

Testing the Local Plan objectives against the Sustainability Appraisal objectives

++	Highly Compatible	+	Potentially Compatible	0	Neutral/No Impact	x	Potentially Incompatible	xx	Highly Incompatible	?	Unsure
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SA Objective	Local Plan Strategic Objectives																																															
	1) Climate Change & Sustainability							2) Housing					3) Economy							4) Transport						5) Built Environment						6) Natural Environment																
	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	a	b	c	d	e	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	a	b	c	d	e	f	a	b	c	d	e								
SP1	0	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	+	0	0	0	+	0	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	0	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<i>To increase the level of participation in the democratic process</i>	<p>ANALYSIS: In general the Local Plan Strategic Objectives do not hinder or actively support SP1. However in some instances they have the potential to support it such protecting and enhancing existing social and community facilities and directing new development to locations where these facilities are located and / or are accessible by public transport. Improving educational attainment and skills could induce greater participation as would enhanced digital/broadband connectivity</p>
SP2	0	0	++	++	0	0	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	++	+	+	++	++	0	+	0	++	+	++	++	+	++	+	+	+	0	++	++	0	+	+	+	++	0	++	<i>To improve access to services, facilities, the countryside and open space</i>	<p>ANALYSIS: A number of the Local Plan Strategic Objectives are compatible with SP2. Development will be proportionally focussed in accordance with the settlement hierarchy meaning that new development will occur in places that are likely to have good access to services and facilities. Promoting sustainable transport is a key objective of the Local Plan which, in turn, will help to improve access to services and facilities. The Local Plan is also seeking to improve employment opportunities by allocating land for employment uses and developing the rural economy. High quality open space and heritage and landscape assets will be protected, and access to them will be encouraged.</p>				
SP3	?	+	0	0	?	+	0	++	++	++	++	++	0	0	0	0	0	+	0	0	0	0	+	0	+	+	0	0	0	++	0	0	+	+	+	x	x	0	?	?	<i>To provide everyone with a decent home</i>	<p>ANALYSIS: The Local Plan Strategic Objectives seeking to deliver a mix of housing that meets objectively assessed needs for market and affordable housing and provides for older people and those with disabilities are compatible with SP3. There are a number of sustainability, economic, built and natural environment objectives that will have an indirect effect on the provision of decent homes. Objectives to seeking to safeguard the natural environment are likely to generate conflict. The compatibility with climate change and sustainability objectives is uncertain and dependent on the quality of design of schemes.</p>						
SP4	0	0	0	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	+	+	++	+	+	+	++	0	0	0	+	0	0	++	0	0	0	0	0	0	++	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<i>To improve the level of skills, education and training</i>	<p>ANALYSIS: The Local Plan Strategic Objectives seeking to protect existing educational facilities and support the development of further and higher educational facilities are compatible with SP4. The aim to improve sustainable transport and improving road and rail connections could allow for better/increased access to education/training/employment establishments. There could be an indirect benefit for training and employment facilities through the local and national desire to move to a more renewable and low carbon future.</p>	
SP5	+	+	0	+	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	++	0	0	0	0	0	+	0	0	0	0	+	0	+	+	0	0	0	+	0	++	++	+	+	+	+	+	++	+	++	<i>To improve the health and sense of wellbeing of people</i>	<p>ANALYSIS: The Local Plan Strategic Objectives seeking to mitigate the impacts of climate change such as reducing energy consumption, encouraging the use of renewable energy and minimising waste will improve wellbeing in the long-term and are therefore compatible with SP6. In the shorter-term the protection of the natural environment, the creation of a high quality built environment and improving accessibility to services, facilities, open space and the wider countryside will contribute to health and sense of wellbeing.</p>					
SP6	0	0	+	++	0	0	0	++	+	+	++	++	0	0	0	0	+	+	+	++	+	0	+	0	0	++	0	0	0	++	++	++	++	0	++	++	++	++	+	++								

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	<p><i>To create vibrant, active, inclusive and open minded communities with a strong sense of local history</i></p> <p>ANALYSIS: The Local Plan Strategic Objectives seeking to safeguard landscape character, biodiversity assets and green infrastructure and improve access to them are compatible with SP6. Housing objectives aimed at delivering a balanced housing market and social mix will promote inclusivity. Objectives that seeking to safeguard and promote access to heritage assets will facilitate a greater appreciation and knowledge of local history.</p>
EN1	<p style="text-align: center;">+ + 0 0 + + ? x + x x 0 0 x x x x 0 0 x 0 x 0 x 0 0 x 0 0 + 0 ++ ++ ++ x ++ ++</p> <p><i>To protect and enhance biodiversity</i></p> <p>ANALYSIS: The Local Plan Strategic seeking protect and enhance the environment are compatible with EN1. Objectives to seeking to meet housing needs and promote economic growth that involve built development are likely to generate conflict. The objective to favour the re-use of brownfield land over greenfield has uncertain implications as brownfield sites are known to be biodiversity rich</p>
EN2	<p style="text-align: center;">+ + x 0 0 x + 0 + x x 0 0 0 0 x x 0 0 x 0 0 0 x 0 0 x 0 0 + ++ 0 + 0 ++ ++ ++ x ++ ++</p> <p><i>To preserve, enhance and manage landscape quality and character for future generations</i></p> <p>ANALYSIS: The Local Plan Strategic Objectives seeking protect and enhance the environment are compatible with EN2. Objectives to seeking to meet housing needs and promote economic growth that involve built development are likely to generate conflict. Objectives that reduce the take-up of land to meet housing and employment growth targets such as the re-use of brownfield and empty properties will minimise the risk of adverse impacts on the landscape.</p>
EN3	<p style="text-align: center;">? ? + + + ? ++ 0 ++ 0 0 ++ 0 ? ? ? 0 0 0 ? + ? 0 ? 0 0 ? 0 0 ++ ++ + ++ ++ ++ 0 0 0 0 ++</p> <p><i>To improve the quality of the built environment</i></p> <p>ANALYSIS: The Local Plan Strategic Objectives seeking to conserve, protect and enhance the built and historic environment are compatible with EN3. Objectives to seeking to meet housing needs and promote economic growth that involve built development have the potential to be compatible and incompatible . the outcome depends on the quality of design of schemes. Objectives to reduce the impacts of climate change and sustainability are also compatible but are more indirectly influential.</p>
NR1	<p style="text-align: center;">++ ++ + + + ++ + 0 0 ? 0 0 + 0 0 ? ? + 0 ? + x ++ x ++ ++ x + ? ++ ? ? + 0 + + + + ? ++ ++</p> <p><i>To improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions</i></p> <p>ANALYSIS: The Local Plan Strategic Objectives seeking to mitigate the impacts of climate change, promote sustainability and protect and enhance the natural environment are compatible with NR1. Objectives to seeking to improve accessibility have the potential to be compatible and incompatible . the outcome depends on the extent to which public transport promoted (there is the potential that these objectives will promote increased car travel). Those objectives that seek to improve transport infrastructure and encourage housing and employment growth are potentially incompatible as they have the potential to lead to increases in greenhouse gas emissions.</p>
NR2	<p style="text-align: center;">0 0 0 0 + 0 0 0 0 ? 0 0 0 0 0 ? 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ? 0 0 ? 0 ? 0 0 0 ++ + + + + 0 ++ ++</p> <p><i>To improve water quality and water resources</i></p> <p>ANALYSIS: The Local Plan Strategic Objectives seeking to safeguard water quality and protect and enhance green infrastructure are compatible with NR2. Objectives to seeking to improve environmental quality and minimise pollution/waste are also compatible Objectives to seeking to meet housing needs, promote economic growth and improve infrastructure that involve built development have the potential to be compatible and incompatible . the impact depends on the quality of the mitigation measures.</p>
NR3	<p style="text-align: center;">+ 0 + 0 0 0 ++ 0 ++ ? 0 0 0 0 ? ? ? ? 0 0 0 0 0 0 + 0 + 0 ? 0 0 0 0 0 0 ++ ++ ++ + + 0 ++ +</p> <p><i>To restore and protect land and soil</i></p> <p>ANALYSIS: The Local Plan Strategic Objectives seeking to safeguard water quality and protect and enhance green infrastructure are compatible with NR2. Objectives to seeking to improve environmental quality and minimise pollution/waste are also compatible Objectives to seeking to meet housing needs, promote economic growth and improve infrastructure that involve built development have the potential to be compatible and incompatible - dependent on the quality of the mitigation measures.</p>

