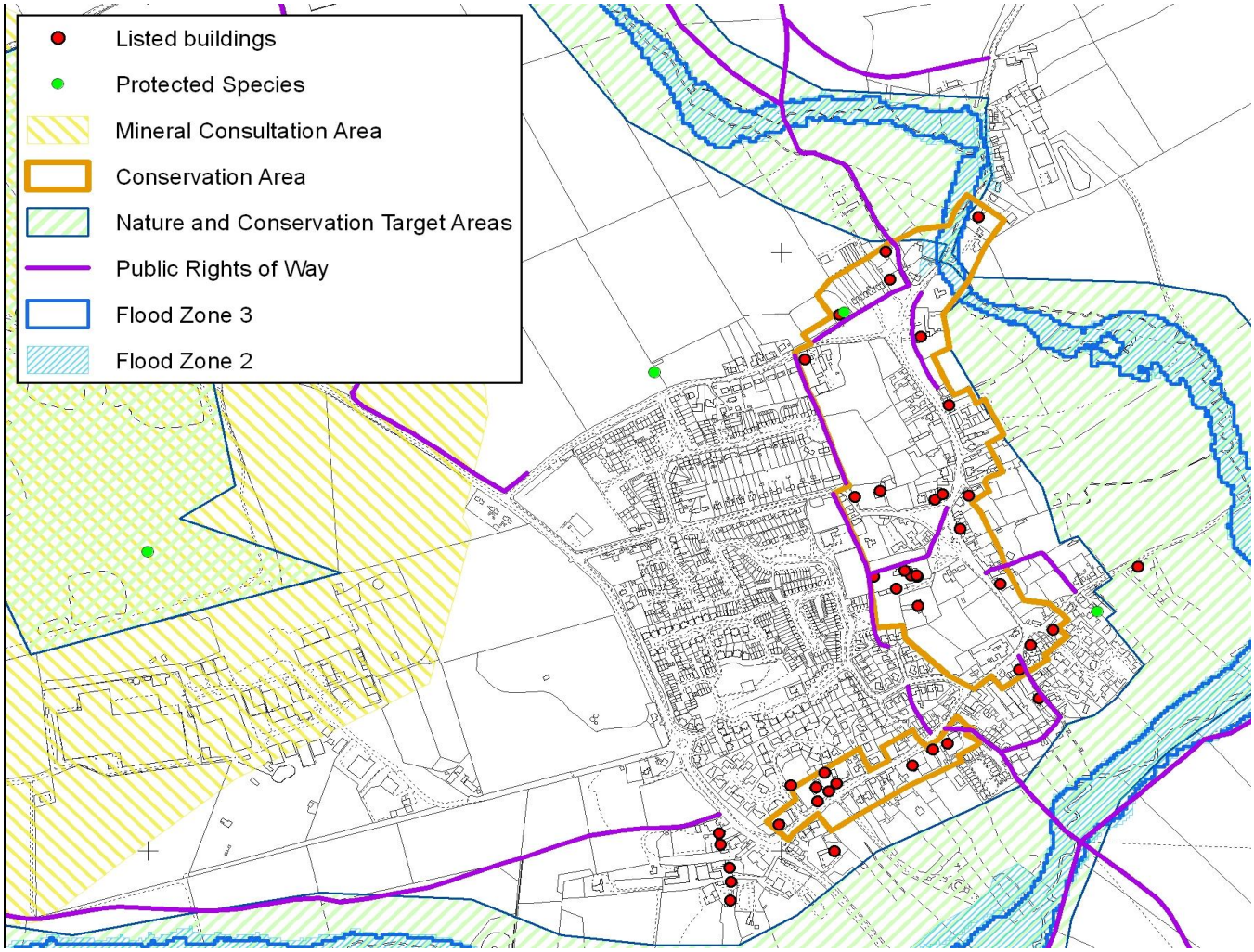
At the heart of the National Planning Policy Framework is a **presumption in favour of sustainable development**, which should be seen as a golden thread running through both plan-making and decision-taking. For **plan-making** this means that local planning authorities should positively seek opportunities to meet the development needs of their area. **(NPPF, Paragraph 14).**

To this end, Vale of White Horse District Council have created Policies in their Local Plan, which **SUPPORTS sustainable development IN or ADJACENT TO existing Settlements.** Stanford in the Vale is a Settlement but, unlike many Villages in the UK, the Vale have chosen NOT to show Settlement Boundary Lines in their Local Plan. This currently gives them the flexibility to move the boundary to suit their requirements. The NPSC have voted to try and establish a defined Settlement Boundary, so we ALL have a clear idea as to where development should or should NOT go.

Study the Map below carefully and, using the pens provided, please draw where you think the Settlement Boundary should go. **BUT BEFORE YOU DO, REMEMBER**

1. Not ALL houses need to be shown inside the Settlement Boundary line but generally it is accepted that a Settlement is where most of the Built Area is.
2. There is a Presumption in Favour of Sustainable Development, IN or ADJACENT TO existing Settlements (Towns and Villages).
3. Wherever you draw your line, then any land next to it could be developed – unless we can show really good reasons why the land should not be built on.



PLEASE TURN OVER AND COMMENT ON THE LAND USE PROPOSALS MAP ON DISPLAY