

## RESTRAINT VILLAGES

- 5.42 The District Council considers that a number of the District's smaller, attractive and potentially more vulnerable villages are of sufficient importance to merit a more restrictive policy designed strictly to limit industrial and commercial development to the re-use of suitable redundant buildings for uses appropriate to the area. These villages are defined in Policy HS23 and are:

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| ASHBY ST LEDGERS | KELMARSH      |
| COTTESBROOKE     | LAMPORT       |
| LOWER HARLESTONE | PRESTON CAPES |
| UPPER HARLESTONE | UPPER STOWE   |
| HASELBECH        | TEETON        |

## POLICY EM15

**IN THE RESTRAINT VILLAGES PLANNING PERMISSION WILL NOT NORMALLY BE GRANTED FOR BUSINESS AND GENERAL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT. EXCEPTIONS MAY INCLUDE PROPOSALS FOR SMALL SCALE DEVELOPMENT RELATED TO THE RE- USE OF BUILDINGS FOR USES APPROPRIATE TO SMALL VILLAGES IN RURAL AREAS. IN ORDER TO MERIT CONSIDERATION FOR RE-USE UNDER THIS POLICY, THE BUILDING MUST HAVE A CHARACTER WHICH RENDERS IT WORTHY OF RETENTION AND THE PROPOSED USE, FORM, BULK AND GENERAL DESIGN OF THE CONVERTED BUILDING MUST BE IN KEEPING WITH ITS SURROUNDINGS.**

- 5.43 In assessing applications for the purposes of this policy, regard will be paid to the criteria set out in respect of the conversion of buildings in the open countryside, set out in Policies EN19 to EN22.
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