Wealden Local Plan – Issues, Options and Recommendations consultation Heathfield town centre



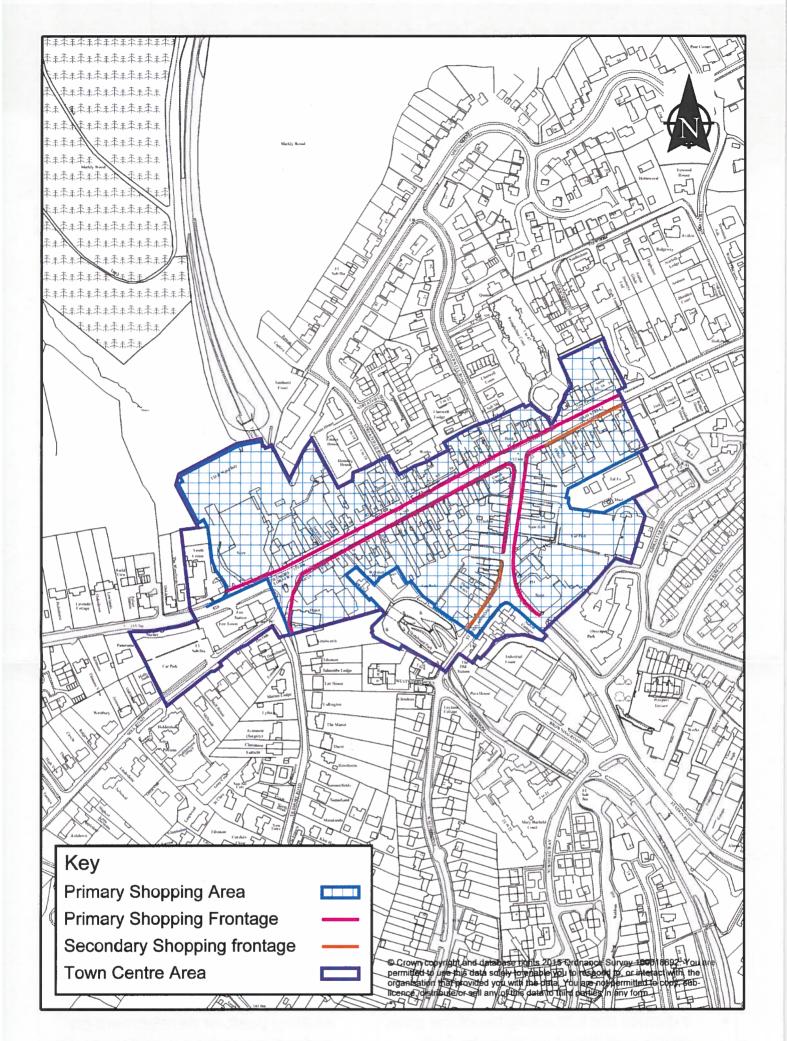
Preferred option for testing

- The town centre boundary for Heathfield extends from the Youth Centre at the western end of the High Street, along the rear of properties to the north of the High Street including the Co-op supermarket and car park, up to The Parade to the eastern end of the High Street. The town centre boundary follows the boundaries of properties to the east of Station Road, including the Sainsbury supermarket, telephone exchange and adjoining car parking areas, follows the boundaries of properties to the south of Station Approach, along the edge of the old railway tunnel and along the boundaries of properties to the south of the High Street towards Tilsmore Road/Mill Road, including the Fire Station and Mill Road car park to the west.
- The Primary Frontage has been defined as all retail frontages to the north of the High Street from the Co-op Supermarket to New Parade, and along the south of the High Street from Kensington's electrical store at the corner of the High Street and Tilsmore Road, to the Union Church at the High Street/Station Road Junction. Both sides of Station Road have also been defined as Primary Frontages, down to the Sainsbury supermarket on the eastern side and the Tesco metro store on the western side.
- Secondary Frontages have been defined along the southern side of the eastern end of the High Street, where the Library and Post Office Sorting Office are located, due to the nature of uses in this part of the High Street. The shops to the western side of Station Approach off Station Road are also designated as Secondary Frontages.
- The Primary Shopping Area has been drawn to encompass all of the primary and secondary frontages, as well as the supermarket and car parking areas adjacent to the High Street

Advantages and disadvantages

Disadvantages Advantages Defines a boundary to the Town Centre, Tight boundary around town centre and identifies Primary and Secondary area due to adjoining uses and proximity of AONB boundary. Frontages and the Primary Shopping area in accordance with the NPPF. Further work may identify additional retail provision which may not be able Provides some limited land available for to be accommodated within the town expansion through redevelopment or centre area. development on surface car parking Expansion through redevelopment of areas. existing uses, or development on Indicates the key attributes of the town surface car parking would lead to net centre and therefore helps to guide loss of car parking provision. development and thus support the vitality of the town centre.

Please see over for the town centre map



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