

Report No: S1
Objections: 907, 061
Support:
Subject: Recreation and leisure facilities
Chapter: 7
Policy:
Para:
Other: Whole chapter

ISSUES RAISED

1. Chapter is not supported by a comprehensive assessment of demand and need for facilities as required by PPG17. Standards referred to in this chapter are therefore insufficiently robust to be effective. Strategy required. (907, 061)
 2. No reference to need for a Needs Assessment as per. More explicit reference to PPG17 needed (061)
 3. Notation on proposals map as regards urban greenspace protection should better reflect PPG17 typologies (061)
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RESPONSE

- 1-3. A full needs assessment of open space in the borough will form part of the LDF and it is proposed that this be one of the first DPD's to be produced. The current classifications for protection are taken from the previous Local Plan Inquiry and will be reviewed as part of the aforementioned needs assessment.
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PROPOSED CHANGES

Add to para 7.6.4 (1D) "The Council will carry out a full assessment of needs and opportunities of its greenspace, sport and recreation requirements in accordance with PPG17 as part of the Local Development Framework."

Report No: S2
Objections: 686
Support:
Subject: Tranquillity and light pollution
Chapter: 7
Policy:
Para:
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

1. Aside from SVC18 little in plan which deals with tranquillity in countryside and adverse effects of light pollution. Local Plan should take into account quality of life considerations such as these.
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RESPONSE

1. Agreed that reference to Light Pollution should be added to plan, but this would be more appropriately placed in Environment Chapter alongside other pollution policies.
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PROPOSED CHANGES

Add new paragraph and Policy after ENV24

“Light pollution is also an issue of increasing concern, particularly in rural areas where it can significantly affect landscape character and tranquillity. It can occur in three forms – glare, sky glow or light trespass – and can have potentially adverse impacts including highway safety problems, loss in appreciation of the night sky and intrusion of light into peoples homes. Whilst light in itself is not development, the Council can impose planning controls where the provision of lighting involves development or it is part of a larger development scheme. The Council will consult Environmental Health Officers and DERFA on issues of light pollution.”

POLICY ENV 25: Light Pollution

Development likely to generate unacceptable levels of light pollution will not be permitted.

Report No: S3
Objections: 060
Support:
Subject: Sport
Chapter: 7
Policy:
Para:
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

1. DEV5, HSG8, SVC12,14,15,18 make reference to leisure, community use, recreation and open space but no specific reference to sport. Plan should make explicit reference to role of sport.

RESPONSE

1. Role of sport is comprehensively discussed in section 7.6(1D)

PROPOSED CHANGES

No change

Report No: S4
Objections: 819, 820, 821,822
Support: 546, 547
Subject: Drainage and sewage disposal
Chapter: 7
Policy:
Para: 7.2
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

Objections

1. Word 'drainage' as used in title is too general and can be misleading – drainage includes foul and surface sewers, combined sewers, highway drains, village drains, culverts and watercourse / rivers. This particular section the emphasis on Public Sewerage and wastewater treatment and recommend title be revised accordingly.(819)
2. 7.2.1 Amend 1st sentence to “The Council is aware that the capacity of existing public sewers and wastewater treatment works varies considerably throughout the Borough” (820)
3. 7.2.1 Amend 5th sentence to read “So too has the installation of unadoptable, private sewers and package sewage treatment plants and septic tanks. (820)
4. 7.2.1 Amend 6th sentence to read “In many rural areas public sewers are not available and individual septic tanks and soakaway systems and package sewage treatment plants have become a standard feature of new development. (820)
5. 7.2.2 Amend 1st sentence “existing drainage problems” to “existing public sewerage and sewage treatment” (821)
6. 7.2.2 amend 2nd sentence “surface water disposal” to “surface water drainage and sewage treatment” (821)
7. 7.2.2 amend 3rd sentence “or the existing local sewerage infrastructure can be improved , and at the developer’s expense” to “or the existing local public sewerage and sewage treatment infrastructure can be improved within the time scale of the planning permission and, if necessary, at the developers expense”(821)
8. 7.2.2 amend 4th sentence “NWW” to “United Utilities” (821)
9. 7.2.2 amend 5th sentence – add “sewage” immediately before “treatment works” (821)
10. 7.2.3 include “package sewage treatment plants” immediately before the words ‘septic tank drainage’ (822)
11. Essential United Utilities are consulted on proposed use land allocations to ensure they will be able to make provision to serve

these developments – save embarrassment of objecting to development on sites which have been allocated in the Local Plan. (822)

Support

1. Wording of paragraph 7.2.2 supports protections of customers and environment (546)
 2. Welcome supportive comments – United Utilities large capital programme has brought significant benefits to region (547)
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RESPONSE

Objections

1. Disagree. Section refers to foul water drainage, surface water drainage and land drainage – this is therefore reflected in existing title.
- 2-10. Agreed
11. United Utilities were consulted on all proposed allocations before publication of the 1st deposit version of the plan

Support

- 1&2. Support noted
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PROPOSED CHANGES

Amend 1st sentence 7.2.1 (1D) to “The Council is aware that the capacity of existing public sewers and wastewater treatment works varies considerably throughout the borough”

Amend 5th sentence 7.2.1 to read “So too has the installation of unadoptable, private sewers, package sewage treatment plants and septic tanks.”

Amend 6th sentence 7.2.1 to read “In many rural situations public sewers are not available and individual septic tanks and soakaway systems and package sewage treatment plants have become a standard feature of new development.

Amend 1st sentence 7.2.2 to read: “The Council will continue to liaise with Untied Utilities and the Environment Agency in seeking solutions to existing public sewerage and sewage treatment problems but is determined to avoid new development in the plan area by adding to these difficulties”

Amend 2nd sentence 7.2.2 to read: “All new developments will therefore be expected to comply with Policy DEV 6 and to incorporate adequate means of foul and surface water drainage and sewage treatment which do not give rise to public health nuisance, threaten water quality or aquatic eco-systems or increase the risk of flooding.

Amend 3rd sentence 7.2.2 to read “Where such problems may arise the Council will not grant permission unless attenuation or mitigation measures can be satisfactorily incorporated into the development scheme, or the

existing local public sewerage and sewage treatment infrastructure can be improved within the time scale of the planning permission and, if necessary, and at the developer's expense"

Amend 4th sentence 7.2.2 to refer to "United Utilities"

Amend 5th sentence 7.2.2 "sewage treatment works"

Amend 3rd sentence 7.2.3 to include "package sewage treatment plants"

Report No: S5
Objections: 823
Support: 548
Subject: Sewerage Connection
Chapter: 7
Policy: SVC1
Para:
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

Objection

1. Policy title should be amended to "Connections to Public Sewers". Wording "mains drainage network" should be replaced with "sewerage system" (823)

Support

1. Separate sewerage systems preserve capacity on sewers and at wastewater treatment works - surface water should be kept separate as it would usually have little or no impact on watercourses. (548)
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RESPONSE

Objection

1. Agreed

Support

1. Noted
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PROPOSED CHANGES

Policy SVC1 (1D) title amended to "Connections to Public Sewers"
"Mains drainage network" replaced with "sewerage system"

Report No: S6
Objections: 464, 824
Support:
Subject: SVC2
Chapter: 7
Policy: SVC2
Para:
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

1. Cannot be confident that correct weight will be given to nature conservation unless any permitted development is clearly subject to DEV6 and ENV4. DEV6 requires amendment. (464)
 2. Title should be changed to “Non Mains Sewerage / Sewage Treatment” (824)
 3. Policy wording should be amended to read “ In areas where no public sewerage system is available or where there are exceptional difficulties involved in connecting to the public sewers other drainage options may be considered. Development involving package sewage treatment plants or individual or joint septic tank arrangements will be sanctioned provided an assessment has been carried out in accordance with the requirements of Annex A of Circular 3/99 and such an assessment has been found to be satisfactory. (824)
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RESPONSE

1. The plan should be treated as a whole. Representation made in respect of DEV6 are considered in Report D34.
 2. Agreed
 3. Change of “mains” to “sewers” and addition of “package sewage treatment plants or..”. Circular 3/99 is already mentioned in reasoned justification and is not necessary to repeat in policy.
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PROPOSED CHANGES

Change Policy SVC2 (1D) title to “Non Mains Sewerage / Sewage Treatment”
Add “package sewage treatment plants or..” to Policy

Report No: S7
Objections: 825
Support:
Subject: Standards of completion
Chapter: 7
Policy: SVC3
Para:
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

1. Surface water is generated immediately from when development work commences. Reword policy as follows: "In all new housing developments the Council will require all foul drainage works and sewage treatment facilities to be completed in accordance with approved details before any dwelling is occupied. In the case of surface water, all drainage works shall be completed in accordance with approved details before additional impermeable areas are created."
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RESPONSE

1. Agreed
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PROPOSED CHANGES

Policy reworded as above.

Report No: S8
Objections: 465, 826
Support:
Subject: Land drainage
Chapter: 7
Policy: SVC4
Para:
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

1. Cannot be confident that correct weight will be given to nature conservation unless any permitted development is clearly subject to DEV6 and ENV4. DEV 6 requires amendment.(465)
 2. Relates to land drainage and need to prevent flooding – flooding covered by Section 5.5 therefore policy would appear superfluous (826)
 3. Reference should be made to the need for developers to identify overland flow routes that will come onto operation when capacity of adopted sewers is exceeded. (826)
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RESPONSE

1. Plan should be treated as a whole. Representations made in respect of DEV6 are considered in Report D34.
 2. Disagree. It is essential, particularly for plan users, to incorporate a policy relating to Land Drainage in a section on “Drainage and sewage disposal”
 3. Agreed additional wording should be incorporated.
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PROPOSED CHANGES

Correct Policy title “Land Drainage”
New paragraph added (7.2.5) “Developments will be expected to accommodate the effects of 1 in 100 year storm events and there will be a need for developers to identify overland flow routes which come into operation when the capacity of adopted sewers is exceeded. Developers are advised to seek the Environment Agency’s advice at an early stage in design.”

Report No: S9
Objections: 904
Support: 550, 827
Subject: Water supply
Chapter: 7
Policy:
Para: 7.3.1
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

Objection

1. Policy should be reworded to reflect that Council will seek planning agreements, rather than require them (904)

Support

1. Encourage responsible and efficient use of water resources – wording of paragraph most helpful (550)
 2. support need for new development to incorporate water efficiency measures (827)
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RESPONSE

Objection

1. Agreed

Support

- 1&2. Support noted
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PROPOSED CHANGES

Amend to read “All proposals will be assessed against Policy SVC 5, in consultation with the Environment Agency and United Utilities and an agreement under s.106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 will be sought...”

Report No: S10
Objections: 828
Support: 549
Subject: Water supply
Chapter: 7
Policy: SVC5
Para:
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

Objection

1. Change title to "Water Supply / water resources" (828)
2. Amend policy to read "...detriment to groundwater and surface water resources in terms of their quantity, quality and the ecological features they support. All new developments will be expected to include water efficiency measures to reduce the demands on the system"

Support

1. Policy welcomed as water supply capacity taken into account in considering development proposals (549)
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RESPONSE

Objection

1. Agreed
2. Agreed

Support

1. Support noted
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PROPOSED CHANGES

Policy title amended to read "Water Supply / Water Resources"
Amend policy to read "Development which increases the requirement for water supply will be permitted only where an adequate water supply either exists or can be provided without detriment to groundwater and surface water resources in terms of their quantity, quality and the ecological features they support. All new developments will be expected to include water efficiency measures to reduce the demands on the system."

Report No: S11
Objections: 682
Support:
Subject: **Underground Services**
Chapter: 7
Policy: SVC6
Para: 7.3.2
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

Objection

1. Unsure what is meant by “new development areas”. Should be an all embracing policy instead that seeks to encourage undergrounding of wires in countryside in general.

RESPONSE

Objection

1. Agreed ‘new development areas’ is not appropriate term.

PROPOSED CHANGES

Delete 2nd sentence para 7.3.3 (1D)

Amend para 7.3.2 and SVC6 (1D) to read:

“and will expect that wherever practicable all services within new development areas to be sited beneath the ground.

POLICY SVC 6 : Underground Services

All services within new development should wherever possible be sited underground.

Report No: S12
Objections: 1148, 1149, 240
Support: 551
Subject: Large scale infrastructure
Chapter: 7
Policy: SVC7
Para:
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

Objection

1. 2nd sentence refers to “growing concern...as regards effects of high voltage cables on the health and welfare..”. Present wording not substantiated by opinion polls and fails to set stated concern in context of authoritative science or national policy. Suggest “There is some concerns too as regards the effects of high voltage cables on the health and welfare of residents, though recent authoritative reviews by the National Radiological Protection Board have concluded that no risk has been established and neither the NRPB nor Government recommend planning restrictions on this basis” (1148).
2. Remove “or adjoining” from first paragraph of policy (1149)
3. Only nationally designated nature conservation sites should be included in criterion 3. Amend to read “Sites of Special Scientific Interest or other nationally designated nature conservation sites” (1149)
4. Criterion 5 – suggest it is inappropriate to refer to sites where there is no firm commitment to residential development. Delete word ‘proposed’ and insert word ‘allocated’ (1149).
5. Criterion 6 should be deleted. Recreation uses can coincide comfortably with overhead lines (1149).
6. Penultimate sentence of policy should be deleted - could serve to oppose overhead powerlines in areas unaffected by specified areas. Also gives no consideration to the potential to develop a route which minimises any adverse impacts (1149)
7. Wording should protect views to and from St Bees Heritage Coast and settings of Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings and SAM’s (240)

Support

1. Any policy not to allow new overhead connections could increase the cost of any new connection, which would be borne by the

customer requiring connection. Wording of paragraph appears to perfect a balanced view. (551)

RESPONSE

1. Agreed that statement not supported by particular evidence base.
2. Overhead powerlines or pipelines adjacent to the designations could have a detrimental impact upon the areas identified, depending on the location and scale of development. It is therefore necessary that the policy should state “within or adjoining”.
3. Disagree. The Council believes that sites of local importance should also be protected.
4. Agreed use of term ‘proposed’ is inappropriate as lacks clarity
5. Disagree.
6. Disagree.
- 2-6. The policy as worded in 1st Deposit already recognises that in some cases it may not be possible to avoid protected areas “Where no suitable alternative is shown to exist...” Proposed that Policy wording be amended to re emphasise this point.
7. Policy states that Council will oppose where proposed within or adjoining the Heritage Coast, Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings and SAM’s. Other Plan policies already give additional protection to and from Heritage Coast and conservation of the built environment.

Support

1. Noted
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PROPOSED CHANGES

Delete 2nd sentence para 7.3.3 (1D)

Criterion 5 – delete ‘propose’ add ‘allocated or approved’

Amend policy to read:

The siting of overhead power lines of 132 KV or over, large regionally/nationally important pipelines, and their associated installations will not be permitted within or adjoining the following areas unless no possible alternative is shown to exist:

1. the St. Bees Head Heritage Coast
2. Landscapes of County Importance
3. areas of nature conservation interest including SSSIs, Local Nature Reserves, Sites of Wildlife Importance
4. Conservation Areas or in the vicinity of Listed Buildings or Scheduled Ancient Monuments
5. existing, allocated or approved residential development
6. areas used for formal or informal recreation including playing fields, public open space and the proposed Tourism Opportunity Sites (Policy TSM 2)

and any other especially sensitive or prominent locations.

Where the consenting authority is minded to approve a proposed route the service providers must minimise adverse impacts and adopt a high standard of design demonstrating sensitivity to the area affected.

Report No: S13
Objections: 241, 683
Support: 984
Subject: Telecommunications
Chapter: 7
Policy: SVC8
Para:
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

Objection

1. Fails to provide for the protection of Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas. Suggested that 'and their settings' is added to end of the first bullet point. (241)
2. Existing landscape features such as blocks of woodland should be used to help screen telecommunications masts and should be incorporated into policy. Reference should also be given to landscape character tools to assess the impact of telecommunication masts in the countryside. (683)

Support

1. Welcome policy to minimise impact on surrounding properties – has been a worry in Seascale (984)
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RESPONSE

Objection

1. Agreed
2. The policy already refers to minimising impact on surrounding area. DEV6 also covers design issues. Impact on landscape is also dealt with in other plan policies.

Support

1. Support noted
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PROPOSED CHANGES

Policy SVC8 (1D) add "and their settings" to criterion 1.

Report No: S14
Objections: 242
Support:
Subject: Satellite Dishes
Chapter: 7
Policy: SVC9
Para:
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

1. Policy should be supplemented so it protects the setting of Conservation Areas and Listed Building and Landscapes of County Importance.

RESPONSE

1. It is felt that the policy as worded provides adequate protection to Conservation Areas and the setting and appearance of Listed Buildings. It would be inappropriate and overly onerous to assess the impact of a satellite dish on a landscape of county importance.

PROPOSED CHANGES

No change

Report No: S15
Objections: 905
Support:
Subject: LPG Storage
Chapter: 7
Policy: SVC10
Para:
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

1. Clarify what is meant by “normal development control criteria”

RESPONSE

1. Agreed that this is vague and should be amended

PROPOSED CHANGES

Replace “normal development control criteria” with “other plan policies...”

Report No: S16
Objections: 906
Support:
Subject: SVC11-16
Chapter: 7
Policy: SVC11-16
Para:
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

1. SVC 11-16: Appreciate that Plan is trying to make links with wider community agenda in the borough but these policies all contain similar criteria and along with r/j could be condensed / combined and more precisely expressed. References to levels of provision and related objectives might be better expressed as part of a broader emphasis in the Development (Core) Strategy.(906)
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RESPONSE

1. Agreed that Policies 11, 12, 13, 14 and 16 should be combined. SVC should be retained as deals with loss of services as opposed to new development and text edited.
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PROPOSED CHANGES

Policy to replace SVC 11, 12, 13, 14 and 16 to read:

POLICY SVC 11: Education, training, health and other community facilities
Proposals for development to provide new or extended facilities for the uses prescribed below will be permitted subject to the requirements of Policy DEV6 and other plan policies:

1. day nursery or childcare
2. education or training
3. health centres, doctor's, dentist's and other surgeries
4. community centres
5. cultural or entertainment facilities

All development must involve sites which are related to the needs of the local community and are, or can be, served by a range of transport modes.

Report No: S17
Objections: 740, 741
Support:
Subject: 'Development for Pre-school education' and
'Education and Training'
Chapter: 7
Policy: SVC11 & SVC12
Para:
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

1. SVC11 and SVC12: policies should take forward emphasis of Structure Plan policy L52 on location and direct facilities to key and local service centres.(740/1)
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RESPONSE

1. Policies combined in response to Report S16. SVC11 and 12 to make reference to other plan policies. Suggest additional wording to para 7.4.1 to emphasise approach to location of facilities(1D)
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PROPOSED CHANGES

Add to para 7.4.1 (1D):

"The Council will expect all such development along with other community facilities to be located in direct relation to needs of local communities, concentrated in the Key and Local Service Centres."

Report No: S18
Objections: 732, 739
Support:
Subject: Loss of facilities
Chapter: 7
Policy: SVC15
Para: 7.5.2
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

1. Will be more successfully implemented if policy wording specifies which social or community facilities were covered - policy should extend to private facilities such as shops, pubs, cafes and post offices as well as public halls, churches, schools, health facilities and libraries. (732)
 2. Local Plan should provide further amplification on how viability or need will be assessed (739)
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RESPONSE

1. Wording of reasoned justification refers to specific uses covered by policy (extended in 2D). Unnecessary to repeat in policy.
 2. Agreed further amplification required
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PROPOSED CHANGES

Add reference to libraries and health facilities to reasoned justification.
Add to para 7.5.2 (1D) (with reference to pubs, cafes and shops): "In such circumstances the Council will require evidence that the premises has been marketed as its current permitted use for a period of at least 12 months at a reasonable price or rent and no purchaser or tenant has been found."

(Also see Report R29)

Report No: S19
Objections: 985
Support:
Subject: Cemetery space
Chapter: 7
Policy:
Para: 7.5.4
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

1. Gosforth and Drigg are rapidly running out of cemetery space – alternative sites are needed. (985)
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RESPONSE

1. Noted
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PROPOSED CHANGES

No change

Report No: S20
Objections: 466, 684, 792
Support:
Subject: Protection of open space and facilities
Chapter: 7
Policy: SVC17
Para:
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

1. Policy fails to identify the range of different opportunities available for environmental enhancements within greenspace. Feel there are opportunities to link this policy to ENV1-5 as well as DEV6. This would be consistent with the issues identified DP2 Quality of Life (466)
 2. No reference to village greens and commons in the Policy which should be given equal protection – important to ensure that the Local Plan explicitly refers to the areas that are registered as village greens and commons. LPA should seek advice of Open Spaces Society to ensure appropriate wording of the Policy (684)
 3. Object to identification of land at Springfield Avenue, Hensingham – no material contribution to meeting recreation and open space needs of the local community. Land is under utilised – more appropriately reused for housing. (792)
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RESPONSE

1. Policies ENV1-5 cover internationally, nationally and locally protected nature conservation sites, habitats and species. These are different to the areas designated under SVC17 which are significant for recreational and public amenity space. The plan should be treated as a whole and therefore DEV6 is applicable.
2. Village Greens are given statutory protection under the Commons Registration Act 1965 as amended by Countryside Rights of Way Act 2000. Identified Village Greens and common land will be considered in the upcoming assessment of its greenspace, sport and recreation requirements. (see report S1)
3. The Council believe that this area is worthy of protection for its recreational and amenity value. The Council will be undertaking a needs assessment in line with PPG19 as part of the LDF. PPG17

Companion guide para 3.2 “Where a local authority has not undertaken its own assessment, paragraph 10 of PPG7 allows an applicant for planning permission to ‘seek to demonstrate through an independent assessment’ that a particular site or area of land is surplus to requirements. In the interests of transparency and good practice, it will be desirable for any developer wishing to undertake such an assessment to agree the proposed methodology in advance with the relevant planning authority. It should keep the authority and the local community fully informed as the assessment proceeds.”

PROPOSED CHANGES

No change

Report No: S21
Objections: 599
Support:
Subject: Maintenance of bridleways
Chapter: 7
Policy:
Para: 7.8.6
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

1. Comment regarding contribution to maintenance costs of bridleways by local developers is illegal and should be removed from plan. Statement is not in spirit of government proposals to expand equestrian business in both rural and urban districts
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RESPONSE

1. Agree that LPA's seek contributions rather than requiring them.
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PROPOSED CHANGES

Para 7.8.6 (1D) amended to read "If it is intended to use bridleways in the locality contributions towards maintenance costs may be sought from developers. Contributions may also be sought to improve highway conditions in the vicinity of any subject site within the terms of Policy TSP 6."

Report No: S22
Objections: 685, 598
Support:
Subject: Countryside Leisure
Chapter: 7
Policy:
Para: 7.6.7
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

1. Identified facilities should not be seen as good examples where tranquillity or quiet enjoyment would not be affected – examples should be deleted.(685)
 2. Equine tourism is being promoted and funded by government – there is a minister for the horse – and yet there is no mention of horses in this section. (598)
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RESPONSE

1. Disagree – suggest described uses are both appropriate and necessary to allow enjoyment and management of the countryside.
 2. Noted
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PROPOSED CHANGES

Add references to “horse riding” to paragraph 7.6.7 (1D)

Report No: S23
Objections: 908, 467, 733,734
Support:
Subject: Leisure
Chapter: 7
Policy: SVC18 / 19
Para:
Other:

ISSUES RAISED

1. Policies do not take into account the consideration for leisure facilities set out in the draft PPS6 regarding need and sequential test etc. Perhaps SVC19 should cover more rural small scale activities where draft PPS7 considerations would apply. Policy SVC18 could then cover the more general intensive leisure and recreational activities for which draft PPS6 considerations would be relevant. Remove word “normally” from SVC18 for clarity.(908)
 2. SVC 18/19 Under ‘net gain’ approach to planning could also potentially improve the local environment and would encourage reference to be made to Countryside Character Initiative in order to ensure that development is appropriate and an asset to the locality. (733,734)
 3. Object to SVC19 as cannot be confident correct weight will be given to nature conservation unless any permitted development is clearly subject to DEV6 and ENV4. DEV6 requires amendment. Will object to any proposals likely to adversely affect nature conservation interests of these sites. (467)
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RESPONSE

1. Cross reference to new Policy DEV5 (2D) added to para 7.6.5 in order to address requirements of draft PPS6 should any proposals coming forward be an identified ‘town centre’ use. Additionally suggested that Policy SVC18 (1D) be amended to cover Outdoor Recreation and Leisure Facilities only whilst SVC 19 (1D) will address issues in the Countryside. Agree ‘normally should be deleted.
2. Overall aim of policy is to improve local environment and facilities. Suggested that such an approach is already achieved through the potential imposition of planning conditions and obligations. Countryside Character Initiative Approach will be used in decision

making once approach has been fully developed. See also additions to Section 5.2 (1D)

3. Plan should be read as a whole. DEV6 dealt with by Report D34.
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PROPOSED CHANGES

Add cross reference to DEV5 (2D) in para 7.6.5(1D)

Amend title Policy SVC18 (1D) to "Outdoor Recreation and Leisure Facilities"

Amend title Policy SVC19 (1D) to "Leisure and Sensitive Areas of Countryside"