

**National Planning Policy Framework:
Planning for growth on our historic towns and cities**

Salisbury 20th June 2012

**NPPF Heritage Practice
Guide**

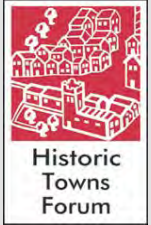
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Outline

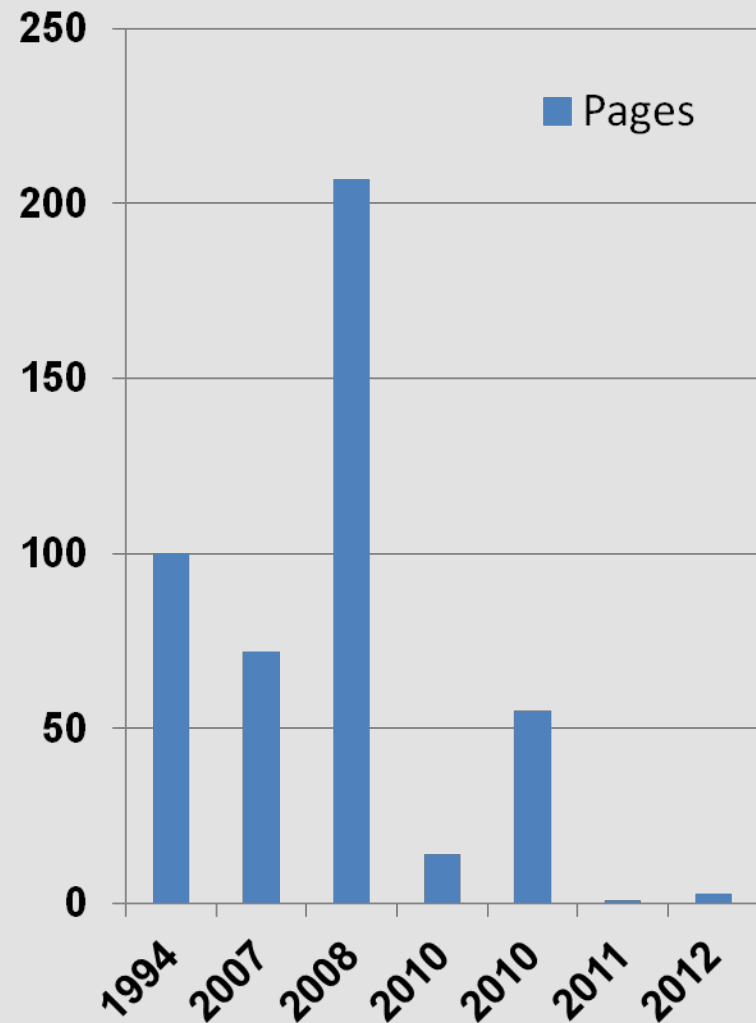
- Background
- NPPF & Government context
- Preparing the Guide
- Issues
- Next steps



Background

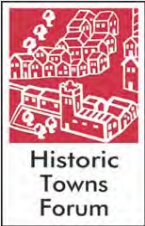


- 1994 PPG15 DoE & DNH
- 2007 Heritage Protection for 21st Century DCMS
- 2008 Draft Heritage Protection Bill DCMS
- 2010 PPS 5 CLG
- 2010 PPS 5 Practice Guide, CLG, DCMS, EH
- 2011 Localism Act
- 2012 NPPF



The NPPF

- Policy ‘has become ... elaborate and forbidding’
- Around 50 pages ‘written simply and clearly’
- 16 paras on historic environment
- Nothing about guidance in Annexe 1, Implementation
- NPPF Helpline - Quartermain said today: "The advice is not geared at telling you: ‘This is what the policy means’.”
- Govt is looking at guidance – scope, status, lead
 - Sector led?



planning for climate change -

guidance for local authorities

‘Planning plays a key role in helping shape places to secure radical reductions in greenhouse gas emissions, minimising vulnerability and providing resilience to the impacts of climate change, and supporting the delivery of renewable and low carbon energy and associated infrastructure. This is central to the economic, social and environmental dimensions of sustainable development.’

National Planning Policy Framework, Department for Communities and Local Government, Mar. 2012, paragraph 93

Planning & Climate Change Coalition

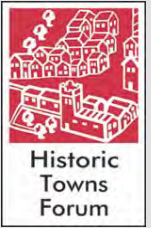
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Planning and Climate Change Coalition
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A full list of members of the Planning and Climate Change Coalition is given on page 27.

HEF & Practice Guide



- **Group established under HEF June 2011**
 - Developing a Guide
 - Parallel with comments on NPPF drafts
- **Aim to try to recover lost ground from HPR & HPB**
- **Get ahead of the game**
- **Multi sector inputs**
 - Black Environment Network
 - British Property Federation
 - Country Landowners Association
 - English Heritage
 - Heritage Alliance
 - Historic Houses Association
 - Historic Towns Forum
 - IHBC
 - Institute of Field Archaeologists

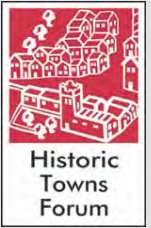


Challenges



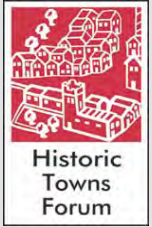
Issue	Response
Who for? Public or professional	Mainly professional
Purpose? Clarify , interpret guide?	Guide
Structure? Follow NPPF or more logical	Under discussion
Detail? How much?	Core principles ; detail only where not be covered by other document
Balance? Differing priorities	Proportionate treatment
	Viability – respecting NPPF emphasis
Bigger picture? Strategic conservation, design and links to broader planning	Discussion of how HE fits into the presumption in favour of sustainable development & references to related topics, e.g. local distinctiveness, design
	Describes what a positive strategy for HE looks like and how it relates to a development plan
	Discussion of neighbourhood planning
Length?	Not longer than NPPF, c. 30 pages
Status?	Material consideration
Endorsement?	CLG/DCMS support?

Purpose



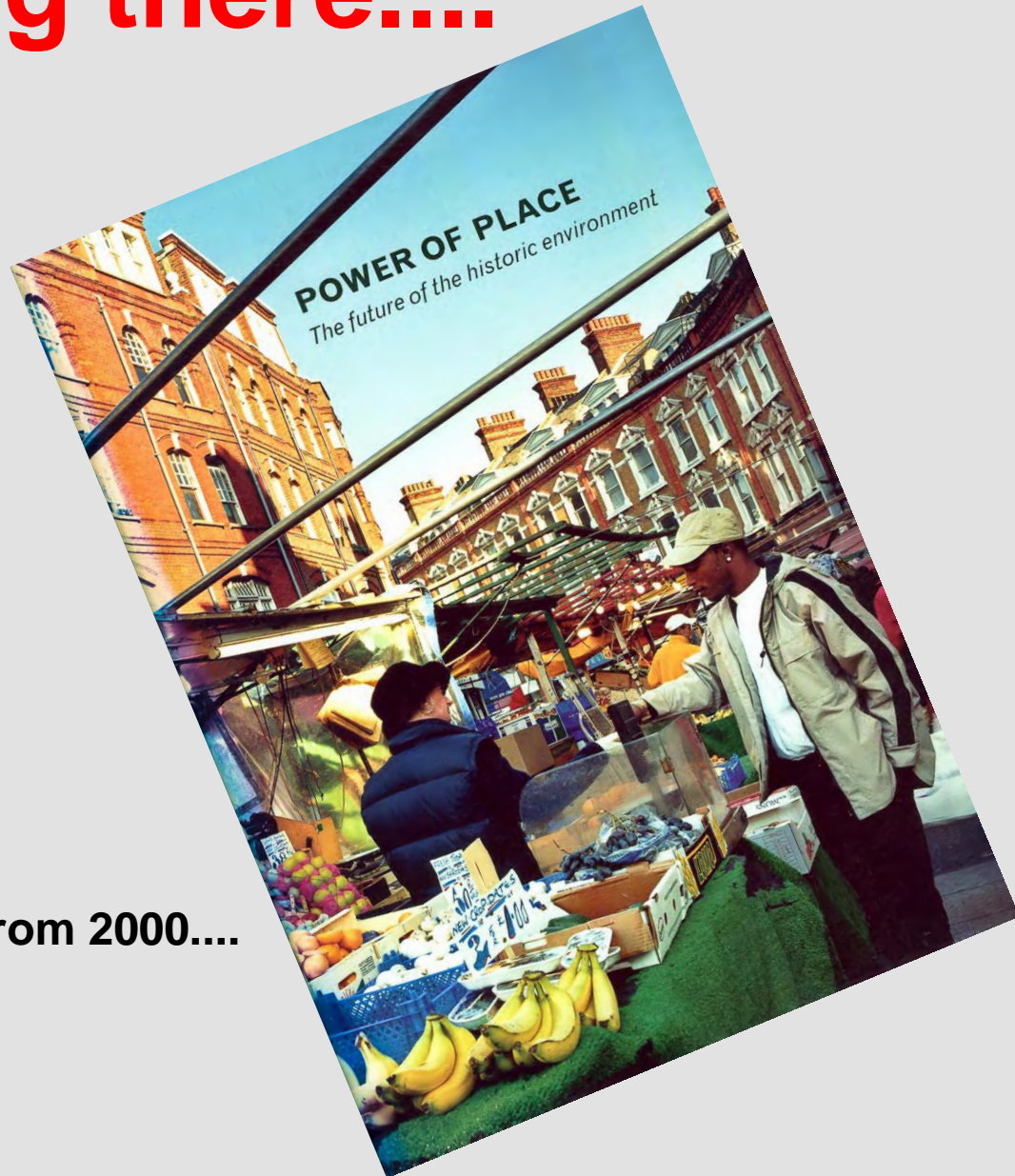
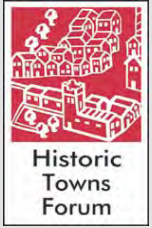
- **Assist**
 - Local authorities
 - Owners
 - Applicants
 - Local communities
- **By**
 - Clarifying key concepts
 - Drawing out wider connections
 - Signposting detailed guidance
- **Does not**
 - Interpret any ambiguities and inconsistencies in the NPPF
 - Provide best practice
 - Say only one way of doing things

Timescale



- **June 20** **Deadline for comments on draft v13**
- **June 27** **(Final?) draft v14 issued**
- **Early July** **Pre-consultation meeting (if needed)**
- **Early July** **Issue draft for 12 week consultation**
- **Early October** **Close of consultation**
- **Mid-October** **Summary of consultation responses**
- **Late October** **New draft**
- **Mid-November** **Agreement of final document**
- **Mid-November** **Launch**

Getting there....



The road from 2000....