



Subject **RE: Ashington Neighbourhood Plan – new homes for Ashington**
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Dear Karen

Thank you for e-mail dated 19th July, informing us that Ashington Parish Council are preparing a Neighbourhood Plan. Please inform me at each consultation stage, the County Council can then consider the consultation documents and make comments, if required.

Regarding your queries in your e-mail, the number of school places required to meet development needs depends on the final housing mix however at a plan making stage the County Council makes an assessment as to the numbers that could be generated from development and plan using that figure until further detail comes forward in a planning application. The proposed level of housing the Parish Council are considering allocating would equate to approximately 4 – 7 pupils per year of age (28 – 49 primary age pupils and 20 – 35 secondary age). Current pupil projections indicate that this level of growth could be accommodated in the area. The County Council would consider the level of proposed development, infrastructure required and work with the District Council through the planning application process to secure infrastructure contributions.

Planning School Places is a document that sets out the policies and principles of the County Council, updated prepared yearly. The document takes into account planned and programmed development in the educational localities across the County, so you may find it useful to consider when planning for your area.

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/about-the-council/strategies-plans-and-policies/schools-plans-policies-and-reports/planning-school-places/>

Kind regards

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