Site Specific Proposals Local Development Document Options Paper











Local Development Framework

North Northamptonshire Local Development Framework (LDF) Diagram





Purpose of the Document

This document will allocate land for:

- housing,
- employment,
- retail,
- leisure and community facilities; and

Contain policies relating to specific topics such as:

- design,
- affordable housing,
- protection of the open countryside; and
- protection of environmental assets.



Background

- Members endorsed the following background papers in October/ November 2011:
 - Housing Allocations
 - Town Centres and Town Centre Uses
 - Defining Town centre Boundaries for Burton Latimer, Desborough and Rothwell
 - Rural Masterplanning
 - Settlement Boundaries
 - Employment Allocations
 - Gypsy and Traveller Site Allocations
 - Open Space and Allotments
 - Affordable Housing
 - Flood Risk
 - Re-use and Redevelopment of Rural Buildings and Farm Diversification



Purpose of the consultation

To consult members of the public, stakeholders and interested parties on the options and proposals to be included in the document



Structure of the document

- Spatial Portrait, Vision and Outcomes
- Location of development
- Topic specific options
- Settlement specific options



Spatial Portrait, Vision and Outcomes

- Purpose of Site Specific Proposals LDD is to:
- Deliver the vision set out in the Joint Core Strategy
- Contribute towards the Joint Core Strategy outcomes
- Provide locally specific policies



Location of development

- This section includes:
- Location and scale of development (pg 17)
- Location of Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation (pg 20)
- Settlement boundaries and Development in the Open Countryside (pg 21)
- Re-use and Redevelopment of Rural Buildings and Farm Diversification (pg 24)
- Location of HGV Parking Facilities (pg 28)



Topic Specific Options

- Housing (pg 31)
- Employment (pg 38)
- Town Centres, Retail and Community Facilities (pg 43)
- Natural Environment and Heritage (pg 53)
- Tourism and Leisure (pg 71)



Housing

- Affordable Housing Thresholds (pg 31)
- Affordable Housing Tenure (pg 33)
- Housing Mix (pg 34)
- Housing Density (pg 35)



Employment

- Safeguarding Employment Land (pg 38)
- Live/ Work Units (pg 40)



Town Centres, Retail and Community Facilities

- Town Centre Boundaries (not Kettering) (pg 43)
- Development Sites and Opportunities for Redevelopment (not Kettering) (pg 44)
- Environmental Improvements (not Kettering) (pg 45)
- Development within Town Centre Boundaries (not Kettering) (pg 46)
- Location and Scale of Town Centre Uses (Sequential Assessments and Impact Assessments) (pg 46)
- Protection of Village and Neighbourhood Facilities (pg 50)



Natural Environment and Heritage

- Flood Risk and Sustainable Water Management (pg 53)
- Green Infrastructure and Rights of Way (pg 56)
- Biodiversity (pg 62)
- Historically and Visually Important Open Space (pg 63)
- Allotments (pg 66)
- Locally Listed Buildings (pg 68)



Tourism and Leisure

• Locally Specific Criteria for Tourism and Leisure Development (pg 71)



Kettering (pg 74), Burton Latimer (pg 84), Desborough (pg 94) and Rothwell (pg 106)

- Housing Allocations
- Employment Allocations
- Town Centres Opportunities for Redevelopment, Environmental Improvement, Town Centre Boundaries and Criteria for Development within Town Centre Boundaries
- Settlement Boundaries
- Historically and Visually Important Open Space
- Allotments
- Desborough Railway Bridge and Community Facilities



Rural Strategy

- Role of Villages (pg 117)
 - No growth beyond village boundary
 - Small scale growth to meet local needs and provide enhancements to existing village
- Development Principles (pg 118)
- Rural Exception Housing (pg 120)



Villages

- Each village has its own section which outlines the following:
- Development Opportunities
- Development Principles
- Historically and Visually Important Open Space
- Allotments
- Village Boundaries



Consultation

- Letter/ e-mail to consultees
- General press release informing of consultation
- Information on the Council's website
- Report to combined Kettering Town, A6 and Rural Forum on 5 March 2012
- Information packs for Parish Councils, schools, community groups and for Ward Councillors to give out
- Leaflets to be displayed in libraries, in the mobile library and at the Council offices
- Posters, for example to be displayed on village notice boards
- Events in each of the towns



Recommendation

- It is recommended that Members agree the Site Specific Proposals LDD – Options Paper and accompanying Interim Sustainability Appraisal and Habitat Regulations Assessment Scoping Report for consultation and agree the consultation methods proposed in section 3 of the committee report
- That final editing of the Options Paper, Sustainability Appraisal and Habitat Regulations Assessment Scoping Report be delegated to the Head of Development Services in consultation with the Chair of the Planning Policy Committee.

