## Northern Neighbourhood

The northern residential neighbourhood is shaped by its landscape, where a flat plateau descends into the steeper slopes of the Ver Valley.

The new neighbourhood will wrap around an expansive Country Park, with the historic Wood End Farm re-purposed for new uses. Mature trees and historic hedgerows are protected and naturally link together communities.

This neighbourhood will form a new gateway into Hemel Hempstead and into the **Country Park**, a haven for play and adventure. It will be urban in character, adjacent to a vibrant local centre. Towards the rural edges, where there are parks and lanes, **sports facilities and schools** will support the area.

The local centre will be located at the intersection of two key strategic routes:

- North-South along the Sustainable Transport Corridor, and
- East-West into Spencer's Park, supporting its use by residents both within and outside of East Hemel. At the centre of the East-West route will be a pedestrianised local centre that will link a community hall, shops, services, GP surgery and two schools.

Indicative Northern Neighbourhood Map

Housing

Neighbor

- 1 Local centre
- (2) Community cores
- (3) Primary school
- 4 Secondary school
- 5 Community hall
- 6 Country Park
- 7 Wood End Farm
- 8) Nickey Line
- Neighbourhood park (9)
- (10)Green links (network of natural spaces)
- (11) Sports hub



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