

Matter 1: Legal Compliance, including the Duty to Co-operate

Issue 1a: Legal compliance with respect to the Local Development Scheme [LPD/POL/01]

- Q1. Has the Plan been prepared in accordance with the Local Development Scheme?
- Q2. What is the scope of the Plan?
- Q3. Having regard to the scope of the Aligned Core Strategy (ACS) and the Council's intentions, as set out in the Local Development Scheme, are there any obvious omissions, in terms of policy guidance, from the submitted Plan?

Issue 1b: Legal compliance with respect to the Statement of Community Involvement [LPD/REG/07]

- Q4. Has the Plan been prepared in accordance with the Council's Statement of Community Involvement and met the minimum consultation requirements in the Regulations?
- Q5. Has the Council given interested parties the opportunity to make comments in a variety of forms, not just through the use of technology?

Issue 1c: Legal compliance with respect to Sustainability Appraisal [LPD/REG/11 – LPD/REG/20]

- Q6. Is the Plan legally compliant with respect to Sustainability Appraisal?

Issue 1d: Legal compliance with respect to the Habitats Regulations and any requirements for appropriate assessment [LPD/REG/21]

- Q7. Is the Plan legally compliant with respect to the Habitats Regulations and any requirement for appropriate assessment?
- Q8. What were the main findings of the Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) that was carried out in relation to this Plan?

Issue 1e: Legal compliance with respect to the provisions of the 2004 Act and Local Plan Regulations 2012 (as amended) for the preparation of the Plan

- Q9. Is the Plan legally compliant with the provisions of the 2004 Act and Local Plan Regulations 2012 (as amended) for the preparation of the Plan?

Issue 1f: Legal compliance with respect to national policy

- Q10. Are there any policies in the Plan that do not accord with the National Planning Policy Framework or advice in the Planning Practice Guidance?
- Q11. Are there any gaps in policy coverage? Have other policies been considered and discounted?

Issue 1g: Legal compliance with respect to the Duty to Co-operate [LPD/REG/07]

- Q12. Is the Plan and its preparation compliant with the Duty to Co-operate imposed by Section 33A of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) with prescribed bodies regarding cross-boundary strategic matters, including with regards to housing provision in particular?
- Q13. Does the Council's Detailed Report on the Duty to Co-operate on the Local Planning Document (December 2016) [EX/11] demonstrate that the Duty to Co-operate been met?