

Local Development Scheme 2012 - 2015



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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 BACKGROUND

- 1.1.1 All local planning authorities are required to draw up a Development Plan for their area. The Plan sets out the Authority's policies and proposals for the development and other use of land. It also provides the framework for making decisions about planning applications and conservation matters within the area.
- 1.1.2 The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act, passed in May 2004, brought in a fundamentally new Development Plan system. The Commencement Order brought the Act into force in September 2004 requiring each local authority to start work on replacing their existing Development Plan with a Local Development Framework (LDF). This is a suite of documents which includes a new-style Development Plan and other complementary documents.
- 1.1.3 LDFs go further than the old Development Plans in that they must be "spatial" in their approach. That is, they need to be broader based, taking into account economic, social and environmental matters as well as the physical aspects of location and land use. The LDF will need to reflect and influence the land use requirements of all Council departments and the Council's partners in service delivery (agencies, businesses and the voluntary sector). In particular, the Council will work closely with Moorlands Together the Local Strategic Partnership for the Staffordshire Moorlands area to ensure the Community Strategy and the LDF are coordinated.
- 1.1.4 Staffordshire Moorlands' current Development Plan consists of:
 - the **Local Plan** which was adopted in September 1998;
 - the **Biddulph Town Centre Area Action Plan** which was adopted in February 2007:
 - the Staffordshire & Stoke on Trent Structure Plan, adopted in February 2002;
 - the County's Minerals and Waste Local Plans, adopted in December 1999 and February 2003 respectively;
 - Regional Planning Guidance for the West Midlands (RPG11) since it became the **Regional Spatial Strategy** in 2004.
- 1.1.5 The Council began a review of the Local Plan, producing a Consultation Draft in March 2001, and a Site Options document for development sites and boundaries of designated areas in July 2002. Both documents were the subject of public consultation. However, the Council decided in January 2003 that, in view of the impending changes to the development plan system, it would suspend the review of the Local Plan and begin work on the preparation of an LDF. The Revised Policies and Proposals document produced in July 2003 will feed into the new work now required for the LDF.

- 1.1.6 Pursuant to the 2004 Act, 3 years later in September 2007 a number of the Plans itemised in para 1.4, including the Staffordshire Moorlands Local Plan and County Structure Plan, underwent a mandatory 'rationalising' procedure whereby only those Policies deemed in accordance with national Planning Policy were "saved" all other Policies being deleted from the Development Plan. This is explained in more detail in para 2.3.
- 1.1.7 Since 2006 the Council have been preparing the various stages of its District-wide Core Strategy in accordance with the preparation stage requirements of the 2004 Act. In May 2009 the Council produced its "Submission Document" version, although this has been subsequently amended following public consultations firstly in December 2009 and again in February 2011 resulting in the current December 2011 "Revised Submission Version". This latter document was formally submitted to the Secretary of State for independent Examination in September 2012.
- 1.1.8 In November 2011 The Localism Act became Law (and subsequently the Planning Regulations in April 2012) which made a number of significant changes regarding the preparation process of Development Plans and introduced the concept of 'neighbourhood planning' allowing communities to both develop their own Plans and enact their own 'development orders'. There is no longer explicit reference to "Local Development Frameworks", "Development Plan Documents" etc rather generic reference to "Local Plans" (although the content appears equivalent). Further, the Examination process regarding adoption of Local Plans/DPDs is made less onerous. Also the Act has the effect of signalling the abolition of Regional Spatial Strategies (and therefore removing them from the Development Plan) although currently they still remain.

1.2 THE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

- 1.2.1 In preparing an LDF, local authorities are required to prepare and maintain a Local Development Scheme (LDS). The primary purpose of an LDS is to provide the local community and the Authority's partners with a clear explanation of the programme for producing Local Development Documents (LDDs) (the portfolio of documents which make up the LDF). The LDS must state which LDDs are to be Development Plan Documents (DPDs) (subject to independent scrutiny by an Inspector), and which are Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) (not subject to independent scrutiny).
- 1.2.2 Following changes to the Regulations in 2009¹, there is no longer a requirement for Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) to be listed in the Local Development Scheme. Whilst this LDS continues to include SPDs in order to provide information on their content, the timetable for the production of SPDs in this LDS is indicative only. An up-to-date timetable is published on the Council's website where 'real time' information on the progress of all planning documents is given.

¹ Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2009

- 1.2.3 The Council's LDS first came into effect on 2nd August 2005 and covered the period to March 2007. A review of the LDS was subsequently undertaken in 2007 and in 2011. This document is the Council's third revision to the LDS to reflect the 2011 Localism Act and 2012 Planning Regulations and to take account of changes to the Council's LDF programme. The LDS was agreed and brought into effect by the Council on 25th July 2012.
- 1.2.4 The Scheme covers the following areas:
 - The LDDs to be produced and the linkages between them
 - A series of schedules (see Appendix 1), one for each DPD, itemising the following:
 - o Purpose
 - o Status
 - Content
 - Geographical coverage
 - Relationship with other local development documents, including the Local Plan
 - o Relationship with partner/stakeholder documents
 - o Whether to be produced jointly with another Local Planning Authority
 - Time period to be covered
 - Review timescale
 - Target Milestones and Completion Dates
 - Notes on how to get involved with shaping the LDDs
 - How production will be managed and resourced
- 1.2.5 The LDS will be reviewed and rolled forward on an annual basis to take account of progress on the programme and monitoring of the evidence base and adopted policies. This review will be informed by the Annual Monitoring Report. The LDS may be revised at any time, either in the light of the findings of the Annual Monitoring Report or if it is considered that new LDDs need to be prepared. The revised LDS must be resubmitted to the Secretary of State.

2. STAFFORDSHIRE MOORLAND'S LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK IN DETAIL

2.1 THE LDF FOLDER OF DOCUMENTS

- 2.1.1 The Council will produce the following Local Development Documents (LDDs):
 - Statement of Community Involvement
 - Core Strategy (DPD)
 - Site Specific Policies (DPD)
 - Area Action Plans (DPD)
 - Proposals Map
 - Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs)

The role of these LDDs and the linkages between them are described below and illustrated in Fig. 1.

- 2.1.2 Each Development Plan Document will need to be accompanied by a Sustainability Appraisal. The Sustainability Appraisal helps to predict the environmental and socio-economic effects of the policies and proposals of each LDD. The policies and proposals are assessed against indicators of sustainable development and targets. (See also section 2.6 below)
- 2.1.3 In addition, the Council will prepare a statement setting out what consultation took place, a summary of points made by everyone who responded, and the Council's response to each point. The results are then used to improve the policies and proposals. Within the Annual Monitoring Report (see Section 2.4 below) the performance of these policies and proposals will be assessed against the indicators and targets.
- 2.1.4 The Council has already built up an evidence base (see Appendix 2 for a list of the main documents) consisting of databases, studies and information held both by the Council itself, by Staffordshire County Council and by other bodies, including the Council's public sector partners and the voluntary sector. Staffordshire Moorlands District Council assists the County in keeping their databases on certain key types of land use (housing, employment, recreational, retail and derelict land in particular). The databases will also be used to monitor the LDF's performance in the Annual Monitoring Report. Full reports from all of these databases and studies are available to view on the Council's website.

2.2 THE MAIN LDDs IN DETAIL

2.2.1 The Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) specifies arrangements for involving the community in the preparation of all parts of the LDF. It also specifies how the Council intends to involve the community in development control

- decisions. The Statement of Community Involvement was adopted in September 2006 following an independent Examination in July 2006.
- 2.2.2 The Core Strategy (DPD) will set out the spatial vision and strategic objectives for Staffordshire Moorlands and the core policies for delivering them. The core policies will be supported by a 'reasoned justification'. The Core Strategy will deal with the issues surrounding the scale and general distribution of development and broad spatial policies. A Key Diagram will show diagrammatically the broad geographical effects of these policies.
- 2.2.3 The Site Specific Policies & Allocations (DPD) document will set out policies which relate to part or parts of the District only, and specific site allocations for different land uses.
- 2.2.4 The Council is no longer proposing to produce a separate Generic Development Control Policies (DPD) document as the Core Strategy document will contain adequate policy coverage against which planning applications will be able to be assessed.
- 2.2.5 Area Action Plans (DPDs) are drawn up for those parts of the District where proposals for change are concentrated or where land uses and activities are particularly complex. These Plans provide guidance for achieving the best arrangement of land uses and activities as well as an adequate social and transport infrastructure. The Council has prepared one Area Action Plan (AAPs) early in the programme for Biddulph Town Centre. The Biddulph Town Centre AAP was needed at this early stage to set out the actions necessary to stem a long-identified major leakage of shopping expenditure from the town centre to surrounding centres. The Council, with the help of consultants, progressed this AAP throughout 2005, leading to Submission to the Secretary of State in December 2005. A Public Examination commenced in October 2006 and the Plan was subsequently adopted on 22nd February 2007 having been declared 'sound' in the Inspector's Report. There are currently no proposals to produce further Area Action Plans.

2.2.6 The **Proposals Map** will identify:

- areas of the District to which area-specific core policies relate
- sites where significant developments are programmed
- sites which are the subject of an unimplemented planning permission for significant development
- sites which need to be safeguarded for particular land uses or activities
- Area Action Plan boundaries
- Other relevant area-specific designations
- 2.2.7 The Proposals Map will be updated as each LDD is prepared. The Council's current Local Plan, including its Proposals Map, is available on the Planning Portal, which can be accessed either directly or via the Council's own website –

www.staffsmoorlands.gov.uk. The Council will update the Proposals Map on the website on the adoption of each LDD; a limited quantity of paper copies will also be produced of each edition. Following adoption of the Biddulph Town Centre Area Action Plan in February 2007 the Proposals Map was subsequently updated.

2.3 SAVED POLICIES AND DOCUMENTS

- 2.3.1 Under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act (2004) all existing local plan policies were automatically saved for a period of three years from the date of the adoption of the Local Plan or from the commencement of the Act. Therefore the Staffordshire Moorlands District Local Plan was saved until 27th September 2007. The Council subsequently applied for a Direction from the Secretary of State to save specific policies further, to ensure continuity in planning policy until such time as they are replaced by new policies in DPDs.
- 2.3.2 The Secretary of State's decision on whether or not to save a policy has been based on protocol issued by the Department for Communities and Local Government. Appendix 4 details those policies in the adopted Local Plan which the Secretary of State has agreed to be saved.
- 2.3.3 Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) will be allowed to remain a material planning consideration as long as it is both linked to a saved policy from the adopted Local Plan and has gone through processes equivalent to those specified for Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs). However, it will have less weight accorded to it than adopted SPDs. It is intended that all SPGs will remain in force beyond 2007 until such time as they are superseded by equivalent DPD policies or repacement SPDs. Appendix 3 lists those exsiting SPGs to be saved.

2.4 ANNUAL MONITORING AND REVIEW

- 2.4.1 The Council produces an **Annual Monitoring Report** at the end of each year and publishes this on its website. Each Report charts the progress in producing LDDs, that is, whether or not:
 - the milestones for each LDD, as set out in this LDS, are being achieved. The Council will give an explanation of any failure to meet these milestones;
 - the targets set out in adopted LDDs are being met.
- 2.4.2 Each year, the Report will confirm the work programme for the following year, including any additional DPDs or SPDs the Council intend to produce. By assessing whether or not targets are being met, the Council will be able to check whether policies and proposals are effective or not. In addition, the effectiveness of policies in making development control decisions will be monitored. The Report will put forward any changes that may be necessary where policies or proposals need to be improved.

2.5 LINKAGES BETWEEN LDDs

- 2.5.1 The linkages between the LDDs are illustrated in Fig. 1. This shows that the Core Strategy is the key LDD. It links to other LDDs in the following manner:
 - The areas to which the area-specific policies apply are identified on the Proposals Map.
 - The Council's vision, as contained in the Core Strategy, forms the basis for detailed proposals to be included in the Area Action Plan.
 - Detailed guidance to supplement the provisions of the Core Strategy (and other DPDs) is set out in Supplementary Planning Documents.

2.6 GETTING INVOLVED IN SHAPING THE LDF

- 2.6.1 The first stage of producing a DPD is to gather together the evidence base that will enable the Council to identify the issues the DPD must address. The Council will also produce a scoping report setting out what the DPD will contain, and to what level of detail.
- 2.6.2 Community involvement and public consultation are essential to producing the LDF. For each document, whether a DPD or a SPD, relevant groups or individuals in the community will be asked for their views on how strategies and policies should be shaped. The Statement of Community Involvement sets out in more detail how this is to be done. For each DPD, the Council will determine the most appropriate means of involving stakeholders and the community in accordance with the government's principles for community engagement, as set out in the NPPF and Planning Regulations 2012.
- 2.6.3 A Sustainability Appraisal will critically appraise the environmental and socioeconomic effects the policy/proposal option is likely to have and incorporates the requirement under European Directive 2001/42/EC to produce an Environmental Report as part of a Strategic Environmental Assessment.
- 2.6.4 The Council has prepared a methodology for undertaking Sustainability Appraisals that will be used for each DPD. The indicators and targets it chooses as part of this methodology will be decided following consultation with bodies such as the Environment Agency, community groups and individuals with expertise in sustainability appraisal.
- 2.6.5 The Council will take into account all comments made during the community engagement stages of the preparation of each DPD prior to publication of the DPD. Formal representations will then be invited on the published DPD prior to submission to the Secretary of State. There will be a minimum period of 6 weeks for representations to be made which will be considered by the Inspector at the subsequent Hearing.

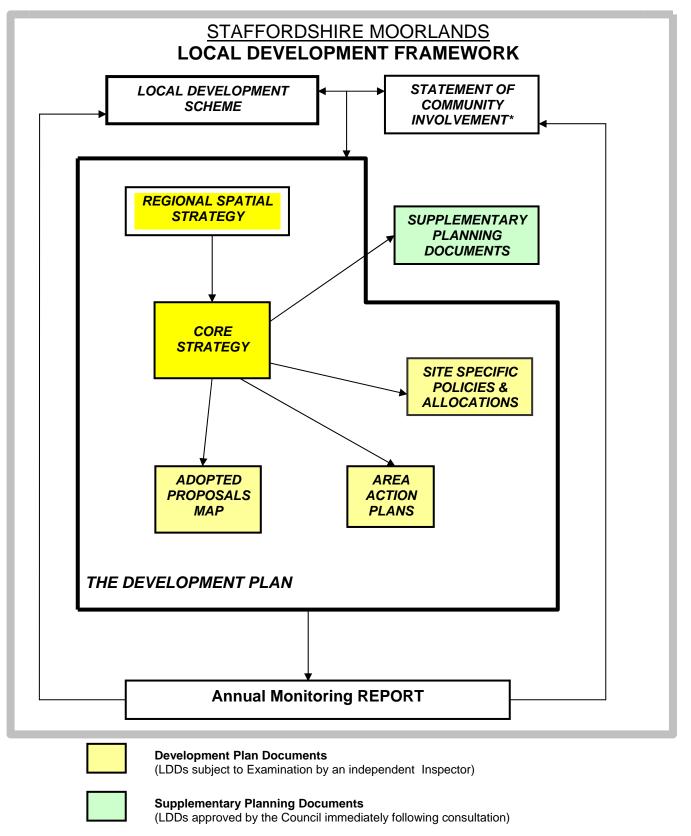
- 2.6.6 At the Hearing, the Inspector will only be investigating whether or not the DPD complies with legislation and is "sound". To be 'sound' a DPD should be:
 - Justified i.e. founded on a robust and credible evidence base and is the most appropriate strategy when considered against reasonable alternatives;
 - Effective i.e. deliverable, flexible and able to be monitoried;
 - · Consistent with national policy.
- 2.6.7. SPDs do not have to be subjected to independent Examination, and will be adopted following consideration of representations on the SPD itself (consultation period of between 4 and 6 weeks long) and the making of any changes as a result of this.

2.7 RESOURCING, MANAGING AND MAKING DECISIONS

- 2.7.1 The primary responsibility for producing LDDs and managing the process rests with the 5-strong Forward Plans team in the Regeneration section of the Council. The team currently comprises a Planning Policy Manager, 2 Senior Planning Officers (1 part-time) and 2 Planning Officers. Where specialist expertise is required, or problems are foreseen with the workload, consultants will be used to supplement the Forward Plans team. In general, each member of the team will take the lead on a different aspect of each LDD, with assistance from other team members as necessary (e.g. during community involvement periods). The Conservation Manager, Senior Conservation Officer and Conservation Consultant will assist in the production of a Design Guide Supplementary Planning Document. The Planning Policy Manager is responsible for overall quality control, and managing day to day workload.
- 2.7.2 The Team members work closely with Regeneration and Conservation colleagues within the same section and within the rest of the Authority, in particular Housing, Development Control, Parks and Countryside, and Leisure Services and Property Services. A close link is also kept with the Local Strategic Partnership Manager who will be advising on the best way of consulting the Partnership on each LDD. Formal internal liaison between officers on the LDF is achieved through regular Development Management Group meetings. Regular liaison with other delivery agencies likely to have development needs (e.g. Staffordshire County Council as education, social services and highways authority, the health Primary Care Trust, etc) will also take place. As a key source of data and research initiatives, the County Council is also an important part of the resources available to prepare the LDF.
- 2.7.3 Care has been taken with regard to the capacity of the community to be involved in, and consulted on, the production of DPDs and SPDs. A balance has to be made between repeatedly consulting the community on several documents one after another (likely to lead to "consultation fatigue") and consulting on too many documents at once ("consultation overload"). This has been tackled by:

- limiting the total number of documents that will make up the LDF to the minimum necessary;
- programming the DPDs so that whenever possible joint consultation is undertaken with the Sustainable Community Strategy;
- incorporating as much guidance as possible on broad locations for development into the Core Strategy so that less consultation is required on the subsequent Site Allocations DPD;
- targeting consultation on relevant groups and individuals (for example consultation on the Biddulph Area Action Plan focused largely on Biddulph based groups and individuals). More detail on how the Council will involve and consult the community is contained in the Statement of Community Involvement.
- 2.7.4 The cost of preparing the LDF is accounted for in the Council's annual budget for the Forward Plans section. Additional costs relating to any Hearings (including Inspector's costs) is budgeted separately.
- 2.7.5 In terms of project managing the LDF, relevant parts of the PRINCE2 system are being used to assist with this. Each member of staff in the Forward Plans team will be responsible for certain parts of the work, and their performance targets assessed regularly through the Performance Appraisal Scheme. The Annual Monitoring Report will set out whether or not the Council is on target in producing the LDDs set out in this LDS.
- 2.7.6 The executive body responsible for overseeing progress and approving the content of LDDs prior to formal public consultation, according to the Council's Constitution, is the whole Council meeting as required in special Assemblies. A Members' 'LDF Working Party' advises officers on the detailed content of documents, prior to officers submitting these documents to Council. All-Member events are also held at an early point during each stage in the process.

FIGURE 1
LINKAGES BETWEEN LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS



The Statement of Community Involvement is not a Development Plan Document but has been subject to independent examination.

APPENDICES

APPENDIX 1

PROFILES OF EACH LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENT

Each profile describes the purpose, status and other key attributes of the Local Development Documents which together will constitute Staffordshire Moorlands Local Development Framework. The Profiles also include a section entitled "Target Milestones" which sets out the dates for commencement of each key stage.

3.1 STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

PURPOSE

To set out how the local community will be engaged and involved in the preparation and review of Local Development Documents and on all planning applications

STATUS

Not a Development Plan Document or Supplementary Planning Document

CONTENT

- Strategy for Involvement
- Types of Consultee
- Which groups will be consulted at each stage
- Methods of Involvement
- Consultation on Development Control decisions

August 2012

GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

All District excluding the Peak District National Park

RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS (CONFORMITY)

All LDDs prepared in conformity with the Statement of Community Involvement. (Prior to adoption of SCI all LDDs must meet the minimum standards contained in the relevant Regulations

RELATIONSHIP WITH PARTNER/STAKEHOLDER DOCUMENTS

Relationship with Community Strategy. Inclusion of Local Strategic Partnership is an integral part of community involvement.

JOINT PRODUCTION WITH ANOTHER LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY

No

TIME PERIOD

Not applicable

REVIEW TIMESCALE

Annual monitoring

TARGET MILESTONES

Updating of Consultees List

Consultation on Draft SCI March 2005
Submission of Document to Secretary of State January 2006
Commencement of Examination July 2006
Adopted September 2006

DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENTS

3.2 CORE STRATEGY

PURPOSE

A spatial vision and strategy for Staffordshire Moorlands and the core policies for delivering them

STATUS

Development Plan Document

CONTENT

The Core Strategy will include:

Vision – a statement of what the Council, in partnership with other agencies and groups, is trying to achieve for the Staffordshire Moorlands through the LDF

Aims and Objectives – the measures which the Council is trying to achieve

Spatial Strategy - the framework for future development

Core Policies – the means for delivering the Spatial Strategy. Subject areas to be covered by the Core Policies are Spatial Strategy, Sustainable Development, Economy & Employment, Housing, Town Centre & Retailing, Design & Conservation, Sustainable Communities, Rural Development, Natural Environment, Transport.

GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

All District excluding the Peak District National Park

RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS (CONFORMITY)

Conforms with Regional Spatial Strategy for the West Midlands (RPG11) and the subsequent partial review (notwithstanding imminent revocation of RSS under Localism Act). Other LDDs must conform with Core Strategy; as must any 'Neighbourhood Plans' where these are prepared by local communities subsequent to Localism Act.

RELATIONSHIP WITH PARTNER/STAKEHOLDER DOCUMENTS

Close linkage to Sustainable Community Strategy. Linkages with spatial aspects of Council's other Strategies, including Service Plan, and with other bodies' Strategies, particularly Primary Care Trust and Education Authority.

JOINT PRODUCTION WITH ANOTHER LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY

No

TIME PERIOD

20 years (2006-2026) (The current Regional Spatial Strategy looks forward to 2021, the 2010 partial review extended housing and employment requirements to 2026 – however the Localism Act will imminently revoke all RSS)

REVIEW TIMESCALE

Annual monitoring

TARGET MILESTONES

CommencementUnderwayPublic Participation (Reg 18)CompletedPublication and Representations Invited (Reg 19)December 2011Submission to Secretary of State (Reg 22)September 2012Examination HearingDecember 2012AdoptionApril 2013

3.3 SITE SPECIFIC ALLOCATIONS

PURPOSE

To identify specific sites further to the District's allocation requirements in the RSS (and County Structure Plan) for housing and employment land (and to define protected retail frontages in the towns), and provide policies which may be applicable in certain parts of the District only.

STATUS

Development Plan Document

CONTENT

Policies for specific sites and for specific parts of the District

GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

All District excluding the Peak District National Park

RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS (CONFORMITY)

Must conforms—with Core Strategy. In particular sites proposed as housing/industrial allocations in the Site Specific Allocations must derive from the Broad Areas for housing and industry within the submitted Core Strategy.

RELATIONSHIP WITH PARTNER/STAKEHOLDER DOCUMENTS

Coordination with site specific allocations in stakeholders' strategies.

JOINT PRODUCTION WITH ANOTHER LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY

No

TIME PERIOD

15 years

REVIEW TIMESCALE

Annual monitoring regarding whether the Council is achieving progress towards a 5 year supply of sites with regard to both housing and industry.

TARGET MILESTONES

Commencement Underway
Public Participation (Reg 18) Underway
Publication and Representations Invited (Reg 19) September 2013
Submission to Secretary of State (Reg 22) December 2013
Examination Hearing April 2014
Adoption August 2014

3.4 BIDDULPH TOWN CENTRE AREA ACTION PLAN

PURPOSE

To guide the regeneration of the Biddulph Town Centre and part of Housing Market Renewal Area

STATUS

Development Plan Document

CONTENT

- Site specific allocations
- Guidance on development of particular parts of the Area to achieve regeneration
- Guidance for District Council in determining planning applications

GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

Biddulph Town Centre

RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS (CONFORMITY)

Core Strategy will complement AAP and address issues not covered by AAP. Site Specific Policies document will identify sites not covered by AAP. Conforms with Policies UR2 (Biddulph identified as a local regeneration area), RR3 (Market Towns) of the Regional Spatial Strategy for the West Midlands (RPG11).

Links with Policies D3 (Urban Regeneration), and TC1 (Ensuring the Future of Town Centres) of the Structure Plan, and Policies S1, S2 (Pedestrianisation of the High Street) of the Local Plan.

RELATIONSHIP WITH PARTNER/STAKEHOLDER DOCUMENTS

Links to Counci'ls Biddulph Regeneration Strategy, Housing Strategy, Community Strategy, Cultural Strategy, West Midlands Economic Strategy.

JOINT PRODUCTION WITH ANOTHER LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY

No

TIME PERIOD

5-10 years

REVIEW TIMESCALE

Annual monitoring, review post -2007 as to needs for update/replacement - if objectives all met may not need replacement.

TARGET MILESTONES

Evidence Gathering	Dec. 2004
Issues and Options Consultation	March 2005
Public Participation on Preferred Options	July 2005
Submission of Document to Secretary of State	Dec 2005
Pre-examination Meeting	July 2006
Commencement of Examination	Oct 2006
Adopted	Feb 2007

SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENTS

3.5 HOUSING DELIVERY

PURPOSE

To provide guidance on the provision of housing to meet local and affordable housing needs and measures to manage the provision of housing

STATUS

Supplementary Planning Document

CONTENT

- Types of appropriate housing
- Means of securing affordable housing needs
- Measures for managing housing supply

GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

All District excluding the Peak District National Park

RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS (CONFORMITY)

Will conform with Core Strategy Policies SS2, H1, H2 and H3. Linked to saved Local Plan policies H14 and H15.

RELATIONSHIP WITH PARTNER/STAKEHOLDER DOCUMENTS

Housing providers and local developers with interests in housing provision, links to Council's Housing and Community Strategies.

JOINT PRODUCTION WITH ANOTHER LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY

No

TIME PERIOD

Not time specific

REVIEW TIMESCALE

Monitor annually as part of Annual Monitoring Report. – review if objectives and targets not being met

TARGET MILESTONES

CommencementUnderwayDraft for representationsMarch 2013Adoption & PublicationJune 2013

3.6 OPEN SPACE, SPORT AND RECREATION

PURPOSE

To provide guidance and set standards on the provision of public open space, sport and recreation as part of residential developments

STATUS

Supplementary Planning Document

CONTENT

- Minimum standards
- Public Open Space policies and requirements
- Measures for providing on-site and off-site facilities and contributions in lieu

GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

All District excluding the Peak District National Park

RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS (CONFORMITY)

Will conform with Core Strategy Policy C2. Linked to saved Local Plan policies R1 and R2.

RELATIONSHIP WITH PARTNER/STAKEHOLDER DOCUMENTS

Housing providers and local developers with interests in housing provision, links to Council's Play and Recreation Strategies.

JOINT PRODUCTION WITH ANOTHER LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY

No

TIME PERIOD

Not time specific

REVIEW TIMESCALE

Monitor annually as part of Annual Monitoring Report. – review if objectives and targets not being met

TARGET MILESTONES

CommencementUnderwayDraft for representationsJune 2013Adoption & PublicationSeptember 2013

3.7 DESIGN GUIDE

PURPOSE

To guide developers on the good design principles and best practice, underpinning the Core Strategy policy requirement for the high design standards that the Council will expect in all developments.

STATUS

Supplementary Planning Document

CONTENT

- Study of the character of built form in different parts of the Moorlands
- Design principles/best practice for urban spaces
- Specific guidance on particular design problems in the Moorlands, e.g. back garden development
- Design principles/best practice on building design, site layout, context, orientation, etc ("design codes" for different towns)
- Rural design issues

GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

All District excluding the Peak District National Park

RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS (CONFORMITY)

Will conform with Core Strategy Policies DC1 and DC2. Linked to saved Local Plan policies B13, B14 and B15.

RELATIONSHIP WITH PARTNER/STAKEHOLDER DOCUMENTS

Community Strategy, liaison with local amenity societies, local urban designers/architects, etc

JOINT PRODUCTION WITH ANOTHER LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY

No

TIME PERIOD

Not time specific

REVIEW TIMESCALE

Annual monitoring

TARGET MILESTONES

Commencement of Preparation Process

Public Participation

Adoption

Underway

March 2013

June 2013

3.8 ALTON TOWERS

PURPOSE

To provide guidance on the long term development of the leisure park and related infrastructure provision including transport, landscape and heritage conservation.

STATUS

Supplementary Planning Document

CONTENT

Detailed guidance on future extent and nature of development and related infrastructure provision

GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

The Alton Towers Leisure Park and related areas

RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS (CONFORMITY)

Will conform with Core Strategy Policy SS7. Linked to saved Local Plan policy R21, R22 and R23. Will form part of overarching Churnet Valley Masterplan (3.11)

RELATIONSHIP WITH PARTNER/STAKEHOLDER DOCUMENTS

Council's Community, Cultural and Leisure & Tourism Strategies, Alton Towers Resorts, East Staffordshire District Council Local Plan and LDF

JOINT PRODUCTION WITH ANOTHER LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY

No but will reflect Alton Towers 10 year plan

TIME PERIOD

10 years

REVIEW TIMESCALE

Monitor annually as part of Annual Monitoring Report.

TARGET MILESTONES

Commencement Underway

Draft for representations Through Churnet Valley Masterplan (3.11)

Adoption & Publication Through Churnet Valley Masterplan (3.11)

3.9 LEEK TOWN CENTRE MASTERPLAN

PURPOSE

To provide guidance on the long term development of Leek town centre.

STATUS

Supplementary Planning Document

CONTENT

Detailed guidance on future opportunities and nature of development and related infrastructure provision and environmental enhancements across Leek town centre

GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

The town centre and edge of town centre of Leek

RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS (CONFORMITY)

Will conform with Core Strategy Policy SS5a.

RELATIONSHIP WITH PARTNER/STAKEHOLDER DOCUMENTS

Council's Economic Strategy and Sustainable Community Strategy, West Midlands Economic Strategy, liaison with service providers, developers/architects, etc

JOINT PRODUCTION WITH ANOTHER LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY

No

TIME PERIOD

10 - 15 years

REVIEW TIMESCALE

Monitor annually as part of Annual Monitoring Report.

TARGET MILESTONES

Commencement of Preparation Process

Underway

Draft for representations

September 2012

Adoption

April 2013

3.10 CHEADLE TOWN CENTRE MASTERPLAN

PURPOSE

To provide guidance on the long term development of Cheadle town centre.

STATUS

Supplementary Planning Document

CONTENT

Detailed guidance on future opportunities and nature of development and related infrastructure provision and environmental enhancements across Cheadle town centre

GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

The town centre and edge of town centre of Cheadle

RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS (CONFORMITY)

Will conform with Core Strategy Policy SS5c. Linked to saved Local Plan policy TC1

RELATIONSHIP WITH PARTNER/STAKEHOLDER DOCUMENTS

Council's Economic Strategy and Sustainable Community Strategy, West Midlands Economic Strategy, liaison with service providers, developers/architects, etc

JOINT PRODUCTION WITH ANOTHER LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY

No

TIME PERIOD

10 - 15 years

REVIEW TIMESCALE

Monitor annually as part of Annual Monitoring Report.

TARGET MILESTONES

Commencement of Preparation ProcessUnderwayDraft for representationsCompletedAdoption as Interim Policy StatementCompletedAdoptionApril 2013

3.11 CHURNET VALLEY MASTERPLAN

PURPOSE

To provide guidance on the long term development, management and conservation of the Churnet Valley Tourism Corridor and to assess scope for AONB designation.

STATUS

Supplementary Planning Document

CONTENT

Detailed guidance on future scale and nature of development appropaite to different parts of the Churnet Valley and related infrastructure provision and environmental/heritage enhancements.

GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

The Churnet Valley from Tittesworth and Rudyard in the north to Alton in the south

RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS (CONFORMITY)Will conform with Core Strategy, in particular Policy SS7.

RELATIONSHIP WITH PARTNER/STAKEHOLDER DOCUMENTS

Council's Economic Strategy and Sustainable Community Strategy, West Midlands Economic Strategy, liaison with service providers, developers/architects, and other interest groups such as the Churnet Valley Conservation Society, the Churnet Valley Riders, etc

JOINT PRODUCTION WITH ANOTHER LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY

No

TIME PERIOD

10 - 15 years

REVIEW TIMESCALE

Monitor annually as part of Annual Monitoring Report.

TARGET MILESTONES

CommencementUnderwayDraft for representationsOctober 2012Adoption & PublicationMarch 2013

3.12 BLYTHE BRIDGE RIS DEVELOPMENT BRIEF

PURPOSE

To provide guidance regarding acceptable uses, design and related transport needs for the long term development of the Regional Investment Site.

STATUS

Supplementary Planning Document

CONTENT

Detailed guidance on future opportunities and nature of development and related infrastructure provision and environmental enhancements

GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

The Blythe Bridge Regional Investment Site

RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS (CONFORMITY)

Will conform with Core Strategy, in particular SS8. Linked to saved Local Plan policy E2

RELATIONSHIP WITH PARTNER/STAKEHOLDER DOCUMENTS

Council's Economic Strategy and Sustainable Community Strategy, West Midlands Economic Strategy, liaison with service providers, developers/architects, etc

JOINT PRODUCTION WITH ANOTHER LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY

No

TIME PERIOD

10 - 15 years

REVIEW TIMESCALE

Monitor annually as part of Annual Monitoring Report.

TARGET MILESTONES

CommencementUnderwayDraft for representationsNovember 2012Adoption & PublicationApril 2013

3.13 DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS

PURPOSE

To provide guidance on contributions from developers towards infrastructure which are required as a result of development.

STATUS

Supplementary Planning Document

CONTENT

Will set out how Council will seek contributions from developers towards infrastructure, the required level of provision and nature of contributions. Topic areas to include contributions regarding transport, community, open space and facilities.

GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

All District excluding the Peak District National Park

RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS (CONFORMITY)

Will conform with Core Strategy C1. Linked to saved Local Plan policy A1

RELATIONSHIP WITH PARTNER/STAKEHOLDER DOCUMENTS

Council's Community, Regeneration, Cultural and Leisure & Tourism Strategies,, liaison with service providers, developers/architects, etc

JOINT PRODUCTION WITH ANOTHER LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY

No

TIME PERIOD

5-10 years

REVIEW TIMESCALE

Annual monitoring

TARGET MILESTONES

PREPARATION OF THIS SPD CURRENTLY ON HOLD PENDING OUTCOME OF COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY WORK.

EVIDENCE BASE – BASIC SOURCES OF INFORMATION FOR LDD PREPARATION

DOCUMENT	PREPARED BY	DATE	RELEVANT TO
Census data	Office of National	2001	All documents
0, ", 11;	Statistics	A 1 1 (All DDD
Staffordshire County Council databases on development monitoring: • housing land & completions • employment developments • major retail developments • major leisure	Staffordshire CC coordination, SMDC update	Annual update	All DPDs
developments Local Transport Plan	Staffs CC	201 Review to cover 2011-2026 period	Mainly Core Strategy and Churnet Valley Masterplan SPD
Urban Capacity Study	SMDC	March 2002	Mainly Core Strategy and Site Specific Policies
Housing Needs Survey	Outside Research for SMDC	October 2003	Mainly Core Strategy and Site Specific Policies, and Housing Delivery SPD
Housing Strategy	SMDC	July 2002	Mainly Core Strategy and Site Specific Policies, and Housing Delivery SPD
Public Open Space survey	SMDC	March 2004	Mainly Core Strategy, Site Specific Policies and Open Space, Sport and Recreation SPD
Playing Pitch Strategy	SMDC	December 2002	Mainly Core Strategy, Site Specific Policies and Open Space, Sport and Recreation SPD

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N. Staffs Environmental	Stoke, Newcastle, Staffs CC, SMDC	ongoing	Mainly Sustainability Appraisal of DPDs
Baseline			
Community Strategy 2007-2020	SMDC	2008	All docs
Staffs Community Strategy 2008-2023	SCC	2005	All docs
Retail Capacity Study	GVA Grimley for SMDC	2006	All docs
Employment Land Study	Atkins for SMDC	2006 (updated 2008)	All docs
Play Strategy	Leisure and the Environment for SMDC	2006	Mainly Core Strategy, Site Specific Policies and Open Space, Sport and Recreation SPD
Strategic Flood Risk Assessment	Jointly with neighbouring Authorities	2008	All docs
Strategic Housing Market Assessment	Jointly with North Staffs Authorities	April 2008	All docs
Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment	SMDC	Underway [continually updated]	All docs
Development Capacity Study	SMDC	October 2008 [updated 2010- 2011]	All docs
PPG17 Audit [Open Space, Sport and Recreation Facility Assessment]	SMDC	March-2009	All docs
Landscape & Settlement Character Assessment	SMDC	October 2008 [updated with additional Historic Environment Character Assessment August 2010]	All docs

LIST OF EXISTING SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING GUIDANCE AND THE SAVED LOCAL PLAN POLICIES TO WHICH THEY ARE LINKED.

The following SPGs have been adopted by the Council and will be replaced in due course by Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs):

Name of Document	Saved Local Plan Policy to which SPG is linked	Envisaged date SPG will be revised as SPD
Local and Affordable Housing	H14-H16	June 2013 [as Housing Delivery SPD]
Public Open Space	R1, R2	September 2013 [as Open Space, Sport and
Developer Contributions	A1	Recreation SPD] On hold pending decision on outcome of Community Infrastrucutre Levy
Alton Towers	R21-R24	March 2013 [through Churnet Valley Masterplan adoption]

The following SPGs and guides are non-statutory and will be replaced in due course by Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs):

Name of Document	Saved Local Plan Policy to which SPG is linked	Envisaged date SPG will be revised as SPD
Design Principles	B13	Replacement by Design
Space About Homes	B13	Guide SPD [adoption June
Shop Fronts	B14, B15	2013]
Parking Standards		
Blythe Bridge Premium		Revised SPD [adoption
Employment Site		April 2013]

The following SPGs and guides are non-statutory and are unlikely to be replaced by SPDs:

Name of Document	Saved Local Plan Policy to which SPG is linked
Amenity Space for Residential Care & Nursing Homes	B13
Development & Rights of Way Guide	-

SAVED POLICIES IN THE STAFFORDSHIRE MOORLANDS LOCAL PLAN

Policy Number	Policy Name (and purpose).	What will replace the saved Policy
N2	The Green Belt	Various Policies in the Revised Submission Core Strategy indirectly refer to development within the greenbelt (although this was covered by national guidance PPG2 [now replaced by NPPF]. Site Specific Policies & Allocations DPD will define the extent of settlements identified by a development boundary; lesser settlements which will not attract a development boundary currently lying in the greenbelt will continue to be 'washed over' by it but with an Infill Boundary.
N3	Limited Village Infilling Only	Policies SS6b and SS6c in the Revised Submission Core Strategy differentiate between those settlements in the countryside (greenbelt) which are deemed large enough to behove 'infill boundaries'; and lesser settlements which do not (and would therefore continue to be 'washed over' by the countryside(greenbelt) under Pol SS6c). Subsequently, Site Specific Policies & Allocations DPD will define the extent of settlements which will attract development boundaries; lesser settlements which will not attract a development boundary currently lying in the greenbelt will continue to be 'washed over' by it but with an Infill Boundary.
N7	Green Belt (Design)	Various Policies in the Revised Submission Core Strategy relate to design considerations (eg Pol DC1, R1). Applications would also be assessed against the generic design policy within the NPPF. The Design Guide SPD will set out generic design principles for new development.
N8	The Special Landscape Area	As per N7 above. Also Pol DC3 in the Revised Submission Core Strategy will replace the current "special landscape area" designation shown on the Local Plan maps, with a more sophisticated approach based upon landscape and historic character zones differentiated according to 'sensitivity' to change. This information will be overlaid on the maps accompanying the Site Specific Policies & Allocations DPD.

N9	The Special Landscape Area	Refer to N7 and N8 above.
N11	The Peak National Park	Policy DC3 in the Revised Submission Core Strategy relates to rural design considerations, including impacts on the Peak Park. Applications would also be assessed against the generic design and countryside policies within the NPPF. The Design Guide SPD will set out generic design principles for new development. The Site Specific Policies & Allocations DPD will contain maps overlaid with the landscape character areas as explained under N8 above.
N13	Designated Nature Conservation Sites	Pol NE1 in the Revised Submission Core Strategy covers how planning applications affecting both statutorily protected sites (such as European sites), and more widely, areas of defined recognised value, will be assessed (including the circumstances where mitigatory/compensatory measures will be required). The Council would also have regard to relevant Policies in the NPPF. The maps accompanying the Site Specific Policies & Allocations DPD will also display this information.
N14	Designated Nature Conservation Sites	Refer to N13 above.
N15	Designated Nature Conservation Sites	Refer to N13 above.
N17	Unimproved Grasslands	Refer to N13 above.
N18	Lowland Heaths	Refer to N13 above.
N22	Hedgerows	Applications involving the loss/harm to hedgerows would be considered under Pol NE1 to the Revised Submission Core Strategy and relevant Policy within the NPPF; however in many cases hedgerows are protected by separate legislation.
N23	Boundary Walls	Applications involving the loss/damage to boundary walls would be assessed under Policies DC1, DC3, R1 etc of the Submission Version Core Strategy and applicable sections of the NPPF.
N25	Common Land	The Council has no control over the exercise of historical rights attached to 'commoners', even if the land in question is privately owned. Notwithstanding this, planning applications upon registered common land will be considered against all relevant Policies including Revised Submission Core Strategy Pol DC2 (Historic Environment); C2, R1etc; and relevant Policy in the NPPF concerning public greenspaces.
N26	Common Land	This is largely covered under Revised Submission Core Strategy Pol C2 [see also N25 above].
B13	Design	The policy will be addressed in the Council's

		Core Strategy DPD (in particular Pol DC1, NE1, and SD3) and will also be the subject of further guidance in the Design Guide SPD. Section 7 NPPF is also relevant.
B14	Shop Front Design	The policy will be addressed in the Council's Core Strategy DPD (in particular Pols DC1, DC2) and will also be the subject of further guidance in the Design Guide SPD. Section 7 NPPF is also relevant.
B15	Shop Front Design	The policy will be addressed in the Council's Core Strategy DPD (in particular Pols DC1, DC2) and will also be the subject of further guidance in the Design Guide SPD. Section 7 NPPF is also relevant.
B18	Advertisements	Core Strategy DPD Pol DC2 and NPPF Section 12.
B21	Conversion Of Rural Buildings	Core Strategy DPD Pol R2 etc; and relevant Policy in NPPF concerning rural housing; the rural economy etc.
B22	Stables And Ancillary Buildings	Core Strategy DPD Pols DC1, DC3, R1, SS6C, C2 etc; and relevant Policy in the NPPF.
НЗ	Housing – Allocations	Revised Submission Core Strategy Pols SS3 and SS5 explain how District housing requirements will be broadly distributed across the District up to 2026. Pols SS5(A)/(B)/(C) and SS6(A)/(B) identify 'broad areas' in the towns and explain how 'larger villages' will also attract housing allocations. However all future housing allocations (including "small urban extensions" in the towns) will be identified in the Site Specific Policies & Allocations DPD.
H4	Town and Village Development Boundaries	The 'Spatial Strategy' Policies in the Revised Submission Core Strategy SS5(A)/(B)/(C) and SS6(A)/(B)/(C) explain how housing proposals will be considered within settlements or outside them. The Site Specific Policies & Allocations DPD will define the extent of the settlement boundaries of the towns, 'larger-' and 'smaller-' villages.
H6	Infilling in the countryside	Pols SS6(B)/(C) explain which smaller settlements will attract 'infill boundaries' only, and conversely in areas of countryside beyond these, how 'infill' proposals will be considered. The Site Specific Policies & Allocations DPD will define the extent of the settlement boundaries of the towns, 'larger-' and 'smaller-' villages.
H7	Residential development in open countryside	See responses to H4 and H6 above. Also Revised Submission Core Strategy Pol R2 covers rural workers' dwellings/rural residential conversions.
H8	New Agricultural Dwelling on Existing	Core Strategy DPD in particular Pol R2 (and

	Farm	supporting text); also relevant Policy in NPPF.
H9	Dwelling for New Agricultural Activity	See H8 above.
H10	Permanent Dwelling for new Agricultural Activity	See H8 above.
H11	Replacement and Renovation of Existing Dwellings	Pols R1, R2, and DC1 etc in Core Strategy DPD; and relevant sections in the NPPF (such as greenbelt policy).
H12	Replacement and Renovation of Existing Dwellings	Pols R1, R2, and DC1 etc in Core Strategy DPD; and relevant sections in the NPPF (such as greenbelt policy).
H13	Extensions to Existing Dwellings	Pols R1, R2, and DC1 etc in Core Strategy DPD; and relevant sections in the NPPF (such as greenbelt policy).
H14	Housing For Local Needs	The most relevant Policies in the Core Strategy DPD are SS6(C), H1, H2 and R1. The Housing Section 6 in the NPPF is also relevant. The Housing Delivery SPD will also give further guidance.
H15	Affordable Housing –Exceptions Sites	See H14 above.
H16	Affordable Housing – Towns and Larger Villages	See H14 above.
H17	Residential Nursing and Care Homes in the Countryside	Core Strategy DPD Pols SS6(C), R1, DC1, DC3 are most relevant; as well as relevant Policy in the NPPF (such ah greenbelt Policy).
H19	Other Development in Residential Areas	Core Strategy DPD 'Spatial Strategy' Policies SS5(A)/(B)/(C)/SS6(A)/(B) elaborate on the nature of land uses broadly acceptable in urban areas; Pol SD3 covers potential amenity impacts. Relevant Sections of the NPPF (eg 8, 11).
E1	New Employment Sites	Revised Submission Core Strategy Pols SS3, SS5 explain the broad distribution of future employment land across the District up to 2026. 'Spatial Strategy' Pols SS5(A)/(B)/(C) translates this into 'broad areas' for employment around the towns However all future employment allocations will be identified in the Site Specific Policies & Allocations DPD.
E2	Premium Employment Site	Pol SS8 of the Revised Submission Core Strategy will replace this Policy. The Site Specific Policies and Allocations DPD will define the extent of this 'Regional Investment Site'.
E3	Agriculture	Core Strategy DPD Pols SS6(C), R1, DC3 etc and relevant sections of the NPPF covering rural development etc.
E4	Agriculture	Core Strategy DPD Pols SS6(C), R1 etc and relevant sections of the NPPF covering rural development etc
E7	Development Policies	Core Strategy DPD particularly Pol E2; and relevant Sections of the NPPF concerning Economy etc.

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E9	Development Policies	Core Strategy DPD Spatial Strategy Pols SS5-SS6(C), Pol SD3 etc; and relevant sections of
		the NPPF (concerning amenity, pollution etc).
E10	Development Policies	Core Strategy DPD Pols E1, DC1 etc; existing
E 10	Development Folicies	SPG "Blythe Bridge Premium Employment Site"
		will be replaced by SPD "Blythe Bridge Regional
		Investment Site"; relevant sections of the NPPF
		(Design etc).
T6	Railways	Revised Submission Core Strategy Pol T2; and
'	Railways	Transport Policy in NPPF. The maps
		accompanying the Site Specific Policies &
		Allocations DPD will identify existing
		safeguarded railway lines.
T7	Railways	Revised Submission Core Strategy Pol T2; and
		Transport Policy in NPPF
T13	Roads	Revised Submission Core Strategy Pol T2,
		whilst not identifying routes by name, will
		replace this Policy. Policy SS7 is also relevant
		regarding the Denstone and Alton Relief Road).
T14	Roads	Core Strategy DPD Pols T1, E1, C1 etc; and
		relevant Sections of the NPPF (Sustainable
		Transport etc).
S7	Non-Retail Uses in Town Centres	Revised Submission Core Strategy Pol TCR1
		(and in Biddulph Town Centre, AAP Policies
		STRAT 1-3); and Section 2 NPPF. The maps
		accompanying the Site Specific Policies &
		Proposals DPD will define the extent of the town
		centre "Primary Frontages" and "Secondary
		Frontages" for Leek and Cheadle – the Biddulph
		frontages are mapped on the Proposals Map to the AAP.
R1	Open Space in Settlements	The policy will be addressed in the Council's
N I	Open Space in Settlements	Core Strategy DPD Pol C2 and will also be
		addressed in the Council's Open Space, Sport
		and Recreation SPD Section 8 NPPF is also
		relevant.
R2	Open Space in Settlements	See R1 above.
R5	Visual Open Space	Revised Submission Version Core Strategy Pols
		DC3 and C2, and relevant sections NPPF
		concerning public open space. The maps
		accompanying the Site Specific Policies &
		Allocations DPD will define the extent of formally
		identified visual open spaces throughout the
		District.
R12	The Caldon Canal	Revised Submission Version Core Strategy Pol
		E3, and regarding the Churnet Valley Pol SS7.
		The Churnet Valley Masterplan SPD will provide
		greater detail regarding acceptable development
		within the Churnet Valley. Both this and the
		maps accompanying the Site Specific Policies &
		Allocations DPD will define the extent of the

		Caldon Canal. SEE GC
R15	Churnet Valley Railway	Revised Submission Version Core Strategy Pol T2, and regarding the Churnet Valley Pol SS7. The Churnet Valley Masterplan SPD will provide greater detail regarding acceptable development within the Churnet Valley. Both this and the maps accompanying the Site Specific Policies & Allocations DPD will define the extent of the Churnet Valley Railway.
R17	Tourism (Accommodation)	Core Strategy DPD Pols E3, SS6(C), SS7, R1 etc; and relevant sections of the NPPF (Rural Economy, greenbelt etc).
R18	Self-catering accommodation	See R17 above.
R19	Holiday Caravanning and Camping	See R17 above.
R20	Holiday Caravanning and Camping	See R17 above.
R21	Alton Towers Leisure Park	Revised Submission Core Strategy Pols E3, SS7, SS6(C), R1 etc in conjunction with Churnet Valley Masterplan SPD will be used to assess development proposals at Alton Towers (and relevant sections of NPPF).
R22	Alton Towers Leisure Park	See R21 above.
R23	Alton Towers Leisure Park	See R21 above.
R24	Alton Towers Access Road	Revised Submission Core Strategy Pol T2, and Pol SS7.
F1	Education (A) (B)	Revised Submission Core Strategy Pol SS6(C) addresses educational facilities for Cheadle, and Policy C2 alongside the Council's Open Space, Sport and Recreation SPD addresses open space requirements and protection Policy for open spaces. Section 8 NPPF is also relevant.
A1	Developer Contributions	Various Core Strategy DPD Policies, in particular policy C1 will address the circumstances where developer contributions will be required. The council is also considering the feasibility of introducing a Community Infrastructure Levy.

RISK ASSESSMENT

Risk	Probability (H, M, L)	Impact (H, M, L)	Risk Management Plan
Failure to achieve strategic objectives and objectives of policies within each LDD.	M	Н	Annual Monitoring Report will identify early warnings of policy inadequacy and LDF system flexible enough to allow early partial policy review to correct
Staffing resources	M	<u>H</u>	Staff illness effects unpredictable. Mitigate immediate effects by calling on other planning and non-planning staff, but delays inevitable. Re-write LDS.
Failure of consultants and non-planning colleagues to deliver on-time and to quality standards	L	<u>M</u>	Proper briefing and obtaining clear commitment to tight deadlines
Failure of Planning Inspectorate to set dates for Examinations in line with timetable and to deliver Reports on time	M	<u>H</u>	Discuss with PINS the feasibility of proposed timetable. Service Level Agreement.
Large number of representations at the consultation stages.	М	<u>H</u>	Ensure adequate resources in place and sufficient time programmed in to deal with these
Failure to effectively engage the community	L	Н	A thorough SCI and a flexible approach to consultation should minimise any risk.
Failure to accurately assess the environmental impacts of the plan.	L	M	The sustainability appraisal system should minimise this risk. Good liaison with sources of appropriate specialist advice is vital.
Failure to mediate conflicts at pre-submission consultation	Н	L	There will be conflicts requiring examination by an inspector. In the past, the District Council has not found these conflicts to lead to over-long inquiries.

Risk	Probability (H, M, L)	Impact (H, M, L)	Risk Management Plan
High Court Challenge of LDF	L	M	Will ensure that evidence base is strong and all the procedures in the Regulations have been carefully followed so if a challenge was to occur it could be effectively countered.
Failure to have an up-to-date Development Plan and meet BVPI	M	L	Ensure that the timetable delivers the LDS on time.
Conflicting work priorities, such as Development Control support work, monitoring or policy advice work	M	M	Reconsider priorities and consider withdrawing from non-essential work. Rewrite LDS at earliest opportunity to take delays into account.
Technology failure	L	Н	All documents backed up through ICT.

GLOSSARY

(Those terms included elsewhere in the Glossary are printed in **bold italics**.)

A al a m 4 ! c	The final stage in the managering of a Land Baseline of S.
Adoption	The final stage in the preparation of a <i>Local Development Document</i> when the local planning authority adopts, by resolution of the Council, the Document as Council policy.
Area Action Plan	A Development Plan Document which sets out the planning framework for areas where significant change or conservation is needed.
Core Strategy	A Development Plan Document which provides a written statement of the core policies for delivering the spatial strategy and vision for the area, supported by a reasoned justification .
Development Plan Document	A Local Development Document which must be subjected by the local planning authority to a statutory process before it can be formally adopted by the authority. The stages which make up this process consist of community involvement, Public Participation on Preferred Options, Submission, Independent Examination, receipt of Inspector's Report and formal Adoption.
Hearing (Examination)	An independent Examination, presided over by an Inspector or a Panel of Inspectors appointed by the Secretary of State, to consider the policies and proposals of the local planning authority's Development Plan Documents . It can be conducted through written representations, an informal or formal hearing or a round table discussion. Persons who have made a response on the Development Plan Document at the Submission stage may be invited by the Inspector to present their case at the Examination.
Inspector's Report	A report issued by the Inspector or Panel who conducted the <i>Examination</i> , setting out their conclusions on the matters discussed and detailing the amendments which they require the local planning authority to make to the submission version of the <i>Local Development Document</i> . The Inspector's Report is binding on the local planning authority.
Local Development Document	A document which forms part of the Local Development Framework and which can be prepared and revised as a single entity.
Local Development Framework	A "folder" of Local Development Documents , drawn up by the local planning authority, and constituting the Development Plan for the District.
Local Development Scheme	A document setting out the local planning authority's intentions for its Local Development Framework ; in particular, the Local Development Documents it intends to produce and the timetable for their production and review.
Local Plan	Part of the current Development Plan (along with the Structure Plan) which will be replaced by parts of the LDF plus the Regional Spatial Strategy. The Staffordshire Moorlands Local Plan was adopted in September 1998.

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Policy	Short clear statements on the development and use of land. In
	accordance with the "spatial" approach of the LDF, these policies must
	be integrated with the policies and programmes of other Council
	departments, and agencies/authorities (e.g. Primary Care Trusts etc)
	outside the Council, which influence the nature of places and how they
	function. LDF policies will be the main consideration that the local
	planning authority will take into account when it receives an application
	for planning permission. If the proposed development is not in line with
	the policy, then the local planning authority is likely to refuse planning
	permission unless there are exceptional circumstances affecting the site
	which would make this particular development acceptable.
Planning	Previously known as Planning Policy Guidance Notes (PPGs), these are
Policy	issued by the Department of Communities and Local Government
Statements	(DCLG) and set out the Government's land use planning policies for
	England. The Government is currently reviewing all its existing
	guidance.
Proposals Map	A Development Plan Document which comprises a map of the local
	planning authority's area, and shows:
	Existing and revised designations of areas of land.
	Sites for particular future land uses or developments.
	Locations of proposed or actual area plans.
Public	A formal stage in the production of a Development Plan Document . The
Participation	public have the opportunity to comment on the Council's Preferred
on Preferred	Options and on the Sustainability Appraisal over a 6 week period. The
Options	latter helps the Council to select these Preferred Options from all the
	others identified by the Council and the community.
Reasoned	A summary of the local planning authority's reasons for including a
Justification	particular policy within a Development Plan Document , showing how
	the policy contributes to the soundness of the document.
Saved Plan	The existing Local Plan may be 'saved' in whole or in part under the
	new system, which allows the policies in it to remain in force for
	development control purposes.
Statement of	A Local Development Document which is not a Development Plan
Community	Document but which is subject to a statutory adoption process. It sets
Involvement	out the approach and methods the Council will use in involving the
	community in the preparation, alteration and review of all Local
	Development Documents and planning applications.
Submission	A stage in the statutory process for the adoption of Development Plan
	Documents . Once the responses to Public Participation on Preferred
	Options have been fully considered, and amendments made, the local
	planning authority submits the amended Document to the Planning
	Inspectorate. It is also published for the public to make formal responses
	to it over a further 6 week period
Supplementary	A Local Development Document which is not subject to independent
Planning	Examination. Instead the authority can approve the document by formal
Document	resolution of the Council, but it must be subjected to full public
	consultation if it is to be accorded any weight in decisions on
	development proposals.

Supplementary Planning	Guidance produced by the Council which relates to, and usually expands on or clarifies, a policy in the Local Plan. It may be saved under the new	
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Guidance	system, but will not carry as much weight as a Supplementary Planning	
	Document	
Sustainability	The examination of a <i>Local Development Document</i> to ascertain	
Appraisal	whether its policies and proposals will be in accord with the principles of	
	sustainability. The Sustainability Appraisal must incorporate the	
	requirements of the European Union Directive 2001/42/EC on Strategic	
	Environmental Assessments.	