

Denny and Dunipace

4.38 The Denny area has seen a slight reduction in its population in the last five years, and a relatively low level of housebuilding. However, major growth has been planned in LDP1 through the Denny South East Strategic Growth Area, which is now underway, and sites at Carrongrove Mill, Fankerton, and Rosebank, Dunipace. Transport and education improvements will accompany this new housing, including the Denny Eastern Access Road which will alleviate congestion at Denny Cross. There has been developer interest in further large scale development at Dunipace, but it is unlikely this could be sustained over the initial plan period, given the scale of existing commitments. The preferred approach is therefore not to promote any further growth.

4.39 Preferred Option

Focus on delivering the existing Denny South East Strategic Growth Area (sites 12, 13, 14, 67), and committed settlement expansions at Carrongrove Mill (site 15) and Rosebank, Dunipace (site 17).

Existing Housing Supply 2020-2030	Additional Housing 2020-2030	Growth Potential 2030-2040
982	0	Medium

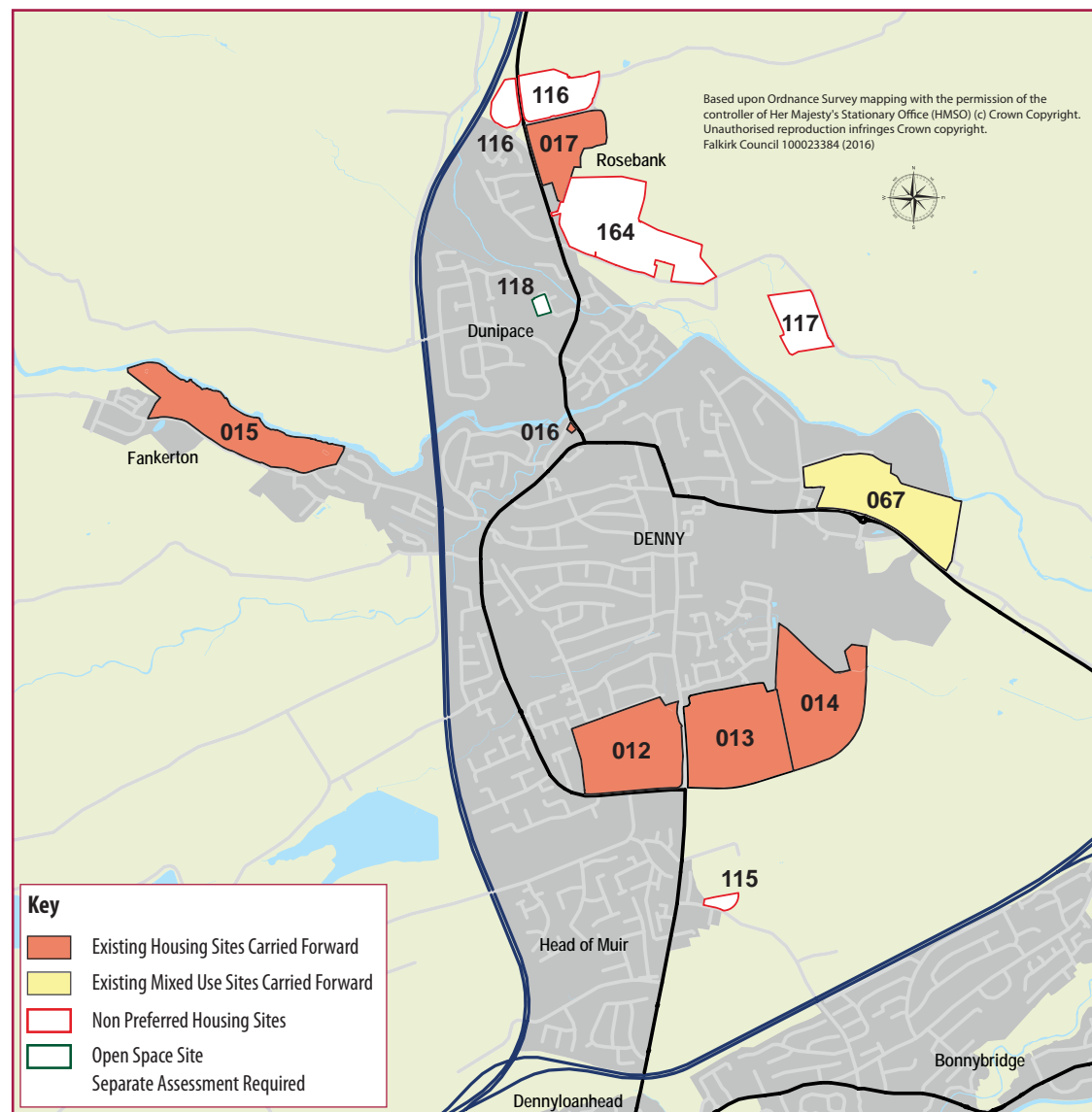
Alternatives

1. Extension to the existing site at Rosebank, Dunipace (site 116).
2. New Strategic Growth Area at Dunipace incorporating Bankend Farm (site 164).
3. Minor settlement extension at Head of Muir, involving green belt release (site 115).

How does this differ from LDP1?

The preferred option involves no change from LDP1. The alternatives would involve further greenfield expansion of varying scales.

Figure 4.10 Denny and Dunipace Housing



4. Homes and Communities

Falkirk

- 4.40** Falkirk is the principal town in the Council area and has seen continuing housebuilding through the recession, although not to the extent experienced in the early 2000s. LDP1 identifies two Strategic Growth Areas: Falkirk North, involving further development at Cauldhame Farm; and the Falkirk Canal Corridor, which includes two large canalside brownfield sites at Portdownie and Etna Road.
- 4.41** There are several brownfield opportunities for further growth, including Town Centre sites which could yield new homes as part of the strategy to increase the number of people living in the Town Centre.
- 4.42** Meanwhile at the eastern end of the town, a review of the vision for the Falkirk Gateway site suggests that new homes could have a role as part of the overall mix of uses. Added to the housing already proposed at the adjacent Forth Valley College site, this would constitute a new Strategic Growth Area bringing diversity and vitality to the important new urban quarter at the eastern end of the town.
- 4.43** There have been expressions of interest in various greenfield sites to the south of the town. Of these, an eastern extension to Hallglen at Woodend Farm is favoured, providing an opportunity to restore the historic listed farmhouse and deliver affordable housing.

4.44 Preferred Option

Promote a new Strategic Growth Area at the Falkirk Gateway (site 80), with residential use introduced as part of the mix of uses, together with a moderate greenfield expansion at Hallglen (Woodend Farm) (sites 123, 160). Additionally there would be a focus on increased residential use at development opportunities in the Town Centre (sites 70, 71) and other brownfield infill sites (sites 122, 167, 168, 169, 186).

Existing Housing Supply 2020-2030	Additional Housing 2020-2030	Growth Potential 2030-2040
668	370	Medium

Alternatives

1. New South Falkirk Strategic Growth Area involving greenfield expansion at Glen Farm (site 121).
2. Minor settlement extension at Slamannan Road (site 120), involving greenfield expansion adjacent to the Union Canal.

How does this differ from LDP1?

The preferred option differs from LDP1 in that residential use is introduced at the Falkirk Gateway, which is currently allocated solely for business. It also involves additional greenfield expansion at Hallglen. The alternatives would involve further greenfield expansion of varying scales.



Figure 4.11 Falkirk Housing

