

**Leekfrith Neighbourhood Plan:  
Response to Examiner Letter dated 3  
December 2019**



This response is the agreed joint response of Peak District National Park Authority (PDNPA), Staffordshire Moorlands District Council and Leekfrith Parish Council to the matters of clarification raised by the Independent Examiner of Leekfrith Parish Council in the letter dated 3 December 2019.

**Question 1.**

There is no evidence to support the requirement in Part A(i) of Policy 1 for garaging rather than parking facilities. The key aim of the policy is to avoid any on-road parking.

**Question 2.**

The acceptable uses should be compatible with nearby uses.

**Question 3.**

The recommendation to transfer Part B of Policy 1 to the supporting text is noted and supported.

The PDNPA Core Strategy does not include a housing requirement figure for all or any part of the neighbourhood plan area. Policy DS1 of the Core Strategy names settlements (known as DS1 settlements) where there is scope for new build affordable housing in or on the edge of these settlements. There are no DS1 settlements in Leekfrith Neighbourhood area. Policy H1 of the Core Strategy states 'provision will not be made for housing solely to meet open market demand'.

The Staffordshire Moorlands Core Strategy did not include a housing requirement figure for all, or part, of the Neighbourhood Plan area. Policies SS3, SS4 and Appendix 11 of the emerging SMDC Local Plan set out that Neighbourhood Plans should make provision for at least the same amount of housing as is identified for their Neighbourhood Area in the Local Plan; with an aspiration for 4-8 windfall dwellings in Leekfrith Neighbourhood Area outside the Peak Park.

**Question 4**

The purpose of Part C of policy 1 is to ensure that the development does not result in any additional 'on-road' parking.

**Question 5**

The uncertainty regarding the application of points (iv) and (v) is noted. Restructuring of the policy as suggested would meet the intention.

**Question 6**

The aim of Policy 3 is to avoid any additional 'on-road' parking, the justification is the narrow roads in the area.

**Question 7**

The purpose of the policy is to identify the area rather than support any access works. The policy should be included as a non-planning action.