

# What we've changed – the key changes

## **Village Envelope (see map)**

The Examiner questioned where exactly specific policies would apply. In response, we have put forward a defined 'Village Envelope' which clarifies where specific policies apply (e.g. windfall sites).

## **Housing site allocation (see map)**

While the emerging South Downs Local Plan has not set a housing requirement for Clapham, the community has recognised the need to continue to grow to be able to retain its community facilities and to meet the housing and employment needs of the community. Through the Clapham NDP, the community has identified a suitable brownfield site - currently occupied as a builder's merchant - for a modest level of housing growth (approximately 30 new homes). The draft South Downs Local Plan allows for NDPs to allocate additional sites for development, providing that the development meets identified local housing need and complies with other relevant policies.

The Examiner has recommended a number of minor modifications to this policy, including the removal of requirements regarding recreation / leisure and shop /café provision, which were not considered to be justified.

## **Four policies deleted**

- The Examiner recommends that the policy on Agricultural/ Horticultural/ Horsicultural Employment is deleted as it is not adequately evidenced or justified, nor is it in accordance with national guidance.
- Policy on Quality of Design is also recommended for deletion as it is considered to be too burdensome and goes beyond national guidance.
- School Travel Planning and Open Access & Permissive Paths are not land use planning policy and the Examiner recommends these issues are moved to the text of the NDP regarding community aspirations.