

Overarching Vision for North Weald Bassett Parish

“The settlements within North Weald Bassett Parish will continue to be unique in nature, having their own personal identity, being great places to live with easy access to enjoy the open countryside. Future development will integrate into each settlement’s unique character and housing design, with improved sustainable transport links to neighbouring villages and towns, and enhancing each area’s individual sense of community”

INDIVIDUAL SETTLEMENT VISION

North Weald Bassett Village

“North Weald village will continue to be a close-knit village with a strong sense of community. The village will become more sustainable through improved health, education, leisure and community facilities, alongside a strengthened range of shops and services, complemented by enhanced sustainable and public transport provision. Rich and distinctive military heritage links with North Weald Airfield will be strengthened and reflected in future development.”

Thornwood Common

“Thornwood will continue to be a small but vibrant community, with a strong sense of identity and great links to the countryside and Epping Forest. Improved sustainable access links to the new facilities at the neighbouring Latton Priory Development will increase accessibility to much needed community facilities and services. Well-designed development will contribute towards the creation of a central focal point for the settlement.”

Hastingwood

"Hastingwood will remain a small hamlet, with a diverse range of dwellings dispersed sporadically throughout the settlement, set in the open countryside. Improved sustainable cycling and walking routes will improve connectivity to neighbouring towns and villages providing residents with more choices and opportunities."

Latton Priory

"In addition to being an integral part of the Harlow and Gilston Garden Town, Latton Priory will have its own unique identity, providing first class education, health, leisure and community facilities, forging a strong sense of community ownership. It will be a place to live, work, and play."