

**WEST WILTSHIRE DISTRICT
LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK**

DRAFT LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

Background

- 1.1 The Government has reformed the planning system in order to make it more responsive to changing circumstances. Development plans under the new system will be more flexible, prepared more quickly and be kept up-to-date through regular monitoring and review.
- 1.2 The Government also wishes to achieve more effective involvement with the community throughout the process, so as to enable the people who live and work in the area to help shape its future.
- 1.3 These changes have been brought about by the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, which commenced in July 2004.

Purpose of the Local Development Scheme

- 1.4 The Local Development Scheme (LDS) presents the Council's programme for the production of the various plans and documents which will make up the new planning policy framework for West Wiltshire and sets out the timetable for their production, monitoring and review.
- 1.5 The Scheme outlines the three year production of the documents which will form the local development framework for the District. For each document key stages are identified when the local community will be consulted on emerging issues and proposals.
- 1.6 The LDS is a three year rolling programme and will be re-submitted to the Secretary of State annually.

The Local Development Framework System

- 1.7 Under the new system, the Development Plan for West Wiltshire will comprise a Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS) for the South West and a series of Development Plan Documents (DPD) for West Wiltshire. These latter documents will be contained within the West Wiltshire Local Development Framework. This will be a portfolio of planning documents that will replace local and structure plans. All local planning authorities must have an LDF in place by April 2007.
- 1.8 DPDs include:
 - A core strategy for the area, setting out a vision and key policies for achieving the vision;
 - Site specific allocations of land;
 - A proposals map;
 - Area action plans where needed, for areas that will change or for areas of conservation.

- 1.9 Other local development documents will not have the statutory status of DPDs. These supplementary planning documents (SPDs) will provide further detail on the implementation of policies and proposals in DPDs.
- 1.10 The Council must also produce a Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) setting out how it intends to consult and involve the community in the preparation and review of local development documents and in significant development control decisions.
- 1.11 Sustainability appraisals will need to be taken for both DPDs and SPDs to ensure that policies and proposals promote sustainable development. A European Union Directive requires formal Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) of certain plans and programmes which are likely to have significant effects on the environment.
- 1.12 A key change from the previous planning system is the division of the Development Plan into separate documents. However, all LDDs will sit within the LDF “folder”. The preparation of the LDF will be a continual process, with new LDDs adopted and included within the LDF at different stages.
- 1.13 A glossary of terms is included at Appendix 1 to help with the understanding of this document.

2.0 WEST WILTSHIRE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK

Structure of the Local Development Framework

- 2.1 The West Wiltshire LDF will be structured around the Core Strategy. The Core Strategy will be supported by series of DPDs, which in turn will be supported by SPDs. The structure is complicated in the initial period due to transitional arrangements which provide for the current Development Plan to continue to operate for a period after 2004.

Existing Plans and Transitional Arrangements

- 2.2 Under the 2004 Act, existing development plans are saved for at least 3 years unless replaced at an earlier date by new DPDs.
- 2.3 The following documents, prepared under the terms of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, will be “saved” as the LDF for West Wiltshire:

Wiltshire and Swindon Structure Plan 2011

The adopted Structure Plan for Wiltshire.

Wiltshire and Swindon Structure Plan 2016

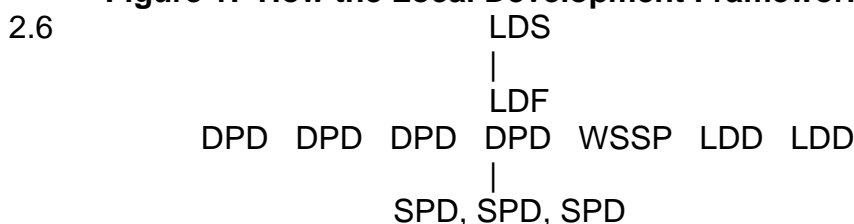
Due for adoption by Spring 2005. To be saved for 3 years or until replacement by the RSS and new DPDs as appropriate.

West Wiltshire District Local Plan 1st Alteration

The adopted Local plan for West Wiltshire. To be saved until at least April 2007, or until replaced. Appendix 2a is a list of the policies which will be saved beyond the 3 year transitional period. Appendix 2b shows how existing policies will be replaced by, or merged with, development plan documents (DPDs).

- 2.4 Supplementary planning guidance prepared under the terms of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, cannot be “saved” but can be linked to a saved policy and will be treated as a material planning consideration until replaced by SPDs. Appendix 3 sets out existing supplementary planning guidance and its status.
- 2.5 Appendix 4 sets out a detailed profile of all of the new DPDs to be included within the West Wiltshire LDF, including for each, its role, geographical coverage, status, timetable for production, broad indication of resource requirements and approach to community involvement.

Figure 1: How the Local Development Framework Fits Together



New Local Development Documents to be prepared

LDD: Statement of Community Involvement

- 2.7 This will set out the standards and approaches to involving stakeholders and the community in the production of LDDs and also the handling of major planning applications. It will be prepared in consultation with the Local Strategic Partnership, stakeholders and the local community to find out how they wish to be involved. It will describe the procedures for consultation and the opportunities for people to get involved.

DPD: Recreation Policies and Proposals

- 2.8 This document will review recreation spatial policies including the need for further open space allocations in the light of the results of the Council's Recreation Needs Assessment, which will be published in the spring of 2005.

DPD: The Core Strategy

- 2.9 This will set out the Council's vision for West Wiltshire up to 2016 and address the spatial implications of the Community Strategy and other strategies of the Council and other stakeholders. The adoption of the Wiltshire Structure Plan 2016 in spring 2005 and the emerging Regional Spatial Strategy will provide the strategic context for this document. This will be the main DPD and other DPDs will need to conform to it.

DPD: Proposals Map

- 2.10 The current District Plan 1st Alteration Proposals Map will be replaced as new DPDs are adopted and then kept up-to-date to reflect changes introduced by subsequent DPDs.

SPD: Affordable Housing

- 2.11 A detailed guide for the provision of affordable housing will be finalised having regard to Government policy, other guidance and best practice. This will supplement and be linked to saved policies H2 and H22 of the District Plan 1st Alteration.

SPD: Residential Development Design Guide

- 2.12 A detailed guide will be prepared to provide guidance on how new housing sites should be designed having regard to Government policy, other guidance and best practice. This will supplement and be linked to saved policy H24 of the District Plan 1st Alteration.

SPDs: Trowbridge, Melksham, Warminster, Westbury Town Centres and Newtown, Trowbridge Conservation Area Character Assessments

- 2.13 Each assessment will set out the built form and natural character of the conservation area and identify areas for protection and enhancement. These will supplement and be linked to policies C17- C23 of the District Plan 1st Alteration.

Future Local Development Documents (beyond 3 years)

DPD: Site Allocations

- 2.14 The adoption of the Core Strategy will provide the strategic context for a review of the housing and employment site allocations set out in the adopted West Wiltshire District Plan 1st Alteration and roll forward to 2016.

DPD: General Development Control Policies

- 2.15 This will provide a set of general criteria based policies against which detailed development proposals will be considered. The Council will review the effectiveness of existing policies in the adopted District Plan 1st Alteration and identify the policies needed to guide development control. The production of this document is not considered an immediate priority as policies in the adopted District Plan 1st Alteration are up-to-date and the production of the Core Strategy will provide the key policies for controlling development. The scope for joint working with other Districts in the preparation of these generic policies will be investigated.

SPDs: Hilperton Road, Trowbridge and Boreham Road, Warminster Conservation Area Character Assessments

- 2.16 The programme for producing character assessments will continue with the appraisal of these edge of town conservation areas. These will supplement and be linked to policies C17- C23 of the District Plan 1st Alteration.

Relationship with the Community Strategy and other strategies

- 2.17 West Wiltshire District Council, along with all other local authorities, is required by the Local Development Act 2000 to produce a Community Strategy. Wiltshire's Community Strategy was approved in December 2003. West Wiltshire's Community Strategy has now been approved by West Wiltshire's Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) and an Action Plan is under development.
- 2.18 These community strategies will have to be taken into account in preparation of the LDF. There should be a clear relationship between the policies in LDDs and the community strategies. This will ensure that the planning framework for the area is consistent with and helps to deliver,

the spatial aspects of the community strategies. Further consultation on the community strategies will be used to inform the LDF and consultation on the LDF will be used to inform the review of the community strategies. Wherever possible, joint consultation will be undertaken.

- 2.19 West Wiltshire District Council has prepared a Corporate Plan which sets out the Council's intentions, direction and focus for the 5 year period 2005 - 2010. It addresses the issues of concern identified by local people and as a strategy it will inform the preparation of the LDF.
- 2.20 Wiltshire County Council has produced a Local Transport Plan (LTP) which is a 5 year plan that runs from 2001 to 2006. It contains a strategy to co-ordinate and improve local transport provision and movement and covers all forms of transport. The Plan is currently under review and local communities will be involved in the consultation process for the new 2006 document.
- 2.21 The West Wiltshire Sustainable Transport Strategy (WWSTS) which is a part of Local Transport Plan has been identified as the priority major scheme for the Western Wiltshire transport "corridor". The Strategy identifies a package of bus, rail cycle and pedestrian improvements and road and rail improvements to facilitate goods transport. This will be updated as part of the LTP review process.

Community and Stakeholder Involvement

- 2.22 The Statement of Community Involvement (SCI), mentioned at para 1.10, will provide a framework for future consultation on LDDs.
- 2.23 The main stages of public consultation will be:-
- In the case of DPDs:
- Pre-submission consultation on key issues, options and a preferred option
 - Formal consultation on submission of the draft DPDs to ODPM, with objections recorded individually and reported to the Planning Inspectorate for the public examination
- In the case of SPDs:
- Consultation on the content of draft SPDs, with responses reported to the District Council Cabinet for consideration.
- 2.24 Table 1 is a summary of the timetable for the preparation of each LDD, and shows all the milestones for pre-production including stakeholder and community consultation at the issues and options and the preferred options and proposals stages.

TABLE 1: Schedule of Proposed Local Development Documents

Document Title	Status	Brief Description	Chain of Conformity Links with other documents	Consultation with stakeholders/ community on Issues and Options	Consultation with stakeholders/ community on Preferred Options	Date for Submission to Secretary of State	Proposed Date for Adoption
Statement of Community Involvement	Local Development Document	Sets out the standards and approach to involving stakeholders and the community in the production of the LDF	All LDDs must comply with the Statement of Community Involvement	February 2005	N/A	May 2005	December 2005
Annual Monitoring Report	Local Development Document	Assesses the implementation of the LDS and the extent to which the policies in the LDF are being achieved	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	December on an annual basis
Recreation Plan and Proposals	Development Plan Document	Sets out the policy framework for the future provision of leisure and recreation space within the District, including the allocation of sites	General Conformity with the saved Structure Plan 2016 and the emerging Regional Spatial Strategy	May 2005	September 2005	February 2006	February 2007
The Core Strategy	Development Plan Document	Sets out the vision, objectives and strategy for the spatial development of the District	General Conformity with the saved Structure Plan 2016 and the emerging Regional Spatial Strategy All LDDs to be in conformity with the Core Strategy	January 2006	April 2006	January 2007	February 2008
Proposals Map	Development Plan Document	Identifies, on an Ordnance Survey base map, the proposals, designations, locations and areas to which specific policies and allocations apply.	Conformity with Core Strategy and saved policies and revised when any DPD is produced				Changes on adoption of DPDs

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Affordable Housing	Supplementary Planning Document	Sets out detailed guidance on the provision of affordable housing through the planning system	Supplements policies H2 and H22 of West Wiltshire District Plan 1 st Alteration	February - April 2004	March 2005	N/A	June 2005
Residential Development Design Guide	Supplementary Planning Document	Sets out detailed guidance on the design and layout of new housing developments	Supplements policies C31a and H24 of West Wiltshire District Plan 1 st Alteration	December 2004	May 2005	N/A	October 2005
Bradford on Avon Town Centre Conservation Area (CA) Character Assessment	Supplementary Planning Document	Sets out the built form and character of the conservation area and identifies key areas for protection and enhancement	Supplements saved policies C17-C23 of West Wiltshire District Plan 1 st Alteration	November 2005	January 2006	N/A	July 2006
Melksham Town Centre CA Character Assessment	Supplementary Planning Document	Sets out the built form and character of the conservation area and identifies key areas for protection and enhancement	Supplements saved policies C17-C23 of West Wiltshire District Plan 1 st Alteration	September 2006	November 2006	N/A	March 2007
Trowbridge Town Centre CA Character Assessment	Supplementary Planning Document	Sets out the built form and character of the conservation area and identifies key areas for protection and enhancement	Supplements saved policies C17-C23 of West Wiltshire District Plan 1 st Alteration	March 2005	May 2005	N/A	September 2005
Newtown, Trowbridge CA Character Assessment	Supplementary Planning Document	Sets out the built form and character of the conservation area and identifies key areas for protection and enhancement	Supplements saved policies C17-C23 of West Wiltshire District Plan 1 st Alteration	March 2007	May 2007	N/A	September 2007

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Westbury Town Centre CA Character Assessment	Supplementary Planning Document	Sets out the built form and character of the conservation area and identifies key areas for protection and enhancement	Supplements saved policies C17-C23 of West Wiltshire District Plan 1 st Alteration	July 2006	September 2006	N/A	January 2007
Warminster Town Centre CA Character Assessment	Supplementary Planning Document	Sets out the built form and character of the conservation area and identifies key areas for protection and enhancement	Supplements saved policies C17-C23 of West Wiltshire District Plan 1 st Alteration	November 2005	January 2006	N/A	May 2006

3.0 FURTHER INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

- 3.1 Information on West Wiltshire's LDF and current planning policies is available on the West Wiltshire District Council's website at: www.westwiltshire.gov.uk
- 3.2 If you have any questions regarding West Wiltshire's draft LDS or LDF, please contact a member of the Planning Policy & Conservation Team at West Wiltshire District Council.

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Bradley Road
Trowbridge BA14 0RD

- 3.3 For more information on the new planning system, visit the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister website at www.odpm.gov.uk

4.0 SUPPORTING STATEMENT - ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF LDDs

Project Management

- 4.1 The project manager for West Wiltshire LDDs will be the Planning Policy and Conservation Manager at West Wiltshire District Council. The Portfolio Holder (Planning) will hold Executive responsibility for LDDs.

Partnership Working - Internal Partners

- 4.2 The principal internal partners for the preparation of LDDs will be:-

- Corporate Team
- Development Control Manager
- Housing Services Manager
- Economic Development Manager
- Community Leadership Manager
- Technical Services Manager

Partnership Working - External Partners

- 4.3 The principal external partners for the preparation of LDDs will be:-

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| • ODPM via GOSW | Local Strategic Partnership |
| • Planning Inspectorate | South West Regional Assembly |
| • Environment Agency | Other Wiltshire District Councils |
| • English Nature | Town and Parish Councils |
| • Countryside Agency | Wiltshire Wildlife Trust |
| • English Heritage | Statutory utility companies |
| • Local amenity and environmental groups | |

Resources, Staffing and Budgets

- 4.4 Staff resources are primarily the Planning Policy & Conservation Team, which consists of a senior planning policy officer, a planning officer, an urban design and conservation assistant, a conservation officer and a planning technician. Other internal resources are identified as internal partners above.
- 4.5 Specialist consultants will be used to provide parts of the evidence base to the LDF, and to advise on community involvement issues.
- 4.6 The financial implications of the LDS will be identified for inclusion in the Planning Policy and Conservation Team budget.

Constraints, Risks and Contingencies

- 4.7 The main constraints on the preparation of LDDs would be loss of staff or reductions in budget at West Wiltshire District Council. Currently, recruitment of experienced and able staff is difficult for planning departments in general. The scheme is dependant on revenue derived from the Planning Delivery Grant 2004/5 and any subsequent grants.
- 4.8 The only realistic contingency open to the District Council in the event of staff losses or budget cuts will be to revise the LDS accordingly.

The Evidence Base

- 4.11 In preparing LDDs, a range of evidence needs to be gathered to ensure that West Wiltshire has a robust basis for planning policies and proposals.
- 4.12 Relevant evidence will be published as supporting information to assist with community involvement in the preparation of LDDs.
- 4.13 The evidence needed to inform the West Wiltshire LDF is listed in Appendix 5. This is not an exhaustive list and other items of evidence are likely to be published in the course of preparing LDDs.

Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) / Sustainability Appraisal

- 4.14 The purpose of SEA/SA is to ensure that environmental considerations are fully taken into account during the preparation of development plans. The key element of the procedure is the production of an environmental report which will outline the likely effects of implementing a plan, and its alternatives, on the environment. The reports will be made available for public consultation during the production process of each plan.

Monitoring and Review

- 4.15 Local planning authorities are required to prepare Annual Monitoring Reports (AMRs) to:
- assess progress on the delivery of the LDF as set out in the LDS;
 - assess the extent to which LDDs are having an impact on the District.
- 4.16 The first AMR on the West Wiltshire District LDF will be submitted to the Secretary of State and published by the District Council in December 2005 and every December thereafter.

Appendix 1

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

AAP	<p>Area Action Plan</p> <p>These Plans will focus upon implementation, providing an important mechanism for ensuring development of an appropriate, scale, mix and quality for key areas of opportunity, change or conservation.</p>
AMR	<p>Annual Monitoring Report</p> <p>Authorities are required to produce AMRs to assess the implementation of the LDS and the extent to which policies in LDDs are being achieved.</p>
DPD	<p>Development Plan Document</p> <p>A collective name for the documents that a local planning authority must prepare which have to be subject to rigorous procedures of community involvement, consultation and independent examination.</p>
LDF	<p>Local Development Framework</p> <p>The LDF will contain a portfolio of LDDs which will provide the local planning authority's policies for meeting the community's economic, environmental and social aims for the future of their area where this affects the development of land.</p>
LDD	<p>Local Development Document</p> <p>A generic term for all the documents which are subcomponents of the LDF. LDD's comprise DPDs, SPDs, the SCI, and the SEA/SA</p>
LDS	<p>Local Development Scheme</p> <p>The LDS sets out the programme for preparing the LDDs</p>
PPS	<p>Planning Policy Statements</p> <p>Government statements of national planning policy, being phased in to supersede Planning Policy Guidance notes (PPGs)</p>
RSS	<p>Regional Spatial Strategy</p> <p>The RSS, incorporating a regional transport strategy, provides a spatial framework to inform the preparation of local development documents, local transport plans and regional and sub-regional strategies and programmes that have a bearing on land-use activities.</p>
SA	<p>Sustainability Appraisal</p> <p>Assessment of the social, economic, and environmental impacts of the policies and proposals contained within the LDF</p>
SCI	<p>Statement of Community Involvement</p> <p>Document explaining to stakeholders and the community, how and when they will be involved in the preparation of the LDF, and the steps that will be taken to facilitate this involvement.</p>
SEA	<p>Strategic Environmental Assessment</p> <p>Assessment of the environmental impacts of the policies and proposals contained within the LDF (in line with SEA Directive 2002)</p>
SPD	<p>Supplementary Planning Document</p> <p>SPDs are intended to elaborate upon the policy and proposals in DPDs but do not have their status.</p>
SPG	<p>Supplementary Planning Guidance</p> <p>Supporting document produced in accordance with previous planning legislation which elaborates on existing saved District Plan policies; non-statutory, with status as a material consideration.</p>

LIST OF SAVED POLICIES

The following policies of the West Wiltshire District Plan 1ST Alteration are to be saved beyond the 3 year transitional period

POLICY	SUBJECT
GB3	Safeguarded Land - Bradford on Avon
C2	Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty
C3	Special Landscape Areas
C4	Landscape Setting
C4a	Nature Conservation
C5	Sites of Special Scientific Interest
C6	Areas of High Ecological Value, Regionally Important Geological or Geomorphological Sites and Sites of Nature Conservation Interest
C6a	Landscape Features
C7	Protected Species
C8	Woodlands
C9	Rivers
C10	Local Nature Reserves
C11	Military Land
C12	Redundant Military Land
C13	Archaeology - Nationally Important Sites
C14	Archaeological Field Evaluation
C15	Archaeological Assessment
C16	Archaeological Investigation and Recording
C17	Conservation Areas
C18	New Development in Conservation Areas
C19	Alterations in Conservation Areas
C20	Change of Use in Conservation Areas
C21	Planning Permission in Conservation Areas
C22	Demolition in Conservation Areas
C23	Street Scene
C24	Advertisements
C25	Shopfronts
C26	Maintenance of Buildings
C27	Listed Buildings
C28	Alterations and Extensions to Listed Buildings
C29	Demolition in Listed Buildings
C30	Skylines
C31	Historic Parks and Gardens
C31a	Design
C32	Landscaping
C33	Recycling
C34a	Resource Consumption and Reduction
C34	Renewable Energy
C35	Light Pollution

C36	Noise
C37	Contaminated Land
C38	Nuisance
C39	Environmental Enhancements
C40	Tree Planting
C41	Areas of Opportunity
H1b	Phasing
H3	Urban Brownfield Housing Allocations
H4	Urban Mixed Use Brownfield Housing Allocations
H6	East of Melksham
H7	Staverton Triangle
H7A	New Terrace, Staverton
H8	Land north of Paxcroft Way, Trowbridge
H8a	Land south of the Grange, Trowbridge
H8b	Blue Hills, Devizes Road
H8c	Land north of Green Lane, Trowbridge
H9	Land at Southview, Trowbridge
H10	Land at West Ashton Road, Trowbridge
H11	Land south of Paxcroft Mead, Trowbridge
H12	Land north of Victoria Road, Warminster
H13a	Land adjacent to Westbury Hospital
H13	Leigh Park, Westbury
H14	Land at Station Road, Westbury
H16	Flat Conversions
H18	Areas of Minimum Change
H19	Development in Open Countryside
H20	Replacement Dwellings
H21	Conversion of Rural Buildings
H23	New Housing near Intensive Livestock Units
H24	New Housing Design
E1	New Employment Land Allocations
E7	Farm Diversification
E8	Rural Conversions
E9	Agricultural Land
E10	Horse Related Development
T1	A350 Improvements
T1a	Westbury Bypass Package
T2	TA36 Trunk Road
T4	New Distributor Roads
T5	New Link Roads
T7	Westbury-Swindon Railway Services
T8	Melksham Rail Station
T8a	Rail Freight Facility
T11	Cycleways
T12	Footpaths and Bridleways
SP2	Land at Court Street / Castle Street, Trowbridge

SP4	Primary Retail Frontages
SP5	Secondary Retail Frontages
SP6	Local Shopping in Towns and Villages
SP7	Village Shops
LE1	Leisure and Entertainment
LE2	St. Stephen's Place, Trowbridge
TC1	Upper Floor Uses in Town Centres
TC2	Traffic Management and Pedestrian Priority
TO1	Tourist Attractions
TO2	Minor Tourist Facilities
TO3	Hotels, Guest Houses and Self Catering Accommodation
TO4	Camping, Caravans, Holiday Homes
CF1	Community Facilities
CF2	Re-use of Community Facilities
CF3	Villages and Rural Areas
S2	Primary Schools
CF4	Community Halls - Paxcroft Mead
CF5	Community Halls - East of Melksham
CF6	Community Halls - Leigh Park
CF7	Community Halls - Bowerhill
CF8	Community Health
CF9	Bradford on Avon Police Station
CF10	Cemeteries
CF11	Travelling Show People
CF12	Gypsy Caravan Sites
U1a	Foul Water Disposal
U2	Surface Water Disposal
U3	Flooding
U4	Groundwater Source Protection Areas
U4a	Bowerhill Sewage Treatment Works
U5	Sewage Treatment Works
U6	Telecommunications
I2	The Arts
I3	Access for Everyone

HOW EXISTING POLICIES WILL BE REPLACED BY, OR MERGED WITH, DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENTS (DPDs)

Development Plan Document	Content	Policies of the adopted District Plan to be replaced by or merged with DPDs
Core Strategy	Sets out the Vision, Strategic Objectives, District Spatial Strategy and Core Policies.	GB1 Western Wiltshire Green Belt GB2 Control of Development in Green Belt C1 Countryside Protection H1a Housing Land Provision H1 Further Housing Development Within Towns H2 Affordable Housing Within Towns and Villages H17 Village Policy Limits H19 Development in Open Countryside H22 Affordable Housing on Rural Exception Sites E2 Employment Policy Areas E4 Premises outside Employment Policy Areas E5 Loss of Employment Floorspace E6 Rural Employment T3 Transport Provision for New Developments T6 Public Transport - Railway Services T9 Public Transport - Bus Services T10 Car Parking SP1 Town Centre Shopping SP3 Out of Centre Shopping S1 Education U1 Infrastructure I1 Implementation

HOW EXISTING POLICIES WILL BE REPLACED BY, OR MERGED WITH, DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENTS (DPDs)

Development Plan Document	Content	Policies of the adopted District Plan to be replaced by or merged with DPDs
Recreation Policies and Proposals	Provides recreation spatial policies including open space and leisure allocations	R1 Recreation Space R2 Protection of Recreation Space R3 Dual Use of Education Land R4 Open Space in New Housing Developments R5 Further Provision of Recreation Space R6 Trowbridge Football Stadium R7 Trowbridge Cricket Ground R8 Greenspace Network R9 Country Parks R10 Poulton Field Bradford on Avon R11 Footpaths and Rights of Way R12 Allotments R13 Sailing Lakes R14 Golf Courses R15 Development at Golf Courses R16 indoor Facilities CA1 Kennet and Avon Canal CA2 Canal Related Tree Planting CA3 Canal Related Environmental Enhancement CA4 Wilts & Berks Canal
Proposals Maps	Identifies on an Ordnance Survey map base the main constraints, designations, proposals and areas to which specific policies apply.	

STATUS OF EXISTING SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING GUIDANCE

Appendix 3

EXISTING SPG	DATE OF ADOPTION	POLICY LINK TO SAVED PLAN	REPLACED BY DPD or SPD	REMAIN AS SPG
Open Space in New Housing Developments: A Guide	July 2004	R4, C32	DPD: Recreation Policies and Proposals	
Policy Statement on Canals	June 2004	CA1, CA2, CA3, CA4		Policy Statement on Canals
Planning Enforcement	2000	I1		Planning Enforcement
Guidelines For Sustainability Checklist	1999	C34a		Guidelines For Sustainability Checklist
Access for Everyone	May 1995	I3		Access for Everyone
Design Guide: Core Document	June 2004	C31a		Design Guide: Core Document
Design Guide: House Alterations and Extensions	June 2004	C31a, C38		Design Guide: House Alterations and Extensions
Trowbridge Urban Design Framework	May 2004	C31a, H3, H4, H24, SP2, LE2, TC2, I2		Trowbridge Urban Design Framework
Steeple Ashton Village Design Statement	June 2000	C12-C17, C18-C21, C29, R2, H4, H5, H6, H9, E5, E6, E8, CF3		Steeple Ashton Village Design Statement
Keevil Village Design Statement		C12-C17, C18-C21, C29, R2, H4, H5, H6, H9, E5, E6, E8, CF3		Keevil Village Design Statement
Kingston Mills, Bradford on Avon Development Brief	December 1994	H4A		Kingston Mills, Bradford on Avon Development Brief
GEC Site, Melksham Development Brief	1999	C41A, T8		GEC Site, Melksham Development Brief
East Melksham Development Brief	October 2004	H6		East Melksham Development Brief
Broad Street, Trowbridge	May 1984	H4D		Broad Street, Trowbridge
East Trowbridge Development Brief	September 2004	H11		East Trowbridge Development Brief
Vivash Park, Westbury	September 1990	C41H		Vivash Park, Westbury
Market Place and East Street, Warminster Development Brief	1999	H4H		Market Place and East Street, Warminster Development Brief
Bradford on Avon Conservation Area Character Assessment	January 2001	C17-C23	SPD: Bradford on Avon Conservation Area Character Assessment	

West Wiltshire District Local Plan 1st Alteration

Document Details

What is the subject of the document?	Sets out the planning strategy, aims and policies for development within the District
What geographical area will it cover?	West Wiltshire District
What is the status of the document?	Saved Plan
What is the "chain of conformity"	Conformity with the saved Structure Plan 2011

Timetable

What is the timetable for its production and adoption?	
Completion of pre-production / survey stage	N/A
Issues and Options consultation	N/A
Prepare Preferred Options Paper	N/A
Consultation on Preferred Options and collate representations	N/A
Consideration of representations and prepare document	N/A
Submission of document to Secretary of State	N/A
Public consultation period on submission document	N/A
Pre-examination consideration of representations	N/A
6 weeks notice period for Examination Period	N/A
Examination period	N/A
Production and receipt of binding report	N/A
Adoption and publication	Adopted June 2004

Arrangements for Production

Which organisation / department of the authority will lead the process?	N/A
What will be the management arrangements?	N/A
What is the approach being taken to involve interested parties and the community?	N/A
What financial and staff resources will be required to produce the document?	N/A
Are any resources available from external parties?	N/A

Statement of Community Involvement

Document Details

What is the subject of the document?	Sets out the standards and approach to involving stakeholders and the community in the production of the LDF
What geographical area will it cover?	West Wiltshire District
What is the status of the document?	Local Development Document (LDD)
What is the "chain of conformity"	All LDDs must comply with the Statement of Community Involvement

Timetable

<p>What is the timetable for its production and adoption?</p> <p>Completion of pre-production / survey stage</p> <p>Issues and Options informal consultation</p> <p>Consideration of representations and prepare document</p> <p>Submission of document to Secretary of State</p> <p>Public consultation period on submission document</p> <p>Pre-examination consideration of representations</p> <p>6 weeks notice period for Examination Period</p> <p>Examination period</p> <p>Production and receipt of binding report</p> <p>Adoption and publication</p>	<p>Up to end of January 2005</p> <p>February 2005</p> <p>March – April 2005</p> <p>May 2005</p> <p>May 2005</p> <p>June - August 2005</p> <p>September 2005</p> <p>October 2005</p> <p>November 2005</p> <p>December 2005</p>
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Arrangements for Production

Which organisation / department of the authority will lead the process?	Planning Policy & Conservation Team
What will be the management arrangements?	Executive and Policy Project Group
What is the approach being taken to involve interested parties and the community?	In accordance with minimum requirements as set out in regulations.
What financial and staff resources will be required to produce the document?	The Council's Planning Policy Team will be primarily focused on its production
Are any resources available from external parties?	To be determined as part of project planning for the production of the document

Annual Monitoring Report

Document Details

What is the subject of the document?	Assesses the implementation of the LDS and the extent to which the policies in the LDF are being achieved
What geographical area will it cover?	West Wiltshire District
What is the status of the document?	N/A
What is the "chain of conformity"	N/A

Timetable

What is the timetable for its production and adoption?	
Completion of pre-production / survey stage	N/A
Issues and Options informal consultation	N/A
Consideration of representations and prepare document	N/A
Submission of document to Secretary of State	N/A
Public consultation period on submission document	N/A
Pre-examination consideration of representations	N/A
6 weeks notice period for Examination Period	N/A
Examination period	N/A
Production and receipt of binding report	N/A
Adoption and publication	On an annual basis - December 2005, 2006, 2007

Arrangements for Production

Which organisation / department of the authority will lead the process?	Planning Policy & Conservation Team
What will be the management arrangements?	Executive
What is the approach being taken to involve interested parties and the community?	N/A
What financial and staff resources will be required to produce the document?	The Council's Planning Policy Team will be primarily focused on its production
Are any resources available from external parties?	To be determined as part of project planning for the production of the document

Recreation Plan and Proposals

Document Details

What is the subject of the document?	Sets the policy framework for the future provision of leisure and recreation open space within the District, including the allocation of sites.
What geographical area will it cover?	West Wiltshire District
What is the status of the document?	Development Plans Document (DPD)
What is the "chain of conformity"	To conform with the Structure Plan 2016

Timetable

<p>What is the timetable for its production and adoption?</p> <p>Completion of pre-production / survey stage</p> <p>Issues and Options consultation</p> <p>Prepare Preferred Options Paper</p> <p>Consultation on Preferred Options and collate representations</p> <p>Consideration of representations and prepare document</p> <p>Submission of document to Secretary of State</p> <p>Public consultation period on submission document & site allocation representations</p> <p>Pre-examination consideration of representations</p> <p>6 weeks notice period for Examination Period</p> <p>Examination period</p> <p>Production and receipt of binding report</p> <p>Adoption and publication</p>	<p>Up to end of April 2005</p> <p>May 2005</p> <p>June – August 2005</p> <p>September 2005</p> <p>October 2005 – January 2006</p> <p>February 2006</p> <p>February - April 2006</p> <p>March - August 2006</p> <p>August 2006</p> <p>September – November 2006</p> <p>December – February 2007</p> <p>February 2007</p>
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Arrangements for Production

Which organisation / department of the authority will lead the process?	Planning Policy & Conservation Team
What will be the management arrangements?	Executive and Policy Project Group
What is the approach being taken to involve interested parties and the community?	Initially, in accordance with minimum requirements as set out in regulations. Later stages in accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement
What financial and staff resources will be required to produce the document?	The Council's Planning Policy Team will be primarily focused on its production
Are any resources available from external parties?	To be determined as part of project planning for the production of the document

PROFILES OF DOCUMENTS INCLUDED WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK

Appendix 4

Core Strategy

Document Details

What is the subject of the document?	Sets out the vision, objectives and strategy for the spatial development of the area, and will provide the framework for the control of development. To include the role and function of settlements, the overall levels and distribution of housing and employment provision, town centre regeneration and provision of infrastructure and services.
What geographical area will it cover?	West Wiltshire District
What is the status of the document?	Development Plans Document (DPD)
What is the “chain of conformity”	General conformity with the saved Structure Plan 2016 and emerging Regional Spatial Strategy. All other LDDs to be in conformity with Core Strategy

Timetable

<p>What is the timetable for its production and adoption?</p> <p>Completion of pre-production / survey stage</p> <p>Issues and Options consultation</p> <p>Prepare Preferred Options Paper</p> <p>Consultation on Preferred Options and collate representations</p> <p>Consideration of representations and prepare document</p> <p>Submission of document to Secretary of State</p> <p>Public consultation period on submission document</p> <p>Pre-examination consideration of representations</p> <p>6 weeks notice period for Examination Period</p> <p>Examination period</p> <p>Production and receipt of binding report</p> <p>Adoption and publication</p>	<p>Up to December 2005</p> <p>January 2006</p> <p>February – March 2006</p> <p>April 2006</p> <p>May – December 2006</p> <p>January 2007</p> <p>January - February 2007</p> <p>February – September 2007</p> <p>July 2007</p> <p>September – November 2007</p> <p>December – February 2008</p> <p>February 2008</p>
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Arrangements for Production

Which organisation / department of the authority will lead the process?	Planning Policy & Conservation Team
What will be the management arrangements?	Executive and Policy Project Group
What is the approach being taken to involve interested parties and the community?	In accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement
What financial and staff resources will be required to produce the document?	The Council's Planning Policy Team will be primarily focused on its production
Are any resources available from external parties?	To be determined as part of project planning for the production of the document

Affordable Housing

Document Details

What is the subject of the document?	Sets out detailed guidance on the provision of affordable housing through the planning system
What geographical area will it cover?	West Wiltshire District
What is the status of the document?	Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)
What is the “chain of conformity”	Supplements saved Policies H2 and H22 of West Wiltshire District Local Plan 1 st Alteration

Timetable

What is the timetable for its production and adoption? Issues and Options informal consultation Consideration of representations and Prepare Draft SPD Public consultation on Draft SPD Consideration of representations and prepare Final SPD Adoption and publication	2004 January - February 2005 March 2005 April – May 2005 June 2005
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Arrangements for Production

Which organisation / department of the authority will lead the process?	Planning Policy & Conservation Team
What will be the management arrangements?	Executive and Policy Project Group
What is the approach being taken to involve interested parties and the community?	Initially, in accordance with minimum requirements as set out in regulations. Later stages in accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement
What financial and staff resources will be required to produce the document?	The Council's Planning Policy Team will be primarily focused on its production
Are any resources available from external parties?	To be determined as part of project planning for the production of the document

Residential Development Design Guide

Document Details

What is the subject of the document?	Sets out detailed guidance on the design and layout of new housing developments
What geographical area will it cover?	West Wiltshire District
What is the status of the document?	Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)
What is the "chain of conformity"	Supplements saved Policy H24 and C31a of West Wiltshire District Local Plan 1 st Alteration

Timetable

<p>What is the timetable for its production and adoption?</p> <p>Issues and Options informal consultation</p> <p>Consideration of representations and Prepare Draft SPD</p> <p>Public consultation on Draft SPD</p> <p>Consideration of representations and prepare Final SPD</p> <p>Adoption and publication</p>	<p>December 2004 - End of January 2005</p> <p>February – End of April 2005</p> <p>May – End of June 2005</p> <p>July – End of September 2005</p> <p>October 2005</p>
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Arrangements for Production

Which organisation / department of the authority will lead the process?	Planning Policy & Conservation Team
What will be the management arrangements?	Executive and Policy Project Group
What is the approach being taken to involve interested parties and the community?	Initially, in accordance with minimum requirements as set out in regulations. Later stages in accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement
What financial and staff resources will be required to produce the document?	The Council's Planning Policy Team will be primarily focused on its production
Are any resources available from external parties?	To be determined as part of project planning for the production of the document

Bradford on Avon Town Centre Conservation Area Character Assessment

Document Details

What is the subject of the document?	Sets out the built form and natural character of the conservation area and identifies key areas for protection and enhancement
What geographical area will it cover?	West Wiltshire District
What is the status of the document?	Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)
What is the "chain of conformity"	Supplements saved Policies C17-C23 of West Wiltshire District Local Plan 1 st Alteration

Timetable

What is the timetable for its production and adoption? Issues and Options informal consultation Consideration of representations and Prepare Draft SPD Public consultation on Draft SPD Consideration of representations and prepare Final SPD Adoption and publication	November 2005 December 2005 January 2006 April 2006 July 2006
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Arrangements for Production

Which organisation / department of the authority will lead the process?	Planning Policy & Conservation Team
What will be the management arrangements?	Executive and Policy Project Group
What is the approach being taken to involve interested parties and the community?	In accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement
What financial and staff resources will be required to produce the document?	The Council's Planning Policy Team will be primarily focused on its production
Are any resources available from external parties?	To be determined as part of project planning for the production of the document

Melksham Town Centre Conservation Area Character Assessment

Document Details

What is the subject of the document?	Sets out the built form and natural character of the conservation area and identifies key areas for protection and enhancement
What geographical area will it cover?	West Wiltshire District
What is the status of the document?	Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)
What is the "chain of conformity"	Supplements saved Policies C17-C23 of West Wiltshire District Local Plan 1 st Alteration

Timetable

What is the timetable for its production and adoption? Issues and Options informal consultation Consideration of representations and Prepare Draft SPD Public consultation on Draft SPD Consideration of representations and prepare Final SPD Adoption and publication	September 2006 October 2006 November 2006 December 2006 March 2007
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Arrangements for Production

Which organisation / department of the authority will lead the process?	Planning Policy & Conservation Team
What will be the management arrangements?	Executive and Policy Project Group
What is the approach being taken to involve interested parties and the community?	In accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement
What financial and staff resources will be required to produce the document?	The Council's Planning Policy Team will be primarily focused on its production
Are any resources available from external parties?	To be determined as part of project planning for the production of the document

Trowbridge Town Centre Conservation Area Character Assessment

Document Details

What is the subject of the document?	Sets out the built form and natural character of the conservation area and identifies key areas for protection and enhancement
What geographical area will it cover?	West Wiltshire District
What is the status of the document?	Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)
What is the "chain of conformity"	Supplements saved Policies C17-C23 of West Wiltshire District Local Plan 1 st Alteration

Timetable

What is the timetable for its production and adoption? Issues and Options informal consultation Consideration of representations and Prepare Draft SPD Public consultation on Draft SPD Consideration of representations and prepare Final SPD Adoption and publication	March 2005 April 2005 May 2005 June 2005 September 2005
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Arrangements for Production

Which organisation / department of the authority will lead the process?	Planning Policy & Conservation Team
What will be the management arrangements?	Executive and Policy Project Group
What is the approach being taken to involve interested parties and the community?	In accordance with minimum requirements as set out in regulations.
What financial and staff resources will be required to produce the document?	The Council's Planning Policy Team will be primarily focused on its production
Are any resources available from external parties?	To be determined as part of project planning for the production of the document

Newtown, Trowbridge Conservation Area Character Assessment

Document Details

What is the subject of the document?	Sets out the built form and natural character of the conservation area and identifies key areas for protection and enhancement
What geographical area will it cover?	West Wiltshire District
What is the status of the document?	Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)
What is the "chain of conformity"	Supplements saved Policies C17-C23 of West Wiltshire District Local Plan 1 st Alteration

Timetable

What is the timetable for its production and adoption? Issues and Options informal consultation Consideration of representations and Prepare Draft SPD Public consultation on Draft SPD Consideration of representations and prepare Final SPD Adoption and publication	March 2007 April 2007 May 2007 June 2007 September 2007
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Arrangements for Production

Which organisation / department of the authority will lead the process?	Planning Policy & Conservation Team
What will be the management arrangements?	Executive and Policy Project Group
What is the approach being taken to involve interested parties and the community?	In accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement
What financial and staff resources will be required to produce the document?	The Council's Planning Policy Team will be primarily focused on its production
Are any resources available from external parties?	To be determined as part of project planning for the production of the document

Westbury Town Centre Conservation Area Character Assessment

Document Details

What is the subject of the document?	Sets out the built form and natural character of the conservation area and identifies key areas for protection and enhancement
What geographical area will it cover?	West Wiltshire District
What is the status of the document?	Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)
What is the "chain of conformity"	Supplements saved Policies C17-C23 of West Wiltshire District Local Plan 1 st Alteration

Timetable

What is the timetable for its production and adoption? Issues and Options informal consultation Consideration of representations and Prepare Draft SPD Public consultation on Draft SPD Consideration of representations and prepare Final SPD Adoption and publication	July 2006 August 2006 September 2006 October 2006 January 2007
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Arrangements for Production

Which organisation / department of the authority will lead the process?	Planning Policy & Conservation Team
What will be the management arrangements?	Executive and Policy Project Group
What is the approach being taken to involve interested parties and the community?	In accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement
What financial and staff resources will be required to produce the document?	The Council's Planning Policy Team will be primarily focused on its production
Are any resources available from external parties?	To be determined as part of project planning for the production of the document

Warminster Town Centre Conservation Area Character Assessment

Document Details

What is the subject of the document?	Sets out the built form and natural character of the conservation area and identifies key areas for protection and enhancement
What geographical area will it cover?	West Wiltshire District
What is the status of the document?	Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)
What is the "chain of conformity"	Supplements saved Policies C17-C23 of West Wiltshire District Local Plan 1 st Alteration

Timetable

What is the timetable for its production and adoption? Issues and Options informal consultation Consideration of representations and Prepare Draft SPD Public consultation on Draft SPD Consideration of representations and prepare Final SPD Adoption and publication	November 2005 December 2005 January 2006 February 2006 May 2006
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Arrangements for Production

Which organisation / department of the authority will lead the process?	Planning Policy & Conservation Team
What will be the management arrangements?	Executive and Policy Project Group
What is the approach being taken to involve interested parties and the community?	Initially, in accordance with minimum requirements as set out in regulations. Later stages in accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement
What financial and staff resources will be required to produce the document?	The Council's Planning Policy Team will be primarily focused on its production
Are any resources available from external parties?	To be determined as part of project planning for the production of the document

Appendix 5

EVIDENCE BASE AND TECHNICAL STUDIES FOR LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DOCUMENTS

DATA	SOURCE
Ecological Data	Wiltshire and Swindon Biological Records Centre Wiltshire Wildlife Trust, English Nature, The Environment Agency, SW Regional Observatory
Landscape and Countryside Character	Countryside Agency Landscape Character Assessment
Geology	OS Geological Maps, British Geological Society Published sources
Soils	Published Soil Maps and data Soil Resources Institute, DEFRA
Archaeology, Scheduled Monuments and Heritage	Wiltshire Archaeologist English Heritage
Extent of designated and protected areas, plus areas allocated for other forms of development	Existing Local Plan (where not covered by the above)
Water environment and pollution	Environment Agency, Centre for Ecology and Hydrology British Geological Society (groundwater), DEFRA English Nature, Water Companies
Traffic levels, road classification, designated lorry routes, road improvements and rail network	WCC Highway Authority, Local Transport Plan Department for Transport Highways Agency
Air quality and noise	DEFRA and (limited) local authority sites
Demographic data	WCC Environmental Services Data Census, Other Office of National Statistics sources SW Regional Observatory
Economic and Social Data	WCC Environmental Services Data, Census, West Wilts Economic Partnership, DTI, SW Regional Observatory
Sustainability	Government Quality of Life Counts SW Region Sustainable Development web site UK Climate Impacts Programme (UKCIP)
Public Opinion	Best Value Surveys of Planning Issues People's Voice Surveys of Public Opinion Local Community Aspirations – Village Design Statements
Development Requirements (incorporating housing and employment)	Adopted Structure Plan RSS (reviewed every 5 years)
Data on housing and	WWDC annual monitoring reports and

employment completions	development control data
Data on housing completions on previously developed land	3 monthly housing monitoring survey
Data on housing densities	3 monthly housing monitoring survey
Data on Housing Needs (incl. Affordable Housing requirements)	Housing Needs Survey (to be updated every 3 years)
Estimates of Urban Capacity	Urban Capacity Study
Retail and Leisure Capacity	SBC (via specialist consultants) (update in progress)
Recreation and Open Space Audit	Consultants Recreation Needs Assessment (update as required)
Monitoring LDDs produced in neighbouring authorities	Adjoining authorities
Monitoring targets	WWDC annual monitoring reports and development control data
Site Appraisals	
Sustainability (SEA) Appraisals	