

### **Paragraph 12**

The presumption in favour of sustainable development does not change the statutory status of the development plan as the starting point for decision making where a planning application conflicts with an up-to-date development plan (including any neighbourhood plans that form part of the development plan), permission should not normally be granted. Local planning authorities may take decisions that depart from an up-to-date development plan, but only if material considerations in a particular case indicate that the plan should not be followed.

The Revised Standard Method as adopted by the revised NPPF means that Herefordshire Council Housing land supply has fallen substantially below the five years' worth of supply with buffer.

### **Paragraph 14**

In situations where the presumption (at paragraph 11d) applies to applications involving the provision of housing, the adverse impact of allowing development that conflicts with the neighbourhood plan is likely to significantly and demonstrably outweigh the benefits, provided the following apply; a) The neighbourhood plan became part of the development plan five years or less before the date on which the decision is made; and b) The neighbourhood plan contains policies and allocations to meet its identified housing requirements (see paragraph 67-68); Whitchurch NDP was made in September 2019, it is more than five years old and the provisions of criterion (i) are not met so, Whitchurch NDP does not have the protection of paragraph 14.