

NDP-S014	Michael Allen	Chelston Rise
Location:	Land adjacent to Chelston Rise, NN9 6AU	
Timescale:	2015-2020	Area: 0.23 Hectare (0.56 Acre)

6-8 affordable dwellings

The District Council's Core Spatial Strategy allows for new housing development within the rural areas, specifically to meet local needs and support local services. For Chelveston this will mean small scale development, commensurate with the size of the existing village, and can either take place within or adjoining the village or, as proposed, on brownfield land at Chelston Rise. The former option will result in a change to the character and appearance of Chelveston or Caldecott, whereas the proposed development would take place within the original boundaries of an existing residential estate, on land formerly accommodating a sub-station, where a small amount of additional development would have no effect upon the character of the above-mentioned settlements, or have any material effect on the character, appearance or amenities of Chelston Rise.

The proposed development would provide 6-8 dwellings, of which 2-3 would have to be affordable homes in order to accord with Policy H5 of the Core Strategy. A small number of homes would become available for occupation by local families who might otherwise have to leave the village in order to find affordable accommodation, and the remaining dwellings would help to bring new blood into the area and support local services. It is envisaged that a short cul-de-sac of mews housing, designed to resemble a traditional range of two-storey brick farm buildings, would be provided, enclosing a cobbled courtyard. Such a development would allow for an appropriate scale of growth, whilst respecting the area's rural traditions.

