

**RELEVANT PLANNING POLICIES**

**WILTSHIRE AND SWINDON STRUCTURE PLAN 2016**

**SPECIAL LANDSCAPE AREAS  
POLICY C9**

WITHIN SPECIAL LANDSCAPE AREAS ANY PROPOSALS FOR DEVELOPMENT SHOULD HAVE REGARD TO THE NEED TO PROTECT LANDSCAPE CHARACTER AND SCENIC QUALITY. THE AREAS ARE:-

1. THE MAJORITY OF SALISBURY PLAIN EXCLUDING TWO AREAS AROUND NETHERAVON, LARKHILL, BULFORD AND AMESBURY, AND LUDGERSHALL AND TIDWORTH
2. THOSE PARTS OF SALISBURY DISTRICT TO THE NORTH AND EAST OF THE CRANBORNE CHASE AND WEST WILTSHIRE DOWNS AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY, EXCLUDING AN AREA AROUND SALISBURY AND WILTON
3. THE BLACKMORE VALE FROM ZEALS TO SEDGEHILL, AND A SMALL AREA TO THE EAST OF SHAFTESBURY
4. THE CHAPMANSLADE GREENSAND RIDGE
5. THE HIGHER LAND OF THE SPYE AND BOWOOD PARKLANDS
6. THE RIVER FROME VALLEY AT VAGGS HILL AND
7. THE SOUTHERN FRINGES OF THE COTSWOLDS NOT COVERED BY DESIGNATION AS AN AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY

**RESTORATION OF MINERAL SITES  
POLICY MSP3**

LAND USED FOR MINERALS EXPLORATION OR WORKING OR FOR ASSOCIATED PLANT OR BUILDINGS SHOULD BE RESTORED AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY TO A STATE WHICH WILL PRESERVE OR ENHANCE THE OVERALL QUALITY OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND WHICH IS SUITABLE FOR A BENEFICIAL AFTER-USE APPROPRIATE TO THE LOCATION. IN PARTICULAR:

- (i) THE AGRICULTURAL POTENTIAL OF ANY AREA OF BEST AND MOST VERSATILE AGRICULTURAL LAND SHOULD BE MAINTAINED OR ENHANCED BY RESTORATION OF THE SITE AND
- (ii) WHERE APPROPRIATE, RESTORED LAND SHOULD BE SUBJECT TO A PERIOD OF AFTERCARE

## **SALISBURY ADOPTED LOCAL PLAN JUNE 2003**

### **THE RURAL ENVIRONMENT POLICY C2**

DEVELOPMENT IN THE COUNTRYSIDE WILL BE STRICTLY LIMITED AND WILL NOT BE PERMITTED UNLESS IT WOULD BENEFIT THE LOCAL ECONOMY AND MAINTAIN OR ENHANCE THE ENVIRONMENT.

### **POLICY C6**

WITHIN THE SPECIAL LANDSCAPE AREA, PROPOSALS FOR DEVELOPMENT IN THE COUNTRYSIDE WILL BE CONSIDERED HAVING PARTICULAR REGARD TO THE HIGH QUALITY OF THE LANDSCAPE. WHERE PROPOSALS WHICH WOULD NOT HAVE AN ADVERSE EFFECT ON THE QUALITY ON THE LANDSCAPE ARE ACCEPTABLE, THEY WILL BE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- (i) THE SITING AND SCALE OF DEVELOPMENT TO BE SYMPATHETIC WITH THE LANDSCAPE; AND
- (ii) HIGH STANDARDS OF LANDSCAPING AND DESIGN, USING MATERIALS WHICH ARE APPROPRIATE TO THE LOCALITY AND REFLECT THE CHARACTER OF THE AREA.

### **GENERAL CRITERIA FOR DEVELOPMENT POLICY G2**

NEW DEVELOPMENT WILL BE CONSIDERED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- (i) A SATISFACTORY MEANS OF ACCESS AND TURNING SPACE WITHIN THE SITE, WHERE APPROPRIATE, TOGETHER WITH PARKING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GUIDANCE AT APPENDICES V AND VI OF THE LOCAL PLAN;
- (ii) AVOIDANCE OF PLACING AN UNDUE BURDEN ON EXISTING OR PROPOSED SERVICES AND FACILITIES, THE EXISTING OR PROPOSED LOCAL ROAD NETWORK OR OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE;
- (iii) A MINIMUM LOSS OF DISTURBANCE TO FORESTRY LAND AND THE BEST AND MOST VERSATILE AGRICULTURAL LAND, AND AVOID THE SEVERANCE OF HOLDINGS;
- (iv) RESPECT FOR EXISTING BENEFICIAL LANDSCAPE, ECOLOGICAL, ARCHAEOLOGICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL FEATURES AND INCLUDE MEASURES FOR THE ENHANCEMENT OF SUCH FEATURES AND THE LANDSCAPING OF THE SITE WHERE APPROPRIATE;
- (v) AVOIDANCE OF THE LOSS OF IMPORTANT OPEN AREAS, A GAP IN A FRONTAGE OR NATURAL OR BUILT FEATURES (SUCH AS TREES, HEDGES OR OTHER HABITATS, WALL, FENCES AND BANKS), WHICH IT IS DESIRABLE TO RETAIN;

- (vi) AVOIDANCE OF UNDULY DISTURBING, INTERFERING, CONFLICTING WITH OR OVERLOOKING ADJOINING DWELLINGS OR USES TO THE DETRIMENT OF EXISTING OCCUPIERS;
- (vii) AVOIDANCE OF LOCATIONS WHICH ARE LIABLE TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS DUE TO THEIR PROXIMITY TO INCOMPATIBLE DEVELOPMENT;
- (viii) AVOIDANCE OF DETRIMENT TO PUBLIC HEALTH OR POLLUTION TO THE ENVIRONMENT BY THE EMISSION OF EXCESSIVE NOISE, LIGHT INTRUSION, SMOKE, FUMES, EFFLUENT OR VIBRATION; AND INCORPORATION OF ENERGY EFFICIENT DESIGN THROUGH BUILDING DESIGN, LAYOUT AND ORIENTATION.