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Appendix 1 Plans, Policies and Programmes Review

Relevant Objectives	Relevant Targets & Indicators	Implications for the LDF
<p>Securing the Future – UK Government Strategy for Sustainable Development (2005) http://www.defra.gov.uk/sustainable/government/publications/uk-strategy/index.htm</p>	<p>Relevant Targets & Indicators</p>	<p>Implications for the LDF</p>
<p>Green Paper: Homes for the Future More Affordable, More Sustainable (July 2007) http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/housing/homesforfuture</p> <p>Sets out the Government's vision that everyone should have access to a decent home at a price they can afford in a place where they want to live and work. To help ensure this it calls for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More homes to meet growing demand • Well designed and greener homes • More affordable homes to buy or rent 	<p>National housing target of 240,000 additional homes a year to 2016. In the Northwest – to deliver around 50,000 new homes through an additional round of Growth Points. All new homes to emit 25% less carbon from 2010, 44% less carbon from 2013 and to be zero carbon by 2016 as well as achieving an improvement of 20% efficiency in relation to water use in new homes.</p>	<p>LDF documents must consider how they can deliver sustainable housing growth to meet the needs of our local population. They must also consider how more greener, affordable and better designed homes can be achieved.</p>
<p>Air Quality Strategy for England, Scotland, Wales & Northern Ireland (July 2007) http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/airquality/strategy/index.htm</p>	<p>Relevant Targets & Indicators</p>	<p>Implications for the LDF</p>
<p>Sets a long term vision to achieve cleaner air that will bring health and social benefits to all. Seeks to ensure everyone can enjoy a level of ambient air quality in outdoor public places which poses no risk to health or quality of life Also recognises the concern to protect ecosystems.</p>	<p>Sets out a number of technical objectives for ten main pollutants for the purposes of local air quality management.</p>	<p>LDF documents should ensure that development does not reduce air quality and seek to help improve it e.g. an encouragement to reduce vehicle movements through integrating transport and encouraging sustainable travel. Ensure LDF is informed by relevant stakeholders & officers. Consider air quality as a key consideration in planning matters and spatial development</p>
<p>Transport 2010: The Ten Year Plan (DETR 2000)</p>		

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<p>http://www.dft.gov.uk/pggr/regional/policy/transport2010/transport2010meetingthelocal3735</p> <p>Tackle congestion & pollution by improving all types of transport – rail & road, public & private – in ways that increase choice - based on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrated transport – matching solutions to specific problems by assessing all options • Public & private partnership – government & private sector working more closely to boost investment • New projects – modernising our transport network in ways that make it bigger, better, safer, cleaner & quicker. 	<p>A summary of targets / improvements are set out – Locally across England:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase rail use from 2000 levels by 50% by 2010 • Double light rail use in England by 2010 from 2000 levels • Reduce road congestion on inter-urban networks & large urban areas below current levels by 2010 • Extensive bus priority schemes • 10% increase in bus passenger journeys from 2000 levels by 2010 • Extension of rural bus subsidy • More park and ride schemes • Support for flexible transport in rural communities • Modern and integrated transport information, booking and ticketing services • Safer cycling and walking routes, more 20mph areas and home zones for safer roads, especially around schools. 	<p>LDF documents should seek to secure a range of modes of transport with focus on reducing congestion and greenhouse gas emissions.</p> <p>An integrated transport network is necessary to promote sustainable economic and social development.</p>
<p>Climate Change: The UK Programme (DEFRA 2006)</p> <p>http://www.official-documents.gov.uk/document/cm67/6764/6764.pdf</p> <p>Sets out the Government's commitments both at international and domestic level to meet the challenges of climate change. This includes both reducing the causes and importantly adaptation to help create places resilient to the effects of climate change.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce emissions of the basket of six greenhouse gases by 12.5 per cent below base year levels over the commitment period 2008-2012. • Achieve a reduction of carbon dioxide emissions by 20 per cent below 1990 	<p>LDF documents should assist in reducing carbon dioxide emissions and in helping to create places that are resilient to the effects of climate change.</p>

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<p>The Energy White Paper “Meeting the Energy Challenge” (DTI 2007) http://stats.berr.gov.uk/ewp/index.asp</p> <p>Sets out the Government’s international and domestic energy strategy to respond to our changing circumstances, address the long term energy challenges we face and deliver our four energy policy goals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To put ourselves on a path to cutting CO2 emissions by some 60% by about 2050, with real progress by 2020; ● To maintain the reliability of energy supplies; ● To promote competitive markets in the UK and beyond; ● To ensure that every home is adequately and affordably heated. 	<p>levels by 2010 and 60 per cent by about 2050, with real progress by 2020.</p>	
<p>Building a Greener Future: Policy Statement (DCLG 2007) http://www.communities.gov.uk/documents/planningandbuilding/pdf/building-greener.pdf</p> <p>Confirms the Government’s intention for all new homes to be zero carbon by 2016.</p>	<p>To cut the UK’s Carbon Dioxide emissions by 60% by 2050 with real progress by 2020.</p> <p>25 per cent improvement in the energy/carbon performance set in Building Regulations by 2010; a 44 per cent improvement in 2013 and zero carbon by 2016.</p>	<p>LDF documents should assist in reducing carbon dioxide emissions whilst protecting sustainable economic growth. Development should be energy efficient, on-site renewable energy production should be considered as well as the promotion of greener travel.</p> <p>LDF documents must consider how policies can assist in reducing carbon dioxide emissions, through the integration of renewable energy and energy efficiency into new developments.</p>
<p>The Code for the Sustainable Homes: Setting the Sustainability Standards for New Homes (DCLG 2008) http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/codesustainabilitystandards</p>		

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<p>A code developed to enable a step change in sustainable building practice for new homes. The code measures the sustainability of a home against design categories, rating the 'whole home' as a complete package. Design categories included within the Code are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy (CO²) • Water • Materials • Surface water run-off • Waste • Pollution • Health and well-being • Management • Ecology <p>The Planning White Paper "Planning for a Sustainable Future" (DCLG 2007) http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/planningsustainablefuture</p> <p>The White Paper sets out detailed proposals for the reform of the planning system to achieve one which "supports vibrant, healthy sustainable communities, promotes the UK's international competitiveness, and enables the infrastructure which is vital to our quality of life to be provided, in a way that is integrated with the delivery of other sustainable development objectives, and ensures that local communities and members of the public can make their views heard."</p> <p>Its main objectives are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce emissions of greenhouse gases to meet the challenge of climate change and use our natural resources wisely. 	<p>The code sets out a range of target levels ranging from 1 to 6 with 6 being zero carbon.</p> <p>No specific targets outlined.</p>	<p>LDF documents should consider how to encourage developers to achieve high levels against the Code for Sustainable Homes.</p> <p>LDF documents must consider how they can help to achieve the objectives stated in the White Paper and where possible incorporate its main recommendations.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support economic development to generate high quality jobs in the context of rapid globalisation. Protect and enhance the quality, character and amenity value of our environment and natural resources. Build more houses so that people can afford decent homes. Put the right infrastructure in place to meet our needs for travel, energy, water and public services. 		
<p>Urban White Paper “Our Towns and Cities: The Future: Delivering an Urban Renaissance” (DETR 2000) http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/citiesandregions/ourtowns</p>		
<p>“State of the English Cities” (ODPM 2006) http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/citiesandregions/state4</p>		
<p>Key Messages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Successful economic recovery in our cities, which needs to be expanded and sustained. We need to learn from successful cities abroad. We need to encourage local leadership 	<p>No specific targets outlined.</p>	<p>LDF documents should be strongly underpinned by the principles of improved design and be truly sustainable and spatial in nature.</p>
<p>UK Sustainable Construction Strategy (2008) http://www.berr.gov.uk/whatwedo/sectors/construction/sustainability/page13691.html</p>		
<p>Intended as a catalyst to achieve a step change in the sustainability of the procurement, design, construction and operation of all built assets.</p>	<p>Strategy sets out a series of overarching targets which include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> By 2012, a 50% reduction of construction, demolition and excavation waste to landfill compared to 2008. 	<p>LDF documents must consider how the policies within can help to ensure the employment of sustainable design and construction.</p>

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<p>Relevant Objectives</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reducing total UK carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions by at least 60% on 1990 levels by 2050 and by at least 26% by 2020. Reduce per capita consumption of water in the home through cost effective measures, to an average of 130 litres per person per day by 2030 	<p>Implications for the LDF</p>
<p>“Working with the grain of nature” A Biodiversity Strategy for England (Defra 2002) http://www.defra.gov.uk/wildlife-countryside/biodiversity/action-uk/e-biostrat.htm</p> <p>Vision – “a country – its landscapes and water bodies, coasts and seas, towns and cities – where wild species and habitats are part of healthy functioning ecosystems; where we nurture, treasure and enhance our biodiversity, and where biodiversity is a natural consideration of policies and decisions, and in society as a whole.”</p>	<p>Headline indicators include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Condition of SSSIs – 95% into favourable condition by 2010 Population of wild birds Biodiversity Action Plan progress Biological quality of rivers Public attitudes to biodiversity Fish stocks around the UK fished within safe limits Area of land under agri-environment agreement 	<p>LDF documents should strongly encourage and promote the protection and enhancement of biodiversity.</p> <p>Relevant national targets and objectives should be reflected in the SA framework.</p>
<p>Waste Strategy for England – DEFRA (2007) http://www.defra.gov.uk/ENVIRONMENT/waste/strategy/strategy07/pdf/waste07-strategy.pdf</p> <p>The Government’s key objectives are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decouple waste growth (in all sectors) from economic growth and put more emphasis on waste prevention and re-use Meet and exceed the Landfill Directive diversion targets for biodegradable municipal waste in 2010, 2013 and 2020 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce the amount of household waste not re-used, recycled or composted to 15.8million tonnes in 2010 with an aspiration to reduce it to 12.2million tonnes in 2020. 	<p>LDF documents should seek to promote and encourage the reduction, re-use and recycling of waste including the recovery of energy. They should also consider how they can help to encourage local communities (whether residential, business or mixed) to take greater responsibility for their waste.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase diversion from landfill of non-municipal waste and secure better integration of treatment for municipal and non-municipal waste • Secure the investment in infrastructure needed to divert waste from landfill and for the management of hazardous waste • Get the most environmental benefit from that investment, through increased recycling of resources and recovery of energy from residual waste using a mix of technologies. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recycling and composing of household waste at least 40% by 2010; 45% by 2015 and 50% by 2020 • Recovery of municipal waste 53% by 2010; 67% by 2015 and 75% by 2020 	<p>Relevant regional targets and objectives should be reflected in the SA framework.</p>
<p>Our Shared Future (Commission on Integration and Cohesion 2007) http://image.guardian.co.uk/sys-files/Education/documents/2007/06/14/oursharedfuture.pdf</p>		
<p>The report sets out practical proposals for building integration and cohesion at a local level based on four key principles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sense of shared futures • Emphasis on a new model of rights and responsibilities • New emphasis on mutual respect and civility • Deliver a visible social justice 	<p>Advocates that local areas should develop their own integration and cohesion targets.</p>	<p>The LDF process and documents should embrace the documents key principles.</p>
<p>Communities Plan: Sustainable Communities in the North West. (ODPM) http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/sustainablecommunitiesbuilding</p>		
<p>Regional plan sets out proposals for implementing the national plan ‘Sustainable communities: Building for the future’ The focus is on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing • A better living & working environment • Improving economic prosperity 	<p>Sets out a number of targets intended however at a more strategic regional level.</p>	<p>LDF documents should seek to secure the creation of or contribution towards sustainable communities. This key objective of creating sustainable communities should underpin the LDF where appropriate. Relevant regional targets and objectives should be reflected in the SA framework.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safeguarding the Countryside Planning 	<p>The Historic Environment: a Force for Our Future (DCMS 2001) http://www.culture.gov.uk/reference_library/publications/4667.aspx</p>	<p>LDF documents and sustainability objectives should protect and enhance the historic environment and make the Borough more attractive.</p>
<p>The Government looks to a future in which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> public interest in the historic environment is matched by firm leadership, effective partnerships, and the development of a sound knowledge base from which to develop policies; the full potential of the historic environment as a learning resource is realised; the historic environment is accessible to everybody and is seen as something with which the whole of society can identify and engage; the historic environment is protected and sustained for the benefit of our own and future generations; the historic environment's importance as an economic asset is skilfully harnessed. 	<p>54 Action Points are set out within the document, but no specific targets or indicators are given.</p>	
<p>Streets for All North West – English Heritage (2005) http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/server/show/nav.10765</p>		
<p>Aim is to improve the appearance of our public spaces by showing how practical solutions to common highway problems can be achieved and how good practice can become everyday practice. Looks at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reducing clutter Co-ordinating design Reinforcing local character Maintaining safety for all. 	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents should take account of general principles of improving public spaces set out in the document.</p>

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<p>secure the fullest possible use of sustainable transport including the movement of freight</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Shape places that minimise vulnerability, and provide resilience to climate change in ways that are consistent with social cohesion and inclusion ● Conserve and enhance biodiversity, recognising that the distribution of habitats and species will be affected by climate change; ● Reflect the development needs and interests of communities and enable them to contribute effectively to tackling climate change ● Respond to the concerns of business and encourage competitiveness and technological innovation in mitigating and adapting to climate change. 		
<p>PPG2: Green Belt http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/ppg2</p> <p>Fundamental aim is to prevent urban sprawl. Other objectives include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide opportunities for access to open countryside for the urban population ● Provide opportunities for outdoor sport & recreation near urban areas ● Retain attractive landscapes, & enhance landscapes, near to where people live ● Improve damaged & derelict land around towns ● Secure nature conservation interests ● Retain land in agricultural, forestry & related uses 	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents should aim to ensure that development is not detrimental to the green belt designated within the borough.</p>
<p>PPS3: Housing (DCLG 2006) http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/pps3housing</p>		

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<p>Planning Policy Statement 3: Housing (PPS3) underpins the delivery of the Government's strategic housing policy objectives to ensure that everyone has the opportunity to live in a decent home, which they can afford in a community in which they want to live.</p> <p>The PPS reflects the Government's commitment to improving the affordability and supply of housing in all communities, including rural areas, informed by the findings of the Affordable Rural Housing Commission.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide a wide choice of quality homes To improve affordability To widen opportunities for home ownership To create sustainable inclusive mixed communities 	<p>LDF documents must set out how a sufficient mix of housing (in terms of both type and tenure) is to be provided within the Borough.</p>
<p>Draft PPS4: Planning for Sustainable Economic Development (Consultation ending 17 March 2008) http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/consultationeconomicdevelopment</p> <p>Encourages prosperous communities by improving economic performance, promoting regeneration and tackling deprivation but recognises that the delivery of sustainable economic development should be sensitive to the challenges of climate change. Seeks to minimise carbon emissions and reduce congestion through the location of businesses and the opportunities for co location. Promotes the continued prioritisation of previously developed land.</p>	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDFs documents should promote economic development in line with the principles of sustainable development. They should include a range of sites to support different employment needs and plan for mixed use sites which allow homes. Jobs and services should be close to each other to help reduce the need to travel. Policies should recognise the need for co-ordinating infrastructure and housing provision.</p>
<p>PPS6: Planning for Town Centres http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/ppsg6</p>		
<p>PPS7: Sustainable Development in Rural Areas http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/ppsg7</p>		
<p>Reiterates the four Government objectives for rural areas:</p>	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents should sustain and enhance rural settlements and create a diverse rural</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Raise the quality of life & the environment in rural areas by promoting sustainable communities ● Promote more sustainable patterns of development ● Promote the development of the English regions by improving their economic performance, so that all are able to reach their full potential ● Promote sustainable, diverse and adaptable agriculture sectors <p>Other relevant key principles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Countryside should be recognised, maintained and enhanced to enable it to remain an important natural resource ● Farm diversification, tourism & leisure, & other similar proposals should be supported provided that they do not harm the character or locality of the rural area 		economy whilst maintaining local character and the quality of the local environment.
<p>PPG8: Telecommunications</p> <p>http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/ppg8</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Facilitate the growth of new & existing telecommunications systems whilst keeping environmental impacts to a minimum ● Ensure people have a choice as to who provides their telecommunications service, a wider range of services from which to choose & equitable access to the latest technologies as they become available 	No specific targets or indicators.	LDF documents should consider the need to allocate sites for telecommunications development or contain criteria based policies in order to assess proposals.
<p>PPS9: Biodiversity and Geological Conservation</p> <p>http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/planningpolicystatement9</p>		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote sustainable development by ensuring that biological & geological diversity are conserved & enhanced as an integral part of social, environmental & economic development Conserve, enhance & restore the diversity of England's wildlife & geology by sustaining, & where possible, improving, the quality & extent of natural habitat & geological & geomorphological sites Contribute to rural renewal & urban renaissance by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhancing biodiversity in green spaces & among developments so that they are used by wildlife & valued by people Ensuring that developments take account of the role & value of biodiversity in supporting economic diversification & contributing to a high quality environment 	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents should strongly encourage and promote the protection and enhancement of biodiversity and geological features. They should also ensure that biodiversity is integrated with other considerations when making decisions on land use. These considerations should be appropriately represented in the SA framework.</p>
<p>PPS9: Planning for Biodiversity and Geological Conservation: A Guide to Good Practice</p>		
<p>http://communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/planningbiodiversity</p>		
<p>PPS10: Sustainable Waste Management http://www.communities.gov.uk/planningandbuilding/planning/policyguidance/planningpolicystatements/planningpolicystatements/pps10</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deliver sustainable development through driving waste management up the waste hierarchy Provide a framework in which communities take more responsibility for their own waste Secure the recovery or disposal of waste without endangering human health & without harming the environment 	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents should seek to promote and encourage re-use and recycling and consider how waste going to landfill can be minimised. They should also consider how local communities (whether residential, business or mixed) can be encouraged to take greater responsibility.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Reflect the concerns & interests of communities, the needs of waste collection authorities, waste disposal authorities & business & encourage competitiveness ● Protect green belts but recognise the particular locational needs of some types of waste management facilities when defining boundaries ● Ensure opportunities to incorporate recycling & reuse facilities into developments are considered 		
<p>PPS11: Regional Spatial Strategies http://www.communities.gov.uk/planningandbuilding/planning/regionallocal/regionalsspatialstrategies/pps11/</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Details the requirements for preparation, implementation, monitoring and review of RSS ● Intends to make RSS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Statutory ● The product of partnership working & community involvement ● More regionally & sub-regionally specific with a focus on implementation ● Integrated with other regional strategies ● Contribute to sustainable development 	No specific targets or indicators.	There is a need to ensure that the content and preparation of LDF documents follows the requirements of this guidance.
<p>PPS12: Local Spatial Planning (June 2008) http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/pps12lsp</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Explains what local spatial planning is, and how it benefits communities. 	No specific targets or indicators.	There is a need to ensure that the content and preparation of LDF documents follows the requirements of this guidance.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It also sets out what the key ingredients of local spatial plans are and the key government policies on how they should be prepared. Sets out what a LDF is, the content and level of detail appropriate in DPDs, & involvement in & management of the production process. 		
PPG13: Transport http://www.communities.gov.uk/planningandbuilding/planning/pplanningpolicyguidance/planningpolicyguidance/ppg13/		
To integrate planning & transport at the national, regional, strategic & local level to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide more sustainable transport choices for both people & for moving freight Promote accessibility to jobs, shopping, leisure facilities & services by public transport, walking & cycling Reduce the need to travel, especially by car Locate development in locations well served by public transport 	Annex D provides maximum car parking standards	LDF documents need to effectively consider transport issues e.g. reducing congestion. They should support sustainable transport and seek to secure reductions in the need to travel by car e.g. by making fullest use of public transport through management of the pattern of growth. Regard should be had to maximum car parking levels.
PPG15: Planning and the Historic Environment http://www.communities.gov.uk/planningandbuilding/planning/pplanningpolicyguidance/planningpolicyguidance/ppg15/		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides Government policies for the effective identification & protection of the historic environment Reconcile the need for economic growth with the need to protect the historic and natural environment 	No specific targets or indicators	LDF documents should contribute to the protection and enhancement of the historic environment
PPG16: Archaeology and Planning http://www.communities.gov.uk/planningandbuilding/planning/pplanningpolicyguidance/planningpolicyguidance/ppg16/		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Archaeological remains are a finite, non-renewable resource that should be identified, recorded & in some cases preserved from development Effective protection, enhancement & preservation of sites of archaeological interest & their settings should be provided 	No specific targets or indicators	LDF documents need to recognise the importance of archaeological resource and seek to protect and further understand it.
<p>PPG17: Planning for Open Space, Sport and Recreation http://www.communities.gov.uk/planningandbuilding/planning/pplanningpolicyguidance/planningpolicystatements/planningpolicyguidance/ppg17/</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open space & sport & recreation underpin peoples' quality of life Ensure there is enough of them & that they are in the right places Ensure that they are high quality & accessible Promotion of social inclusion & community cohesion – improving people's sense of well being in the place they live Health & well being – promoting health living Supporting an urban renaissance by creating attractive urban environments – Supporting a rural renewal where the countryside provides opportunities for recreation 	No specific targets or indicators.	<p>LDF documents should contribute to urban renaissance and community well being through the provision, enhancement retention and management of open space, sport and recreation facilities.</p> <p>In recognition of the many additional benefits open space entails, it should be considered in a holistic manner as 'green infrastructure' and policies should seek to maximise and secure these benefits.</p>
<p>PPS22: Renewable Energy http://www.communities.gov.uk/planningandbuilding/planning/pplanningpolicyguidance/planningpolicystatements/planningpolicystatements/pps22/</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social progress which recognises the needs of everyone (contributing to the nation's energy needs, ensuring all homes are adequately & affordably heated & providing new sources of energy in remote areas) Effective protection of the environment (reduction in greenhouse gasses & reducing climate change) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aims to cut Carbon Dioxide emissions by 60% by 2050 with real progress by 2020 Aims to generate 10% of UK electricity from renewable sources by 2010 (with an aspiration for 20% by 2020) 	LDF documents should assist in reducing carbon dioxide emissions whilst encouraging sustainable economic growth. E.g. ensure development is energy efficient, consideration of on-site renewable energy production, greener travel etc.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prudent use of natural resources (reducing the nation's over reliance on fossil fuels) Maintenance of high & stable levels of economic growth & employment (those directly related to developments & new technologies) 		<p>Regional targets should be reflected in the SA framework.</p>
<p>PPS23: Planning and Pollution Control http://www.communities.gov.uk/planningandbuilding/planning/policyguidance/planningpolicystatements/planningpolicystatements/pps23/</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committed to using precautionary principle Polluting activities that are necessary for society & the economy should be sited & planned & subject to planning conditions that will minimise their adverse effects & contain them within acceptable limits Opportunities should be taken wherever possible to use the development process to assist & encourage the remediation of land already affected by contamination 	<p>No specific targets or indicators</p>	<p>LDF documents need to ensure appropriate investigation is undertaken with regards to contaminated land. They should also seek to address pollution control and mitigation.</p>
<p>PPG24: Planning and Noise http://www.communities.gov.uk/planningandbuilding/planning/policyguidance/planningpolicystatements/planningpolicyguidance/ppg24/</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wherever practicable, noise sensitive developments should be separated from major sources of noise Where it is not possible to achieve separation, it should be considered whether it is possible to control, reduce or mitigate noise levels through planning conditions / obligations 	<p>Introduces noise exposure categories & acceptable noise levels.</p>	<p>LDF documents should seek to ensure that appropriate noise levels are not exceeded. Policies and proposals should protect the general environmental quality and amenity and where appropriate ensure noise levels are controlled and mitigated in order to reduce conflict between differing land uses.</p>
<p>PPS25: Development and Flood Risk http://www.communities.gov.uk/planningandbuilding/planning/policyguidance/planningpolicystatements/planningpolicystatements/pps25/</p>		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sets out Government policy on development and flood risk. • It's aims are to ensure that flood risk is taken into account at all stages in the planning process to avoid inappropriate development in areas at risk of flooding, and to direct development away from areas of highest risk. Where new development is, exceptionally, necessary in such areas, policy aims to make it safe, without increasing flood risk elsewhere, and, where possible, reducing flood risk overall. 	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents should reduce the vulnerability of development to flood risk (including existing development) and should include a requirement for a sequential approach to site selection.</p> <p>Where development occurs, appropriate mitigation measures should be secured.</p> <p>A Strategic Flood Risk Assessment has been undertaken and will be used to inform the sustainability appraisal.</p>
<p>Practice Guidance for PPS25 – Development and Flood Risk http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/jpps25practiceguide</p> <p>The guide should be taken into account by RPBs and LPAs in the preparation of RSS and LDDs and when deciding planning applications. It replaces the “Living Draft” which was published in February 2007.</p> <p>The guide usefully clarifies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When and how flood risk assessments should be carried out • How to apply the sequential and exception tests <p>Government policy on flood risk is to avoid inappropriate development in flood risk areas.</p>	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents should help to reduce the vulnerability of development to flood risk (including existing development) and should include a requirement for a sequential approach to site selection.</p> <p>Where development occurs in areas of risk, appropriate mitigation measures should be secured.</p> <p>A Strategic Flood Risk Assessment will have to be undertaken either as part of the Sustainability Appraisal, or as a separate Assessment that informs the Sustainability Appraisal.</p>
<p>MPS1 - Planning & Minerals (2006) http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/mineralspolicystatement5</p>		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure the prudent, efficient and sustainable use of minerals and recycling of suitable materials to minimise the requirement for primary extraction. to conserve and safeguard mineral resources to ensure adequate and steady supply of minerals needed by society and the economy which are worked in a sensitive manner within the limits set by the environment To minimise mineral waste To protect internationally and nationally designated areas of landscape value and nature conservation from mineral development To secure closer integration between minerals planning policy and national policy on sustainable construction, waste management and other environmental protection legislation Promote the sustainable transport of minerals by rail, sea or inland waterways 	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents should define Mineral Safeguarding Areas; protect sites that allow the transportation of minerals by rail and water served routes and take account of policy objectives relating to recycling, mine waste and restoration materials.</p>
<p>MPS2: Controlling and mitigating the environmental effects of mineral extraction in England http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/mps2</p>	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents should set out considerations in relation to the environmental effects of mineral extraction.</p>
<p>Sets out how minerals planning authorities should minimise any significant adverse environmental effects that may arise from mineral extraction.</p>	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents should set out considerations in relation to the environmental effects of mineral extraction.</p>
<p>MPG3: Coal mining and colliery spoil disposal http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/mineralsplanningguidance2</p>	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>Of limited relevance to LDF document preparation as there are no active mines within the Borough.</p>
<p>Ensure that the extraction of coal and dispersal of colliery spoil only takes place at the best balance of community, social, environmental and economic interests, consistent with the principles of sustainable development.</p>	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>Of limited relevance to LDF document preparation as there are no active mines within the Borough.</p>

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<p>MPG4: Revocation, modification, discontinuance, prohibition and suspension orders http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/mineralsplanningguidance3</p> <p>Gives guidance on the orders and effects of the Town and Country Planning (compensation for restrictions on mineral working and mineral waste depositing) Regulations 1997.</p>	No specific targets or indicators.	Of limited relevance to LDF document preparation.
<p>MPG5: Stability in surface mineral workings and tips http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/mineralsplanningguidance4</p> <p>Intended to ensure that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The operation and restoration of surface minerals workings is not detrimentally affected by instability Instability does not impact on neighbouring land On cessation of active working, surface mineral workings are left in a safe and stable condition Development in, on or near disused and abandoned workings takes due account of potential instability. 	No specific targets or indicators.	LDF documents should deal with stability in relation to development on or near minerals workings / tips. This is likely to have limited relevance within the borough
<p>MPG7: Reclamation of mineral workings http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/mineralsplanningguidance5</p> <p>Ensure that land worked for minerals is returned to a beneficial after-use at the earliest opportunity.</p>	No specific targets or indicators.	LDF will have to set standards for dealing with site reclamation. Likely to have limited relevance in the borough.
<p>MPG8: Planning and Compensation Act 1991 - Interim development order permissions (IDOS): statutory provisions and procedures http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/mineralsplanningguidance6</p> <p>Gives guidance on dealing with permissions for the winning and working of minerals or the depositing of minerals waste, originally granted under Interim Development Orders.</p>	No specific targets or indicators.	LDF documents will have to set out the basis on which old mining permissions have been dealt with.
<p>MPG9: Planning and Compensation Act 1991 - Interim development order permissions (IDOS): conditions</p>		

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<p>http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/mineralsplanningguidance7</p> <p>Guidance on considerations to be taken into account in preparing and determining conditions to which registered permissions. should be subject</p>	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents will have to set out the basis on which old mining permissions have been dealt with.</p>
<p>MPG10: Provision of raw material for the cement industry http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/mineralsplanningguidance8</p>	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents will have to meet the supply of materials to be provided to maintain cement production.</p>
<p>MPG13: Peat Provision http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/mineralsplanningguidance10</p> <p>Guidance on providing a clear framework within which mineral planning authorities can develop policies for peat in development plans and can carry out development control over peat extraction.</p>	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>Of limited relevance to LDF document preparation.</p>
<p>MPG14: Environment Act 1995: Review of mineral planning permissions http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/mineralsplanningguidance12</p>	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents will have to set out the basis on which old mining permissions have been dealt with.</p>
<p>MPG15: Provision of silica sand in England http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/mineralsplanningguidance11</p>	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents will have to set out the basis on which old mining permissions have been dealt with.</p>

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Provides guidance on how an adequate and steady supply of indigenous material to the silica sand consuming industries, at a national, regional and local level, may be maintained at the best balance of social, environmental and economic cost, through full consideration of the resources and the principles of sustainable development.	No specific targets or indicators.	LDF documents should provide the basis for silica sand extraction and supply. Of limited relevance to LDF document preparation.

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<p>Northern Way Growth Strategy (NWDA, One North east and Yorkshire Forward) http://www.thenorthernway.co.uk/</p> <p>Establish the North of England as an area of exceptional opportunity, combining a world class economy with a superb quality of life.</p>	<p>Bring more people into employment – 100,000 people currently on incapacity benefit into work by 2014</p> <p>Strengthen the North's knowledge base – increase expenditure on research & development by both business & Government by 25% (2005-2010) & a further 25% by 2015</p> <p>Build a more entrepreneurial north – increase the rate of new business start-ups from 30 per 10,000 people (2002) to 33 per 10,000 people by 2008</p> <p>Capture a larger share of global trade – key manufacturing & service clusters continue to employ at least 1.75 million people in 2025</p> <p>Meet employer skills needs – Regional Skills Partnerships to make provision for 200,000 employer specified learning places by 2008</p> <p>The North's connectivity – achieve at least 17.2 million business and 6.4 million inbound leisure travellers each year through northern airports by 2030</p> <p>Create truly sustainable communities – incorporate principles into RSS being prepared</p> <p>Market North to the World – increase the number of overseas tourist visits to the North by 20% to 3.5 million by 2008 against a baseline average of 2.9 million visitors per year from 1999 to 2002 with a further increase to 4.5 million visits by 2015</p>	<p>LDF documents should seek to strengthen and add to the North's economy through promoting sustainable economic development. Socio-economic indicators should be incorporated into the SA framework.</p>

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<p>North West Regional Spatial Strategy (2008) http://www.gos.gov.uk/gonw/Planning/RegionalPlanning/</p> <p>RSS is underpinned by the following spatial principles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promotion of sustainable communities; • Promotion of sustainable economic development; • Making the best use of existing resources and infrastructure; • Management of travel demand, reducing the need to travel, and increasing accessibility; • Marrying opportunity and need; • Promotion of environmental quality; • Mainstreaming rural issues; • Reduce emissions and adapting to climate change. 	<p>The RSS is accompanied by an implementation framework which establishes a comprehensive set of indicators and targets.</p>	<p>LDF documents should be in general conformity with the RSS, which now forms a statutory part of the development plan.</p>
<p>Regional Economic Strategy for the North West (NWDA 2006) http://www.nwda.co.uk/publications/strategy/regional-economic-strategy-200.aspx</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Productivity and enterprise levels are high, in a low carbon economy, driven by innovation, leadership, excellence and high skills. • Manchester and Liverpool are vibrant economies and, with Preston, are key drivers of city-regional growth. • Growth opportunities around Crewe, Chester, Warrington, Lancaster and Carlisle are fully development. • Key growth assets are fully utilised (priority sectors, the higher education and science base, ports and airports, strategic regional sites, the natural environment, especially the Lake District and the rural economy) • The economies of East Lancashire, Blackpool, Barrow and West Cumbria are regenerated. • Employment rates are high and concentrations of low unemployment are eliminated. <p>3 Major Drivers:</p>	<p>GVA Growth – Achieve growth above England Average (2009), Close GVA / head gap with England Average (2026)</p> <p>Job Creation – create 150,000 net new jobs, 80,000 of which should be in ‘knowledge’ occupations (2009), have a higher proportion of people in ‘knowledge’ occupations than the England average (2026)</p> <p>No qualifications – reduce the number of people with no qualifications by 80,000 and ensure no district has more than 29% with no qualifications (2009), have the same proportion with no qualifications as England average and eliminate major sub-regional variations</p>	<p>LDF Policies and proposals should seek to strengthen and add to the region’s economy through promoting sustainable economic development.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve productivity and grow the market. • Grow the size and capability of the workforce. • Conditions for sustainable growth. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • and variations between key groups (2026). • Graduate qualification – Increase the number of people in the workforce with graduate qualifications by 120,000 in order to meet the England Average (2009), Have a higher proportion of people in the workforce with graduate qualifications than the England Average (2026) • Employment rate – Increase the number of people in the workforce by 83,000 in order to meet the England average and ensure no district has an employment rate less than 68% (2009), Achieve a regional employment rate of 80% by 2020, and eliminate major sub-regional variations and variations between key groups. • Deprivation – reduce the number of areas in the worst 5% deprived nationally (2009), have less than 20% of people with a household income of less than 60% of the GB median by 2020. • CO2 emissions – reduce CO2 emissions per unit (£) of GVA (2009), meet Kyoto targets by 2012, to reduce CO2 emissions to 12.5% below 1990 levels. 	
<p>Regional Housing Strategy for the North West (NWRHB 2005) http://www.nwrhb.org.uk/draft.asp</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Involve the community in planning • Invest in sustainable neighbourhoods 	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF Policies and proposals should seek to create inclusive, mixed and sustainable</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure choice of high quality properties for rent & sale • Support mixed communities • Support urban renaissance • Promote sustainable rural communities • Replace obsolete housing in a planned way <p>Greater emphasis on need for affordable housing than previous strategy.</p>		<p>communities by trying to secure a range of dwelling types and tenures.</p>
<p>Regional Waste Strategy (NWRA 2004) http://www.nwrpb.org.uk/</p>		
<p>Key objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reducing regionally produced waste • Maximise the reuse of waste products • Recycling & composting • Recovering value from non recyclable waste • Maintain sufficient landfill capacity for final residue post waste treatment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional target – reduce growth in municipal waste to 2% by end of 2006, 1% before 2010 & 0% before 2014. • With regards to household waste: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By 2005 recycle or compost 25% • By 2010 recycle or compost 35% • By 2015 recycle or compost 45% • By 2020 recycle or compost 55% • By 2005 recover value from 40% MSW • By 2010 recover value from 45% MSW • By 2015 recover value from 67% MSW • With regards to industrial & commercial: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achieve & retain 0% growth throughout strategy life • By 2020 recycle 35% • By 2020 recover value from 70% 	<p>LDF documents should seek to promote and encourage re-use and recycling, recovering and consider how waste going to landfill can be minimised. They should also consider how local communities (whether residential, business or mixed) can be encouraged to take greater responsibility for their waste. Relevant regional targets and objectives should be reflected in the SA framework.</p>

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<p>North West Regional Housing Strategy (4NW)</p> <p>www.nwda.co.uk/pdf/nwra_1238084704_09_0120_RHS_Statement_2009.pdf.pdf</p>		
<p>North West Sustainable Strategy (July 2006)</p> <p>http://www.nwrpb.org.uk/downloads/documents/aug_06/nwra_1156410934_North_West_Sustainable_Energy_.pdf</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce greenhouse gas emissions by at least 60% by 2050 • Deploy sufficient renewable energy generating capacity to provide 10% of final demand by 2010; 15% of final demand by 2015; 20% of final demand by 2020 	<p>LDF documents should aim to reduce carbon dioxide emissions by regulation through the Planning system whilst protecting sustainable economic growth. E.g. ensure development is energy efficient, on-site renewable energy production is considered as well as greener travel.</p> <p>Develop energy policies based on the energy hierarchy</p> <p>Relevant regional targets and objectives should be incorporated into the SA framework.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prioritise and encourage sustainable energy practices by • Improve energy efficiency and eliminate energy wastage • Accelerating the transition to sustainable forms of energy and achieving regional renewable energy deployment targets • Ensure all householders have access to affordable warmth and decent housing • Harness business innovation and employment opportunities arising from sustainable energy practices • Communicating views, experiences and examples for the region to improve national and international policy frameworks 		
<p>“Spatial Implications of Climate Change for the North West” (NWRA 2003)</p> <p>http://www.nwrpb.org.uk/downloads/documents/imported/701057707633.pdf</p>		
<p>Rising to the Challenge - A Climate Change Action Plan for England's Northwest 2007-09</p> <p>http://www.nwda.co.uk/PDF/climatechange.pdf</p>	<p>Many targets and indicators within.</p>	<p>LDF documents should create a positive policy & planning framework for addressing climate change.</p>
<p>The region's Climate Change Action Plan seeks to address the threats and opportunities that climate change presents and aims to stimulate and measure the progress of the region towards a low carbon economy, preparing it for the challenges of a changing</p>		

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<p>climate and future energy demands, while protecting and enhancing our quality of life and rich environment.</p>		
<p>Northwest Renewable Energy Strategy (NWRA 2006) http://www.nwrpb.org.uk/downloads/documents/aug_06/nwra_1156410934_North_West_Sustainable_Energy_.pdf</p> <p>To make the North West a leading region for sustainable energy by meeting the following goals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving energy efficiency and eliminating energy wastage in all areas of activity across the region. • Accelerating the transition to sustainable forms of energy and achieving regional renewable energy deployment targets. • Setting the region on a course to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by at least 60% by 2050. • Eliminating fuel poverty by ensuring that all householders have access to affordable warmth and decent housing. • Contributing to the region's economy by harnessing business innovation and employment opportunities arising from sustainable energy practices. • Communicating views, experiences and examples from the region to improve national and international policy frameworks. 	<p>The region aspires to deploy sufficient renewable electricity generating capacity to provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10% of final demand by 2010 • 15% of final demand by 2015 • 20% of final demand by 2020 	<p>LDF documents should seek to promote the employment of renewable energy and in doing so help to ensure regional targets are met.</p>
<p>Strategy for Tourism in England's North West 2003 - 2010 Revised March 2007 (NWDA) http://www.nwda.co.uk/publications/quality-of-life/the-strategy-for-tourism-in.aspx</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of a strong clearly defined approach to marketing which identifies potential visitors & provides effective messages about the region's tourism product • Improve primary product that persuades people to visit including accommodation, attractions, restaurants & towns & cities 	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents should consider how they can add to or contribute to strengthening the region's tourism product and how development can help attract increased visitors in a sustainable manner through easier accessibility and other initiatives.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve secondary product & ways that region is organised to make visitors welcome, including infrastructure which makes it accessible & enjoyable to visit • Boost performance of tourism businesses to increase market share making them more productive & profitable – also raise their quality & value they provide to attract more people, who stay longer & spend more • Maximise potential of people working in sector, through better skills, improved & extended career paths, enhancement of employment conditions & support for entrepreneurship 	<p>Investment for Health: A Plan for the North West of England (NWDA 2003) http://www.nwda.co.uk/publications/people-and-jobs/investment-for-health---a-plan.aspx</p>	
<p>Vision: “to achieve significant reductions in health inequalities between groups and areas in the North West, within a framework of sustainable development which supports economic, social, and environmental regeneration”</p> <p>Organisational vision: “to build upon the development of regional partnerships to ensure that the improvement of the health of the population, and the reduction in inequalities, are at the heart of regional strategies and local policies and programmes”.</p>	<p>Many indicators given in Appendix 1 some with direct relevance to spatial planning.</p>	<p>LDF documents should consider how they can reduce health inequalities. These may often be indirect e.g. through providing open space, reducing air pollution etc. Relevant regional targets and objectives should be reflected in the SA framework.</p>
<p>The North West Plan for Sport and Physical Activity 2004 – 2008 (Sport England) http://www.sportengland.org/text/nwp_full_report.pdf</p>		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Highlight priorities for sport & physical activity, as identified by inequalities & health needs ● Seek to understand key policies to potentially increase sport & physical activity participation ● Identify & collate evidence of 'best' practice to inform future programmes ● Create successful partnership working ● Promote positive contribution sport & physical activity makes to social, mental & physical well being ● Increase capacity of sport, physical activity & health sectors ● Develop sport & physical activity policies & programmes in key settings 	<p>Increased participation in 30 minutes of moderate activity five times per week (50% target) [baseline for adults 32.8% (1998)]</p> <p>Widening access (by demographics)</p> <p>Increased success at all performance levels</p>	<p>LDF documents should consider how they can contribute towards meeting the regional targets for example by ensuring adequate and good quality public open space and sports and leisure facilities to encourage exercise.</p>
<p>Action for Equality: North West Equality and Diversity Strategy (NWRA 2005) http://www.nwrpb.org.uk/downloads/documents/may_07/nwra_1179753042_Regional_Equality_and_Diversi.pdf</p> <p>Priority objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Promote diversity & ensure respect for human rights ● Show leadership on equality & diversity ● Build the regions capacity on the subject ● Reduce hate crime & violence ● Ensure the diverse Northwest is better represented in public life ● Deliver economic participation for all ● Promote equality in law ● Work towards equal access to services ● Take joined up action on social inclusion ● Develop evidence & an intelligent base 	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents should seek to create mixed and inclusive sustainable communities and ensure services and facilities as well as job opportunities are available to a wide range of people irrespective of age, race, religion or financial circumstances etc.</p>
<p>Cheshire Geodiversity Action Plan August 2004 http://www.sustainablecheshire.org.uk/documents/lgap.pdf</p>		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To audit the local Geodiversity resources by December 2004 by: 	<p>A large number of targets are outlined to help achieve the objectives set out.</p>	<p>LDF documents should take into account the aim to contribute to safeguarding the</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • site audit • by auditing existing geodiversity information • To audit the skills and resources available from existing and potential partners and other targeted organisations by December 2004 • To have geodiversity included in policy of all Cheshire region local authorities and targeted organisations by December 2004 • To raise awareness of geodiversity among the following identified audiences by December 2004. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A: Professional Bodies • B: Conservation practitioners/ site managers/ landowners • C: The Education Sector • D: General Public • To increase community and business participation in the conservation of identified Geodiversity sites by December 2004 • To produce at least 2 information dissemination tools throughout 2004 and 2005 to share best practice e.g. newsletter, electronic bulletin board on web site • To create effective feedback, reporting and monitoring mechanisms by December 2004 for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LGAP Partners • Other identified audiences • Create the infrastructure and mechanisms to enable the Cheshire LGAP process to continue after the initial year of operation by December 2005. 		<p>geology, geomorphology, soils and landscapes of the area.</p>

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<p>Sub Regional Economic Strategy for Warrington & Cheshire (CWEA 2004) http://www.cwea.org.uk/sites/cwea.org.uk/files/Investing_in_Success_Final_2005.pdf</p> <p>Vision: <i>“By 2014 Cheshire & Warrington will strengthen its position as a top five performing UK sub region where everyone can access opportunity in work and will enjoy a high quality of life”</i></p> <p>4 Strategy Themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Expanding our knowledge economy ● Managing & spreading success ● The connected sub-region ● Enjoying distinctiveness <p>Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Further increase GVA per capita ● Increase overall business density by a further 10% ● Reduce number of areas suffering serious problems of social exclusion ● Reduce proportion of adults lacking basic skills & without NVQ qualifications ● 1 of 5 Major projects – Warrington Crossroads, based on employment potential of OMEGA 	<p>Monitoring & Evaluation framework to follow detailing key socio-economic indicators & targets to give an indication of the state of the sub region & progress made.</p>	<p>LDF documents should seek to strengthen and add to the region's economy through promoting sustainable economic development. Socio-economic indicators should be incorporated into the SA framework.</p>
<p>Manchester City Region Development Plan http://www.manchester-enterprises.com/documents/CRDP%202006%20Full%20Report.pdf</p> <p>Vision: <i>“A world class city-region at the heart of a thriving north”</i></p> <p>Objectives – to be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● One of Europe's premier city regions, at forefront of knowledge economy with outstanding commercial, cultural & creative activities 	<p>No specific targets or indicators as yet. Key actions however include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bringing more people into employment ● Meeting employer skill needs ● Improving physical connectivity of city region ● Creating sustainable housing markets 	<p>LDF documents should contribute to strengthening the city-region's economy through promoting sustainable economic development and supporting other underlying initiatives.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World class, successfully competing globally for investment, jobs & visitors An area where all people have opportunity to participate in, & benefit from, the investment & development of their city An area known for, & distinguished by, quality of life enjoyed by its residents An area with GVA levels to match London & south-east 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building an entrepreneurial culture with greater rates of business start up Reduce regional disparity 	
<p>Liverpool City Region Development Plan http://www.merseyside.org.uk/dbimsgs/Northern%20way.pdf</p>		
<p>Vision: <i>“To regain our status as a premier European city region by 2025. We will secure an internationally competitive economy and cultural offer; and outstanding quality of life; and vibrant communities contributing to and sharing in sustainable wealth creation.”</i></p> <p>Pursue & invest in 5 strategic priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The premier destination centre The well-connected city region The creative & competitive city region The talented & able city The city region of sustainable neighbourhoods & communities 	<p>No specific targets or indicators as yet. Key actions however include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accelerating economic growth & GVA to close gap compared to rest of UK Tackling worklessness & poverty Deliver essential transport infrastructure bringing people & job opportunities closer together Social & environmental benefits to help improve the quality of life 	<p>LDF documents should contribute to strengthening the city-region’s economy through promoting sustainable economic development and supporting other underlying initiatives.</p>
<p>Liverpool City Region Housing Strategy (May 2007) http://www.liverpool.gov.uk/Images/tcm21-103469.pdf</p>		
<p>The strategy identifies that Warrington is grouped with Halton and St. Helens in the Eastern Housing Market Area.</p> <p>Strategy objectives are:</p>	<p>Policy recommendations include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plan for a minimum level of housing growth required to support CRDP project delivery 	<p>LDF documents should contribute to strengthening the city-region’s housing offer and creating mixed and inclusive</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To identify sustainable locations for growth, linked to economic development prospects, sustainable levels of infrastructure, service provision and housing land availability; • To maximise the contribution that regeneration areas can make in supporting the economic development of the City Region; • To provide for a range of affordable housing products across the City Region in recognition of the growing mismatch between income levels and lowest quartile house prices • To secure investment in the quality of neighbourhoods as a major economic asset of the City Region in attracting and retaining population. 	<p>within each Functional Housing Market Area. Over the period 2006-2021 plan to provide a minimum threshold of:25,900 homes in the Eastern Market Area</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside the Regional Centre, develop consistent LDF housing policies to prioritise housing growth according to the following sequential test within priority regeneration areas. 	<p>sustainable communities which support the region's economy.</p>

Table 4

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<p>Sustainable Community Strategy 'One Warrington – Where Everyone Matters' (Warrington Partnership 2009) http://www.warrington.gov.uk/home/residents/your_community/warrington_partnership/</p>	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>The LDF, and particularly the Core Strategy, is required to be a delivery mechanism for those elements of the Sustainable Community Strategy that relate to spatial planning, and the development and use of land.</p>
<p>Vision: 'By 2030, Warrington will be recognised as one of the best places to live and work in the UK where everyone enjoys an outstanding quality of life.' The strategy sets out how working with the community, the Partnership want to make Warrington:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Prosperous and vibrant ● Environmentally Responsible and attractive ● Empowered and safe ● Healthy and active ● Ambitious and achieving 		
<p>Waste Watchers. A Waste Management Strategy for Warrington (2009) http://www.warrington.gov.uk/home/residents/recycling_and_waste/waste_strategy/</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To reduce waste growth by reducing the amount of waste produced by each household to 25kg per household per week by 2010 and 21kg per household per week by 2020. ● To increase the household recycling rate to 40% by 2010 and 55% by 2020. ● To reduce emissions of greenhouse gases by 20% by 2020 compared with 2006 levels 	<p>LDF documents should seek to promote and encourage, and facilitate, re-use, recycling, recovering energy from waste and consider how waste going to landfill can be minimised. They should also consider how local communities (whether residential, business or mixed) can be encouraged to take greater responsibility for their waste. Relevant regional targets and objectives should be reflected in the SA framework.</p>
<p>Warrington Borough Council – Corporate Plan 2006 - 2010 http://www.warrington.gov.uk/images/Corporate%20Plan%202006-9_tcm31-29782.pdf</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Improving health and wellbeing and promoting independence. ● Making our communities safer, stronger and sustainable. ● Improving the local environment and economy and regenerating our deprived areas. ● Improving transport availability, infrastructure and choice. ● Ensuring all children and young people have the opportunity to reach their potential. ● Transforming our organisation to deliver our outcomes. 	<p>The document includes a wide range of performance indicators, key performance measures and targets across a host of service areas.</p>	<p>LDF documents should take into account the wide range of objectives, key performance measures and targets as set out in the document.</p>
<p>Climate Change Strategy for Warrington http://www.warrington.gov.uk/images/Climate%20Strategy%20FINAL_tcm31-23000.pdf</p> <p>Aims to:</p> <p><i>"reduce the Council's own emissions of greenhouse gasses by 10% by 2012 compared with a 2006 baseline and to set us on a path to reducing the community's emissions by 20% by 2020"</i></p>	<p>Reduce the Council's own emissions of greenhouse gasses by 10% by 2012 compared with a 2006 baseline and to set us on a path to reducing the community's emissions by 20% by 2020.</p>	<p>LDF documents should help to reduce the causes of climate change and</p>

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<p>And for us "to be in a strong position to respond to predicted changes in weather patterns caused by climate change"</p> <p>Warrington Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (2007 & 2011)</p> <p>http://www.warrington.gov.uk/home/transport_planning_and_environment/Planning/planning_policy_homepage/lf_evidence_base/flooding_local_evidence/</p> <p>Local Transport Plan 2011 – 2030 (LTP3)</p> <p>www.warrington.gov.uk/content_documents/Travelandtransport/LTP3_Strategy.pdf</p>	<p>3 Sets of indicators and baseline information identified in Chapter 11:</p> <p>Key Outcome Indicators – include;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Road & footpath conditions ● Injuries & casualties ● Public transport satisfaction & patronage ● Number of cycling trips ● Peak period traffic flows ● Air quality <p>Intermediate Outcome Indicators – include;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No. of children walking & cycling to school ● No. of cycle parking facilities ● Bus station satisfaction ● Casualty reduction in deprived wards ● Contributory Output Indicators ● No. of school & workplace travel plans ● 'Traveline' queries ● No. of new trees planted along public highway ● Lengths of routes improved through public open space e.g. footpaths, cyclepaths & greenways ● Reducing freight intrusion ● Improving vehicle emissions 	<p>help to create environments that are resilient to its impacts.</p>
<p>Vision: "Over the next 10-15 years, transport should support the development of Warrington as a place where communities increasingly enjoy a sense of social, economic, physical and spiritual well-being; they are cohesive and welcome diversity"</p> <p>5 strategic priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Tackling Congestion ● Delivering Accessibility to essential services & facilities ● Ensuring Safer Roads ● Better Air Quality ● Improving Quality of Life ● Transport delivery tools identified ● Providing Alternatives to the Car ● Encouraging Smarter Travel ● Better Demand Management ● Making Best use of the Existing Network ● Better Integration of Land Use & Transport Planning ● Providing New Infrastructure 	<p>LDF documents should recognise that an integrated transport network is necessary to promote sustainable economic and social development.</p> <p>Policies and proposals should effectively address transport issues. They should support sustainable transport and seek to secure reductions in the need to travel by car to secure the wider benefits this will entail.</p> <p>The objectives and targets of the LTP should be reflected in the SA framework.</p>	
<p>A Regeneration Framework for Warrington</p>		

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<p>http://www.warrington.gov.uk/images/Regen%20framework%20compressed_tcm31-24481.pdf</p> <p>The regeneration framework is not about policy but about a series of delivery programmes. The elements which make up this regeneration framework are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Neighbourhoods ● Town centre renaissance ● Greenways ● Healthy living ● Business and enterprise ● Urban villages ● Connecting Warrington ● Learning and skills ● Warrington in the region 	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF should seek to support the delivery programmes and ambitions of the Regeneration Framework.</p>
<p>WBC Housing Strategy 2009 - 2013</p> <p>The key aims of the Housing Strategy are to increase the supply of affordable housing, improve housing conditions and develop sustainable communities.</p> <p>The strategy has 5 key housing priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To provide decent, sustainable and affordable homes in places where people want to live ● To help people live at home, improve their independence, health and quality of life ● To promote the case for housing investment to sustain a balanced housing market in Warrington ● To work with communities and partners to improve the social and economic well being of people living in Warrington ● To ensure equality of access to housing services 	<p>To provide 300 units of affordable housing between 2008 and 2011 and 700 units of affordable housing between 2008 and 2013.</p>	<p>LDF documents should seek to support the priorities within and provide a framework which will support the delivery of affordable homes through the planning system.</p>
<p>"The Air About Us" Air Quality Management Plan (WBC 2003)</p> <p>http://www.warrington.gov.uk/images/Air%20Quality%20Management%20Plan%20(Full%20Version)_tcm15-4453.pdf</p> <p>10 Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Manage impact of motorway network on local air quality ● Reduce traffic growth through promotion of alternative transport modes ● Improve quality of life through introduction of schemes that control vehicle access, speed & flow ● Manage impact of emissions associated with road freight movements ● Support commuters in reducing number of car based commuter journeys ● Assess air quality levels against national objectives & evaluate performance of the plan ● Raise awareness on the environment & to improve access to information ● Regulate emission sources & secure reductions where appropriate ● Aid development & regeneration of town through creation of a sustainable environment ● Reduce emissions associated with Council activities 	<p>Action plan contains actions relevant to each objective each with a performance indicator. Many relevant to spatial planning including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Number of applications determined within AQMA ● Number of cycle routes introduced ● Number of quality bus network improvements undertaken ● Number of Schemes introduced, Traffic counts, AQ Surveys (in relation to home zones, urban renewal areas, traffic-calming etc.) 	<p>LDF documents should strive to help improve air quality and ensure that development does not reduce it. The Borough has two designated AQMAs. The relevant objectives should be reflected in the SA Framework.</p>

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<p>Economic Development & Competitiveness Strategy (WBC 2004)</p> <p>Aim: "We will work together with partners to achieve sustainable, annual growth in Warrington"</p> <p>"To maximise our competitive advantage in the growing national and international marketplace, by developing the capacity of local people and businesses"</p> <p>5 Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Encourage sustainable development of existing businesses & inward investment ● Create an exciting & vibrant town centre & increase number of tourists ● Work with partners to continuously monitor & regenerate all areas of the Borough to provide quality life opportunities for all ● Maintain & improve transport networks to assist local businesses & local people ● Encourage development that meets need for a healthy local economy balanced with the need to conserve the urban & rural surroundings valued by local people <p>Warrington Cultural Strategy 2003 – 2008</p> <p>http://www.warrington.gov.uk/images/cultural_strategy1_tcm15-5077.pdf</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Number of travel plans introduced ● Planning applications & decisions (in relation to sustainable locations for residential & freight developments) ● Number of AQ conditions attached to planning applications <p>Key measures:</p>	<p>LDF documents should seek to strengthen and add to the Borough's economy through promoting sustainable economic development. Socio-economic indicators should be incorporated into the SA framework.</p>
<p>7 Objectives relating to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Culture in Economic Prosperity ● Culture in Education and life long learning ● Culture in social health and wellbeing ● Culture in the Environment ● Culture in Community Safety ● Culture in Democracy ● Culture in Value for Money <p>Draft Town Centre Urban Design Framework (Austin Smith Lord February 2008)</p> <p>http://www.warrington.gov.uk/images/Draft%20Town%20Centre%20Strategy_tcm31-26488.pdf</p>	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents should consider how they can contribute to strengthening the Borough's Cultural image.</p>
<p>The report analyses the town centre, looking at its strengths and in particular what makes it distinctive from other towns in the Region.</p>	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents should consider how they can contribute to strengthening</p>

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<p>Issues identified include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● confusion and disorientation when arriving by car poor quality environment in some areas ● traffic domination and congestion ● flood risk <p>The report identifies a number of opportunity areas where significant improvements can take place including Central Station, the Indoor Market and Riverside as well as the arrival points along the main highways.</p>		<p>the Town Centre and help overcome the evidenced issues.</p>
<p>Warrington Town Centre South Masterplan Framework – Bridge street Quarter Final Report Taylor Young August 2008</p>		
<p>The document forms a statement of what WBC and other key stakeholders wish to see happen in the Bridge Street Area.</p>	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents should consider how they can contribute to strengthening the Town Centre and specifically Bridge Street Area.</p>
<p>Warrington Town Centre South Masterplan Framework – Waterfront Final Report Taylor Young August 2008</p>		
<p>The document forms a statement of what WBC and other key stakeholders wish to see happen in the Waterfront Area.</p>	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents should consider how they can contribute to strengthening the Town Centre and waterfront area.</p>
<p>Nature Matters! A Biodiversity Action Plan for Warrington (Warrington Nature Conservation Forum 2005) http://www.warrington.gov.uk/images/nature_matters_tcm15-4119.pdf</p>		
<p>Action plan structured into 5 themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sites & species protection – protect sites of recognised importance & identify, protect & enhance ecological networks ● Access to nature – ensure inclusion to the enjoyment & experience of nature ● Promotion of nature – promote nature as integral part of quality of life, promote wildlife gardening, promote nature as educational resource ● Site management – develop environmentally sustainable site management ● Exotic species control – eradicate Japanese knotweed, maintain mink-free zones & maintain public greenspace to be free from certain species. 	<p>Many actions associated with each theme but few specific targets or indicators of relevance</p> <p>Most relevant:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Safeguard & make accessible important geological features ● Increase landscape connectivity ● In relation to Greenflag awards – 2 new sites per year & retention of accredited sites. 	<p>LDF documents should encourage and promote the protection, enhancement and where appropriate increase accessibility to biodiversity and geological features. Relevant targets and objectives should be reflected in the SA framework.</p>
<p>A Tree & Woodland Strategy for Warrington (2000) http://www.warrington.gov.uk/images/Tree%20and%20Woodland%20Strategy_tcm15-4972.pdf</p>		

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<p>Aim: "To promote the importance of trees and woodlands in the Borough and ensure their sustainable management for the benefit of the whole community."</p> <p>Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Promote landscape, health & environmental benefits trees provide ● Protect existing trees & woodlands ● Ensure sustainable management of tree resource ● Maintain & develop wildlife conservation, recreational & educational opportunities ● Encourage planting & establishment of new trees & woodland ● Use of trees in promoting economic development ● Co-ordinated approach to management ● Develop community participation initiatives ● Secure resources & investment for tree resource <p>A Parks & Greenspaces Strategy for Warrington 2002 – 2007 (WBC) http://www.warrington.gov.uk/images/parks_green_spaces_tcm15-4252.pdf</p>	<p>No specific targets or indicators.</p>	<p>LDF documents should consider trees and woodlands in a holistic manner as "green infrastructure" and ensure that policies and proposals protect existing, as well as maximising and securing benefits through new provision or enhancements.</p>
<p>Aim: "To create accessible, attractive, clean, safe, varied & welcoming environments that contribute to the quality of life of people who live in, work in & visit the town."</p> <p>7 key themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Economic Prosperity – Enhance quality of life by providing attractive, accessible parks in a quality environment ● Community Safety – reducing the fear of crime & vandalism ● Democracy – Support a cross cutting approach to social inclusion & revitalise public interest in local affairs ● Value for Money – meeting needs of the community within a budget ● Health & Wellbeing – partnership working to promote healthy living & prevent illness ● Environment – protect & improve the Borough's environment <p>Anti-poverty & Social Inclusion Strategy (WBC) http://www.warrington.gov.uk/images/Social%20Inclusion%20Strategy_tcm15-5017.pdf</p>	<p>Action plan developed around 6 strands (each with own various outcomes):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Vision ● Resources for results ● Safer communities ● Partnerships & promotion ● Systems for success ● Sustainability 	<p>LDF documents should consider greenspaces in a holistic manner as "green infrastructure" and ensure that policies and proposals, in addition to protecting existing, maximise and secure benefits through new provision or enhancements.</p>
<p>Vision "The inclusive community is one in which no individual, family, group or area is so excluded as to be unable to participate in the economic, social, political & cultural life of the community."</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Working towards a socially just community ● Targeting resources to those most in need ● Developing the capacity of individuals, families & communities to support & develop themselves 	<p>No specific targets or indicators</p> <p>Number of strategic aims include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Regenerating disadvantaged communities 	<p>LDF documents should contribute to mixed and inclusive sustainable communities and ensure services and facilities as well as job opportunities are available to a wide range of</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Following the principles of sustainability ● Working corporately to ensure a strategic approach ● Working in partnership to use resources more efficiently ● Undertaking research & analysis to ensure a "needs-led" approach ● Tapping into local, national & European sources of funding ● Lobbying for local, national & European policies that reduce poverty 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Maximising income of those in poverty ● Improving educational opportunities & participation in life long learning for disadvantaged groups ● Promoting equality of access to goods, services & facilities ● Tackling homelessness & improving living conditions for disadvantaged groups ● Improving the health & well-being of disadvantaged groups ● Reducing crime & fear of crime ● Mainstreaming social inclusion policy 	<p>people irrespective of age, race, religion or financial circumstances.</p>

Table 5

Appendix 2 Baseline Evidence

2.1 This table is taken from the Scoping Report which was published in 2009. Updates for each indicator can either be found in the Council's Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) or other evidence base documents.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth					
Amount of land (in Hectares) developed for employment type.	Employment Land Monitor	2007/08 – 7.42 Ha	N/A	2007/08 – 7.42 Ha 2006/07 – 17.58 Ha 2005/06 – 9.68 Ha 2004/05 – 14.19 Ha 2003/04 – 3.8Ha 2002/03 – 6.49 Ha	Average employment land take up within the Borough of 9.86 Ha since 02/03.
Percentage of above, by type, which is on previously developed land.	Employment Land Monitor	100% of above was on PDL.	N/A	2007/08 – 100% 2006/07 – 100% 2005/06 – 75% 2004/05 – 100% 2003/04 – 100% 2002/03 – 39%	Consistent and maximum efficient use of previously developed land for employment purposes in recent years.
Total amount of additional employment floorspace – by type.	AMR – Core Indicator BD1	2007/08 – Total 23,668sqm B1a – 13,757 sqm B2 – 3,340 sqm Other – 6,571 sqm	N/A	New Indicator 2007/08	Issues cannot be identified until trend or comparison information becomes available.
Total amount of additional employment floorspace on previously developed land – by type.	AMR – Core Indicator BD2	2007/08 – Total qualifying 23,668sqm B1a – 13,757 sqm B2 – 3,340 sqm Other – 6,571 sqm	N/A	New Indicator 2007/08	Maximum efficient use of previously developed land for employment purposes being made.
Employment land available by type	AMR – Core Indicator BD3	2007/08 – Total 189.63Ha B1 – 51.67Ha B2 – 6.10Ha B8 – 4.34Ha B1/B2 – 2.28Ha B1/B8 – 3.42 Ha B2/B8 – 3.68Ha B1/B2/B8 – 118.14Ha	N/A	N/A	Healthy supply of committed employment land for a variety of uses.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
% of individuals of working age in employment i.e. economically active	National Statistics http://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/lia/2038432040/report.aspx?vatdefs	2007/08 – 100,000 or 80.1% of the population.	NW 2007/08 – 76.8% UK 2007/08 – 78.7%	2007/08 – 100,00 (80.1%) 2006/07 – 101,800 (82.4%) 2005/06 – 99,400 (80.7%) 2004/05 – 99,300 (81.5%)	Healthy, and continuously higher than NW & UK average %age of the working age population in employment.
Unemployment rate (as % of working age individuals)	National Statistics http://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/lia/2038432040/report.aspx?vatdefs	2007/08 – 4000 (4%)	NW 2007/08 – 5.7% UK 2007/08 – 5.2%	2007/08 – 4000 (4%) 2006/07 – 3900 (3.8%) 2005/06 – 3500 (3.6%)	Gradually increasing unemployment rates but still well below both the NW & UK averages.
GVA per head (£/head)	Office for National Statistics – GVA in the Northwest (Regional Accounts release 12 th December 2008)	Warrington & Halton: 2006 – 21,795	NW 2006 – 16,422	Warrington & Halton: 2006 – 21,795 2005 – 20,741 2004 – 20,157 2003 – 19,486 2002 – 18,483	Increasing GVA per head consistently above the NW average.
Net increase or decrease in the number of VAT registered businesses	National Statistics http://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/lia/2038432040/report.aspx?town=warrington#vat	2007 – 780 registrations (13.2% of total stock at 07 year end) 425 de-registrations (7.2% of total stock at 07 year end. 2007 therefore saw a net increase of 355.	2007 NW registrations (10.6 %) 2007 NW de-registrations (7.5%) 2007 UK registrations (10.2%) 2007 UK de-registrations (7.3%)	Continuing trend of a year on year increase in the number of VAT registered businesses (year end stock) from 1994 to 2007. Year end stock: 2007 – 5920 2006 – 5565 2005 – 5380 2004 – 5200 2003 – 5120	Consistent levels of new business start ups and survival rates, now higher than NW & UK averages, leading to an increased stock.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
Total amount of completed 'town centre use' floorspace	AMR – Core Indicator BD4	2007/08 – Total (gross) 30,424sqm, 100% of which was for A1.	N/A	2006/07 – 0 2005/06 – 0	Substantial new floorspace within the latest monitoring period owes to the completion of the Golden Square Shopping Centre extension. Zero completions in previous years is only an issue if there is a significant proportion of vacant / derelict land within the town centre which requires redevelopment. This is not however the case in Warrington.
Vacant retail floorspace within the town centre (as defined by GOAD)	WBC Town Centre Survey	Nov 2007 – 14.5% of floorspace	Unknown	2005 – 11.9% of floorspace.	Whilst the current data identifies an increase in the amount of retail floorspace, this is likely explained by unoccupied units in the recently completed Golden Square shopping centre extension.
Diversity of economic sectors represented by employee jobs by industry.	ONS annual business inquiry employee analysis http://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/imp/1a/2038432040/report.aspx#vatdefs	2006 – Total 115,400 jobs Manufacturing – 8,200 (7.1%) Construction – 7,700 (6.6%) Services – 97,300 (84.3%)	2006 Northwest Average Manufacturing – (12.5%) Construction – (5.0%) Services – (81.7%)	Warrington – Manufacturing 2003 – 8,400 (7.8%) 2004 – 8,400 (7.7%) 2005 – 8,300 (7.5%) Construction 2003 – 7,700 (7.1%) 2004 – 6,400 (5.9%) 2005 – 6,400 (5.8%)	Relatively stable manufacturing and construction sector with increasing number of jobs in the service sector in recent years.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
Travel to work by alternative modes	2001 Census – WBC summary	<p>2001 Census – Method of Travel to Work.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Works from home (8.3%) -Underground, metro light rail, tram (0.2%) -Train (1.2%) -Bus, mini-bus, coach (5.2%) -Driving a car or van (66.2%) -Taxi or minicab (0.5%) -Passenger in car or van (6.5%) -Motorcycle, scooter or moped (1.1%) -Bicycle (3.2%) -On foot (7.2%) -Other (0.4%) <p>%s based on total respondents – 91, 288</p>	<p>NW (x%) Eng & Wal [x%]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Works from home (8.4%) [9.2%] -Motorcycle, scooter or moped (0.9%) [1.1%] -Other (0.5%) [0.5%] -Cycle or walk (12.5%) [12.8%] against Warrington's 10.4% -Public transport (11%) [14.5%] against Warrington's 6.6% -Car or van (66.7%) [62%] against Warrington's 73.2% NW & UK by car includes taxi and car passengers. Public transport includes rail, tram, train and bus etc. 	<p>Service</p> <p>2003 – 90,000 (83.3%)</p> <p>2004 – 92,400 (84.8%)</p> <p>2005 – 93,700 (84.9%)</p> <p>N/A previous census only represented 10% sample for most questions.</p>	<p>Significantly higher dependence on unsustainable transport modes in comparison to NW and UK averages</p>

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
Number of employees covered by Travel Plans	Warrington Borough Council Sustainable Travel Officer	End of 2007/08 – 40,580 employees	N/A	End of 2007/08 – 40,580 employees End of 2006/07 – 33,680 employees End of 2005/06 – 32,000 employees	Year on year increase in the number of employees covered by travel plans.
Proportion of the population who live within the 20% and 10% most deprived SOAs in the Country (indices of multiple deprivation)	Index of multiple deprivation 2007: A Guide to the New Indices and Results for Warrington PCT Public Health Intelligence team http://www.warrington.gov.uk/Images/Warrington%20Indices%20of%20Deprivation%202007_tcm31-30327.pdf	2007 IMD: 125 SOA within Borough. 32,482 in England. 18 of Warrington's SOAs are ranked within 20% most deprived in Eng. 11 of Warrington's SOAs are ranked within 10% most deprived in England	IMD District summary, Average of SOA scores 2007 IMD – Warrington ranked 156 th out of 354.	IMD District summary, Average of SOA scores 2004 IMD – Warrington ranked 147 th out of 354. 2004 IMD: 125 SOA within Borough. 32,482 in England. 19 of Warrington's SOAs are ranked within 20% most deprived in Eng. 9 of Warrington's SOAs are ranked within 10% most deprived in Eng.	Pockets of deprivation exist within the Borough that require social, economic and physical regeneration. Whilst there has been some improvement in comparison to the 2004 IMD, more SOAs now fall within the 10% most deprived in England. At the other end of the scale more SOAs were ranked within the 20% most affluent in England meaning the gap between the rich and the poor within the Borough is widening.

Table 6

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall					
% of 15 year olds attaining 5 or more GCSEs A* - C	Audit Commission BVPI 38	2006/07 – 66.4%	National Quartile 1 (1 = best) 2006/07 England Average – 57%	2005/06 – 61.3% - N Qrt 1 2004/05 – 58.6% - N Qrt 1 2003/04 – 56.0% - N Qrt 1 2002/03 – No data 2001/02 – 50.3% - N Qrt 2 2000/01 – 50.5% - N Qrt 2	Increasing performance which now ranks within the highest national quartile.
% of young people aged 16 to 24 year olds in full time education or employment	Department for work and pensions via the Audit Commission http://www.areaprofiles.audit-commission.gov.uk/ http://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/la/2038432040/DetailPage.aspx?entity=10004591	2003/04 – 90.7%	National Quartile 1 (1 = best)	2003/04 – 90.7% - N Qrt 1 2002/03 – 81.3% - N Qrt 3	Limited information suggests increasing and significantly higher percentage than the UK average.
% of working age population with NVQ level 3 and above.	National Statistics [taken from official labour market statistics] http://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/la/2038432040/report.aspx#vatdefs	2007 – 50.6%	NW (2007) - 44% UK (2007) – 46.4%	2007 – 50.6 2006 – 49.7 2005 – 44.4	Rising, and higher than NW & UK average, rate.
% of working age population with NVQ level 4 and above.	National Statistics [taken from official labour market statistics] http://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/la/2038432040/report.aspx#vatdefs	2007 – 32.3%	NW (2007) – 25.4% UK (2007) – 28.6%	2007 – 32.3% 2006 – 30.4% 2005 – 26.9%	Rising, and higher than NW & UK average, rate.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
% of working age population with no qualifications	National Statistics [taken from official labour market statistics] http://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/la/2038432040/report.aspx#vatdefs	2007 – 11.9%	NW (2007) – 15% UK (2007) – 13.1%	2007 – 11.9% 2006 – 12.3% 2005 – 15.2%	Continuously improving, and now lower than NW & UK average, rate.

Table 7

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
<p>3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion</p> <p>Proportion of the population who live within the 20% and 10% most deprived SOAs in the Country (indices of multiple deprivation)</p>	<p>Index of multiple deprivation 2007: A Guide to the New Indices and Results for Warrington (prepared by the Warrington PCT Public Health Intelligence team) http://www.warrington.gov.uk/Images/20Indices%20of%20Deprivation%202007_tcm31-30327.pdf</p>	<p>2007 IMD: 125 SOA within Borough. 32,482 in England. 18 of Warrington's SOAs are ranked within 20% most deprived in Eng. 11 of Warrington's SOAs are ranked within 10% most deprived in England.</p>	<p>IMD District summary, Average of SOA scores 2007 IMD – Warrington ranked 156th out of 354.</p>	<p>IMD District summary, Average of SOA scores 2004 IMD – Warrington ranked 147th out of 354. 2004 IMD: 125 SOA within Borough. 32,482 in England. 19 of Warrington's SOAs are ranked within 20% most deprived in Eng. 9 of Warrington's SOAs are ranked within 10% most deprived in Eng.</p>	<p>Pockets of deprivation exist within the Borough that require social, economic and physical regeneration. Whilst there has been some improvement in comparison to the 2004 IMD, more SOAs now fall within the 10% most deprived in England. At the other end of the scale more SOAs were ranked within the 20% most affluent in England meaning the gap between the rich and the poor within the Borough is widening.</p>
<p>Male and female life expectancy</p>	<p>National Statistics http://www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/Product.asp?vlnk=8841</p>	<p>2005-2007 Life expectancy at birth – Warrington. Male 76.4 years Female 80.8 years</p>	<p>Northwest (average) life expectancy at birth: 2005 – 2007 Male 76 years Female 80.4 years UK (average) life expectancy at birth: 2005 – 2007 Male 77.27 years Female 81.54 years</p>	<p>Life expectancy has generally continued to gradually rise since 1991 – 1993 to the current period 2005-2007. Female life expectancy in Warrington was however down 0.2 years in comparison to 2003 – 2005.</p>	<p>Population that is living longer.</p>

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
Percentage of working age population who are claiming key benefits	National Statistics Nomis http://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/mp/la/2038432040/report.aspx#vdtdef5	Job Seekers Allowance, Warrington claimants – 2410 people, 2% of resident working age population. [May 2008]	JSA comparisons – NW 2.6% UK 2.1% [May 2008]	Since reaching a low of 1.2% in Nov 2004, the rate has fluctuated between 1.2 %and 2.0%.	Steady rate continuously below both NW & UK averages.
Working age people claiming out of work benefits in the worst performing neighbourhoods.	NI153 – Warrington Partnership Local Area Agreement 2008 - 2011	May 2007 – 28.9%	N/A	No trend information available.	Need to reduce the amount of people claiming out of work benefits in the worst performing neighbourhoods.
Adults with learning disabilities in employment.	NI146 – Warrington Partnership Local Area Agreement 2008 - 2011	No quantified data at 2007/08	N/A	No trend information available.	Monitoring gap.
Number of SOAs where children under 16 living in low income households are ranked within the 20% most deprived SOAs nationally. [Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index (IDACI)]	Index of multiple deprivation 2007: Warrington Summary http://www.warrington.gov.uk/facts/indices_of_deprivation_2007.aspx	2007 IDACI – 12 lower layer SOAs within 20% most deprived nationally. Of these 4 SOAs rank within 10% most deprived nationally. 12 SOAs are located within 2004 wards of Bewsey & Whitecross, Birchwood, Latchford East, Fairfield and Howley, Orford, Poplars and Hulme and Poulton North.	N/A	N/A IDACI new supplementary Index 2007	Pockets of deprivation exist within the Borough that require social, economic and physical regeneration.
Percentage of children dependent on workless benefits - April 2007	http://www.dwp.gov.uk	Warrington 2007 13.8% children live in households dependent on workless benefits	England Mean 2007 19.7% children live in households dependent on workless benefits	N/A	Pockets of deprivation exist. Warrington inner wards = 25.2%

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
(Benefits = Income Support, Jobseekers Allowance, Incapacity Benefit/Severe Disablement Allowance, Pension credit)					Warrington outer wards = 6.6%
% of the population over 60 who live in households that are income deprived	IMD 2004 via Audit Commission http://www.areaprofiles.audit-commission.gov.uk/(elbywg451tdg1z45xthe55bm)/DetailPage.aspx?entity=10001010	2004 – 14.1%	UK mean 2004 – 13.88%	N/A	Pockets of deprivation exist. Income deprivation for over 60s is higher than UK averages.

Table 8

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes					
Percentage of new residential development within 30 minutes public transport time of a GP, hospital, primary and secondary school, employment and a major health centre.	AMR – Local Indicator	2007/08 GP – 99.9% Hospital – 76.0% Primary School – 99.9% Secondary School – 99.9% Areas of Employment – 78.3% Major Retail Centres – 78.5%	N/A	First year indicator employed.	New residential development is being delivered in locations which are within an acceptable public transport time of key services.
Levels of car ownership / usage	2001 Census – WBC Summary	Warrington – % of households with: No car or van 20.9% 1 c or v 43.4% 2 c or v 29.6% 3 c or v 6.1%	(NW) & [UK] – % of households with: No c or v (30.2) [26.8] 1 c or v (43.5) [43.8] 2 c or v (21.5) [23.5] 3 c or v (4.7) [5.9]	N/A previous census only represented 10% sample for most questions.	Car ownership levels, including multiple ownership, are significantly higher than NW & UK averages.
Local bus passenger journeys originating in the local authority area	NI177 – Warrington Partnership Local Area Agreement 2008 - 2011 Trend information – taken from the Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 06/07 BVPI 102	2007/08 – 9,841,000	N/A	2006/07 – 9,234,411 2005/06 – 8,412,307 2004/05 – 8,691,981 2003/04 – 8,757,212	Increasing number of users of public transport.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
Number of casualties resulting from road traffic ALL KSI	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 06/07 BVPI 99ai	2006/07 – 101	N/A – The 3 major motorways that bisect Warrington would greatly distort results.	2006/07 – 101 2005/06 – 128	Issues cannot be identified until further trend information becomes available.
Number of people killed or seriously injured on Warrington's roads excluding motorways	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 06/07 LPSA6	2006/07 – 86	N/A	2006/07 – 86 2004/05 – 115 2003/04 – 118	Steady decline in the number of people KSI on Warrington's roads.
Congestion – the average journey time per mile during the morning peak period (seconds per mile)	NI167 – Warrington Partnership Local Area Agreement 2008 - 2011	2006/07 – 221.7	N/A	New indicator, no trend information available.	Issues cannot be identified until trend information becomes available.
Average vehicle delay (seconds per km) on agreed monitoring network (a.m. peak)	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 LPSA 3a	May 2006 – 54.8	N/A	May 2006 – 54.8 May 2005 – 64.9	Limited trend information suggests a slight reduction in congestion.
Average vehicle delay (seconds per km) on agreed monitoring network (p.m. peak)	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 LPSA 3b	May 2006 – 85.4		May 2006 – 85.4 May 2005 – 80.9	Limited trend information suggests a slight reduction in congestion.

Table 9

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities					
General health condition	2001 Census – WBC Summary http://www.warrington.gov.uk/images/Warrington%20in%20Context%20to%20electronic_tcm15-5123.xls#Definitions/A1	% of all people in Warrington whose health over the past 12 months was: good – 70.6% fairly good – 20.4% not good – 9.1%	% of all people in (NW) & [UK] whose health over the past 12 months was: good – (66.9)[68.6] fairly good – (22.2)[22.2] not good – (11)[9.2]	N/A previous census only represented 10% sample for most questions.	Health in Warrington appears to be better than the NW and UK averages.
Male and female life expectancy	National Statistics http://www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/Product.asp?vlnk=8841	2005-2007 Life expectancy at birth – Warrington. Male 76.4 years Female 80.8 years	Northwest (average) life expectancy at birth: 2005 – 2007 Male 76 years Female 80.4 years UK (average) life expectancy at birth: 2005 – 2007 Male 77.27 years Female 81.54 years	Life expectancy has generally continued to gradually rise since 1991 – 1993 to the current period 2005-2007. Female life expectancy in Warrington was however down 0.2 years in comparison to 2003 – 2005.	Population that is living longer.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
All age all cause mortality rate	NI120 – Warrington Partnership Local Area Agreement 2008 - 2011	2006 – Male 799.5 Female 581.5	Unknown	No trend information available.	Issues cannot be identified until trend or comparison information becomes available.
Access to GP – Doctors per 1000 population.	Primary Care Trust	December 2005 – 0.52 WTE (whole time equivalent) GPs per 1000 population	N/A	N/A	Issues cannot be identified until trend or comparison information becomes available.
Infant mortality	Office of National Statistics	7.7 at 2003	UK mean 4.8 at 2003	N/A	
Obesity among primary school age children in year 6	NI56 – Warrington Partnership Local Area Agreement 2008 - 2011	2006/07 – 15.9	Unknown	No trend information available.	Issues cannot be identified until trend or comparison information becomes available.
The number of households receiving intensive home care per 1000 population aged 65 or over.	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 BV53	2006/07 – 14.55	Unknown	2005/06 – 13.68	Issues cannot be identified until trend or comparison information becomes available.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
The number of older people aged 65 or over helped to live at home per 1000 population aged 65 or over.	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 BV54	2006/07 – 86.50	Unknown	2005/06 – 90.68	Issues cannot be identified until trend or comparison information becomes available.

Table 10

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
6. Ensure access to good quality, affordable housing					
Performance against Unitary Development Plan housing target	WBC Housing Land Report 2008	<p>UDP target: Plan Life 2002 – 2016 Dwellings per annum net of clearance – 380 Plan Target = 5,320</p> <p>Dwellings delivered between 31st March 2002 and the 1st April 2008 = 6,576 (average net annual delivery – 1,096)</p> <p>UDP target exceeded by 1256 (24%) actual completions with 8 years remaining.</p>	N/A	N/A	<p>There is an oversupply of housing when considered against the UDP target. This oversupply is likely to increase significantly if the average completion rate continues for the remaining 8 year period.</p>
Performance against Regional Spatial Strategy housing target	WBC Housing Land Report 2008	<p>RSS target: Plan Life 2003 – 2021 Dwellings per annum net of clearance – 380 Plan Target = 6,840</p>	N/A	N/A	<p>On track to meet, and potentially to substantially exceed, the RSS housing requirement.</p>

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
		<p>Dwellings delivered between 1st April 2003 and the 31st March 2008 = 5,733 (average net annual delivery – 1,147) RSS target between 1st April 2008 and 31st March 2021 is 1,107.</p>			
<p>Percentage of new and converted dwellings on previously developed land.</p>	<p>AMR – Core Indicator H3</p>	<p>2007/08 – 95%</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>2007/08 – 95% 2006/07 – 93% 2005/06 – 92% 2004/05 – 83% 2003/04 – 68% 2002/03 – 47%</p>	<p>High and consistent levels of new housing now being achieved on previously developed land.</p>
<p>Housing completions – by house type.</p>	<p>WBC Housing Land Report / SHLAA</p>	<p>2007/08 – Total of 1,599 923 (58%) Apartments 676 (42%) Houses</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Data first published 2007/08</p>	<p>Mix of house types being delivered across the borough with an increasing number of apartments in recent years.</p>

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
Percentage of new dwellings completed at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Less than 30 dwellings per hectare; ii. Between 30 and 50 dwellings per hectare; and iii. Above 50 dwellings per hectare. 	AMR – Local Indicator	295 one bed apts 616 two bed apts 12 three bed apts 55 two bed houses 370 three bed houses 251 four bed houses Total qualifying completions 2007/08 = 1599 i. 194 – 12% ii. 575 – 36% iii. 830 – 52%	N/A	Total qualifying completions 2006/07 = 1354 i) 109 – 8% ii) 732 – 54% iii) 513 – 38% Total qualifying completions 2005/06 = i) 285 – 22% ii) 307 – 24% iii) 695 – 54%	High, and consistent, level of housing completions are making efficient use of land and in doing so conforming with regional and local guidance.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
				Total qualifying completions 2004/05 = 1047 i) 92 – 8.8% ii) 564 – 53.9% iii) 391 – 37.3%	
Annual Gross Affordable Housing Completions	Annual Monitoring Report Core Indicator H5	2007/08 – Total of 323 homes 143 Social rented homes 180 Intermediate homes	N/A	2006/07 – 132 2005/06 – 123	Continue to ensure the maximum delivery of affordable homes delivered.
Net additional pitches for Gypsies and Travelling Show People.	Annual Monitoring Report Core Indicator H4	2007/08 – No permissions for new pitches granted, no new pitches constructed and no pitches lost.	N/A	Data first published 2007/08. The Borough does however have an unmet need of 6 – 9 pitches between 2006 and 2016.	In the absence of any net gain in existing provision there remains a need to identify and subsequently deliver additional gypsy and traveller pitches within the Borough.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
The number and proportion of total new build completions on housing sites (of ten or more dwellings)reaching very good, good, average and poor ratings against the Building for Life criteria.	Annual Monitoring Report Core Indicator H6	Not assessed in 2007/08	N/A	New Core Indicator 2007/08	Monitoring gap. Issues cannot be identified until trend information becomes available.
The proportion of Local Authority homes which were non-decent at the start of the financial year.	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 BVPI 184a	2006/07 – 22.53%	N/A	2006/07 – 22.53% 2005/06 – 28.24% 2004/05 – 32.26% 2003/04 – 35.86%	The condition of LA homes is improving.
Energy efficiency – the average SAP rating of local authority owned dwellings (1 – highly inefficient, 100 – highly efficient)	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 BVPI 63	2006/07 – 71	2006/07 England Average – 68	Year on year improvement in the energy efficiency of LA homes. 2006/07 – 71 2005/06 – 70 2004/05 – 69 2003/04 – 68	The energy efficiency of Local Authority homes is improving.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
The number of people sleeping rough on a single night within the local authority area.	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 BV202	2006/07 – 1	N/A	2005/06 – 1	Low number of rough sleepers.
No of households who considered themselves homeless, who approached the local authority advice service(s) and for whom housing advice casework intervention resolved their situation.	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 LPSA10	2006/07 – 80	N/A	2005/06 – 31	Issues cannot be identified until trend or comparison information becomes available.
The average length of stay in bed and breakfast accommodation of households that are unintentionally homeless and in priority need.	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 CPAH14	2006/07 – 2 weeks	Unknown	2005/06 – 2 weeks	Issues cannot be identified until trend or comparison information becomes available.
Average time taken to re-let a local authority house (in days)	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 CPAH8	2006/07 – 31.10	N/A	2005/06 – 29.21	Issues cannot be identified until trend or comparison information becomes available.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
The percentage of private sector homes vacant for more than 6 months.	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 CPAH18	2006/07 – 1.82%	Unknown	2005/06 – 1.37%	Limited trend information suggests that the number of long term vacant dwellings in the private sector is increasing.

Table 11

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime					
Percentage of residents surveyed who say that they feel fairly safe or very safe outside during the day for Warrington	Audit Commission http://www.areaprofiles.audit-commission.gov.uk/elbywg451tqg1z45xhe55om/DetailPage.aspx?entity=10004906	Cheshire Police Authority Area (not just Warrington) 2005/06 – 96.2%	UK mean 2005/06 – 97.38% Warrington is ranked within National Quartile 4 (1 being the best)	2003/04 – 96.4% Warrington was ranked within National Quartile 4 (1 being the best)	Perception of day time safety is high but lower than the UK average.
Percentage of residents surveyed who say that they feel fairly safe or very safe outside after dark for Warrington	Audit Commission http://www.areaprofiles.audit-commission.gov.uk/elbywg451tqg1z45xhe55om/DetailPage.aspx?entity=10004907	Cheshire Police Authority Area (not just Warrington) 2005/06 – 67.2%	UK mean 2005/06 – 71.02% Warrington is ranked within National Quartile 3 (1 being the best)	2003/04 – 68% Warrington was ranked within National Quartile 3 (1 being the best)	Perception of night time safety is lower than the UK average.
Dealing with local concerns about anti-social behaviour and crime by the local Council and Police.	NI21 – Warrington Partnership Local Area Agreement 2008 - 2011	No quantified data at present.	Unknown	No trend information available	Monitoring gap. Issues cannot be identified until trend or comparison information becomes available.
Serious acquisitive crime rate.	NI16 – Warrington Partnership Local Area Agreement 2008 - 2011	2007/08 – 16.08	Unknown	No trend information available.	Issues cannot be identified until trend or comparison information becomes available.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
Domestic burglaries per 1000 population	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 BVPI 126a Audit Commission website	2006/07 – 10.44	National Quartile 3 (1 = best, 4 = the lowest)	2006/07 – 10.44 2005/06 – 12.11 2004/05 – 12.33 2003/04 – 14.7	Reducing number of reported domestic burglaries but still higher than much of the UK.
Total number of annual violent crimes per 1000 population within the local authority area.	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 BVPI 127a (total) Audit Commission website	2006/07 – 20.96	2006/07 England Average = 19.2	2006/07 – 20.96 2005/06 – 21.79	Whilst the limited trend information suggests the rate of violent crimes is reducing, the rate remains above the England average.
Assault with injury crime rate.	N120 – Warrington Partnership Local Area Agreement 2008 - 2011	2007/08 – 8.22	Unknown	No trend information available.	Issues cannot be identified until trend or comparison information becomes available.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
Vehicle crimes per 1000 population within the local authority area.	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 BVPI 128	2006/07 – 11.8	2006/07 England Average = 11.8	2005/06 – 12.34 2004/05 – 13.1 2003/04 – 13.3	Whilst the rate of vehicle crimes is reducing, the rate remains above the England average.

Table 12

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare					
Percentage of people who feel they can influence decisions in their locality.	NI4 – Warrington Partnership Local Area Agreement 2008 - 2011	2006/07 – 31% (based on a 2006/07 household survey)	N/A	No trend information available.	Issues cannot be identified until trend information becomes available.
Participation in regular volunteering.	NI6 – Warrington Partnership Local Area Agreement 2008 - 2011	No quantified data at present.	N/A	No trend information available.	Monitoring gap.
% age of residents who are satisfied with their neighbourhood as a place to live	April 2007 Warrington 1000 Citizens Panel Survey	39% satisfied with their neighbourhood 25% neither satisfied or dissatisfied 36% dissatisfied.	N/A	Surveys not like for like comparison, however 2000/01 BVPI General survey (1184 respondents) found that 43% Very satisfied 42% Fairly satisfied 4% Neither 9% Fairly dissatisfied 2% Very dissatisfied	Whilst the two surveys can not be robustly compared on a like for like basis, the more recent survey suggests the percentage of people satisfied with their neighbourhood has reduced.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
% Turnout level of voting	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan LPI49 (LSAI 19)	2004/5 – 42.9%		2003/4 – 19.90%	Limited trend information suggest an increase in the number of voters.

Table 13

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
9. Protect and Enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities					
Percentage of new residential development within 30 minutes public transport time of a GP, hospital, primary and secondary school, employment and a major health centre.	AMR – Local Indicator	2007/08 GP – 99.9% Hospital – 76.0% Primary School – 99.9% Secondary School – 99.9% Areas of Employment – 78.3% Major Retail Centres – 78.5%	N/A	First year indicator employed.	New residential development is being delivered in locations which are within an acceptable public transport time of key services.
Access to services and facilities by public transport, walking and cycling (locally adapted to relate to access to the Birchwood employment site)	NI175 – Warrington Partnership Local Area Agreement 2008 - 2011	2007/08: A.M. 22.3% P.M. 10.8%	N/A	New Indicator 2007/08	Need to improve more inclusive accessibility of employment opportunities and facilities at Birchwood.

Table 14

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.					
The percentage of category 1, 1a and 2 footway network where structural maintenance should be considered.	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 CPA E18	2006/07 – 23%	N/A	2005/06 – 16.12	Limited trend information suggests an increasing length of footpaths require structural maintenance.
The percentage of the total length of footpaths and other rights of way that were easy to use by members of the public	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 CPA C1	2006/07 – 73.19%	N/A	2005/06 – 71.45%	Limited information suggests that an increasing length of footpaths are considered easy to use by the public.
The percentage of residents satisfied with the Local authority's Parks & Open Spaces	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 CPA C9	2006/07 – 73%	N/A	Next collected 2009/10	Quantified data suggests a high percentage of residents are satisfied with the Borough's open spaces and parks.
The percentage of residents satisfied with the Council's Sports and Leisure Service	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 CPA C5	2006/07 – 58%	N/A	Next collected 2009/10	Quantified data suggests a need for an improvement in the Council's sports and leisure offer.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
The percentage of the population that is within twenty minutes travel time (urban areas –by walk; rural areas- by car) of a range of 3 different sports facility type, one of which has achieved a specified quality assured standard.	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 CPA C19	2006/07 – 12.44%	Unknown	New indicator 2006/07.	Significant proportion of the borough are without reasonable access to a range of sports facilities.
Percentage of 5 – 16 year olds in school sports partnerships engaged in 2 hours per week minimum of high quality PE and school sport beyond the curriculum.	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 CPA C16	2006/07 – 85.19%	Unknown	New indicator 2006/07.	Appears that a high percentage of children participate in physical education.
Percentage of adults participating in at least 30 minutes moderate intensity sport and active recreation on three or more days a week.	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 CPA C17	2006/07 – 22.8%	Unknown	New indicator 2006/07.	Issues cannot be identified until trend or comparison information becomes available.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
	N18 – Warrington Partnership Local Area Agreement 2008 - 2011				

Table 15

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value					
Number of listed buildings, ancient monuments and conservation areas	WBC Conservation Officer	As at 31 st March 2008: 367 Listed Buildings 16 Conservation Areas 9 Ancient Monuments Adopted Local List	N/A	As at 31 st March 2005: 347 Listed Buildings 18 Conservation Areas 9 Ancient Monuments Draft Local List	Significant and increasing number of historic assets within the borough.
Change in number and condition of listed buildings	WBC Conservation Officer	During 2006/07: 20 additions to the statutory list. 0 losses Net increase of 20	N/A		Increasing number of nationally recognised historic assets within the borough.
Change in number and condition of Ancient Monuments	WBC Conservation Officer	9 Ancient Monuments No Change during 2007/08 No information known on condition.	N/A	N/A	Condition of ancient monuments is a monitoring gap.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
% change in area of conservation areas designated.	WBC Conservation Officer	16 CA – 189.50 Ha 1 st April 2008 – a 0.01% increase against the 2005 baseline. It should be noted that whilst there are now only 16 CAs, none have been lost. The reduction from 18 to 16 is accounted for by mergers of CAs at Stockton Heath and Lymm.	N/A	18 CA – 188.71 Ha 1 st April 2005 No change during 2004/05	Significant and slightly increasing area of the borough designated as a Conservation Area.
Percentage of conservation areas in the local authority area with an up-to-date character appraisal.	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 BV 219b	2006/07 – 25%	England average for 2006/07 = 30.09%	2005/06 – 0%	Increasing number of conservation areas with an up-to-date character appraisal.
Percentage of conservation areas in the local authority area with published management proposals.	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 BV 219c	2006/07 – 25%	England average for 2006/07 = 16.14%	2005/06 – 0%	Increasing number of conservation areas with a published management proposal that is higher than England average.

Table 16

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place					
% age of residents who are satisfied with their neighbourhood as a place to live	April 2007 Warrington 1000 Citizens Panel Survey	39% satisfied with their neighbourhood 25% neither satisfied or dissatisfied 36% dissatisfied.	N/A	Surveys not like for like comparison, however 2000/01 BVPI General survey (1184 respondents) found that 43% Very satisfied 42% Fairly satisfied 4% Neither 9% Fairly dissatisfied 2% Very dissatisfied	Whilst the two surveys can not be robustly compared on a like for like basis, the more recent survey suggests the percentage of people satisfied with their neighbourhood has reduced.
The percentage of relevant land and highways that are assessed as having combined deposits of litter and detritus that fall below an acceptable level.	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 CPA E4	2006/07 – 8.2%	N/A	2005/06 – 25%	Issues cannot be identified until trend or comparison information becomes available.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
The percentage of people satisfied with the cleanliness standard in the area.	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 CPA E38	2006/07 – 56%	N/A	To be collected again in 2009/10.	Issues cannot be identified until trend or comparison information becomes available.
Area of derelict land and buildings	NLUD – Cat (c)	2008 – 48.50 Ha	N/A	2008 – 48.50 ha 2007 – 42.67 Ha 2006 – 52.67 Ha 2005 – 86.7 Ha 2004 – 88 Ha	Significant but reducing amount of derelict land within the borough.

Table 17

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity					
<p>Change in areas and populations of biodiversity importance, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Change in areas designated for their intrinsic environmental value including sites of international, national and regional, sub-regional or local significance. And; ii. Change in priority habitats and species (by type). 	Annual Monitoring Report Core Indicator E2 & GIS records	<p>As at 31st March 2008</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. 3 SACs total (110.35Ha) 4 SSSIs total (385Ha) 1 RIGS total (12Ha) 2 LNR (113.74Ha) 38 SINCS (745.31Ha) ii. 26 priority species and 7 priority habitats. <p>No recorded losses of priority habitats due to development. Losses to priority species due to development unknown – too difficult to monitor.</p>	N/A	N/A	Significant nature conservation and wider green infrastructure assets within the borough.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
Reported condition of SSSIs	Natural England via www.magic.gov.uk and http://www.english-nature.org.uk/special/sssireport.cfm?category=C_CFE	4 SSSIs as at 31 st March 2005 <u>Risley Moss:</u> Risley Moss Unit 1 (22.99Ha) – Unfavourable but recovering [last assessed Jan 2005]. Risley Moss Unit 2 (50.8Ha) – Unfavourable but recovering [last assessed Sep 2004] <u>Rixton Clay Pits:</u> Rixton Clay Pits Unit 1 (9.98Ha) – Unfavourable but recovering [last assessed Mar 2005]. Rixton Clay Pits Unit 2 (3.67Ha) – Unfavourable but recovering [last assessed Mar 2005].	County Average (of which Warrington is grouped with Cheshire) [Compiled Nov 2008]: - 65% favourable - 31% unfavourable but recovering - 3% unfavourable no change - 1% unfavourable declining 0% part destroyed	N/A	SSSIs within Warrington are in an unfavourable condition but recovering. Need to ensure recovery continues and assist this objective where possible.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
Area of woodland cover in the Borough	Mersey Forest Project Team	<p>Holcroft Moss (18.1Ha) – Unfavourable but recovering [last assessed March 2005]</p> <p>Woolston Eyes : Unit 6 (269.82Ha) –Favourable [last assessed Nov 2003].</p>	N/A	<p>2007 – 789.39Ha</p> <p>2006 – 780.35Ha</p> <p>2005 – 696.18Ha</p>	Significant amount of woodland cover.

Table 18

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding					
% of river length assessed as good or fair quality (Chemical)	Environment Agency Chemical GQA http://maps.environmentagency.gov.uk/wiby/dataSearchController?lang=en&textonly=off&topic=riverquality	Warrington 2007: Total km assessed was 72.4km. Very Good – 0% Good – 18% Fairly Good – 30% Fair – 38% Poor – 14% Bad – 0%	Comparison against Regional assessment data no longer available.	Warrington 2006: Total km assessed was 72.4km. Very Good – 0% Good – 23% Fairly Good – 12% Fair – 32% Poor – 32% Bad – 0%	The limited trend information suggests chemical quality has generally improved although a significant percentage remains poor.
% of river length assessed as good or fair quality (biological)	Environment Agency Biological GQA http://maps.environmentagency.gov.uk/wiby/dataSearchController?lang=en&textonly=off&topic=riverquality	Warrington 2007: Total km assessed was 55.3km. Very Good – 0% Good – 0% Fairly Good – 24%	Comparison against Regional assessment data no longer available.	Warrington 2006: Total km assessed was 75.7km. Very Good – 0% Good – 0% Fairly Good – 21%	Biological water quality in Warrington remains a significant concern.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
		Fair – 11% Poor – 65% Bad – 0%		Fair – 21% Poor – 57% Bad – 0%	
Number of days when air pollution is moderate or high (what element)	Environmental Health Department	2005/6 - 1 day of moderate air pollution due to particle emissions. All other days classed as low	N/A	N/A	Issues cannot be identified until trend or comparison information becomes available.
Number and coverage of Air Quality Management Areas	Environmental Health Department	As at 1 st April 2008 - 2 AQMAs covering 530.75Ha Inner Warrington AQMA – 7.75Ha. AQMA covering M6, M62 & M56 – 523Ha.	N/A	N/A	Isolated areas of high air pollution within the borough
Number of residences in Air Quality Management Areas	Environmental Health	As at April 2008 – Town centre AQMA – 194 Motorway AQMA - 42	N/A	N/A	Significant number of residences living within areas with high levels of air pollution.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
Identifying Contaminated land – No. of sites of potential concern within the Borough	BVPI 216a	2006/07 – 637 2005/06 – 644		2006/07 – 637 2005/06 – 644 New BVPI 2005/06	Significant number of contaminated sites throughout the borough.
Information on Contaminated Land – No. of sites of which sufficient information is available to decide whether remediation of the land is necessary (as a percentage of bvpi 216A above)	BVPI 216b	2006/07 – 18%		2006/07 – 18% 2005/06 – 2.5% New BVPI 2005/06	Limited trend information but available data suggests an improvement in the information available on known contaminated sites.
Area of derelict land and buildings	NLUD – Cat (c)	2008 – 48.50 Ha	N/A	2008 – 48.50 ha 2007 – 42.67 Ha 2006 – 52.67 Ha 2005 – 86.7 Ha 2004 – 88 Ha	Significant but reducing amount of derelict land within the borough.
Number of planning permissions granted contrary to the advice of the	AMR	2006/07 – None	N/A	2006/07 – None 2005/06 – None	No Issue – EA advice being well adhered to

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
Environment Agency on either flood defence or water quality.				2004/05 – None	
Number of properties at risk from flooding	Environment Agency – Mersey Estuary catchment Flood Management Plan Scoping Report – November 2005	Nov 2005 – 1700 residential properties and 100,000sqm of commercial floor space at risk of tidal flooding from the Mersey in Warrington.			Significant risk to domestic and commercial properties from flooding within the Borough.
Development in areas at risk from flooding		Most of inner Warrington is defined as being at high risk from flooding but this is where the majority of new development is concentrated. However as can be seen above no applications have been granted contrary to EA advice.			Majority of new development is within identified flood risk areas.

Table 19

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change					
Warrington Borough Council CO2 Emissions (excl. Fiddlers Ferry)	WBC Climate Change Strategy (2008)	2.4 million tonnes Breakdown: Road Transport (40%) Domestic (23%) Industry and Commerce (40%)	N/A	No comparable trend information available.	Need to consider how carbon emissions across the three identified sectors can be reduced.
Per capita reduction in CO2 emissions in the LA area.	NI186 – Warrington Partnership Local Area Agreement 2008 - 2011	2005 – 8.4 tonnes	N/A	No comparable trend information available.	Need to reduce CO2 emissions to ensure that the current target of 7.53 tonnes is met by 2010/11.
Adapting to Climate Change – progress in preparedness in assessing and addressing the risks & opportunities of a changing climate.	NI188 – Warrington Partnership Local Area Agreement 2008 - 2011	2007/08 – Level 0	N/A	No comparable trend information available.	Need to better prepare for the risks and opportunities of a changing climate if the Level 3 target is to be met by 2010/11.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
Average annual domestic consumption of gas in kWh	BERR http://www.berr.gov.uk/whatwedo/energy/statistics/regional/regional-local-gas/page36200.html	2006 – Borough's Domestic Gas Consumption = 356 GWh Estimated households 2006 = 79,980 (2001 Census) + 3,649 (net housing completions 2002 – 2006) = 83,629 Average Annual domestic consumption of electricity Is therefore 1,490 Gwh / 83,629 = 17.816 kWh	Unknown	2005 – 18,746 kWh 2004 – 19,907 kWh 2003 – 19527 kWh 2002 – 19671 kWh 2001 – 19556 kWh	Reduced consumption of gas across the domestic sector within the borough.
Average annual domestic consumption of electricity in kWh	BERR http://www.berr.gov.uk/whatwedo/energy/statistics/regional/regional-local-electricity/page36213.html	2006 – Borough's Domestic Electricity Consumption = 356 GWh Estimated households 2006 = 79,980 (2001 Census) + 3,649 (net housing completions 2002 – 2006) = 83,629	Unknown	2006 – 4112 kWh 2005 – 4346 kWh 2004 – 4274 kWh 2003 – 4295 kWh	Strive to reduce energy consumption across the domestic sector within the borough.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
Energy efficiency – the average SAP rating of local authority owned dwellings (1 – highly inefficient, 100 – highly efficient)	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 06/07 BVPI 63	Average Annual domestic consumption of electricity Is therefore 356 Gwh / 83,629 = 4256 kWh	2006/07 England Average – 68	2006/07 – 71 2005/06 – 70 2004/05 – 69 2003/04 – 68	Continue to improve the energy efficiency of Local Authority homes.

Table 20

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation					
Percentage of new and converted dwellings on previously developed land.	AMR – Core Indicator H3	2007/08 – 95%	N/A	2007/08 – 95% 2006/07 – 93% 2005/06 – 92% 2004/05 – 83% 2003/04 – 68% 2002/03 – 47%	High and consistent levels of new housing now being achieved on previously developed land.
Amount of employment development completed on brownfield land.	WBC Employment Land Monitor	2007/08 – 100%	N/A	2007/08 – 100% 2006/07 – 100% 2005/06 – 75% 2004/05 – 100% 2003/04 – 100% 2002/03 – 39%	Consistent and maximum efficient use of previously developed land for employment purposes in recent years.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
Green spaces lost to development	Data not yet available pending implementation of a monitoring system.				Monitoring gap
Area of derelict land and buildings	NLUD – Cat (C)	2008 – 48.50 Ha	N/A	2008 – 48.50 ha 2007 – 42.67 Ha 2006 – 52.67 Ha 2005 – 86.7 Ha 2004 – 88 Ha	Significant but reducing amount of derelict land within the borough.
Production of primary land won aggregates.	AMR – Core Indicator M1	2007/08 – Crushed Rock (CR) = 121,031 Sand & Gravel = 0	N/A	2007/08 – 121,031 tonnes CR 2006/07 – 66,146 tonnes CR 2005/06 – 60,000 tonnes CR 2004/05 – 77,000 tonnes CR	Increasing extraction of primary aggregates over the previous three years.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
Production of secondary / recycled aggregates.	AMR – Core Indicator M2	2007/08 – Crushed Rock (CR) = 70,456		2007/08 – 70,456 tonnes CR 2006/07 – 511,000 tonnes CR 2005/06 – 270,000 tonnes CR	Output of secondary won aggregates varies considerably year on year.
Daily domestic water use (per capita consumption, litres)	OFWAT via the Audit Commission	2004 – 148 litres	UK mean – 154.4 litres Warrington ranks within the 2 nd Quartile (1 being the best).	No comparable trend information available.	Reduce the daily consumption of water within the Borough through increased efficiency.
Average water supply leakage (within the resource zone) per day (megalitres)	OFWAT via the Audit Commission	2004 – 456.1 M litres	UK mean – 157.39 M litres Warrington ranks within the 4 th Quartile (1 being the best).	No comparable trend information available.	Significant volume of water lost through leakage within the Borough's network.

Table 21

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy					
Average annual domestic consumption of gas in kWh	BERR http://www.berr.gov.uk/whatwedo/energy/statistics/regional/regional-local-gas/page36200.html	2006 – Borough's Domestic Gas Consumption = 356 GWh Estimated households 2006 = 79,980 (2001 Census) + 3,649 (net housing completions 2002 – 2006) = 83,629 Average Annual domestic consumption of electricity Is therefore 1,490 Gwh / 83,629 = 17,816 kWh	Unknown	2005 – 18,746 kWh 2004 – 19,907 kWh 2003 – 19527 kWh 2002 – 19671 kWh 2001 – 19556 kWh	Reduced consumption of gas across the domestic sector within the borough.
Average annual domestic consumption of electricity in kWh	BERR http://www.berr.gov.uk/whatwedo/energy/statistics/regional/regional-local-electricity/page36213.html	2006 – Borough's Domestic Electricity Consumption = 356 GWh Estimated households 2006 = 79,980 (2001 Census) + 3,649 (net housing completions 2002 – 2006) = 83,629	Unknown	2006 – 4112 kWh 2005 – 4346 kWh 2004 – 4274 kWh 2003 – 4295 kWh	Strive to reduce energy consumption across the domestic sector within the borough.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
Energy efficiency – the average SAP rating of local authority owned dwellings (1 – highly inefficient, 100 – highly efficient)	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 BVPI 63	Average Annual domestic consumption of electricity Is therefore 356 Gwh / 83,629 = 4256 kWh 2006/07 – 71	2006/07 England Average – 68	Year on year improvement in the energy efficiency of LA homes. 2006/07 – 71 2005/06 – 70 2004/05 – 69 2003/04 – 68	Continue to improve the energy efficiency of Local Authority homes.
Renewable energy generation – amount of renewable energy generation by installed capacity and type.	AMR – Core Indicator E3	2007/08 – 0 applications	N/A	2006/07 – 0 applications 2005/06 – 0 applications 2004/05 – 0 applications	No renewable energy installations being secured. There is therefore a dependency on less environmentally friendly energy sources.

Table 22

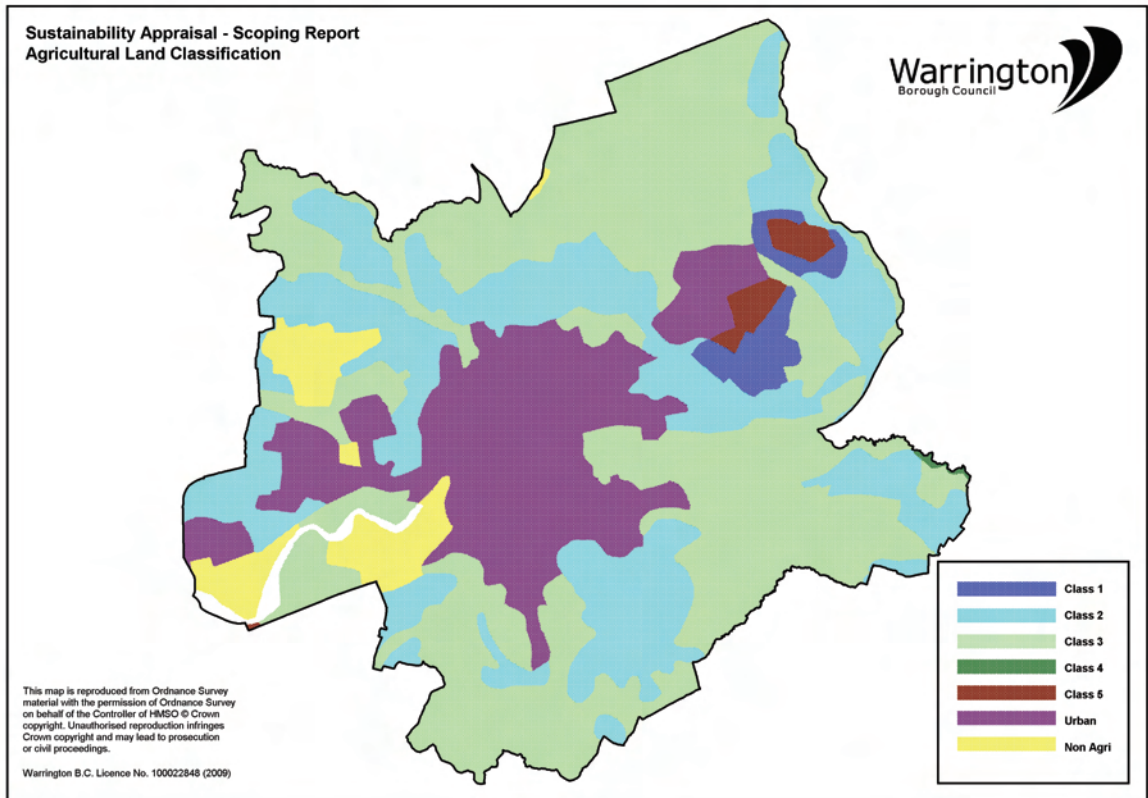
Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling					
Kg of household waste collected per head.	Audit Commission Area profile for Warrington, BVPI 84a http://www.areaprofiles.audit-commission.gov.uk/(fxdkxpuogjnpqe55fonzkv55)/DataProfile.aspx?entity=0	2006/07 – 530.7kg	2006/07 England average – 441.3kg	Amount of household waste collected per head is now reducing having peaked in 04/05. It remains however considerably higher than the England average. 2006/07 – 530.7kg 2005/06 – 547kg 2004/05 – 578.3kg 2002/03 – 587kg 2001/02 – 566kg	Need to continue to reduce the amount of household waste being produced.
% of household waste landfilled	Audit Commission website, BVPI 82d http://www.areaprofiles.audit-commission.gov.uk/(fxdkxpuogjnpqe55fonzkv55)/DataProfile.aspx?entity=0	2006/07 – 69.87%	2006/07 England average – 57.98%	Significant reduction in the amount of waste sent to landfill achieved in 06/07. Still higher than the England average however. 2006/07 – 69.87% 2005/06 – 81.06% 2004/05 – 83.08%	We must continue to reduce the amount of waste sent to landfill e.g. promotion of reuse, recycling or recovery of energy from waste etc.

Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
% of total household waste recycled	Audit Commission website BVPI 82a	2006/07 – 15.62%	2006/07 England average – 19.59%	2003/04 – 87.15% Increasing recycling rates but well behind the England average. 2005/06 – 13.58% 2004/05 – 12.27% 2003/04 – 8.54%	There is a need to increase the amount of household waste recycled.
Percentage of households resident in the local authority area which are served by kerbside collection of at least two recycleables	Corporate Plan & Performance Plan 07/08 CPA E45	2006/07 – 74.02%	Unknown	2005/06 – 66.64%	Increasing coverage of kerbside recycling.
Capacity of new waste management facilities by type.	AMR	No additional capacity of waste management facilities received planning permission and became operable in 2007/08.	N/A	2007/08 – None 2006/07 – None 2005/06 – None	Need to identify whether, and what facilities are required within the Borough between now and 2026.

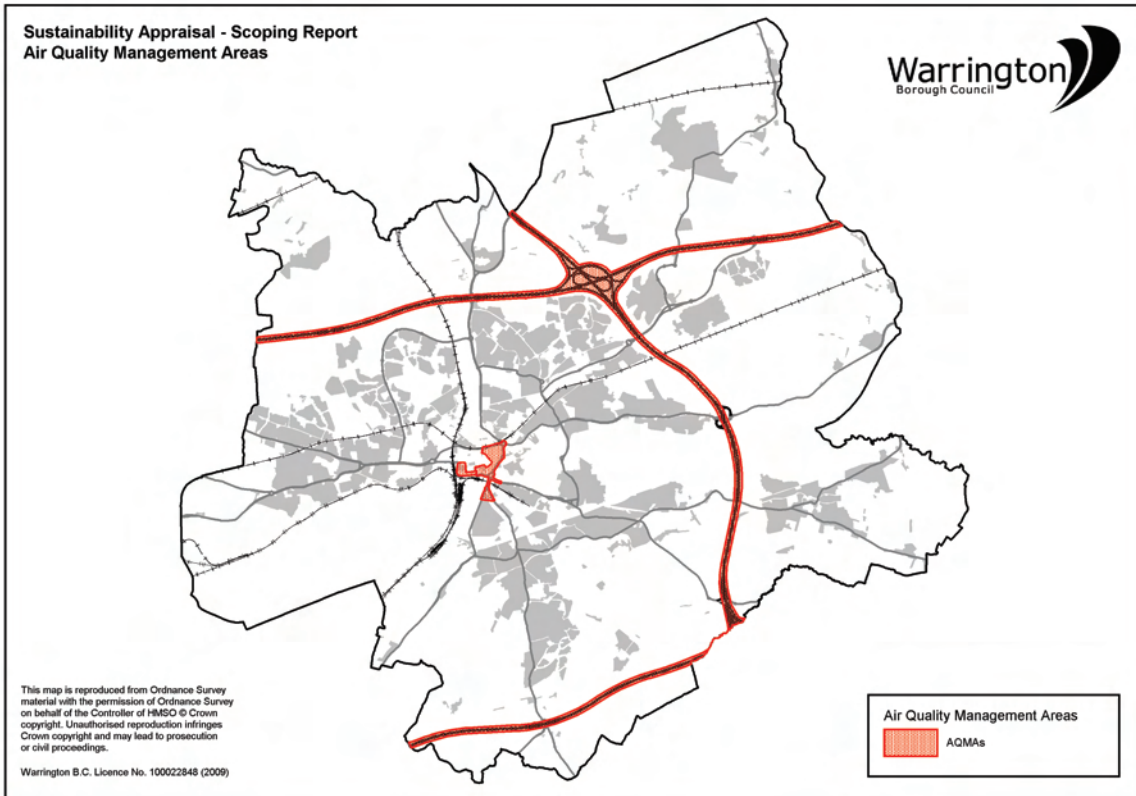
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Indicator	Source	Quantified data	Comparators & targets	Trend (WBC)	Issues identified
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is sensitive to the locality.					
The number and proportion of total new build completions on housing sites (of ten or more dwellings)reaching very good, good, average and poor ratings against the Building for Life criteria.	Annual Monitoring Report Core Indicator H6	Not assessed in 2007/08	N/A	New Core Indicator 2007/08	Monitoring gap.

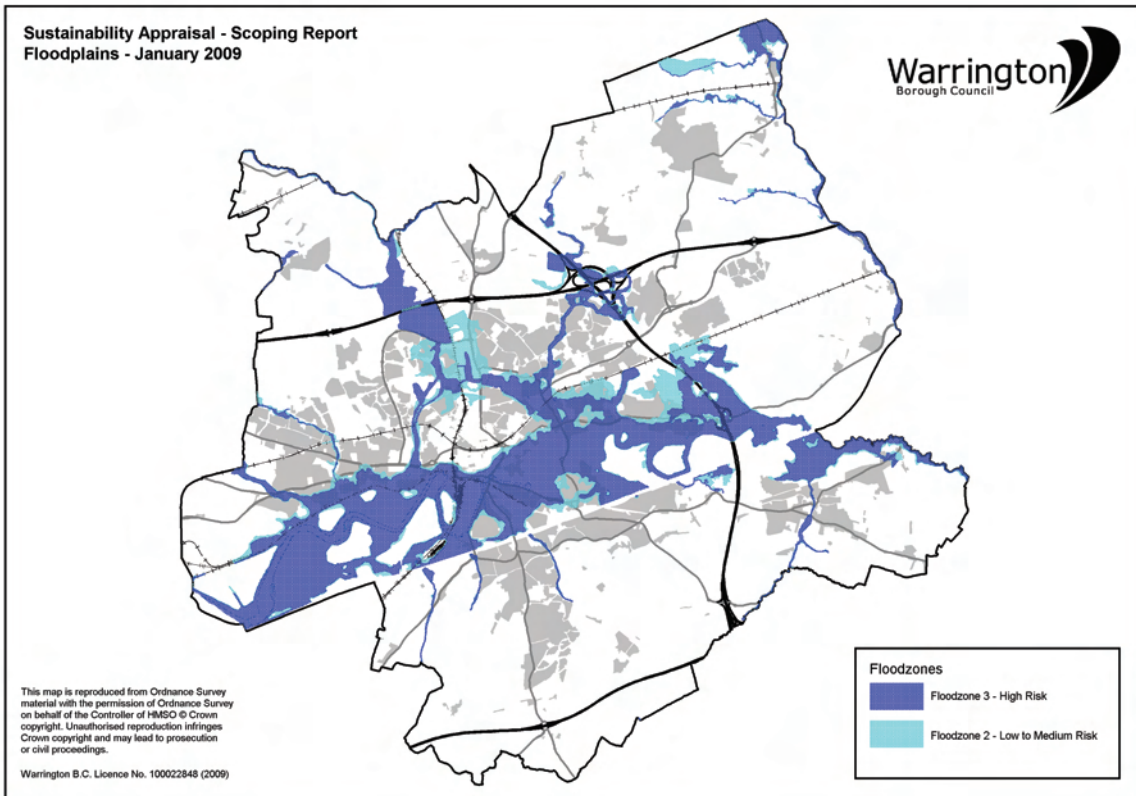
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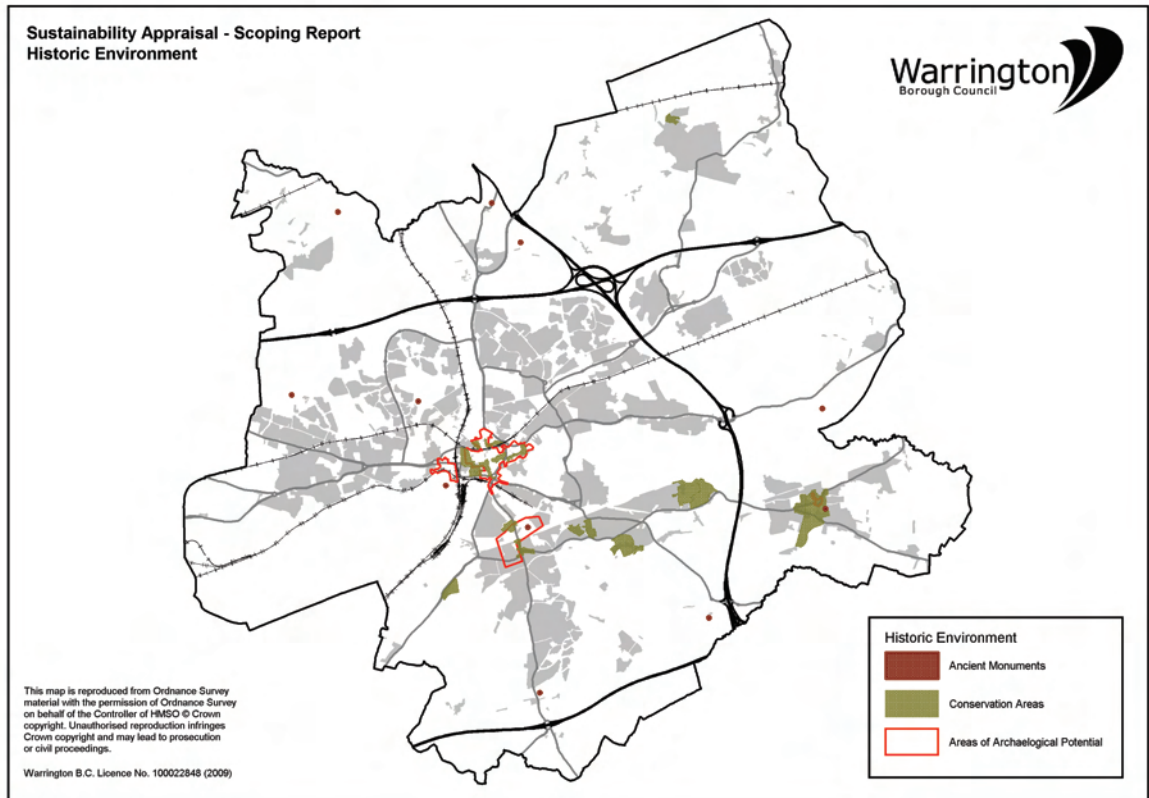
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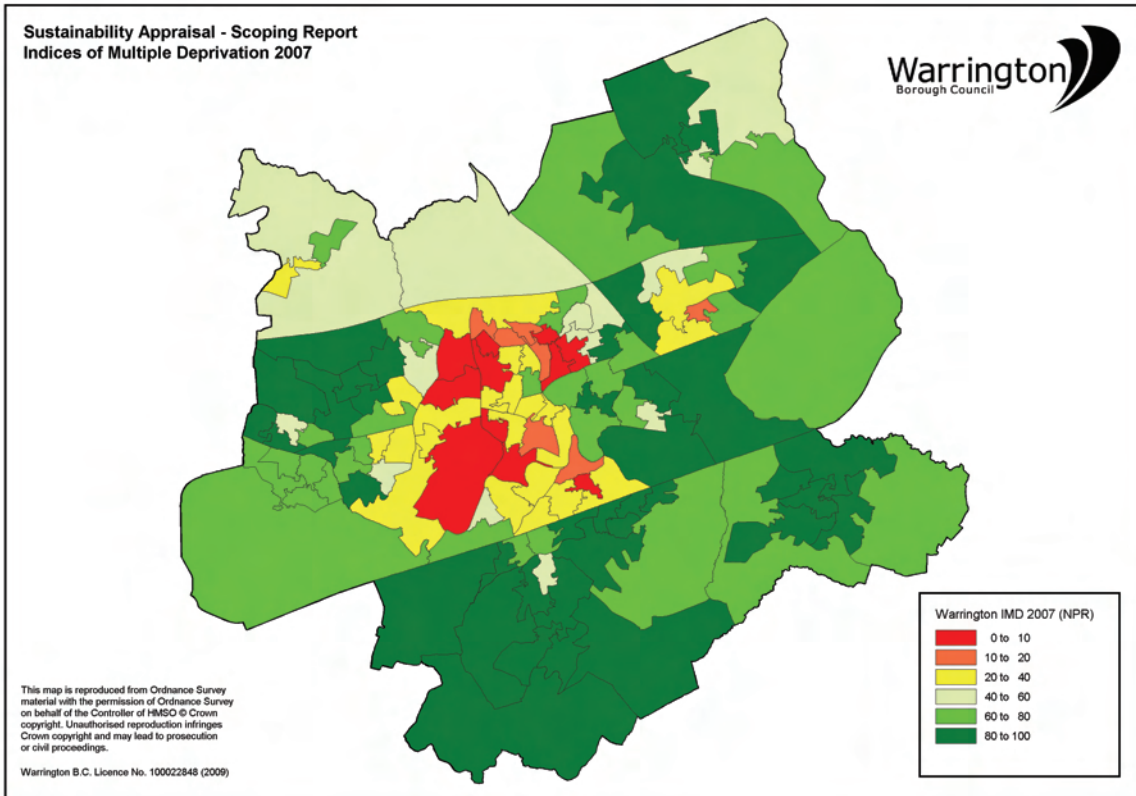
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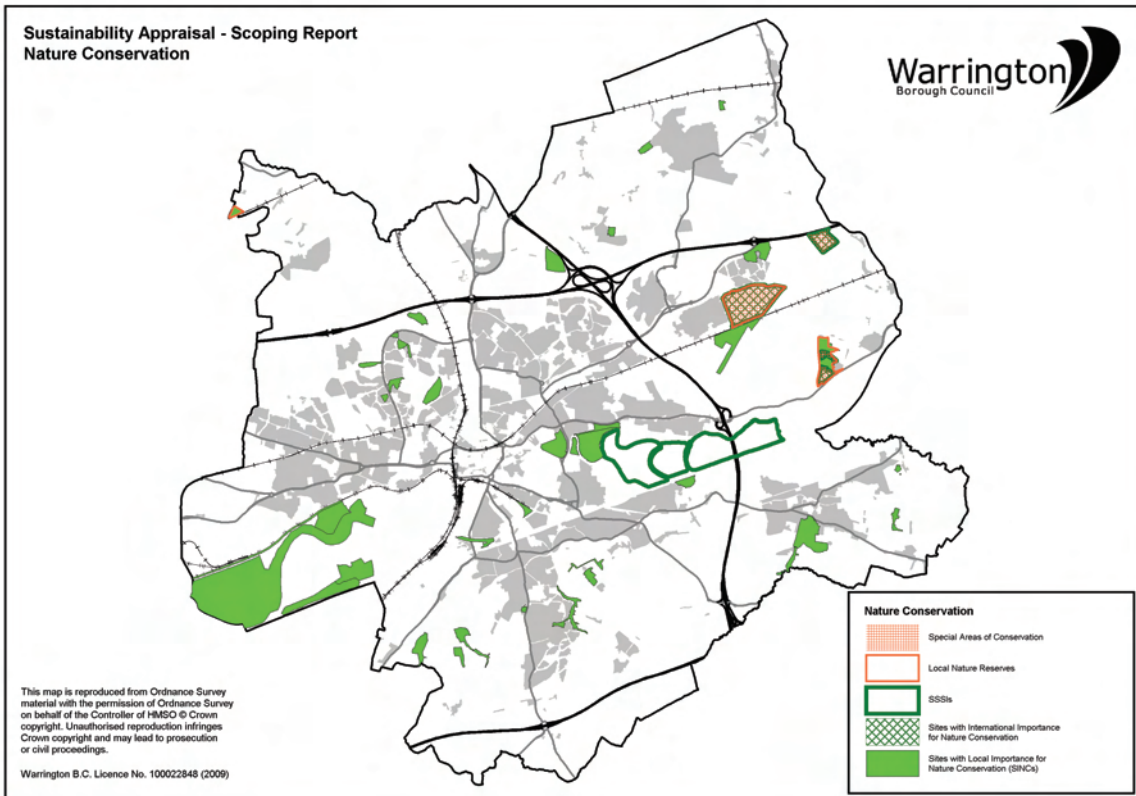
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Map 2.4



Map 2.5



Map 2.6

Appendix 3 Actions from 2006 and 2009 Scoping Report Consultations

3.1 Below is a summary of responses received to the Scoping Report consultation undertaken in September 2006 along with an associated response and / or action.

Contact / Organisation	Comment	Response / Action
General		
Judith Nelson, English Heritage	The two stage approach to undertaking Sustainability Appraisal for LDF documents is supported.	Support noted.
Judith Nelson, English Heritage	These comments are made in relation to the Core Strategy Scoping report and WBC should determine their applicability to the other documents that are the subject of consultation. This does not affect EH's obligation to advise on, and potentially object to, any specific development proposal which may subsequently arise from this or later versions of the document which is the subject of the consultation, and which may, despite the sustainability appraisal, have adverse effects on the historic environment.	Comment is noted. General comments will be applied to individual DPD and SPD scoping reports and sustainability reports as appropriate.
John Litt, NWDA	Note that the SA Scoping Reports for the Core Strategy and the Arpley and Bridgefoot Area Action Plan both carry the heading "Supplementary Planning Document" on their front covers. We question whether this is appropriate given that these will be Development Plan Documents rather than SPDs.	This is a production error and will be corrected in future publications
Mark Floyd, Policy Advisor (Sustainability), Warrington Borough Council	The Scoping Report is very comprehensive and you should be commended on that.	Support noted.
Task A1 - Identifying other relevant policies, plans, programmes and sustainability objectives		
John Earle, Head of Service - Regeneration & Development Warrington Borough Council	The PPPs table should refer to the corporate plan, the LAA and the Council's Waste Management Strategy. This should influence what is reported in Table 5	The PPPs table has been amended, as has the key messages from the PPPs review. The tables now make reference to the Corporate Plan, the LAA signed in 2008, the Waste Management Strategy, and the draft Municipal Waste Management Strategy published

Contact / Organisation	Comment	Response / Action
		for consultation in 2008.
Judith Nelson, English Heritage	<p>The PPPs table should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • European landscape convention • Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 • AncientMonuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979 • The Historic Environment: a Force for Our Future (DCMS 2001) • Streets for All North West – a regional EH guide to the management of streets and public open spaces • Cheshire Historic Landscape Characterisation • Cheshire Historic Towns Survey, Warrington Borough. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Part 1: Archaeological Assessments. • Part 2 Archaeological Strategies. • Warrington Borough Historic Buildings and Conservation Strategy 	<p>It is not considered appropriate to some of these documents and pieces of legislation to the table in Appendix 1 as these set out process and do not include objectives, targets and indicators that can feed into the SA process.</p> <p>A number of the remaining documents have been added to the PPP review where considered appropriate.</p> <p>Other documents have been considered as part of the evidence base.</p>
John Litt, NWDA	Welcome and support the inclusion of the 2006 Regional Economic Strategy (RES) and Strategy for Tourism in England's Northwest in the list of relevant policies plans and programmes in Table 4.	Support noted.
John Litt, NWDA	The Northern Way Growth Strategy was jointly produced by the three northern RDSs rather than ODPM. It is a pan-regional, rather than a national strategy.	Appendix 1 has been amended accordingly.
John Litt, NWDA	Welcome and support the acknowledgement in Appendix 1 that LDF documents should seek to strengthen the north's economy by promoting sustainable economic development.	Support noted
John Litt, NWDA	Appendix 1 indicates that the Area Action Plan policies and proposals should seek to strengthen and add to the region's economy by promoting sustainable economic development. Whilst we agree, we see no reason for this to refer exclusively to Area Action Plans; we suggest it is amended to refer to "Policies and proposals in Development Plan Documents should seek to....."	The RES and RHS final columns in Appendix 1 have been amended accordingly.

Contact / Organisation	Comment	Response / Action
Chris Waring, Environment Agency	The Report appears to consider the key plans, policies and programmes which are of interest to the Agency.	Comment noted.
Mark Floyd, Policy Advisor (Sustainability), Warrington Borough Council	Pleased to note that you refer to the NWRA Integrated Appraisal Toolkit. There is now an online version of the toolkit available.	Comment noted - links to the on-line toolkit have been added.
Janet Belfield, Natural England	The Core Strategy refers to the Habitats Directive, but needs to include a reference to protected species as well as designated sites.	A reference to protected species has been added.
Janet Belfield, Natural England	Should include under sub-regional plans and programmes: the North West Regional Biodiversity Strategy, Countdown – the Local Biodiversity Action Plan for the Cheshire region and the Cheshire Local Geodiversity Action Plan. Should also include a reference to the Accessible Natural Greenspace Standards produced by English Nature.	The Cheshire Geodiversity document has been added. The higher level BAPs have not been added as the Warrington BAP is already included. The Greenspace standards produced as guidance by English Nature were not considered appropriate for inclusion.
Janet Belfield, Natural England	Should consider the inclusion of our publications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Planning Tomorrow’s Countryside”, The Countryside Agency 2000. • “Environmental Quality in Spatial Planning”, jointly published by The Countryside Agency, English Heritage, English Nature and the Environment Agency 2005. • “The Countryside In and Around Towns”, jointly published by the Countryside Agency and Groundwork. 	These documents are considered to be important guidance documents, but do not constitute plans, policies and programmes in that they do not contain objectives, targets and indicators that can feed into the SA process
Task A2 - Collecting Baseline Information		
John Earle, Head of Service - Regeneration & Development	Para 3.3.1 states that Omega is "underway" - this is not the case	Update on Omega situation re current planning permission

Contact / Organisation	Comment	Response / Action
Warrington Borough Council		
Judith Nelson, English Heritage	Further Baseline information could come from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heritage Counts: www.heritagecounts.org.uk • National Monuments Record Centre: www.pastscape.org.uk • Images of England – photos of listed buildings alongside the statutory list description: www.imagesofengland.org.uk • HELM: www.helm.org.uk • Magic website: www.magic.gov.uk • Listed buildings on line: www.lbonline.english-heritage.org.uk • EH Buildings at Risk Register: www.english-heritage.org.uk/server/show/nav.1424 • County Historic Environment Records / Sites and Monuments Record • County Historic Landscape Characterisation • Urban Surveys – HER / SMR or English Heritage: www.english-heritage.org.uk/server/show/nav.1294 • Archaeological Data Service (ADS): www.ads.ahds.ac.uk • National Mapping Programme Aerial Photographs: www.english-heritage.org.uk/nmr • Local Authority Buildings at risk for Grade II listed buildings, Buildings of local historic / architectural interest, Conservation Area Appraisals, other characterisation initiatives, local lists. • National and Regional skills report: www.helm.or.uk/server/show/ConWebDoc.4625 • Resident Satisfaction Surveys • Quality of Life Assessment: www.countryside.gov.uk/LAR/Landscape/Quality/index.asp • Countryside Quality Counts: www.countryside-quality-counts.org.uk 	Where appropriate these links have been fed into the baseline information. This information may not be reflected in the baseline information table, but additional text has been added to the main document to explain the broad range of sources of information that have been considered.
Judith Nelson, English Heritage	English Heritage's annual series of national and regional reports – <i>Heritage Counts: State of the Historic Environment</i> includes a suite of indicators for monitoring the extent, size and quality of the assets that comprise the historic environment.	The document sets out useful national and some regional context - it does not provide information at a local level, although some indicators have been reproduced in the baseline table.
Judith Nelson, English Heritage	Indicators shown in Appendix 2 for "10. Protect places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value" are supported.	Support noted

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Judith Nelson, English Heritage	Indicators shown in Appendix 2 could be supplemented by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Condition information from the EH Buildings at Risk register (Warrington has 4 entries) Information from local BAR surveys Information from BVPI 219 relating to conservation area appraisals 	The baseline information table has been amended to reflect these indicators.
John Litt, NWDA	Paragraph 3.3.2 should be amended to reflect the fact that in the absence of the LDF employment sites would come forward in an ad hoc and unplanned way through decisions on individual planning applications and appeals with no guarantee that the resulting level of provision would be appropriate.	The paragraph (now para 3.4) sets out what will happen if the LDF is not brought forward. This reflects the current policy approach as set out in the adopted UDP where a certain level of employment provision is planned. The paragraph has been amended to reflect this.
Chris Waring, Environment Agency	The Agency fully supports the council in producing a Strategic Flood Risk Assessment for the Borough to address flood risk issues.	Support noted.
Chris Waring, Environment Agency	Objective 16 considers the SAP rating of LA dwellings but does not include other types of development. A useful indicator for this objective may be BREEAM ratings. These will be available for new build and retrofit homes as well as commercial developments. BREEAM ratings are also available for offices, retail and industrial premises as well as schools and health buildings.	An indicator illustrating this point has been investigated. The aggregated ratings are not easy to obtain and have therefore not been included at this time.
David Hardman, United Utilities	United Utilities can provide per capita use of potable water, however we can only supply regional or national data.	Information noted. The baseline table sets out data specific for the Warrington area, therefore it is not considered appropriate to include this at this time.
Janet Belfield, Natural England	Further information and / or indicators that are available in relation to our environmental interests include:	The report has now been amended to

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Protected landscapes – boundaries of National Parks, Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONBs) and the location of Heritage Coasts; Mapped access land; State of the Countryside ; and Countryside Quality Counts, including the boundaries of character areas. <p>These may provide useful data sources in relation to SA Objectives. You could include information on the lengths of public rights of way and if appropriate, land mapped for access by the public within the borough for Objective 9. Details of mapped access land is available online at: http://www.countrysideaccess.gov.uk</p>	refer to the Borough Portrait and more qualitative sources of information that could not be reflected in the baseline evidence table.
Janet Belfield, Natural England	It would be helpful if the text could refer to the Landscape Character volume for NW England and include a few sentences from the volume, setting out the main features of the character areas relevant to Warrington.	A reference has been added.
Task A3 - Identifying Sustainability Issues and Problems		
John Earle, Head of Service - Regeneration & Development Warrington Borough Council	The Table that sets out the Key Sustainability Issues should be checked against the Corporate Plan and LAA and tied in closely for consistency.	Table 6: The Key Sustainability Issues has been amended to ensure consistency with the Corporate Plan and the LAA signed in 2008.
Judith Nelson, English Heritage	Table 6 does not identify any issues relating to the historic environment. It is not clear whether this is because there are none or whether it has not been addressed.	Table 6: The Key Sustainability Issues have been amended accordingly
John Litt, NWDA	The list of Key Sustainability Issues in Table 6 is heavily weighted towards social and environmental, as opposed to economic issues, with no explicit recognition of the need to promote sustainable economic growth. The RES vision specifically looks to fully develop growth opportunities around Warrington, Chester, Crewe, Lancaster and Carlisle. Action 55 aims to capitalise on ongoing private sector investment around these towns and cities. This is one of the “transformational” actions which are seen as priorities for achieving the outcomes in the RES vision. For consistency with the UK Sustainable Development Strategy, the Northern Way and the Regional Economic Strategy, we therefore suggest that “continue to promote sustainable economic growth” is added to Table 6.	Table 6: The Key Sustainability Issues have been amended accordingly

Contact / Organisation	Comment	Response / Action
John Litt, NWDA	SA Objective 2 recognises the need to improve education and skills but this is not recognised as an issue in Table 6. We suggest that improving education and skills should be included as an additional economic issue in Table 6.	Table 6: The Key Sustainability Issues has been amended accordingly.
David Hardman, United Utilities	Potable water demand management by building design should be added to the key sustainability issues.	Table 6: Key Sustainability Issues will be amended to reflect the more general issue of resource management.
Sandra Barker, Culcheth and Glazebury Parish Council	The effect of climate change in the Borough in the short and long term should be considered as a separate issue, rather than being part of others. Not only should the direct physical effect be considered but also the indirect effect on economics and land use from changes elsewhere.	The issue of climate change is considered to be of wider than borough importance. Although measures to limit and adapt to climate change will be incorporated into LDF documents (though the PPPs review - now added as a specific key issue) it is not considered appropriate to include it as a separate issue in Table 6.
Mark Floyd, Policy Advisor (Sustainability), Warrington Borough Council	One of the key issues that i have picked up is the extent to how vulnerable we are as a borough to flood risk. I would suggest that this needs to be looked at in more detail as the process moves forward.	There issues of flood risk is included in Table 6: Key Sustainability Issues. A Strategic Flood Risk Assessment of the borough has been completed which will help to ensure that this issue is fully considered as part of the SA / SEA process.
Mark Floyd, Policy Advisor (Sustainability), Warrington	Should equality and diversity issues be highlighted more?	Table 6: The Key Sustainability Issues includes a number of issues that relate to social

Contact / Organisation	Comment	Response / Action
Borough Council		inclusion: pockets of unemployment, health deprivation, education skills and training deprivation as well as multiple deprivation, which LDF documents will have to address.
Janet Belfield, Natural England	"Environmental Quality in Spatial Planning" 2005 sets out some environmental issues for consideration in SEA / SA.	This document has been reviewed and relevant considerations included within the revised scoping report.
Task A4 - Developing the Sustainability Appraisal Framework		
Judith Nelson, English Heritage	Sustainability Objective 10 is supported in general terms, but should be expanded to include enhancement.	Objective 10 (new objective 11) has been amended to reflect this.
Judith Nelson, English Heritage	Sustainability Objective 11 is supported in general terms but could be expanded to include "maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place" to give greater clarity.	Objective 11 (new objective 12) has been amended to reflect this.
Judith Nelson, English Heritage	Consideration should be given to objectives covering: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The protection, management and, where necessary, improvement of local environmental quality; and • The achievement of high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm sensitive to the locality. 	The suggested objectives are reflected in new objectives 14 and 19.
Judith Nelson, English Heritage	Planning authorities may choose to include more detailed decision making criteria and related indicators in their SA framework. A list of environment objectives are suggested.	The more detailed objectives listed will be useful when assessing the sustainability of proposals / options. It is felt that they are too detailed and numerous to include within the scoping report and SA framework.
John Litt, NWDA	In Appendix 3, Objective 1 refers to the delivery of urban renaissance and rural regeneration by strengthening the local economy and ensuring sustainable economic growth. Whilst economic growth is important in its own right, and	The difference between regeneration and economic growth is

Contact / Organisation	Comment	Response / Action
	deserves to be recognised as such, successful urban regeneration requires a comprehensive approach across a much broader range of issues. We therefore suggest that the regeneration and economic growth aspects of this objective are treated as separate objectives.	noted. Objective 1 has been amended to reflect this.
John Litt, NWDA	We suggest that SA Objective 4 is revised to read "REduce the need to travel, <u>especially by car</u> , and improve choice and use of more sustainable modes.	Objective 4 (new objective 4) has been amended to reflect this.
Chris Waring, Environment Agency	It is not clear from the document which targets and indicators will be used to assess the objectives. I presume it will be those listed in Appendix 2 with the baseline information. The report would be easier to read if the objectives were tabulated with their relevant targets and indicators.	Appendix 2 lists the targets and indicators under the specific objective they are intended to measure. The text within the report has been amended to reflect this.
Chris Waring, Environment Agency	<p>Whilst the report recognises water quality as an issue, there is no mention of water quantity. The suggested objectives to not include conservation of water resources or promote the use of Sustainable Drainage Systems. SuDS have a multi-purpose role including limiting the rate of surface water run-off to reduce flooding, reducing the risk of pollution and contributing to groundwater recharge. An RSS SA objective is also to ensure the prudent use of natural resources and the sustainable management of existing resources.</p> <p>The issue is likely to fall within objective 15 of the proposed objectives and I would therefore like to suggest a sub-objective:</p> <p><i>To promote sustainable drainage and water conservation.</i></p> <p>Suitable indicators could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proportion of new development incorporating sustainable drainage system and • The water consumption figures for such development. 	New objective 16 has been amended to reflect this.
Chris Waring, Environment Agency	In the wording of objective 13, you may wish to use the term "controlled waters" rather than "inland waters". Controlled waters are defined in Section 104 of the Water Resources Act 1991, and include all inland freshwater and groundwater as well as territorial and coastal waters.	Objective 13 (new objective 14) has been amended to reflect this.
David Hardman, United Utilities	Potable water demand management by building design should be added to the objectives.	New objective 19 makes reference to the general issue of sustainable building design.

Contact / Organisation	Comment	Response / Action
Janet Belfield, Natural England	Objective 9 should read "Protect and enhance accessibility" rather than "improve accessibility". It should also include access to countryside. Would this objective also include the provision of green infrastructure?	Objective 9 (new objective 10) has been amended to reflect this.
Janet Belfield, Natural England	Objective 11 should include protection and enhancement of the wider countryside in addition to character of places, local landscapes and townscapes.	Objective 11 (new objective 12) has been amended to reflect this.
Janet Belfield, Natural England	There is a need to provide access to recreation facilities, open space and countryside. The issue regarding recreation provision and open space should include action for the provision of new facilities or access to countryside and conservation and enhancement of existing facilities and access to the countryside.	New objective 10 has been amended to reflect this.

3.2 Below is a list of actions arising from the 2009 Scoping Report consultation along with an associated response:

Action	Complete
Northern Way authors should be NWDA, One North East and Yorkshire Forward not ODPM	Noted - any future references should be correct
Table 6 section 4 – 5 th heading should be “environmental” not “economic”	Noted – the table has been amended
Check RSS entry in PPPs – Regional Planning Body should be 4NW not NWRA	Noted – any future references should be correct
PPPs: Include new Regional Housing Strategy published by 4NW at the end of March 2009	Noted – any future references should be correct
PPPs: Delete Action for Sustainability – Regional Sustainable Development Framework (2005)	Noted – any future references should be deleted
PPPs: Include emerging RS2010	Noted – given this document has now been abandoned, the document will not make any future reference
PPPs: Include NW Best Practice Design Guide (May 2006) and NW Green Infrastructure Guide	Noted – any future references should be correct
Make reference to biodiversity duty and add guidance to PPPs (available on Defra website)	Noted – any future references should be correct
PPPs: Include: PPS9 Good Practice Guidance Biodiversity Indicators Accessible natural Green space standards	Noted – any future references should be correct

Action	Complete
<p>Rising to the Challenge – climate change action plan for the NW</p> <p>Warrington Climate Change strategy</p> <p>Warrington SFRA</p>	
<p>Add into table 6 – key sustainability issues identified:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geodiversity • Conserve and enhance landscape (and townscape) character and quality • Conserve and enhance opportunities for public access to countryside • Adopt a strategic approach to the provision of GI • Ensure natural environment can adapt / mitigate effects of climate change 	Noted – the table has been amended where considered appropriate.
<p>Add definition of landscape to glossary: “an area, as perceived by people, whose character is the result of the action and interaction of natural and / or human factors”</p>	Noted – definition of landscape to be added to Core Strategy Glossary.
<p>Revise titles for sections 1.20 – 1.25 to read “Habitat Regulations Assessment” rather than Appropriate Assessment</p> <p>**Make reference to biodiversity duty in HRA</p>	Noted – the Scoping Report will not be re-issued, but future references should be correct
<p>Objectives:</p> <p>6 – include “sustainable” alongside good quality, affordable housing</p> <p>10 – include “protect” alongside provide and enhance</p> <p>15 – add “mitigate” to impacts of climate change</p> <p>19 – use “appropriate” instead of “sensitive”</p> <p>13 – make reference to geodiversity</p>	Objectives have been amended accordingly.
<p>Indicators – consider adding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of landscape character assessment • Links to biodiversity action plan • Sustainable design standards and SuDS • Use of accessible natural green space standards for Green Space (ANGST) • Quality, accessibility and length of PRoW • Installation of micro-generation renewable energy technologies 	Noted – monitoring framework has been amended where considered appropriate.

Action	Complete
<p>Table 5.6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • objective 5 should tick environment as well as social • objective 11 should tick economic as well as environmental 	<p>Noted – the Scoping Report will not be re-issued, but future references should be correct</p>

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Initial Objectives

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Where is Warrington

Initial Objectives

Initial thoughts: What does the document aim to achieve in spatial planning terms?

W1. To maintain a forward supply of land in sustainable locations that will be attractive to the market and will bring benefits to their host communities whilst:

- Meeting the borough's need for housing, including family housing and affordable housing
- renewing and regenerating the older areas of the town
- supporting investment in jobs and services in the town centre, and
- supporting growth in the local and sub-regional economy.

W2. To deliver employment land to foster the sustainable growth of the local economy and support recovery.

W3. To promote the development of the town centre as a transport hub for the borough and the wider region.

W4. To identify, conserve, diversify and where appropriate extend the existing multi-functional network of green infrastructure in the urban and rural areas of the borough.

W5. To maintain the permanence of the Green belt in the borough and protect it from inappropriate development.

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Need to test these against the suggested SA Framework objectives:

	W1. To maintain a forward supply of land in sustainable locations that will be attractive to the market and will bring benefits to their host communities	W2. To deliver employment land to foster the sustainable growth of the local economy and support recovery.	W3. To promote the development of the town centre as a transport hub for the borough and the wider region.	W4. To identify, conserve, diversify and where appropriate extend the existing multi-functional network of green infrastructure in the urban and rural areas of the borough.	W5. To maintain the permanence of the Green belt in the borough and protect it from inappropriate development.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	++	++	+	
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall					
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	++	+	+	+	
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	?	?	++	+	+
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+			+	
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	++				
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	+				
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare					
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities			+	+	
10. Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside			+	+	+
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value					
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place				+	+
13. Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity				+	
14. Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding				+	+
15. Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	+	+	+	
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	+		+	+
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy					
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling					
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality					

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Issues to Consider

- SPD objectives W1 and W2 overlap in respect of issues related to the local economy. In order to clarify the objectives the local economy issues should be deleted from objective W1 and objective W2 should be amended to include those local economy issues currently covered in W1.
- Directing growth to sustainable locations through objectives W1 and W2 should ensure a reduction in the need to travel by private car at a local level (SA Framework objective 4). However, these objectives will need to be supported by other initiatives/objectives to improve the choice and use of more sustainable modes of transport in order to maximise the benefits at a sub-regional level.
- The importance of climate change issues are not addressed in these core objectives. This is still an important issue national as well as at a local level despite the current economic situation. Include a new SPD objective on mitigating and adapting to climate change, through the provision of sustainable development, including increasing the use of energy from renewable sources.

Amended Objectives

Therefore an amended set of Core Strategy Objectives is:

W1. To maintain a forward supply of land in sustainable locations that will be attractive to the market and will bring benefits to their host communities whilst:

- Meeting the borough's need for housing, including family housing and affordable housing,
- renewing and regenerating the older areas of the town, and
- supporting investment in jobs and services in the town centre.

W2. To deliver employment land to foster the sustainable growth of the local and sub-regional economies and support recovery.

W3. To promote the development of the town centre as a transport hub for the borough and the wider region.

W4. To identify, conserve, diversify and where appropriate extend the existing multi-functional network of green infrastructure in the urban and rural areas of the borough.

W5. To maintain the permanence of the Green belt in the borough and protect it from inappropriate development.

W6. To mitigating and adapt to climate change, including increasing the use of energy from renewable sources.

Actions:

- When considering sustainability issues ensure that initiatives/objectives to improve the choice and use of more sustainable modes of transport are taken into consideration.

Post Internal Refinement

Post the internal refinement of the objectives through the process of strategy review, it was concluded that the majority of strategic objectives needed further redrafting to ensure that they constituted more precise and clear guiding principles, as a means to achieve the strategic vision. This process also facilitated a more logical re-ordering and hence re-numbering of the objectives. The revised objectives to emerge from this process are set out below:

W1. To secure the regeneration and renewal of the older areas of the town, strengthen existing neighbourhoods and make the most efficient use of infrastructure, ensuring development brings benefits to their host communities whilst:

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- delivering a minimum of 10,500 new homes (equating to 500 per year) between 2006 and 2027, and
- supporting growth in the local and sub-regional economy by providing 277 Hectares of employment land between 2006 and 2027.

W2. To maintain the permanence of the Green belt in the borough and protect it from inappropriate development.

W3. To strengthen the role of Warrington Town Centre as an employment, retail, leisure and cultural destination as well as a transport hub for the borough and the wider region.

W4. To be as accessible as possible whilst reducing the need to travel and providing opportunities to move people and goods by non-car modes.

W5. To secure high quality design which reinforces local distinctiveness and protects, enhances and embraces the borough's built and natural assets.

W6. To minimise the impact of development on the environment through the prudent use of resources and ensuring development is energy efficient, safe and resilient to climate change.

These revised objectives were then subject to an SA as below.

	W1. To secure the regeneration and renewal of the older areas of the town, strengthen existing neighbourhoods and make the most efficient use of infrastructure, ensuring development brings benefits to their host communities whilst: delivering 10,500 new homes , and 277 hectares of employment land.	W2To maintain the permanence of the Green Belt in the borough and protect it from inappropriate development.	W3. To strengthen the role of Warrington Town Centre as an employment, retail, leisure and cultural destination as well as a transport hub for the borough and the wider region.	W4. To be as accessible as possible whilst reducing the need to travel and providing opportunities to move people and goods by non-car modes.	W5. To secure high quality design which reinforces local distinctiveness and protects, enhances and embraces the borough's built and natural assets.	W6. To minimise the impact of development on the environment through the prudent use of resources and ensuring development is energy efficient, safe and resilient to climate change.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++		++	+	+	
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall						
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+		+	+		
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	+	+	++		
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities				+		
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	+				+	+
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	+				+	
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare						
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities			+	+		

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10.	Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside		++				
11.	Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value					+	
12.	Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place		++			+	
13.	Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity		+			+	+
14.	Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding		+			+	+
15.	Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change				+		+
16.	Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	+			+	+
17.	Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy					+	+
18.	Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling					+	
19.	Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality					+	+

Table 27

From the further SA – issues to consider:

- High quality design has been assumed to include design in its widest sense as defined in PPS1 (paragraphs 33 to 36). It therefore includes such issues as; make efficient use of resources; considering the direct and indirect impacts on the natural environment; ensuring that developments are sustainable, durable, adaptable (taking account of natural hazards such as flooding) and make efficient and prudent use of resources.

Concluded that there is no need to amend the Core Strategy Objectives any further.

Actions:

None.

Housing

Initial Objectives

Initial thoughts: What does the document aim to achieve in spatial planning terms?

H1. To deliver sufficient housing to support Warrington's aspirations for growth whilst respecting green belt boundaries and environmental limits.

H2. To ensure that at least 80% of housing development takes place on previously developed land.

H3. To manage the housing supply to prioritise developments that support the regeneration of the town centre and the older parts of the town.

H4. To ensure that from adoption and throughout the plan period, sufficient land is available for a deliverable rolling forward supply of at least 5 years, in sustainable locations.

H5. To demonstrate that a developable supply can be sustained for a period of at least a further 5 years and throughout the plan period and beyond, either by reference to specific sites or broad locations.

H6. To ensure that the identified supply of housing land is sufficiently flexible to respond to market changes and unforeseen circumstances.

H7. To set criteria for the release of additional sites for housing development where justified by:

- The need to "top up" the 5 year supply of housing land
- The need to supplement the supply of affordable homes
- The need to support regeneration activities
- Overwhelming community support for a proposal which meets the criteria for sustainable, high quality development.

H8. To provide a mix of both market and affordable housing in terms of type, tenure, size and price that delivers a better balance to the housing market across the borough in terms of matching supply to identified needs.

H9. To ensure that the location, size and type of affordable housing provides at least an equivalent standard of accommodation to housing available on the open market.

H10. To contribute to the overall supply of affordable housing in the borough through negotiations to secure planning obligations on qualifying housing developments, where viable, to complement initiatives in the Warrington Housing Strategy.

H11. To establish the level of need for criteria for sites to accommodate the Gypsy and Traveller and Travelling Showpeople communities that need to reside temporarily or permanently within the borough and set criteria for the identification of sites to meet need.

H12. To set criteria that will ensure the delivery of high quality housing that is well designed and built to a high standard.

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	H1. To deliver sufficient housing to support Warrington's aspirations for growth whilst respecting green belt boundaries and environmental limits.	H2. To ensure that at least 80% of housing development takes place on previously developed land.	H3. To manage the housing supply to prioritise developments that support the regeneration of the town centre and the older parts of the town.	H4. To ensure that from adoption and throughout the plan period, sufficient land is available for a deliverable rolling forward supply of at least 5 years, in sustainable locations.	H5. To demonstrate that a developable supply can be sustained for a period of at least a further 5 years and throughout the plan period and beyond, either by reference to specific sites or broad locations.	H6. To ensure that the identified supply of housing land is sufficiently flexible to respond to market changes and unforeseen circumstances.	H7. To set criteria for the release of additional sites for housing development where justified.	H8. To provide a mix of both market and affordable housing in terms of type, tenure, size & price that delivers a better balance to the housing market across the borough in terms of matching supply to identified needs.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	+	+	+	+	+		++
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall								
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion		■	+				?	++
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes		+	++	+			?	
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities			+					+
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	+			+	+		?	++
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime								
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare							?	+
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities			+				?	+
10. Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside	+	+					?	
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value			+				?	
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place		++	+				?	

13.	Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity	+	+	+						?	
14.	Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	+								?	
15.	Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	+							?	
16.	Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	++							?	
17.	Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy									?	
18.	Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling										
19.	Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality										

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Need to test these against the suggested SA Framework objectives:

	H9. To ensure that the location, size & type of affordable housing provides at least an equivalent standard of accommodation to housing available on the open market.	H10. To contribute to the overall supply of affordable housing in the borough through negotiations to secure planning obligations on qualifying housing developments, where viable, to complement initiatives in the Warrington Housing Strategy.	H11. To establish the level of need for criteria for sites to accommodate the Gypsy and Traveller and Travelling Showpeople communities that need to reside temporarily or permanently within the borough and set criteria for the identification of sites to meet need.	H12. To set criteria that will ensure the delivery of high quality housing that is well designed and built to a high standard.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	+		+
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall			++	
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	++	+	++	+
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+		+	
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+	+	++	+
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	++	++	+	+
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	+		+	++
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare			+	
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	+	+		+
10. Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside				+
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value				+
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+		?	++
13. Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity			?	+
14. Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding				+
15. Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+			++
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation				+
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	+			++
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling				+
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality	+			++

Table 29

Issues to Consider

- CS objectives H4 and H5 have similar outcomes and are essentially trying to achieve the same thing. Therefore they could be amalgamated to form a single objective.
- CS objective H7 requires criteria to be set to guide the release of additional housing sites should these be required to address specific circumstances. As drafted however, and specifically owing to the inclusion of the final bullet point, the objective strays into the territory of actually beginning to set criteria or exceptions to any criteria. The objective should therefore be amended to omit the final bullet point and would also benefit from being more explicit with regards to its purpose being to 'guide' the release of additional sites. Finally the objective should also be amended to make clear that the circumstances listed are merely examples as opposed to constituting an exhaustive list.
- CS objectives H8 and H10 have similar outcomes and are essentially trying to achieve the same thing. Therefore they could be amalgamated to form a single objective.
- CS Objective H11 should have originally read as *"To establish the level of need for criteria* for sites to accommodate the Gypsy and Traveller and Travelling Showpeople communities that need to reside temporarily or permanently within the borough and set criteria for the identification of sites to meet need". The objective has therefore been amended to address this oversight.
- CS objective H7 could have a positive impact on several SA Framework objectives (3, 4 and 8 to 16) but it would depend on the criteria that were set. When setting the criteria for the release of additional sites for housing development where it is justified the aim should be to seek to maximise the benefits that could be achieved.
- CS objective H11, in itself will not deliver the provision that is required. However, setting criteria to identify sites will support a number of SA Framework objectives (2 to 8) and could support further SA Framework objectives (12 and 13) dependant up on the criteria that are set.
- CS objective H12, in itself will not deliver the provision that is required. However, setting criteria to ensure the delivery of high quality housing that is well designed and built to a high standard will support the majority of the SA Framework objectives.

Amended Objectives

Therefore an amended set of Core Strategy Objectives is:

H1. To deliver sufficient housing to support Warrington's aspirations for growth whilst respecting green belt boundaries and environmental limits.

H2. To ensure that at least 80% of housing development takes place on previously developed land.

H3. To manage the housing supply to prioritise developments that support the regeneration of the town centre and the older parts of the town.

H4. To ensure that from adoption and throughout the plan period, sufficient land is available, through reference to specific sites, for a deliverable rolling forward supply of at least 5 years and beyond this a developable forward supply of at least a further 5 years.

H5. To ensure that the identified supply of housing land is sufficiently flexible to respond to market changes and unforeseen circumstances.

H6. To set criteria to guide the release of additional sites for housing development where justified by reasons which may include:

- The need to ensure a rolling 5 year supply of housing land
- The need to supplement the supply of affordable homes
- The need to support regeneration initiatives

H7. To provide a mix of housing in terms of type, size and tenure to deliver a better balance to the housing market across the Borough in terms of matching supply to identified needs, securing planning obligations on qualifying housing developments, where viable, to boost the supply of affordable homes within the Borough.

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H8. To ensure that the location, size and type of affordable housing provides at least an equivalent standard of accommodation to housing available on the open market.

H9. To establish the level of need for sites to accommodate the Gypsy and Traveller and Travelling Showpeople communities that need to reside temporarily or permanently within the borough and set criteria for the identification of sites to meet need.

H10. To set criteria that will ensure the delivery of high quality housing that is well designed and built to a high standard.

Actions:

- Ensure that when setting the criteria for the release of additional sites for housing development, where it is justified (new CS objective H6) the benefits in terms of the SA Framework objectives are maximised.
- Ensure that when setting the criteria for the identification of sites to accommodate Gypsy and Traveller and Travelling Showpeople (new CS objective H9) the benefits in terms of the SA Framework objectives are maximised.
- Ensure that when setting the criteria for the delivery of quality housing (new CS objective H10) the benefits in terms of the SA Framework objectives are maximised.

The Economy

Initial Objectives

Initial thoughts: What does the DPD aim to achieve in spatial planning terms?

E1. To identify sufficient land in attractive, accessible and sustainable locations to meet demand for economic development over the period 2003 - 2026.

E2. To give priority to previously developed land, taking into account the need to review current levels of provision and opportunities to re-allocate any surplus land to other uses.

E3. In assessing and making provision for employment land, to take account of the need to:

- provide for the different locational requirements of business, including size of site, site quality, access and proximity to markets, as well as an accessible workforce
- identify locations in or on the edge of Warrington Town Centre as sites for larger B1 office developments, while recognising that market demand will influence office location
- identify locations for uses generating substantial freight movements that avoid congestion and preserve local amenity interests and give access to rail or water where feasible.

E4. Ensure economic development, regardless of location:

- is of high quality and inclusive design that improves the character and quality of the area and the way it functions
- addresses the challenges posed by climate change and pressures on the built and natural environment
- delivers attractive and healthy working environments, for example through the provision of open space and landscaping, pedestrian access and safe cycle parking and where appropriate through facilities such as health care, child care, shopping and leisure.

E5. Reduce unemployment and inequalities in the borough through developing a qualified and skilled workforce and locating employment opportunities in locations which are accessible by public transport.

E6. Enhance the tourism offer within the borough, through increasing and diversifying attractions where appropriate and providing for longer visitor stays.

E7. To support agriculture and the diversification of the rural economy for business and leisure uses which are consistent in their scale and their environmental impact with their rural location.

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	E1.To identify sufficient land in adequate , accessible and sustainable locations to meet demand for economic development over the period 2003 - 2026.	E2.To give priority to previously developed land, taking into account the need to review current levels of provision & opportunities to re-allocate any surplus land to other uses.	E3.In assessing and making provision for employment land, to take account of the need to meet three main criteria.	E4.Ensure economic development, regardless of location, meets three main criteria.	E5.Reduce unemployment and inequalities in the borough through developing a qualified and skilled workforce and locating employment opportunities in locations which are accessible by public transport.	E6.Enhance the tourism offer within the borough, through increasing and diversifying attractions where appropriate and providing for longer visitor stays.	E7. To support agriculture and the diversification of the rural economy for business and leisure uses which are consistent in their scale and their environmental impact with their rural location.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	++	++	+	++	+	++
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	+	+	+	+	++	?	+
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	++	++	+	+	++	?	+
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	+	+	+	++	?	+
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing							
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime				+	+		
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare			+	+	+	+	
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities				++	+		
10. Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside				+		+	++
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value			+	+		?	
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place			+	++		+	+
13. Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity				+		?	?
14. Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding				+		?	?
15. Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change				++	+	?	?
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	+		++	+	?	?
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy				+		?	?

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18.	Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling				++		?	?
19.	Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality				++		?	+

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Issues to Consider

From the exercise & review of PPPs and CS objectives – issues to consider:

- CS objectives E1 and E2 have similar outcomes and therefore could be amalgamated to form a single objective because they are dealing with general requirements for the provision of sufficient employment land and how this land should be directed towards previously developed land.
- CS objective E3 also shares some similar outcomes with objectives E1 and E2 but is primarily seeking to address the specific need of particular types of employment developments. Therefore, it is suggested to remove the locational requirements in objective E1 as these are essentially included in E3 and reword objective E3 slightly to include references to the locational requirements currently referred to in E1.
- CS objective E6 and E7 identified a number of positive links with several SA Framework objectives but also a number of question/potential links which would be dependent upon a particular scheme(s) being implemented.

Amended Objectives

To identify sufficient land in attractive, accessible and sustainable locations and to give priority to previously developed land, taking into account the need to review current levels of provision and opportunities to re-allocate any surplus land to other uses when identify sufficient land to meet demand for economic development over the period 2003 - 2026.

E2. In assessing and making provision for employment land, to take account of the need to:

- provide for the different locational requirements of business, including size of site, site quality (attractiveness), accessibility to markets and workforce in sustainable locations.
- identify locations in or on the edge of Warrington Town Centre as sites for larger B1 office developments, while recognising that market demand will influence office location
- identify locations for uses generating substantial freight movements that avoid congestion and preserve local amenity interests and give access to rail or water where feasible.

E3. Ensure economic development, regardless of location:

- is of high quality and inclusive design that improves the character and quality of the area and the way it functions
- addresses the challenges posed by climate change and pressures on the built and natural environment
- delivers attractive and healthy working environments, for example through the provision of open space and landscaping, pedestrian access and safe cycle parking and where appropriate through facilities such as health care, child care, shopping and leisure.

E4. Reduce unemployment and inequalities in the borough through developing a qualified and skilled workforce and locating employment opportunities in locations which are accessible by public transport.

E5. Enhance the tourism offer within the borough, through increasing and diversifying attractions where appropriate and providing for longer visitor stays.

E6. To support agriculture and the diversification of the rural economy for business and leisure uses which are consistent in their scale and their environmental impact with their rural location.

Actions:

- Ensure that when considering where is appropriate to enhance tourism attractions in the borough and support agriculture and the diversification of the rural economy (new CS objectives E5 and E6) that the SA Framework objectives identified are taken into consideration in order to avoid any negative outcomes.

Sustainability and Climate Change

Initial Objectives

Initial thoughts: What does the document aim to achieve in spatial planning terms?

S1. To reduce emissions of greenhouse gases and the borough's carbon footprint by:

- Encouraging the use of less energy for transport and in our homes and businesses
- Using energy more efficiently
- Generating more energy from renewable and low carbon sources.

S2. To secure a proportion of the energy supply of new developments from decentralised and renewable or low carbon sources.

S3. To require that all new development tackles the threat of climate change and is capable of adapting to its effects.

S4. To mitigate and adapt to all flood risks in the borough, particularly at key locations in the urban sections of the Mersey floodplain through the location and design of development and the sustainable use, storage and disposal of water.

S5. To ensure that potential environmental problems arising from the impacts of new development are avoided by adopting appropriate policies to safeguard and ensure prudent use of resources including, land, air, water, biodiversity and heritage.

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4.1 Need to test these against the suggested SA Framework objectives:

	S1. To reduce emissions of greenhouse gases and the borough's carbon footprint.	S2. To secure a proportion of the energy supply of new developments from decentralised and renewable or low carbon sources.	S3. To require that all new development tackles the threat of climate change and is capable of adapting to its effects.	S4. To mitigate and adapt to all flood risks in the borough, particularly at key locations in the urban sections of the Mersey floodplain through the location and design of development and the sustainable use, storage and disposal of water.	S5. To ensure that potential environmental problems arising from the impacts of new development are avoided by adopting appropriate policies to safeguard and ensure prudent use of resources including, land, air, water, biodiversity and heritage.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	?	?	?	?	?
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall					
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion		?	+		
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++		+		+
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+				
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	+	++	+		+
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime					
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare					
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities					
10. Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside	+			+	+
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value					+
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	?		+	+
13. Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity	+	+	+	+	+
14. Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	+	+	+	++	+
15. Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change	++	++	++	++	++
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	+	+	++	++
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	++	++	+	+	+
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	+		+	+	+
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality			+		

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Issues to Consider

From the exercise & review of PPPs and CS objectives – issues to consider:

- Whilst the CS objectives will ensure that any growth is sustainable it is not clear if they would strengthen the local economy (SA Framework objective 1).
- CS objective S2 will only help to reduce poverty, deprivation, social exclusion and ensure economic inclusion if all new development is required to secure a proportion of its energy supply from decentralised and renewable or low carbon sources. Amend wording of CS objective S2 to refer to “all” development.
- There is a danger that CS objective S2 could have a negative effect on SA Framework objective 12 by requiring renewable energy installations, some of which could have a detrimental impact on the quality and character of places. Therefore, the wording of CS Objective S2 needs to be altered to ensure that the requirement for the provision of renewable energy installations is balanced with landscape and townscape considerations.
- Whilst, CS objectives S4 and S5 have similar outcomes it is considered that it would not be appropriate to amalgamate them to form a single objective. Objective S4 deals specifically with flood risk, whilst objective S5 deals with other environmental problems. Flood risk is a high priority issue in Warrington due the proximity of the River Mersey in respect of the town centre and therefore it is considered appropriate to address this separately.

Amended Objectives

Therefore an amended set of Core Strategy Objectives is:

S1. To reduce emissions of greenhouse gases and the borough’s carbon footprint by:

- Encouraging the use of less energy for transport and in our homes and businesses
- Using energy more efficiently
- Generating more energy from renewable and low carbon sources.

S2. To secure a proportion of the energy supply of all new developments from decentralised and renewable or low carbon sources where appropriate.

S3. To require that all new development tackles the threat of climate change and is capable of adapting to its effects.

S4. To mitigate and adapt to all flood risks in the borough, particularly at key locations in the urban sections of the Mersey floodplain through the location and design of development and the sustainable use, storage and disposal of water.

S5. To ensure that potential environmental problems arising from the impacts of new development are avoided by adopting appropriate policies to safeguard and ensure prudent use of resources including, land, air, water, biodiversity and heritage.

Actions:

- None.

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Transport

Initial Objectives

Initial thoughts: What does the document aim to achieve in spatial planning terms?

- T1. To ensure new residential development is built in sustainable locations with walking, cycling and public transport access to health, education, leisure facilities and fresh food.
- T2. To maintain and enhance centres identified in the retail hierarchy throughout the borough as accessible, key locations for shops, services and community facilities.
- T3. To improve links between residential areas and areas of opportunity for employment and to provide more local employment opportunities within, or within easy reach of, the borough's areas of deprivation.
- T4. To ensure that any commuting into or out of the borough is as sustainable as possible, making best use of public transport including Strategic Park and Ride facilities and ensuring that transport hubs within the borough are linked to employment areas.
- T5. Increase the movement of freight by rail and water whilst ensuring that there is minimal detrimental effect as a result of increased swing bridge openings on the ManchesterShip Canal.
- T6. Encourage walking and cycling for both utility and recreation on existing routes by making roads and other routes safer, convenient and more enjoyable for walking and cycling and increasing the functionality of green infrastructure to facilitate walking and cycling where appropriate.
- T7. Ensure new and existing development such as employment and schools explore demand management measures as part of travel planning to reduce dependence on the private car and encourage alternative modes of travel.
- T8. Promote improvement schemes at Central Station and Bank Quay railway stations and improve linkages to them and local railway stations at Padgate, Birchwood, Sankey and Penketh, Glazebrook and potentially Chapelford by improving integration with bus services, and enhancing pedestrian approaches and accessibility and ensuring appropriate parking facilities.
- T9. To make key locations including WarringtonHospital more sustainable by ensuring that accessibility by public transport, cycling and walking, particularly from deprived areas, is assessed and improved.
- T10. Reduce the impacts of climate change and secure improvements to air quality within the borough through the sustainable location of development and reductions in congestion as a result of demand management measures and realistic alternatives to using the private car.

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Table

Need to test these against the suggested SA Framework objectives:

	T1.To ensure new residential development is built in sustainable locations with walking, cycling & public transport access to health, education, leisure facilities and fresh food.	T2. To maintain and enhance centres identified in the retail hierarchy throughout the borough as accessible, key locations for shops, services and community facilities.	T3. To improve links between residential areas and areas of opportunity for employment and to provide more local employment opportunities within or within easy reach of, the borough's areas of deprivation.	T4. To ensure that any commuting into or out of the borough is as sustainable as possible, making best use of public transport including Strategic Park & Ride facilities and ensuring that transport hubs within the borough are linked to employment areas.	T5. Increase the movement of freight by rail and water whilst ensuring that there is minimal detrimental effect as a result of increased swing bridge openings on the MSC.	T6. Encourage walking and cycling for both utility and recreation on existing routes by making roads and other routes safer, convenient and more enjoyable for walking and cycling and increasing the functionality of green infrastructure to facilitate walking and cycling where appropriate.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	++	+	+		
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	+	+				
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	?		+	+		
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++	+	+	++		++
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	++	+				++
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	?					
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime		+				
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare						
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	++	++	+			
10. Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside	+					++
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value						
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place		+				+
13. Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity	?	?	?	?	?	?
14. Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	+			+	+	+
15. Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change	++	+	+	++	++	++
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+				-	
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	?	?	?	?	?	?

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18.	Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling						
19.	Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality	+					+

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Need to test these against the suggested SA Framework objectives:

	T7. Ensure new and existing development such as employment and schools explore demand management measures as part of travel planning to reduce dependence on the private car and encourage alternative modes of travel.	T8. Promote improvement schemes at Central Station and Bank Quay railway stations and improve linkages to them and local railway stations at Padgate, Birchwood, Sankey and Penketh, Glazebrook and potentially Chapelford by improving integration with bus services, and enhancing pedestrian approaches and accessibility and ensuring appropriate parking facilities.	T9. To make key locations including Warrington Hospital more sustainable by ensuring that accessibility by public transport, cycling and walking, particularly from deprived areas, is assessed and improved.	T10. Reduce the impacts of climate change and secure improvements to air quality within the borough through the sustainable location of development and reductions in congestion as a result of demand management measures and realistic alternatives to using the private car.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth		+		
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall				
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion			+	
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++	++	++	++
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+	+	++	+
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing				
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime				
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	+		+	
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	+	++	++	
10. Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside				
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value				
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place		+		
13. Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity	?	?	?	?
14. Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	+	+	+	++
15. Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	+	+	++
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation				+
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	?	?	?	?
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling				
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality		+		

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Issues to Consider

From the exercise & review of PPPs and CS objectives – issues to consider:

- CS objective T1 potentially has links with SA Framework objectives 3 and 6 but this will depend on the provision of affordable housing. Whilst CS objective T1 implies that affordable housing would be built in sustainable locations it could be more explicitly stated by altering the wording of the objective slightly by inserting the word “all” after ensure.
- All of the CS objectives could indirectly have positive impacts on SA Framework objectives 13 and 17 if implemented, in that they are all aimed at reducing travel and/or changing modes of travel and therefore will help reduce air pollution and the amount of energy used.
- CS objective T5 has the potential to have a negative impact on water quality (SA Framework objective 16) due to increased shipping on the MSC. Alter wording objective T5 to ensure that there is no additional pollution.
- CS objectives TC7 and TC9 have similar outcomes and therefore could be amalgamated to form a single objective.

Amended Objectives

Therefore an amended set of Core Strategy Objectives is:

T1. To ensure all new residential development is built in sustainable locations with walking, cycling and public transport access to health, education, leisure facilities and fresh food.

T2. To maintain and enhance centres identified in the retail hierarchy throughout the borough as accessible, key locations for shops, services and community facilities.

T3. To improve links between residential areas and areas of opportunity for employment and to provide more local employment opportunities within or within easy reach of the borough’s areas of deprivation.

T4. To ensure that any commuting into or out of the borough is as sustainable as possible, making best use of public transport including Strategic Park and Ride facilities and ensuring that transport hubs within the borough are linked to employment areas.

T5. Increase the movement of freight by rail and water whilst ensuring that there is minimal detrimental effect on water quality, as well as limited detrimental impact on traffic movements as a result of increased swing bridge openings on the ManchesterShip Canal.

T6. Encourage walking and cycling for both utility and recreation on existing routes by making roads and other routes safer, convenient and more enjoyable for walking and cycling and increasing the functionality of green infrastructure to facilitate walking and cycling where appropriate.

T7. Ensure new large scale development and existing development at key locations such as Warrington Hospital and schools are as sustainable as possible and explore demand management measures as part of travel planning to reduce dependence on the private car and improving accessibility to alternative modes of travel, particularly from deprived areas.

T8. Promote improvement schemes at Central Station and Bank Quay railway stations and improve linkages to them and local railway stations at Padgate, Birchwood, Sankey and Penketh, Glazebrook and potentially Chapelford by improving integration with bus services, and enhancing pedestrian approaches and accessibility and ensuring appropriate parking facilities.

T9. Reduce the impacts of climate change and secure improvements to air quality within the borough through the sustainable location of development and reductions in congestion as a result of demand management measures and realistic alternatives to using the private car.

Actions:

- None

Warrington's Centres

Initial Objectives

Initial thoughts: What does the document aim to achieve in spatial planning terms?

WC1. To provide for retailing in the borough over the plan period 2011 - 2026.

WC2. To reduce the level of vacancies within the primary shopping area of the centre.

WC3. To make provision for a diverse range of town centre uses and developments, including offices, leisure, entertainment, food and drink and culture whilst not undermining the strength of the retail core.

WC4. To protect the town centre and other centres identified in the retail hierarchy from the harmful impacts of inappropriate retail development in edge-of-centre and out-of-centre locations.

WC5. To set guidelines for the level of additional provision that would be appropriate to the role, function and catchment of the other centres.

WC6. To set a framework for the preparation of masterplans/strategies relating to the improvement and management of identified District and Neighbourhood centres in the retail hierarchy and develop their roles as community hubs.

WC7. To promote and support the priority regeneration and renewal of Time Square and the Market area (The Bridge Street Quarter), ensuring that the Market is retained and improved.

WC8. To promote key "gateway" sites as opportunities to improve linkages with and support the image, vitality, role and function of Warrington Town Centre.

WC9. To identify other opportunities for regeneration and redevelopment in and around the town centre and provide a pro-active policy framework to attract investment to them in the medium to long term.

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Table

Need to test these against the suggested SA Framework objectives:

	WC1. To provide for retailing in the borough over the plan period 2011 - 2026.	WC2. To reduce the level of vacancies within the primary shopping area of the centre.	WC3. To make provision for a diverse range of town centre uses and develop including offices, leisure, entertainment food and drink and culture whilst not undermining the strength of the retail core.	WC4. To protect the town centre and other centres identified in the retail hierarchy from the harmful impacts of inappropriate retail development in existing & allocated locations	WC5. To set guidelines for the level of additional provision that would be appropriate to the role, function and catchment of the other centres.	WC6. To set a framework for the preparation of maps strategies relating to the improvement and management of identified District and Neighbourhood centres in the retail hierarchy and develop their roles as community hubs.	WC7. To provide and support the priority regain and renewal of The Bridge Street Quarter, ensuring that the Market is retained and improved
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	++	++	+	+	+	++
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall			+				
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion			+			+	+
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes		+	+	+		+	
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities						+	
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing							
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime		+	+	+		+	+
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare					+	+	+
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities		+		++	+	+	+
10. Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside			+			+	+
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value		+	+	+		+	+
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place		+	+	+		+	+
13. Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity							
14. Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding						+	?
15. Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change						+	?

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16.	Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation							+	?
17.	Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy							+	?
18.	Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling								
19.	Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality							+	?

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Need to test these against the suggested SA Framework objectives:

	WC8. To promote key "gateway" sites as opportunities to improve linkages with and support the image, vitality, role and function of Warrington Town Centre.	WC9. To identify other opportunities for regeneration and redevelopment in and around the town centre and provide a pro-active policy framework to attract investment to them in the medium to long term.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	++
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall		
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	+
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	+
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities		
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing		
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	+	+
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare		+
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	+	+
10. Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside		
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	+	+
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	+
13. Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity		
14. Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding		?
15. Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change		?
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation		?
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy		?
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling		
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality		?

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Issues to Consider

From the exercise & review of PPPs and CS objectives – issues to consider:

- CS objectives WC2 and WC4 have similar outcomes and therefore could be amalgamated to form a single objective.
- CS objective WC7 has identified a number of positive links with several SA Framework objectives. However, there is the potential for further positive links with additional SA Framework objectives (14 to 17 and 19) but it will be dependant upon a particular scheme(s) being implemented.
- CS objective WC9 has identified a number of positive links with several SA Framework objectives. However, there is the potential for further positive links with additional SA Framework objectives (14 to 17 and 19) but it will be dependant upon a particular scheme(s) being implemented.

Amended Objectives

Therefore an amended set of Core Strategy Objectives is:

WC1. To provide for retailing in the borough over the plan period 2011 - 2026.

WC2. To reduce the level of vacancies and protect the town centre and other centres identified in the retail hierarchy from the harmful impacts of inappropriate retail development in edge-of-centre and out-of-centre locations.

WC3. To make provision for a diverse range of town centre uses and developments, including offices, leisure, entertainment, food and drink and culture whilst not undermining the strength of the retail core.

WC4. To set guidelines for the level of additional provision that would be appropriate to the role, function and catchment of the other centres.

WC5. To set a framework for the preparation of masterplans/strategies relating to the improvement and management of identified District and Neighbourhood centres in the retail hierarchy and develop their roles as community hubs.

WC6. To promote and support the priority regeneration and renewal of Time Square and the Market area (The Bridge Street Quarter), ensuring that the Market is retained and improved.

WC7. To promote key “gateway” sites as opportunities to improve linkages with and support the image, vitality, role and function of Warrington Town Centre.

WC8. To identify other opportunities for regeneration and redevelopment in and around the town centre and provide a pro-active policy framework to attract investment to them in the medium to long term.

Actions:

- Ensure that climate change, sustainability (including design) and energy efficiency issues (SA Framework objectives 14 to 17 and 19) are taken into account when supporting and promoting the regeneration of the Bridge Street Quarter (new CS objective WC6).
- Ensure that climate change, sustainability (including design) and energy efficiency issues (SA Framework objectives 14 to 17 and 19) are taken into account when developing a policy framework for other identified opportunities for regeneration and redevelopment in and around the town centre (new CS objective WC8).

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	WC1. To provide for retailing in the borough over the plan period 2011 - 2026.	WC2. To reduce the level of vacancies and protect the town centre and other centres identified in the retail hierarchy from the harmful impacts of inappropriate retail development in edge/centre and out-of-centre locations.	WC3. To make provision for a diverse range of town centre uses and centres including offices, leisure, entertainment food and drink and culture whilst not undermining the strength of the retail core.	WC4. To set guidelines for the level of additional provision that would be appropriate to the role, function and catchment of the other centres.	WC5. To set a framework for the preparation of strategies relating to the improvement and management of identified District and Neighbourhood centres in the retail hierarchy and develop their roles as community hubs.	WC6. To provide and support the public realm and environment of The Square and the Market area (The Edge Street Quay) ensuring that the Market is vibrant and improved.	WC7. To promote key "gateway" sites as opportunities to improve linkages with and support the image, vitality, role and function of Warrington Town Centre.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	++	++	+	+	+	++
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall			+				
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion			+		+	+	+
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes		+	+		+		+
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities					+		
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing							
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime		+	+		+	+	+
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare				+	+	+	
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities		++	+	+	+	+	+
10. Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside					+	+	
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value		+	+		+	+	+
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscape and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place		+	+		+	+	+
13. Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity							
14. Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding					+	*	
15. Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change			+		+	*	
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation					+	*	

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17.	Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy					+	*
18.	Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling						
19.	Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality					+	*

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	WC8. To identify other opportunities for regeneration and redevelopment in and around the town centre and provide a pro-active policy framework to attract investment to them in the medium to long term.	
1.	Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++
2.	Improve the education and skills of the population overall	
3.	Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+
4.	Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+
5.	Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	
6.	Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	
7.	Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	+
8.	Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	+
9.	Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	+
10.	Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside	
11.	Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	+
12.	Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+
13.	Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity	
14.	Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	*
15.	Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change	*
16.	Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	*
17.	Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	*
18.	Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	
19.	Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality	*

Table 37

The * within the above table denotes that there may be a possible link between the Sustainability Appraisal objectives and the SPD objectives but this would depend on the implementation of a particular scheme.

Built Environment

Initial Objectives

Initial thoughts: What does the document aim to achieve in spatial planning terms?

BE1. To identify, conserve and where appropriate enhance the borough's historic assets and their settings, including:

- Listed Buildings and Structures
- Conservation Areas
- Buildings and Structures of Local Importance
- Scheduled Ancient Monuments
- Areas and Sites of Archaeological Significance

BE2. To ensure that the identified historic assets play their full part in the social, economic and environmental life of the Borough, for example by encouraging visitors to support the local economy and sustainably re-using and enhancing heritage assets as an inherent part of place shaping and regeneration.

BE3. To achieve the high quality, inclusive and sustainable design of buildings, places, spaces, sites and streets.

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Table

Need to test these against the suggested SA Framework objectives:

	BE1. To identify, conserve and where appropriate enhance the borough's historic assets and their settings.	BE2. To ensure that the identified historic assets play their full part in the social, economic and environmental life of the Borough, for example by encouraging visitors to support the local economy and sustainably re-using and enhancing heritage assets as an inherent part of place shaping and regeneration.	BE3. To achieve the high quality, inclusive and sustainable design of buildings, places, spaces, sites and streets.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	?	+	+
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall			
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion			
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes			
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities			
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing			
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime			+
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	+	+	
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities			
10. Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside			
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	++	++	+
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	++	+
13. Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity			
14. Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding			?
15. Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change			?
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation			?
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy			?
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling			?
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality	+	+	++

Table 38

Issues to Consider

From the exercise & review of PPPs and CS objectives – issues to consider:

- CS objectives BE1 and BE2 have similar outcomes and therefore could be amalgamated to form a single objective.
- Need to define what is meant by “high quality, inclusive and sustainable design”. PPS1 (paragraphs 33 to 36) indicates that although visual appearance and the architecture of individual buildings are clearly factors in achieving high quality and inclusive design it goes far beyond aesthetic considerations. Good design should: make efficient use of resources; consider the direct and indirect impacts on the natural environment; and the key objectives of polices should include (amongst other things) ensuring that developments are sustainable, durable and adaptable (including taking account of natural hazards such as flooding) and make efficient and prudent use of resources. This being the case objective BE3 will increase the number of positive outcomes when tested against the SA Framework objectives where there are question marks about the effect of the objective. Consequently there is a need to clarify the wording of CS objective BE3.

Amended Objectives

Therefore an amended set of Core Strategy Objectives is:

BE1 To identify, conserve and where appropriate enhance the borough’s historic assets, and their settings, to ensure that the assets play their full part in the social, economic and environmental life of the Borough, for example by encouraging visitors to support the local economy and sustainably re-using and enhancing heritage assets as an inherent part of place shaping and regeneration.

BE2 To achieve the high quality, inclusive and sustainable design (as defined in paragraphs 33 to 36 of PPS1) of buildings, places, spaces, sites and streets.

	BE1. To identify, conserve and where appropriate enhance the borough’s historic assets, and their settings, to ensure that the assets play their full part in the social, economic and environmental life of the Borough, for example by encouraging visitors to support the local economy and sustainably re-using and enhancing heritage assets as an inherent part of place shaping and regeneration.	BE2. To achieve the high quality, inclusive and sustainable design (as defined in paragraphs 33 to 36 of PPS1) of buildings, places, spaces, sites and streets.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	■	+
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall		
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion		
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes		
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities		
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing		
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime		+
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	+	
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities		
10. Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside		
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	++	+
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	++	+

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13.	Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity		
14.	Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding		+
15.	Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change		+
16.	Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation		+
17.	Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy		+
18.	Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling		+
19.	Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality	+	++

Table 39

The * within the above table denotes that there may be a possible link between the Sustainability Appraisal objectives and the CS objectives but this would depend on the implementation of a particular scheme.

Green Infrastructure

Initial Objectives

Initial thoughts: What does the document aim to achieve in spatial planning terms?

GI1. To identify, conserve, diversify and where appropriate extend the existing multi-functional network of green infrastructure in the urban and rural areas of the borough incorporating:

- Places for outdoor relaxation and play
- Space and habitat for wildlife with access to nature for people
- Amenity space that has no other formal designation
- Climate change adaptation – for example flood alleviation and cooling urban heat islands
- Opportunities for environmental education
- Local food production – in allotments, gardens and through agriculture
- Improving health and well-being – lowering stress levels and providing opportunities for exercise
- Access to high quality opportunities to participate in sport and recreation.

and including key sites and areas of international, national, regional and local significance for bio-diversity, geodiversity, trees and areas of woodland, playing fields, farmland, wildlife corridors and the courses and environs of rivers and canals.

GI2. To ensure that provision is made for Green Infrastructure as an integral part of all new development in order to provide social, economic and environmental benefits close to where people work and live.

GI3. To promote and support the Council's Greenways and Healthy Lifestyles Strategy and in particular initiatives relating to strategically important locations at:

- The MerseyValley
- SankeyValleyPark
- WaltonHallGardens
- Victoria Park
- OrfordPark.

GI4. To protect and enhance the character of the countryside, its natural beauty, the diversity of its landscape, its heritage and wildlife value, its natural resources and its contribution to the quality of life in the borough as a source of recreation and enjoyment.

GI5. To protect and enhance landscape and townscape character where appropriate.

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Table

4.2 Need to test these against the suggested SA Framework objectives:

	GI1. To identify, conserve, diversify and where appropriate extend the existing multi-functional network of green infrastructure in the urban and rural areas of the borough.	GI2. To ensure that provision is made for Green Infrastructure as an integral part of all new development in order to provide social, economic and environmental benefits close to where people work and live.	GI3. To promote and support the Council's Greenways and Healthy Lifestyles Strategy and in particular initiatives relating to strategically important locations.	GI4. To protect and enhance the character of the countryside, its natural beauty, the diversity of its landscape, its heritage and wildlife value, its natural resources and its contribution to the quality of life in the borough as a source of recreation and enjoyment.	GI5. To protect and enhance landscape and townscape character where appropriate.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	+	+		
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall					
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	+	+		
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	+	+		
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+	+	++	+	+
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing					
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	+	+	+	+	+
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare					
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities					
10. Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside	++	+	+	++	+
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	+	+	+	+	+
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	++	+	+	++	++
13. Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity	++	++	+	++	+
14. Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	++	++	+	+	+
15. Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change	++	++	+	+	+
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	++	+	+	+	
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	?				
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling					
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality	+	+	+	+	++

Table 40

Issues to Consider

From the exercise & review of PPPs and CS objective – issues to consider:

- Whilst CS objectives GI1, GI2 and GI3 have similar outcomes it is considered that it would not be appropriate to amalgamate them to form a single objective.
- CS objectives GI4 and GI5 have similar aims in that they both refer to protecting and enhancing landscape character and consequently, this has resulted in similar outcomes. However, there is a distinction in that GI4 is essentially concerned with the rural landscape and GI5 is concerned with the urban area. Therefore it is considered that there is a need to clarify the wording of objective GI5 to make it clear that it relates to the character of the urban/built up area(s).
- Diversifying and extending the multi-functional network of green infrastructure in the rural areas could benefit SA Framework objective 17 by the production of energy crops.

Amended Objectives

Therefore an amended set of Core Strategy Objectives is:

GI1. To identity, conserve, diversify and where appropriate extend the existing multi-functional network of green infrastructure in the urban and rural areas of the borough incorporating:

- Places for outdoor relaxation and play
- Space and habitat for wildlife with access to nature for people
- Amenity space that has no other formal designation
- Climate change adaptation – for example flood alleviation and cooling urban heat islands
- Opportunities for environmental education
- Local food production – in allotments, gardens and through agriculture
- Improving health and well-being – lowering stress levels and providing opportunities for exercise
- Access to high quality opportunities to participate in sport and recreation.
- Energy crops

and including key sites and areas of international, national, regional and local significance for bio-diversity, geodiversity, trees and areas of woodland, playing fields, farmland, wildlife corridors and the courses and environs of rivers and canals.

GI2. To ensure that provision is made for Green Infrastructure as an integral part of all new development in order to provide social, economic and environmental benefits close to where people work and live.

GI3. To promote and support the Council's Greenways and Healthy Lifestyles Strategy and in particular initiatives relating to strategically important locations at:

- The MerseyValley
- SankeyValleyPark
- WaltonHallGardens
- Victoria Park
- OrfordPark.

GI4. To protect and enhance the character of the countryside, its natural beauty, the diversity of its landscape, its heritage and wildlife value, its natural resources and its contribution to the quality of life in the borough as a source of recreation and enjoyment.

GI5. To protect and enhance the landscape and townscape character of the built up areas of the borough.

Actions:

None.

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	GI1. To identify, conserve, diversify and where appropriate extend the existing multi-functional network of green infrastructure in the urban and rural areas of the borough.	GI2. To ensure that provision is made for Green Infrastructure as an integral part of all new development in order to provide social, economic and environmental benefits close to where people work and live.	GI3. To promote and support the Council's Greenways and Healthy Lifestyles Strategy and in particular initiatives relating to strategically important locations.	GI4. To protect and enhance the character of the countryside, its natural beauty, the diversity of its landscape, its heritage and wildlife value, its natural resources and its contribution to the quality of life in the borough as a source of recreation and enjoyment.	GI5. To protect and enhance the landscape and townscape character of the built up areas of the borough.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	+	+		
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall					
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	+	+		
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	+	+		
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+	+	++	+	+
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing					
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	+	+	+	+	+
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare					
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities					
10. Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside	++	+	+	++	+
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	+	+	+	+	+
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	++	+	+	++	++
13. Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity	++	++	+	++	+
14. Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	++	++	+	+	+
15. Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change	++	++	+	+	+
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	++	+	+	+	
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	+				
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling					
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality	+	+	+	+	++

Table 41

The * within the above table denotes that there may be a possible link between the Sustainability Appraisal objectives and the CS objectives but this would depend on the implementation of a particular scheme.

Post Internal Refinement

Post the internal refinement of the objectives through the process of strategy review, it was concluded that it was logical to split objective G11 into two distinct objectives - one covering Green Infrastructure and the functions it performs and another to specifically cover biodiversity and geodiversity, as set out below:

G11. To identify, conserve, diversify and where appropriate extend the existing multi-functional network of green infrastructure in the urban and rural areas of the borough to maximise it's value in providing opportunities for:

- space and habitat for wildlife and access to nature for people
- improving health and well-being through providing opportunities for relaxation to lower stress levels and providing access to both informal and formal sport and recreation for exercise
- climate change adaptation through for example flood alleviation, cooling urban heat islands and the production of energy crops
- supporting economic development by providing attractive environments to contribute to inward investment
- opportunities for environmental education
- local food production through allotments, private gardens and agriculture

G16. To identify, conserve and where appropriate enhance key sites and areas of international, national, regional and local significance for biodiversity and geodiversity.

These revised objectives were then subject to an SA as below.

	G11. To identify, conserve, diversify and where appropriate extend the existing multi-functional network of green infrastructure in the urban and rural areas of the borough to maximise it's value in providing opportunities for.....	G16. To identify, conserve and where appropriate enhance key sites and areas of international, national, regional and local significance for biodiversity and geodiversity.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	+	
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion		+
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+	+
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing		
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime		
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare		
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities		
10. Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside	++	+
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value		
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	++	+
13. Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity	+	++

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14.	Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	++	+
15.	Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change	++	+
16.	Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	+
17.	Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	+	
18.	Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling		
19.	Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality	+	

Table 42

From the SA of the revised objectives there are no further issues to consider and therefore there is no need to amend the Core Strategy Objectives any further.

Minerals and Waste

Initial Objectives

Initial thoughts: What does the document aim to achieve in spatial planning terms?

MW1. To achieve a reduction in the amount of waste produced in the borough and treat waste at as high a level of the waste hierarchy as possible.

MW2. Radically reduce the proportion of waste going to landfill sites, by providing appropriate facilities:

- for re-use
- for recycling
- for the recovery of energy from waste
- and/or enter into a partnership arrangement with private or public bodies to secure satisfactory provision of suitable waste management facilities.

MW3. Ensure appropriate capacity of landfill remains for residual waste not re-used, recycled or recovered.

MW4. To reduce the amount of wastes imported into the borough having regard to regional and sub-regional needs for waste management facilities.

MW5. To ensure that known viable mineral resources are protected from development that would sterilise the resource.

MW6. To only permit mineral extraction where the mineral can be exploited in a sustainable manner.

MW7. Ensure the extraction of aggregates is undertaken in accordance with the requirements of regional and sub-regional apportionment targets.

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Table

Need to test these against the suggested SA Framework objectives:

	MW1. To achieve a reduction in the amount of waste produced in the borough and treat waste at as high a level of the waste hierarchy as possible.	MW2. To radically reduce the proportion of waste going to landfill sites, by providing appropriate facilities.	MW3. To ensure appropriate capacity of landfill remains for residual waste not re-used, recycled or recovered.	MW4. To reduce the amount of wastes imported into the borough having regard to regional and sub-regional needs for waste management facilities.	MW5. To ensure that known viable mineral resources are protected from development that would sterilise the resource.	MW6. To only permit mineral extraction where the mineral can be exploited in a sustainable manner.	MW7. To ensure the extraction of aggregates is undertaken in accordance with the requirements of regional and sub-regional apportionment targets.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+				+	+	
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall							
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion		+					
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes				+		+	?
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities							
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing							
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime							
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare							
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities							
10. Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside				+			?
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value							?
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	+		+			?
13. Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity	+	+					?
14. Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	+	+		+			?
15. Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	++	+	+			?
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	+	+		+	++	?
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	+	++					
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	++	+	+	+			

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19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality							
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Table 43

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Issues to Consider

Need to test these against the suggested SA Framework objectives:

From the exercise & review of PPPs and CS objectives – issues to consider:

- CS objectives MW1 and MW2 have similar outcomes and therefore could be amalgamated to form a single objective.
- CS objective MW7 could have a negative impact on SA Framework objectives 4 and 10 to 16 but this would depend on the scheme that is implemented.

Amended Objectives

Therefore an amended set of Core Strategy Objectives is:

MW1. To achieve a reduction in the amount of waste produced in the borough and treat waste at as high a level of the waste hierarchy as possible, by providing appropriate facilities for:

- re-use
- recycling
- the recovery of energy from waste
- and/or enter into a partnership arrangement with private or public bodies to secure satisfactory provision of suitable waste management facilities.

MW2. Ensure appropriate capacity of landfill remains for residual waste not re-used, recycled or recovered.

MW3. To reduce the amount of wastes imported into the borough having regard to regional and sub-regional needs for waste management facilities.

MW4. To ensure that known viable mineral resources are protected from development that would sterilise the resource.

MW5. To only permit mineral extraction where the mineral can be exploited in a sustainable manner.

MW6. Ensure the extraction of aggregates is undertaken in accordance with the requirements of regional and sub-regional apportionment targets.

Actions:

- There is a need to ensure that through limiting the amount of waste that is imported into the borough that this does not merely transfer the issue to an adjoining area.
- Ensure that when a scheme for the extraction of aggregates is being brought forward it minimises or compensates for any adverse impact on SA Framework objectives 4, 10 to 16.

	MW1. To achieve a reduction in the amount of waste produced in the borough and treat waste at as high a level of the waste hierarchy as possible, by providing appropriate facilities.	MW2. Ensure appropriate capacity of landfill remains for residual waste not re-used, recycled or recovered.	MW3. To reduce the amount of wastes imported into the borough having regard to regional and sub-regional needs for waste management facilities.	MW4. To ensure that known viable mineral resources are protected from development that would sterilise the resource.	MW5. To only permit mineral extraction where the mineral can be exploited in a sustainable manner.	MW6. Ensure the extraction of aggregates is undertaken in accordance with the requirements of regional and sub-regional apportionment targets.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth				+	+	
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall						

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3.	Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion						
4.	Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes		+		+	*	
5.	Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities						
6.	Ensure access to good quality, affordable housing						
7.	Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime						
8.	Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare						
9.	Protect and Enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities						
10.	Provide or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside		+				*
11.	Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value						*
12.	Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+		+			*
13.	Protect and enhance biodiversity	+					*
14.	Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	+		+			*
15.	Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	++	+	+			*
16.	Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	+		+	++	*
17.	Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	++					
18.	Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	++	+	+			
19.	Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is sensitive to the locality						

Table 44

4.3 The * within the above table denotes that there may be a possible link between the Sustainability Appraisal objectives and the SPD objectives but this would depend on the implementation of a particular scheme.

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Inequalities

Initial Objectives

Initial thoughts: What does the document aim to achieve in spatial planning terms?

- I1. To ensure a more civilised town centre by increasing the diversity of uses and reducing the prevalence of vertical drinking.
- I2. Ensure all areas have an accessible local centre and/or local hub with access to fresh food and appropriate services and facilities including skills shops, learning opportunities and community services.
- I3. Ensure access from areas of income deprivation to employment and areas of business growth to raise aspirations, economic activity and income levels.
- I4. To encourage environmental improvements in areas of deprivation, including the number and quality of parks and green spaces, landscaping and improvements to mitigate the impacts of climate change including flood risk.
- I5. To increase housing choices in areas of deprivation through the delivery of a variety of type and tenure of new homes.
- I6. To ensure that the location, size and type of affordable housing provides at least an equivalent standard of accommodation to housing available on the open market.

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Table

Need to test these against the suggested SA Framework objectives:

	11. To ensure a more civilised town centre by increasing the diversity of uses and reducing the prevalence of vertical drinking.	12. Ensure all areas have an accessible local centre &/or local hub with access to fresh food & appropriate services and facilities including skills shops, learning opportunities & community services.	13. Ensure access from areas of income deprivation to employment and areas of business growth to raise aspirations, economic activity and income levels.	14. To encourage environmental improvements in areas of deprivation, including the number & quality of parks and green spaces, landscaping & improvements to mitigate the impacts of climate change including flood risk.	15. To increase housing choices in areas of deprivation through the delivery of a variety of type and tenure of new homes.	16. To ensure that the location, size & type of affordable housing provides at least an equivalent standard of accommodation to housing available on the open market.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	+	+	+		
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall		++	+			
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	++	++	++	++	++
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	++	+			+
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+	++	+	+	+	+
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing			+		++	++
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	++	+	+	+	+	+
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	+	+	+	+	+	+
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	+	++	+			
10. Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside		+		++		
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	+			+		
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	+		++	+	+
13. Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity				++		
14. Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding				+		
15. Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change				++		
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation				+		
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy						
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling						

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19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality				++		+
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Testing Local Plan Core Strategy Objectives against Sustainability Appraisal Framework

Issues to Consider

From the exercise & review of PPPs and CS objectives – issues to consider:

- CS objectives I5 and I6 have similar outcomes and therefore could be amalgamated to form a single objective.

Amended Objectives

Therefore an amended set of Core Strategy Objectives is:

11. To ensure a more civilised town centre by increasing the diversity of uses and reducing the prevalence of vertical drinking.
12. Ensure all areas have an accessible local centre and/or local hub with access to fresh food and appropriate services and facilities including skills shops, learning opportunities and community services.
13. Ensure access from areas of income deprivation to employment and areas of business growth to raise aspirations, economic activity and income levels.
14. To encourage environmental improvements in areas of deprivation, including the number and quality of parks and green spaces, landscaping and improvements to mitigate the impacts of climate change including flood risk.
15. To increase housing choices in areas of deprivation through the delivery of a variety of type and tenure of new homes, ensuring that the location, size and type of affordable housing provides at least an equivalent standard of accommodation to housing available on the open market.

	I1. To ensure a more civilised town centre by increasing the diversity of uses and reducing the prevalence of vertical drinking.	I2. Ensure all areas have an accessible local centre and/or local hub with access to fresh food and appropriate services and facilities including skills shops, learning opportunities and community services.	I3. Ensure access from areas of income deprivation to employment and areas of business growth to raise aspirations, economic activity and income levels.	I4. To encourage environmental improvements in areas of deprivation, including the number and quality of parks and green spaces, landscaping and improvements to mitigate the impacts of climate change including flood risk.	I5. To increase housing choices in areas of deprivation through the delivery of a variety of type and tenure of new homes, ensuring that the location, size and type of affordable housing provides at least an equivalent standard of accommodation to housing available on the open market.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	■	+	+	+	
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall		++	+		
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	++	++	++	++
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	++	+		+
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+	++	+	+	+
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing			+		++
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	++	+	+	+	+
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	+	+	+	+	+
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	+	++	+		
10. Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside		+		++	

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11.	Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	+			+	
12.	Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	+		++	+
13.	Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity				++	
14.	Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding				+	
15.	Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change				++	
16.	Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation				+	
17.	Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy					
18.	Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling					
19.	Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality				++	+

Table 46

4.4 The * within the above table denotes that there may be a possible link between the Sustainability Appraisal objectives and the SPD objectives but this would depend on the implementation of a particular scheme.

Health, Public Safety and Crime

Initial Objectives

Initial thoughts: What does the document aim to achieve in spatial planning terms?

HP1. To improve access to quality healthcare through the ongoing provision of new and improved healthcare facilities in locations that are accessible by public transport.

HP2. To reduce crime, the fear of crime and anti-social behaviour, particularly in town centres and in the most deprived neighbourhoods through good design, high quality and visible environments and by raising aspirations and social responsibility through education and training for employment.

HP3. To promote “Building for Life” in residential development.

HP4. To provide sport, recreation and cultural facilities in locations which are accessible for all.

HP5. To identify, conserve, diversify and where appropriate extend the existing multi-functional network of green infrastructure in the urban and rural areas of the borough incorporating:

- Places for outdoor relaxation and play
- Local food production – in allotments, gardens and through agriculture
- Improved health and well-being, lowering stress levels and providing opportunities for exercise.

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Table

4.5 Need to test these against the suggested SA Framework objectives:

	HP1. To improve access to quality healthcare through the ongoing provision of new and improved healthcare facilities in locations that are accessible by public transport.	HP2. To reduce crime, the fear of crime and anti-social behaviour, particularly in town centres and in the most deprived neighbourhoods through good design, high quality and visible environments & by raising aspirations and social responsibility through education & training for employment.	HP3. To promote "Building for Life" in residential development.	HP4. To provide sport, recreation and cultural facilities in locations which are accessible for all.	HP5. To identify, conserve, diversify and where appropriate extend the existing multi-functional network of green infrastructure in the urban and rural areas of the borough.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	+			+
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall		+		+	+
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	+	+	+	++
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++	+		?	+
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	++	+	+	+	++
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing			+		
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	+	++	+	+	
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare					
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	++	+	++	+	+
10. Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside			+	++	++
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value			+	+	
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place		+	++	+	++
13. Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity			+		++
14. Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding			++		++
15. Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+		++	?	++
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation			++		+
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy			++		
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling			++		
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality	+	+	++	?	+

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Issues to Consider

From the exercise & review of PPPs and UDP Policy – issues to consider:

- CS objective HP4 has the potential to have a negative impact on SA Framework objectives 4 and 15 if the sport, recreation and cultural facilities are located in areas that are only accessible by private car. Alter wording of objective to make it clear that facilities should be located in sustainable locations accessible by a variety of modes of transport.
- SA Framework objective 19 seeks to achieve high quality sustainable design. PPS1 (paragraphs 33 to 36) indicates that although visual appearance and the architecture of individual buildings are clearly factors in achieving high quality and inclusive design it goes far beyond aesthetic considerations. Good design should also be about ensuring that developments are accessible. Alter wording of CS objective HP4 to make it clear that facilities should be located in sustainable locations

Amended Objectives

Therefore an amended set of Core Strategy Objectives is:

HP1. To improve access to quality healthcare through the ongoing provision of new and improved healthcare facilities in locations that are accessible by public transport.

HP2. To reduce crime, the fear of crime and anti-social behaviour, particularly in town centres and in the most deprived neighbourhoods through good design, high quality and visible environments and by raising aspirations and social responsibility through education and training for employment.

HP3. To promote “Building for Life” in residential development.

HP4. To provide sport, recreation and cultural facilities in sustainable locations which are accessible for all by modes of transport other than the private car.

HP5. To identify, conserve, diversify and where appropriate extend the existing multi-functional network of green infrastructure in the urban and rural areas of the borough incorporating:

- Places for outdoor relaxation and play
- Local food production – in allotments, gardens and through agriculture
- Improved health and well-being, lowering stress levels and providing opportunities for exercise.

	HP1. E To improve access to quality healthcare through the ongoing provision of new and improved healthcare facilities in locations that are accessible by public transport.	HP2. To reduce crime, the fear of crime and anti-social behaviour, particularly in town centres and in the most deprived neighbourhoods through good design, high quality and visible environments and by raising aspirations and social responsibility through education and training for employment.	HP3. To promote “Building for Life” in residential development.	HP4. To provide sport, recreation and cultural facilities in sustainable locations which are accessible for all.	HP5. To identify, conserve, diversify and where appropriate extend the existing multi-functional network of green infrastructure in the urban and rural areas of the borough.
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	+			+
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall				+	+
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	+	+	+	++
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++	+		+	+
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	++	+	+	+	++

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6.	Ensure access to good quality, affordable housing			+		
7.	Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	+	++	+	+	
8.	Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare					
9.	Protect and Enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	++	+	++	+	+
10.	Provide or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside			+	++	++
11.	Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value			+	+	
12.	Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place		+	++	+	++
13.	Protect and enhance biodiversity			+		++
14.	Protect, manage and improve local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding			++		++
15.	Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+		++	+	++
16.	Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation			++		+
17.	Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy			++		
18.	Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling			++		
19.	Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is sensitive to the locality	+	+	++	+	+

Table 48

The * within the above table denotes that there may be a possible link between the Sustainability Appraisal objectives and the SPD objectives but this would depend on the implementation of a particular scheme.

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Appendix 5 Testing Strategic Options against Sustainability Appraisal Framework

Assessment of Sustainability of Current Situation (Option 1)

Assess the current situation “business as usual” of the strategic approach against the SA objectives:

- “Impact” should be rated from very negative (---) to negative (-) neutral (0) positive (+) and very positive (++)
- “Comments on current strategy” explain the impact that the strategy will have on the SA objective
- “Suggestions” outline how the current situation could be improved – suggestions may give us ideas of what to include in the Local Plan Core Strategy and should help to generate options.

SA Objective	Impact	Comments on current strategy	Suggestions
1 Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	Current approach; ensures employment and housing land supply to 2021, protects existing employment sites, priorities development of brownfield sites, and safeguards Omega for major investment.	Policy approach needs to extend to cover period up to 2026. There is a need to review the levels of employment land provision and the approach to Omega especially considering deliverability. An oversupply of employment land could inadvertently and unnecessarily sterilise land for development
2 Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	Planning obligations SPD requires contributions towards education provision where identified shortfall.	Review the need to allocate sites for new provision in line with the school building programme. Consider what other strategies address this issue.
3 Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	Planning obligations SPD seeks to ensure that local unemployed people can take advantage of job opportunities arising from new developments in Warrington.	Seek to maximise opportunities for new employment development in areas of deprivation. Maintain protection of existing employment sites. Improve transport links to employment areas.

SA Objective	Impact	Comments on current strategy	Suggestions
			<p>Increase opportunities in the town centre.</p>
4	+	<p>Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes</p>	<p>Existing policy framework supports this objective. One of its primary objectives is to achieve sustainable and integrated patterns of development and movement by focusing development on the existing built up area.</p>
5	+	<p>Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities</p>	<p>Whilst there are no policies that specifically seek to achieve this objective, there are several that indirectly support it. These include policies that seek to identify, promote and protect green spaces/networks which provide opportunities for exercise; promote sustainable development and protect/improve air, water and ground quality.</p> <p>Planning obligations SPD seeks to make provision for health services where there is an identified need.</p>
6	+	<p>Ensure access to good quality, sustainable affordable housing</p>	<p>The existing policy framework does everything that a plan can do to support this objective. It sets out basis for negotiating with developers against a background of evidence.</p> <p>Monitoring shows that targets have been met.</p> <p>SPD supports 100% affordable housing schemes as an exception.</p>
			<p>Maintain current policy approach to prevent losses of open space and increase provision where there is an identified deficit.</p> <p>Review opportunities to expand on current approach such as including reference to health in general amenities policy(s) and preventing hot food takeaways near to schools.</p>
			<p>Should review future housing needs in the context of new evidence and updated land supply evidence, especially relating to deliverability.</p> <p>Undertake a viability assessment and review need through HMA.</p> <p>Maintain selective release of sites for 100% affordable housing schemes.</p>

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SA Objective	Impact	Comments on current strategy	Suggestions
7 Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	+	The current policy framework supports this objective by seeking to deter crime and provide safe environments in general terms through good quality design.	Review current policy approach with view of maintaining it.
8 Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	Whilst there is a high degree of consultation and involvement through the plan preparation process there are no policies that specifically support this objective. Requirement for pre-application consultation with local community for all housing applications (HOU3).	Make sure that the practices and processes contained in the Statement of Community Involvement are followed during the development of the Core Strategy. Consider need to retain/expand current policy approach requirement for local community consultation.
9 Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	++	Whilst many of the local detailed policies have not been saved there is nevertheless comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective through a combination of local policy and national guidance. Town centre and transport policies and national guidance help towards achieving this objective through the identification of a clear hierarchy of centres (local/neighbourhood/district); directing new development towards these centres and protecting them from the threat of development elsewhere.	Maintain current policy approach. Review existing policy approach to reflect Council initiative of developing local hubs.

SA Objective		Imp	Comments on current strategy	Suggestions
10	Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside	++	The current policy framework provides comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective through its Town Centre and Leisure and Environmental Protection & Enhancement policies.	Review the existing policy framework with the view of drawing it together as a single approach to Green Infrastructure.
11	Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	++	Whilst many of the local detailed policies have not been saved there is nevertheless comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective through a combination of local policy and national guidance. Local list provides some protection for un-listed buildings of local interest.	Need to clarify uncertainty about and scope of new National Policy Framework. May need to review existing policy framework and reintroduce some of policies not saved due to repetition of national guidance.
12	Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	++	The current policy framework provides comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective through its Development Control Strategy; Housing; Employment and Environmental Protection & Enhancement policies. The design policies are supported by SPD's (Tall Buildings/D&A Statements/Shopfronts & Advertisements).	Review current policy approach with view of maintaining it (from both design and GI perspectives).
13	Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity	++	Whilst a few of the local detailed policies have not been saved there is nevertheless comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective (international/national/local sites of nature conservation, trees, woodland and	Review current policy approach with view of maintaining it (and consider relating to wider GI framework).

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SA Objective	Impact	Comments on current strategy	Suggestions
14 Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	++	<p>importance landscape features) through a combination of local policy and national guidance.</p> <p>The current policy framework provides comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective through its Development Control Strategy and Environmental Protection & Enhancement policies.</p>	Review current policy approach with view of maintaining it (and consider need for related SPD's).
15 Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	<p>The current policy framework provides coverage of some aspects of this objective but it is not comprehensive.</p> <p>The UDP contains a climate change thread that acknowledges the issue through several individual saved policies but there are no specific requirements on individual developments.</p> <p>The RSS provides more detailed policy coverage but even that is becoming dated due to the rapid change in policy/guidance at a national level in this area.</p>	This policy approach needs to be reviewed and expanded upon.
16 Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	++	<p>The current policy framework provides comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective through its Development Control Strategy, Environmental Protection & Enhancement, Resource Conservation and Minerals & Waste policies.</p>	Review current policy approach with view of maintaining it (and consider need for related SPD's).

SA Objective	Imp	Comments on current strategy	Suggestions
17 Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	+	<p>The current policy framework provides coverage of some aspects of this objective but it is not comprehensive.</p> <p>The UDP contains a very general policy requirement for development to be as energy efficient as possible and to incorporate renewable energy resources.</p> <p>The RSS goes some way to achieving all aspects of this objective but it is restricted to major development schemes (Merton Rule Policy introduced).</p>	<p>Review current policy approach, taking account of outcomes/recommendations from the Renewable Energy Capacity Study with view to expanding it to contain higher levels of renewable energy provision.</p>
18 Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	+	<p>The current policy framework provides comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective through its Minerals & Waste policies.</p> <p>Although it does not address the issue of the future need/location of waste disposal facilities.</p>	<p>Review current policy approach with view of maintaining it.</p> <p>Need to address the issue of the future location of waste disposal facilities(s).</p>
19 Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and	++	<p>The current policy framework provides comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective through its Development Control</p>	<p>Review current policy approach with view of maintaining it.</p>

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SA Objective	Imp	Comments on current strategy	Suggestions
the public realm that is appropriate to the locality		<p>Strategy; Housing; Employment and Environmental Protection & Enhancement policies.</p> <p>The design policies are supported by SPD's (Tall Buildings/D&A Statements/Shopfronts & Advertisements).</p>	<p>Consider need to incorporate sustainable construction methods into policy and use of standardised methods of assessment such as CSH/Breem/BfL.</p>

Table 49

Assessment of the Sustainability of Brownfield and Selective Release (Option 2)

Assess the Option 2 strategic approach of brownfield development and selective release of other sites against the SA objectives:

- “Impact” should be rated from very negative (--) to negative (-) neutral (0) positive (+) and very positive (++)
- “Comments on current strategy” explain the impact that the strategy will have on the SA objective
- “Suggestions” outline how the current situation could be improved – suggestions may give us ideas of what to include in the Core Strategy and should help to generate options.

SA Objective	Impact	Comments on Option 2 Strategy	Suggestions
1 Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	Option 2 approach; Provides the scope to identify additional development opportunities to meet longer term needs beyond 2021, Maintains protection of existing employment sites, Could still prioritise regeneration and development of brownfield sites and provides scope to review Omega policy approach.	Test capacity against longer term development needs through the SHLAA and ELA. The release of selected sites will provide more choice to the market in order to encourage activity in a difficult economic climate.
2 Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	Planning obligations SPD requires contributions towards education provision where there is an identified shortfall. Option 2 will extend the scope to seek contributions across a wider area.	Review the need to allocate sites for new provision in line with the school building programme. Consider what other strategies address this issue.
3 Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	Planning obligations SPD seeks to ensure that local unemployed people can take advantage of job opportunities arising from new developments in Warrington.	Seek to maximise opportunities for new employment development in areas of deprivation. Maintain protection of existing employment sites. Improve transport links to employment areas.

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SA Objective	Impact	Comments on Option 2 Strategy	Suggestions
		There is some risk that availability of opportunities in more attractive areas could undermine the regeneration of priority areas unless the selective release on sites is carefully managed.	Increase opportunities in the town centre. Some safeguards over the release of sites will be necessary.
4	Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+ Option 2 supports this objective but with some improvement to choices available in wider locations over the current policy framework. One of its primary objectives is to achieve sustainable and integrated patterns of development and movement by focusing development on the existing built up area.	Review the direction of the policy approach against the LTP to ensure that it is consistent with it and that they share mutual objectives and support each other.
5	Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+ This strategy will not contain any policies that specifically seek to directly achieve this objective. However, several will indirectly support it. These include policies that seek to identify, promote and protect green spaces/networks which provide opportunities for exercise; promote sustainable development and protect/improve air, water and ground quality. Planning obligations SPD seeks to make provision for health services where there is an identified need.	Maintain current policy approach to prevent losses of open space and increase provision where there is an identified deficit. Review opportunities to expand on current approach such as including reference to health in general amenities policy(s) and preventing hot food takeaways near to schools.
6	Ensure access to good quality, sustainable affordable housing	++ This strategy does everything that a plan can do to support this objective but in addition will provide more scope for affordable housing provision and will sustain a good level of supply across a wide area. The exceptions	Some safeguards over the release of sites with regard to regeneration priorities would be necessary. The need to undertake a viability assessment and review need through HMA would be maintained.

SA Objective	Imp	Comments on Option 2 Strategy	Suggestions
		<p>approach provides a good basis for negotiating contributions with developers against a background of evidence.</p>	<p>Maintains selective release of sites for 100% affordable housing schemes.</p> <p>There will still a requirement monitoring to show that targets have been met.</p>
7	+	<p>Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime</p>	<p>This strategy would not alter the current policy approach and would support this objective by seeking to deter crime and provide safe environments in general terms through good quality design.</p>
8	0	<p>Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare</p>	<p>This strategy would have no policies that specifically support this objective but it would maintain a high degree of consultation and involvement through the plan preparation process.</p>
9	++	<p>Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities</p>	<p>This strategy would maintain a comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective through a combination of local policy and national guidance.</p> <p>Town centre and transport policies and national guidance help towards achieving this objective through the identification of a clear hierarchy of centres (local/neighbourhood/district); directing new retail development towards these centres and protecting them from the threat of development elsewhere.</p> <p>Maintain current policy approach.</p> <p>Review existing policy approach to reflect Council initiative of developing local hubs.</p>

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SA Objective	Imp	Comments on Option 2 Strategy	Suggestions
10 Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside	++	This strategy would maintain the current policy framework and provide a comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective.	Review the existing policy framework with the view of drawing it together as a single approach to Green Infrastructure.
11 Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	++	This strategy would maintain comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective through a combination of local policy and national guidance. Local list provides some protection for un-listed buildings of local interest.	Need to clarify uncertainty about and scope of new National Policy Framework. May need to review existing policy framework and reintroduce some of policies not saved due to repetition of national guidance.
12 Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	++	This strategy would maintain the current policy framework that provides comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective through its Development Control Strategy; Housing; Employment and Environmental Protection & Enhancement policies. The design policies are supported by SPD's (Tall Buildings/D&A Statements/Shopfronts & Advertisements). PETE TO ADD COMMENT ABOUT GREEN BELT	Review current policy approach with view of maintaining it (from both design and GI perspectives).
13 Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity	++	This strategy would maintain a comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective (international/national/local sites of nature	Review current policy approach with view of maintaining it (and consider relating to wider GI framework).

SA Objective	Imp	Comments on Option 2 Strategy	Suggestions
14	++	<p>conservation, trees, woodland and importance landscape features) through a combination of local policy and national guidance.</p> <p>This strategy would maintain a policy framework that provides comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective through its Development Control Strategy and Environmental Protection & Enhancement policies.</p>	<p>Review current policy approach with view of maintaining it (and consider need for related SPD's).</p>
15	+	<p>This strategy would alter the current policy framework which provides coverage of some aspects of this objective but it is not comprehensive.</p> <p>This strategy could place specific requirements on individual developments.</p> <p>The RSS provides more detailed policy coverage but even that is becoming dated and will be revoked by the Localism Bill.</p>	<p>This policy approach needs to be reviewed and expanded upon.</p>
16	++	<p>This strategy would provide comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective through its Development Control Strategy, Environmental Protection & Enhancement, Resource Conservation and Minerals & Waste policies.</p>	<p>Review current policy approach with view of maintaining it (and consider need for related SPD's).</p>

SA Objective	Impact	Comments on Option 2 Strategy	Suggestions
17 Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	+	<p>This strategy could extend the current policy framework which provides coverage of some aspects of this objective and be more comprehensive.</p> <p>The RSS goes some way to achieving all aspects of this objective but it is restricted to major development schemes (Merton Rule Policy introduced), and will be revoked by the Localism Bill.</p>	<p>Review current policy approach, taking account of outcomes/recommendations from the Renewable Energy Capacity Study with view to expanding it to contain higher levels of renewable energy provision.</p>
18 Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	+	<p>This strategy would maintain the current policy framework and provide comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective through its Minerals & Waste policies.</p> <p>It would not address the issue of the future need/location of waste disposal facilities.</p>	<p>Review current policy approach with view of maintaining it.</p> <p>Need to address the issue of the future location of waste disposal facility(s).</p>
19 Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality	++	<p>This strategy would maintain the current policy framework and provide comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective through its Development Control Strategy.</p> <p>The design policies are supported by SPD's (Tall Buildings/D&A Statements/Shopfronts & Advertisements).</p>	<p>Review current policy approach with view to maintaining it.</p> <p>Consider need to incorporate sustainable construction methods into policy and use of standardised methods of assessment such as CSH/Breem/BfL.</p>

Table 50

Assessment of Sustainability of Unrestrained Growth (Option 3)

Assess the unrestrained growth option of the strategic approach against the SA objectives:

- “Impact” should be rated from very negative (--) to negative (-) neutral (0) positive (+) and very positive (++)
- “Comments on current strategy” explain the impact that the strategy will have on the SA objective
- “Suggestions” outline how the current situation could be improved – suggestions may give us ideas of what to include in the Core Strategy and should help to generate options.

SA Objective	Impact	Comments on Option 3 Strategy	Suggestions
1 Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	-	<p>Whilst this strategy could meet longer term needs, there are a number of potential risks with it:</p> <p>It could place existing employment sites under pressure especially in areas of higher demand; there would be a risk of over supply which could lead to vacant premises and a consequential risk of these sites being sold for housing; there would be no distinction between regeneration of brownfield sites (pdl) over development in other areas, which would put greenfield land at risk; the viability of bringing forward Omega could be affected leading to more pressure for housing and regeneration initiatives could be undermined.</p>	<p>There could be little doubt that long term capacity would be provided but there would be serious doubts whether the resulting growth would be sustainable.</p> <p>The strategy would still provide additional choice and encourage development but in an unstructured way that would be likely to be detrimental to investment in inner Warrington.</p> <p>Developers would be likely to “cherry pick” the best sites and there would be a tendency for land banking leading to less control over the timing of the release of sites.</p>
2 Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	<p>Planning obligations SPD requires contributions towards education provision where there is an identified shortfall. Option 3 will extend the scope to seek contributions across a wider area (as with option 2).</p>	<p>It will be more difficult to gauge where investment will be needed for education provision.</p> <p>Consider what other strategies address this issue.</p>

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SA Objective	Impact	Comments on Option 3 Strategy	Suggestions
3	- Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	<p>However, it would be more difficult to plan education provision and ensure spare capacity was used.</p> <p>Planning obligations SPD seeks to ensure that local unemployed people can take advantage of job opportunities arising from new developments in Warrington.</p> <p>There is a risk with this option that availability of opportunities in more attractive areas could undermine the regeneration of priority areas, which are more sustainable and accessible from areas of deprivation and high unemployment.</p>	<p>Can no longer maximise opportunities for new employment development in areas of deprivation.</p> <p>Put existing employment sites at risk.</p> <p>Deflects opportunities from the town centre.</p>
4	- Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	<p>This strategy would increase the likelihood that development (both employment and housing) would choose to locate in peripheral sites with good access to the motorway network.</p> <p>In addition, it is more likely to increase the need to travel and lessen the choice of modes of travel.</p>	<p>Will come into conflict with the objectives and priorities of the LPT.</p>
5	+ Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	<p>This strategy will not alter the current policy approach and will not contain any policies that specifically seek to directly achieve this</p>	<p>Maintain current policy approach to prevent losses of open space and increase provision where there is an identified deficit.</p>

SA Objective	Impact	Comments on Option 3 Strategy	Suggestions
		<p>objective. Policies for Green Infrastructure will nevertheless provide and safeguard opportunities for exercise and fresh air.</p> <p>There is the potential for this option to invite interest from developers on some areas of Green Infrastructure.</p> <p>Planning obligations SPD seeks to make provision for health services where there is an identified need.</p>	<p>Review opportunities to expand on current approach such as including reference to health in general amenities policy(s) and preventing hot food takeaways near to schools.</p>
6	<p>Ensure access to good quality, sustainable affordable housing</p>	<p>++</p> <p>This strategy will provide more scope for affordable housing provision and will sustain a good level of supply across a wide area but to the detriment of regeneration.</p> <p>SPD supports 100% affordable housing schemes as an exception.</p>	<p>Some safeguards over the release of sites would be necessary therefore the need to undertake a viability assessment and review need through HMA would be maintained.</p> <p>Maintains selective release of sites for 100% affordable housing schemes.</p> <p>Monitoring shows that targets have been met by the existing approach which achieves regeneration and allows exceptions for affordable housing.</p>
7	<p>Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime</p>	<p>+</p> <p>This strategy would not alter the current policy approach and would support this objective by seeking to deter crime and provide safe environments in general terms through good quality design.</p>	<p>Review and amend current policy approach with view of maintaining it.</p>

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SA Objective	Impact	Comments on Option 3 Strategy	Suggestions
8	Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0 This strategy would have no policies that specifically support this objective but it would maintain a high degree of consultation and involvement through the plan preparation process.	Make sure that the practices and processes contained in the Statement of Community Involvement are followed during the development of the Core Strategy.
9	Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	+ This strategy would maintain a comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective through a combination of local policy and national guidance. Whilst town centre and transport policies and national guidance help towards achieving this objective through the identification of a clear hierarchy of centres (local/neighbourhood/district) and directing new retail development towards these centres, there is a risk that some of the less viable inner area centres might be at risk as investment is diluted and diverted to other areas of the borough.	Maintain current policy approach. Review existing policy approach to reflect Council initiative of developing local hubs.
10	Provide, protect or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside	+ Whilst this strategy would maintain the current policy framework and provide a comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective there is a risk that it might invite development pressure on some aspects/areas of Green Infrastructure (ie. private sports fields).	Review the existing policy framework with the view of drawing it together as a single approach to Green Infrastructure.
11	Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	++ This strategy would maintain comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective through a combination of local policy and national guidance.	Need to clarify uncertainty about and scope of new National Policy Framework.

SA Objective	Imp	Comments on Option 3 Strategy	Suggestions
12	++	<p>Local list provides some protection for un-listed buildings of local interest.</p> <p>This option would bring an increased risk that it will be necessary to review the green belt boundary earlier than will be the case under options that manage the supply of land to sustain regeneration and land supply within the current green belt boundary to secure its longevity.</p>	<p>May need to review existing policy framework and reintroduce some of policies not saved due to repetition of national guidance.</p> <p>Not sustainable in meeting strategic objectives or in threatening open countryside. Current policy approach otherwise can be maintained (from both design and other GI perspectives).</p>
13	++	<p>Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place</p> <p>Protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity</p>	<p>This strategy would provide no additional threat and would maintain a comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective (international/national/local sites of nature conservation, trees, woodland and importance of landscape features) through a combination of local policy and national guidance.</p> <p>Review current policy approach with view of maintaining it (and consider relating to wider GI framework).</p>
14	++	<p>Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding</p>	<p>Whilst, this strategy could invite more development pressure in sensitive areas it still maintains a policy framework that provides comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective through its Development Control Strategy and Environmental Protection & Enhancement policies.</p> <p>Review current policy approach with view of maintaining it (and consider need for related SPD's).</p>

SA Objective	Impact	Comments on Option 3 Strategy	Suggestions
15 Limit, mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	<p>This strategy would not alter the current policy framework which only provides coverage of some aspects of this objective but it is not comprehensive. However, more development would take these existing factors into account.</p> <p>The RSS provides more detailed policy coverage but even that is becoming dated due to the rapid change in policy/guidance at a national level in this area and will be revoked by the Localism Bill.</p>	This policy approach needs to be reviewed and expanded upon.
16 Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	<p>The prudent use of land supply through the prioritisation of previously developed land could not be sustained through this strategy.</p> <p>Other aspects of managing the natural resources could be maintained.</p>	
17 Increase energy efficiency and the production of renewable energy	+	<p>Potentially there could be more development to apply the policy to but the current policy framework, which provides coverage of some aspects of this objective would need to be more comprehensive and in place.</p> <p>Other infrastructure providers might find it difficult to gauge where improvements to their networks would be needed.</p>	Review current policy approach, taking account of outcomes / recommendations from the Renewable Energy Capacity Study with a view to expanding it to contain higher levels of renewable energy provision

SA Objective	Imp	Comments on Option 3 Strategy	Suggestions
18	+	<p>The RSS goes some way to achieving all aspects of this objective but it is restricted to major development schemes (Merton Rule Policy introduced) and will be revoked by the Localism Act.</p> <p>This strategy would maintain the current policy framework and provide comprehensive coverage of all aspects of this objective through its Minerals & Waste policies.</p> <p>It would not address the issue of the future need/location of waste disposal facilities.</p>	<p>Review current policy approach with view of maintaining it.</p> <p>Need to address the issue of the future location of waste disposal facility(s).</p>
19	+	<p>There is a risk that this strategy would lead to more development in less sustainable locations.</p> <p>The design policies are supported by SPD's (Tall Buildings/D&A Statements/Shopfronts & Advertisements).</p>	<p>Review current policy approach with view of maintaining it.</p> <p>Consider need to incorporate sustainable construction methods into policy and use of standardised methods of assessment such as CSH/Breeam/BfL.</p>

Table 51

Appendix 6 Testing Housing Requirement Options against the Sustainability Appraisal Framework

Assessment of Sustainability of Local Plan Core Strategy Housing Requirement Paper (November 2010)

Assess the current situation “business as usual” of the strategic approach against the SA objectives:

- “Impact” should be rated from very negative (--) to negative (-) neutral (0) positive (+) and very positive (++)
- “Comments on current strategy” explain the impact that the strategy will have on the SA objective
- “Suggestions” outline how the current situation could be improved – suggestions may give us ideas of what to include in the Core Strategy and should help to generate options.

SA Objective	Impact	Comments on proposed strategy(ies)	Suggestions
1 Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	- +	<p>The scale and nature of housing delivery over the last 30 years in Warrington has contributed to sustained economic growth in the Borough as it has ensured the availability a large active workforce. The recent sub-regional economic strategy that has contributed to the housing evidence base for the CS suggests a requirement of approximately 500 dwellings pa in order to maintain a large active workforce.</p> <p>The annualised average minimum projection for the plan period (2010-2026) for Option 1 is 274 dwellings pa. This represents a significant shortfall of housing provision and could undermine economic growth.</p> <p>However, Options 2 and 3 predict an annualised average of between 322 to 465 dwellings pa and 337 to 480 dwellings pa respectively. This is more in line with current</p>	<p>The release of sites will need to be managed in order to ensure that the provision is as sustainable as possible by guarding against the premature release of Greenfield sites to the detriment of regeneration.</p>

SA Objective		Impact	Comments on proposed strategy(ies)	Suggestions
			predicted housing requirements and likely to strengthen the local economy and ensure economic growth.	
2	Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0 -	The managed release of land inherent in Options 1 and 2 will allow for investment in education provision to be planned for. It will be more difficult to gauge where and when investment will be needed for education provision with Option 3 given the unfettered release of land.	
3	Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+ -	Options 1 and 2 will manage the release of land to prioritise development and regeneration in the areas where deprived communities are located. Whilst Option 3 could still achieve high levels of new homes on PDL it would not entail the same guarantees to help address deprivation and inequalities in the short-term, due to the availability of lower risk opportunities in more attractive areas.	
4	Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+ -	Options 1 will focus housing development in more central locations and support this objective.	

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SA Objective	Impact	Comments on proposed strategy(ies)	Suggestions
		<p>Both Options 2 and 3 will increase the likelihood that housing development will locate in peripheral sites, increasing the need to travel and reducing the modes of transport.</p> <p>However, Option 2 will allow for the managed release of sites with the centrally located sites being developed first.</p> <p>It will be more difficult to gauge where and when investment will be needed for transport infrastructure with Option 3 given the unfettered release of land.</p>	
5	<p>Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities</p>	<p>0</p> <p>None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.</p>	
6	<p>Ensure access to good quality, affordable housing</p>	<p>+</p> <p>++</p> <p>All three options will deliver additional affordable housing.</p> <p>However, Option 1 will only contribute to meeting 63% of the identified five year AFH requirement because opportunities will be limited given that the majority of the supply is already committed.</p> <p>Whilst, Options 2 and 3 will allow greater provision of affordable housing, contributing to meeting between 79% and 95% of the</p>	<p>Need to ensure that Development Management policies control the quality of the housing.</p>

SA Objective	Impact	Comments on proposed strategy(ies)	Suggestions
7		identified five year AFH requirement due to the fact that these options would allow the release of large strategic greenfield sites.	
8	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	
9	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	
10	+ -	All three options will support this objective to a degree. However, there is the potential with Option 3 that some of the less viable inner area centres might be at risk as investment is diluted and diverted to other areas of the borough.	Need to ensure that Development Management policies provide or enhance POS in areas of deficit and seek to mitigate against the loss of any green infrastructure.
	0 -	Options 1 and 2 will not have a direct impact on this objective. However there is a risk that Option 3 might invite development pressure on some aspects of green infrastructure (ie. Private sports fields). In addition, it will be more difficult to gauge where investment will be needed for leisure/recreation provision with Option 3.	

SA Objective		Impact	Comments on proposed strategy(ies)	Suggestions
11	Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	
12	Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	
13	Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	Options 1 and 2 will not have a direct impact on this objective. However there is a risk that Option 3 might invite development pressure on some aspects of green infrastructure (ie. Private sports fields).	Need to ensure that Development Management policies mitigate against the loss of any biodiversity.
14	Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective. However, there is a risk that Options 2 and 3 may allow the release of some green field sites, which could increase the risk of flooding through surface water runoff.	Need to ensure that Development Management policies ensure that where Greenfield sites are released that there is no net increase in surface water runoff.

SA Objective		Impact	Comments on proposed strategy(ies)	Suggestions
15	Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	
16	Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	All three options will support this objective to a degree.	
17	Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0 +	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective. However, Option 3 potentially could deliver greater benefits as it would allow the release of more higher value larger sites that would benefit from economies of scale and make larger scale renewable energy solutions viable (ie. CHP/DH).	
18	Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	
19	Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is sensitive to the locality	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	Need to ensure that Development Management policies seek to ensure that high quality and sustainable design objectives are met.

Table 52

Appendix 7 Testing Employment Requirement Options against the Sustainability Appraisal Framework

Assessment of Sustainability of Local Plan Core Strategy Employment Land Requirement Paper (November 2010)

Assess the current situation “business as usual” of the strategic approach against the SA objectives:

- “Impact” should be rated from very negative (--) to negative (-) neutral (0) positive (+) and very positive (++)
- “Comments on current strategy” explain the impact that the strategy will have on the SA objective
- “Suggestions” outline how the current situation could be improved – suggestions may give us ideas of what to include in the Core Strategy and should help to generate options.

	SA Objective	Impact	Comments on proposed strategy(ies)	Suggestions
1	Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	<p>Whilst three options were considered one option to increasing the supply of land above the current rate (Option 3) was not carried forward for detailed assessment as evidence suggested that there was no demand for an increase in land supply.</p> <p>Nevertheless all three options would ensure sufficient employment land is available for the plan period helping to strengthen the local economy and support economic growth.</p> <p>There is a danger that pursuing Option 3 would be uneconomic in that it would lead to land being unutilised that could be put to other uses.</p> <p>There is also a danger that if the level in Option 2 is too low then there will not be sufficient employment land available to meet demand locally.</p>	<p>The release of sites will need to be managed in order to ensure provision is as sustainable as possible.</p> <p>Ensure that take up rates continue to be modified and assess need to review land supply</p>

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	SA Objective	Impact	Comments on proposed strategy(ies)	Suggestions
2	Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	
3	Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	
4	Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective. Locations are not satisfied.	Need to ensure that Development Management policies promote accessibility and improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes of transport.
5	Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	
6	Ensure access to good quality, affordable housing	0	None of the two detailed options will have a direct impact on this objective. However, if too much land is allowed there is a risk that sites which would be suitable for housing would be left vacant.	
7	Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	

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	SA Objective	Impact	Comments on proposed strategy(ies)	Suggestions
8	Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	
9	Protect and Enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective	Need to ensure that Development Management policies promote accessibility and improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes of transport. Where appropriate employment sites could be developed for mixed uses to enhance the provision of local services
10	Provide or enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	
11	Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	
12	Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	

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	SA Objective	Impact	Comments on proposed strategy(ies)	Suggestions
13	strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	
14	Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	
15	Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	
16	Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	
17	Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	- + --	Option 1 will continue to accumulate a surplus of employment land which will not be a prudent use of the Borough's land resource. Option 2 will provide an appropriate level of land for employment purposes. Option 3 will provide a significant over supply of land for employment uses which sterilise land for other uses.	
17	Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	

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	SA Objective	Impact	Comments on proposed strategy(ies)	Suggestions
18	Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	
19	Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is sensitive to the locality	0	None of the three options will have a direct impact on this objective.	

Table 53

Appendix 8 The Strategic Flood Risk Assessment

8.1 The WBC Strategic Flood Risk Assessment sets out Spatial Planning Guidance on how spatial planners are to apply the Sequential and Exception Test within the Sustainability Appraisal of Local Development Documents.

8.2 The guidance given in the SFRA is in accordance with national guidance and stipulates that *“When allocating land for development in flood risk areas, those responsible for making decisions are expected to demonstrate that there are no suitable alternative development sites (of the type and nature proposed by the Core Strategy) located in lower flood risk areas.”*

8.3 The Local Plan Core Strategy does not look to allocate any sites. A Land Allocation Local Plan will be produced following the adoption of the Local Plan Core Strategy. Despite this, the Core Strategy does focus development in certain areas and identify strategic locations and opportunities.

8.4 Strategic locations are of importance to the Overall Spatial Strategy either by being a focus of development over the plan period or by being considered for possible future development in the medium to longer term to meet identified needs and avoid the release of Green Belt land.

8.5 Strategic opportunities are locations that present important opportunities to contribute to economic growth and other development needs both within and beyond the plan period. Their importance may significantly increase over the Core Strategy period.

8.6 Whilst not constituting allocations as such, the locations and opportunities identified are clearly of importance to the Core Strategy, and could come forward as allocations at some point in the plan period if monitoring shows that this is necessary.

8.7 Whilst there is therefore no specific requirement to consider the sequential and exceptions test if no allocations are being made, it is considered appropriate to have regard to such tests in the sustainability appraisals the Core Strategy and in justifying the Overall Spatial Strategy, strategic locations and strategic opportunities set out in the document.

8.8 The steps set out in Table 3-2 of the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment have therefore been followed, and commentary is set out below.

STEP 1 – identify the **geographical area** over which the Sequential Test is to be applied. This can be over the entire LPA but will usually be reduced to communities to fit with functional requirements of development or objectives within RSS or Core Strategy.

8.9 For the purposes of the Core Strategy, the Sequential Test will apply to the entire LPA area, as this is the coverage of the emerging Local Plan.

STEP 2 – Identify reasonably available areas of growth.

8.10 The main building blocks for the Core Strategy in terms of the strategic sites and areas were identified in the Issues and Options Report early in the Core Strategy process (February 2009). These sites and areas have evolved and their purposes refined through the Core Strategy production process into Strategic Locations and Strategic Opportunities.

8.11 Strategic Locations are locations that are of importance to the Overall Spatial Strategy either by being a focus of development over the plan period or by being considered for possible future development in the medium to longer term to meet identified needs and avoid the release of Green Belt land. The first two locations will be important to support economic growth with in the plan period:

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- The Town Centre
- Omega and Lingley Mere

8.12 The next strategic locations are important to meet other development needs over the plan period and beyond:

- Inner Warrington
- Appleton Cross, Grappenhall Heys, Peel Hall and Pewterspear Green

8.13 The strategic opportunities identified present important opportunities to contribute to economic growth and other development needs both within and beyond the plan period:

- Waterfront and Arpley Meadows
- Port Warrington

8.14 These more strategic locations and opportunities are supported by evidence of the level of housing potential within the Borough and evidence on existing and potential employment land in the borough through the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment and Employment Land Availability Statement respectively.

8.15 These reports, together with the strategic sites and identified developer aspirations identify all reasonably available areas of growth in the borough.

STEP 3 – Identify the presence of **all sources of risk** using the evidence provided in the SFRA.

8.16 The Strategic Flood Risk Assessment looks at fluvial, tidal, surface water and sewer flood risk. The report looks at each source of flooding in detail.

8.17 Warrington is at risk from many different sources of flooding including, main rivers, ordinary watercourses, surface water runoff, sewer flooding and the residual risks associated with artificial water bodies such as the Bridgewater Canal, the ManchesterShip Canal and reservoirs.

8.18 The main source of flooding is the River Mersey and its five key tributaries, which flow through the centre of the borough. Flooding can be both fluvial and tidal in nature with the tidal limit of the Mersey located at Howley weir, central Warrington. Built in 1894, the Manchester Ship Canal plays a vital role in managing fluvial flood risk along the Mersey. Although principally a navigation canal, the canal provides a floodwater bypass channel for Warrington, which significantly reduces the incidence of flooding from fluvial flows.

STEP 4 – **Screen available land** for development in ascending order from Flood Risk Zone 1 to 3, including the subdivisions of Flood Risk Zone 3.

8.19 This evidence is provided in the Sequential Test Spreadsheet of the SFRA (Volume II Section 5). This provides a spatial assessment of all the identified potential development sites against Flood Zones and SFRA surface water susceptibility zones.

STEP 5 – Could all development be located in lower flood risk areas? If not, move onto the next steps.

8.20 Warrington is a large town, built mainly on the floodplain of the River Mersey, with about three quarters of the urban area lying between the 5 and 12 metres above sea level (AOD). According to the Environment Agency's June 2011 Flood Map there are 6789 homes, businesses and other buildings

within the 1 in 100-year fluvial or 1 in 200-year tidal flood extent (Flood Zone 3) within Warrington. These properties have a 1% (fluvial) or 0.5% (tidal) chance of flooding in any given year. This number rises to 14670 properties when the extreme 1 in 1000-year fluvial and tidal flood event is considered.

8.21 Once the fluvial and tidal flood zones 2 and 3 are overlaid with information on areas susceptible to surface water and ground water flooding, a substantial area of the borough is covered.

8.22 The reasonable available areas of growth identified through the potential development areas can be seen mapped against Environment Agency Flood Zones in the maps that accompany the SFRA.

8.23 A large proportion of the borough is also covered by a green belt designation which effectively precludes development. Protection of the Green Belt has been achieved through promotion of brownfield regeneration and restructuring of the older parts of Warrington town in both the existing Unitary Development Plan and the emerging Core Strategy. The focus on the inner, older areas of Warrington does, however, largely cover the area identified to be most at risk from flooding.

8.24 It therefore cannot be concluded that all of the growth and development anticipated over the Core Strategy period can be located in lower flood risk areas.

STEP 6 – Identify those sites which should be **avoided** where risk is considered too great and there is no strategic planning objectives identified in the Core Strategy.

8.25 The sequential test spreadsheet of the SFRA identifies certain sites that should be avoided in any sequential test:

Site ID	Name	Source	Size (Ha)
	Victoria Park	Development Aspiration	37.73
2019	Brook House Farm	SHLAA 2010	0.23
2147	Orford Fields	SHLAA 2010	3.10
1833	Land at Orford Rd north west of TP rail line	SHLAA 2010	0.16
1571	Rostherne Close, SankeyBridges	SHLAA 2010	0.05
1861	Land North of Mayfair Close	SHLAA 2010	1.58
1715	SpectraBuilding & Drivetime golf range	SHLAA 2010	16.65
1505	Land at the junction of Warrington Rd / Jennet's Lane/ Jennet's Lane	SHLAA 2010	1.94
1717	Former Dairy Works	SHLAA 2010	0.25
2130	Land at junction of Carol Street / Knutsford Road	SHLAA 2010	0.12
1261	Ford Farm	SHLAA 2010	0.42
1879	St. Marys Court	SHLAA 2010	0.02
1780	Land adj to 132 Slater Street	SHLAA 2010	0.03
1602	Brook Avenue garage site	SHLAA 2010	0.09
1831	Land off Newcombe Avenue	SHLAA 2010	1.42

Site ID	Name	Source	Size (Ha)
1201	New World Ltd	SHLAA 2010	13.91
1604	Land adjoining Birchwood Way (south of)	SHLAA 2010	7.68
2148	Land off Sealand Close	SHLAA 2010	0.50
1803	Land to North of Birchwood Way	SHLAA 2010	5.24
325	Land at Europa Boulevard	ELA 2010	0.48
321	Land at rear of New Moss Farm	ELA 2010	0.50
PS38	Land SE of Woolston M6 Junction	ELA 2010	6.21
304	Land at Thelwall Lane	ELA 2010	0.93
285	Land at eastern end of Thelwall Lane	ELA 2010	1.88
276	New World Ltd, New World House, Thelwall Lane, Warrington	ELA 2010	1.71

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8.26 The only site where strategic planning objectives are identified in the Core Strategy is Victoria Park. The planning objectives identified relate more to maximising the use of the park, rather than specific built development. A specific policy is included within the Core Strategy, and this makes strong reference to the flood storage role of the park itself.

8.27 The sites identified through the SHLAA are sites that already have a valid consent (ref 2019, 1201 and 2148), are constrained due to other reasons (ref 1505) or have been identified as potentially suitable for residential development, but constrained due to flood risk reasons. The sites are therefore not needed to be able to demonstrate that the Core Strategy has a suitable, available and deliverable 5, 10 and 15 year supply of housing land. Site ref 1803 (land to North of Birchwood Way) has been considered suitable, likely to become available and achievable due to the amount of the site that is within Flood Zones 1 and 2. Whilst the SFRA sequential test spreadsheet advises that the site should be avoided during the sequential test, it also advises that the Environmental Agency's Flood Hazard modelling shows that the risk to the site is lower than shown in the current Flood Map.

8.28 The sites identified through the ELA mostly benefit, or have benefitted from planning consent for employment uses. The exception to this is site ref PS38 which is also constrained due to its location in the Green Belt. The total size of the sites (outside the Green Belt) is considered to be small (i.e. 5.5 ha), and the sites are therefore not considered fundamental to the delivery of the Core Strategy.

STEP 7 – Identify those sites in which the consequence of flooding can be reduced through **substitution** within the site boundary.

8.29 The following sites have been identified within the SFRA Sequential Test spreadsheet as requiring a sequential approach to site layout, avoiding development in the functional floodplain and substituting appropriate uses to appropriate locations within the site.

Site ID	Name	Source	Size (Ha)
1518	Penketh Hall Farm Complex	SHLAA 2010	1.71

Site ID	Name	Source	Size (Ha)
	OrfordPark	Development Aspiration	20.96
1706	The Avoiding Line North of RyefieldsVillage	SHLAA 2010	1.95
1629	Expanse of land to the west of Penketh Hall Farm	SHLAA 2010	18.82
2052	Land to the North of Doeford Close, Culcheth	SHLAA 2010	2.16
	SankeyValleyPark	Development Aspiration	92.23
1411	Former timber planing mill off Chester Road.,	SHLAA 2010	9.73
1535	AlbionPark	SHLAA 2010	2.86
1772	Land between 23 - 27 Mort AvenueAvenue	SHLAA 2010	0.10
1542	Land to the North of Culcheth Hall Drive, east of Withington Avenue and Doeford Closeand Doeford Close	SHLAA 2010	66.96
	A49 Corridor	Development Aspiration	160.21
1632	Brush Farm, Glazebrook Lane	SHLAA 2010	1.69
1550	Land adjacent to Lord Street, Latchford	SHLAA 2010	0.07
1877	Rear of the Highway Man	SHLAA 2010	0.16
303	Meadowside CPS, Clough Lane	ELA 2010	0.34
1705	Land adjacent to Warrington Motor Parts	SHLAA 2010	0.24
PS49	Howley Quay Howley Lane	ELA 2010	0.56
	Howley Quay	Development Aspiration	0.62
1019	Land adj 414 Knutsford Road	SHLAA 2010	0.08
1101	Howley Quay	SHLAA 2010	0.62
1527	Land fronting Pool Lane (north - adjacent pumping station)(north - adjacent pumping station)	SHLAA 2010	0.27
2051	Land at Pool Bank Farm	SHLAA 2010	0.43
PS17	Edward Cheshire Ltd, Navigation Street	ELA 2010	0.09
1108	Edwards Cheshire	SHLAA 2010	0.57
2150	Land at Farrell Street & Howley Lane JunctionJunction.	SHLAA 2010	0.23
1322	Brook Place	SHLAA 2010	0.16

Site ID	Name	Source	Size (Ha)
2143	Land at Thelwall Lane (west)(West)	SHLAA 2010	1.48
2142	Land at Thelwall Lane (east)(East)	SHLAA 2010	1.66
1621	Land immediately surrounding Pool Farm	SHLAA 2010	0.50
1585	Former scout hut	SHLAA 2010	0.12
1891	Land fronting Pool Lane	SHLAA 2010	1.60
1797	502 Knutsford Road	SHLAA 2010	0.06
1521	Alcan Factory	SHLAA 2010	5.87
1092	Farrell Street South	SHLAA 2010	7.08
PS21	Farrell Street South	ELA 2010	7.11
2136	ForestWayBusinessPark	SHLAA 2010	7.13
1226	Land adj to 144 - 148 Longshaw Street	SHLAA 2010	0.09
1850	Former Audi showroom	SHLAA 2010	0.29
309	ForrestWayBusinessPark	ELA 2010	7.52
1543	Knutsford Road	SHLAA 2010	2.48
2129	Land off Knutsford Road / Blackbear Bridge/ BlackbearBridge	SHLAA 2010	0.56
PS37	Land east of Victoria Park	ELA 2010	2.34
1229	Land fronting Pool Lane	SHLAA 2010	0.14
1707	Alford Hall Social Club overflow car park	SHLAA 2010	0.39
1809	55 - 57 Knutsford Road	SHLAA 2010	0.25
1553	United Utilities Pool Lane DepotDepot	SHLAA 2010	0.28
2139	20 Bridge Street, Lymm	SHLAA 2010	0.04
2119	Wet Gate Lane Farm, Wet Gate Lane, Lymm, WA13 9SN	SHLAA 2010	0.01
1041	Harry Fairclough Ltd.	SHLAA 2010	0.55
1830	Former St. Lukes Church	SHLAA 2010	0.14
PS9	CentrePark Plot 18	ELA 2010	0.63
1711	APW Thomas Locker Site	SHLAA 2010	1.39
1880	7 Hallfields Road	SHLAA 2010	0.08
1262	Land at Western end of Greenalls Avenue	SHLAA 2010	0.67

Site ID	Name	Source	Size (Ha)
PS23	Land at western end of Greenalls Avenue	ELA 2010	0.84
1517	Former Greenall's Nursery	SHLAA 2010	1.36
1620	Recycling premises	SHLAA 2010	0.90
1655	Land West of Phipps Lane	SHLAA 2010	7.35
1611	Land to the east of Walton Lea Road - Higher Walton, Higher Walton	SHLAA 2010	3.23
1538	Land to the rear of Harbord Street	SHLAA 2010	0.14
PS11	Former Troutdale Properties Land	ELA 2010	1.81
1133	Land to the rear of 25-29 Church Street	SHLAA 2010	0.02
1058	Sewage Works	SHLAA 2010	2.40
1439	Saxon Park East	SHLAA 2010	2.20
1531	Statham Lodge Hotel	SHLAA 2010	1.49
286	Birchwood Corporate	ELA 2010	3.90
1618	Land south east of Deans Lane, Thelwall	SHLAA 2010	16.68
1622	Land between Oldfield Road and Warrington Road	SHLAA 2010	1.43
1091	Manchester Ship Canal	SHLAA 2010	2.54
1756	Pierpoint & Bryant Lagoon	SHLAA 2010	3.45
	Walton Hall	Development Aspiration	91.33
PS48	Pierpoint & Bryant Lagoon Pichael Nook	ELA 2010	3.13
1635	Former planting site	SHLAA 2010	0.91
1563	Arpley Meadows southern former landing stage	SHLAA 2010	7.79
283	Old Liverpool Road, Warrington	ELA 2010	0.15
1514	Land off A57 Manchester Rd, Hollins Green	SHLAA 2010	7.54
PS22	FIAT Site Winwick Road	ELA 2010	5.50
1138	102/102a Wilderspool Causeway	SHLAA 2010	0.02
1708	Worldwide Communications Ltd.	SHLAA 2010	0.03
2039	St. Roccas Hospice Nearly New Shop	SHLAA 2010	0.01

Site ID	Name	Source	Size (Ha)
1726	Land between Penny Ferry Pub & 227 Thelwall Lane	SHLAA 2010	0.03
1818	Garages at Longdin Street	SHLAA 2010	0.04
957	1 Dover Road	SHLAA 2010	0.02
1104	Springbank Service Station	SHLAA 2010	0.06
1440	G & J Greenalls Site	SHLAA 2010	4.78
1441	G & J Greenalls Site	SHLAA 2010	0.18
1752	Wilderspool Stadium	SHLAA 2010	1.90
PS41	Warrington Bus Depot	ELA 2010	1.35
PS47	Eagle Ottawa Site Thelwall Lane	ELA 2010	1.80
1584	Former school canteen at Henshall Avenue	SHLAA 2010	0.09
1719	Furnish with Flair Site	SHLAA 2010	0.31
1753	Land at the rear of St James Court	SHLAA 2010	0.85
1864	Eagle Ottawa UK Ltd	SHLAA 2010	1.92
1846	NorrisStreetChurch	SHLAA 2010	0.17
1847	Venns Road lock up garages	SHLAA 2010	0.12
1860	Howley Arms	SHLAA 2010	0.05
1881	Land between 49 - 51 Orford Green	SHLAA 2010	0.04
1736	224 - 228 Wilderspool Causeway	SHLAA 2010	0.15
1838	Northway lock up garages	SHLAA 2010	0.13
1619	1 - 5 Kingsway South	SHLAA 2010	0.07
PS52	Former MFI and Car Park	ELA 2010	0.99
2152	Former MFI Store	SHLAA 2010	0.98
1773	Land adj 26 Stringer Crescent	SHLAA 2010	0.05
1424	Manor Lock	SHLAA 2010	0.21
1762	Land at Dog & Partridge	SHLAA 2010	0.23
1528	Land adjacent to and west of StathamCommunityPrimary School	SHLAA 2010	6.77
1758	Land at junction of Wilson Patten Street / Winmarleigh Street	SHLAA 2010	0.16
PS4	55 Wilson Patten Street	ELA 2010	0.16

Site ID	Name	Source	Size (Ha)
PS34	Mr Smiths Car Park (219)	ELA 2010	0.25
1594	College Close Amenity Area	SHLAA 2010	0.25
1848	Lock up garages to the west of Quebec Road	SHLAA 2010	0.05
1716	Land at junction of Gainsborough Rd / Chester Rd	SHLAA 2010	0.37
2049	4, Dial Street	SHLAA 2010	0.04
PS54	Bank Quay Station	ELA 2010	0.43
29	(behind Asics / HT Electrical), Europa Boulevard	ELA 2010	0.40
1720	MSBS Joinery Site	SHLAA 2010	0.37
2028	25, Bold Street	SHLAA 2010	0.02
2050	2, Dial Street	SHLAA 2010	0.03
PS40	Land E of Spencer House	ELA 2010	0.67
26	WRDC Site 26, behind Spencer House, Birchwood Cent	ELA 2010	0.78
1567	Land at Warrington Rd / Hawthorne Avenue, Culcheth	SHLAA 2010	0.28
2112	75 Culcheth Hall Drive, Warrington, WA3 4PX	SHLAA 2010	0.13
1634	Former planting site	SHLAA 2010	2.37
1790	97 Buttermarket Street	SHLAA 2010	0.07
1418	69, Common LaneCommon Lane	SHLAA 2010	0.16
	Warrington Waterfront	Development Aspiration	198.85
1541	Arpley Meadows (mid parcel immediately abutting the west coast mainline)	SHLAA 2010	19.57
PS12	SpectraPlantCentrePark	ELA 2010	7.33
PS10	CentrePark Remainder	ELA 2010	0.66
	Cardinal Newman	Development Aspiration	15.72
1178	CardinalNewmanHigh School	SHLAA 2010	14.30
PS8	CentrePark Plot 2	ELA 2010	0.33
	Warrington Waterfront (Arpley Meadows)	Development Aspiration	22.40

Site ID	Name	Source	Size (Ha)
2034	109, Bridge Street	SHLAA 2010	0.01
PS25	Port Warrington Site	ELA 2010	11.99
	Port Warrington	Development Aspiration	11.99
	Bridge Street Quarter	Development Aspiration	6.25
PS1	Bridge Street Time Square Area	ELA 2010	6.25
	Central Warrington Strategic Site	Development Aspiration	15.40
1633	Arpley Meadows (most western parcel)	SHLAA 2010	29.46

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8.30 The sites shaded at the end of the table are within the identified strategic locations and opportunities identified earlier. It is apparent from the SFRA sequential test spreadsheet that substitution of uses within the site boundary is possible in all of these areas. The exceptions test may still be necessary depending on what uses are proposed where within the site.

8.31 Some of the Development Aspiration sites that have been included in the spreadsheet including: Orford Park, SankeyValleyPark and Walton Hall reflect that there are aspirations to improve facilities within the areas. Inclusion of these sites does not indicate any aspiration to develop the whole of the site for a particular use.

8.32 All other sites that are not listed are 100% in Flood Zones 1 and, and will therefore not require consideration of substitution within the site boundary unless highly vulnerable uses are proposed.

STEP 8 – Assess yield and layout issues for remaining high risk sites to check viability of development.

8.33 The sites that have come forward through the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment have been assessed in detail and conclusions have been reached as to whether the sites are suitable, available and deliverable. Some sites have been discounted and have not been considered in detail due to their location in the Green Belt. Other sites have been more carefully considered in terms of their suitability and any possible constraints, including flooding issues, open space provision, landscaping and Health and Safety buffers. Where sites have been considered suitable for housing development, an assessment has been made as to when the site is likely to come forward and the sort of capacity that could be delivered from the site. The indicative capacities are all considered to be cautious and take into account any identified constraints and any numbers shown in historical masterplans, planning permissions or pre-application discussions. All indicative capacities are based on the application of appropriate densities bearing in mind the location of the site and the characteristics of the site itself.

8.34 The Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment takes into account all of these issues for each of the sites included and concludes that the borough can still demonstrate a deliverable 5, 10 and 15 year supply of housing.

8.35 Similar considerations have been taken into account in the Employment Land Availability Study and flood risk issues do not present an issue in the provision of employment land over the plan period, based on the sites set out above.

STEP 9 – Assess the compatibility of the **development vulnerability** using Table D.2 of PPS25 and identify the requirement of passing the **Exception Test** using Table D.3 of PPS25.

8.36 The exceptions test would be required for any residential development on the sites identified through the SHLAA in the table in Step 7, as at least some of these sites are located within Flood Zone 3a.

8.37 Any employment development within the sites listed in the table in Step 7 would not be required to pass the exceptions test as less vulnerable development is considered appropriate in Flood Zones 2 and 3a.

STEP 10 – Use the SA to assess alternative development options by balancing flood risk against other planning constraints. **Proposed sites should be avoided and removed if it is unlikely to pass the Exception Test.**

8.38 The sites listed have been fully assessed in both flood risk terms and in terms of their suitability and deliverability for housing development and employment development in the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment, Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment and the Employment Land Availability Statement.

8.39 The alternative development options proposed by the Core Strategy included:

1. Prioritising development on Inner Warrington brownfield sites
2. Prioritising development on Inner Warrington brownfield sites with selective release of other sites
3. Promoting development on all suitable and available development sites.

8.40 The evidence from the Sustainability Appraisal shows that options 1 and 3 either do not deliver the level of growth necessary, or do not focus development in a way that would best balance economic, social and environmental objectives.

8.41 The evidence from the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment shows that option 2 can be achieved through a pragmatic approach to flood risk management, in that all development sites cannot be located in areas of lowest risk (Flood Zone 1), but there would be wider sustainability benefits of considering some sites where substitution of uses and a sequential approach to site layout could be taken.

8.42 The Core Strategy does not seek to allocate sites for development, although the document does identify strategic locations and opportunities. The document is also supported by evidence in the form of the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment and the Employment Land Availability Statement which take flood risk issues into account and can demonstrate sufficient land to deliver appropriate housing and employment development throughout and beyond the plan period.

8.43 There are no significant sites within the anticipated forward supply of housing and employment land that are considered unlikely to pass the exceptions test.

STEP 11 – **Produce a supporting stand alone document** recording all decisions made during Steps 1 to 10. Each proposed development site should be referenced and the decisions made to avoid, substitute, or allocate the site and the evidence used. This can be incorporated within the appendix of the SA.

8.44 This document constitutes the stand alone document and will be incorporated within the appendix of the SA.

STEP 12 – **Allocate development allocations** within the SA, including appropriate flood risk policies and development guidance on each allocated site. Guidance should include the need for appropriate site specific FRAs.

8.45 The Core Strategy does not allocate any sites for development. Any such allocations will be brought forward through the Land Allocations Local Plan which will follow Core Strategy adoption.

8.46 The Core Strategy does, however include appropriate flood risk policies and makes reference to flood risk issues where appropriate in identifying strategic locations and strategic opportunities.

8.47 The Environment Agency and other relevant stakeholders will be consulted on the draft policies that inform the application of the Exception Test and the production of FRAs.

Appendix 9 Predicting and Evaluating Effects of the Draft Local Plan Core Strategy - Impacts on Baseline Indicators

Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
<p>1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth</p>	
<p>Amount of land developed for employment type.</p>	<p>Possible positive effect: (over short to medium term)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy makes provision for 277ha of land for employment purposes over the plan period to support the sustainable growth of the economy. This includes an element of flexibility. • Direct • Measured through AMR <p>SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>Percentage of above, by type, which is on previously developed land.</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy seeks to direct employment development to the town centre and recognised employment areas. Whilst not all of the sites in these areas are previously developed, the majority are and thus there should be a significant amount of employment development on PDL. • Direct • Measured through AMR <p>SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>Losses of employment land in:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. local authority area; and ii. development / regeneration areas 	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy seeks to prevent losses of employment land except where justified. • Direct • Measured through AMR

Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
Amount of employment land lost to residential development.	<p>SIGNIFICANT</p> <p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy seeks to prevent losses of employment land except where justified. • Direct & Secondary effect • Measured through AMR <p>SIGNIFICANT</p>
Employment land supply by type.	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy makes provision for 277ha of land for employment purposes over the plan period to support the sustainable growth of the economy. However, whilst this will ensure an increase in supply of employment land, it will not necessarily ensure an increase in any specific employment type. Therefore any effect on the type of employment land will be indirect but should exist for the full plan period. • Secondary • Difficult to measure direct effect <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
Shop vacancy rates within the town centre	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy seeks to protect the town centre from out-of-centre retail developments and encourages the re-use of vacant units (Policy CS1Direct • Monitored through the Town Centre Health Check • Secondary • Difficult to measure direct effect as a result of sequential approach

Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
<p>Travel to work by alternative modes</p>	<p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p> <p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy will encourage TTW by alternative modes, especially walking and cycling (Policies T9 & I8), and look to integrate with transport networks outside Warrington to enhance the sustainability of cross boundary travel. Also it seeks to strengthen public transport links between key employment areas, the town centre and the wider regeneration area, focusing particularly on areas of deprivation (Policy CS2). • Secondary • Difficult to measure direct effect <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>Number of employees covered by Travel Plans</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy seeks to negotiate Travel Plans for major developments, where appropriate. • Direct • Measured by number of applications where Travel Plans negotiated as part of planning consent <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>Proportion of the population who live within the 20% most deprived SOAs in the Country (indices of multiple deprivation)</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of the primary objectives of the Draft Core Strategy is to secure regeneration benefits in the most deprived areas – related to access to employment, environmental, and health inequalities. • Cumulative • Difficult to measure direct impact

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Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
	NOT SIGNIFICANT
<p>2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall</p> <p>% of adults with NVQ level 3 and above (Working Age)</p> <p>% of adults with NVQ level 4 and above (Working Age)</p> <p>Number of adults participating in education</p> <p>% of working age population with no qualifications</p> <p>% of 16 – 19 with no qualifications</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy looks to ensure access to employment and training opportunities, especially in areas of deprivation. • Cumulative • Difficult to measure direct impact <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion</p>	
<p>Proportion of the population who live within the 20% most deprived SOAs in the Country (indices of multiple deprivation)</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy will aim to secure regeneration benefits in the most deprived areas. • Cumulative • Difficult to measure direct effects <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes</p>	
<p>Percentage of new residential development within 30 minutes public transport time of a GP, hospital, primary and secondary school, employment and a major health centre.</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy provides for the strengthening of public transport links between key employment areas, the town centre and the wider regeneration area, focusing particularly on areas of deprivation (Policy CS2). It also provides for improving everyone's access to the town centre; employment and health, education, culture and leisure facilities (as well

Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
	<p>as the natural environment) by all modes of transport, especially those from disadvantaged communities or groups (Policies T9 and I8).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct • Difficult to measure direct impact <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
Levels of car ownership / usage	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of housing in more sustainable locations and the promotion of walking and cycling through the provision of integrated networks of continuous, attractive and safe routes may increase the use of more sustainable travel modes and hence indirectly reduce the use/level of car ownership in the long term. • Cumulative / secondary • Difficult to measure direct impact <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
Local bus services (passenger journeys per year)	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A spatial strategy that seeks to provide housing in more sustainable locations and promotes the use of public transport through integrate cross boundary travel, strengthen public transport links between key employment areas, the town centre and the central area where most growth will be directed towards (Policy CS2) should help to increase the use of more sustainable travel modes. • Cumulative / secondary • Difficult to measure direct impact <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>

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Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
% increase in public transport ridership	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A spatial strategy that seeks to provide housing in more sustainable locations and promotes the use of public transport through integrate cross boundary travel, strengthen public transport links between key employment areas, the town centre and the central area where most growth will be directed towards (Policy CS2) should help to increase the use of more sustainable travel modes. • Cumulative / secondary • Difficult to measure direct impact <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>Measure of congestion</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A key priority of the Draft CS is to reduce congestion through a spatial strategy that seeks to; provide housing in more sustainable locations; promotes the use of public transport through integrate cross boundary travel, strengthen public transport links between key employment areas, the town centre and the central area where most growth will be directed towards; and the promotion of walking and cycling through the provision of integrated networks of continuous, attractive and safe routes should help to reduce the level of congestion in the medium to long term. • Cumulative / Secondary • Monitored through the LTP <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	
General health condition	Possible positive effect:

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy will seek to secure public open space and play equipment in new developments, where a need can be demonstrated (DM4). It also seeks to promote walking and cycling through the provision of integrated networks of continuous, attractive and safe routes. Indirectly these measures should help contribute to a general improvement in the health of the borough's population over the long term and looks to address health inequalities. • Secondary / cumulative • Difficult to measure direct effect <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
Geographical access to services (defined as a post office, GP, food shop and primary school)	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy aims to create sustainable communities and provides for the strengthening of public transport links between key employment areas, the town centre and the wider regeneration area, focusing particularly on areas of deprivation (Policies CS1 and CS2). It also provides for improving everyone's access to the town centre; employment and health, education, culture and leisure facilities (as well as the natural environment) by all modes of transport, especially those from disadvantaged communities or groups. • Secondary / cumulative • Difficult to measure direct effect <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
Participation in sport (by age & type)	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy will seek to secure public open space (including outdoor sports facilities) and play equipment in new developments, where a need can be demonstrated (Policy DM4). It also seeks to develop integrated networks for safe walking and cycling and promote well-being

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Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
<p>Access to local green space – achievement of “accessible natural green space standards”</p>	<p>and healthy living by safeguarding access to opportunities for exercise. These measures should have an indirect effect on the level of participation in sport due to the provision of good quality, easily accessible facilities over the medium to long term.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary • Difficult to measure direct effect <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p> <p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy aims to create sustainable communities and will seek to secure POS and play equipment (including outdoor sports facilities) in new development where a need is demonstrated (Policy DM4). Whilst Policy CS4 aims to develop and implement green infrastructure improvements by working with partners and to identify projects to enhance the network by improving the quality of existing provision as well as creating new facilities in areas of deficiencies. • Direct • Can be measured for new development through open space audits. <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	
<p>Housing completions – by type</p>	<p>Probable positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy aims to manage the number of housing commitments, which will determine the number of possible completions. • Direct • Monitored through AMR and housing trajectory <p>SIGNIFICANT</p>

Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
<p>Re-use of previously developed land for housing</p>	<p>Probable positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy prioritises the re-use of PDL within the defined settlements and indicates that at least 80% of all new homes will be delivered in these locations with approximately 60% being delivered in the defined Central Area. • Direct • Measured through AMR <p>SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>Percentage of new dwellings completed at:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Less than 30 dwellings per hectare; Between 30 and 50 dwellings per hectare; and Above 50 dwellings per hectare. 	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy does not include targets on housing density as a specific policy clarification, but looks to integrate housing development with the surrounding area. Therefore in some instances it may be possible to influence the density of housing development. • Direct • Measured through AMR <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>Affordable housing completions (as a % of all completions)</p>	<p>Definite positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contributing to the provision of appropriate levels of affordable housing is a specific aim of the Draft Core Strategy. • Direct • Monitored through AMR <p>SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>Homelessness: households accepted and in priority need</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:???</p>

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Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contribution to the provision of appropriate levels of housing and affordable housing is a specific aim of the Draft Core Strategy. This could positively affect levels of homelessness This may impact on numbers in temporary accommodation, but in secondary / cumulative way Difficult to measure direct impact <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
Numbers in temporary accommodation / rough sleepers	<p>Definite positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contributing to the provision of appropriate levels of affordable housing is a specific aim of the Draft Core Strategy (Policies H1 and H2). Making provision for affordable housing may reduce the numbers living in temporary accommodation and rough sleepers. Secondary – difficult to measure direct impact <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime</p> <p>% of residents surveyed who feel safe outside.</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft Core Strategy seeks to regenerate areas and create sustainable communities. Policy DM6 promotes designs and layouts which are safe and take account of public health, crime prevention and community safety considerations amongst other things. The Design and Construction SPD indicates that development proposals will be assessed with regard to the “secured by Design” criteria and ODPM publication “Safer Places: the Planning System and Crime Prevention” (2004). The combination of these measures should contribute to ensuring that progressive development/redevelopment will produce a safer, more crime free environment in the long term.

Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
Domestic burglaries per 1000 population	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary / cumulative • Difficult to measure direct effect <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p> <p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy seeks to regenerate areas and create sustainable communities. Policy DM6 promotes designs and layouts which are safe and take account of public health, crime prevention and community safety considerations amongst other things. The Design and Construction SPD indicates that development proposals will be assessed with regard to the “secured by Design” criteria and ODPM publication “Safer Places: the Planning System and Crime Prevention” (2004). The combination of these measures should contribute to ensuring that progressive development/redevelopment will produce a safer, more crime free environment in the long term. • Secondary / cumulative • Difficult to measure direct effect <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
Total number of violent crimes per 1000 population	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy seeks to regenerate areas and create sustainable communities. Policy DM6 promotes designs and layouts which are safe and take account of public health, crime prevention and community safety considerations amongst other things. The Design and Construction SPD indicates that development proposals will be assessed with regard to the “secured by Design” criteria and ODPM publication “Safer Places: the Planning System and Crime Prevention” (2004). The combination of these measures should contribute to ensuring that progressive

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Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
	<p>development/redevelopment will produce a safer, more crime free environment in the long term.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary / cumulative • Difficult to measure direct effect <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
Vehicle crimes per 1000 population	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy seeks to regenerate areas and create sustainable communities. Policy DM6 promotes designs and layouts which are safe and take account of public health, crime prevention and community safety considerations amongst other things. The Design and Construction SPD indicates that development proposals will be assessed with regard to the “secured by Design” criteria and ODPM publication “Safer Places: the Planning System and Crime Prevention” (2004). The combination of these measures should contribute to ensuring that progressive development/redevelopment will produce a safer, more crime free environment in the long term. • Secondary / cumulative • Difficult to measure direct effect <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	
% age of residents who are satisfied with their neighbourhood as a place to live	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft CS aims to create sustainable communities, addressing inequalities (Policy E1), providing a more balanced housing offer, maintaining and enhancing existing local centres, especially in “Creating Prosperity and Vibrancy” and “Strengthening Neighbourhoods” sections.

Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary / cumulative • Difficult to measure direct effects <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities</p> <p>Geographical access to services (defined as a post office, GP, food shop and primary school)</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy aims to create sustainable communities and provides for the strengthening of public transport links between key employment areas, the town centre and the wider regeneration area, focusing particularly on areas of deprivation. It also provides for improving everyone's access to the town centre; employment and health, education, culture and leisure facilities (as well as the natural environment) by all modes of transport, especially those from disadvantaged communities or groups. • Secondary / cumulative • Difficult to measure direct impact <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>Amount of completed retail, office and leisure development respectively.</p>	<p>Possible positive effect: (med/long term)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft CS looks to provide land to meet development needs in the short and long term and aims to provide for a diverse range of uses and developments that are likely to attract large numbers of people, including retail, office and leisure uses focused on the town centre. • Direct, but will be affected by market conditions • Measured through AMR <p>SIGNIFICANT</p>

Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
<p>Percentage of completed retail, office and leisure development respectively in town centres.</p>	<p>Possible positive effect: (med/long term)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft CS aims to provide for a diverse range of uses and developments that are likely to attract large numbers of people, including retail, office and leisure uses focused on the town centre. The Core Strategy looks to focus such development in existing centre, but sequential tests and impact tests may justify development in other locations. • Direct • Measured through AMR <p>SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.</p> <p>Percentage of eligible open spaces managed to green flag award standard.</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Objective 14 seeks to encourage improvements to areas of deprivation, including amongst other things the quality of parks and green spaces. Objective G1 seeks to diversify and extend the existing multi-functional network of green infrastructure. The Draft CS Policy CS4 aims to develop and implement green infrastructure improvements by working with partners and to identify projects to enhance the network by improving the quality of existing provision as well as creating new facilities in areas of deficiencies. Whilst, these objectives and policies will not necessarily directly contribute to increasing the percentage of open spaces managed to the green flag award standard they may increase the number that meet the criteria to achieve the standard. • Secondary / cumulative • Difficult to measure direct effects <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>Access to open space / equipped play</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy aims to create sustainable communities and will seek to secure POS and play equipment (including outdoor sports facilities) in new development where a need is demonstrated. Policies also aim to develop and implement green infrastructure improvements by working with partners and to identify projects to enhance the network by improving the quality of existing provision as well as creating new facilities in areas of deficiencies. • Secondary / Cumulative • Could be measured for new development <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value</p>	
<p>Number of listed buildings, ancient monuments and conservation areas</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft CS aims to protect and enhance the borough's heritage assets, securing improvements where possible. In this regard the number of assets should not decline beyond the current level. • Direct • Will be measured through AMR <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>Change in number and condition of listed buildings</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft CS seeks to encourage the preservation and enhancement of the historic environment. Consequently there is more likelihood of Listed Buildings being brought into use or retained in use than would otherwise be the case. In addition the housing exceptions policy allows for the conversion of listed buildings to residential use if significant benefits can be demonstrated. Therefore, whilst the CS is unlikely to have any impact

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	<p>on the total numbers of listed buildings it may result in their condition being improved in some instances.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary / cumulative • Difficult to measure direct effects <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
Change in number and condition of Ancient Monuments	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft CS aims to protect and enhance the borough's heritage assets, securing improvements where possible. In this regard the number of assets should not decline beyond the current level. • Direct • Will be measured through AMIR <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
% change in area of conservation areas designated.	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft CS aims to protect and enhance the borough's heritage assets, securing improvements where possible. In this regard the number of assets should not decline beyond the current level. • Direct • Will be measured through AMIR <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	
%age of residents who are satisfied with their neighbourhood as a place to live	Possible positive effect:

Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft CS aims to create sustainable communities, addressing inequalities, providing a more balanced housing offer, maintaining and enhancing existing local centres especially in the “Creating Prosperity and Vibrancy” and “Strengthening Neighbourhoods” sections. • Secondary / cumulative • Difficult to measure direct effects <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>Area of derelict land and buildings</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy seeks to direct employment development to Town Centre and recognised employment areas. Whilst not all of the sites in these areas are previously developed, the majority are and thus there should be a significant amount of employment development on PDL. In addition the draft strategy prioritises the re-use of PDL in urban areas and indicates that at least 80% of all new homes will be delivered in these locations. • Direct • Measure through AMR <p>SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>13. Protect and enhance biodiversity</p>	
<p>Change in areas and populations of biodiversity importance, including:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Change in areas designated for their intrinsic environmental value including sites of international, national and regional, sub-regional or local significance. And; Change in priority habitats and species (by type). 	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft CS aims to protect and enhance the borough's sites of recognised importance for nature conservation and protected species and their habitats (Policies CS4, I14 and DM5). This policy base should ensure that there is no deterioration in the biodiversity of the borough but should allow for some enhancement where necessary in some instances over the long term.

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Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary • Difficult to measure direct effects <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
Reported condition of SSSIs (% of area)	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft CS aims to protect the borough's sites of recognised importance for nature conservation and protected species and their habitats, securing improvements where possible. In addition there is no new development proposed in the vicinity of any SSSI's and there are a number of climate change/energy efficiency policies aimed at reducing the borough's CO₂ emissions. This policy base should ensure that there is no deterioration in the biodiversity in the borough but should allow for some improvements to the condition of SSSI's in some instances over the long term. In this regard the number of assets should not decline beyond the current level. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary • Difficult to measure direct effects <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
Area of woodland cover in the Borough	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft CS aims to protect and enhance the borough's green infrastructure generally, which includes areas of woodland and seeks to promote the Mersey Forest (Policies CS4 and I14). This policy base should ensure that there is no deterioration in the woodland cover across borough and should allow for some enhancement over the long term. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary • Difficult to measure effects <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>

Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy	
<p>14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding</p>	<p>% of river length of good or fair quality (Chemical)</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft CS Objectives seek to diversify and extend the existing multi-functional network of green infrastructure, which includes surface water features. The Draft CS aims to adopt a strategic approach to the care and management of the borough's green infrastructure reinforcing the strategic green links, many of which contain water features. In addition, the Draft CS aims to direct the majority of development to PDL, which is in many cases contaminated. The redevelopment and decontamination of such sites should contribute to improvements in the quality of surface water runoff, along with the encouragement of sustainable construction techniques in the Design and Construction SPD (SUDS). • Secondary/cumulative • Difficult to measure direct effects <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
	<p>% of river length of good or fair quality (biological)</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Objective G1 seeks to diversify and extend the existing multi-functional network of green infrastructure, which includes surface water features. The Draft CS (Policy CS4) aims to adopt a strategic approach to the care and management of the borough's green infrastructure reinforcing the strategic green links, many of which contain water features. In addition, the Draft CS, seeks to protect the environment generally and sites that are subject to specific local, national and international environmental designations. • Secondary/cumulative • Difficult to measure direct effects

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<p>Number of days when air pollution is moderate or high (what element)</p>	<p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p> <p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One of the primary objectives of the spatial strategy of the Draft CS is to encourage development and initiatives that will reduce congestion. In addition, the CS aims to mitigate the effects of climate change and encourage measures that will reduce the borough's carbon footprint (ie. Promoting energy efficiency and the use of Low and Zero Carbon sources of energy production). All of these measures should contribute indirectly to reducing the levels of air pollution. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Secondary/cumulative Difficult to measure effects <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>Number and coverage of Air Quality Management Areas</p>	<p>Possible positive and negative effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One of the primary objectives of the spatial strategy of the Draft CS is to encourage development and initiatives that will reduce congestion. In addition, the CS aims to mitigate the effects of climate change and encourage measures that will reduce the borough's carbon footprint (ie. Promoting energy efficiency and the use of Low and Zero Carbon sources of energy production). The combination of these policies should ensure that the number of AQMA's does not increase and over the long term decreases, particularly it initiatives to remove the Arpley Cord are successful and traffic is diverted from Wilson Pattern Street. However, it is unlikely that the Draft CS will have any influence of the AQMA's that cover the motorway network. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The draft CS looks to focus development in the inner area, which is subject to Air Quality issues. Increasing development in such locations

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<p>Number of residences in Air Quality Management Areas</p>	<p>and introducing more sensitive uses such as residential could lead to further AQMAs being designated.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary / Cumulative • Difficult to measure direct effects <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p> <p>Possible positive and negative effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of the primary objectives of the spatial strategy of the Draft CS is to encourage development and initiatives that will reduce congestion. In addition, the CS aims to mitigate the effects of climate change and encourage measures that will reduce the borough's carbon footprint (ie. Promoting energy efficiency and the use of Low and Zero Carbon sources of energy production). The combination of these policies should ensure that the number of AQMA's does not increase and over the long term decreases, particularly if initiatives to remove the Arpley Cord are successful and traffic is diverted from Wilson Pattern Street. However, it is unlikely that the Draft CS will have any influence of the AQMA's that cover the motorway network. • The draft CS looks to focus development in the inner area, which is subject to Air Quality issues. Increasing development in such locations and introducing more sensitive uses such as residential could lead to further AQMAs being designated. • Secondary / Cumulative • Difficult to measure direct effects <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>

Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
<p>Area of derelict land and buildings</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft CS seeks to direct employment development to Town Centre and recognised employment areas. Whilst not all of the sites in these areas are previously developed, the majority are and thus there should be a significant amount of employment development on PDL. In addition the draft strategy prioritises the re-use of PDL in urban areas and indicates that at least 80% of all new homes will be delivered in these locations. • Direct • Measured through AMR <p>SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>Number of planning permissions granted contrary to the advice of the Environment Agency on either flood defence or water quality.</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft CS takes into account the findings of the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment, which sets out a sequential approach to both site selection and to locating developments within sites / areas. The Draft CS is clear on where site specific Flood Risk Assessments are required to justify development in particular areas, which should address EA issues on flood defence and water quality. • Direct • Measured through AMR <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>Number of properties at risk from flooding</p>	<p>Possible negative effect</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft CS directs development to TC and central area, much of which is located in Flood zones, however any new development in these areas will only be acceptable if the proposals have been subject to the relevant sequential and exceptions test and mitigation measures are in place. • Measured through AMR

Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
Development in areas at risk from flooding	<p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p> <p>Possible negative effect</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft CS directs development to TC and central area, much of which is located in Flood zones, however any new development in these areas will only be acceptable if the proposals have been subject to the relevant sequential and exceptions test and mitigation measures are in place. • Measured through AMR <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
Number of developments incorporating Sustainable Drainage Systems	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy seeks to regenerate areas and create sustainable communities. Policies promote designs and layouts which are sustainable and make efficient and prudent use of resources amongst other things. This includes limiting the amount of surface water run-off and promoting the use of SUDS. The Design and Construction SPD indicates that development proposals will be assessed with regard to the "Building for Life" standard, which includes criteria to reduce a development's environmental impact. It also encourages the minimising of waste during the use of new development, making specific reference to the use of SUDS. The combination of these measures should contribute to ensuring that progressive development/redevelopment will incorporate SUDS systems in the long term. • Direct effect, but will also be influenced by Flood and Water Management Bill provisions for approval / adoption. • measured in AMR <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>

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Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
<p>15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change</p> <p>Local estimates of CO₂ emissions (kt CO₂) - Total domestic</p>	<p>Possible positive effect</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy will seek to achieve improvements to energy efficiency of all new development and in medium to long term make provision for decentralised energy solutions. It also supports the development of stand alone grid connected renewable energy infrastructure where appropriate. However, these measures have to be balanced against the projected levels of housing growth. Consequently, there are unlikely to be significant improvements in the levels of domestic CO₂ emissions in the short term but there should be significant improvements in the longer term. • Secondary / Cumulative • Measured in AMR <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>Amount of energy consumption produced from renewable and waste sources – in Gwh</p>	<p>Possible positive effect</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy will seek to achieve improvements to energy efficiency of all new development and in medium to long term make provision for decentralised energy solutions. It also supports the development of stand alone grid connected renewable energy infrastructure where appropriate. However, these measures have to be balanced against the projected levels of housing growth. Consequently, there are unlikely to be significant improvements in the levels of domestic CO₂ emissions in the short term but there should be significant improvements in the longer term. • Secondary / Cumulative • Measured in AMR <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>

Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy	
<p>16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation</p>	<p>Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy</p>	<p>Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy</p>
<p>Re-use of previously developed land for housing</p>	<p>Probable positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy prioritises the re-use of PDL within the defined settlements and indicates that at least 80% of all new homes will be delivered in these locations with approximately 60% being delivered in the defined Central Area. • Direct • Measured through AMR <p>SIGNIFICANT</p>	<p>Probable positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy seeks to direct employment development to the town centre and recognised employment areas. Whilst not all of the sites in these areas are previously developed, the majority are and thus there should be a significant amount of employment development on PDL. • Direct • Measured through AMR <p>SIGNIFICANT</p>
<p>Amount of employment development completed on brownfield land</p>	<p>Probable positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy seeks to direct employment development to the town centre and recognised employment areas. Whilst not all of the sites in these areas are previously developed, the majority are and thus there should be a significant amount of employment development on PDL. • Direct • Measured through AMR <p>SIGNIFICANT</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy aims to protect such areas and direct housing and employment development away from these areas. Development of any POS would only be allowed if it had been demonstrated that there was a surplus. • Direct • Measured through AMR
<p>Green spaces lost to development</p>	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy aims to protect such areas and direct housing and employment development away from these areas. Development of any POS would only be allowed if it had been demonstrated that there was a surplus. • Direct • Measured through AMR 	

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Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
Area of derelict land and buildings	<p>SIGNIFICANT</p> <p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy seeks to direct employment development to the town centre and recognised employment areas. Whilst not all of the sites in these areas are previously developed, the majority are and thus there should be a significant amount of employment development on PDL. In addition the draft strategy prioritises the re-use of PDL in urban areas and indicates that at least 80% of all new homes will be delivered in these locations. • Direct • Measure through AMR <p>SIGNIFICANT</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	
Amount of energy consumption produced from renewable and waste sources – in Gwh	<p>Possible positive effect</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy will seek to achieve improvements to energy efficiency of all new development and in medium to long term make provision for decentralised energy solutions. It also supports the development of stand alone grid connected renewable energy infrastructure where appropriate. However, these measures have to be balanced against the projected levels of housing growth. Consequently, there are unlikely to be significant improvements in the levels of domestic CO₂ emissions in the short term but there should be significant improvements in the longer term. • Secondary / Cumulative • Measured in AMR <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>

Indicator	Effect of Local Plan Draft Core Strategy
Renewable energy capacity installed by type.	<p>Possible positive effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Core Strategy will seek to achieve improvements to energy efficiency of all new development and in medium to long term make provision for decentralised energy solutions. It also supports the development of stand alone grid connected renewable energy infrastructure where appropriate encourages renewable energy. However, the policies do not encourage specific type(s) of renewable energy technologies but look for site/development specific solutions. Therefore any effect on specific type(s) of renewable energy technology will be indirect. • Secondary • Difficult to measure direct impact <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	
Kg of household waste collected per head.	Possible positive effect:
% of household waste landfilled	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft CS objectives and policies seek to support such indicators and provide strategic guidance on such issues. Detail will come through the Joint Waste and Minerals Local Plan.
% of total household waste recycled	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary / cumulative
Capacity of new waste management facilities by type.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Difficult to measure direct impact <p>NOT SIGNIFICANT</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	
No indicators identified	

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CS1 Assessment

Policy Number: CS1

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	Policy ensures planned provision for land for employment is met as well as focusing on the town centre's vitality and viability. Additional criteria safeguard environmental issues and ensure equality of access / opportunity	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide and sub-regional as strategic sites will have an impact wider than the borough.</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: borough wide policies will ensure approach is applied.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	?	Policy looks to ensure equality of access and opportunity and ensuring the vitality and viability of designated centres that act as community hubs.	Possible need to reference location of services in accessible locations, not just "development"	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: This policy will not be able to achieve this in isolation – will have to rely on other plans / strategies including the Worklessness Strategy. Borough wide policies support this approach especially policy PV3 – Strengthening the Borough's workforce.</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	++	Policy looks to meet identified and recognised needs and has a focus on inner Warrington and the town centre. Development is directed towards accessible locations and policy looks to ensure equality of access and opportunity	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide, but focused on clustering of deprived areas in inner Warrington.</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: This policy will need the support of other initiatives / strategies including the Worklessness strategy and Health and Wellbeing Strategy</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++	Policy looks to focus development in Inner Warrington and the Town Centre, or in appropriate / accessible locations. Also looks to make the best use of existing infrastructure and address climate change issues.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide and sub-regional due to significant amounts of commuting.</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Should enhance the impacts when taken in combination with LTP, and measures set out in the borough wide strategies.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	?	Provision is made for housing and to safeguard environmental standards, public safety and amenity. Climate Change issues are also addressed. This all looks at wider environmental factors	There is no specific reference to the location of services (such as health facilities) in appropriate / accessible locations. Also no reference to active travel as this would have health benefits.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Should enhance the impacts when taken in conjunction with the borough wide strategies and the health and wellbeing strategy</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	++	Policy looks to meet planned provision for identified needs, which would include affordable housing.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				<p>Temporary/permanent: permanent, if affordable housing can be secured in perpetuity</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	+	Policy stipulates high standards of design / construction and the need to safeguard public safety	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Design of the environment will need to be in combination with other initiatives / strategies to achieve objective</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	?	Policy would have no influence on enabling groups to contribute to decision making. Community identity may be increased through design / construction, heritage and amenity criteria.	Could make reference to local distinctiveness to encourage community identity	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial Scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Regeneration brought about through the Core Strategy will need to be undertaken in conjunction with social regeneration initiatives.</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	++	Policy looks to meet identified needs and promote the vitality and viability of the town centre, other centres and hubs, focusing development in accessible locations and improving equality of access / opportunities.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	+	Policy covers the character of the countryside, ensuring development is resilient to climate change and ensuring development is supported by infrastructure	The strategic policy makes no specific reference to green infrastructure / leisure / recreation	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	++	Policy looks to focus development on the town centre and sustain and enhance heritage and geodiversity assets. This will be supported through high standards of design and construction.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	The policy makes reference to high standards of design and construction, but only refers to the character of the countryside not to the landscapes and townscapes	A specific reference to local distinctiveness could be made.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	++	Policy makes reference to sustaining and enhancing the borough's biodiversity	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy be supported by the borough wide strategies
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	++	Policy makes specific reference to safeguarding environmental standards, public safety and residential amenity	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local (amenity) and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will work in combination with other regulatory mechanisms.</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	++	Policy makes specific reference to the need to address the causes of and be resilient to the effects of climate change	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide and larger</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with initiatives in the Climate Change Strategy and with borough wide policies (relating to design, energy efficiency and transport)</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	Policy makes reference to focusing development on inner Warrington, making the best use of existing infrastructure, high quality design and construction, safeguarding environmental standards and being resilient to climate change	A specific reference to the prudent use of resources could be included	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with SuDS approval mechanisms and associated strategies. The policy will also work in combination with the Joint Waste and Minerals Local Plan which will be produced following adoption of the Local Plan Core Strategy</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	+	The policy looks to secure high quality design and construction, and taking into account climate change but does not make specific reference to energy efficiency	A specific reference to energy efficiency could be included	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies. The policy will also work with other regulatory mechanisms such as Building Control.</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	?	The overarching policy does not makes reference to such issues	A specific reference to minimising waste and maximising re-use, recovery and recycling could be made.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide and sub-regional</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with the Council's Municipal Waste Management Strategy, borough wide strategies and the Joint Waste and Minerals Local Plan which will be produced following adoption of the Core Strategy.</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	+	Policy looks to secure high quality design and construction, but does not reference public realm or local distinctiveness	A specific reference to local distinctiveness could be made	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p>

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will be supported by borough wide strategies and more site specific design briefs and masterplans. The policy will also be supported by the Council's public realm strategy.

Table 57

Changes to the policy that should be considered as a result of SA Objective assessment:

Change	Change made
Possible need to reference location of services (such as health facilities) in appropriate / accessible locations, not just "sites"	28.10.11
There is no reference to active travel as this would have health benefits	28.10.11
Could make reference to local distinctiveness to encourage community identity	28.10.11
The strategic policy makes no specific reference to green infrastructure / leisure / recreation	28.10.11
A specific reference to the prudent use of resources could be included	28.10.11
A specific reference to energy efficiency could be included	28.10.11
A specific reference to minimising waste and maximising re-use, recovery and recycling could be made.	28.10.11

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CS2 Assessment

Policy Number: CS2 – Quantity and Distribution of Development

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	Policy makes provision for 277 ha for B1, B2 and B8 (in line with past take up rates). The policy prioritises the town centre for office uses and looks to direct employment development to existing sites as well as making provision where necessary for development of the strategic site and locating B8 uses near the primary road network with access to road and rail.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy provides a flexible and responsive supply of employment land in appropriate locations, this will be supported by the Council's Inward Investment and Business Engagement Programme</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	The policy has no impacts on the location / access to such facilities	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	The policy protects the GB and directs development towards pdl, especially in Inner Warrington for housing purposes. This is where concentrations of deprivation are found. The policy also focuses on the town centre where development would be accessible.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide and inner Warrington</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++	The policy focuses development on inner Warrington and the Town Centre – the most accessible locations in the borough. The policy also looks to reduce road usage of B8 by locating them next	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies and the Local Transport Plan</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	++	The policy makes provision for an annual average of 500 dwellings and looks to locate these in the most sustainable locations whilst allowing some development in less central locations.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by housing policies the borough wide strategies.</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial Scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	+	The policy looks to focus retail and leisure development on the Town Centre.	The policy should make reference to the hierarchy of centres, not just the town centre	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Spatial scale: borough wide and should be local Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the centre hierarchy and other policies in the borough wide strategies.
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	+	The policy protects the Green Belt until at least 2032, but is unlikely to impact on more local leisure and recreation opportunities and green infrastructure.	Mitigation would be provided through other policies in the plan	Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by Green Infrastructure policies the borough wide strategies.
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	?	The policy directs development towards the town centre and inner Warrington – the older parts of town, and could therefore have some impact on this objective if mitigation is not in place	Mitigation will be provided by other policies in the plan relating to the historic environment	Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain Spatial scale: local, borough wide and larger Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by historic environment and design policies the borough wide strategies
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	?	The policy directs development towards the town centre and Inner Warrington where flood risk is most severe (concentrated around the River Mersey)	Mitigation will be provided through other policies in the plan relating to flood risk.	Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain Spatial scale: local, borough wide and larger Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by environmental policies the borough wide strategies

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	The policy directs development towards the town centre and Inner Warrington – the most accessible locations. This should reduce the need to travel by modes such as the private car.	Other factors that will influence climate change issues are covered by other policies in the plan.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	The policy directs development towards the town centre and Inner Warrington, especially previously developed land, but makes no reference to SuDS	Mitigation will be provided through other policies in the plan.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>

Table 59

Changes to the policy that should be considered as a result of SA Objective assessment:

Change	Change made
Possible need to reference location of services (such as health facilities) in appropriate / accessible locations, not just "sites"	28.10.11
There is no reference to active travel as this would have health benefits	28.10.11
Could make reference to local distinctiveness to encourage community identity	28.10.11
The strategic policy makes no specific reference to green infrastructure / leisure / recreation	28.10.11
A specific reference to the prudent use of resources could be included	28.10.11
A specific reference to energy efficiency could be included	28.10.11
A specific reference to minimising waste and maximising re-use, recovery and recycling could be made.	28.10.11

Table 60

CS3 Assessment

Policy Number: CS3 Overall Spatial Strategy - Transport

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	Supports the High Speed network, economic activity generated by the Manchester Ship Canal, sustainable cross boundary travel / commuting and strengthening public transport links to the town centre, inner Warrington and services / facilities.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local, borough wide, sub-regional and national</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	+	Policy seeks to improve access to education facilities especially by walking and cycling	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	Policy looks to create links between areas of deprivation and employment opportunity	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies and the Local Transport Plan as well as regeneration initiatives in the Stronger Together areas.</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++	Supports Warrington's role in the wider region and locating development to reduce the need to travel and enable people to meet their needs locally especially by walking and cycling.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local, borough wide and sub-regional</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies and the Local Transport Plan</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+	Policy seeks to improve access to health facilities, and the priority given to active travel will have health benefits	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies, the Local Transport Plan and Health and Wellbeing strategy.</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial Scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	++	Policy looks to enhance links to the town centre, health facilities, education, culture, leisure and the natural environment by all modes especially walking and cycling	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Spatial scale: local and borough wide Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies, including the town centre and hierarchy of centres policy
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	+	Policy looks to enhance links to the town centre, health facilities, leisure and the natural environment by all modes especially walking and cycling	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies relating to green infrastructure.
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	+ / ?	The policy looks to reduce the need to travel and promotes travel by more sustainable modes – thereby reducing emissions.	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely Spatial scale: local and borough wide Temporary/permanent: possibly permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the biodiversity policies in the borough wide strategies.
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	+ / ?	The policy looks to reduce the need to travel and promotes travel by more sustainable modes – thereby reducing emissions.	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely Spatial scale: local and borough wide Temporary/permanent: possibly permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the environmental and flooding policies in the borough wide strategies.

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	The policy looks to reduce the need to travel and promotes travel by more sustainable modes – thereby reducing emissions.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Secondary effects of wider policies could continue to change the climate in spite of local initiatives. The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>

Table 61

No changes to the policy are considered necessary

CS4 Assessment

Policy Number: CS4 Overall Spatial Strategy - Green Belt

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	+	Policy seeks to maintain the Green Belt surrounding Warrington. This will inevitably provide leisure opportunities and assist in accessing the countryside	National guidance also seeks to protect the Green Belt	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by national policy</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	++	Policy seeks to protect the Green Belt surrounding Warrington. This will assist in improving the quality and character of the landscape and wider countryside	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by national policy and other borough wide policies such as QE3 and QE5.</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	++	Policy makes reference to sustaining and enhancing the borough's biodiversity	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy be supported by the borough wide strategies</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

Table 62

No changes to the policy are considered necessary

CS5 Assessment

Policy Number: CS5 Overall Spatial Strategy– Strategic Green Links

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p>

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				Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	++	Policy makes reference to the care and management of the boroughs Green Infrastructure to maximise the environmental and socio-economic benefits. This will help to enhance green infrastructure and access to the countryside	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by other borough wide policies such as QE3 Green Infrastructure.
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	++	Policy makes reference to the care and management of the boroughs Green Infrastructure to maximise the environmental and socio-economic benefits. This will help to protect and improve the quality and character of the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by other borough wide policies such as QE3 Green Infrastructure.
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	+	Policy makes reference to the care and management of the boroughs Green Infrastructure to maximise the environmental benefits.	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Spatial scale: borough wide and sub regional Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy be supported by the borough wide strategies QE5-Biodiversity and Geodiversity.
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	+	Policy makes reference to the care and management of the boroughs Green Infrastructure to maximise the environmental benefits.	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Spatial scale: borough wide and sub regional Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy be supported by the borough wide strategies QE5-Biodiversity and Geodiversity.
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>

Table 63

No changes to the policy are considered necessary

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CS6 Assessment

Policy Number: CS6 – Strategic Location – the Town Centre

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	The policy supports job growth especially in indigenous sectors including retail and high value jobs. The policy also promotes the town centre for office development and the development of the day and night time economy	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: town centre</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	Consider the need to make reference to location of facilities in the most accessible location – i.e. the town centre?	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	++	The policy supports the vitality and viability of the town centre and looks to improve linkages to the town centre from the rest of the borough.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: inner Warrington and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the other strategic policies and the borough wide strategies.</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++	Focusing development and employment in the town centre will reduce the need to travel and encourage more sustainable modes.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the transport policies in the borough wide strategies.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	+	The policy makes reference to housing development being supported in the town centre – a location which is accessible by public transport and which can access employment opportunities and is therefore a sustainable location.		<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: town centre, inner Warrington and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by housing policies in the strategic policies and borough wide strategies that look to locate the majority of housing in inner Warrington, inclusive of the town centre.</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	+	The policy looks to secure improvements to the night time economy which would encourage natural surveillance	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: town centre</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: unknown</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by design policies and initiatives from other bodies such as the police. The objective could also be affected by changes in land use and drinking patterns in the town centre.
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	?	The focus on supporting the town centre could encourage a greater community identity across the borough	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: unknown Spatial Scale: borough wide Temporary/permanent: unknown Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be affected by how people identify with Warrington as a place / location, which would be affected by many cumulative and indirect influences.
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	++	Focusing development (including essential services and facilities) in the town centre will increase their accessibility	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Spatial scale: town centre and borough wide Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies, especially those relating to the hierarchy of centres and appropriate town centre uses.
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	+	Access to leisure opportunities would be increased by focusing such development on the town centre. The policy does not currently reference recreation facilities, green infrastructure or access to the countryside.	Consider making reference to linkages to the wider greenway network / green infrastructure in the policy.	Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies relating to green infrastructure
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	?	There is a concentration of historic and cultural uses in the town centre, but the policy does not currently look to protect / enhance	Consider making reference to the economic benefits of protecting and enhancing the historic and cultural assets of the town centre. Mitigation will be provided by other policies in the plan	Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain Spatial scale: town centre Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the historic environment policies in the borough wide strategies and in the place making section.
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	?	The character of the town centre and the quality of townscape is important in the town centre, but the policy does not currently reference this.	Consider making reference to the economic benefits of enhancing the character and townscape of the town centre. Mitigation will be provided by other policies in the plan	Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain Spatial scale: town centre Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the design and environment policies in the borough wide strategies and in the place making section
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -

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14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	?	The risk of flooding is concentrated in and around the town centre due to the presence of the River Mersey	Mitigation will be provided by other policies in the plan	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: town centre</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	?	Design issues are important in the town centre	Mitigation will be provided by other policies in the plan	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: town centre</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the design policies in the borough wide strategies and the place making policies.</p>

Table 64

Changes to the policy that should be considered as a result of SA Objective assessment:

Change	Change made
Consider the need to make reference to location of facilities in the most accessible location – i.e. the town centre?	NO CHANGE MADE. A change made to CS1 to locating facilities and services in accessible locations removes the need to make specific reference here.
Consider making reference to linkages to the wider greenway network / green infrastructure in the policy.	Active travel reference added 03.11.11
Consider making reference to the economic benefits of protecting and enhancing the historic and cultural assets of the town centre.	NO CHANGE MADE. Considered to be covered in place making policies

Consider making reference to the economic benefits of enhancing the character and townscape of the town centre.	NO CHANGE MADE. Considered to be covered in place making policies.
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CS7 Assessment

Policy Number: CS7 – Strategic Location – Omega and Lingley Mere

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	The policy identifies a strategic site to provide employment land in the long term but also looks to protect the town centre. The policy allows for ancillary development, but <i>only</i> where this does not compromise the long term supply of employment land.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the employment policies in the borough wide strategies.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	+	The policy looks to link employment opportunities to adjoining residential areas especially areas of deprivation in inner Warrington by active travel and public transport.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the employment policies in the borough wide strategies.</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	The policy looks to link employment opportunities to adjoining residential areas especially areas of deprivation in inner Warrington by active travel and public transport.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the employment policies in the borough wide strategies.</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++	The policy makes reference to creating a sustainable business community and providing appropriate services for businesses in a local centre / hub. The policy also makes reference to active travel and public transport links and ensuring appropriate infrastructure is in place at the right time.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the transport policies in the borough wide strategies as well as the Local Transport Plan.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	?	The policy makes reference to active travel, which could impact on health	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the health policy in the borough wide strategies as well as the Health and Wellbeing strategy.</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	+	The policy outlines that housing could be acceptable in this location to create a sustainable community but this should not compromise the Overall Spatial Strategy regarding the location of development (i.e. undermine regeneration efforts elsewhere). The policy also makes reference to sustainable design	Consideration should be given to stipulating an appropriate mix / type of housing that would be considered on the site	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by other strategic policies as well as the housing and design policies in the borough wide strategies.</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	?	The policy makes reference to CS1 and ensuring a high quality place	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: local</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by design policies in the borough wide strategies.</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	?	The policy makes reference to creating a sustainable business community which should engender community identity	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial Scale: local</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by design policies in the borough wide strategies.</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	+	The policy makes reference to creating a commercial hub or local centre to provide appropriate services and facilities	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the centre hierarchy policy in the borough wide strategies.</p>
10. Provide and enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	?	The impact of the policy on the objective is uncertain as it makes no reference to these issues.	Mitigation would be provided through other policies in the plan. Consideration should be given as to whether a reference to leisure opportunities / GI should be included.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>

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15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	?	The policy makes reference to creating a sustainable business community and includes references to specific design policies which include energy efficiency criteria.	Mitigation would be provided through other policies in the plan. Consideration should be given to including more specific reference to sustainable design and the aspiration / potential for CHP.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide and larger</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	?	The policy makes reference to creating a sustainable business community and includes references to specific design policies which include energy efficiency criteria.	Mitigation would be provided through other policies in the plan	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide and larger</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	+	The policy contains a specific reference to Policy QE6 – Ensuring a high quality place	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>

Table 66

Changes to the policy that should be considered as a result of SA Objective assessment:

Change	Change made
Consideration should be given to stipulating an appropriate mix / type of housing that would be considered on the site	NO CHANGE MADE – “ancillary” is considered appropriate in this context.
Consideration should be given as to whether a reference to leisure opportunities / GI should be included.	Reference included 03.11.11
Consideration should be given to including more specific reference to sustainable design and the aspiration / potential for CHP.	Reference included 03.11.11

Table 67

CS8 Assessment

Policy Number: CS8 – Strategic Location – Inner Warrington

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	Policy looks to ensure that accessible employment opportunities for the local population are maintained / improved.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: town centre, inner Warrington and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the employment and transport policies of the borough wide strategies.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	?	The policy makes a very general reference to employment opportunities and "social benefits"	Consideration as to whether a more specific reference to education and skills improvement in this area should be made.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: inner Warrington</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by location of services and employment policies in the borough wide strategies.</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	++	The policy makes reference to physical and environmental improvements as well as social benefits contributing to "closing the gaps"	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Inner Warrington</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the strategic policies guiding development location as well as the borough wide strategies.</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	?	The focusing of development on Inner Warrington could partly achieve this in itself. The policy makes reference to "accessible" employment opportunities, although no specific reference is made to active travel / public transport	Mitigation provided by transport policies. Policy SN7 – Health and Wellbeing which makes reference to Inner Warrington supports active travel.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: inner Warrington and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the transport policies of the borough wide strategies.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+	The physical, environmental and social improvements brought about by the policy may contribute to well being in the area		<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: inner Warrington</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies and the Health and Wellbeing strategy</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	++	The policy focuses housing development in this area ensuring a mix of housing types, size and tenure.	Consider making reference to "identified housing needs" to illustrate the need to use Council evidence	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: inner Warrington and Borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the housing policies in the borough wide strategies.</p>

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7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	?	The policy makes reference to social benefits and environmental improvements	None needed. Mitigation provided by other policies in the plan.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: inner Warrington</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by design policies in the borough wide strategies.</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	+	The focus on inner Warrington and the older parts of town looks to achieve this through social, environmental and economic regeneration.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial Scale: inner Warrington</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: None identified</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	?	No reference made to this	None needed. Mitigation provided by other policies in the plan.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: inner Warrington</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by sustainable community policies in the borough wide strategies.</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	?	No reference made to this	None needed. Mitigation provided by other policies in the plan.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: inner Warrington</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by green infrastructure policies in the borough wide strategies.</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	?	No reference made to this	None needed. Mitigation provided by other policies in the plan.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: inner Warrington</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by design and historic asset policies in the borough wide strategies.</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	?	No reference made to this	None needed. Mitigation provided by other policies in the plan.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: inner Warrington</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by strategic policies focusing on pdl.</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>

Table 68

Changes to the policy that should be considered as a result of SA Objective assessment:

Change	Change Made
Consideration as to whether a more specific reference to education and skills improvement in this area should be made.	Reference to "accessible employment and training opportunities" added 03.11.11
Consider making reference to "identified housing needs" to illustrate the need to use Council evidence	03.11.11

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CS9 Assessment

Policy Number: CS9 – Strategic Locations – Appleton Cross, Grappenhall Heys, Peel Hall and Pewterspear Green

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	?	The policy sets out that ancillary uses such as employment, retail and appropriate services of an appropriate scale and nature should be considered as part of any proposals.	None needed – other policies in the plan will provide mitigation	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	+	The policy provides strategic locations one or a combination of which could accommodate housing growth in the longer term to avoid the need to release green belt land for development	None needed – mitigation provided by other policies in the plan	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by other strategic policies and the borough wide strategies.</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -

Table 70

No changes to the policy are considered necessary

CS10 Assessment

Policy Number: CS10 – Strategic Opportunity – Waterfront and Arpley Meadows

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	?	The policy does not make reference to the type of uses that could come forward – therefore the effect on the objective is uncertain.	Consider making reference to potentially acceptable uses	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: uncertain – depends on uses</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	?	The policy does not make reference to the type of uses that could come forward – therefore the effect on the objective is uncertain.	Consider making reference to potentially acceptable uses	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: uncertain – depends on uses</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	The central location of the strategic opportunity could help to achieve this	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the transport policies in the borough wide strategies.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	?	The policy does not make reference to the type of uses that could come forward – therefore the effect on the objective is uncertain.	Consider making reference to potentially acceptable uses	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: uncertain – depends on uses</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial Scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	?	The policy does not make reference to the type of uses that could come forward – therefore the effect on the objective is uncertain.	Consider making reference to potentially acceptable uses	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: uncertain – depends on uses</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
10. Provide and enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	++	The policy makes specific reference to the potential to enhance Green Infrastructure links and opportunities to create a significant country park	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	?	The policy makes reference to Green Infrastructure, but not biodiversity issues specifically	None needed – other policies in the plan will provide mitigation	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: uncertain – depends on uses</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	?	The policy makes reference to the significance of flooding issues in the area especially those related to emergency access / egress and the sequential approach within the site	None needed – other policies in the plan will provide mitigation	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: uncertain – depends on uses</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	?	The policy makes reference to flooding and green infrastructure issues, but not to climate change specifically	None needed – other policies in the plan will provide mitigation	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: uncertain – depends on uses</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p>

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -

Table 71

Changes to the policy that should be considered as a result of SA Objective assessment:

Change	Change made
Consider making reference to potentially acceptable uses	Reference now added to further work including possible SPD which will articulate possible uses. 03.11.11

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CS11 Assessment

Policy Number: CS11 – Strategic Opportunity – Port Warrington

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	The policy supports sustainable economic activity generated and sustained by the ManchesterShip Canal	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the strategic and borough wide strategies.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++	The policy supports the transfer of port-related freight from road to rail or water	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local, borough wide and larger</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+	The policy makes reference to considering the effect of the proposed development on the health and wellbeing of local communities	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	The policy makes reference to considering the impacts on the character of the countryside	None needed – mitigation will be provided by other policies in the plan	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	+	The policy makes reference to considering any adverse effects on sites of nature conservation importance, to ensure they are avoided, mitigated or compensated as appropriate	None needed – mitigation will be provided by other policies in the plan	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	?	The policy makes no reference to water quality	Consider whether a reference to water quality is necessary	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: local</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	The transfer of freight from road to rail or water could have a positive impact on emissions	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: possible</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -

Table 73

Changes to the policy that should be considered as a result of SA Objective assessment:

Change	Change made
Consider whether a reference to water quality is necessary	Last bullet amended to make reference 03.11.11

Table 74

PV1 Assessment

Policy Number: PV1 Development in Existing Employment Areas

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	The policy seeks to ensure that existing employment areas are protected from development for other uses and that future development outside of existing employment areas is in sustainable locations.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide and sub-regional as strategic sites will have an impact wider than the borough</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	The policy seeks to ensure that employment development is protected and new employment development directed towards accessible and sustainable locations.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: This policy will not be able to achieve this in isolation. It will need the support of other initiatives/ strategies including the Worklessness Strategy and Health & Wellbeing Strategy. Borough wide Policy PV3-Strengthening the Boroughs Workforce will also support this.</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial Scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p>

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

Table 75

No changes to the policy are considered necessary

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PV2 Assessment

Policy Number: PV2 Fiddlers Ferry

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	The policy seeks to support development at Fiddlers Ferry which enhances the existing employment opportunities at the site.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide and sub-regional</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	The policy seeks to ensure that the existing employment opportunities at the facility are protected and enhanced.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: This policy will not be able to achieve this in isolation. It will need the support of other initiatives/ strategies unclosing the Worklessness Strategy and Health & Wellbeing Strategy. Borough wide Policy PV3-Strengthening the Boroughs Workforce will also support this.</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	The policy makes specific reference to traffic and environmental benefits through the transfer of material from road to rail or waterway.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide and sub regional</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Should enhance impacts when taken in combination with other measures set out in the borough wide strategies and LTP.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial Scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	+	Policy seeks to secure the long term nature conservation value of the MerseyValley and its recreational value.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite likely</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will be supported by other borough wide and strategic policies.</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	+	Policy seeks to secure the long term nature conservation value of the MerseyValley and its recreational value. This will in turn help to protect and enhance biodiversity.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Sub regional and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will be supported by other borough wide and strategic policies.</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	+	The policy makes reference to sustainable travel and renewable energy. Such criteria will contribute to improving the environment.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Sub regional and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will be supported by other borough wide and strategic policies.</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	The policy makes reference to sustainable travel and renewable energy. Such criteria will contribute adapting to the impacts of climate change.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will be supported by other borough wide and strategic policies.</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	+	The policy makes reference to renewable energy generation. Such criteria will contribute to potentially increasing the production of renewable energy.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide and local</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will be supported by other borough wide and strategic policies.</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>

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PV3 Assessment

Policy Number: PV3 Strengthening the Borough's Workforce

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	The policy seeks to support developments which assist in strengthening the Borough's Workforce and enhancing training opportunities.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	++	The policy seeks to support developments which assist in strengthening the Borough's Workforce and enhancing training opportunities.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: This policy will not be able to achieve this in isolation. It will need the support of other initiatives/ strategies including the Worklessness Strategy.</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	++	Through enhancing training opportunities, the policy should encourage a positive impact on reducing poverty and deprivation.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: : This policy will not be able to achieve this in isolation. It will need the support of other initiatives/ strategies including the Worklessness Strategy.</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial Scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p>

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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PV4 Assessment

Policy Number: PV4 Retail Development within the Town Centre and Primary Shopping Area

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	The policy seeks to direct retail development in the PSA of the Town Centre. Such development should strengthen the local economy.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Town Centre</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this by focusing economic development opportunities within the Town Centre.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	Through directing retail development towards the town centre, the policy seeks to ensure that such development is accessible thus promoting social and economic inclusion.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Town Centre & borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this by focusing economic development opportunities within the Town Centre and promoting sustainable travel to positively reduce social exclusion.</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	Through directing retail development towards the town centre, the policy seeks to ensure that such development is accessible thus promoting social and economic inclusion.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Town Centre & borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this by focusing economic development opportunities within the Town Centre and promoting sustainable travel to positively reduce the need to travel.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial Scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	++	Directing retail development towards the Town Centre will ensure that such services and facilities are accessible for all.	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely Spatial scale: Town Centre & borough-wide Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this by focusing economic development opportunities within the Town Centre and enhancing accessibility to essential services.
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	+	Retail development in the town centre may be used as a leisure activity and therefore the policy could help to provide and enhance the leisure opportunities in the borough.	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely Spatial scale: Borough wide and sub regionally Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this objective.
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent:

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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PV5 Assessment

Policy Number: PV5 Enhancing the Town Centre Economy

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	The policy seeks to direct offices, leisure, entertainment etc towards the Town Centre. Such development should strengthen the local economy.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Town Centre & borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this by focusing economic development opportunities within the Town Centre.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	Through directing such development towards the town centre, the policy seeks to ensure that these uses are accessible thus promoting social and economic inclusion.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this by focusing economic development opportunities within the Town Centre and promoting sustainable travel to positively reduce social exclusion.</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	Through directing such development towards the town centre, the policy seeks to ensure that these uses are providing a mechanism which improves the choice of sustainable travel.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this by focusing economic development opportunities within the Town Centre and promoting sustainable travel to positively reduce the need to travel.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p>

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				Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial Scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	++	Directing such development towards the Town Centre will ensure that services and facilities are accessible for all.	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely Spatial scale: Borough wide Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this by focusing economic development opportunities within the Town Centre and enhancing accessibility to essential services.
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	+	Leisure, entertainment and sport facilities within the town centre could help to provide and enhance the leisure opportunities in the borough.	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely Spatial scale: Borough wide and sub regionally Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this objective.
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent:

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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PV6 Assessment

Policy Number: PV6 Retailing within Employment Premises

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	The policy seeks to ensure that existing employment premises are supported in allowing an element of retailing within them. This will positively assist in strengthening the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving overall economic growth whilst protecting the town centre.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial Scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p>

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				Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty:

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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PV7 Assessment

Policy Number: PV7 Promoting the Visitor Economy

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	The policy seeks to support proposals which sustain and enhance the visitor and tourism economy. This will help to positively strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	The policy seeks to encourage that attraction are accessible by public transport and that links to the town centre are encouraged.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide and sub regional</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Should enhance impacts when taken in combination with other measures set out in the borough wide strategies and LTP.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial Scale:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				<p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	++	Support to expand and improve visitor attractions and natural environment assets through the Policy will have a positive effect on leisure & recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite likely</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will be supported by other borough wide and strategic policies.</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	++	Support to enhance heritage assets through the Policy will have a positive effect on protecting and enhancing places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite likely</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will be supported by other borough wide and strategic policies.</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	The criteria in the policy seeks to collectively sustain and improve visitor assets which will improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will be supported by other borough wide and strategic policies.</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	?	Support to expand and improve visitor attractions could have impact on biodiversity depending on the nature of the proposal.	Other policies of the plan seek to ensure that biodiversity is not compromised through future development	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Uncertain</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will be supported by other borough wide and strategic policies.</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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No changes to the policy are considered necessary

SN1 Assessment

Policy Number: SN1 'Distribution and Nature of New Housing'

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	The delivery of new homes on the scale and basis set out will constitute a catalyst for economic as well as environmental and social regeneration.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Effect will be maximised when implemented alongside policies CS2 and CS8.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	The delivery of new homes on the scale and basis set out will constitute a catalyst for economic as well as environmental and social regeneration.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Effect will be maximised when implemented alongside policies CS2 and CS8.</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++	The policy directs the majority of new housing growth towards the Town Centre and Inner Warrington which is very well served by a high concentration of social infrastructure, services, public transport and pedestrian and cycle links. Conversely the policy limits the scale of growth in those locations where access to services, particularly by means other than the private car, is more difficult.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Helps realise the objectives of policy CS2.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	++	The policy specifically identifies that proposals for affordable housing will be supported within all of the Borough's defined settlements.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Alongside policy SN2 the policy should help to maximise opportunities within the Borough for the delivery of affordable homes.</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial Scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	+	The policy directs the majority of new housing growth towards the Town Centre and Inner Warrington and in doing so will help to secure a critical mass of the population to support essential services and facilities. The policy also specifically identifies that housing developments may be approved out with the Town Centre and Inner Warrington where proven to "support the delivery of or help to create the density of population to support the operation of neighbourhood hubs and local shops and services".	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely Spatial scale: borough wide Temporary/permanent: uncertain Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	+	The delivery of new homes on the scale and basis set out will ensure that contaminated land within the borough continues to be reclaimed and remediated.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Helps realise the objectives of policy CS2.

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	The policy directs the majority of new housing growth towards the Town Centre and Inner Warrington and in doing so helps to reduce the need to travel which should consequently help minimise vehicle CO2 emissions arising from housing growth.		<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	The policy directs the majority of new housing growth towards previously developed land and buildings within the Town Centre and Inner Warrington. As such the policy seeks to ensure the prudent use of land by reducing the need to rely on greenfield / undeveloped sites.		<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Helps realise the objectives of policy CS2.</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>

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No changes to the policy are considered necessary

SN2 Assessment

Policy Number: SN2 'Securing Mixed and Inclusive Neighbourhoods'

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	It is widely acknowledged that a good mix and hence choice of housing types and tenures, specifically including affordable homes, is required to attract a vibrant workforce which in turn supports the economy.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	++	The policy seeks to secure a mix of dwelling types and tenures, specifically including affordable homes, to ensure that everyone has the opportunity of living in a home of their choice which importantly they can afford.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+	Delivery of affordable homes, at prices which local people can afford, can help alleviate stress associated with overcrowding or existing housing costs.	Positive effect could be increased if the policy could be strengthened to include a specific reference to securing accommodation specifically targeted at the elderly. This approach could help to enable a greater degree of self independent living and therefore mental wellbeing.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	++	Policy sets out an approach to maximise the supply of new affordable homes through the planning system.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Delivery of affordable homes will also be achieved through Registered Provider investment and public sector support in the form of funding and / or making land available at reduced costs.</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial Scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p>

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a

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Changes to the policy that should be considered as a result of SA Objective assessment:

- Policy could be strengthened to include an explicit reference to securing accommodation specifically targeted at the elderly as a means of helping to enable a greater degree of self independent living and therefore mental wellbeing.
- Policy subsequently amended through an additional bullet point which reads *“Requiring development proposals to give specific consideration to meeting the needs of the elderly and enabling a greater degree of self independent living”*

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SN3 Assessment

Policy Number: SN3 'Accommodation Needs of Gypsies and Travellers and Travelling Showpeople'

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	++	The identification of sites for Travelling communities will enable children to enrol and attend on a continual basis a specific school which will be to the benefit of their education.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Across Traveller communities</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	The identification of sites will help to ensure Travelling communities are better integrated with the wider community and in doing so help ensure social inclusion.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Across Traveller communities</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Degree of effect depends on how well designed the site is and hence how successful policyQE7 is implemented.</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	The identification of permanent sites will help to ensure that these transient communities travel through choice and not necessity.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	++	The identification of sites will enable these communities to register with health and welfare services which will be to the benefit of their all round physical and mental health. The provision of authorised sites will also alleviate the stresses associated with residing on unauthorised encampments and developments.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Across Traveller communities</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	?	Potential positive effect if some of the provision identified within the policy is delivered as affordable in partnership with a Registered Provider.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: Across Traveller communities</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	+	The identification of sites will help to ensure Travelling communities are better integrated with the wider community and in doing so help ensure social inclusion. This could for example afford opportunities to contribute to decision making via being able to register to vote.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: Uncertain Spatial Scale: Across Traveller communities Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	The identification of permanent sites will help to ensure that inappropriate development within the countryside, of which there is a historic trend within the Borough with regards to Travelling communities, can be avoided.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Spatial scale: Across the countryside Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a

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No changes to the policy are considered necessary

SN4 Assessment

Policy Number: SN4 'Hierarchy of Centres'

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	Safeguarding and enhancing the vitality and viability of the Borough's defined retail centres and community hubs, which often constitute concentrations of economic and commercial activity, will help to sustain and support the growth of the Borough's economy.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite likely Spatial scale: borough wide Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++	Protecting a hierarchy of and the vitality and viability of retail centres across the Borough's communities and settlements will help ensure access to doorstep or publicly accessible services and facilities, offer the potential for linked trips and hence reduce the need to travel.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Spatial scale: borough wide Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial Scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	++	The primary focus of the policy is to protect and enhance defined retail centres and community hubs as central and accessible locations for services and facilities.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Spatial scale: borough wide Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	Protecting a hierarchy of and the vitality and viability of retail centres across the Borough's communities and settlements will help ensure access to doorstep or publicly accessible services and facilities offer the potential for linked trips and hence reduce the need to travel and potentially CO2 emissions.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite likely Spatial scale: borough wide Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>

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No changes to the policy are considered necessary

SN5 Assessment

Policy Number: SN5 'New Retail and Leisure Development within Defined Centres'

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	Policy provides developers, landowners and the market with clarity regarding the scale of additional retail and leisure development likely to be deemed appropriate within different localities across the Borough. In doing so it provides a framework through which investment to sustain and grow the economy can come forward.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++	Directing new retail and leisure development towards existing centres across the Borough's communities and settlements will help ensure access to doorstep and publicly accessible services and facilities, offer the potential for linked trips and hence reduce the need to travel.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial Scale: n/a</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				<p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	++	Directing new retail and leisure developments towards existing centres and hubs, which are already well served by public transport, will help to ensure these remain viable and hence available.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	Directing new retail and leisure development towards existing centres across the Borough's communities and settlements will help ensure access to doorstep and publicly accessible services and facilities, offer the potential for linked trips and hence reduce the need to travel and consequently CO2 emissions.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a

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No changes to the policy are considered necessary

SN6 Assessment

Policy Number: SN6 ‘Sustaining the Local Economy and Service’

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	A primary objective of the policy is to prevent the unnecessary loss of viable, accessible sites and buildings used for industrial/commercial purposes or other employment generating uses. The policy is evidently therefore intended to help sustain the local economy.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	No direct impact	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	Through seeking to prevent the unnecessary loss of viable, accessible sites and buildings used for industrial/commercial purposes or other employment generating uses, the policy will help to maximise economic inclusion.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	Through seeking to prevent the unnecessary loss of viable, accessible sites and buildings used for industrial/commercial purposes or other employment generating uses, particularly in the countryside and its constituent settlements, the policy will help to safeguard local and doorstep job opportunities and therefore could help reduce the need to travel.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+	Policy includes a specific reference to seeking to “support the retention of viable health and community facilities” which is evidently to the benefit of the health and wellbeing of the Borough’s residents.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	No direct impact	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	No direct impact	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	+	Policy essentially seeks to protect viable community assets which are undoubtedly important as a foundation upon which community identity and welfare can be built.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial Scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	++	A primary objective of the policy is to prevent the unnecessary loss of viable essential services, particularly where such proposals would have an adverse impact on the diversity of local services.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	No direct impact	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	No direct impact	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	No direct impact	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	No direct impact	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	No direct impact	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	No direct impact	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	No direct impact	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p>

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	No direct impact	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	No direct impact	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	No direct impact	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a

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No changes to the policy are considered necessary

SN7 Assessment

Policy Number: SN7 'Enhancing Health and Wellbeing'

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	+	Primary purpose of the policy is to ensure that development proposals genuinely contribute to reducing health and wellbeing inequalities in an area of the town where inequalities are at their greatest. The policy recognises the importance of access to essential services and facilities and therefore specifically requires that development proposals give full and proper consideration to <i>"Ensuring good and convenient access to employment and training opportunities as well as essential social and community services and facilities"</i>	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: Targeted at Inner Warrington but benefits of objective would be realised borough wide through policy PV3.</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Objective will be secured alongside the successful implementation of Core Strategy policy PV3.</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	Primary purpose of the policy is to ensure that development proposals genuinely seek to reduce health and wellbeing inequalities in an area of the town where inequalities are at their greatest. Whilst the focus of these efforts is on reducing health inequalities, the measures listed will also help to reduce poverty and address social exclusion.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Inner Warrington</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	Primary purpose of the policy is to ensure that development proposals genuinely seek to reduce health and wellbeing inequalities in an area of the town where inequalities are at their greatest. The measures listed include securing opportunities which enable and encourage active travel which in turn should help to reduce the need to travel.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: Inner Warrington</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: A series of policy interventions already prescribed in the Core Strategy will, alongside securing their more specific intended purposes, will consequently reduce the need to travel.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	++	Primary purpose of the policy is to ensure that development proposals genuinely contribute to reducing health and wellbeing inequalities in an area of the town where inequalities are at their greatest. The measures listed are specifically targeted at reducing health and mental well-being.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Inner Warrington</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: A series of policy interventions already prescribed in the Core Strategy will, alongside securing their more specific intended purposes, consequently promote wellbeing and healthy living.</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	+	Primary purpose of the policy is to ensure that development proposals genuinely seek to reduce health and wellbeing	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Targeted at Inner Warrington but benefits of objective would be realised borough wide through policy SN2.</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
		inequalities in an area of the town where inequalities are at their greatest. The measures listed include requiring new developments to <i>"incorporates a mixture of dwelling types and tenures that relate to identified needs, including affordable needs, and which are aligned, in design terms, to Lifetime Homes and Building for Life Standards to enable a greater degree of self independent living and mental wellbeing"</i>		Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Objective will be secured alongside the successful implementation of Core Strategy policy SN2.
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	+	Primary purpose of the policy is to ensure that development proposals genuinely seek to reduce health and wellbeing inequalities in an area of the town where inequalities are at their greatest. The measures listed include requiring new developments, from a design perspective, to <i>"reduce the fear and perception of crime which in turn can help to alleviate unnecessary stress and anxiety"</i>	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely Spatial scale: Inner Warrington Temporary/permanent: Targeted at Inner Warrington but benefits of objective would be realised borough wide through Policy QE7. Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Objective will be secured alongside the successful implementation of Core Strategy policy QE7.
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial Scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	+	Primary purpose of the policy is to ensure that development proposals genuinely contribute to reducing health and wellbeing inequalities in an area of the town where inequalities are at their greatest. The policy recognises the importance of access to essential services and facilities and therefore specifically requires that development proposals give full and proper consideration to <i>"Ensuring good and convenient access to employment and training opportunities as well as essential social and community services and facilities"</i>	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely Spatial scale: Inner Warrington Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: A series of policy interventions already prescribed in the Core Strategy also directly seek to protect and enhance accessibility to essential services and facilities.
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	+	Primary purpose of the policy is to ensure that development proposals genuinely seek to reduce health and wellbeing inequalities in an area of the town where inequalities are at their greatest. The measures listed include <i>"Maximising opportunities for contact with nature, cultural activities, exercise and active travel."</i>	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain Spatial scale: Targeted at Inner Warrington but benefits of objective could be realised borough wide through implementation of policies CS5 and QE3. Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Objective will be secured alongside the successful implementation of Core Strategy policies CS5 and QE3.
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				<p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	?	Primary purpose of the policy is to ensure that development proposals genuinely seek to reduce health and wellbeing inequalities in an area of the town where inequalities are at their greatest. The measures listed include <i>"Maximising opportunities for contact with nature, cultural activities, exercise and active travel."</i> This approach could have a potentially negative impact where the biodiversity value of a site would be threatened by encouraging public access / use.	Difficult to mitigate through policy. Mitigation would instead occur through the process of Development Management.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: Inner Warrington</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: A series of policy interventions already prescribed in the Core Strategy seek to protect and enhance biodiversity.</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	Primary purpose of the policy is to ensure that development proposals genuinely contribute to reducing health and wellbeing inequalities in an area of the town where inequalities are at their greatest. The policy recognises the potential of design to assist in this objective and therefore specifically requires that development proposals give full and proper consideration to <i>"Maximising opportunities for renewable and decentralised energy"</i> and <i>"Securing environments which deter crime and are resilient to the impacts of climate change"</i>		<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Targeted at Inner Warrington but benefits of objective could be realised borough wide through implementation of policies CS1, QE1, QE3 and QE4.</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Objective will be secured alongside the successful implementation of Core Strategy policies CS1, QE1, QE3 and QE4.</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	+	Primary purpose of the policy is to ensure that development proposals genuinely contribute to reducing health and wellbeing inequalities in an area of the town where inequalities are at their greatest. The policy recognises the potential of	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: Targeted at Inner Warrington but benefits of objective could be realised borough wide through implementation of policies CS1 and QE1.</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p>

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		renewable energy to help achieve this objective and specifically requires that development proposals give full and proper consideration to <i>"Maximising opportunities for renewable and decentralised energy"</i>		Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Objective will be secured alongside the successful implementation of Core Strategy policies CS1 and QE1.
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	+	Primary purpose of the policy is to ensure that development proposals genuinely contribute to reducing health and wellbeing inequalities in an area of the town where inequalities are at their greatest. The policy recognises the potential of design to assist in this objective and therefore specifically requires that development proposals give full and proper consideration to <i>"Delivering a mixture of dwelling types and tenures designed to enable a greater degree of self independent living, alongside securing environments which deter crime and are resilient to the impacts of climate change"</i>	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Spatial scale: Targeted at Inner Warrington but benefits of objective could be realised borough wide through implementation of policies CS1 and QE7. Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Objective will be secured alongside the successful implementation of Core Strategy policies CS1 and QE7.

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QE1 Assessment

Policy Number: QE1 - Decentralised Energy Networks and Low Carbon Development

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1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	Policy seeks to minimise carbon dioxide emissions and the impacts of climate change on the environment, economy and quality of life and should thus contribute to sustainable economic growth.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide.</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: This policy will not achieve the whole of this objective in isolation. It will contribute to ensuring that growth is sustainable but will not necessarily strengthen the local economy. Other plans / strategies, including the Worklessness Strategy will need to be relied upon to help strengthen the local economy. Borough wide policies support this approach especially policies CS1 – Overall Spatial Strategy - Delivering Sustainable Development and PV3 – Strengthening the Borough’s workforce.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	<p>Policy seeks to maximise opportunities for the use of decentralised renewable and low carbon energy. It identifies specific opportunities at the Strategic Locations and Strategic Opportunities, which include Inner Warrington. This is where concentrations of deprivation (and fuel poverty) are found. Policy will potentially allow access in these areas to lower cost energy.</p>	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide, but focused on clustering of deprived areas in inner Warrington.</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: This policy will need the support of other initiatives / strategies including the Worklessness strategy and Health and Wellbeing Strategy.</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+	<p>Policy seeks to maximise opportunities for the use of decentralised renewable and low carbon energy. It identifies specific opportunities at the Strategic Locations and Strategic Opportunities, which include Inner Warrington. This is where concentrations of deprivation (and fuel poverty) are found. Policy will potentially allow access in these areas to lower cost energy.</p>	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: Local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Policy should enhance the impacts when taken in conjunction with the borough wide strategies and the health and wellbeing strategy.</p>

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6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	+	Policy seeks to minimise carbon dioxide emissions and the impacts of climate change on the environment, economy and quality of life in all development and should thus contribute to sustainable housing, including affordable provision.	None needed. Other aspects of sustainable design and securing affordable housing provision are covered by other policies in the plan.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Policy should contribute to the provision of sustainable affordable housing in combination with borough wide policies for promoting sustainable development (CS1, CS2 and QE7) and make provision for affordable housing (SN1 and SN2).</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial Scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	+	Policy seeks to promote energy efficiency and maximise opportunities for the use of decentralised renewable and low carbon energy development. In part this is to do with the security of the supply of energy.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: None</p>
10. Provide and enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	++	Policy seeks to minimise carbon dioxide emissions and the impacts of climate change on the environment. This should have a direct positive effect on biodiversity.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Very Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will support environmental policies (CS5, QE3, QE5 and QE6) in the plan and other borough wide strategies (LTP3).</p>

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14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	++	Policy makes specific reference to minimise carbon dioxide emissions and the impacts of climate change on the environment. This should have a direct positive effect on local amenity, air and water quality and flood risk.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Local (amenity) and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will support environmental policies (CS1, CS5, QE3, QE4, QE5, QE6 and QE7) in the plan and other borough wide strategies (LTP3/SCS?). It will also work in combination with other regulatory mechanisms.</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	++	Policy makes specific reference to minimise carbon dioxide emissions and the impacts of climate change on the environment.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Very Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide and larger</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with initiatives in the Climate Change Strategy; sub-regional strategies (Liverpool City Region GI Framework, NW Climate Change Action Plan and the Cheshire and Warrington Climate Change Action Plan) and with borough wide policies (relating to the environment, design and transport).</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	Policy seek to minimise carbon dioxide emissions and the impacts of climate change on the environment through the management of the use of energy and the promotion of the use of renewable and low carbon energy in preference to the use of fossil fuels and / or nuclear power.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with SuDS approval mechanisms and associated strategies. The policy will also work in combination with the Joint Waste and Minerals Local Plan which will be produced following adoption of the Core Strategy.</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	++	The policy makes specific reference to using energy as efficiently as possible and making use of renewable and low carbon energy where possible.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Very Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with initiatives in the Climate Change Strategy and other borough wide strategies. The policy will also work with other regulatory mechanisms such as Building Control.</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	+	The policy advocates adhering to the principles of the energy hierarchy by seeking to reduce energy consumption and promote its use as efficiently as possible, particularly through the use of renewable and low carbon energy where possible. This should have a direct impact on minimising energy wastage.	None needed. Domestic and commercial waste minimisation are covered by other policies in the plan.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide and sub-regional</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with policy PV2 (which seeks to promote Fiddlers Ferry Power Stn for the use of renewable natural resources or the recycling of secondary or man-made resources and the unique advantages of the site for the use of surplus heat) and the Council's Municipal Waste Management Strategy, borough wide strategies and the Joint Waste and Minerals Local Plan which will be produced following adoption of the Core Strategy.</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	+	Policy seek to minimise carbon dioxide emissions and	Other aspects of design for buildings and for spaces and the public realm will	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide</p>

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		<p>the impacts of climate change on the environment in all development through the management of the use of energy and the promotion of the use of renewable and low carbon energy, which is an aspect of high quality sustainable design. It does not make reference public realm or local distinctiveness.</p>	<p>be provided through other policies in the plan.</p>	<p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will be supported by borough wide strategies and more site specific design briefs and masterplans. The policy will also be supported by the Council's public realm strategy.</p>

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QE2 Assessment

Policy Number: QE2 – Grid Connected Renewable Energy Infrastructure

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1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial Scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>

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9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	+	Policy seeks to support proposals for grid-connected renewable or low carbon energy infrastructure. This will contribute to decarbonising the national grid and enhance accessibility for all to a "clean" and secure supply of energy.	None needed. Other aspects of protecting and enhancing essential services and facilities are covered by other policies in the plan.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with initiatives in the Climate Change Strategy, other borough wide strategies and national legislation.</p>
10. Provide and enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	++	Policy will have no direct impact on this objective.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale:Borough wide and larger</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with initiatives in the Climate Change Strategy, other borough wide strategies and national legislation to contribute to decarbonising the national grid. These measures together will indirectly benefit biodiversity by minimise carbon dioxide emissions and the impacts of climate change on the environment.</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	+	Policy will have no direct impact on this objective.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale:Borough wide and larger</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will support environmental and design policies (CS1, QE5, QE6 and QE7) and work in combination with initiatives in the Climate Change Strategy, other borough wide strategies and national legislation to contribute to decarbonising the national grid. These measures together will indirectly help to protect the environment, local amenity, air and water quality.</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	++	Policy supports proposals for grid-connected renewable or low carbon energy infrastructure and will therefore contribute to decarbonising the national grid and help to limit the impacts of climate change.	None needed. Adapting to the impacts of climate change are covered by other policies in the plan.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide and larger</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with initiatives in the Climate Change Strategy, other borough wide</p>

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				strategies and national legislation to contribute to decarbonising the national grid. These measures together will significantly reduce carbon dioxide emissions and help mitigate against climate change and minimise its impacts.
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	Policy supports proposals for grid-connected renewable or low carbon energy infrastructure and will therefore contribute to ensuring the sustainable and prudent use of fossil fuels.	None needed. Other resource conservation matters, including the conservation of water, are covered by other policies in the plan.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with other policies in the plan, initiatives in the Climate Change Strategy, other borough wide strategies and national legislation to contribute to decarbonising the national grid. These measures together will help manage and conserve the use of fossil fuels. The policy will work in combination with SuDS approval mechanisms and associated strategies. The policy will also work in combination with the Design & Construction SPD and the Joint Waste and Minerals Local Plan which will be produced following adoption of the Core Strategy.</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	++	The policy makes specific reference to supporting grid-connected renewable and low carbon energy schemes.	None needed. Energy efficiency issues are covered by other policies in the plan.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with initiatives in the Climate Change Strategy and other borough wide strategies. The policy will also work with other regulatory mechanisms such as Building Control.</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>

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QE3 Assessment

Policy Number: QE3 – Green Infrastructure

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	Policy seeks to protect and enhance existing Green Infrastructure and ensure that provision is made as an integral part of all new development where there are deficiencies. This will ensure that there are social, economic and environmental benefits close to where people live and work.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: Local</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with other policies in the plan and borough wide strategies to contribute to strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	Policy seeks to protect and enhance existing Green Infrastructure, develop a continuous right of way network and ensure that provision is made as an integral part of all new development where there are deficiencies.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with other policies in the plan and borough wide strategies to increase accessibility.</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++	Policy specifically seeks to improve access and connectivity and to develop a continuous right of way and greenway network. This will improve choice and allow the use of more sustainable modes of transport such as cycling and walking.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Very likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide.</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with other policies (CS3, CS5 and MP3) in the plan and borough wide strategies (LTP3) to increase choice and allow the use of more sustainable modes of transport such as cycling and walking.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+	Policy specifically seeks to improve access and connectivity and to develop a continuous right of way and greenway network and the quality of existing GI provision so as to increase its attractiveness for leisure and recreation opportunities. This will improve choice and allow the use of more active modes of transport such as cycling and walking and opportunities for physical exercise, both of which will have health benefits.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with other policies (CS3, CS5 and MP3) in the plan and borough wide strategies (LTP3) to increase choice and allow the use of more active modes of transport such as cycling and walking and to increase the quality of existing GI provision creating more opportunities for physical exercise.</p> <p>Indirectly, this policy will help to improve both physical and mental health. These benefits should be enhanced when taken in conjunction with the Health and Wellbeing Strategy.</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p>

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				Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial Scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
10. Provide and enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	++	Policy seeks to adopt an integrated approach to the care and management of the borough's Green Infrastructure and covers all of the aspects in the objective with the exception of access to the countryside.	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely Spatial scale: Borough wide Temporary/permanent: Permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with other policies (CS3, CS5 and MP3) in the plan and sub -regional strategies (Liverpool City Region GI Strategy) to provide and enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	Policy seeks to improve the quality of existing Green Infrastructure provision across the whole of the borough, including the countryside.	None needed. Protecting and improving the quality and character of places generally and the built environment and covered by other policies in the plan.	Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely Spatial scale: Borough wide Temporary/permanent: Permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will support environmental and design policies (CS1, QE4, QE5, QE6 and QE7) and work in combination with other borough wide strategies (Public Realm Strategy) and national legislation to contribute to protecting and improving the character of the borough.
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	++	Policy makes specific reference to improving the value of GI as a habitat for biodiversity.	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely Spatial scale: Borough wide Temporary/permanent: Permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with other policies (CS3, CS5 and MP3) in the plan and sub-regional

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				strategies (Liverpool City Region GI Strategy) to protect and enhance biodiversity. In addition the policy will work in combination with initiatives in the Climate Change Strategy, other borough wide strategies (LTP3) and national legislation to contribute to decarbonising the national grid. These measures together will indirectly benefit biodiversity by minimise carbon dioxide emissions and the impacts of climate change on the environment.
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	+	Policy seeks to adopt an integrated approach to the care and management of the borough's Green Infrastructure and addresses the majority of the aspects in the objective.	None needed. Other environmental quality issues, relating to air and water are covered by other policies in the plan.	Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely Spatial scale: Local (amenity), borough wide Temporary/permanent: Permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will support environmental and design policies (CS1, QE4, QE5, QE6 and QE7) and work in combination with initiatives in the Climate Change Strategy, other borough wide strategies and national legislation to contribute to improve local amenity, environmental quality and decarbonising the national grid. These measures together will both directly and indirectly help to protect the environment, local amenity and air and water quality.
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	++	Policy makes specific reference to increasing the functionality of existing and planned Green Infrastructure provision especially where this helps to mitigate the causes of and creates places resilient to the impacts of climate change.	None needed.	Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely Spatial scale: Borough wide and larger Temporary/permanent: Permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with other policies (CS1, CS3, CS5 and MP3) in the plan and sub-regional strategies (Liverpool City Region GI Strategy) to protect and enhance GI provision and its functionality. In addition, initiatives in the Climate Change Strategy, other borough wide strategies (LTP3) and national legislation to contribute to decarbonising the national grid. These measures in combination will help to minimise carbon dioxide emissions and the impacts of climate change on the environment and adapt to its effects.
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	Policy seeks to adopt an integrated approach to the care and management of the borough's Green Infrastructure, which one of the borough's most valued natural resources.	None needed. Other resource conservation matters, including the conservation of water, are covered by other policies in the plan.	Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely Spatial scale: Borough wide and sub-regional? Temporary/permanent: Permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with other policies in the plan, initiatives in the Climate Change Strategy, other borough wide and sub-regional strategies and national legislation to contribute to protecting and enhancing the borough's Green Infrastructure. The policy will also work in combination with SuDS approval mechanisms and associated strategies; the Design & Construction SPD and the Joint Waste and Minerals Local Plan which will be produced following adoption of the Core Strategy.
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective.	-	Likelihood/ Certainty:

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				<p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	+	<p>Policy seeks to improve the quality of existing Green Infrastructure provision specifically to increase its attractiveness for leisure and recreation purposes. It also seeks to develop a continuous right of way and greenway network by better connect places and to create places that are more resilient to climate change.</p> <p>These are all aspects of high quality sustainable design.</p>	None needed. Whilst the policy only deals with "design" issues that relate to open spaces that form part of the public realm design issues relating to buildings and other aspects of the public realm are covered by other policies in the plan.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will be supported by other policies in the plan, borough wide strategies (Council's Public Realm Strategy) and more site specific design briefs and masterplans.</p>

Table 91

No changes to the policy are considered necessary

QE4 Assessment

Policy Number: QE4 (Flood Risk)

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial Scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	++	Policy looks to direct development away from the areas at highest risk. Where development is located in areas of flood risk developers should ensure that appropriate mitigation measures are in place to reduce the risk of flooding.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough Wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with other regulatory requirements.</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	Policy ensures that development sites consider the impact and sensitivity of climate change through the assessment of individual sites.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough Wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Cumulative -The policy will work in combination with other initiatives surrounding climate change.</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	Policy ensures that surface water drainage is considered for development sites that are at risk of surface water flooding. Where development sites are at risk of surface water flooding developer will be required to demonstrate appropriate mitigation measures.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough Wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Cumulative - The policy will work in collaboration with other policies in the development plan.</p>

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	N/A	None Needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None Needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	N/A	None Needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>

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QE5 Assessment

Policy Number: QE5 (Biodiversity and Geodiversity)

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial Scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	Policy ensures that the biodiversity and geodiversity of sites recognised for their nature and geological value are protected.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Cumulative – The policy will work in combination with other initiatives surrounding the protection of landscapes.</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	++	Policy looks to protect and where possible enhance sites that have been recognised for their nature and geological value.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Cumulative – The policy will work in combination with other regulatory requirements.</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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QE6 Assessment

Policy Number: QE6 (Environment and Amenity Protection)

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial Scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	++	Policy looks to support development which will not lead to an adverse impact on the environment or future amenity of present and future occupiers of adjoining or nearby properties.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Cumulative - The policy will work in combination with other initiatives in the development plan.</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	Policy looks to consider ground water resources in terms of quality, quantity and the ecological features they support.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Cumulative - The policy will work in combination with other initiatives in the development plan.</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p>

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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QE7 Assessment

Policy Number: QE 7

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	Policy looks to ensure new proposals are sustainable and create inclusive, accessible and safe environments.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in reducing the need to travel, especially by car, improving choice and the use of more sustainable modes.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	+	Policy ensures access to good quality and sustainable housing, but not specifically affordable housing.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in ensuring access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing.</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>

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8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	+	Policy would have no influence on enabling groups to contribute to decision making but it does look to encourage developers to engage with neighbourhoods and communities in developing design solutions.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial Scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	+	Policy looks to maintain and respect the landscape character and distinctiveness of the surrounding countryside.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in enhancing leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	++	Policy looks to maintain and respect the landscape character and distinctiveness of the surrounding countryside. Policy also looks to reinforce local distinctiveness and enhance the character, appearance and function of the street scene, local area and wider townscape. Policy also looks to ensure that developments are visually attractive as a result of good architecture and the inclusion of appropriate public space.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in protecting and improving the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place.</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	Policy aims to ensure that proposals are designed to be sustainable, durable, adaptable and energy efficient.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p>

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				Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in limiting and adapting to the impacts of climate change.
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	Policy aims to ensure that proposals are designed to be sustainable, durable, adaptable and energy efficient.	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Spatial scale: borough-wide Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in ensuring the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation.
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	+	Policy aims to ensure that proposals are designed to be sustainable, durable, adaptable and energy efficient. Does not however refer to renewable energy.	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely Spatial scale: borough-wide Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in increasing energy efficiency and production of renewable energy.
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	++	Policy aims to ensure that proposals are designed to be sustainable, reinforce local distinctiveness, and enhance the character, appearance and function of the street scene, local area and wider townscape.	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Spatial scale: borough-wide Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none

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QE8 Assessment

Policy Number: QE 8

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	Policy looks to recognise the significance and value of historic assets by identifying their ability to act as a catalyst for regeneration	Amend wording of policy to include reference to economic activity.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will principally assist in strengthening the local economy and ensuring sustainable economic growth.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial Scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	++	Policy looks to ensure that the fabric and setting of historic assets are appropriately protected and enhanced. Applications expected to show an understanding of the asset's significance and value.	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Spatial scale: borough wide Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Compliments policy PV7 which looks to ensure that proposals enhance heritage and natural environment assets, where appropriate, to encourage visitors to use and enjoy such assets.
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	Policy aims to recognise the significance and value of historic assets by identifying their positive influence on the character of the environment and an area's sense of place. Requires applications to recognise and enhance the asset's contribution to the special qualities, local distinctiveness and unique physical aspects of the area.	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Spatial scale: borough-wide Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in protecting and improving the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place.
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: borough wide Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	+	Policy looks to recognise the significance and value of historic assets by identifying their ability to inspire the design of new development.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will principally assist in ensuring high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.</p>

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Change	Change made
Amend wording of policy to include reference to economic activity, i.e. 'recognise the significance and value of historic assets by identifying their ability to contribute to economic activity'	03.11.11

Table 97

MP1 Assessment

Policy Number: MP1 General Transport Principles

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++	Policy promotes demand management measures and travel planning and specifically makes reference to reducing the need for the private car.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide and sub-regional due to significant amounts of commuting.</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Should enhance the impacts when taken in combination with LTP, and Strategic Policies.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

Table 98

No changes to the policy are considered necessary

MP2 Assessment

Policy Number: MP2 Telecommunications

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	The policy seeks to support telecommunications technology to improve the connectivity of the population, support businesses and encourage home working	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide and sub regional</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: This policy will not be able to achieve this in isolation – will have to rely on other plans / strategies including Borough wide policies support the economy such as policies PV1 and PV3.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++	The policy seeks to support telecommunications technology to improve the connectivity of the population, support businesses and encourage home working which will in turn help to reduce the need to travel.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide and sub-regional</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Should enhance the impacts when taken in combination with LTP, and other Borough Wide and Strategic Policies.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

Table 99

No changes to the policy are considered necessary

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MP3 Assessment

Policy Number: MP 3

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	Policy looks to ensure that particular priority is given to routes linking residential areas (especially those in recognised areas of deprivation) with employment areas, transport interchanges and other local services and facilities.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will principally assist in strengthening the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	+	Policy looks to ensure that particular priority is given to routes linking residential areas (especially those in recognised areas of deprivation) with schools.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in improving the education and skills of the population overall.</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	Policy looks to ensure that particular priority is given to routes linking residential areas (especially those in recognised areas of deprivation) with employment areas, transport interchanges and other local services and facilities.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in reducing poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and securing economic inclusion.</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++	Policy looks to ensure that a high priority is given to the needs and safety of pedestrians and cyclists in new development. New development should contribute to enhancing and developing integrated networks of continuous, attractive and safe routes for walking and cycling.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in reducing the need to travel, especially by car, improving choice and the use of more sustainable modes.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	++	Policy looks to ensure that enhancements and improvements should look to increase accessibility and make the most of potential environmental, social and health benefits.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in improving physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities.</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				<p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial Scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	+	<p>Policy looks to ensure that particular priority is given to routes linking residential areas (especially those in recognised areas of deprivation) with employment areas, transport interchanges, schools, Warrington hospital and other local services and facilities.</p> <p>New development should not compromise but should contribute to enhancing and developing integrated networks of continuous, attractive and safe routes.</p> <p>Enhancements and improvements should look to increase accessibility.</p>	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in protecting and enhancing accessibility for all to essential services and facilities.</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	+	Policy looks to ensure new development contributes to enhancing and developing integrated networks of continuous, attractive and safe routes for walking and cycling including improvements to roads, Rights of Way and the Greenway Network.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in providing and enhancing leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	+	Policy looks to ensure new development contributes to enhancing and developing integrated networks of continuous, attractive and safe routes for walking and cycling including improvements to roads, Rights of Way and the Greenway Network.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in protecting, managing and improving local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding.</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change				<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>

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No changes to the policy are considered necessary

MP4 Assessment

Policy Number: MP 4

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++	Policy looks to secure improvements to public transport infrastructure and ensure development is located in areas with easy access to public transport.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in reducing the need to travel, especially by car, improving choice and the use of more sustainable modes.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial Scale:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				<p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	++	<p>Policy looks to secure improvements to public transport infrastructure and ensure development is located in areas with easy access to public transport.</p> <p>Policy also looks to ensure that development should aim to make public transport a viable and attractive alternative by integrating with existing public transport infrastructure and services as far as possible.</p>	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving enhanced accessibility to essential facilities.</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	Policy looks to ensure that development aims to make public transport a viable and attractive alternative to the car, which should consequently help minimise vehicle CO2 emissions.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in combination with initiatives in the Climate Change Strategy and with borough wide policies (relating to design, energy efficiency and transport)</p>

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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MP5 Assessment

Policy Number: MP5 (Freight Transport)

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	Policy looks to encourage any freight related development that reduces the reliance on the road network and locate on sites which are served by rail and/ or water or where additional facilities can be provided as part of the development.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Certainty</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Cumulative - The policy will work in conjunction with other initiatives in the development plan.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial Scale:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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No changes to the policy are considered necessary

MP6 Assessment

Policy Number: MP6 (Transport Infrastructure)

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	?	The policy looks to support the implementation of Park and Ride schemes and the provision of a new railway station at ChapelfordUrbanVillage.	If the policy is implemented it would have a positive affect.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Cumulative – the policy will work in conjunction with other initiatives in the development plan.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial Scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty:

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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MP7 Assessment

Policy Number: MP7 'Transport Assessments and Travel Plans'

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	The primary purpose of the policy is to clarify when development proposals will need to be accompanied by a transport assessment and / or travel plan. This process should therefore help to implement and hence secure the objectives of other transport policies which collectively should help to achieve economic inclusion by securing access to employment opportunities by modes other than the private car.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Provides a mechanism through which the objectives of related policies including CS2, MP1, MP3 and MP4 can be delivered.</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	++	The primary purpose of the policy is to clarify when development proposals will need to be accompanied by a transport assessment and / or travel plan. This process should therefore help to implement and hence secure the objectives of other transport policies which collectively should help to reduce the need to travel and improve the choice and use of more sustainable modes of transport.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Provides a mechanism through which the objectives of related policies including CS2, MP1, MP3, MP4 and MP5 can be delivered.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+	The primary purpose of the policy is to clarify when development proposals will need to be accompanied by a transport assessment and / or travel plan. This process should therefore help to implement and hence secure the objectives of other transport policies which collectively should help to improve health and well being by affording opportunities for active travel.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Provides a mechanism through which the objectives of related policies including CS2, SN7, MP1 and particularly MP3 can be delivered.</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				<p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial Scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	+	The primary purpose of the policy is to clarify when development proposals will need to be accompanied by a transport assessment and / or travel plan. This process should therefore help to implement and hence secure the objectives of other transport policies which collectively should help to ensure that new services and facilities are in accessible locations and well served by a choice of more sustainable modes of transport.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Provides a mechanism through which the objectives of related policies including CS2, MP3 and MP4 can be delivered.</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	+	The primary purpose of the policy is to clarify when development proposals will need to be accompanied by a transport assessment and / or travel plan. This process will help to ensure that the environmental impacts arising from the trips generated to and from new developments will be	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Process will also help to secure the objectives of Policy QE6 which seeks to protect the environment and amenity.</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
		understood and where possible avoided or appropriately mitigated.		
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	The primary purpose of the policy is to clarify when development proposals will need to be accompanied by a transport assessment and / or travel plan. This process should therefore help to implement and hence secure the objectives of other transport policies which collectively should help to reduce the need to travel, improve the choice and use of more sustainable modes of transport and hence consequently help to reduce vehicle emissions.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Provides a mechanism through which the objectives of related policies including CS2, MP1, MP3, MP4 and MP5 can be delivered.</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>

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MP8 Assessment

Policy Number: MP8 'Waste'

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	?	Policy seeks to reduce the amount of waste imported into the Borough which conversely could help to reduce the volume of HGVs on the Borough's road. The policy also makes reference to seeking to ensure the sustainable transportation of waste arising from new developments.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Whilst the policy could have a positive effect in reducing the need to travel owing to the reasons cited, the benefits of this effect may be lost against the backdrop of increasing vehicular trips resultant from or consequential to the planned level of economic and housing growth set out within the Core Strategy.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial Scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	?	Policy seeks to reduce the amount of waste imported into the Borough which conversely could help to reduce the volume of HGVs on the Borough's road and hence reduce CO2 emissions. The policy also makes reference to seeking to ensure the sustainable transportation of waste arising from new developments which would have the same effect. Through promoting the waste hierarchy the policy could also reduce the amount of waste sent to	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Whilst the policy could have a positive effect in reducing CO2 emissions owing to the reasons cited, the benefits of this effect may be lost against the backdrop of increasing CO2 emissions resultant from or consequential to the planned level of economic and housing growth set out within the Core Strategy.</p>

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
		landfill and hence the potential for methane gas release.		
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	++	This is the primary purpose of the policy.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Spatial scale: borough wide Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a

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MP9 Assessment

Policy Number: MP9 - Minerals

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	The policy looks to minimise the use of primary aggregates and encourage the sustainable use of minerals	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	+	The policy seeks to encourage the use of recycled and secondary aggregates	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Spatial scale: borough wide Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -

Table 106

No changes to the policy are considered necessary

MP10 Assessment

Policy Number: MP10 - Infrastructure

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	?	The policy could provide relevant infrastructure but no specific reference is currently made within the policy	Consider amending the policy to reference the types of infrastructure to be considered	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	?	The policy could provide relevant infrastructure but no specific reference is currently made within the policy	Consider amending the policy to reference the types of infrastructure to be considered	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	?	The policy could provide relevant infrastructure but no specific reference is currently made within the policy	Consider amending the policy to reference the types of infrastructure to be considered	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	?	The policy could provide relevant infrastructure but no specific reference is currently made within the policy	Consider amending the policy to reference the types of infrastructure to be considered	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	?	The policy could provide relevant infrastructure but no specific reference is currently made within the policy	Consider amending the policy to reference the types of infrastructure to be considered	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	?	The policy could provide relevant infrastructure but no specific reference is currently made within the policy	Consider amending the policy to reference the types of infrastructure to be considered	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	?	The policy could provide relevant infrastructure but no specific reference is currently made within the policy	Consider amending the policy to reference the types of infrastructure to be considered	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	?	The policy could provide relevant infrastructure but no specific reference is currently made within the policy	Consider amending the policy to reference the types of infrastructure to be considered	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	?	The policy could provide relevant infrastructure but no specific reference is currently made within the policy	Consider amending the policy to reference the types of infrastructure to be considered	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	?	The policy could provide relevant infrastructure but no specific reference is currently made within the policy	Consider amending the policy to reference the types of infrastructure to be considered	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: local and borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: -</p> <p>Spatial scale: -</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: -</p>

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	?	The policy could provide relevant infrastructure but no specific reference is currently made within the policy	Consider amending the policy to reference the types of infrastructure to be considered	Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain Spatial scale: local and borough wide Temporary/permanent: uncertain Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The strategic policy will be supported by the borough wide strategies.
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	The policy has no direct impact on this objective	-	Likelihood/ Certainty: - Spatial scale: - Temporary/permanent: - Cumulative / Synergistic implications: -

Table 107

Changes to the policy that should be considered as a result of SA Objective assessment:

Change	Change made
Consider amending the policy to reference the types of infrastructure to be considered	General reference to transport, utility, social and environmental infrastructure added 03.11.11

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TC1 Assessment

Policy Number: TC1 Key Development Sites in the Town Centre

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	The policy seeks to support and promote key development sites in the town centre which will in turn positively help to strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Town Centre & borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this by focusing economic development opportunities within the Town Centre.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	Through promoting development towards the town centre on key town centre sites, the policy seeks to ensure that such development is accessible and the nature of development will be economic and social improvements.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this by focusing economic development opportunities within the Town Centre and promoting sustainable travel to positively reduce social exclusion.</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	Through promoting development towards the town centre on key town centre sites, the policy seeks to ensure that such development is accessible and sustainable.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this by focusing economic development opportunities within the Town Centre and promoting sustainable travel to positively reduce the need to travel.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	?	The policy seeks to promote mixed use development on key town centre sites.	The type of development supported within the policy includes housing. If this type of development comes forward, other policies within the plan will seek to ensure the housing is of good quality, sustainable, and possibly an element of affordable housing provided.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: Town Centre & borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this promoting good quality, sustainable, affordable housing.</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial Scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	++	Through promoting development towards the town centre on key town centre sites, the policy seeks to ensure that such development/services are accessible.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Town Centre & borough-wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this by focusing economic development opportunities within the Town Centre and promoting sustainable travel to positively reduce social exclusion.</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	+	Through promoting mixed use development towards the town centre on key town centre sites, the policy will assist in providing and enhancing leisure & recreation opportunities in the borough.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in achieving this objective.</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	?	The promotion of development on key town centre sites with historic, cultural and archaeological value may be affected depending on the nature of the proposal.	Other policies of the plan seek to ensure that places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value are not compromised through future development	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Uncertain</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will be supported by other borough wide and strategic policies.</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	Through promoting development on key town centre sites, the policy will assist in improving the character of the town.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Town Centre</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will be supported by other borough wide and strategic policies.</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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TC2 Assessment

Policy Number: TC2 Small Scale Development in other areas of the Town Centre

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	?	The policy seeks to enhance public realm and the quality of the town centre as a whole. Depending on the nature of a schemes design, it could help to reduce crime and fear of crime.	Other design policies within the plan will also seek to reduce crime through design of proposals.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Uncertain</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will be supported by other borough wide and strategic policies.</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial Scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	++	Criteria within the policy specifically seeks to ensure that heritage values and assets are sustained and enhanced.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will be supported by other borough wide and strategic policies.</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	++	The criteria in the policy seeks to collectively improve the quality of the town centre.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Town Centre</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will be supported by other borough wide and strategic policies.</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	N/A	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p>

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	++	The policy seeks to enhance public realm and the quality of the town centre as a whole	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Spatial scale: Town Centre Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: : The policy will be supported by other borough wide and strategic policies

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IW1 Assessment

Policy Number: IW1 'The A49 Corridor'

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	The policy looks to support and promote redevelopment and regeneration opportunities along the A49 corridor where they propose appropriate uses, principally B1, B2 and B8. Policy also looks to improve access from nearby residential areas to local employment opportunities.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Spatial scale: local to the A49 corridor Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in strengthening the local economy and ensuring sustainable economic growth.
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	Policy looks to improve access from nearby residential areas to local employment opportunities. Policy does not however refer to reducing poverty, deprivation and social exclusion.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely Spatial scale: local to the A49 corridor Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in securing economic inclusion.
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	Policy looks to enhance links to the town centre and Inner Warrington through active travel and public transport.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely Spatial scale: local to the A49 corridor Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in reducing the need to travel, especially by car, whilst improving choice and the use of more sustainable modes.
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial Scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	+	Policy looks to enhance links to the town centre and Inner Warrington through active travel and public transport. Policy also looks to improve access from nearby residential areas to local employment opportunities.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local to the A49 corridor</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in protecting and enhancing accessibility for all to essential services and facilities.</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	Policy looks to increase the functionality and improve the quality of green infrastructure.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local to the A49 corridor</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in providing and enhancing leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	Policy looks to pay particular attention to the appearance of the gateway and key route into the town centre whilst also increasing the area's attractiveness, its value as a habitat for biodiversity and its role as a wildlife corridor.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local to the A49 corridor</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in protecting and improving the quality and character of the place.</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	++	Policy looks to increase the area's attractiveness, its value as a habitat for biodiversity and its role as a wildlife corridor.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local to the A49 corridor</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in protecting and enhancing biodiversity.</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	+	Policy looks to increase the functionality and improve the quality of green infrastructure particularly where this creates environments that mitigate the causes of and are resilient to the impacts of climate change. Policy also looks to increase the area's attractiveness.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local to the A49 corridor</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in protecting, managing and improving local amenity and local environmental quality and reducing the risk of flooding.</p>

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15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	Policy looks to increase the functionality and improve the quality of green infrastructure particularly where this creates environments that mitigate the causes of and are resilient to the impacts of climate change.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local to the A49 corridor</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in limiting and adapting to the impacts of climate change.</p>
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	+	Policy looks to pay particular attention to the appearance of the gateway and key route into the Town Centre to ensure development contributes to a sense of arrival	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local to the A49 corridor</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in ensuring high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm.</p>

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IW2 Assessment

Policy Number: IW2 'Victoria Park Area'

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+	Policy looks to ensure that appropriate small scale development does not result in the unacceptable loss of green space or adversely affect the quality and extent of sports, play and park facilities. Policy also aims to encourage access to the park by active travel modes.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local to the Victoria Park area.</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in improving physical and mental health and reducing health inequalities.</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial Scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	+	Policy aims to encourage access to the park by active travel modes.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local to the Victoria Park area</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will principally assist in protecting and enhancing accessibility for all to essential services and facilities.</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	++	Policy looks to ensure that appropriate small scale development does not result in the unacceptable loss of green space or adversely affect the quality and extent of sports, play and park facilities.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: local to the Victoria Park area</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in providing and enhancing leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	+	Policy looks to ensure that appropriate small scale development increases the functionality and improves the quality of green infrastructure particularly where this increases the area's attractiveness and its value as a habitat for biodiversity.	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: local to the Victoria Park area</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in protecting and enhancing biodiversity.</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	+	<p>Policy looks to ensure that appropriate small scale development preserves the flood management role of the park as part of the identified functional flood plain.</p> <p>Protection, management and improvement of local amenity and local environmental quality is not specifically referred to in this policy.</p>	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: local to the Victoria Park area</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in reducing the risk of flooding. Protection, management and improvement of local amenity and local environmental quality are covered by other borough wide and strategic policies.</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	+	Policy looks to ensure that appropriate small scale development increases the functionality and improves the quality of green infrastructure particularly where this creates	None required	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: uncertain</p> <p>Spatial scale: local to the Victoria Park area</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p>

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		environments that mitigate the causes of and are resilient to the impacts of climate change.		Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Other borough wide and strategic policies will also assist in limiting and adapting to the impacts of climate change.
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	Policy has no direct impact on this objective	None required	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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WW1 Assessment

Policy Number: WW1 (Chapelford Urban Village) – West Warrington

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	+	The policy looks to ensure the timely and co-ordinated provision of infrastructure to support the local community including the provision of educational resources to support the area.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Local</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Cumulative - The policy will work in collaboration with other initiatives.</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	+	The policy looks to deliver active travel and public transport infrastructure to the sites accessibility through more sustainable modes of transport.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Local</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Cumulative - The policy will work in combination with other initiatives set out in the development plan.</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+	The policy looks to support the location of services and facilities that support the local community.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Local</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: The policy will work in collaboration with other initiatives/ strategies including the health and wellbeing strategy.</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	+	The policy looks to support the provision of affordable housing on site including the targeted provision of housing for older people.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Local</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Cumulative - The policy will work in collaboration with other policies set out in the development plan including policy SN2 (securing mixed and inclusive neighbourhoods)</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	+	The policy looks to encourage a co-ordinated partnership approach with the local community and partners.	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite Likely Spatial Scale: Local Temporary/permanent: Permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	++	The policy looks to work with partners to deliver the neighbourhood centre with services and facilities to support the local community.	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely Spatial scale: local Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Cumulative – The policy will work in collaboration with other policies set out in the development plan, including: SN4 (Hierarchy of Centres), SN5 (New retail and Leisure Development within Defined Centres) and SN6 (Sustaining the Local Economy and Services).
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	+	The policy aims to support the delivery of high quality public open space to support the local community.	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely Temporary/permanent: Permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Cumulative – The policy will work in collaboration with other policies set out in the development plan, including QE3 (Green Infrastructure)
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale:

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				Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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SW1 Assessment

Policy Number: SW1 (Stockton Heath District Centre) – Stockton Heath and South Warrington

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	++	The policy looks to positively contribute to the areas vitality and viability of the centre therefore providing a mechanism to strengthen the local economy.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Local</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Cumulative - The policy will work with a collaboration of other policies in the development plan, including SN4 (Hierarchy of Centres), SN5 (New Retail and Leisure Development within defined centres) and SN6 (Sustaining the Local Economy and Services).</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	+	The policy looks to encourage the existing diversity and viability of the centre whilst also providing a mechanism to provide additional cultural provision for in the area, especially for young people and children.	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite Likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Local</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Cumulative - The policy will work with a collaboration of other policies in the development plan, including SN4 (Hierarchy of Centres), SN5 (New Retail and Leisure Development within defined centres) and SN6 (Sustaining the Local Economy and Services).</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications:</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	N/A	None needed	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty:</p> <p>Spatial scale:</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial Scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	+	The policy aims to ensure that any proposal contributes positively to the character of the centre.	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely Spatial scale: Local Temporary/permanent: Permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Cumulative – The policy will work in collaboration with other policies in the development plan document, including QE8 (Historic Environment)
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	The policy aims to ensure that any proposal contributes positively to the character of the centre.	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Likely Spatial scale: Local Temporary/permanent: Permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Cumulative – The policy will work in collaboration with other policies in the development plan document, including QE8 (Historic Environment)
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	N/A	None needed	Likelihood/ Certainty: Spatial scale: Temporary/permanent: Cumulative / Synergistic implications:

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CC1 Assessment

Policy Number: CC1 'Inset and Green Belt Settlements'

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	The policy identifies a presumption in favour of development within Inset and Green Belt settlements which should in turn present opportunities to sustain and grow their local economies.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Across Inset and Green Belt settlements</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	No direct effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	No direct effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	No direct effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	No direct effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	?	The policy identifies a presumption in favour of development within Inset and Green Belt settlements which could in theory present opportunities to deliver affordable homes within the Countryside's constituent settlements.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Uncertain – whilst the policy facilitates opportunities to deliver affordable homes there is no guarantee that affordable homes will be delivered over and above alternative land uses including open market housing.</p> <p>Spatial scale: Across Inset and Green Belt settlements</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: Uncertain</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	No direct effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	No direct effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial Scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	No direct effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	No direct effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	No direct effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	The policy requires that new build development within Green Belt settlements is of an appropriate scale, design and character and specifically that spaces which have more affinity with the openness of the Green Belt, or which contribute to the character of the settlement, are not lost to development. A primary purpose of the policy is to therefore protect the character of such settlements.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Across Inset and Green Belt settlements</p> <p>Temporary/permanent:</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Policy essentially adds to the positive effect which will be secured via the implementation of policies CS1, QE7, and CC2.</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	No direct effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	No direct effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	No direct effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	No direct effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	No direct effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	No direct effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	+	The policy requires that new build development within Green Belt settlements is of an appropriate scale, design and character. An assessment of what constitutes such will however be guided by Core Strategy policies QE7 and CC2. Reference within the policy to CS1 will also ensure that those proposals within Inset settlements are also appropriately assessed against policy QE7 and others of relevance.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Across Inset and Green Belt settlements</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Realisation of positive effect is dependent on implementation of a series of policies including CS1, QE7, CC1 and CC2.</p>

Table 115

No changes to the policy are considered necessary

CC2 Assessment

Policy Number: CC2 'Protecting the Countryside'

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	Policy includes a presumption in favour of local enterprise, farm diversification and protecting agricultural interests; all of which will be to the benefit of the rural and wider economy.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: Quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: across the Borough's countryside.</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Effect likely to be maximised when policy is implemented alongside those within the Core Strategy which relate to Creating prosperity and vibrancy.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial Scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
				Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	++	Primary purpose of the policy is to restrict development to that which is appropriate within the countryside by identifying additional factors which warrant consideration in a countryside as opposed to urban setting.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: likely Spatial scale: across the Borough's countryside. Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Realisation of positive effect is also dependent on successful implementation of a series of policies including CS1 and QE7.
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	+	Policy seeks to ensure development proposals entail no detrimental impacts on agricultural interests. This includes protecting the best and most versatile agricultural land.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely Spatial scale: across the Borough's countryside. Temporary/permanent: permanent Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	++	Primary purpose of the policy is to restrict development to that which is appropriate within the countryside by identifying additional factors which warrant consideration in a countryside as opposed to urban setting.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: across the Borough's countryside.</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Realisation of positive effect is also dependent on successful implementation of a series of policies including CS1 and QE7.</p>

Table 116

No changes to the policy are considered necessary

CC3 Assessment

Policy Number: CC3 'Walton Hall Estate'

SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
1. Strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	+	Policy identifies and hence promotes the economic opportunity that the Estate presents.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Effect likely to be maximised when policy is implemented alongside those within the Core Strategy which relate to Creating prosperity and vibrancy.</p>
2. Improve the education and skills of the population overall	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
3. Reduce poverty, deprivation and social exclusion and secure economic inclusion	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
4. Reduce the need to travel, especially by car, improve choice and the use of more sustainable modes	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
5. Improve physical and mental health and reduce health inequalities	+	Cultural activities, green spaces and the natural environment are increasingly proven to positively improve health and wellbeing through encouraging people to be more active, reducing stress levels and aiding recovery from, and even preventing, illnesses. This policy seeks to protect public access to the park as well as the leisure and recreation opportunities it presents.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: borough wide</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
6. Ensure access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
7. Reduce crime, disorder and the fear of crime	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
8. Enable groups to contribute to decision making and encourage a sense of community identity and welfare	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial Scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
9. Protect and enhance accessibility for all to essential services and facilities	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
10. Provide and Enhance leisure opportunities, recreation facilities, green infrastructure and access to the countryside.	++	This policy seeks to protect public access to the park and to sustain and enhance the leisure and recreation opportunities it presents.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: likely</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Effect will also be achieved and hence maximised through the implementation of other Core Strategy policies including CS5 and QE3.</p>
11. Protect and enhance places and buildings of historic, cultural and archaeological value	+	The policy seeks to safeguard the Estate's heritage assets by securing a long-term and active use for them.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Walton Estate</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: Effect will also be achieved and hence maximised through the implementation of other Core Strategy policies including QE7 and QE8.</p>
12. Protect and improve the quality and character of places, landscapes, townscapes and the wider countryside whilst maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	+	The policy seeks to protect the Estate's heritage assets as well as the tranquil setting of the gardens.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: quite likely</p> <p>Spatial scale: Walton Estate</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: permanent</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: none</p>
13. Protect and enhance biodiversity	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
14. Protect, manage and improve local amenity and local environmental quality including land, air and controlled waters and reduce the risk of flooding	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>
15. Limit and adapt to the impacts of climate change	0	No effect.	None required.	<p>Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a</p> <p>Spatial scale: n/a</p> <p>Temporary/permanent: n/a</p> <p>Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a</p>

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SA Objective and Indicators	Impact	Nature of Effect	Mitigation	Justification for Assessment
16. Ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources including the promotion of sustainable drainage and water conservation	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
17. Increase energy efficiency and production of renewable energy	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
18. Minimise waste and maximise re-use, recovery and recycling	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a
19. Ensure high quality and sustainable design for buildings, spaces and the public realm that is appropriate to the locality.	0	No effect.	None required.	Likelihood/ Certainty: n/a Spatial scale: n/a Temporary/permanent: n/a Cumulative / Synergistic implications: n/a

Table 117

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Appendix 11 Predicting and Evaluating Effects of the Draft Local Plan Core Strategy - Cumulative Effects

SA Objective	Core Strategy Policy																		
	CS1	CS2	CS3	CS4	CS5	CS6	CS7	CS8	CS9	CS10	CS11	PV1	PV2	PV3	PV4	PV5	PV6	PV7	
1	++	++	++	0	0	++	++	+	?	?	++	++	+	++	++	++	++	++	+
2	?	0	+	0	0	0	?	?	0	0	0	0	0	++	0	0	0	0	0
3	++	+	+	0	0	++	+	++	0	?	0	+	+	++	+	+	0	0	0
4	++	++	++	0	0	++	++	?	0	+	++	0	+	0	+	+	0	0	+
5	?	0	+	0	0	0	+	+	0	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	++	++	0	0	0	+	++	++	+	?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	0	+	+	+	+	0	?	?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	?	0	0	0	0	?	?	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	++	+	++	0	0	++	+	?	0	?	0	0	0	0	0	++	0	0	0
10	+	+	+	+	++	+	?	?	0	++	0	0	+	+	+	+	0	++	++
11	++	?	0	0	0	?	0	?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	+	0	0	++	++	?	0	0	0	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	+
13	++	0	+/?	++	+	0	0	0	0	?	+	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	?
14	++	?	+/?	0	+	?	0	0	0	?	?	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	0
15	++	+	+	0	0	0	?	0	0	?	+	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	+	+	0	0	0	0	?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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SA Objective	Core Strategy Policy															
	SN1	SN2	SN3	SN4	SN5	SN6	SN7	QE1	QE2	QE3	QE4	QE5	QE6	QE7	QE8	
19	+	0	0	0	0	?	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Core Strategy Policy																
SA Objective	SN1	SN2	SN3	SN4	SN5	SN6	SN7	QE1	QE2	QE3	QE4	QE5	QE6	QE7	QE8	
1	+	+	0	+	+	++	0	+	0	+	0	0	0	0	?	
2	0	0	++	0	0	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
3	+	++	+	0	0	+	+	+	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	
4	++	0	+	++	++	+	+	0	0	++	0	0	0	?	0	
5	0	+	++	0	0	+	++	+	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	
6	++	++	?	0	0	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	?	0	
7	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
8	0	0	+	0	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	?	0	
9	+	0	0	++	++	++	+	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	
10	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	0	0	++	0	0	0	+	0	
11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	++	
12	0	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	0	+	0	++	0	
13	0	0	0	0	0	0	?	++	++	++	0	++	0	0	0	
14	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	++	+	+	++	0	++	0	0	
15	+	0	0	+	+	0	+	++	++	++	+	0	0	+	0	
16	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	+	+	+	0	+	+	0	
17	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	++	++	0	0	0	0	?	0	
18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

SA Objective	Core Strategy Policy																			
	MP1	MP2	MP3	MP4	MP5	MP6	MP7	MP8	MP9	MP10	TC1	TC2	IW1	IW2	WW1	SW1	CC1	CC2	CC3	
19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	+	0	0	+	0	0	0	0	++	?	
	Core Strategy Policy																			
SA Objective	MP1	MP2	MP3	MP4	MP5	MP6	MP7	MP8	MP9	MP10	TC1	TC2	IW1	IW2	WW1	SW1	CC1	CC2	CC3	
1	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	++	0	++	0	0	++	+	+	+	
2	0	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	?	0	0	0	0	+	0	0	0	0	
3	0	0	+	0	0	0	+	0	0	?	+	0	0	0	0	+	0	0	0	
4	++	++	++	++	+	?	++	?	0	?	+	0	+	0	+	0	0	0	0	
5	0	0	++	0	0	0	+	0	0	?	0	0	0	+	+	0	0	0	+	
6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	?	?	0	0	0	+	0	?	0	0	
7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	?	0	0	0	0	+	0	0	0	0	
9	0	0	+	++	0	0	+	0	0	?	++	0	+	+	++	0	0	0	0	
10	0	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	?	+	0	0	++	+	0	0	0	++	
11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	?	++	0	0	0	+	0	0	+	
12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	++	+	0	0	+	+	++	+	
13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	?	0	0	++	+	0	0	0	0	0	
14	0	0	+	0	0	0	+	0	0	?	+	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	
15	0	0	0	+	0	0	+	?	0	0	0	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	
16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	0	
17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	++	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

Appendix 12 Sustainability Appraisal of Approved changes following the Pre-publication Consultation

Comment ID	Section	Policy or Paragraph number	Change	Reason for change	Notes	SA Opinion
<u>2</u>	Section 6 - The Core Strategy: How we are going to get there	Policy CS5	Amend the wording of the policy by: Adding a reference to "Bold Forest Park" at bullet point 4	Addition to strengthen the policy and ensure that it addresses sub-regional/cross boundary issues		Not a significant change
<u>4</u>	Section 6 – How we are going to get there	Policy CS7	Amend the policy by adding the following wording to the end of the first sentence of the opening paragraph: "and to contribute to economic opportunity and growth in the wider sub region." Amend the wording of the fifth bullet point by: adding "the wider sub region and to" after "development to	To acknowledge the significance of Omega in the wider sub-region		Not a significant change
<u>7</u>	Section 6 - The Core Strategy: How we are going to get there	Policy CS5	Amend the wording of the policy by: adding a reference to "Bold Forest Park" at bullet point 4	Addition to strengthen the policy and ensure that it addresses sub-regional/cross boundary issues		Not a significant change
<u>8</u>	Section 6 - The Core Strategy: How we are going to get there	Policy CS3	Amend the first bullet point of the third paragraph to read as follows: "look to integrate with transport networks both within and outside Warrington to enhance the sustainability of cross boundary travel".	To strengthen the policy	The changes will help improve the choice and use of more sustainable modes of transport	Strengthens the social considerations of the SA
<u>10</u>	Section 15 - Place Making: West Warrington	Fig 15.1 and Paragraph titled "Areas of Change and	Amend Fig 15.1 to show: improved connectivity/ transport links north and west to the Mid Mersey area.	Editing for clarity		Not a significant change

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Comment ID	Section	Policy or Paragraph number	Change	Reason for change	Notes	SA Opinion
		Opportunity: Sankey Valley Park"	Amend paragraph headed "Sankey Valley Park" as follows: make additional reference to Bold Forest Park in the final sentence of the paragraph.			
12	Section 16 - East Warrington	Fig 16.1	Amend Fig 16.1 to show Birchwood Forest Park as Green Infrastructure.	Correction on map		Not a significant change
26	Appendices	Appendix 3 – Historic Assets	Remove the following buildings from the local list: St Helens Church Glazebrook Station southern and northern buildings including Station House War Memorial	Correction of duplication		Not a significant change
27	Section 9 – Creating Prosperity and Vibrancy	Policy PV4	Amend the final paragraph of the policy as follows (and reposition to second paragraph): "The Council will support proposals within the Primary Shopping Area that contribute positively to the character, diversity and vitality of the centre. Active ground floor uses other than shops with frontages fashioned as is appropriate to a shopping centre, and including banks and building societies will be appropriate in all frontages within the Primary Shopping Area, provided their presence is not at the expense of an unacceptable loss of A1 uses or an unacceptable concentration of non A1 uses (i.e. not normally more than two adjacent non retail frontages)".	Editing for clarity		Not a significant change
51	Section 10 – Strengthening Neighbourhoods	Policy SN7	It is agreed that the word ' cultural ' should be added to the wording of Policy SN7. Amend the first sentence of the policy to read as follows: "The Council and its partners will seek to reduce health inequalities within the Borough by supporting the development of new, or the co-location and co-ordination of existing, health, social, cultural and community facilities".	Editing for consistency so that the wording of the policy reflects the wording of the objectives		Not a significant change

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52	Section 9 – Creating Prosperity and Vibrancy	Policy PV5	<p>Concerns about the shortcomings of Policy PV5 will be addressed by adding a reference to 'cultural facilities' to Policy SN6 (Sustaining the Local Economy and Services).</p> <p>Amend the first line of Policy SN6 to read as follows:</p> <p>"The Council will seek to assist the continued viability and growth of the local economy and cultural facilities and support the sustainability of ..."</p> <p>Amend the second bullet point policy SN6 to read as follows:</p> <p>" avoid the loss or change of use of viable convenience shops, cultural facilities, post offices and public houses where the loss would impact on the diversity of local services in communities;"</p>	To strengthen the policy by addressing concerns about protecting and enhancing existing facilities that make a valuable contribution to the evening economy	The changes will help to strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	This strengthens the social considerations of the SA
53	Section 9 – Creating Prosperity and Vibrancy	Policy PV7	<p>Concerns about the shortcomings of Policy PV7 will be addressed by adding a reference to 'cultural facilities' to Policy SN6 (Sustaining the Local Economy and Services).</p> <p>Amend the second bullet point policy SN6 to read as follows:</p> <p>" avoid the loss or change of use of viable convenience shops, cultural facilities, post offices and public houses where the loss would impact on the diversity of local services in communities;"</p>	To strengthen the policy by addressing concerns about protecting and enhancing existing facilities that make a valuable contribution to the visitor and tourist economies	The changes will help to strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	This strengthens the social considerations of the SA
54	Appendices	Appendix 4 – Parking Standards	<p>After further review following comments received, as well as amendments to the draft National Planning Policy Framework, it is considered appropriate to remove the car parking standards from the appendices of the Core Strategy. The parking standards for the borough (as set out in the UDP) will therefore be retained separately in their present form upon adoption of the Core Strategy until a review of parking standards has been carried out by the Council's Transport Planning team. Once complete, revised standards will be set out in a separate Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) which will be subject to public consultation.</p>	In order to allow a review of the parking standards to be completed by the Council's Transport Planning Team.	This amendment does not significantly effect the application of the transport policies as the current parking standards for the borough (as set out in the	Does not affect the outcome of the original SA

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102	Section 6 - The Core Strategy: How we are going to get there	Policy CS3	<p>Action: Delete Appendix 4 (relating to parking standards)</p> <p>Add to final paragraph of the policy to read as follows: "This is particularly relevant to development proposals under consideration in the Core Strategy and to the subsequent Site Allocations Development Plan Documents. It will be necessary for the Council, developers, and the Agency to identify and agree mitigation measures where required".</p>	Editing for clarity	UDP will be retained in the interim	Not a significant Change
105	Section 6 – How we are going to get there	Policy CS7	<p>Amend the 1st bullet point of the fifth paragraph to read as follows: "any proposed phasing of development on the site and the timely delivery of any necessary and agreed mitigation measures and infrastructure including those agreed by the Highways Agency;"</p>	Editing for clarity		Not a significant change
107	Section 10 – Strengthening Neighbourhoods	Paragraph 10.5	<p>Insert new paragraph between existing paragraphs 10.4 and 10.5 to read as follows: "Figure 10.1 is intended to provide an indicative illustration of anticipated housing growth levels across the plan period on a ward level basis. The figure is based on the Borough's deliverable and developable supply of new homes as assessed by the Council's 2010 Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA). No allowance has been included from any of the Policy CS9 Strategic Locations or Omega because housing supply from these sites may not be needed within the plan period or in the case of the latter is not certain to feature within a wider land use mix. With the exception of Whitte Hall in North West Warrington, which is home to Chapelord Urban Village, Figure 9.1 shows housing growth will be primarily concentrated within the area defined as Inner Warrington."</p>	Editing for clarity		Not a significant change
109	Section 12 - Making the Place Work: Connecting People and Places	Vision	<p>First paragraph of vision amended to read as follows: "Warrington has built on its strong roots as a regional transport hub. The town is easy for everyone to get to and to get around, with an integrated transport system providing realistic and reliable alternatives to using cars including walking and cycling, public transport and park and ride. The Strategic road network in the vicinity of Warrington continues to perform its strategic function to the benefit of both Warrington and the wider economy"</p>	In recognition of the importance of the strategic road network	To reflect the role that the strategic road network plays in Warrington	Not a significant change

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110	Section 12 - Making the Place Work: Connecting People with Places	Policy MP1	Capitalise the reference to the Strategic Road Network within Policy MP1.	Editing for grammatical purposes		Not a significant change
112	Appendices	Appendix 1 - Glossary	Add the 'Strategic Road Network' to the glossary.	Addition for clarity		No a significant change
113	Section 12 - Making the Place Work: Connecting People with Places	Policy MP6	Amend the final paragraph of Policy MP6 to read as follows: "The Council will support any resulting proposals for Park and Ride facilities in appropriate locations where they will not give rise to significant adverse impacts on the adjacent highway networks (including the Strategic Road Network where appropriate) or the quality of the local environment, including public enjoyment of the countryside and established rights of way and the openness of the Green Belt".	Editing for clarity		Not a significant change
114	Section 12 - Making the Place Work: Connecting People with Places	Policy MP7	Amend the second paragraph of Policy MP7 as suggested by replacing the words 'additional capacity' with 'suitable mitigation'. The paragraph will therefore read as follows: "Development proposals which would prejudice the primary function of motorways will not be allowed unless improvements are designed and carried out to provide suitable mitigation to the satisfaction of the local highway authority, having regard to the views of the Highways Agency".	To promote the use of alternative modes of transport	The changes will help promote the choice and use of more sustainable modes of transport	This strengthens the social considerations of the SA
117	Section 12 - Making the Place Work	Paragraph 12.26	Amend the fourth sentence of paragraph 12.26 to read as follows: "The Infrastructure Delivery Plan is a living document that will change and evolve as work on the Core Strategy and associated Site Allocations Development Plan Document proceeds. The Highways Agency is a key partner in this process and will work with the Council and developers to identify infrastructure requirements needed to mitigate impacts of development proposals on the Strategic Road Network".	Editing for clarity		Not a significant change
118	Section 14 - Inner and North Warrington	A49 Corridor paragraph	Amend the A49 corridor paragraph within Section 14 to read as follows:	Editing to provide additional explanation		Not a significant change

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124	Section 5 – key Diagram	Fig 5.1	Amend Key Diagram to include reference to committed development at Omega and an Omega Hub Add 'not only' before 'as a gateway', and after 'Town Centre', add 'but also the important economic linkage between Warrington and the wider motorway network via Junction 9 of the M62, where impacts of development must be carefully considered'.	Editing for clarity so as to avoid confusion with proposed hubs and local centres elsewhere in the borough		Not a significant change
125	Section 8 – Why we are taking this approach	Paragraph 8.14	Amend paragraph 8.14 to read as follows: "The planned provision of employment land includes the identification of Omega and Lingley Mere as a strategic location. Whilst employment land supply is primarily reliant on this strategic location current evidence, in the form of the Councils 2011 Employment Land Availability Statement (ELAS) indicates a surplus of some 60 hectares at the end of the plan period. This equates to over five years supply post 202. This therefore provides scope to consider how the strategic location and other employment sites may be able to accommodate supporting land uses to help to support viability, enhance sustainability and maximise the benefits of the development as a whole".	Additional explanation for clarity		Not a significant change
127	Section 10 – Strengthening Neighbourhoods	Policy SN1	Amend paragraph 3 of the policy to read as follows: "Within all of the Borough's defined settlements, including Inner Warrington inclusive of the Town Centre, the Council will support proposals which; 1. relate entirely to the delivery of affordable or social housing which is proven to meet identified needs; or 2. meet identified specialist needs including units specifically provided to meet the needs of the elderly; or 3. relate to mixed use schemes where the inclusion of an element of housing will make the development as a whole more sustainable and viable; or 3. 4. constitute small-scale, low-impact infill development."	To strengthen the policy	The changes will help strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth and access to good quality, sustainable, affordable housing	This strengthens the economic and social considerations of the SA

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128	Section 10 – Strengthening Neighbourhoods	Fig 10.1	Amend key of Figure 10.1 to annotate 'Inner Warrington' as depicted by the black broken line.	Correction		Not a significant change
129	Section 5 – Key Diagram	Fig 5.1	Amend Fig 5.1 (Key Diagram) to include reference to an 'Omega Hub'.	Editing for clarity so as to avoid confusion with proposed hubs and local centres elsewhere in the borough		Not a significant change
130	Section 15 - West Warrington	Vision, text and Objective WW2	Amend Vision to read as follows: "A clear framework for the development of the whole site in the longer term is in place which allows for a sustainable and viable mixed use development with a new commercial hub to support employment development within the site and surrounding area." Add following to Omega Area of Opportunity text: "It also has the potential to accommodate new office development through extant planning consents and remaining land which may not be able to be accommodated within Town Centre and other central areas". Add the following to Objective WW2: "Support the development of Omega through extant planning consents and the development of the remaining land within the site to make provision for identified regional and local economic development needs whilst....."	Editing for clarity in recognition of the existing consents at Omega for office development		Not a significant change
157	Section 10 - Countryside and Constituent Settlements	Paragraph titled "The Countryside"	Amend the wording of the last sentence of "The Countryside" paragraph to read as follows: "Additional pressures on the countryside need to be carefully managed if its character, appearance and the many functions it performs are to be protected and enhanced."	Editing to provide additional explanation		Not a significant change

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169	Section 6 – How we are going to get there	Policy CS9	Amend the start of the first sentence in paragraph 3 of the policy to read as follows: "if monitoring indicates it is necessary...."	Editing for clarity		Not a significant change
170	Section 10 – Strengthening Neighbourhoods	Policy SN1	Amend the start of paragraph 5 of the policy to read: "Should monitoring indicate that an ongoing deliverable and developable 10 year supply of housing...." Insert new paragraph between existing paragraph 10.2 and 10.3 to read as follows: "In the event that monitoring indicates that the nature or distribution of new homes does not match the Council's Overall Spatial Strategy, the Council will consider the need to introduce a Supplementary Planning Document to review the approach to managing housing land release. It is recognised however that the exact form of intervention will ultimately be determined by the severity of the departure from the overarching strategy. In this regard a full review of the policy approach may have to be pursued if an SPD or alternative mechanism is considered unlikely to address the identified issues."	Editing to provide clarity to the policy		Not a significant change
171	Section 12 – Making the Place Work	Policy MP9	Amend new paragraph 10.4 of the supporting text also to refer to an "ongoing" deliverable and developable supply Amend the title of the section to read as follows: "Dealing with Waste and Minerals " Delete the following phrase from the policy: "minimise the use of primary aggregates"	To strengthen the policy	The changes will help ensure the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources	This strengthens the environmental considerations of the SA

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173	Section 5 – The Key Diagram	Fig 5.1	<p>Amend the policy wording to incorporate references to encouraging the efficient and sustainable use of minerals, securing an appropriate contribution to sub-regional aggregate provision and the need to plan for energy minerals.</p> <p>Amend the key diagram and other diagrams depicting the Green Belt in Halton as follows: Label the employment area shown within Halton as "Daresbury Employment Area" (it consists of both Daresbury Park (to the south next to J11 of the M56) and Daresbury Science and Innovation Campus (near to the A558 and A56 junction)).</p> <p>Change the extent of the Green Belt depicted around Runcom. Amendments include: Remove the employment area at Daresbury from the Green Belt. (The Green Belt in Halton begins to the east of the A56 around Daresbury village and to the north of the A558).</p> <p>Amendments to the extent of Halton's Green Belt need changing on other diagrams throughout the Core Strategy including; Figure 18.1 - Countryside and Constituent Settlements.</p> <p>Label the smaller settlements within Warrington Borough to aid the understanding of the diagram and provide context.</p>	Correction and editing for clarity		Not a significant change
174	Section 6 – The Core Strategy: How we are going to get there	Policy CS3	<p>Amend Policy CS3 by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Deleting reference to the Mersey Gateway in the fifth bullet point. 2) Amend "the line west to the Mersey Gateway" to read "the line west to Southern Widnes, Ditton and the port of Liverpool, in the fourth bullet point. 	Editing for clarity		Not a significant change

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176	Section 6 – How we are going to get there	Policy CS7	Amend the policy by adding the following clause after 'appropriate scale and nature' in the second sentence of the fourth paragraph: "and comply with national and local policies for out-of-centre retail development".	To strengthen the policy	The changes will help to strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	This strengthens the economic considerations of the SA
177	Section 7 – The Strategy in Practice	Paragraphs 7.31 to 7.32	The "Why we have taken this approach" section of this chapter will be revisited and redrafted to clarify that there is no current need for additional retail floorspace as the identified need is currently met by existing commitments. The capacity situation will be kept under review.	Editing to provide additional explanation for clarity		Not a significant change
178	Section 6 – How we are going to get there	Policies CS6 to CS9	Amend the supporting text in the "Why we have taken this approach" Section of this chapter by: revisiting and redrafting to clarify the difference between those strategic locations identified by Policy CS9 and those strategic locations identified by policies CS6, CS7 and CS8.	Additional explanation for clarity		Not a significant change
179	Section 6 – How we are going to get there	Policy CS11	Amend the last paragraph of policy CS11 to read as follows: "Peel Ports in partnership with the Council and others, including, Halton Borough Council will develop a land-side surface access plan to accommodate existing and projected freight traffic, to address in particular local congestion at swing bridges".	Addition for clarity	In recognition of the potential impact on the adjoining borough of Halton	Not a significant change
180	Section 8 - Why we are taking this approach	Paragraph 8.17 (Page 39)	Amend paragraph 8.17 by adding the word 'no' before 'adverse'.	Editing for accuracy		Not a significant change
181	Section 7 – The Strategy in Practice	Paragraph 7.12	Re-draft paragraph 7.12 to clarify the difference between those strategic locations identified by Policy CS9 and those strategic locations identified by policies CS6, CS7 and CS8.	Additional explanation for clarity		Not a significant change
184	Section 10 – Strengthening Neighbourhoods	Policy SN1	Add footnote to policy to: Explain that 'defined settlements' in the borough comprise the town of Warrington and the settlements listed in Policy CC1.	Editing to clarify what the defined settlements are		Not a significant change

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186	Section 6 – How we are going to get there	Policy CS7	<p>Amend paragraph 8.14 of the supporting text to read as follows:</p> <p>"The planned provision of employment land includes the identification of Omega and Lingley Mere as a strategic location. Whilst employment land supply is primarily reliant on this strategic location current evidence, in the form of the Councils 2011 Employment Land Availability Statement (ELAS), indicates a surplus of some 60 hectares at the end of the plan period. This equates to over five years supply post 2027. This therefore provides scope to consider how the strategic location and other employment sites may be able to accommodate supporting land uses to help to support viability, enhance sustainability and maximise the benefits of the development as a whole".</p>	Editing for clarity		Not a significant change
195	Section 12 -Making the Place Work: Securing a high quality environment	Policy QE8	<p>Amend references to ' Scheduled Ancient Monuments ' to ' Scheduled Monuments ' throughout Policy QE8.</p> <p>Amend the last bullet point of Policy QE8 to read as follows:</p> <p>"Includes suitable mitigation measures, including an appropriate desk-based assessment and where necessary field evaluation and publication, for areas with known or potential archaeological interest".</p> <p>Add an additional bullet point to the fifth paragraph to read as follows:</p> <p>"To ensure the knowledge and understanding of the historic environment is available for this and future generations, the evidence arising from any investigations should be publicly accessible through the Historic Environment Record and the local museum".</p> <p>Amend and extend the final paragraph of the 'Why we have taken this approach' section (Page 93)to read as follows:</p>	Editing for clarity, accuracy, additional explanation and to comply with the NPPF		Not a significant change

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			<p>"The historic environment is an important asset of local, regional and national significance. Government policy requires the protection of listed buildings, conservation areas, scheduled monuments and archaeological sites and landscapes. Policy QE8 recognises the value of these heritage assets to the Borough.</p> <p>It also gives a high priority to those assets that are locally significant or which may provide an important source of environmental, social and economic benefit for the Borough. These are locally important buildings and other heritage assets which make a valuable contribution to the character of the Borough.</p> <p>The Council is committed to the protection and enhancement of these assets".</p> <p>Add an additional bullet point to paragraph 11.26 under 'Evidence' to read as follows:</p> <p>"National Heritage List for England (All designated sites including listed buildings, scheduled monuments)".</p> <p>Add " Archaeology Planning Advisory Service, Cheshire Shared Services" to the 'Delivery Partners Box.</p> <p>Within 'Indicators' section of the Programme of Delivery Box replace "Number and extent of protected Sites/Assets" with "Number and extent of designated sites/assets".</p> <p>Add new a indicator to Programme of Delivery Box to read as follows:</p> <p>Number of sites on the English Heritage 'Heritage at Risk Register'.</p>			

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199	Section 4 – The Core Strategy; Strategic Vision	Vision	<p>Add the following paragraph between paragraphs 4 and 5 of the vision as currently set out in the draft document:</p> <p>"Those who live and work within the Borough enjoy access to an extensive network of Green Infrastructure, which is effective in fulfilling a wide range of functions at the heart of which is supporting a diverse range of Flora and Fauna and protecting against the impacts of climate change. The unique elements of the historic built and natural environment that Warrington possesses are looked after, well managed; well used and enjoyed; and also contribute to a successful local economy and the attractiveness of the Town Centre."</p> <p>Delete Paragraph 6 of the vision and replace as follows:</p> <p>"The borough's carbon footprint has reduced and new development is generating a proportion of its energy needs from renewable sources. Locating new development in accessible locations and securing changes in travel modes and patterns has assisted in securing this reduction and a alongside providing appropriate infrastructure contributed to making it much easier to get to and around the town to access services and employment opportunities without a car."</p>	To reflect the prominence given to the historic environment and climate change in the policies in the Core Strategy	To afford the necessary prominence to the Historic Environment and Climate Change as issues of overarching strategic importance	Not a significant change
201	Section 18 - Countryside and Constituent Settlements	Fig 18.1	<p>Amend Figure 18.1 as follows:</p> <p>Identify the potential country park</p> <p>Identify the Strategic Opportunity at Port Warrington</p>	Editing for clarity		Not a significant change
219	Section 11 – Securing a High Quality Environment: Being Natural and Durable	Policy QE4	<p>Amend as follows:</p> <p>Paragraph 1 - Reference will be made to "Critical Drainage Areas as defined by the SFRA"</p> <p>Paragraph 2 - Change the reference from "impact tests" to "sequential and exception tests"</p>	Editing for clarity, to remove any ambiguity and to strengthen the policy	The changes will help reduce the risk of flooding, and limit and mitigate the impacts of climate change	This strengthens the environmental considerations of the SA

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			<p>Add the following bullet points to the second paragraph:</p> <p>"ensure that appropriate mitigation is included within the design of the development to make it safe for the future users of the site without adversely affecting others".</p> <p>"ensure that developers have considered the impacts of climate change to ensure that the future users of the development are not put at additional danger of flooding, which may be exacerbated by climate change over the lifetime of the development."</p>			
220	Section 11 – Securing a High Quality Environment	Policy QE5	Amend paragraph 11.3 (Page 86) by replacing "....; rivers and canals and their banks ;...." with :; all watercourses, including small brooks, canals and the corridors through which they flow....."	Editing for clarity		Not a significant change
221	Section 11 – Securing a High Quality Environment	Evidence (Page 88)	Amend the Evidence base relating to the "Securing a High Quality Environment" section (Page 88) to include the Water Cycle Strategy under the Biodiversity and Geodiversity evidence base. Biodiversity and Geodiversity: Phase 1 Habitat Survey (2009) Water Cycle Strategy (Mid Mersey Growth Point)	Editing for completeness		Not a significant change
225	Section 6 – How we are going to get there	Policy CS7	Amend policy to make a distinction between Lingley Mere and Omega so that paragraph 2 relates only to Omega, and new paragraph relates to Lingley Mere supporting development in accordance with extant planning permissions and approved Masterplan. Also amend policy wording to acknowledge existing consents for B1(a) office use at Lingley Mere. Add sentence to beginning of fifth paragraph to read as follows:	Editing for clarity to distinguish between the two strategic sites		Not a significant change

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226	Section 9 – Creating Prosperity and Vibrancy	Vision	Amend second paragraph of vision to read as follows: " ...and the development of significant employment opportunities at Omega and Lingley Mere."	To reflect the prominence given to the Omega and Lingley Mere in the policies in the Core Strategy		Not a significant change
227	Section 9 – Creating Prosperity and Vibrancy	Policy PV4	Amend the third paragraph of the policy by adding the following wording after.....any allocation: "....made within the Local Development Framework, or the Bridge Street and Time Square development area as identified in Policy TC1".	To take account of planned re-development of the Bridge Street Quarter of the Town Centre.		Not a significant change
254	Section 9 – Creating Prosperity and Vibrancy	Policy PV1	Amend Policy PV1 to read as follows: "The Council will support development, redevelopment and changes of use proposals within existing employment areas as defined on the Proposals Map, provided that the proposed use falls within Use Classes B1(b), B1(c), B2 and B8 , or is a sui-generis employment use. Proposals for office B1(a) development will need to be justified by reference to sequential testing and market appraisal to determine that the development could not be appropriately located on a more accessible central site within or close to the Town Centre in accordance with the Overall Spatial Strategy. Development within existing employment areas for purposes other than those listed above will be permitted where it can be demonstrated that....."	To strengthen the policy	The changes will help to strengthen the local economy and ensure sustainable economic growth	This strengthens the economic considerations of the SA
258	Section 9 – Creating Prosperity and Vibrancy	Policy PV2	Amend the last paragraph of the policy by: inserting "National Policy Statement for Energy as well as" after "assessed against" and before "national Green Belt policy".	In recognition of the special circumstances pertaining to Fiddler's Ferry Power Station and the fact that future investment, if required, could necessitate	The amendment will ensure that the national approach to energy is considered and does not alter the SA	Not a significant change

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263	Section 11 – Securing a High Quality Environment	Policy QE3 and Programme of Delivery	Amend the wording of the third bullet point of Policy QE3 to read: "....as a sport, leisure and recreation...." rather than "...as a leisure and recreation...."	seeking consent for additional infrastructure for the production of energy For clarity and completeness		Not a significant change
264	Section 14 – Inner and North Warrington	Policy IW2	Amend the wording of the first bullet point of Policy IW2 to read: "unsubstantiated loss" rather than "unacceptable loss". Add the Refreshed Open Space Review and the emerging Playing Pitch Strategy to the Programme of Delivery box under Council-wide Strategies (Page 123).	To reflect the requirement to carry out a local needs assessment across all open space types to justify any potential loss of open space and to conform to PPG17 and for completeness		Not a significant change
265	Section 15 – West Warrington	Programme of Delivery	Add the Refreshed Open Space Review and the emerging Playing Pitch Strategy to the Programme of Delivery box under Council-wide Strategies (Page 128).	Editing for completeness		Not a significant change
266	Section 16 - East Warrington	Programme of Delivery	Add the Refreshed Open Space Review and the emerging Playing Pitch Strategy to the Programme of Delivery box under Council-wide Strategies (Page 131).	Editing for completeness		Not a significant change
268	Section 18 – The Countryside and its Constituent Settlements	Policy CC3 and Programme of Delivery	Amend the wording of the second bullet point of Policy CC3 to read: "....as a sport, recreation, leisure...." Add the Refreshed Open Space Review and the emerging Playing Pitch Strategy to the Programme of Delivery box under Council-wide Strategies (Page 140)	Editing for clarity		Not a significant change

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269	Section 12 – Making the Place Work	Policy MP9	<p>Amend policy MP9 in part as follows:</p> <p>"In order to minimise the use of primary aggregates, and to encourage the sustainable use of Minerals, and facilitate a contribution towards energy needs from energy minerals, the Council will;</p> <p>bring forward a Minerals Development Plan Document which will identify (if appropriate) Preferred Sites, Minerals Safeguarding Areas and Minerals Areas of Search for sand and gravel resources and prevent the sterilisation of such resources from inappropriate developments and minimise potential environmental impacts from exploiting such resources.</p> <p>bring forward a Minerals Development Plan Document which will identify (if appropriate)</p> <p>Preferred Sites;</p> <p>Minerals Safeguarding Areas;</p> <p>Minerals Areas of Search for sand and gravel resources;</p> <p>Areas where there is likely to be the potential for future extraction of unconventional gas resources; and</p> <p>prevent the sterilisation of such resources from inappropriate developments and minimise potential environmental impacts from exploiting such resources."</p>	To acknowledge the importance that unconventional energy minerals could play as a new source of energy for the UK	The changes will help contribute to limiting the impact of climate change; ensuring the sustainable and prudent use and management of natural resources	This strengthens the environmental considerations of the SA
278	Section 19 – Development Management	Development Management Schedule	<p>Amend the Development Management Schedule as follows:</p> <p>Add Policy SN7 (Enhancing Health and Well-being) to the following section – The need to make the best use of existing infrastructure and social capital within existing settlements, and ensure additional provision where needed to support development.</p> <p>Add Policy SN7 (Enhancing Health and Well-being) and policy MP10 (Infrastructure) to the following section – The need to address the causes of an effects of climate change.</p>	Editing for accuracy		Not a significant change

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279	Section 8 – Why we have taken this approach	Paragraph 8.17	<p>Add Policy SN7 (Enhancing Health and Well-being) and policy QE3 (Green Infrastructure) to the following section – The delivery of high standards of design and construction.</p> <p>Add new paragraph after paragraph 8.17 on page 40 to read:</p> <p>"The need to mitigate and adapt to climate change emerged as a significant issue following widespread consultation on the Borough's Spatial Portrait and is still a government priority. e Council produced its own Climate Change Strategy in 2007 and carbon reduction and climate change have since been embedded in a number of the Council's strategic documents, including the Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS); the Corporate Plan; the Third Local Transport Plan (LTP3) and more recently the Carbon Management Plan. Due to the corporate importance of climate change it has been identified as a cross cutting issue and therefore a similar approach to that of the current RSS has been adopted to address the matter with an array of policies covering climate change issues being developed and supported by a revised Design and Construction SPD".</p>	Editing to provide additional explanation		Not a significant change
285	Section 6 – The Core Strategy: How we are going to get there	Policy CS4	<p>Amend paragraph 8.3 by inserted new sentence after 'its ability to meet strategic purposes:</p> <p>"The legal challenge effectively restored the boundary in this vicinity to the Cheshire Structure Plan key diagram, i.e. the M62, which was given weight as a specific boundary by the High Court. The Green belt has ensured that growth has successfully been redirected to where investment is most needed".</p>	Additional explanation for clarity		Not a significant change
291	Section 16 - West Warrington	Objective WW2	<p>Add the following wording to the start of the objective:</p> <p>"Support the development of Omega through extant planning consents and the development of the remaining land within the site to make provision for identified regional and local economic development needs whilst....."</p>	Editing for clarity in recognition of the existing consents at Omega for office development		Not a significant change
294	Section 2 -Warrington Borough – A Spatial Portrait	Paragraph 2.28	<p>Amend the wording of the start of the first sentence of paragraph 2.28 to read:</p> <p>"The Borough's environmental assets, including its sites of international, national and local importance for biodiversity, must continue to be protected....."</p>	Editing to provide consistency with other Council publications		Not a significant change

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295	Section 4 - Strategic Vision	Vision	Add new paragraph between existing paragraphs 4 and 5 of the vision as follows: "Those who live and work within the Borough enjoy access to an extensive network of Green Infrastructure, which is effective in fulfilling a wide range of functions at the heart of which is supporting a diverse range of Flora and Fauna and protecting against the impacts of climate change. The unique elements of the built and natural environment that Warrington possesses are looked after; well managed; well used and enjoyed; and also contribute to a successful local economy and the attractiveness of the Town Centre."	To reflect the prominence given to mitigation and adaptation to climate change, and biodiversity and green infrastructure in the policies in this section.		Not a significant change
299	Section 6 – How we are going to get there	Policy CS4	Amend the Background Paper to illustrate the minor detailed changes to the Green Belt boundary more clearly.	Editing for accuracy		Not a significant change
302	Section 6 – How we are going to get there	Policy CS10	Add additional bullet point after the second bullet point of Policy CS10 to read: "the need to protect its value as a habitat for biodiversity in line with policy QE3, "	To strengthen the policy by addressing potential detrimental effects upon biodiversity	The changes will help protect biodiversity	Not a significant change
305	Section 9 – Borough Wide Strategies: Creating Prosperity and Vibrancy	Objective E4	Amend objective E4 to read: "Enhance the tourism offer and access to the natural assets indicated on Figures 9.4 and 9.5, through increasing and"	To strengthen the objective		Not a significant change
313	Section 11 – Securing a High Quality Environment	Vision & Objectives	Amend the second paragraph of the vision to read as follows: " ...safeguard and enhance vital natural resources...." rather than " ...safeguard vital natural resources....." Amend the existing objectives as follows; bullet point 1 of objective GI1 to read "space and habitat for wild flora and fauna and access to nature for people" bullet point 3 of objective GI1 to read "climate change adaptation through for example protecting the integrity of natural systems and processes, flood alleviation, cooling urban heat islands and the production of energy crops".	To reflect the prominence given to climate change and enhancing biodiversity in the policies in this section.		Not a significant change

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316	Section 11 - Securing a High Quality Environment: Being natural and durable	Policies QE3 and QE4	<p>Objective G16 to read "Identify, conserve, restore and where appropriate enhance key features, sites and areas of international, national, regional and local significance for biodiversity and geodiversity and contribute to the delivery of Local Biodiversity Action Plan targets".</p> <p>Amend the third bullet point of Policy QE3 by adding: "including local networks and corridors" after "existing provision".</p> <p>Add a further bullet point to Policy QE4 as follows: "- avoid the use of culverting and building over watercourses and where practical to re-open existing culverts."</p>	To strengthen the policies	The changes will help reduce the risk of flooding	This strengthens the environmental considerations of the SA
317	Section 11 – Securing a High Quality Environment	Policy QE5	<p>Amend policy wording as follows: Add additional bullet point to the second paragraph after the second bullet point referring to SSSI to read "Regionally important Geological Sites".</p> <p>Add the words "and geological" after nature in bullet point 1 of paragraph 5.</p> <p>Add three additional paragraphs below the fourth paragraph relating to European Sites of International Importance and the criteria that they will be assess against, to read as follows; "Proposals for development in or likely to affect Sites of Special Scientific Interest will be subject to special scrutiny. Where such development may have an adverse effect, directly or indirectly, on the SSSI it will not be permitted unless the reasons for the development clearly outweigh the nature conservation value of the site itself and the national policy to safeguard the national network of such sites.</p>	To strengthen the policy so as to provide a clear distinction between nationally and locally designated sites and provide criteria against which proposals affecting these sites can be assessed.	The changes will help protect and enhance geodiversity and biodiversity	This strengthens the environmental considerations of the SA

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			<p>Proposals for development likely to have an adverse effect on regionally and locally designated sites will not be permitted unless it can be clearly demonstrated that there are reasons for the development which outweigh the need to safeguard the substantive nature conservation value of the site or feature.</p> <p>Proposals for development which may adversely affect the integrity or continuity of UK Key habitats or other habitats of local importance, or adversely affect UK Priority Species or other species of local importance, or which are the subject of Local Biodiversity Action Plans will only be permitted if it can be shown that the reasons for the development clearly outweigh the need to retain the habitats or species affected, and that mitigating measures can be provided which would reinstate the habitats or provide equally viable alternative refuge sites for the species affected.</p>			
321	Section 12 - Making the Place Work: Connecting people and places	Vision & Objectives (Pages 95 and 97)	<p>Amend the end of the second paragraph of the vision to read: "...car, where possible and the existing network of public rights of way has been extended and enhanced".</p> <p>Add a new objective to the objectives box to read: "To ensure that opportunities are taken to extend and enhance the existing public rights of way network (T10)".</p>	To reflect the prominence given to safeguarding and encouraging the expansion of the existing network of public rights of way in the policies in this section.		Not a significant change
330	Section 13 – The Town Centre	Policy TC2	<p>Amend the third bullet point by adding: "environmental" after "and enhance the".</p>	Editing for clarity		Not a significant change
336	Section 2 - Warrington Borough - A Spatial Portrait	Paragraph 2.11	<p>Add the following sentence after "rail routes": "The borough is also traversed by the Manchester Ship Canal, an important commercial waterway linking the Port of Manchester with the Mersey."</p>	Editing for accuracy and to aid explanation		Not a significant change

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348	Section 6 – How we are going to get there	Policy CS11	Amend the wording of the policy by: Deleting the third paragraph entirely.	Editing to delete repeated text		Not a significant change
352	Section 11 – Securing a High Quality Environment	Policy QE2 and Paragraph 11.11	Amend the wording of the policy by: replacing the word "demonstrable" with "unacceptable". Add new sentence to the end of paragraph 11.11 to read as follows: "In this regard the Council will take into account any environmental, economic and social benefits as well as any proposed mitigation measures where adverse environmental, social and/or economic impacts have been identified in line with national planning policy".	Editing to more accurately reflect national guidance and for additional explanation		Not a significant change
359	Section 1 – Introduction: Warrington's Core Strategy	Paragraph 1.9	Amend the third sentence of paragraph 1.9 to read: "The LSP's vision for Warrington is expressed in their Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS), Health and Well Being Strategy and the Core Strategy which seeks to translate this vision into on the ground activity.	Editing for accuracy		Not a significant change
360	Section 2 – Warrington Borough – A Spatial Portrait	Paragraph 2.2	Amend paragraph 2.2 to read as follows: "The Borough consists of a predominantly 'White British' ethnic make up, with the mid-2009 population estimates recording only 4.1% of the resident population as being non-white, which is an increase of 2% over the figure recorded by the 2001 Census (2.1%). The current figure compares to 12.4% in England".	Editing for accuracy		Not a significant change
364	Section 10 – Strengthening Neighbourhoods	Objective 12	Amend objective by replacing phrase "access to fresh food" with: "access to day to day provisions".	Editing for clarity		Not a significant change

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370	Section 11 – Securing a High Quality Environment	Policy QE4	Add a definition of natural drainage in the glossary.	Addition for clarity		Not a significant change

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