RELEVANT PLANNING POLICIES

ADOPTED WILTSHIRE AND SWINDON STRUCTURE PLAN (APRIL 2006)

- DP1 IN PURSUIT OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, PARTICULAR PRIORITY SHOULD BE GIVEN TO:
 - (i) MEETING LOCAL NEEDS FOR JOBS, SERVICES AND AFFORDABLE AND SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSING IN ALL SETTLEMENTS;
 - (ii) MEETING THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES;
 - ACHIEVING A PATTERN OF LAND-USES AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT LINKS WHICH MINIMISE THE NEED TO TRAVEL AND SUPPORT THE INCREASED USE OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT, CYCLING AND WALKING;
 - (iv) MAXIMISING THE POTENTIAL FOR ENERGY CONSERVATION AND ACCOMMODATING PROPOSALS FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY;
 - (v) IMPROVING THE AMENITY OF SETTLEMENTS;
 - (vi) MINIMISING THE LOSS OF COUNTRYSIDE AND PROTECTING AND ENHANCING THE PLAN AREA'S ENVIRONMENTAL ASSETS.

1ST ALTERATION WEST WILTSHIRE DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN (JUNE 2004)

- CF1 PROPOSALS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF LAND FOR SCHOOLS AND HIGHER EDUCATION, HEALTH CARE FACILITIES, PLACES OF WORSHIP, COMMUNITY HALLS AND OTHER COMMUNITY FACILITIES WILL BE PERMITTED PROVIDED THE PROPOSALS ARE ACCEPTABLE AND HAVING REGARD TO SCALE, SITING, DESIGN, ACCESS, HIGHWAYS, PARKING PROVISION, RESIDENTIAL AMENITIES AND OTHER LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS.
- R2 DEVELOPMENT WILL NOT BE PERMITTED WHERE THIS WOULD INVOLVE THE LOSS OF EXISTING PLAYING FIELDS, PLAY SPACES AND OTHER RECREATIONAL LAND, WHETHER PUBLICLY OR PRIVATELY OWNED. THESE SITES, INCLUDING THOSE LISTED IN APPENDIX B AND SHOWN ON THE PROPOSALS MAP, WILL BE PROTECTED FROM DEVELOPMENT, UNLESS:
 - (i) THE SPORTS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES CAN BEST BE RETAINED AND ENHANCED THROUGH THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SMALL PART OF THE SITE;
 - (ii) ALTERNATIVE PROVISION OF EQUIVALENT COMMUNITY BENEFIT IS MADE IN THE IMMEDIATE LOCALITY; OR
 - (iii) IT CAN BE DEMONSTRATED THAT THERE IS AN EXCESS OF SPORTS PITCH PROVISION AND PUBLIC OPEN SPACE IN THE AREA, TAKING ACCOUNT OF THE RECREATIONAL AND AMENITY VALUE OF SUCH PROVISION.