



RUGBY BOROUGH COUNCIL LOCAL PLAN (2025 – 2042)

**STATEMENT OF COMMON GROUND BETWEEN RUGBY
BOROUGH COUNCIL AND THE COVENTRY AND
WARWICKSHIRE INTEGRATED CARE BOARD**

MARCH 2026

1. Organisations

- Coventry and Warwickshire Integrated Care Board (ICB)
- Rugby Borough Council (RBC)

2. Introduction

- 2.1. This Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) has been prepared jointly by RBC and the ICB.
- 2.2. The Statement identifies areas of agreement and disagreement between RBC and the ICB in relation to the Rugby Borough Local Plan (2025-2042)(“the Plan”) and its supporting evidence base.
- 2.3. It has been prepared to demonstrate that RBC has effectively cooperated with the ICB on matters of primary medical care infrastructure, as required by the Duty to Co-operate and the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).

3. Duty to Co-operate

- 3.1. As set out in the Council’s Duty to Cooperate Statement, RBC has engaged with the ICB throughout the plan-making process.
- 3.2. In accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, the ICB has been formally consulted at every stage of consultation on the Plan Review together with its accompanying Sustainability Appraisal and the Habitat Regulations Assessment. The ICB made representations to the Preferred Options Regulation 18 stage of consultation on the Plan.
- 3.3. RBC has regularly attended the NHS Local Estates Forum and has held bilateral meetings with the ICB on several occasions (April, September and October 2025) while preparing the Plan to discuss how primary healthcare needs will be met.
- 3.4. In March 2026, the ICB provided RBC with estimated costs for supporting the growth proposed in the Plan and provided comments about GP practice capacity at locations across the Borough. These estimates, which will need to be reviewed at the planning application stage, are set out in the Appendix B.

4.Areas of Agreement

It is agreed that RBC has worked collaboratively with the ICB to ensure that strategic health matters have been properly considered and where appropriate reflected in the proposed Submission Local Plan. Effective and ongoing joint working will continue to be undertaken.

Primary care provision

- 4.1. A new GP practice is planned for delivery at Houlton, and a further new GP practice is planned at South West Rugby. It is agreed that no further additional GP surgeries are required to accommodate growth identified in the Submission Plan.
- 4.2. It is agreed that the ICB will assess the need to expand existing GP surgeries as a result of planned growth within the borough through the planning application process. Funding for improvements or expansions of existing surgeries shall be sought via s106 agreements, as outlined in the Infrastructure Delivery Schedule.

5.Areas of Disagreement

No areas of disagreement have been identified

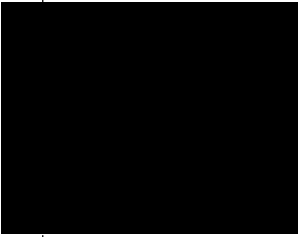
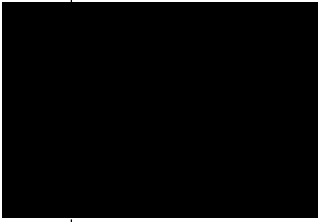
6.Further Joint Working

- 6.1. This Statement of Common Ground will be kept up to date through continuous engagement and cooperation between RBC and the ICB.

7.Monitoring

- 7.1. This Statement will be maintained by RBC and updated as necessary with the ICB.
- 7.2. RBC will continue to work with the ICB beyond the adoption of the Plan for the monitoring and implementation of the Plan.

8. Signatories

Signature: 	Signature: 
Liz Flavell Director of Finance C&W Integrated Care Board	Nicola Smith, Chief Officer – Growth and Investment, Rugby Borough Council
Date: 30.03.2026	Date: 30.03.2026

Appendix: Estimated Primary Care Costs for Supporting Planned Growth

These are the estimated costs for the expansion of and/or improvements to primary care provision required to support planned growth in the Borough, as provided by the ICB on 3 March 2026. It should be noted that these will need to be reviewed when planning applications are made – they are not finalised costs which the Council is agreeing to via this Statement of Common Ground.

Location	Comments	Cost Estimate
Binley Woods	No request to be made as under 50 homes threshold	N/A
Brinklow	Practice is operating within capacity for its current list size in 2026. Cost calculated on alteration/refurb figures	£337,609
Clifton upon Dunsmore	Practice operating under capacity; request for improvement works required. Cost calculated using cost estimator as per process.	£303,669
Rugby Town Centre inc. Long Lawford	Refer to previous assessment undertaken for Long Lawford; Improvement works request required to support off -site improvements.	£1,303,991
Newton	No request to be made as under 50 homes threshold	N/A
Ryton-on-Dunsmore	No request to be made as under 50 homes threshold	N/A
Urban Extensions to Rugby	Brownsover Practice operating at capacity; request for improvement works required and to support growth at Houlton via onsite option coming forward. Cost calculated using cost estimator as per process.	£1,071,773
Stretton-on-Dunsmore	Practice is operating within capacity.	N/A
Wolston	Practice operating at capacity; request for improvement works required extension + refurbishment:	£73,684
Wolvey	NA - covered by LLR GP Practice branch with expansion scheme in progress as advised by RBC.	N/A