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THURSDAY, 7 JANUARY 2021

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

I HEREBY SUMMON YOU TO ATTEND A **VIRTUAL MEETING** OF THE **COUNTY COUNCIL** WHICH WILL BE HELD **AT 10.00 AM, ON WEDNESDAY, 13TH JANUARY, 2021** FOR THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OUTLINED ON THE ATTACHED AGENDA

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		"Fireworks are used by people throughout the year, to mark different events. While they can bring much enjoyment to some people, they can cause significant fear for other people also Animals.				
		Animals affected not only suffer Psychological distress but can also cause them to Self Harm.				

I therefore call on CCC to require all Public Fireworks display within

the Local Authority Boundaries to be Advertised in Advance of the Event, allowing Residents to take necessary precautions for their Animal and Venerable Peoples Welfare.

To actively promote a Public Awareness Campaign about the impact of Fireworks on Animal Welfare and Venerable people. Including the precautions that can be instigated to mitigate the Risks.

To write to Uk/ Welsh Government. Urging them to introduce Legislation to limit the Maximum noise levels of the fireworks to 90 dB of those Sold to the Public for Private Display.

To encourage Local Suppliers of Fireworks to Stock a "Quieter Version" of Fireworks used for Public Displays etc"

9.2 NOTICE OF MOTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR ROB JAMES

The Coronavirus pandemic has pushed local families into difficult situations, including poverty, and has highlighted the insecurity of food in our County.

Many children living in poverty in Carmarthenshire are not eligible for free school meals because their parents are in work or their families have no recourse to public funds. The UK Government's principal goals of universal credit is to make work pay i.e. that additional earnings always leave families better off. However, the introduction of the earnings threshold undermines this objective and has left families trapped in poverty.

On 1 April 2019 the Welsh Labour Government introduced a new transitional protection for free school meals policy. This was brought in to ensure that pupils have their free school meals protected during he Universal Credit rollout period. This protection applies to individual pupils and will continue until the end of their current schools phase, being the end of primary school or each of secondary school. The Welsh Labour Government this year also extended its eligibility for Free School Meals to cover all school holidays.

The motion reads:

- That Carmarthenshire Council supports the campaign by Child Poverty Action Group and People's Assembly to expand eligibility for free school meals.
- Calls on Carmarthenshire County Council to utilise its own funds in the upcoming budget to extend the provision of free school meals in Carmarthenshire to all families in receipt of Universal Credit or Working Tax Credits.

9.3 NOTICE OF MOTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR DARREN PRICE

"Carmarthenshire County Council:

 recognises the distressing fact that 30% of children in Wales live in poverty, while only 17% have free school meals, mainly because their parents are in low-paid jobs which take them over the eligibility threshold;

- notes that England and Scotland have universal infant FSMs, with all pupils in the reception class, years 1 and 2 eligible, whereas Wales doesn't;
- calls on the Welsh Government to cost, as a matter or urgency, the extension of FSMs to any child in any family receiving universal credit or equivalent benefit, and any child in a family with no recourse to public funds;
- agrees that this should be a step towards the aim of rolling out universal FSMs, as called for by various groups in Wales, including the Child Poverty Action Group (CPAG) and the People's Assembly".

9.4 NOTICE OF MOTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR CEFIN CAMPBELL

"Notice of Motion Second Homes / Holiday Homes

Notes that 1,118 homes in Carmarthenshire are defined as second homes. A second home is defined as a property that is not the sole or main dwelling of the owner.

Further notes that there has been a recent increase across Wales in the number of houses being bought as second homes or holiday homes for rent or letting as AirBnB (including Carmarthenshire). In some parts of the country as much as 40% of the housing stock is a second home. As a result local people (especially young people) find it difficult if not impossible to buy a property as they are too often priced out of the housing market. This obviously has a detrimental effect on the demography of the area, social cohesion and the Welsh language.

Although Carmarthenshire County Council welcomes Welsh Government's intention to add a 1% increase in Land Transaction Tax on the purchase of a second home we do not believe it goes far enough to meet the housing crisis facing some of our rural communities. We therefore call on Welsh Government to:

- Change planning laws to ensure that planning permission must be sought for the change of use of a primary dwelling into a second home / holiday accommodation;
- Allow local authorities, in consultation with the local community, to set a 'cap' on the number of second homes in each ward, and allow the use of Section 106 agreements to prevent new properties from being used as second homes in wards with an unacceptable proportion of second homes;
- Introduce a licensing system for managing the conversion of a residential property into a commercial unit such as a holiday unit / house or AirBnB;
- Close the loophole that allows second homes to register as businesses in order to opt out of paying domestic rates and Council Tax Premiums, and take advantage of business rate relief;

• Introduce legislation to further increase the Land Transaction Tax (LTT) on the purchase of second properties.

Once these policy changes have been approved by Welsh Government, Carmarthenshire County Council will then consider charging a Council Tax Premium of at least 200% on second homes"

- 10. PUBLIC QUESTIONS (NONE RECEIVED).
- 11. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS (NONE RECEIVED)
- 12. MINUTES FOR INFORMATION (AVAILABLE TO VIEW ON THE WEBSITE)
 - 12.1 EDUCATION AND CHILDREN SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 23RD NOVEMBER 2020
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COUNTY COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, 9 DECEMBER 2020

PRESENT: Councillor I.W. Davies (Chair)

Councillors:

S.M. Allen	L.R. Bowen	K.V. Broom	C.A. Campbell
J.M. Charles	D.M. Cundy	S.A. Curry	C.A. Davies
W.R.A. Davies	T.A.J. Davies	G. Davies	H.L. Davies
J.A. Davies	K.Davies	S.L. Davies	E. Dole
J.S. Edmunds	P.M. Edwards	H.A.L. Evans	L.D. Evans
R.E. Evans	W.T. Evans	A.L. Fox	S.J.G. Gilasbey
C.J. Harris	P. Hughes-Griffiths	T.M. Higgins	J.K. Howell
P.M. Hughes	A. James	J.D. James	R. James
D.M. Jenkins	J.P. Jenkins	G.H. John	C. Jones
B.W. Jones	D. Jones	G.R. Jones	A. Lenny
M.J.A. Lewis	K. Lloyd	S. Matthews	A.S.J. McPherson
E. Morgan	A.G. Morgan	S. Najmi	D. Nicholas
B.D.J. Phillips	J.S. Phillips	D. Price	J.G. Prosser
E.M.J.G. Schiavone	H.B. Shepardson	A.D.T. Speake	L.M. Stephens
B. Thomas	D. Thomas	E.G. Thomas	G.B. Thomas
G. Thomas	J. Tremlett	A.Vaughan Owen	D.T. Williams
D.F. Williams	J.F. Williams		

Also Present:

- W. Walters, Chief Executive
- J. Morgan, Director of Community Services
- C. Moore, Director of Corporate Services
- G. Morgans, Director of Education & Children's Services
- R. Mullen, Director of Environment
- L.R. Jones, Head of Administration and Law
- I.R. Llewelyn, Forward Planning Manager
- G. Morgan, Head of Democratic Services
- E. Evans, Principal Democratic Services Officer
- M. Evans Thomas, Principal Democratic Services Officer
- S. Rees, Simultaneous Translator
- J. Hawker, Digital Support Officer
- J. Corner, Technical Officer
- G. Jones, Digital Support Engineer
- C.J. Warwick, Digital Support Engineer
- E. Bryer, Democratic Services Officer
- J. Owen, Democratic Services Officer
- R. Lloyd, Democratic Services Officer
- K. Thomas, Democratic Services Officer
- M.S. Davies, Democratic Services Officer

Virtual Meeting - . - 10.00 - 11.00 am



1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors D.C. Evans; D. Harries; H.I. Jones; T.J. Jones; K. Madge and B.A.L Roberts

2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTERESTS.

There were no declarations of personal interest.

3. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- The Chair welcomed Councillor Jeff Edmunds to the meeting following his recent period of ill health and expressed his best wishes for a full recovery;
- The Chair expressed his congratulations to Councillor Andre McPherson on his recent marriage;
- The Chair expressed his best wishes to Councillor Kevin Madge following recent surgery;
- Councillor Liam Bowen congratulated Nigel Owens on achieving the
 milestone of refereeing 100 international rugby test matches, the first in
 history to achieve that feat, and also to Kieran Hardy on winning his 2nd
 Welsh rugby cap, both of whom were residents in the Pontyberem Ward;
- The Chair invited the Leader to address the Council with an update on the Covid-19 position within the County. Councillor Dole referred to the rising rates of Covid 19 and hospital admissions within the County and to the pressure that was causing within the Health Service. Whilst welcoming the recent roll out of a Covid-19 vaccine, he urged all residents of the County to help reduce that pressure by following Welsh Government rules and guidance to keep themselves, and their communities safe;
- The Chair invited the Leaders of the Council's political groups to address the Council, all of whom made reference to the difficult times caused by the Covid pandemic and expressed their appreciation and gratitude to all of the Council's staff for their hard work and sacrifices in keeping communities safe within the county and providing support and assistance to the vulnerable and those in most need. Appreciation was also expressed to other public and private sectors providers and volunteers within the county for their support.

Other members of Council echoed the group leaders' comments.

4. TO APPROVE AND SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 11TH NOVEMBER 2020

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of Council held on the 11th November, 2020 be signed as a correct record subject to the inclusion of Councillor A.D.T. Speake within the list of attendees

5. TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD IN RESPECT OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS

5.1. LOCAL DEVELOPMENT ORDERS CARMARTHEN TOWN CENTRE AND AMMANFORD TOWN CENTRE



The Council was informed that the Executive Board, at its meeting held on the 2nd November 2020 (minute 6 refers) had considered a report on proposals for the introduction of Local Development Orders (LDO's) for Carmarthen Town Centre and Ammanford Town Centre. The report detailed the potential role LDO's could play as part of broader regeneration proposals within a Town Centre context, particularly in relation to Carmarthen and Ammanford in both supporting the Vibrant Places Initiative and ensuring they were resilient to the economic effects of COVID-19. The proposals also had due regard to the Council's Corporate Recovery Plan and the Welsh Government's Planning Guidance – 'Building Better Places'.

It was noted that a LDO provided a Local Planning Authority with an opportunity to streamline the planning process by removing the need for developers/applicants to make a planning application to the Authority and for development proposals to be submitted as an LDO application in lieu, thereby allowing an authority to act proactively in response to locally specific circumstances within its geographical area. However, should a formal planning application be necessary, that would have to be submitted as at present. It was further confirmed that works to listed buildings were excluded from the Orders.

RESOLVED that the following recommendations of the Executive Board be adopted:-

- 6.1 To approve the scope of the proposed LDO's for consideration through the democratic reporting process;
- 6.2 To prepare the LDO's for the respective towns including, undertaking formal consultations as appropriate and to further report on their proposed scope, content and geographical extent;
- 6.3 To approve the publication of the final LDO for public consultation for a minimum of 6 weeks;
- 6.4 To provide officers with delegated authority to prepare evidence in support of the LDO;
- 6.5 To grant officers delegated authority to make minor editorial and factual amendments;
- To amend the plan for the Carmarthen Town Centre LDO to include the whole of Lammas Street, Carmarthen.

6. TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD HELD ON THE FOLLOWING DATES

6.1. 2ND NOVEMBER 2020

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the report of the meeting of the Executive Board held on the 2nd November 2020 be received.

6.2. 16TH NOVEMBER 2020

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the report of the meeting of the Executive Board held on the 16th November 2020 be received.

6.3. 23RD NOVEMBER 2020



UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the report of the meeting of the Executive Board held on the 23rd November 2020 be received.

7. TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING NOTICES OF MOTION:-

7.1. NOTICE OF MOTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR LOUVAIN ROBERTS

The Chair reported that Councillor Louvain Roberts was unable to be present at the meeting and had requested that her Notice of Motion be withdrawn from the meeting.

The Council noted the withdrawal of the Notice of Motion.

8. PUBLIC QUESTIONS (NONE RECEIVED).

The Chair advised that no public questions had been received.

9. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS (NONE RECEIVED)

The	Chair	advised	that no	questions	from	Members	had	been	received

CHAIR	DATE



Agenda Item 5

County Council 13th January 2021

Subject: Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2021/22

Purpose: This report seeks formal adoption of the Council Tax Reduction scheme (which replaced Council Tax Benefit in April 2013) for 2021/22

Recommendations / key decisions required:

It is recommended that for 2021/22 Council

- 1. Formally adopts the standard all-Wales Council Tax Reduction scheme provided for in the
 - a. Council Tax Reduction Schemes and Prescribed Requirements (Wales) Regulations 2013, and
- Implements the annual up-rating figures (used in entitlement calculations) and other technical amendments, included in the Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Prescribed Requirements and Default Scheme) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2021, due to come into effect January 2021 and these Regulations apply in relation to a council tax reduction scheme made for the financial year beginning on 1 April 2021.
- 3. Continues to exercise its discretion with regard to the limited discretionary elements of the prescribed scheme as outlined in the Executive Summary.

Reasons:

- a) Welsh Government has made regulations that retain the 2013/14 Council Tax Reduction scheme (with limited amendments) for 2014/15 and subsequent years.
- b) There is an obligation upon authorities to formally (re-)adopt a Council Tax Reduction scheme by 31st January each year otherwise the "Default Scheme" will apply which means Council will be unable to exercise its discretion with regard to the limited discretionary elements in the prescribed scheme.
- c) If the Council wishes to exercise its powers in relation to the limited areas of discretion available to it, it is required to do so as part of the formal scheme adoption process.

Relevant scrutiny committee to be consu	ulted NO		
Exec. Board Decision Required	NO		
Council Decision Required	YES		



EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER **CIIr David Jenkins EBM for Corporate Resources** Directorate: Corporate Designations: Tel & Email addresses: Resources HLPugh@Carmarthenshire.gov.uk Head of Revenue and 01267 246223 Name of Head of Service: Financial Compliance Helen Pugh AnThomas@carmarthesnhire.gov.uk Report Author: Revenue Services 015540742126 Ann Thomas Manager



EXECUTIVE SUMMARYCounty Council 13th January 2021

Council Tax Reduction Scheme

- 1. As part of the Welfare Reforms introduced in recent years the former Council Tax Benefit scheme (CTB) was abolished with effect from April 2013. In its place is a localised Council Tax Reduction (CTR) scheme which in Wales has been devolved to Welsh Government, although with significantly less funding than the cost of the former CTB scheme.
- 2. The standard scheme introduced by Welsh Government for 2013/14 and (with minor amendments) subsequent years, is a uniform all-Wales scheme, albeit with limited areas of local discretion available to authorities.
- 3. Despite being an all-Wales scheme, individual Councils are required by the Prescribed Requirements Regulations to formally adopt a Council Tax Reduction Scheme by 31st January each year.
- 4. The limited areas of local discretion, and the policy adopted by Council in respect of those discretions, are shown below for information. There is no recommendation for change:

<u>Discretion</u>: to disregard part or the whole amount of War Disablement pensions and War Widows Pensions when calculating income.

<u>Policy</u>: The Council exercises its discretion and fully disregards War Disablement pensions, War Widows Pensions and analogous payments, when calculating income for the purposes of assessing entitlement to Council Tax Reduction.

<u>Discretion</u>: The ability to increase the standard extended payment period of 4 weeks given to people after they return to work, when they have been in receipt of a relevant qualifying benefit.

<u>Policy</u>: The Council does not exercise its discretion in relation to extended payments and therefore continues to adopt the 4 week period within the standard scheme.

<u>Discretion</u>: The ability to backdate the application of Council Tax Support awards for working age and/or pension age, customers beyond a standard period of 3 months prior to the claim.

<u>Policy</u>: The Council does not exercise its discretion in relation to backdating applications and therefore continues to adopt the 3 month maximum period within the standard scheme.

5. Apart from the normal annual up-rating of certain financial figures used for assessing individual entitlement and some technical adjustments (as is being provided for in *The Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Prescribed Requirements and Default Scheme) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2020)* the scheme will be materially unchanged for 2021/22

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?

YES



IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report:

Signed: Chris Moore Director of Corporate Resources

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
YES	YES	YES	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

1. Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities

The Council Tax Reduction scheme retained for 2014/15 and subsequent years will continue to assess claimants' entitlement on their full Council Tax liability, as happened under the 2013/14 scheme and the former UK-wide Council Tax Benefit scheme.

A local equalities impact assessment was undertaken by the Council in anticipation of the original draft 2013/14 scheme which if implemented, would have reduced all claimants' entitlement. In the event the final 2013/14 scheme was more generous with claimants' entitlement being based on the full charge as will be the case for subsequent years, unless changed. It has not therefore been considered necessary to undertake a further EIA.

There are no proposed material changes to the scheme other than the normal annual up-rating of the financial figures used to assess applicant's entitlement, and some technical adjustments. Council has no power to vary these.

2. Legal

Under the Prescribed Requirements Regulations the Council is obliged to make a Council Tax Reduction Scheme each year.

The legislation provides for a default scheme to apply in the absence of the Council making a scheme; the Council is nevertheless under a statutory duty to adopt its own scheme, even if it chooses not to apply any of the discretionary elements.

The National Assembly for Wales on the 26th November 2013 approved the Regulations governing the operation of Council Tax Reduction Schemes in Wales for 2014/15 and subsequent years.

The Council Tax Reduction Schemes amending Regulations for 2021/22 have been laid on 14th December 2020 and are scheduled for debate and approval by Welsh Government in January 2021. They will up-rate figures contained in the main regulations that are used to calculate a claimant's entitlement to a reduction under a council tax reduction scheme and introduce further technical / procedural amendments. Council has no power to vary these.

3. Finance

The scheme for 2021/22 continues to have financial implications for authorities.

The former Council Tax Benefit system was fully funded by the Westminster Government however less funding was given to Welsh Government with regard to the replacement scheme.

The initial funding distributed to Councils by Welsh Government has not increased since the new scheme was introduced in 2013/14. Accordingly individual authorities must make up ongoing shortfalls due to higher expenditure as a result of any additional caseload and/or higher Council Tax levels.

The Council's proposed budget provision for 2021/22 is £16,945,056

The additional cost to the Council to continue exercising its discretionary powers and disregarding War Widow and War Disablement Pensions (and other analogous payments) is estimated as £36k.



CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: Chris Moore Director of Corporate Services

- 1. Scrutiny Committee N/A
- 2.Local Member(s) N/A
- 3.Community / Town Council N/A
- 4.Relevant Partners N/A

5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations

As there are no proposed changes to the scheme other than the normal annual uprating figures over which Council has no jurisdiction, no public consultation exercise has been undertaken.

EXECUTIVE BOARD PORTFOLIO	Yes
HOLDER(S) AWARE/CONSULTED	

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information			
Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection	
The Council Tax Reduction Schemes and Prescribed Requirements (Wales) Regulations 2013 Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Prescribed Requirements and Default Scheme) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2014	N/A N/A	CFP - Council Tax Reduction folder http://www.legislation.gov.uk/all?title=The%20Council %20Tax%20Reduction%20Schemes%20and%20Pre scribed%20Requirements%20%28Wales%29%20Re gulations%202013 CFP - Council Tax Reduction folder http://www.legislation.gov.uk/wsi/2014/66/contents/m ade	
Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Prescribed Requirements and Default Scheme) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2021		https://business.senedd.wales/mglssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=34956 [laid before the National Assembly for Wales on 14th December 2020:	



APPENDIX A

Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2021-22 - Detailed Report

1. Introduction

- 1.1 With effect from April 2013, the Council Tax Benefit system was replaced with a localised Council Tax Reduction scheme. In Wales, the replacement scheme was devolved to Welsh Government but continues to be administered by local authorities.
- 1.2 The former Council Tax Benefit system was fully funded by the Westminster Government, however, less funding was given to Welsh Government with regard to the replacement scheme. However Welsh Government made a late decision to make up the shortfall which meant that up to 100% reduction would still be available to qualifying claimants.
- 1.3 The initial funding distributed to Councils by Welsh Government has not increased since the new scheme was introduced in 2013/14. Accordingly individual authorities must now make up any on-going shortfalls due to higher expenditure as a result of any additional caseload and/or higher Council Tax levels.

2 Council Tax Reduction scheme – 2014/15 Onwards

- 2.1 The Council Tax Reduction Schemes and Prescribed Requirements (Wales) Regulations 2013 are the regulations that govern the operation of Council Tax Reduction Schemes in Wales for 2014/15 and subsequent years. These were approved by Welsh Government on the 14th December 2020. Also approved were the default regulations which would apply if an authority failed to adopt the scheme.
- 2.2 The Prescribed Scheme regulations and Default Regulations are extensive and detailed, comprising almost 300 pages and are not therefore appended to this report.
- 2.3 The scheme is subject to the annual up-rating of certain figures used by authorities to assess individual customers' entitlement and is also subject to periodic technical adjustments. These amendments are contained in *The Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Prescribed Requirements and Default Scheme) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2021.*
- 2.4 These regulations have been laid in Assembly on 14th December 2020 and will be debated by Welsh Government in January 2021 (date to be confirmed). If approved, they will come into force for 2021/22. These complex regulations will update the main regulations and therefore form part of the 2021/22 scheme.

- 2.5 This statutory instrument amends the previous Regulations to uprate certain figures used to calculate entitlement to a council tax reduction, and the amount of any such reduction awarded in the 2021-22 financial year. These will include Personal Allowances as well as carer and disabled premiums, uprated in line with the Consumer Price Index September figure from the previous year (2020), which is 0.5%.
- 2.6 It also makes a number of consequential and technical amendments to the 2013 CTRS Regulations that are associated with wider welfare changes made by the UK government. This will ensure Council Tax Reduction Schemes reflect changes made to interrelated social security benefits which often determine entitlement to a reduction.
- 2.7 Although the scheme will be uniform across Wales the Prescribed Requirements Regulations require the Council to adopt a Council Tax Reduction Scheme by 31st January each year, regardless of whether it applies any of the discretionary elements (see part (3) below).
- 2.8 If the Council fails to make a scheme, then the default scheme shall apply under the provisions of the Default Scheme Regulations. The default scheme is the same as the prescribed scheme except that Council can only use its discretionary powers if it adopts the Prescribed Requirements Regulations scheme.

3. Discretionary Powers

- 3.1. Although a national scheme has been approved by Welsh Government, within the Prescribed Requirements Regulations there continues to be limited discretion given to Councils to apply additional discretionary elements that are more generous than the national scheme. It should be noted however, that there are no additional monies available from Welsh Government to fund the discretionary elements.
- 3.2. There are three areas of discretion now available to authorities, as follows:
 - a) Discretion to increase the amount of War Disablement Pensions, War Widows Pensions and analogous payments, that are disregarded when calculating income of the claimant;

[Note: The Council, in common with all other authorities in Wales, has since its inception, exercised its discretion and fully disregarded War Disablement pensions, War Widows Pensions in the calculation of Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit.

This approach has been retained by the Council for the Council Tax Reduction scheme. The estimated cost to the Authority for 2021/22 is approximately £36k.]

b) The ability to increase the standard extended reduction period of 4 weeks given to persons after they return to work where they have

previously been receiving a Council Tax Reduction that will cease as a result of their return to work;

[Note: The 4 week "run on" was an established feature of the former Council Tax Benefit scheme, the existing Housing Benefit scheme and is retained for the all-Wales, standard Council Tax Reduction scheme.

If the Council were to increase this period it would deviate from the established arrangements, create a serious anomaly with the on-going Housing Benefit system and increase the cost to the Council]

 The ability to backdate the application of Council Tax Reduction with regard to late claims prior to the new standard period of three months before the claim;

[Note: The previous Council Tax Benefit regulations allowed maximum backdating of 6 months for working age customers, 3 months for pension age customers]

3.3. In relation to its discretionary powers, the Council has to date, adopted the following approach each year since Council Tax Reduction scheme was introduced:

Council:

- a) exercises its discretion and fully disregards War Disablement pensions, War Widows Pensions and analogous payments when calculating income for the purposes of assessing entitlement to Council Tax Reduction
- b) does not exercise its discretion in relation to extended payments and therefore adopts the 4 week period specified within the standard scheme,
- does not exercise its discretion in relation to backdating applications and therefore adopts the 3 month maximum period specified within the standard scheme

4. Adoption of Scheme

- 4.1. Under the requirements of the Council Tax Reduction Schemes and Prescribed Requirements (Wales) Regulations 2013 the Council is obliged to make a Council Tax Reduction scheme. Furthermore, in order to do so, the regulations require the Council to determine its approach to the discretion powers available to it.
- 4.2. It is therefore recommended that for 2021/22:
 - a) Council adopts a scheme in accordance with the Council Tax Reduction Schemes and Prescribed Requirements (Wales)

Regulations 2013 and any subsequent amendments that may be required by legislation from time to time, in particular:

i. Council Tax Reduction Schemes (Prescribed Requirements and Default Scheme) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2021

and

- b) Council retains its existing approach to its discretionary powers as follows:
 - i. Council exercises its discretion and for the purposes of assessing entitlement to Council Tax Reduction disregards in full War Disablement Pension, War Widows & Widowers Pensions and any analogous payments as permitted under the Regulations
 - ii. Council does not exercise its discretion in relation to extended payments and therefore applies the 4 week period specified within the standard scheme.
 - iii. Council does not exercise its discretion in relation to backdating applications and therefore adopts the 3 month maximum period specified within the standard scheme.

COUNTY COUNCIL 13/01/21

STANDARDS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

Recommendations / key decisions required:

To note the report

Reasons:

The committee is under a legal obligation to provide an annual report

Relevant scrutiny committee to be consulted NA

Exec. Board Decision Required NO

Council Decision Required NO

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:-Cllr. Emlyn Dole – Leader of the Council

Directorate: Chief Executives | Designations: | Email addresses:

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COUNTY COUNCIL 13/01/20

STANDARDS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

The Standards Committee is obliged to present an annual report to Full Council setting out its activities during the preceding municipal year. Attached is the report for the period 1st April 2019 to 31st March 2020.

The report addresses the following

- 1. Code of Conduct Complaints
- 2. Dispensations granted
- 3. Code of Conduct training
- 4. Whistle blowing

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?	YES



IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report: Signed Linda Rees-Jones Head of Administration and Law Policy, Crime & Legal Finance **ICT** Risk Staffing Physical Disorder and Implications Management Assets Equalities Issues **NONE** NONE NONE NONE NONE NONE NONE

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate cons below	confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below			
Signed Linda Rees-Jones Hea	ad of Administration and Law			
1. Scrutiny Committee - N/A				
2.Local Member(s) - N/A				
3.Community / Town Council – N/A				
4.Relevant Partners - N/A				
5.Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations - N/A				
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List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW

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Legal Services File	DPSC-183	County Hall, Carmarthen



STANDARDS COMMITTEE

ANNUAL REPORT 2019/2020

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INTRODUCTION

The law requires every County and County Borough Council in Wales to establish and maintain a Standards Committee. Such committees are responsible for overseeing standards of conduct for elected members of both the principal council and the constituent community and town councils within the principal council's area.

The Committee receives and determines applications for dispensation from elected members in relation to the Code of Conduct and adjudicates upon code complaints referred to the Council by the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales. However, it should be noted that only rarely has the Committee been requested to undertake this latter function.

The Committee also receives reports in relation to the operation of the Council's whistle-blowing policy.

1. PERIOD COVERED BY THE REPORT

This report covers the activities of the Standards Committee during the period 1st April 2019 to 31st March 2020

2. TERMS OF REFERENCE

The role and functions of the committee as set out in the constitution of the Council are:

- To promote and maintain high standards of conduct by councillors and co-opted members
- To assist councillors and co-opted members to observe the Members' Code of conduct
- To advise the Council on the adoption or revision of the Members' Code of Conduct
- To monitor operation of the Members' Code of Conduct
- To advise, or arrange training for councillors and co-opted members on matters relating to the Members' Code of Conduct
- To grant dispensations to councillors and co-opted members where they have a personal and prejudicial interest under the Members' Code of Conduct
- To deal with reports from the Adjudication Panel for Wales and reports from the Monitoring Officer or the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales
- The exercise of the above functions in relation to Town and Community Councils in the county
- To receive annual reports on the operation of the Council's Whistleblowing Policy

3. MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

The Panel consists of 9 members, 3 County councillors, 1 Community councillor and 5 coopted members.

There have been no changes to the co-opted members of the committee during the year. They are.

Mr. Andre Morgan (Chair)

Mrs. Mary Dodd (Vice-chair)

Mrs. Daphne Evans

Mrs. Julie James

Mr. Alun Williams

There have been no changes to the Community council member of the committee. He is: Councillor Philip Rogers (St. Clears Town Council)

There have been no changes to the County Councillor membership of the committee during the year. The current members are:

Councillor. Jeanette Gilasbey Councillor. Gareth Thomas Councillor. Rob James

4. CODE OF CONDUCT COMPLAINTS

The Committee was not required to adjudicate upon any Code of Conduct complaints during the period of this report.

Formal complaints about councillors who are suspected of breaching the Code of Conduct are referred directly to the Public Service Ombudsman for Wales without involving the Standards Committee. Most complaints are resolved by the Ombudsman but occasionally the Ombudsman may require the Committee to investigate and adjudicate on a complaint.

In 2019-20 however, the Ombudsman did not refer any complaints to the Committee, nor were any matters referred to the Adjudication Panel for Wales in respect of Councillors from Carmarthenshire.

During the period covered by this report the Ombudsman considered and closed a total of 8 code of conduct complaints against councillors from Carmarthenshire. Four of these cases related to County Councillors and four to Town and Community Councillors.

It should be noted however that in all these cases the Ombudsman either closed his investigation after initial consideration or found no action was necessary.

Therefore the committee is satisfied that the vast majority of councillors do comply with the code and that where allegations of breach are made they are either unfounded or are not considered by the Ombudsman to be sufficiently serious to warrant enforcement action.

5. APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION

The Committee considered 13 applications for dispensation from County and Community and Town Councillors during the year, all but one of which were either granted or partly granted.

In addition, the Committee gave the Council's Monitoring Officer delegated authority to grant dispensations to County Councillors in respect of their interests in the Dyfed Pension Fund, to enable them to participate in debates relating to the nature of the fund investments. A further 12 dispensations were granted under that delegated authority.

The grounds upon which the Committee may grant a dispensation are set out in the Standards Committees (Grant of Dispensations) (Wales) Regulations 2001.

The Committee continues to approach each application with a presumption in favour of granting a dispensation wherever practicable, particularly in relation to granting a dispensation to speak.

Details of the applications that have been dealt with can be viewed as part of the minutes of the meetings of the Committee which are accessible on Carmarthenshire County Council's website www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk.

A comparison between the numbers of dispensation applications received since 2015/2016 shows the following:

YEAR	TOTAL	CCC	T/CC	GRANTED*	REFUSED	OTHER
2015/16	65	5	60	62	3	N/A
2016/17	21	4	17	18	3	N/A
2017/18	31	7	24	31	0	N/A
2018/19	55	42	13	52	3	N/A
2019/2020	25	19	6	24	1	N/A

^{*} either granted or partly granted

6. CODE OF CONDUCT TRAINING

Code of Conduct training sessions for Town and Community Councillors were held in Carmarthen on the 10th and 16th July 2019. A total of 94 people attended, representing 43 different Councils. This represents a slight increase in the number of attendees and a significant increase in the number of Councils compared to the previous year.

In addition, code training was separately provided to the members of one other council by legal officers of the authority.

7. WHISTLEBLOWING POLICY

The Committee has oversight of the authority's Whistleblowing Policy. The process is regulated by the Public Interest Disclosure Act 1998, which protects against dismissal and other detriment for workers who disclose information in the public interest in prescribed circumstances to prescribed persons.

Details of the complaints dealt with during the period of this report are set out below.

New	Complaints carried	Cases	Cases
Complaints	over from 2018/19	Concluded	Continuing
6	7	2	11*

5 of these cases were concluded in the first half of 2020/2021

The number of complaints continues to be consistent with those received by other local authorities.

When considering the number of complaints made under the policy, it is necessary to keep in mind that there is often some overlap with matters relating to grievance, disciplinary matters and dignity at work. This can significantly impact upon the time it takes to bring these matters to conclusion.

The Committee reviewed the Whistleblowing Policy during the period covered by this report and made changes which reflected the experience of its operation during the year.

8. CODE OF CONDUCT COMPLIANCE BY TOWN AND COMMUNITY COUNCILS

The committee again received a report regarding the extent to which Town and Community Councils within the County are complying with the Code of Conduct. The report contained data relating to:

- Code complaints
- Dispensation requests
- Declaration of interests
- Code Training

Again, no pattern could be discerned from the data, although it was pleasing to note that a larger number of Councils responded than in previous years. It remains of concern however that a small minority of Councils have consistently failed to provide data and engage with the Committee over several years and the Committee will look to focus its attention on those Councils moving forward.

9. OTHER ACTIVITIES

In addition to the above activities the Committee also:

- Received and considered the Annual Report of the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales
- Received and considered case decisions of the Adjudication Panel for Wales
- Received and considered case decisions made by other Standards Committees in Wales
- Received and considered the Code of Conduct casebook published by the Ombudsman

Where appropriate the Committee has identified points of learning and best practice and has taken them into account in their own decision making and included them in the training referred to in paragraph 5 above.

10. **CONCLUSION**

The committee had a busy year and we are grateful for the help and support given to us by the council's legal department. We have been much encouraged by the generally good levels of compliance with the Code of Conduct exhibited by Councillors across the County and very much hope this will continue.

COUNTY COUNCIL 13th January, 2021

Mid-Year Treasury Management and Prudential Indicator Report 1st April 2020 to 30th September 2020

EXECUTIVE BOARD RECOMMENDATION:-

that the Mid-Year Treasury Management and Prudential Indicator Report for 1st April 2020 to 30th September 2020 be adopted.

Reasons:

To provide members with an update on the treasury management activities from 1st April 2020 to 30th September 2020.

Relevant scrutiny committee to be consulted YES

Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee 2nd December 2020

Exec Board Decision Required YES

Council Decision Required YES

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:- CIIr. D.M. Jenkins

Directorate: Corporate Services

Name of Director: Chris Moore Designation: Director of Corporate

Services

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COUNTY COUNCIL 13th January, 2021

Mid-Year Treasury Management and Prudential Indicator Report 1st April 2020 to 30th September 2020

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IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report:

Signed: C Moore Director

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
YES	NONE	YES	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

1. Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities

Within the requirements of the Treasury Management Policy and Strategy Report 2020-2021

3. Finance

The authority's investments during the period returned an average return of 0.28%, exceeding the 7 day LIBID rate.

Gross interest earned on investments for the period amounted to £0.209m and interest paid on loans was £8.96m.

The Authority did not breach any of its Prudential Indicators during the period. At the period end the investments included £0.53m of KSF investments.

The administration of KSF is expected to continue for some time again and further updates will be provided in future reports.



CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: C Moore Director

1. Scrutiny Committee

For information to Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee on the TBC.

2.Local Member(s)

NA

3.Community / Town Council

NA

4.Relevant Partners

NA

5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations

NA

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List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

THERE ARE NONE

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
CIPFA Treasury Management in the Public Services - Code of Practice Revised 2017		County Hall, Carmarthen



MID YEAR TREASURY MANAGEMENT AND PRUDENTIAL INDICATOR REPORT

1ST April 2020 – 30TH September 2020

A. TREASURY MANAGEMENT REPORT

1. Introduction

The Treasury Management Policy and Strategy for 2020-2021 was approved by Council on 3rd March 2020. Section B 1.1(2) stated that Treasury Management activity reports would be made during the year. This report outlines the Treasury Management activities in the period 1st April 2020 to 30th September 2020 and satisfies the reporting requirement stated above.

There are no policy changes to the Treasury Management Policy and Strategy for this period and this report updates the position in light of the updated economic position and budgetary changes already approved.

2. Economic update

As expected, the Bank of England's Monetary Policy Committee kept Bank Rate unchanged on 6th August 2020. It also kept unchanged the level of quantitative easing at £745bn. Its forecasts were optimistic in terms of three areas:

The fall in GDP in the first half of 2020 was revised from 28% to 23% (subsequently revised to -21.8%). This is still one of the largest falls in output of any developed nation. However, it is only to be expected as the UK economy is heavily skewed towards consumer-facing services – an area which was particularly vulnerable to being damaged by lockdown.

The peak in the unemployment rate was revised down from 9% in Q2 to 7½% by Q4 2020.

It forecast that there would be excess demand in the economy by Q3 2022 causing CPI inflation to rise above the 2% target in Q3 2022, (based on market interest rate expectations for a further loosening in policy). Nevertheless, even if the Bank were to leave policy unchanged, inflation was still projected to be above 2% in 2023.

It also squashed any idea of using negative interest rates, at least in the next six months or so. It suggested that while negative rates can work in some circumstances, it would be "less effective as a tool to stimulate the economy" at this time when banks are worried about future loan losses. It also has "other instruments available", including QE and the use of forward guidance.

3. Prospects for Interest Rates

Based on the average projection from a number of sources we can expect the trend in base rates over the year to be as follows:

	Apr 2020	Jun 2020	Sep 2020	Dec 2020	Mar 2021
Base Rate %	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10

(Source: LINK Asset Services)

Link Asset Services undertook its last review of interest rate forecasts on 11th August 2020 after the Quarterly Inflation Report of the Bank of England and Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) meeting 6th August 2020, where the decision was made to keep the Bank Rate unchanged at 0.10% due to the ongoing uncertainty surrounding the Coronavirus outbreak.

The revised projection based on this review:

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
	%	%	%
Revised Average Bank Rate	0.10	0.10	0.10
Original Average Bank Rate (TM Strategy 2020-21)	0.81	1.00	1.25

4. Investments

One of the primary activities of the Treasury Management operation is the investment of surplus cash for which the Authority is responsible. As well as the Authority's own cash the County Council invests School Trust Funds and other Funds, with any interest derived from these investments being passed over to the relevant Fund.

All surplus money is invested daily on the London Money Markets. The security of the investments is the main priority; appropriate liquidity should be maintained and returns on the investments a final consideration. It continues to be difficult to invest these funds as the market continues to be insecure and as a consequence appropriate counterparties are limited.

The total investments at 1st April 2020 and 30th September 2020 analysed between Banks, Building Societies, Local Authorities and Money Market Funds, are shown in the following table:

Investments		01.04.20				30.09.20			
	Call and notice	Fixed Term	Total		Call and notice	Fixed Term	Total		
	£m	£m	£m	%	£m	£m	£m	%	
Banks	19.00	0.53	19.53	27	26.00	0.53	26.53	22	
Building Societies	0.00	3.00	3.00	4	0.00	7.00	7.00	6	
Money Market Funds	12.00	0.00	12.00	16	20.00	0.00	20.00	17	
DMADF (DMO)	0.00	18.00	18.00	24	0.00	33.00	33.00	28	
Local Authorities	0.00	21.00	21.00	29	0.00	32.00	32.00	27	
TOTAL	31.00	42.53	73.53	100	46.00	72.53	118.53	100	

Investments on call are available immediately on demand. Fixed term investments are fixed to a maturity date. The current longest investment is maturing on 31st March 2021.

The £118.53m includes £0.53m (13.33% of original claim) invested in Kaupthing Singer and Friedlander which has been reduced from the original £4.0m by distributions.

During the period the total investments made by the Council and repaid to the Council (turnover) amounted to £1,432.01m. This averaged approximately £54.78m per week or £7.83m per day. A summary of turnover is shown below:

	£m
Total Investments 1st April 2020	73.53
Investments made during the period	738.50
Sub Total	812.03
Investments Repaid during the period	(693.50)
Total Investments 30th September 2020	118.53

The main aims of the Treasury Management Strategy is to appropriately manage the cash flows of the Council, the required short term and longer term market transactions and the risks associated with this activity. Lending on the money market secures an optimum rate of return and also allows for diversification of investments and hence reduction of risk, which is of paramount importance in today's financial markets.

The benchmark return for the London money market is the "7 day LIBID rate". For 2020-2021 the Council has compared its performance against this "7 day LIBID rate". For the period under review the average "7 day LIBID rate" was -0.05% whereas the actual rate the Council earned was 0.28%, an out performance of 0.33%.

This outperformance can be quantified to £249k additional interest earned compared to the "7 day LIBID rate".

The gross interest earned on investments for the period amounted to £0.209m.

The income from investments is used by the Authority to reduce the net overall costs to the Council taxpayer.

5. Update on the investments with Kaupthing Singer & Friedlander (KSF)

As at 30th September 2020 the sum of £3.47m principal and £212k interest had been received from the Administrators, which equates to 86.67% of the claim submitted. The Administrators estimate total dividends payable to non-preferential creditors at 86.80%.

A further update will be provided in future reports.

6. Security, Liquidity and Yield (SLY)

Within the Treasury Management Strategy Statement for 2020-2021, the Council's investment priorities are:

- Security of Capital
- · Liquidity and
- Yield

The Council aims to achieve the optimum return (yield) on investments commensurate with proper levels of security and liquidity. In the current economic climate it is considered appropriate to keep investments short term to cover short term cash flow needs but also to seek out value available in significantly higher rates in periods up to 12 months with highly credit rated financial institutions.

Attached at Appendix 1 is the Investment Summary and Top 10 Counterparty Holdings (excluding the £0.53m in KSF) as at 30th September 2020.

7. Borrowing

One of the methods used to fund capital expenditure is long term borrowing. The principal lender for Local Authorities is the Public Works Loan Board (PWLB).

Under the Treasury Management Strategy, it was agreed to borrow when interest rates are at their most advantageous.

The total loans at 1st April 2020 and 30th September 2020 are shown in the following table:

Loans	Balance at 01.04.20 £m	Balance at 30.09.20 £m	Net Increase/ (Net Decrease) £m
Public Works Loan Board (PWLB)	425.42	415.38	(10.04)
Market Loan	3.00	3.00	0.00
Salix, Invest to Save, HILS & TCL	4.11	4.11	0.00
TOTAL	432.53	422.49	(10.04)

The Salix interest free loans have been provided by an independent publicly funded company dedicated to providing the public sector with loans for energy efficiency projects.

The interest free 'Invest-2-Save' funding is to assist in the conversion of traditional street lighting to LED, which will help deliver a legacy of reduced energy costs and associated carbon taxes.

The Home Improvement Loan Scheme (HILS) repayable funding is provided by the Welsh Government to help individual home owners, small portfolio landlords, developers and charities to improve homes and increase housing supply.

The Town Centre Loan (TCL) repayable funding is provided by the Welsh Government to provide loans to reduce the number of vacant, underutilised and redundant sites and premises in town centres and to support the diversification of the town centres by encouraging more sustainable uses for empty sites and premises, such as residential, leisure and for key services.

7.1 New Borrowing

No new loans were borrowed during the period.

7.2 Interest Paid

Interest paid on loans during the period was:

PWLB	Market Loan	Total
Interest	Interest	Interest
Paid	Paid	Paid
£m	£m	£m
8.89	0.07	8.96

8. Rescheduling and Premature Loan Repayments

The current economic climate and the consequent structure of interest rates meant that no rescheduling opportunities arose during the period and there were no premature loan repayments.

9. Leasing

No leases were negotiated during the period 1st April 2020 to 30th September 2020.

B. PRUDENTIAL INDICATOR REPORT

1. Prudential Indicators

As part of the 2020-2021 Budget and the Treasury Management Policy and Strategy 2020-2021, the Council adopted a number of Prudential Indicators. These Indicators are designed to ensure that any borrowing or other long-term liabilities entered into for capital purposes were affordable, sustainable and prudent.

The Indicators are required by the Local Government Act 2003 and the Revised Prudential Code of Practice in order to control Capital Finance. The Prudential Code also required that those Prudential Indicators that were forward looking should be monitored and reported. Some of the indicators are monitored by officers monthly, and are only reported if they are likely to be breached, others are to be monitored quarterly by the Executive Board.

1.1 Affordability Prudential Indicator

1.1.1 Ratio of Financing Costs to Net Revenue Stream

The indicator set for 2020-2021 in the Budget was:

	2020-2021
	%
Non-HRA	4.74
HRA	33.93

An examination of the assumptions made in calculating this indicator concluded that there have been no changes in this period.

1.2 Prudence Prudential Indicators

1.2.1 Capital Financing Requirement (CFR)

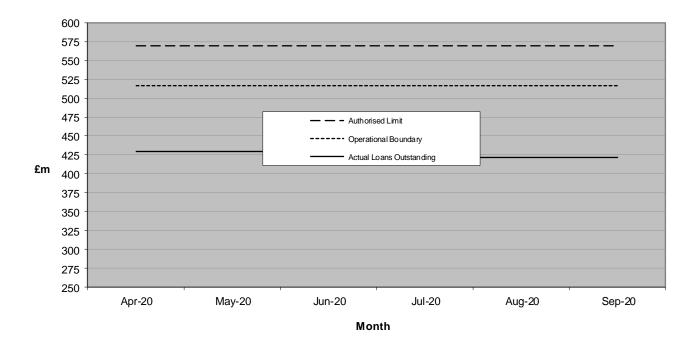
The Director of Corporate Services reports that no difficulties are envisaged for the current or future years in complying with this prudential indicator.

	2020-2021 Estimate £m	As at 30.09.20 £m	2020-2021 Forecast £m
Capital Financing Requirement			
CFR – non housing	282	272	272
CFR – housing	176	175	175
CFR - housing subsidy buy-out	71	71	71
Total CFR	529	518	518 Page 4

1.2.2. Authorised Limit and Operational Boundary

The actual value of loans outstanding must not exceed the Authorised Limit. In normal activity actual loans outstanding should be close but less than the Operational Boundary. The Operational Boundary can be breached in the short term due to adverse cash flows.

	Authorise Extern		Operational Boundary for External Debt		
	2020-21 2020-21 Estimate Forecast		2020-21 Estimate	2020-21 Forecast	
	£m £m		£m	£m	
Borrowing	568.5	568.5	516.9	516.9	
Other Long-Term Liabilities	0.5	0.5	0.1	0.1	
Total	569	569	517	517	



	Apr-20	May-20	Jun-20	Jul-20	Aug-20	Sep-20
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Authorised Limit	569	569	569	569	569	569
Operational Boundary	517	517	517	517	517	517
Loans Outstanding	430	430	430	422	422	422

Neither the Authorised Limit nor the Operational Boundary have been breached.

2.1 <u>Treasury Management Prudential Indicators</u>

2.1.1 Interest Rate Exposure

Position as at 30th September 2020:

	Fixed Interest Variable		TOTAL
	Rate	Interest Rate	
	£m	£m	£m
Borrowed	419.49	3.00	422.49
Invested	(72.53)	(46.00)	(118.53)
Net	346.96	(43.00)	303.96
Limit	510.00	51.00	
Proportion of Net			
Borrowing Actual	114.14%	(14.14)%	100.00%
Limit	125.00%	5.00%	

The authority is within limits set by the 2020-2021 indicators.

2.1.2 Maturity Structure of Borrowing

	Structure at 30.09.20 %	Upper Limit %	Lower Limit %
Under 12 months	3.02	15	0
12 months to 2 years	3.73	15	0
2 years to 5 years	6.90	50	0
5 years to 10 years	9.45	50	0
10 years to 20 years	18.31	50	0
20 years to 30 years	18.84	50	0
30 years to 40 years	23.65	50	0
40 years and above	16.10	50	0

The authority is within the limits set by the 2020-2021 indicators.

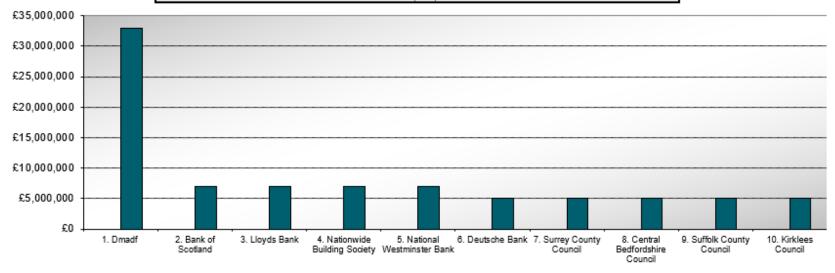
2.1.3 Maximum Principal Sums Invested Longer than 365 Days

	2020-2021 £m
Limit	10
Actual as at 30 th September 2020	NIL

RECOMMENDATION



Counterparty	Principal	% of Total Holding	WAM (Days)	WAYield	WADefault
1. Dmadf	£33,000,000	29.73%	19	0.01%	0.001%
2. Bank of Scotland	£7,000,000	6.31%	1	0.00%	0.000%
3. Lloyds Bank	£7,000,000	6.31%	1	0.20%	0.000%
4. Nationwide Building Society	£7,000,000	6.31%	4	0.16%	0.001%
5. National Westminster Bank	£7,000,000	6.31%	26	0.03%	0.007%
6. Deutsche Bank	£5,000,000	4.50%	1	0.01%	0.000%
7. Surrey County Council	£5,000,000	4.50%	15	0.35%	0.001%
8. Central Bedfordshire Council	£5,000,000	4.50%	47	0.05%	0.002%
9. Suffolk County Council	£5,000,000	4.50%	72	0.40%	0.003%
10. Kirklees Council	£5,000,000	4.50%	15	0.10%	0.001%



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Totals				
Total	£118,000,000			
Calls & MMFs	£39,000,000	33%		
Fixed Deposits	£79,000,000	67%		
Specified	£118,000,000	100%		

Weighted Average			
Yield		0.12%	
Maturity (Days)			
Total Portfolio	Total Portfolio	28.96	
Long Term	Short Term		
AAA	-	1.00	
AAA AA A	F1	48.82	
A	F1	6.79	
BBB	F2	0.00	
CCC	С	0.00	

Risk Factors			
< 1 year	£2,026	0.002%	
1 - 2 years	£0	0.000%	
2 - 3 years	£0	0.000%	
3 - 4 years	£0	0.000%	
4 - 5 years	£0	0.000%	
Total Portfolio	£2,026	0.002%	

Maturity Structure			
< 1 Week	£49,000,000	42%	
< 1 Month	£46,000,000	39%	
2 - 3 Months	£11,000,000	9%	
3 - 6 Months	£12,000,000	10%	
6 - 9 Months	£0	0%	
9 - 12 Months	£0	0%	
12 Months+	£0	0%	
Total	£118,000,000	100%	



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COUNTY COUNCIL 13TH January 2021

MODERNISING EDUCATION PROGRAMME

PROPOSAL TO SHORTEN THE INTERNAL SCHOOL ORGANISATION DECISION MAKING AND DETERMINATION PROCESS

EXECUTIVE BOARD RECOMMENDATION:-

That the proposal to shorten the Internal School Organisation Decision Making and Determination Process be approved and that the Education and Children Scrutiny Committee be removed from Stages 2 and 3 of the consultation process.

Reasons:

In order to be able to continue to progress with school re-organisation proposals in an effective and timely manner following the delays caused by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Relevant Scrutiny Committee Consulted: Yes – 23/11/2020

The Education and Children's Scrutiny committee UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

- That the proposal to shorten the internal school organisation decision making and determination process be endorsed
- To recommend that the Executive Board progress with the amended process for progressing statutory proposals and consultation as detailed in the report i.e. the removal of consultation with the Education & Children Scrutiny Committee at Stages 2 and 3.

Executive Board Decision Required Yes – 21/12/2020

Council Decision Required Yes – 13/01/2021

Executive Board Member Portfolio Holder: Cllr. Glynog Davies (Education & Children)

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

COUNTY COUNCIL 13TH January 2021

MODERNISING EDUCATION PROGRAMME

PROPOSAL TO SHORTEN THE INTERNAL SCHOOL ORGANISATION DECISION MAKING AND DETERMINATION PROCESS

Background Information

School Organisation Code 2013

The School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013 and School Organisation Code 2013 came into effect as of the 1st October 2013 and significantly changed responsibilities for the determination of school organisation proposals. The Act provided all Local Authorities with greater decision making powers and allowed Local Authorities to determine all school organisation proposals with the exception of those which affect sixth form education; or those that have been made by a proposer other than the relevant local authority and an objection has been made by that local authority.

In 2015, following the publication of the School Organisation Code 2013, Carmarthenshire County Council approved a new "School Organisation Decision Making and Determination Process" which reduced the timescale to complete and approve statutory proposals in relation to school re-organisation. This process allowed the Executive Board to approve Stage 1 (Permission to Consult) and Stage 2 (Permission to Notice) with County Council approving Stage 3 (Permission to Implement).

School Organisation Code 2018

On 30th June 2017, following three years of operation, Welsh Government published a consultation on a review of the School Organisation Code. The consultation was based on the reflection of feedback and learning during the period and stakeholders were asked to submit their responses by 30th September 2017.

The most substantial change proposed, was to strengthen the Code in respect of a presumption against closure of rural schools. The "Consultation – summary of response" published on 2nd July 2018 noted that "when considering whether closure is appropriate the current Code states that special attention should be given to alternatives to closure and when consulting on proposals the consultation document must contain a description of any alternatives and the reasons why they have been discounted. We believe that considering all the possible alternatives should be a two-stage process. The proposer should do this before they even reach a decision to consult on a proposal to close, and should also consider any further options or suggestions that emerge during the consultation process. The aim is to ensure that the decision



to propose and consult on a closure of a rural school is taken only after all alternatives to closure have been considered, including federation."

In light of the expected publication of the new School Organisation Code, Carmarthenshire County Council had to ensure that its process for proceeding with and approving statutory procedures fell in line and adhered to the necessary requirements. As a result, the Local Authority amended its "School Organisation Decision Making and Determination Process" to include Stage 0 and this was approved by the Executive Board Member for Education and Children in September 2018. It is believed that the inclusion of Stage 0 will result in a more open and transparent system, as required by Welsh Government and will demonstrate that the Local Authority has considered all possible options for the schools under review without presuming closure. (The full process can be seen in the attached flow chart).

The new School Organisation Code, which includes the presumption against closure of rural schools, was published in November 2018.

COVID - 19 Pandemic

Prior to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Modernising Education Programme team were about to undertake the following:

- Full scale review of the Modernising Education Programme;
- Identify suitable MIM (Mutual Investment Team) projects as part of the review;
- Progress with a number of statutory school re-organisation proposals and federations.

As a result of the pandemic, all members of the MEP team were fully redeployed (for a period of around 4 months) to other critical areas within the Education Department and as such were only able to complete very limited amounts of project work. Prior to the pandemic, the team had planned to undertake around 6 statutory consultations (in relation to school reorganisation or federation matters) with imminent commencement, all of which have had be postponed with rescheduled dates to be confirmed. This is without including any statutory school reorganisations that would have been brought forward as a result of the conclusion of the MEP review. Whilst the team were redeployed for a period of around 4 months, the realistic delay to school re-organisation proposals has been around 6 months due to the need for establishing new timelines for each proposal and updating all documentation with the most recent data sets.

With regards to Carmarthenshire County Council's investment programme, all projects with contractors on site at the time of initial lockdown were shut down and closed, with recommencement dates continually being approved to allow works to continue. As a result, it is expected that the pandemic will have significant impact on the MEP programme in terms of funding and timelines.

Moving Forward

The MEP team are now in the process of undertaking all of the work planned prior to the pandemic and are working on developing the MEP Review and developing new timescales for the postponed statutory consultations. It is hoped that all relevant project related matters can still be undertaken within a timescale as close to the original as possible, however it is expected that there will be some delay to determination and implementation.



As such, and in order to be able to progress with any school re-organisation proposals (that could be linked to investment projects), consideration has been given to reducing the Internal School Organisation Decision Making and Determination Process once more. Whilst it is accepted that reducing the process will not wholly alleviate the delays incurred due to the Covid -19 pandemic, it will go some way in helping the MEP team to re-prioritise required consultations in an effective and timely manner.

As can be seen from the Illustrative Flow Chart (Current Version), consultation is required with the ECS Scrutiny Committee and the Executive Board at Stages 1 and 2 with the addition of full County Council at Stage 3 to determine the proposal.

Proposal

As can be seen from the Illustrative Flow Chart (Proposed Version), it is proposed to:

• Remove consultation with the ECS Scrutiny Committee from Stages 2 and 3.

This is due to the Executive Board being able to approve Stage 2 and County Council being able to approve Stage 3. This would reduce the process by approximately 2 months. Consultation will then progress as follows:

Stage 1 – ECS Scrutiny Committee and Executive Board

Stage 2 – Executive Board

Stage 3 – Executive Board and County Council

The proposal still ensures that the ECS Scrutiny Committee can formally consider the proposal before any public consultation is agreed and also allows members of the ECS Scrutiny Committee to determine the outcome of the proposal as members of the full County Council. They will also be consulted with during the formal 6 week consultation period (if permission to consult is granted by the Executive Board).

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Executive Board considers and approves the amended process for progressing statutory proposals and consultations as detailed in the attached illustrative flow chart (the removal of consultation with the ECS Scrutiny Committee at Stages 2 and 3).

DETAILE	D REPORT	ATTACHED?
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Yes – Illustrative Flow Chart (Current Version)
Illustrative Flow Chart (Proposed Version)



IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report.

Signed: Mamis.

Head of Access to Education

Policy, Crime & Disorder and	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management	Staffing	Physical
Equalities				Issues	Implications	Assets
YES	YES	YES	NONE	YES	YES	NONE

1. Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities

Developments are consistent with the Authority's Corporate Strategy and the Modernising Education Strategic Outline Programme.

2. Legal

For all school re-organisation proposals, appropriate consultation will need to be initiated in accordance with the relevant statutory procedures and School Organisation Code 2018, regardless of the outcome of the determination of this proposal. Approval of the proposal to shorten the process for approving statutory proposals / consultations will ensure that team can maximise opportunities to engage in consultations following the Covid-19 pandemic.

3. Finance

School delegated budgets are in a net deficit and the current number of schools within the LA is a significant contributory factor. The majority of schools that will be taken through the statutory process are in deficit and therefore timescales are paramount in progressing the necessary changes. The Department budget includes many services providing support to schools and so the main budget efficiency proposals reply on a reduced number of primary schools in order to operate on a more efficient basis in a timely manner. There are also implications for the capital programme (and therefore WG funding) if schemes are delayed.

5. Risk Management Issues

Should the proposal to shorten the internal democratic process for approving statutory proposals / consultations be declined, there is a potential risk that officers will not be able to complete the relevant school organisation consultations (which could be linked with other investment projects) within the relevant timescales as governed by the School Organisation Code. Failure to complete school organisation proposals within appropriate timescales could not only result in delays with the construction development of projects but could also result in financial delays with grant claims etc. For schools, that are not subject to capital investment there are other risks that should be considered such as: premises maintenance costs, staffing and budgetary pressures which will have been accounted for within the overall proposal.

6. Staffing Implications

During the Covid-19 pandemic the whole of the Modernising Education Programme team were re-deployed for 4 months to other critical areas within the Department for Education. As a result of this, the team were unable to progress with any project / school re-organisation work during this time, which has inevitably caused delays with workloads. Shortening the internal democratic process for approving statutory proposals / consultations will ensure that staff can continue to prioritise and complete workloads within the appropriate timeframes as governed by the School Organisation Code etc.



CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below:

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Head of Access to Education

1. Scrutiny Committee – Were consulted on 23/11/2020.

The Education and Children's Scrutiny committee UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

- That the proposal to shorten the internal school organisation decision making and determination process be endorsed
- To recommend that the Executive Board progress with the amended process for progressing statutory proposals and consultation as detailed in the report i.e. the removal of consultation with the Education & Children Scrutiny Committee at Stages 2 and 3.
- 2. Local Member(s) Not applicable
- 3. Community / Town Council Not applicable
- 4. Relevant Partners Not applicable
- 5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations Not applicable

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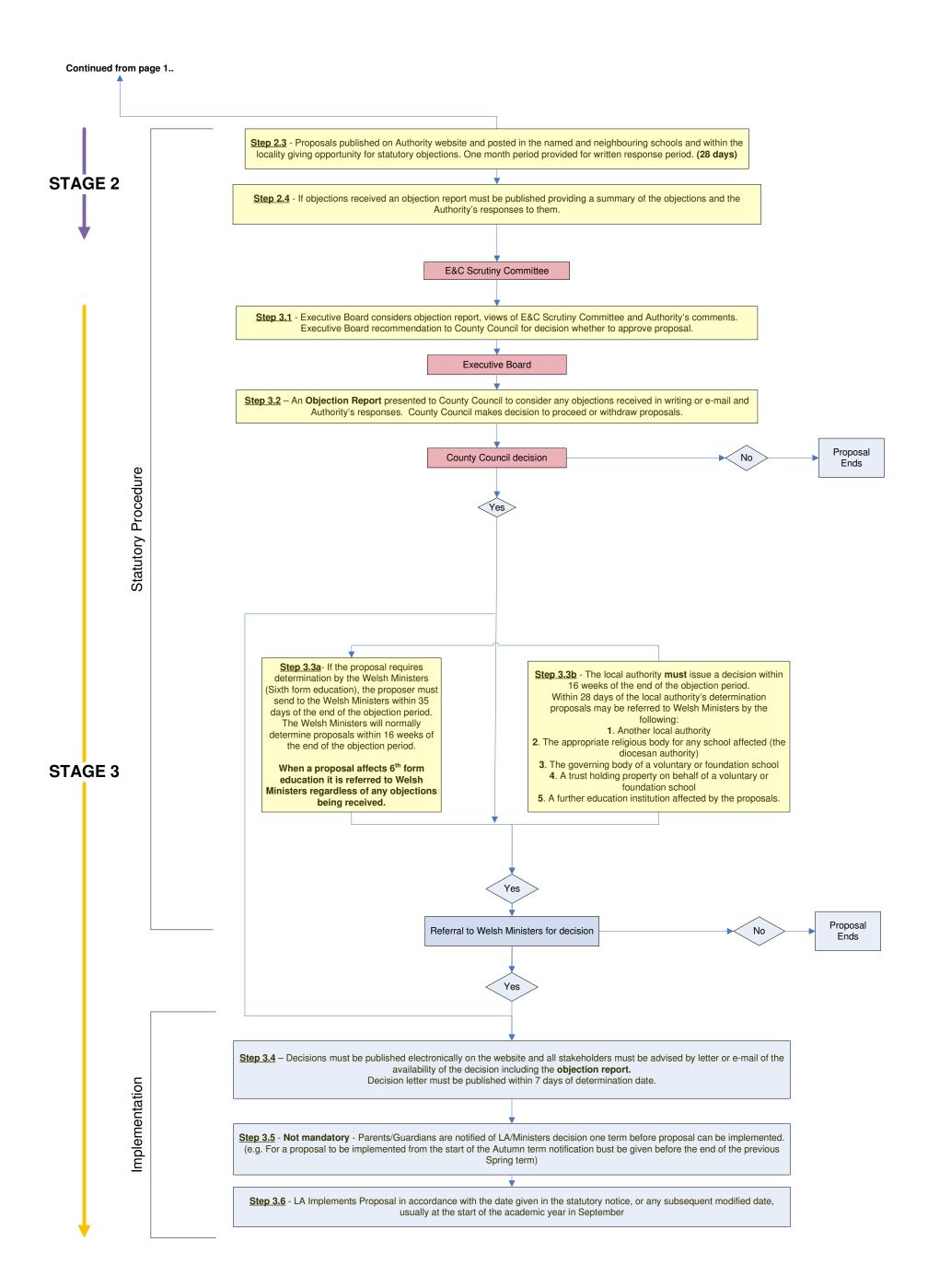
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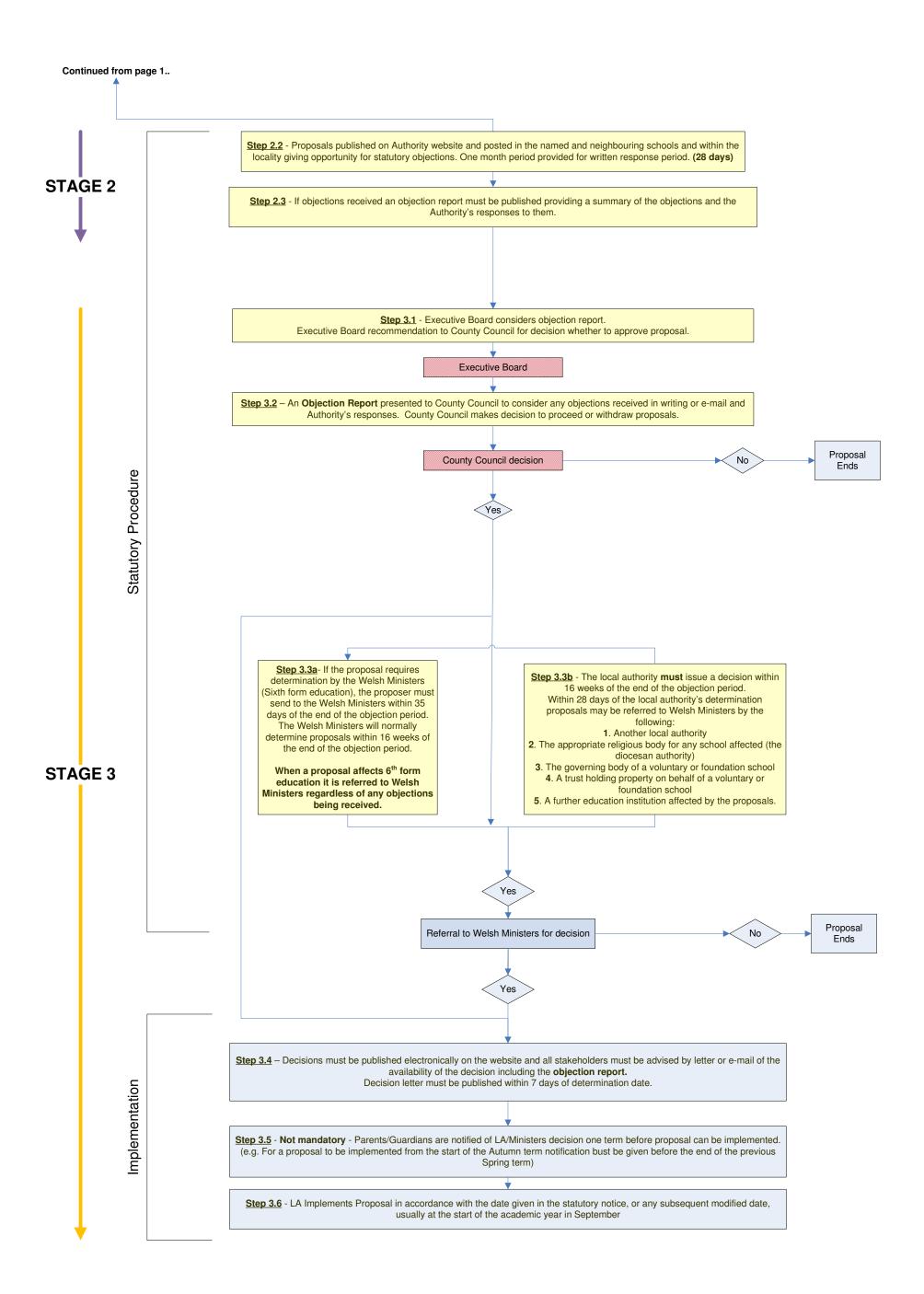
Title of Document	File Ref No. / Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
ECS Scrutiny Report	https://democracy.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/documents/s45464/Summary.pdf
School Organisation Code 2018	https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2018-10/school- organisation-code-second-edition.pdf
School Organisation Decision Making and Determination Process (Inclusion of Stage 0 in 2018) – Executive Board Member Report	https://democracy.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/documents/s24828/Summary.pdf
School Organisation Decision Making and Determination Process (Reduction in Length of Process in 2015) – County Council Report	https://democracy.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/documents/s790/MEP%2 Ocover%20and%20exec%20summary.pdf
School Organisation Code 2013	https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2018-03/school- organisation-code.pdf
21st Century Schools Website	www.21stcenturyschools.org



Department for Education & Children Modernising Education Programme Illustrative Flow Chart for Strategic Review and Statutory Proposals Step 0.1 - Scoping and information gathering exercise (1-3 months) Review & Analysis Step 0.2 - MECP Programme Board - to assess any Corporate dimensions/implications (1 month) Step 0.3 - Analysis complete and School Review Report completed (1-3 months) Step 0.4 - School Review Report presented to DMT for decision on whether to engage with stakeholders on options. (2 months) Approval to Engage STAGE 0 Proposal **DMT** Decision Ends Informal Engagement Step 0.5 – Engagement commences with Local Member / Headteacher(s) / Chair of Governing Body (2 months) Step 0.6 - Engagement with 'other' schools stakeholders identified in any of the school review options. (1-2 months) Yes Step 1.1 - A Proposal Report on preferred option, which includes stakeholder engagement feedback, presented to DMT / Permission to Proceed CMT / E&C Scrutiny & Executive Board for decision on whether to proceed to formal consultation. (3 months) DMT CMT **E&C Scrutiny Committee** Proposal **Executive Board** Ends STAGE 1 Yes Step 1.2 - At the start of the consultation period consultees provided with a consultation document and given at least 42 days to respond with at least 20 days being school days. It is not mandatory to undertake consultation meetings. (42 days minimum) Referral of consultation document to E&C Scrutiny Committee as well as other interested parties Step 1.3 - Consultation undertaken with children and young people. As a minimum, this must include consultation with the school councils of the affected schools. This consultation must be completed within the minimum 42 days of the consultation Formal Consultation Step 1.4 - If considered appropriate meetings / Drop in sessions can be held during the consultation period with stakeholders Step 2.1- Within 13 weeks of the end of the period allowed for responses a consultation report must be published on the Authority's website summarising each of the issue(s) raised by consultees with the Authority's responses to the issu(s) raised. Consultation document issued to ECS Scrutiny Committee for consideration E&C Scrutiny Committee STAGE 2 Step 2.2 - Executive Board considers Consultation Report, views of E&C Scrutiny and Authority's comments. Executive Board decision whether to proceed to statutory notice. Proposal **Executive Board** Ends continuate, 55 page... Continued on next page..



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COUNTY COUNCIL

13 JANUARY 2021

REGIONAL TECHNICAL STATEMENT FOR AGGREGATES – SOUTH WALES – SECOND REVIEW (RTS2)

EXECUTIVE BOARD RECOMMENDATION:-

that the Regional Technical Statement for Aggregates – South Wales – Second Review (RTS2) be endorsed.

Reasons:

The RTS2 provides a reasonable approach to setting out the apportionments and allocations required to ensure an adequate supply of minerals in South Wales over a 25-year period.

Relevant scrutiny committee to be consulted No

Exec. Board Decision Required YES 21st December 2020 Council Decision Required YES 13th January 2021

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY COUNTY COUNCIL

13 JANUARY 2021

REGIONAL TECHNICAL STATEMENT FOR AGGREGATES – SOUTH WALES – SECOND REVIEW

Background

The Regional Technical Statement (RTS) is a requirement of Minerals Technical Advice Note 1: Aggregates (MTAN1). It requires both the South Wales and North Wales Regional Aggregates Working Parties to produce a RTS and for it to be reviewed every 5 years. The initial document was produced in 2008 and was reviewed in 2014. A second review was due in 2019 but its completion has been delayed.

The South Wales Aggregates Working Party, for which this Authority provides the Chair and the Technical Secretary, is a technical group consisting of officers from the 18 constituent Local Planning Authorities in South Wales, Natural Resources Wales, Welsh Government, and representatives of the minerals industry.

The Regional Technical Statement: Second Review (RTS2) has been produced by a consultant under contract to Welsh Government. However, the project was managed by a Steering Group containing officers from Welsh Government, Local Planning Authorities, Natural Resources Wales, and representatives of the minerals industry drawn from the South Wales and North Wales Regional Aggregates Working Parties. The Authority was represented on the Steering Group.

The purpose of the RTS2 is to provide a strategy for the future supply of construction aggregates within each region (North and South Wales) taking into account the latest information in relation to the balance of supply and demand and current notions of sustainability as enshrined in the Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015. It provides a mechanism for encouraging the sustainable management of natural resources within a region for a 25-year period for crushed rock and 22 years for land-won sand and gravel. The document also considers the impact of the proximity principle, environmental capacity and a number of other supply and demand factors.

A draft RTS2 was issued for consultation between 30th September to 25th November 2019. The Authority responded to the consultation raising a number of concerns. The Steering Group considered all the consultation responses and produced a Consultation Report setting out their response to consultation. The RTS2 has subsequently been finalised and each Authority is being requested to endorse it.



Methodology

The starting point is the calculation of the 3-year and 10-year historical annual sales average for each Local Planning Authority (LPA) area and selecting the highest of the two figures so as to avoid potential under-provision of mineral resources required for economic growth in the future.

The 1st stage of the methodology is based around the high statistical correlation between housing completions and aggregate sales. Both markets have been identified as being very closely aligned even though housing consumes only 30% of supply. As planned housing within adopted Local Development Plans (LDP's) was double the historical average housing completions it is proposed to double the 30% supplied for house construction. A number of LPA's (including Carmarthenshire) queried this on the basis that up to date housing figures produced in the National Development Framework (NDF) consultation draft, and lower than planned actual housing completion figures, suggested that the 30% 'uplift' is not required. The Steering Group considered the position but was unable to identify another set of consistent data to use as a baseline. It was therefore considered by the Steering Group that LDP data was the only dataset the RTS2 could realistically use. The conclusion of the Steering Group is understood and accepted.

Stage 2 of the process splits the national figure into figures for North Wales (38.26%) and South Wales (61.74%) based on the average proportional split over the base line period.

Stage 3 splits the Regional requirements down to sub-regions and individual LPA's. The split to sub-regions was supported by the Authority in its consultation response but drilling down another level to individual LPA's was not supported as it is not the option that provides for the most Sustainable Management of Natural Resources. However, the steering group had to accept that a figure for each LPA is a requirement of PPW10. It is accepted that the provision of Sub-regional figures and the requirement to produce a Statement of Sub-regional collaboration (discussed further below) do provide an acceptable framework to plan for minerals at a more strategic level in future.

Stage 4 splits the apportionments between crushed rock and land-won sand and gravel based on the proportion of historic sales. Only Ceredigion, Carmarthenshire and Pembrokeshire Coast National Park have land-won reserves of sand and gravel and together with Pembrokeshire RTS2 requires (as did RTS1) that they work together to identify future resources of 3.626 million tonnes. It is important to note that Carmarthenshire is not required to make any allocations for crushed rock quarries in the LDP review.



Next Steps

A Sub-Regional Statement of Collaboration (SSRC) is required to be produced in each sub-region and Carmarthenshire will be required to work with the West Wales LPA's in relation to land-won sand and gravel and with 'Swansea City' (Swansea and Neath Port Talbot) in relation to crushed rock. This split is due to the differences in the nature and location of resources within Carmarthenshire.

The RTS2 Consultation draft suggested that the SSRC should be approved by the Regional Aggregate Working Party (RAWP) but the Authority pointed out in its consultation response that this is outside the remit of a RAWP. This has now been deleted from RTS2. SSRC's will now only have to be approved by the constituent LPA's following consultation with stakeholders.

The Authority also considered that SSRC's should be provided with a set timeframe so that the whole of Wales is working on them simultaneously and consistently. However, it is accepted that some LPA's are further ahead on LDP Review than others so the requirement that each SSRC is agreed prior to the first LPA within a sub-region attending its LDP Examination is accepted. The SSRCs can be signed off according to the Council's delegation protocols and does not need to go back the Council for endorsement.

The timetable for the Carmarthenshire Replacement LDP is that it will be Reported to the Exec. Board on 21st December 2020 – setting out the focussed changes, report on consultation and the Deposit Plan - and be reported to Full Council on Council 13th January 2021. If the Replacement LDP is agreed by Council in January 2021 it is envisaged that the Plan will be submitted to Welsh Government in May 2021.

Conclusion and Recommendations

The RTS2 has been fully consulted upon and the responses fully considered by the Steering Group.

It is recommended that County Council formally endorse the Regional Technical Statement for Aggregates – South Wales – Second Review (RTS2)

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?	YES



IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report:

Signed: L Que	elch			Head of Planning		
Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
YES	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities

- RTS2 is the output of collaborative working between Local Planning Authorities, Welsh Government, and the minerals industry. The document has been consulted upon in order to seek to involve people with an interest. The document considers the strategic importance of minerals and seeks to plan for minerals supply over a 25-year period for crushed rock and 22 years for sand and gravel in order to prevent the under-provision of minerals that the economy needs to underpin growth. It is therefore considered to be a good example of following the 5 ways of working enshrined in the Well-being of Future Generations Act 2015.
- RTS2 contributes to the Sustainable Management of Natural Resources as required under the Environment (Wales) Act 2016.
- The RTS2 provides part of the evidence base for the Replacement LDP and the Council will be expected to integrate the strategic objectives into the LDP. The adequate supply of minerals the construction industry needs to support economic growth in Carmarthenshire is a key element which underpins the Councils well-being objective of creating more jobs and growth throughout the county.



CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: L Quelch Head of Planning

- 1. Scrutiny Committee N/A
- 2.Local Member(s) N/A
- 3.Community / Town Council N/A
- 4.Relevant Partners N/A
- 5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations N/A

EXECUTIVE BOARD PORTFOLIO HOLDER AWARE/CONSULTED	YES Councillor M. Stephens
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Title of Document	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Regional Technical Statements for the North Wales and South Wales Regional Aggregate Working Parties - 2nd Review - Report on Consultation Responses With Steering Group Recommendations	The South Wales Regional Aggregates Working Party Website - http://www.swrawp-wales.org.uk/Html/publications.html
Regional Technical Statement for the North Wales and South Wales Regional Aggregates Working Party (1st Review)	The South Wales Regional Aggregates Working Party Website - http://www.swrawp-wales.org.uk/Html/publications.html
Regional Technical Statement for the area covered by the South Wales Aggregates Working Party – October 2008	The South Wales Regional Aggregates Working Party Website - http://www.swrawp-wales.org.uk/Html/publications.html



REGIONAL TECHNICAL STATEMENT FOR THE NORTH WALES AND SOUTH WALES REGIONAL AGGREGATES WORKING PARTIES – 2ND REVIEW (RTS2) - (SEPTEMBER 2020)

Introduction

Minerals Technical Advice Note 1: Aggregates – March 2004 (MTAN1) requires the preparation of Regional Technical Statements (RTS) for the areas covered by the North Wales and South Wales Aggregates Working Parties and for these to be reviewed every 5 years. The Initial RTS was produced in 2008 and the RTS: 1st Review (RTS1) was published in 2014. It therefore fell to be reviewed again in 2019.

A Consultation Draft of RTS2 was published in August 2019. The Council submitted a response. Responses were considered by the Steering Group and the final version of RTS2 was issued in September 2020. A copy of RTS2 is attached as Appendix 1.

The Authority is requested to formally endorse the document before it is endorsed by Welsh Government as an outcome of collaborative working.

The Purpose and Objectives of the RTS

The purpose of the RTS is to provide a strategy for the future supply of construction aggregates within each Region, taking account of the latest available information regarding the balance of supply and demand, and current notions of sustainability as enshrined in the Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015. The overarching objective being to ensure the Sustainable Management of Natural Resources. This means that supply is managed in a sustainable way so that the best balance between environmental, economic, social and cultural considerations is struck, while making sure that the environmental and amenity impacts of any necessary extraction are kept to a level that avoids causing demonstrable harm to interests of acknowledged importance.

The RTS provides a mechanism for encouraging national sustainability objectives to be met by individual planning authorities within each region for a period of 25 years (crushed rock) and 22 years (sand and gravel). This reflects the periods required in order to comply with the requirements set out in Planning Policy Wales: Edition 10 (PPW10) to have at least 10 years supply of crushed rock and 7 years supply of sand and gravel over the entire period of the development plan. This process is referred to as **apportionment**.

Where there is an identified shortfall of supply then Local Planning Authority's (LPA's) will be expected to make **allocations** for new sites or extensions to existing sites within their development plans unless new evidence becomes available which suggests that Local Planning Authorities would be justified in departing from the allocations without undermining the overall strategy provided in the RTS.

Key Principles and Approach

A key principle which underpins the approach taken by RTS1 and RTS2 is the need to move away from the old demand-led system of <u>'Predict and Provide'</u> to the more modern concept of <u>'Plan, Monitor and Manage'</u>. An assessment of demand will still be required but once a reasonable estimate has been obtained it is also necessary to consider the contribution that can be made from secondary and recycled sources and also to incorporate two key principles of sustainability: the proximity principle and the notion of environmental capacity.

The **Proximity Principle** relates simply to the objective of minimising unnecessary transportation of construction aggregate, particularly by road, by ensuring that sources of supply are located as close as possible to the main centres of demand. The original RTS aimed to accomplish this by providing 'per capita' apportionments for future aggregate provision as a proxy for demand. It was however established during the RTS1 review that a major drawback of this approach was that there is no statistical correlation between population and demand for aggregate. Therefore, RTS1 considered variations in population density instead of the 'per capita' approach together with a range of other influences including access routes and transport distances. The main criticism of that approach is that it relied primarily on historical sales figures as indicators of demand, which inevitably perpetuated the historical pattern of supply and gave very limited scope to change this pattern over time to achieve improvements in sustainability. The RTS2 review has therefore sought to introduce housing completion data and future housing provision forecasts as part of the overall assessment of demand.

It also needs to be recognised that certain types of high specification aggregate (HSA), e.g. the Pennant Sandstone outcrop in South East Wales, serve quite different markets (high skid resistance material for roads) and therefore require distribution throughout England and Wales as that type of material is scarce in the UK context. The proximity principle needs to be modified in such cases.

The notion of **environmental capacity** is a more controversial issue. The basic principle is that quarrying should be focussed on areas which have the greatest capacity to absorb the environmental impacts associated with quarrying activity. However, there is a lack of consensus in terms of how environmental capacity should be defined, and from the way in which the concept has influenced the allocation targets within the previous RTS documents.

Two previous research projects - Establishing a Methodology for Assessing Aggregate Demand and Supply (EMAADS 2004) and Implementing the Methodology for Assessing the Environmental Capacity for Primary Aggregates (IMAECA 2005) resulted in a traffic light system for areas of Wales where potential resource existed and coloured each km square red, amber or green to reflect relatively low, relatively neutral or relatively high environmental capacity respectively. One of the difficulties

with this approach was that the existence of a quarry within a km square instantly turned the square 'red' indicating relatively low environmental capacity. This suggested that it would be better in environmental terms to start up a new quarry in an area coloured 'green' than to look at extending an existing quarry in an area coloured 'red'. However, extensions to existing quarries are often preferable to establishing new quarries on Greenfield sites so there were clear limitations to this research even at the strategic RTS level at which it was intended to be used.

When considering issues such as environmental capacity the joint consideration by LPA's of the relationship between mineral resources and environmental designations on a sub-regional basis would potentially allow more detailed consideration to be given to identifying the most sustainable locations for mineral development at an appropriate spatial scale which extends beyond the administrative boundaries of an individual local planning authority.

Analysis of Existing Supply Patterns

As well as balancing supply and demand, consideration must also be given to the adequacy or otherwise of the existing pattern of supply from a sustainability perspective.

As stated above, the original RTS only considered proximity in terms of a 'per capita' demand analysis and the concept of environmental capacity was considered only in terms of providing qualitative descriptions for each LPA from the IMAECA analysis.

In the RTS1 review, a determined attempt was made to use the proximity principle, and environmental capacity to better effect, in conjunction with an understanding of resource availability and historical supply patterns, in order to enhance, if possible, the spatial distribution of future supply sources.

The distribution of suitable geological resources is of fundamental importance in understanding the distribution of existing quarries and in understanding the limitations involved in locating potential new ones. The starting point for this is the Minerals Resource Map of Wales published by British Geological Survey (BGS) as clearly minerals can only be worked where they are found and are commercially viable to extract.

Typically most general aggregate has an economic radius of distribution of up to 50km. However, RTS1 and RTS2 demonstrate that the vast majority of Wales is located within 20km of a source of aggregate located within one of the identified resource blocks. In these terms alone it would suggest that there is no great problem with the existing pattern of supply and that significant change is not necessary.

However, more careful consideration is needed in future to ensure that minerals development is guided to the most suitable locations irrespective of the historical supply pattern. This would suggest that planning for minerals should be carried out

at a more strategic level i.e. sub-regional areas based on market areas rather than at individual LPA level.

Changing the Pattern of Supply

Minerals Technical Advice Note 1: Aggregates (MTAN1) suggests that the existing pattern of supply is largely a historical residual and will need to gradually change to reflect current notions of sustainability. However, the RTS1 review found that the historical patterns of supply have much to commend them: they reflect the spatial distribution of available resources and the economic imperative of industry to establish quarries as close as possible to areas of demand. Quarries which have become uneconomic have naturally fallen into disuse and those which remain are generally well placed to serve current markets. However, where there is conflict with environmental designations it may not be appropriate to use historical supply as a proxy for future supply.

The implementation of the proximity principle and the notion of environmental capacity may gradually induce changes to the overall pattern of supply if alternatives have clear advantages in terms of sustainability but in any event this change will not be immediate as existing sites will continue to work until they run out of reserve or become uneconomic to work.

The RTS can help to influence the process where it is deemed to be desirable by adjusting the apportionments given to individual Planning Authorities.

Methodology for RTS 2nd Review

The starting point in each RTS for the apportionment of future aggregates provision has been to make an assessment of likely future demand. The methodology in RTS1 was primarily based on historical sales averages for each local planning authority over the 10 year period 2001-2010, combined with a limited assessment of various 'drivers' of potential future change.

The RTS2 review has taken the historical sales for each local planning authority averaged over a 3 year (2014-2016) and a 10 year period (2007-2016) and selected the highest of these figures so as to avoid potential under-provision in some areas. This has resulted in an identified national requirement (based on these historical sales) of 15.557 million tonnes of aggregate per annum (down from 17.69 million tonnes in RTS1 due to the economic recession). It is important to note that this is the residual demand requirement as it has been assumed that marine, secondary and recycled aggregate will continue to be provided at similar rates to previously.

However, the RTS2 methodology has made a deliberate attempt to reflect planned future requirements for housing construction as identified in each of the Local Development Plans (LDP's). The reason for this is that there is a very high statistical correlation between housing completions and aggregate sales at a national level, even though it is accepted that housing only makes up 30% of overall aggregate

use. There is no such statistical correlation between other construction activity and aggregate sales. This is not to say that housing completions are a predictor of demand, merely the trends in both markets are reflective of each other.

Stage 1 of the RTS2 review identified that planned annualised housing provision in Local Development Plans across Wales was more than double the average annual housing completions between 2007-2016. On the basis that the historic housing completions had sustained 30% of aggregate supply over the past 10 years then it is logical to assume that if the planned housing was set to double then the 30% element of aggregate demand associated with it should also be doubled. This is not to say that housing completions will double, but if housing is planned to double then aggregate provision must be made for that planned level of demand.

The RTS2 therefore proposes to add 30% to the historical sales average at the national level which increases the identified national requirement to 20.224 million tonnes per annum. There was a clear inescapable logic to this approach as the housing provision in LDP's has been tested at Examination and found to be sound.

However, the population forecasts on which LDP's housing requirements were based have been found to be too high and the Draft National Development Framework (NDF) issued for consultation by Welsh Government estimates a national housing requirement of 5,700 additional homes per annum up to 2038. This is less than the average annual completions (2007-2016) of 6,424. This would suggest that although the methodology is sound, there is information now available which would suggest that the 30% uplift is no longer necessary. In its response to consultation the Council suggested that the methodology needed to be revisited. The Steering Group did consider the issue in detail but was unable to identify another source of consistent data on which to base an assessment. As it is critical that there is a consistent dataset on which to base an assessment it is accepted that the LDP has to be used.

Stage 2 of the review assessed the appropriate split of the national requirement between North and South Wales. The average split over the baseline period was 38.26% for North Wales and 61.74% for South Wales and these proportions were applied to the 20.224 national requirement. The result is an annual requirement for North Wales of 7.738 million tonnes and for South Wales of 12.486 million tonnes.

Stage 3 of the review seeks to sub-divide the regional figures between identified sub-regions and to individual LPAs. In South Wales there are 5 sub-regions based on market areas. These are identified as **Powys**, '**West Wales**' (Pembrokeshire, Pembrokeshire Coast National Park and Ceredigion), '**Swansea City**' (Swansea, Neath Port Talbot and Carmarthenshire), '**Cardiff City**' (Cardiff, Rhondda Cynon Taf, Merthyr, Caerphilly, Bridgend, Vale of Glamorgan and Brecon Beacons National Park) and '**former Gwent**' (Blaenau Gwent, Torfaen, Newport and Monmouthshire).

The methodology for undertaking the sub-division of the regional requirement to the sub-regions is based on a combination of quantitative calculations and qualitative judgements.

The quantitative calculations for annualised apportionments for each LPA are based on two 'theoretical' sets of figures –

- Option A, in proportions which are based solely on the highest of the 3-year or 10-year average historic annual sales and
- Option B, in proportions which reflect the annualised housing completion data for each LPA expressed as a percentage of the sub-regional housing requirement totals (for this purpose 'Cardiff City' and 'former Gwent' were combined).

Option A has the advantage of reflecting the existing distribution of supply sources and is therefore realistic in terms of deliverability. However, it has the disadvantage of perpetuating historical supply patterns and the potential inequalities contained therein. It represents the preferred option in areas where the historical supply pattern appears to provide a sensible balance between the availability of resources and the location of demand but requires modification elsewhere.

Option B theoretically provides a way of changing the pattern of supply to one that is more equitable in terms of proximity and the use of resources. However, it takes no account of the spatial pattern of geological resources or existing quarries. Therefore, on its own this would be wholly inappropriate as a future supply strategy as it would not be deliverable within the timescales required. It does however give a useful indication of the required direction of travel that may be needed in order to improve existing patterns of supply from a sustainability perspective.

In practice, where the supply pattern was considered to be in need of adjustment, qualitative judgement has been applied and the two sets of figures were averaged to produce a preferred option which reflected the need for gradual change but also had an element of deliverability. This approach is supported at a sub-regional level.

However, the same methodology is applied in order to generate individual apportionments to each LPA. The basis for this seems to be that Paragraph 5.14.10 of Planning Policy Wales: Edition 10 (PPW10) states that:

Each mineral planning authority should ensure that it makes an appropriate contribution to meeting local, regional and UK needs for primary minerals which reflects the nature and extent of resources in the area and their best and most appropriate use, subject to relevant environmental and other planning considerations.

However, Paragraph 5.14.16 also states that:

Planning authority boundaries may form a suitable area basis on which to base a land-bank policy, however for some authorities the administrative area may be too small, the environmental constraints too important, or the availability of a workable resource too limited to enable an individual land-bank policy to be applied. In these circumstances, authorities must agree a joint approach with neighbouring authorities in line with current regional arrangements and may require liaison with relevant mineral planning authorities in England.

It is a long established view that 'minerals' are an important natural resource and that by its very nature mineral planning is or should be 'strategic'. It also follows from Paragraph 5.14.16 of PPW10 that it is acknowledged that planning for minerals at an LPA level may not be possible, especially in South Wales because many LPA's are just too small or do not have the natural resources.

In the Councils response to the consultation it considered the RTS2 to be an opportunity to plan sustainably and strategically over sub-regional areas rather than the outdated concept of managing the supply of minerals at an LPA level. However, the Steering Group had to accept that PPW10 requires each LPA to be provided with an apportionment in order to 'make an appropriate contribution'. The sub-regional figures and the Statements of Sub-regional collaboration provide a mechanism for sub-regions to work together.

The Statements of Sub-Regional of Collaboration are a new requirement of RTS2 and are required to be agreed by each of the LPA's within a sub-region. There was a requirement in the consultation draft and for this to be approved by the RAWP prior to the Examination of any LDP within that sub-regional area. The Council pointed out in its consultation response that the SRAWP is a technical group and has no remit in approving such documents. This has been accepted by the Steering Group.

The purpose of the Sub-Regional Statement of Collaboration is to allow the constituent LPA's to depart from their specific allocation provided the overall sub-regional apportionment is met elsewhere within the sub-region.

The idea of a Sub-Regional Statement of Collaboration has been supported in principle but the Council considered that there should be a set timescale for them so that they were all being done at the same time. However, the Steering Group considered that as all LDP's are not on the same timescale it would be difficult for some LPA's. Therefore, the SSRC will be required before the first LPA in a sub-region has its LDP examination. This is an acceptable position.

Swansea City Sub-region

The preferred annualised apportionment for the 'Swansea City' sub-region is currently shown in the draft as 1.716 million tonnes per annum, of which 1.105 million tonnes per annum is shown as coming from Carmarthenshire and 0.305 million tonnes per annum coming from Swansea and Neath Port Talbot respectively.

The 1.105 million tonnes per annum for Carmarthenshire essentially equates to its percentage share of regional sales. There is little prospect of changing the supply pattern within the sub-region as Carmarthenshire is the only producer of limestone and the only 'alternatives' within the sub-region are within the Gower Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. On that basis, Carmarthenshire would need 27.566 million tonnes up until 2041 and has permitted reserves at active/inactive sites of 59.9 million tonnes with a further 13.82 million tonnes at dormant sites. No allocations for crushed rock are therefore required in Carmarthenshire in the current LDP Review.

There are high specification aggregate sandstone reserves within Neath Port Talbot at two sites with planning permission (16.48 million tonnes) but no reserves within Swansea, although some resources exist in the northern part of the County. The RTS2 seeks to re-allocate some of the 'demand' on Neath Port Talbot's sites to hitherto unknown sites in Swansea although there is no clear need to do so.

The requirement for Neath Port Talbot is reduced by 50% of the historical sales to 7.636 million tonnes and Swansea is allocated the other 7.636 million tonnes even though the full amount (15.272 million tonnes) can already be provided from Neath Port Talbots existing sites up until 2041. These changes in apportionment will need to be reviewed in the Statement of Sub-regional Collaboration.

Stage 4 of the review sub-divides the apportionment by aggregate type (crushed rock or land-won sand and gravel) based on the historical average sales split for that LPA. The annualised figure is then multiplied by 25 years for crushed rock and 22 years for land-won sand and gravel to arrive at the apportionment figure. The vast majority of LPA's do not have any land-won sand and gravel production so their allocations are purely crushed rock. However, Ceredigion, Pembrokeshire Coast National Park and Carmarthenshire have some sites and some identified resources on the Mineral Resources Map of Wales. It is therefore recommended in RTS2 that these LPA's, together with Pembrokeshire, work collaboratively in respect of future provision and seek to move sand and gravel provision outside of the National Park if possible. Allocations of a minimum of 3.626 million tonnes are required across these LPA's in the period up to 2038.

Carmarthenshire would therefore join with the 'West Wales' LPA's for the Sub-Regional Statement of Collaboration for sand and gravel but would remain with 'Swansea City' (Swansea and Neath Port Talbot) for crushed rock. This is a sensible approach given the location and market areas of the resources concerned.

Conclusion and Recommendations

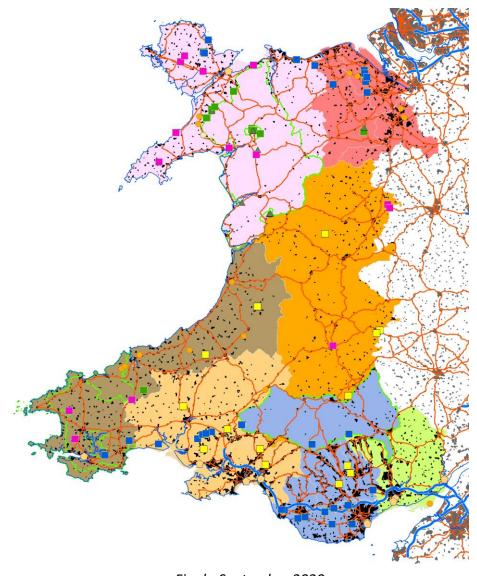
The Councils Consultation response has been adequately considered by the Steering Group and therefore it is recommended that County Council formally endorse the RTS2.

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Foreword

Since the original Regional Technical Statements (RTS) were issued in October 2008, forward planning for minerals has formed an intrinsic part of the Local Development Plan (LDP) process. The LDPs have benefited from the clear direction the RTS has provided on the sustainable approach to mineral development in Wales. There is almost full LDP coverage and all have embraced the principal objectives of the RTS to provide adequate reserves of aggregate for the construction and other industries in the most sustainable manner reasonably achievable.

It is particularly satisfying to see certain elements of the RTS, such as the safeguarding of mineral resources, now enshrined in development plans to ensure such resources are protected for future generations. More importantly, new allocations, defined areas of search and preferred areas have also been incorporated into some LDPs.

As was the case with the First Review of the RTS, this Second Review has been prepared, on behalf of the North Wales and South Wales RAWPs, by Cuesta Consulting Ltd., with advice and peer review from a Steering Group which included representatives from both Regional Aggregate Working Parties (RAWPs), the Mineral Products Association and industry, Natural Resources Wales, officers from local government and the Welsh Government. The Steering Group provided vital technical information, updating and refining that given in previously published RAWP reports and in the original Regional Technical Statements. The Steering Group also provided or confirmed expert judgement, where this was called for in situations where precise factual detail was not available, and has provided a consensus endorsement of the various recommendations.

The Second Review RTS covers the 25 year period up to 2041, but further reviews will still be initiated every 5 years, in accordance with MTAN1, to ensure that the RTS can react to any significant change in circumstances. This will ensure that any major changes to supply and demand can be addressed and the RTS changed or modified as appropriate. This process underpins the plan, monitor and manage approach to aggregate planning in the UK. The new edition will continue to be considered as a strategic document for the purposes of Development Plan preparation and may be a material consideration when determining planning applications. We remain confident that all authorities will continue to embrace and implement the recommendations of the revised RTS in their development plans on a voluntary basis, and that Welsh Government (WG) will not need to have recourse to its powers of direction.

We would like to take this opportunity to gratefully acknowledge the considerable amount of work that has been undertaken to complete the Second Review, which includes the significant efforts of the RTS steering group and the diligent work of the consultant appointed to undertake and complete the work on schedule on behalf of the Welsh Government, and the participation of key stakeholders.

The Second Review has built on the foundation of the original RTS and the First Review and has been further refined and now offers greater clarity and is more concise. Most importantly, it provides a strong and improved statement of the desire to ensure that sustainability is at the heart of all future mineral planning in Wales.

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Executive Summary

Minerals Technical Advice Note 1: Aggregates (2004) (MTAN 1) requires the preparation of Regional Technical Statements (RTS) for the areas covered by both the South Wales and North Wales Regional Aggregates Working Parties (RAWPs). Whereas MTAN1 develops the national policy set out originally in Minerals Planning Policy Wales (now part of Planning Policy Wales - PPW), the RTS provides the supporting detail which allows this to be implemented.

The original RTS documents for both regions were completed in 2008 and are required, by MTAN 1, to be reviewed every five years. The First Review was undertaken in 2013/2014 and this, the Second Review, commenced in 2018.

In contrast with the former guidelines for aggregate provision issued for England and Wales, prior to devolution, the RTS process has always avoided any attempt to make detailed forecasts of future demand based on econometric modelling. In the past, these had been found to be unreliable and were criticised for their lack of transparency. Instead, a series of alternative approaches have been used in Wales and each 5-yearly review of the RTS provides opportunities for further refinement.

The methodology used in the previous (First) Review, in 2014, had been based primarily on historical sales averages, combined with an assessment of the various 'drivers' of potential future change. For the Second Review, this has been combined with an attempt to reflect planned future requirements for housing construction activity, and to avoid perpetuating historical supply patterns in areas where there is scope to encourage more sustainable patterns of supply. Data used for this purpose have been the housing requirement figures established for existing, adopted, Local Development Plans (LDPs) for each individual Local Planning Authority (LPA). Given that LDP progress has varied from one authority to another, some of the earlier figures are now several years old, but all of them were valid for (or beyond) the 'baseline' period (2007 – 2016) covered by this Review. The Steering Group considered that these were the best available consistent source of data for this purpose, with the benefit of having been scrutinised by Inspectors at individual LDP Examinations.

A key factor in the new methodology has been recognition that these housing requirements, in all Local Authority areas in Wales, are more than double the average levels of house completions seen over the last 10 years, and that a corresponding increase in the planned provision of construction materials associated with house construction should therefore be allowed for. This is not necessarily a prediction of future demand, since the housing figures set out in adopted Development Plans will only materialise if economic conditions allow. There is, however, a clear logic in land use planning terms in linking the planned provision of aggregates with that for housing, to ensure that housing plans are not thwarted by an underprovision of aggregates.

Of course, housing accounts for only part of overall construction activity. At a national scale, however, Welsh statistics have revealed a very high degree of correlation between housing completions and aggregate sales. Other statistics (for Great Britain as a whole) show that housing accounts for approximately 30% by value of all new construction. Putting both of these observations together, the implication is that a doubling of house construction would

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necessitate a doubling of that 30% element of aggregate sales. At a national level, therefore, and on the basis of being consistent in terms of planned provision for both housing and aggregates, the RTS Steering Group¹ agreed that the provision required for aggregates should be guided by a 30% uplift on historical sales figures.

A further consideration agreed by the Steering Group was that the historical sales figures should reflect, not just the 10-year average (as had been used in the First Review, and as required by the NPPF, in England), but the highest of the 10-year and 3-year averages for each individual LPA. This reflects the fact that in some parts of Wales - notably in the Cardiff City Region – there has been a marked upsurge in construction activity in recent years, and a corresponding growth in aggregate sales.

In **STAGE 1** of the RTS process, the 30% uplift is applied to this composite historical sales figure to obtain an overall National Guideline figure for future aggregate production. The uplift is applied only at the national level, because the relationship between construction activity and aggregate sales breaks down at more detailed levels (this being primarily because of the spatial differences between areas of supply and demand).

In STAGE 2 of the process, the National figure is broken down into two Regional Guideline figures (based simply on the historical split of total land-won primary aggregate sales between North and South Wales, which has remained reasonably consistent over many years).

In STAGE 3, the regional figures are then apportioned between a series of seven 'subregions', as shown below and, provided that it is feasible to do so, between each of the constituent Local Planning Authorities (LPAs). The sub-regions were created, at Welsh Government's suggestion, for the specific purpose of facilitating strategic minerals planning and collaborative approaches between LPAs. They each represent distinctive 'market areas' between which there is relatively little movement of aggregates, except for exports to England, and within which detailed, strategic consideration can be given as to the most appropriate patterns of supply.

In most cases, the distribution of apportionments within each sub-region is achieved through a combination of *quantitative* and *qualitative* judgements, exercised by the RTS Steering Group and facilitated by the appointed consultant. The judgements seek to reflect the Steering Group's collective understanding of market requirements (reflecting both historical sales and the distribution of planned housing activity) together with considerations of existing landbanks, the proximity principle and environmental capacity.

In the final **STAGE 4** of the process, the total apportionments for each LPA are separated into figures for sand & gravel and crushed rock production (based on historical sales proportions in each LPA). Those figures are then multiplied by the number of years required (22 years for sand & gravel, and 25 years for crushed rock) to obtain the total provision required, in millions of tonnes. Comparison of those figures with existing landbanks and existing unworked

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¹ comprising Welsh Government, the two RAWP secretaries, National Resources Wales, the Mineral Products Association, the British Aggregates Association and representatives of one local authority from each Region.

allocations then determines the extent to which any new permissions and/or allocations for future working are required within each authority.

The outcome of this exercise has been a deliberate attempt to control, and in some cases to modify, the future pattern of supply of land-won primary aggregates in Wales, in line with sustainability principles. In a small number of areas, notably where there has been no production of land-won aggregates for many years, with no permitted reserves and zero apportionments, the Steering Group accepted that there may be insufficient evidence, at present, to determine the precise levels of apportionment and resulting allocations required for individual LPAs. In such cases, more detailed analysis will be required, at the local level, through collaboration between adjoining LPAs and consultation with industry, in order to confirm realistic figures for those particular LPAs and (in exceptional circumstances) to consider the possibility of alternative patterns of supply within the sub-region concerned.

To this end (and more generally, to ensure that the regional and sub-regional totals recommended by the RTS are achieved), this Review introduces a requirement for all LPAs within each sub-region to produce Statements of Sub-Regional Collaboration (SSRCs), in consultation with industry, through the RAWPs, prior to the Examination of any individual LDP within that area. Specific guidelines relating to the preparation of SSRCs, including details of the circumstances under which alternative patterns of supply may be justified, are provided at Annex A of this document.

More generally, it must be emphasised that the RTS recommendations are intended to be of a **strategic** nature. The recommendations do not provide site-specific information or guidance. It is for the individual LPAs to determine how the strategic requirements identified in the new RTS should be met within their areas. This includes identifying the size and location of new allocations (where these are required by the RTS or, in some cases, by other local factors), and setting out corresponding policies within their LDPs to guide the Development Management process for future mineral extraction.

Moreover, where it is justified by new (e.g. more up to date, more detailed or more precise) evidence, it is open for individual LPAs to depart from the apportionment and allocation figures recommended by the RTS when preparing their LDP policies. In doing so, however, an LPA would need to demonstrate that their intended departure would not undermine the overall strategy provided by the RTS itself (e.g. by working together with other LPAs within the same sub-region to ensure that sub-regional and regional totals are still achieved) and this would need to be reflected in the SSRC agreed with all other constituent LPAS within that sub-region, prior to Examination.

Where the local authorities involved are unable to reach agreement, or if individual local authorities do not accept the revised Regional Technical Statement, the Welsh Government will, as a last resort, consider its default powers to intervene in the Development Plan process (MTAN 1, paragraph A3).

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1. The Purpose and Objectives of the RTS

Introduction

- 1.1 Minerals Technical Advice Note 1: Aggregates (2004) (MTAN 1) requires the preparation of Regional Technical Statements (RTS) for the areas covered by both the South Wales and North Wales Regional Aggregates Working Parties (RAWPs) as shown in Figure 1.1, below. The original RTS documents for both regions were completed in 2008 and are required, by MTAN 1, to be reviewed every five years. The First Review was undertaken in 2013/2014 and this, the Second Review, commenced in 2018.
- The Review comprises this main document and the Regional Appendices for North Wales and South Wales, which are issued separately. The two components of the new RTS for each Region (i.e. the main document and the relevant Appendix) are intended to provide a strategy for the future supply of construction aggregates within that Region, taking account of the latest available information regarding the balance of supply and demand, and current notions of sustainability (see below). Together, the two revised RTSs aim to ensure that an adequate and steady supply of aggregates can be maintained throughout Wales (and beyond, in the case of materials that are exported), taking into account the key objectives of sustainable supply outlined in MTAN 1.

Policy Context and Sustainability Objectives

- 1.3 Since the First Review of the RTS was completed in 2014, there have been some important changes in National legislation and Policy within Wales which have a bearing on mineral development. MTAN 1 and thus the requirement for Regional Technical Statements to be produced and periodically updated remains extant, but the former Minerals Planning Policy Wales (MPPW) is now subsumed within Planning Policy Wales (PPW), which itself has been updated several times in response to changing legislation and other factors.
- The most significant legislative change since 2014 has been the **Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015**. This places a statutory duty on public bodies in Wales to consider sustainable development in their decision-making. Whilst sustainability has been at the heart of PPW since it was first published in 2002, the concept has been expanded so that it now incorporates, more explicitly, cultural heritage and well-being.
- 1.5 **Sustainable Development** (in Wales) is now defined, by the 2015 Act, as meaning: "the process of improving the economic, social, environmental and cultural wellbeing of Wales by taking action, in accordance with the sustainable development principle, aimed at achieving the well-being goals".
- 1.6 This is linked to the more traditional definition by the explanation that: "Acting in accordance with the sustainable development principle means that a body must act in a manner which seeks to ensure that the needs of the present are met without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs".

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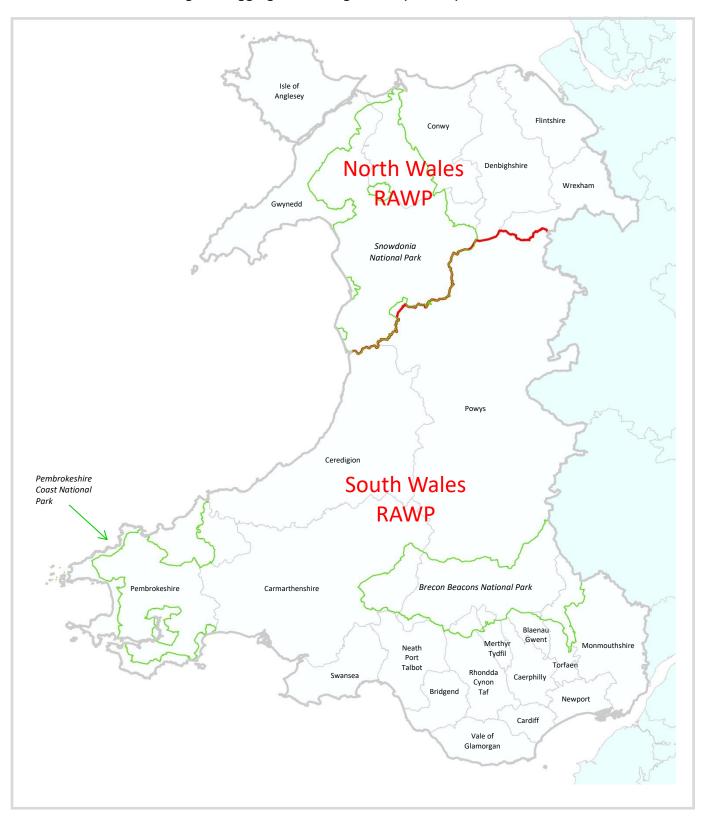


Figure 1.1: The Distribution of Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) between the two Regional Aggregate Working Parties (RAWPs) in Wales

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- 1.7 The 2015 Act requires public bodies to set out plans as to how they will take decisions in order to meet seven well-being goals that are set out in law. These relate to *prosperity*, *resilience*, *health*, *equality*, *community cohesion*, *vibrant culture* (including a thriving Welsh language) and *global responsibility*.
- The Act also outlines five ways of working which authorities need to demonstrate they have carried out in undertaking their sustainable development duty. These require consideration to be given to *long term* visions; the *prevention* of adverse impacts; the *integration* of policies to promote balanced decision-making; *collaboration* between public bodies and the private and third sectors; and the built-in *involvement* of the public and stakeholders in the planning system through statutory consultation and engagement. The Regional Technical Statements have always reflected all five of these ways of working, with the concepts of <u>policy integration</u> and <u>collaborative working</u> being enhanced further still in this Review.
- In 2018, the Welsh Government updated **Planning Policy Wales** to assist in the delivery of the new act through the planning system. The latest version (Edition 10) was published in December 2018. This introduced five new Key Planning Principles linked variously to the five ways of working. One of these: **Making the Best Use of Resources**, is clearly of direct relevance to mineral planning and thus to the Regional Technical Statements. This principle is explicitly linked, in PPW, to the concept of maintaining a 'long-term' vision with regard to climate change, decarbonisation and the circular economy. The <u>Proximity Principle</u>, which plays an important role in the RTS methodology, is highlighted as a means of ensuring that problems are solved locally rather than passing them on to other places or future generations, and so that the use of land and other resources are sustainable in the long term.
- The fifth key planning principle: *Maximising Environmental Protection and Limiting Environmental Impact* is also of direct relevance. This refers explicitly to the need for respecting environmental limits (thereby supporting the notion of <u>Environmental Capacity</u> as used within the RTS). It also highlights the importance of the precautionary principle in ensuring that cost-effective measures to prevent possibly serious environmental damage are not postponed just because of uncertainty regarding the seriousness of potential risks. Whilst this is not explicitly part of the RTS process, it may nevertheless have a bearing on the spatial planning of future allocations.
- 1.11 Specific minerals planning policies are now incorporated within PPW (in paragraphs 5.14.1 to 5.14.57), rather than being in the separate Minerals Planning Policy Wales document, as had previously been the case (before 2016). Although the sequence and structure of these policies has been modified, not least to embrace certain aspects of the cultural environment now included within the definition of sustainable development, there are no significant changes in policy requirements that have a bearing on the present Review.
- 1.12 In this regard it is worth noting that one change, which had been introduced in versions 8 and 9 of PPW, has been reversed in the latest edition. This relates to the treatment of Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs) and National Nature Reserves

Date September 2020 Status: Final (NNRs). In versions 8 and 9 of PPW, these areas were included, along with National Parks and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, as locations where minerals development should not take place, save in exceptional circumstances (whereas previously, in MPPW, that had not been the case). Version 10 has reversed that change, so that SSSIs and NNRs are now included (along with SPAs, SACs and Ramsar sites) within para. 5.14.37, where the requirement is for proposals to be 'carefully examined', rather than in para. 5.14.35, which retains the 'exceptional circumstances' test. Had this not been reversed, it would have had major implications on the allocation of sites for future working – significantly reducing the scope for finding such sites in areas where the available geological resources are highly constrained.

- 1.13 Overall, the new PPW changes nothing with regard to the RTS process, other than reinforcing the principles which are already enshrined within it.
- 1.14 **The Environment (Wales) Act 2016** introduced the Sustainable Management of Natural Resources (SNMR) and set out a framework to achieve this as part decision-making. The main objective is to maintain and enhance the resilience of ecosystems and the benefits they provide.
- 1.15 The Act requires the Welsh Government to prepare, publish and implement a statutory **Natural Resources Policy** (NRP) setting out its priorities in relation to the sustainable management of natural resources, while Natural Resources Wales (NRW) is required to produce a 'State of Natural Resources Report' and to prepare 'Area Statements' to inform place-based action.
- 1.16 The NRP sets out three National Priorities, linked directly to achieving goals within the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act. These are: *delivering nature-based solutions*; *increasing renewable energy and resource efficiency*; and *taking a place-based approach*.
- 1.17 The first of these focuses on maintaining and enhancing the ecosystem services derived from natural resources. As well as the more obvious biodiversity-related resources, these include services associated with both mineral extraction and the restoration of former mineral workings. Though not mentioned in the NRP, these are examined in detail in reports for Natural England and Defra on an ecosystems approach to long-term mineral planning in the Mendip Hills (Thompson & Birch 2009; Thompson *et al.* 2010). Ecosystem services have an important bearing on site-specific aspects of mineral development, though probably not at the more strategic regional level being considered within the RTS.
- 1.18 Minerals are more explicitly noted in relation to the second priority (resource efficiency), both in relation to the promotion of recycled and secondary aggregates and the optimal utilisation of primary aggregates. These imperatives are already enshrined within the minerals policies of PPW, however, and are therefore fully incorporated in the methodology for producing apportionments within the RTS.

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- 1.19 The third priority taking a place-based approach can also be very applicable to mineral development (e.g. through community involvement in planning decisions and restoration proposals). By definition, however, this again is a site-specific issue and is not something which can be addressed at the wider strategic level of the RTS.
- 1.20 It is concluded that, as with the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the revision of PPW, the Environment (Wales) Act 2016 appears to reinforce the principles already enshrined within the RTS process, without imposing any new or different requirements.
- 1.21 In line with those requirements, the overarching objective in planning for aggregates provision, as set out in paragraph 7 of MTAN1 is "to ensure supply is managed in a sustainable way so that the best balance between environmental, economic and social considerations is struck, while making sure that the environmental and amenity impacts of any necessary extraction are kept to a level that avoids causing demonstrable harm to interests of acknowledged importance".
- 1.22 Subsidiary objectives in paragraph 29 of MTAN1, which relate to delivering a more sustainable pattern of supply include:
 - examining very carefully existing (permitted) reserves on a national and regional basis to see if they are adequate in the short, medium and long term;
 - only granting permission for future extraction to take place in the most environmentally acceptable locations, in accord with development plans that are informed by the Regional Technical Statement which in turn is based on the environmental capacity assessment;
 - actively reducing the proportion of primary aggregates used in relation to secondary, recycled or waste materials;
 - minimising the transportation of aggregates by road;
 - seeking self-sufficiency within regions, thereby avoiding the need to transfer the environmental costs of aggregates extraction to other areas; and
 - careful and continual assessment of existing and anticipated future exports of aggregates to areas outside Wales (in consultation with those importing regions outside Wales) to determine whether that supply is the best environmental and practicable option for all.
- 1.23 These various objectives, combined with the increased emphasis on collaborative, sub-regional working embedded within this 2nd Review, are fully in line with the Sustainable Management of Natural Resources principles enshrined within the Environment (Wales) Act 2016.

The Scope and Purpose of RTS Recommendations

1.24 Each RTS Review provides a mechanism for encouraging the national sustainability objectives relating to minerals to be met by the individual Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) within each Region over a period of up to 25 years (for crushed rock) or 22 years, in the case of land-based sand & gravel (sufficient to cover the MTAN1 requirements for maintaining minimum landbanks of 10 years and 7 years,

Dat PSeppe b 8 5 20 Status: Final respectively, throughout the full 15-year term of each LDP). In the case of Cardiff, which has a 20-year Plan Period, these durations are increased to 30 years (for crushed rock) and 27 years for sand & gravel.

- 1.25 The RTS provides specific recommendations to the constituent LPAs regarding the quantities of aggregate which need to be supplied from each area (*apportionments*) and the nature and size of any *allocations* which may need to be made in their Local Development Plan (LDP) to ensure that adequate provision is maintained throughout the relevant Plan Period. In this Review, the basic recommendations are set out within this document with further details being given in the Regional Appendices.
- 1.26 Paragraph 50 of MTAN1 specifically requires the relevant parts of the RTS strategy (principally, the RTS apportionments and allocation requirements) to be incorporated into individual LDPs. In the present Review, however, apportionment figures are also identified for sub-regional groupings of LPAs and, in a small number of cases, the requirements for individual LPAs within those areas may need to be adjusted, subject to more detailed investigation by the LPAs involved and to industry responses to future calls for sites. Further details of the sub-regional groupings and the apportionment methodology are set out in Chapter Five of this Review.
- 1.27 In exceptional circumstances, sub-regional analysis may result in the possibility of alternative patterns of supply being considered within a particular sub-region. In order to facilitate this, and to ensure that the regional and sub-regional totals recommended by the RTS are achieved, this Review introduces a requirement for all LPAs within each sub-region to produce Statements of Sub-Regional Collaboration (SSRCs), in consultation with industry, prior to the Examination of any individual LDP within that area. Specific guidelines relating to the preparation of SSRCs, including of the circumstances under which alternative patterns of supply may be justified, are provided at Annex A of this document.
- 1.28 It must be emphasised that the RTS recommendations are intended to be of a strategic nature. The recommendations do not provide site-specific information or guidance. It is for the individual LPAs to determine how the strategic requirements identified in the new RTS should be met within their areas. This includes identifying the size and locations of new allocations (where these are required by the RTS or, in some cases, by other local factors), and setting out corresponding policies within their LDPs to guide the Development Management process for future mineral extraction.
- 1.29 Moreover, where it is justified by new (e.g. more up to date, more detailed or more precise) evidence, it is open for individual LPAs to depart from the apportionment and allocation figures recommended by the RTS when preparing their LDP policies. In doing so, however, an LPA would need to demonstrate that their intended departure would not undermine the overall strategy provided by the RTS itself (e.g. by working together with other LPAs within the same sub-region to ensure that sub-regional and regional totals are still achieved) and this would need to be reflected in

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- the SSRC agreed with all other constituent LPAS within that sub-region, prior to Examination.
- 1.30 MTAN 1, paragraph A3, notes that "If the local authorities reach no agreement or if individual local authorities do not accept the Regional Technical Statement, the Welsh Assembly Government will consider its default powers to intervene in the planning process as a last resort".
- 1.31 For each Region, Sub-region and individual LPA, the RTS recommendations are informed by the analysis of:
 - o available resources, permitted reserves, sales and landbanks of primary land-won aggregates;
 - o the availability and supply of marine, secondary and recycled materials;
 - levels of demand upon the region for the supply of aggregates, including exports;
 - o levels of imports of aggregate into the region;
 - o the proximity principle, in relation to the transportation of aggregates; and
 - the environmental capacity of areas to accept the impacts of future quarrying
- 1.32 Further details of the key principles and approaches used within this analysis are set out in the next chapter.

Aims and Objectives of the RTS 2nd Review

- 1.33 The Welsh Government's aims of the 2nd Review have been:
 - (i) to confirm or refine the existing methodology and update the current data/information inputs of the current RTS documents; and
 - (ii) to prepare new apportionments and an updated RTS for each RAWP region
- 1.34 These are precisely the same as the aims for the 1st Review.
- 1.35 The **guiding principles** for the review (changed only very slightly from those relating to the 1st Review) were identified by Welsh Government as follows:
 - (i) The RTS will be reviewed at 5-year intervals, in line with policy, with a second review to be completed in 2019. The plan period for each RTS will be 25/22 years;
 - (ii) To utilise data for the latest year for which information is available as baseline information for the purposes of the review;
 - (iii) To have regard to recent research which may identify any issues that need to be covered in the review;
 - (iv) The review itself needs to be transparent, engage appropriate stakeholders but recognise that the exercise is largely technical and aimed at providing

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- information and evidence to be utilised in planning processes and therefore consultation and governance should be proportionate,
- (v) The review will result in an updated statement for each region which is clear, concise and user friendly;
- (vi) Recognise that WG is supportive of collaboration between authorities in negotiating how need, as represented by RTS apportionments, is met, if appropriate;
- (vii) The reviews will not start from scratch but will build on the current RTS documents.
- 1.36 In order to consider what further adjustments might be needed to the guiding principles and/or the methodology to be used, an RTS Technical Group was convened by the South Wales and North Wales RAWPs. Following internal consultation among RAWP members, the Group's final recommendations were as follows:
 - 1) The **base year** for calculation of the apportionment and allocations should be the date of the latest year for which information is available;
 - The RTS 2nd Review should calculate the 3-year average annual production figure and the 10-year average annual production figure and use the higher of the two figures as the basis for apportionment calculations;
 - There should not be a separate landbank for *high PSV rock* but there should be a narrative included in the RTS setting out the considerations to be undertaken if high PSV rock is part of the crushed rock landbank in a particular MPA area;
 - 4) Regarding the question of whether *regional groupings of LPAs* should be used for the calculation of landbanks, the Technical Group supported this in principle but considered that identifying appropriate regional groupings should be a task undertaken by an independent Consultant as part of the RTS Review process. The Consultant should also consider whether apportionment should be for a regional area only or whether this should be broken down to each LPA area;
 - Parks, the Group considered that the position is adequately covered in National Policy. There should therefore be no change to the way in which production within National Parks is monitored and reported. This question specifically relates to current production. It does not relate to landbanks for National Parks as they are subject to the 'exceptional circumstances' test;
 - Regarding the issue of *maintaining production capacity* within a particular area, the Group resolved that the consultant appointed to produce the RTS should be asked to consider this for each LPA or region and to identify where there is a danger of under provision within the lifetime of the RTS 2nd Review, even though the apportionment figure may be met arithmetically.

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- 1.37 Concern was also expressed by the Technical Group about the *potential impact of major projects* on landbanks and the ability of the quarrying industry in Wales to respond to these potential spikes in demand. It therefore advised that one of the considerations to be addressed in carrying out the 2nd Review is whether the apportionment calculations for each LPA or region need to be adjusted to reflect these major 'spikes' in demand and, if so, how that could be done.
- 1.38 The first of these recommendations is now embedded within the Guiding Principles note above. The second, third and fifth recommendations are also regarded as settled matters and form part of the methodology for the determination of apportionments and allocations within the 2nd Review. The fourth and sixth recommendations, together with the additional concern regarding major projects, noted above, were discussed at a series of Stakeholder meetings in Stage 1 of the Review, and are incorporated in the adopted methodology.
- 1.39 Whether or not *Strategic Environmental Assessment* (SEA) should be undertaken was considered as part of the original development of the Regional Technical Statements. It was felt, however that, as the RTS documents primarily represent a collaboratively prepared evidence base and are neither required nor constitute a plan or programme for the purposes of the SEA Directive, such an assessment was not necessary. As with the original RTS documents and the First Review, therefore, at this broad level, and given the further detailed analysis and Plan-making that will be required to implement the RTS through Local Development Plans (where SEA is a formal requirement), it was not considered appropriate or required that SEA should be conducted as part of the Second Review.
- 1.40 Several of the terms used above (e.g. apportionments, allocations, landbanks, permitted reserves and resources) have very specific meanings with respect to minerals planning, which need to be understood. These are all defined in the *Glossary of Terms* at the back of this report. Similarly, a number of commonly-used abbreviations, although explained in the text where they are first introduced, are summarised in the list which follows the glossary.

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Key Principles 2.

The RTS Approach

- 2.1 A key principle which underpins the overall approach within the RTS and MTAN1 is the need to move away from the old, demand-led system of 'Predict and Provide' to the more modern concept of 'Plan, Monitor and Manage'. These terms originated in relation to the planning for housing provision but can also be applied to minerals.
- 2.2 It is important to recognise, however, that the Plan, Monitor and Manage system still depends, crucially, on an assessment of demand. At the heart of MTAN1 is the aspiration that, once a reasonable estimate of demand has been obtained, any subsequent fluctuations above that level should be accommodated by increased supplies from secondary and recycled sources (see glossary for definitions), rather than being seen as a justification for granting new planning permissions for primary aggregate extraction. Whilst that aspiration is widely supported, there is evidence to suggest that the percentage contribution available from secondary and recycled sources, having risen from around 10% of the total aggregates market in the 1990s to around 28% during the last decade (as a direct result of financial incentives and promotional work to increase acceptability) is now likely to have peaked. As a consequence of this, the future use of recycled/secondary materials is likely to depend mainly on the level of future construction output (since the availability of recycled materials is closely dependent on rates of new construction). It is therefore perhaps more reasonable to assume that secondary and recycled aggregates will continue to provide a high proportion of total aggregate production but will not be able to be relied upon to fulfil any future peaks in demand on their own: there may also need to be increased contributions from primary aggregate sources.
- 2.3 The RTS process supports this approach by investigating the likely continued availability of secondary and recycled aggregates from all available sources within each area, and factoring this in to an assessment of the residual demand for landwon primary aggregates, as informed primarily by historical sales data and the consideration of planned future construction activity. That residual level of demand is then translated into apportionments for each local authority, subject to the consideration of other sustainability issues including proximity and environmental capacity (see below).
- 2.4 An important tool in the ongoing management of the supply of aggregates is the monitoring of landbanks. A landbank, as defined in paragraph 45 of MTAN1, is the stock of planning permissions for the winning and working of minerals at active and inactive sites², at any given point in time and for a given area. Where there is an insufficient landbank of permitted reserves in a particular area to meet the identified demand, over a sustained period of time, the RTS recommends the need for allocations for future working to be identified in LDPs. Provided that the

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² Detailed definitions of active, inactive, dormant and suspended sites are given in the Glossary of Terms at the back of this report, as are the full definitions of resources, permitted reserves, apportionments, landbanks, allocations and provision.

reserves at *dormant* sites have not already been included in the landbank calculations³, and where a Local Planning Authority considers that such reserves are likely to be capable of being worked within the relevant period (subject to the agreement of modern conditions) it is suggested here that these may be offset against the requirement for new allocations. The same logic applies to sites where permission has been *suspended*, following a stalled IDO or ROMP review (see **Glossary** for full explanations of these various terms).

- 2.5 Thereafter, by virtue of the Plan-led approach, additional applications for new permitted reserves are unlikely to be granted except within allocated sites or areas, unless there are compelling reasons why fluctuations in demand cannot be met from those locations or from alternative (secondary and recycled) sources. The situation is monitored annually by the RAWPs and managed, as required, through periodic (5-yearly) revisions of the Regional Technical Statements.
- 2.6 In terms of its overall approach, the RTS concept represents an important modification of the more general Managed Aggregate Supply System (MASS) which had previously operated across both England & Wales for many years. The main difference is that the Welsh system explicitly seeks to incorporate two key principles of sustainability with respect to aggregates supply: the *proximity principle* and the notion of *environmental capacity*, as explained in the following sections.

The Proximity Principle

- This relates simply to the objective of minimising unnecessary transportation of bulk materials, particularly by road, by ensuring that sources of supply (e.g. aggregate quarries) are located as closely as possible to the main centres of demand (primarily centres of population and major infrastructure projects). The minerals planning system has only limited controls on this: it cannot dictate where aggregates are supplied to, from any given source, and it cannot dictate where suitable sources exist (since minerals can only be worked where they are found). The planning system can, however, provide strong guidance in terms of where planning permissions are likely to be given for new quarries (or extensions to existing quarries) within areas of suitable geology, and it can take account of transportation factors in deciding where these ought to be. In the long term the RTS process has a key role to play in this, by gradually modifying the overall pattern of supply, where this is needed.
- 2.8 The proximity principle needs to be modified, in some cases, by recognition that certain types of 'high specification aggregate' (HSA) serve quite different markets and are therefore required for distribution over much greater distances. This applies especially to the skid-resistant aggregates derived from the Pennant Sandstones of South Wales and from a range of other formations within Powys and elsewhere, which are essential for road surfacing applications throughout England and Wales (Thompson, Greig & Shaw, 1993; Thompson et al., 2004). Indigenous sources of HSA

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³ There are differences of interpretation (of MTAN1 guidance) regarding whether or not the permitted reserves at dormant sites should be included in landbank calculations that are used for the purpose of assessing the need, or otherwise, for new allocations. As explained in the **Glossary**, for the purposes of this review, such reserves, and those at suspended sites, have been excluded.

materials within England are very limited, and many are constrained by their location within National Parks. HSA exports from Wales are therefore of major significance. Separate consideration also needs to be given to the issue of high purity limestone production for use as a metallurgical flux, for chemical production and for the manufacture of cement. Whilst these are all non-aggregate end-uses, they are frequently produced from the same geological resources as crushed rock aggregates, but the quarry locations may be determined or justified primarily by the requirements for the higher value industrial products.

- 2.9 The proximity principle is further modified by the requirement in MTAN 1 (paragraph 49) that landbanks do not need to be maintained, and that there should therefore be no future allocations, within National Parks or Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONBs). This is in line with Planning Policy Wales, which states (at para. 5.14.35) that mineral extraction should not take place in National Parks and AONBs, except in very exceptional circumstances.
- 2.10 The original Regional Technical Statements aimed to reflect the Proximity Principle by providing 'per capita' apportionments for future aggregate provision (i.e. proportionate to the population within a given LPA area, as a surrogate for the likely distribution of demand). Major drawbacks of this approach, however, were found to be the lack of correlation between existing population figures and either the demand for, or availability of, aggregate supplies.
- 2.11 In the 1st Review of the RTSs, general consideration was given, instead, to variations in population density, but account was also taken of a range of other influences, including access routes and transport distances, which neither population nor population density figures are able to reflect. That analysis was, necessarily, of a qualitative nature because of the complexities involved, and to avoid the spurious precision associated with inappropriate quantitative analysis. It allowed the Proximity Principle to be acknowledged but relied primarily on historical sales figures as indicators of demand. This recognised that the demand for supplies from a particular quarry must inevitably be influenced (very strongly) by transport distances, since these constitute a major element of the delivered price. Local sources of supply will therefore always be preferred to those from more distant locations, provided that the material supplied is fit for purpose. Equally, more remote sources would only maintain their commercial viability if they are capable of supplying aggregates of a type that are in high demand but not available from sources located nearer to the markets.
- 2.12 The main criticism of that approach has been that reliance on historical sales figures inevitably perpetuates the historical pattern of supply, giving very limited scope for this to be changed, over time, to achieve any improvement in sustainability. In the present Review, an attempt has therefore been made to use recent data on housing completions and planned future housing provision, both as part of the overall assessment of future demand, and to influence the sub-regional apportionment of future aggregates provision. This is explained more fully in Chapter 3.

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Environmental Capacity

- 2.13 By comparison, the notion of environmental capacity has always been a more controversial issue. The basic principle is clear enough: i.e. that quarrying should be focused, as far as possible, on areas which have the greatest capacity to 'absorb' the environmental impacts that are (or may be) associated with quarrying activity, and thus to contribute to future supply with a minimum of adverse impacts. The controversy derives from the lack of consensus in terms of how 'environmental capacity' should be defined, and from the way in which this has influenced the allocation targets within the Regional Technical Statements.
- In Wales, two previous research projects provided the evidence base for the system that is currently used: **EMAADS** (Establishing a Methodology for Assessing Aggregates Demand and Supply Arup, 2004) and **IMAECA** (Implementing the Methodology for Assessing the Environmental Capacity for primary Aggregates Enviros, 2005). These projects resulted in a set of 'traffic light' maps (as they are often referred to) being issued to each LPA within Wales to indicate areas of relatively high (green), medium (amber) and relatively low (red) environmental capacity. The thresholds between these categories were arbitrarily set, but the differentiation between them does at least provide a starting point for the consideration of environmental capacity and thereby enables nationally consistent strategic decisions to be made, by the RAWPs, with respect to future aggregates provision.
- 2.15 The colours shown on these maps reflect combined scores from the assessment of twelve different 'national environmental indicators' for each square kilometre. These comprised:
 - (i) Settlements
 - (ii) Roads
 - (iii) Land Use
 - (iv) SSSIs
 - (v) Heritage
 - (vi) Public Enjoyment
 - (vii) Landscape
 - (viii) Local Landscape
 - (ix) Watercourses
 - (x) Spheres of Influence
 - (xi) Existing Workings
 - (xii) Cumulative Effects
- 2.16 It is important to understand that the IMAECA tool was designed to be used <u>only</u> to inform the Regional Technical Statements and explicitly <u>not</u> to be used directly in Local Development Plans, Development Management processes and decisions or planning appeal decisions.

- 2.17 The consideration of Environmental Capacity at this strategic level deliberately avoids the direct use of more detailed 'primary' environmental information such as the locations of individual designations (other than National Parks and AONBs). Once again, this is to avoid being site-specific and to avoid prejudging issues which need to be addressed in more detail through LDP and Development Management processes at a local level either within individual local authorities and/or through joint working between neighbouring authorities. Joint consideration of the relationship between mineral resources and environmental designations on a subregional basis would potentially allow more detailed consideration to be given to these important issues at a spatial scale which extends beyond the boundaries of an individual local authority. This could tie-in well with the Area-Based Natural Resource Management Approach being promoted by Welsh Government through the Environment (Wales) Act 2016.
- 2.18 However, despite this information being available, and being described for each LPA within the original RTSs, the environmental capacity results from the IMAECA study had no influence at all on setting the apportionment figures within those reports. That may partially have been due to concerns about not prejudging matters that should properly fall to be dealt with through the Local Development Plan process. This certainly applies to any site-specific judgements but, at a more strategic level, there is both scope and wide support for environmental capacity data to inform and potentially influence the bigger picture.

Changing the Pattern of Supply

- 2.19 Important consideration also needs to be given to existing patterns of supply. MTAN 1 suggests that these patterns are largely a historical residual and '...will need to gradually change to reflect current notions of sustainability'. That may, or may not be the case, however, since the historical supply patterns already have much to commend them: they reflect the spatial distribution of available resources (which is of fundamental importance, since minerals can only be worked where they are found) and the *economic imperative* of industry to establish quarries as close as possible to areas of demand (in order to minimise transport costs), subject to a range of environmental designations, planning policies and other constraints. Over many decades, quarries which have become uneconomic because of changing demand or outdated transport networks and rising costs have naturally fallen into disuse. Those which remain are generally (though not always) well-placed to serve the current markets although some remain in conflict with designations, environmental concerns or neighbouring land uses which, in many cases, post-date the mineral planning permissions involved. Where this is the case then, unless there are no sensible alternatives in terms of the availability of resources, it may not be appropriate for the historical supply pattern from a given area to be used as a proxy for future supply from that area.
- 2.20 Together, the implementation of the proximity principle and the notion of environmental capacity, as described above, may gradually induce changes to the existing patterns of supply. But this would only be justified if it is found that, once all aspects of sustainability are taken into account, alternative patterns are seen to

Date September 2020 Status: Final have clear advantages over those which currently exist. Even where changes are clearly justified, these cannot generally be immediately implemented, since (unless Prohibition Orders are issued) existing quarries will be able to continue until their existing planning permissions expire and/or until they run out of permitted reserves.

2.21 Nevertheless, the RTS can help to influence future changes in supply pattern, where this is found to be desirable, by adjusting the apportionments given to individual LPAs. This, in turn, will then help to focus new allocations in the areas required, and should eventually result in a shift towards a more sustainable pattern of supply. Chapter 4 of this report presents an overview of the existing supply pattern, highlighting the need for limited adjustments in certain areas, drawing on the more detailed analyses presented in the two Regional Appendices (A and B).

3. Methodology for the 2nd Review of the RTS

Introduction

- 3.1 In the original and First Review of the Regional Technical Statements, the starting point for the apportionment of future aggregates provision⁴ was to make an assessment of the likely future demand. However, in contrast with the former guidelines for aggregate provision issued for both England and Wales, prior to devolution, the RTS process has always avoided any attempt to make detailed forecasts of future demand based on econometric modelling. In the past, these had been found to be unreliable and were criticised for their lack of transparency. Instead, a series of alternative approaches have been used in Wales and each 5-yearly review of the RTS provides opportunities for further refinement.
- 3.2 The methodology used in the previous (First) Review, in 2014, had been based primarily on historical sales averages, combined with an assessment of the various 'drivers' of potential future change much like the methodology for producing Local Aggregate Assessments in England, but carried out at a national scale. For the present Review, this has been combined with an attempt to reflect *planned* future requirements for construction activity (particularly housing)⁵, and to avoid perpetuating historical supply patterns in areas where there is scope to encourage more sustainable patterns of supply.
- 3.3 Given the importance of the Plan-led system, there is a need for joined-up thinking between <u>planned</u> construction activity and the <u>planned</u> provision of associated construction materials. This resonates strongly with the integration of policies to promote balanced decision-making: one of the five key ways of working identified in the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015. The concept applies irrespective of whether the planned construction (e.g. housing or major infrastructure projects) materialises. If the planned activity *does* take place, then it will not be hampered by a shortage of materials; if it does not, then there will have been an over-provision of aggregates, but that would not equate to excess production (since aggregates will only be quarried as and when the demand occurs).

Preliminary Research

3.4 In developing the methodology to be applied in the 2nd Review, it was first necessary to undertake some preliminary analysis of the source data. This is briefly outlined below under five headings: historical sales data, housing data, economic forecasts, availability of alternative materials and the balance between imports and exports.

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⁴ This analysis relates only to the requirements for primary, land-won aggregates. As noted in the original RTS documents, targets for the production of alternative aggregates (i.e. secondary aggregates, recycled materials and marine-dredged aggregates) have traditionally been 'top-sliced', leaving a residual demand for land-won primary aggregates. As with the First Review, it was agreed with the Steering Group that the proportion of total aggregates supply provided from secondary and recycled aggregate sources would remain approximately constant, with the actual quantities rising and falling in relation to overall levels of economic activity.

⁵ Although planned housing construction may be no more reliable, as an indicator of future demand, than the former aggregate guidelines were, the justification for using such figures is different: it is not an attempt to predict demand, only to ensure consistency in the planning process and to give tangible recognition to the link between construction and aggregates.

Historical Sales Data

- 3.5 The Annual Reports of the South Wales and North Wales Regional Aggregate Working Parties provide an important source of data regarding annual sales and annual updates to the stock of permitted reserves of land-won primary aggregates. They also provide information on secondary aggregates and on landings of marinedredged aggregates.
- 3.6 The published reports for South Wales currently provide data up to the end of 2016. Those for North Wales provide data up to 2015 but, for the purpose of this Review, the previously published figures have been refined and updated (to include 2016), by the RAWP secretary. The resulting annual totals for the period 2007 to 2016 are presented in Table 3.1, below. This represents the main 'baseline' period for use in the Second Review. All figures are given in millions of tonnes (mt).

Table 3.1: Annual Sales of Land-won Primary Aggregate in North Wales and South Wales, from RAWP reports.

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
North Wales Crushed Rock (mt)	6.298	6.225	3.674	4.381	4.348	3.938	4.052	4.626	5.003	5.023
North Wales Land-won Sand & Gravel (mt)	1.063	0.711	0.599	0.664	0.641	0.588	0.529	0.892	0.940	0.726
NW Total (mt)	7.361	6.936	4.273	5.045	4.989	4.526	4.581	5.518	5.943	5.749
South Wales Crushed Rock (mt)	12.51	10.35	8.13	7.20	7.73	7.39	7.55	7.87	8.31	8.41
South Wales Land-won Sand & Gravel (mt)	0.24	0.03	0.14	0.12	0.11	0.27	0.28	0.20	0.27	0.16
SW Total (mt)	12.75	10.38	8.28	7.32	7.84	7.66	7.83	8.07	8.58	8.57
Wales Total (mt)	20.11	17.32	12.54	12.37	12.83	12.19	12.41	13.59	14.52	14.32
NW/SW Split (%)	37/63	40/60	34/66	41/59	39/61	37/63	37/63	40/60	41/59	40/60

SOURCE: Annual RAWP reports, updated (for North Wales) by the RAWP Secretary, for the purposes of this review⁶.

3.7 It is important to remember that the historical sales figures represent only the residual demand for land-won primary aggregates, since the overall demand over this period was also satisfied, to varying degrees, by supplies from secondary, recycled and marine aggregate sources, as well as by small amounts of imports from primary aggregate sources in England. By default, therefore, using historical sales data as part of the basis for estimating future demand assumes that the supply of secondary, recycled, marine and imported aggregates will continue as before (with different levels of contribution from each source in each of the various LPAs).

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⁶ Whilst the data presented in Table 3.1 are useful in showing the year-to-year variations, the totals are slightly different from those presented an all subsequent tables in this report, which were derived from new, and more accurate figures collated by both RAWP secretaries for the specific purpose of this review.

In the First Review, historical sales data were represented by the average sales over the preceding 10-year baseline period. For the present Review, it was decided that consideration should also be given to average sales over the most recent 3-year period (2014 to 2016), in recognition of the fact that for some areas (notably Cardiff, and the three main 'exporting' LPAs of Flintshire, Wrexham and Powys), there has been a sharp increase in recent production. The RTS Steering Group's view was that the highest of the 10-year and 3-year averages, for each LPA, should be used in calculating a more representative National total. Table 3.2, below, presents the figures for each LPA and the derived total. The LPAs are listed simply in alphabetical. Their geographical distribution and arrangement into the North Wales and South Wales RAWP areas, are shown in Figure 1.1, above.

Table 3.2: 10-year and 3-year Total Land-Won Primary Aggregates Sales Averages (to 2016) for each LPA.

Unitary Authority	10-yr Average Aggregate Sales (total) (mtpa)	3-yr Average Aggregate Sales (total) (mtpa)	Highest of 3-yr and 10-yr ave. sales in each LPA (mtpa)
Blaenau Gwent	0.170	0.180	0.180
Brecon Beacons National Park	0.490	0.540	0.540
Bridgend	0.580	0.600	0.600
Caerphilly	0.390	0.100	0.390
Cardiff	0.830	1.060	1.060
Carmarthenshire	0.832	0.821	0.832
Ceredigion	0.300	0.240	0.300
Conwy + Snowdonia NP	0.955	0.813	0.955
Denbighshire	0.329	0.043	0.329
Flintshire	2.663	3.204	3.204
Gwynedd	0.868	0.898	0.898
Isle of Anglesey	0.236	0.255	0.255
Merthyr Tydfil	0.150	0.010	0.150
Monmouthshire	0.070	0.060	0.070
Neath Port Talbot	0.460	0.300	0.460
Newport	0.000	0.000	0.000
Pembrokeshire	0.510	0.360	0.510
Pembrokeshire Coast NP	0.330	0.270	0.330
Powys	2.470	2.650	2.650
Rhonda Cynon Taf	0.610	0.670	0.670
Swansea	0.000	0.000	0.000
Torfaen	0.000	0.000	0.000
Vale of Glamorgan	0.660	0.580	0.660
Wrexham	0.435	0.514	0.514
TOTAL, Wales			15.557

(SOURCE: RAWP Secretaries, 2018)

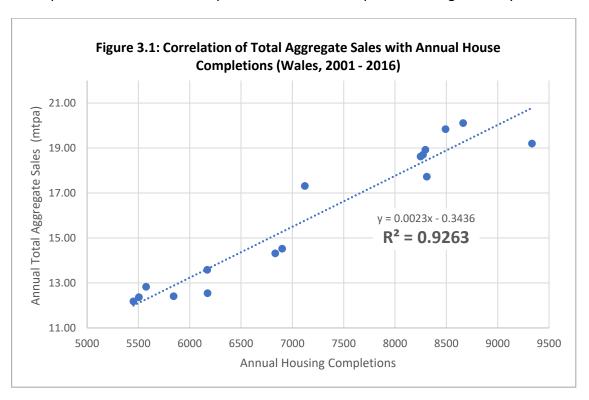
3.9 This National total of 15.557mt compares with an equivalent figure of 17.69 mt for the First Review (based on the 10-year average, only, for the period 2001 to 2010).

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This marked reduction reflects the fact that the baseline for the present Review includes the whole of the recent economic recession, whereas the previous baseline period incorporated only part of the recession together with a preceding period of significantly higher sales.

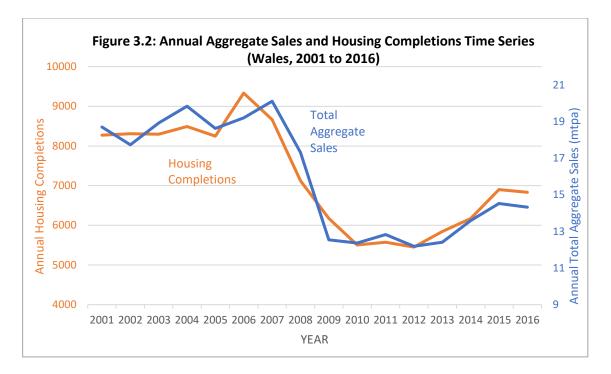
Housing Data

- 3.10 Statistics on housing completions (and housing starts) for each LPA in Wales are reported on the Welsh Government's 'StatsWales' website⁷. The data are reported in financial, rather than calendar years, so are not directly compatible with aggregate sales data, but comparisons over time can nevertheless reveal important trends. In doing so, two particular findings clearly emerged.
- 3.11 Firstly, an extremely high degree of correlation was revealed, at a national level, between annual house completions and annual sales of aggregates, with a correlation coefficient (R²) of 0.9236. This is illustrated in Figure 3.1 below. The two time series are compared in Figure 3.2, demonstrating their very close similarity of responses to the recent sharp recession and subsequent faltering recovery.



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 $^{^7\} https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/Housing/New-House-Building/newdwellingscompleted-by-area-dwellingtype-number of bedrooms$



- 3.12 In considering the correlation shown in these diagrams, it is important to note that, whilst there is obviously a causal link between house building and aggregate consumption, the apparent strength of that correlation may be at least partly explained by the fact that both factors are governed by a separate, completely independent variable that of economic growth.
- 3.13 It must also be recognised that housing accounts, directly, for only a proportion of aggregate sales. A projection of future housing growth (or decline), however reliable, could not be used with any confidence to predict the exact growth or decline of aggregate sales (at most it could only help to predict the proportion of those sales which are directly associated with house construction).
- 3.14 Similar analyses at regional and sub-regional levels were attempted but produced much weaker correlations particularly in areas where a significant proportion of demand is associated with exports to England, rather than with domestic construction activity (as is the case in north-east Wales, for example, and in Powys).
- 3.15 The second observation relates to the comparison between annualised figures for future housing requirements⁸, derived from the totals set out in adopted Local Development Plans throughout Wales, and actual housing completions data over the 10-year baseline period, as recorded by the Welsh Government. This comparison is presented in Table 3.3. below, with the LPAs again listed in alphabetical order.

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⁸ The data used here relates specifically to housing **requirements**, as objectively assessed for each LPA, rather than the figures for housing **provision** adopted in LDPs which are usually higher, following the inclusion of variable allowances in each LPA for 'flexibility'. The requirement figures were agreed, at a meeting of the two RAWPs, in July 2019, to be a more reliable basis for analysis. Given that LDP progress has varied from one authority to another, some of the earlier figures are now several years old, but all of them were valid for (or beyond) the 'baseline' period (2007 – 2016) covered by this Review. The Steering Group considered that these were the best available, consistent source of data for this purpose, with the benefit of having been scrutinised by Inspectors at individual LDP Examinations.

Table 3.3: Comparison of Housing Requirements in Local Development Plans with average Annual Housing Completions in Wales (as of December 2018)

Unitary Authority	Plan Status	Plan period	Planned Future Housing Requirements	Annualised Future Housing Requirements	Average House Completions per year (2008 – 2017)	
Blaenau Gwent	Adopted	2006-2021	3,500	233	99.1	
Bridgend	Adopted	2006-2021	9,690	646	365	
Caerphilly	Adopted	2006-2021	8,625	575	335.2	
Cardiff	Adopted	2006-2026 ⁹	41,415	2,761	825.3	
Carmarthenshire	Adopted	2006-2021	15,197	1,013	517.8	
Ceredigion	Adopted	2007-2022	6,000	400	126.1	
Conwy	Adopted	2007-2022	6,520	435	170 C	
Snowdonia	Adopted	2016-2031	770	51	178.6	
Denbighshire	Adopted	2006-2021	7,500	500	156.2	
Flintshire	in Progress	2015-2030	6,950	463	288.6	
Gwynedd	Joint LDP	2011 2026	7.404	479	170.4	
Isle of Anglesey	Adopted	2011-2026	7,184	479	109.6	
Merthyr Tydfil	Adopted	2006-2021	2,250	150	133.2	
Brecon Beacons N.P.	Adopted	2007-2022	1,990	133	133.2	
Monmouthshire	Adopted	2011-2021	4,500	450	228.6	
Neath Port Talbot	Adopted	2011-2026	7,800	520	274.3	
Newport	Adopted	2011-2026	10,350	690	527.5	
Pembrokeshire	Adopted	2006-2021	5,700	380	240	
Pembrokeshire Coast NP	Adopted	2006-2021	1,599	107	240	
Powys	Adopted	2011-2026	4,500	300	191.7	
Rhonda Cynon Taf	Adopted	2006-2021	14,385	959	373.9	
Swansea	Adopted	2010-2025	15,600	1,040	519.4	
Torfaen	Adopted	2006-2021	4,700	313	174.6	
Vale of Glamorgan	Adopted	2011-2026	9,460	631	284.3	
Wrexham	at Examination	2013-2028	7,750	517	304.2	
TOTAL, Wales		203,935	13,746	6,423.6		

- 3.16 It is evident from Table 3.3 that in every local authority, the levels of future housing requirements are substantially greater than recent levels of completion. For the country as a whole, the planned figures are more than double the average level of annual completions.
- 3.17 In reality, notwithstanding the fact that the housing figures have been scrutinised in terms of their 'deliverability' as part of the Local Plan process, and should therefore

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⁹ Although Cardiff's adopted LDP covers the period 2006 to 2026, work on the plan actually commenced in 2011 following withdrawal of the previous LDP (which covered the period 2006 to 2021). The start date remained at 2006 because much of the evidence base for the withdrawn plan was used to inform the new plan in order to avoid unnecessary expenditure in preparing new evidence where it was not required. This effectively means the plan is a 15-year plan (as for all others), expiring in 2026.

be 'sound', the planned delivery of new houses will only be achieved if economic and other conditions allow. The figures are therefore not predictions and cannot be used as a basis for predicting future demand.

There is, nevertheless, a clear logic behind the notion that levels of housing requirements that are accepted for inclusion in adopted LDPs should be underpinned by a planned sufficiency of construction aggregates. As noted in para. 3.3, above, this ties-in with, and is supported by, the notion of integrating policies to promote balanced decision-making: one of the five key ways of working identified in the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015. A decision was therefore made to move away from any attempt to predict future demand and to focus, instead, on making sure that future aggregates provision is reasonably matched to the planned requirements for housing construction.

Economic Forecasts

- 3.19 Notwithstanding that decision, it is still useful to give at least some consideration to established economic forecasts, since these may have a bearing on whether or not the planned construction activity is able to be delivered.
- 3.20 In the First Review, it was found that there was a degree of correlation between past aggregate sales and the annual change (% growth or decline) in *Gross Domestic Product* (GDP), as a measure of economic activity. GDP out-turn figures are readily available (on the Eurostat website) and GDP forecasts are published regularly in the Economic and Fiscal Outlook reports from the Office of Budget Responsibility. Table 3.4, below, compares land-won aggregate sales in Wales, over each of the last 16 years (again combining data for the last review period as well as this one), against published data on the annual percentage change in GDP for the UK.
- 3.21 The resulting graphs (Figures 3.3 and 3.4) reveal the a relatively limited degree of correlation between the two datasets and a noticeable disconnect between the speed of recovery of aggregate sales following the recession, compared with that of GDP growth. This may be at least partly because the GDP figures are available only for the UK as a whole, and not specifically for Wales. It is concluded that these offer very limited insight regarding future aggregate requirements in Wales, and that GDP data should not be used in the assessment of future requirements for aggregates provision.

Availability of Alternative Aggregates

3.22 In considering possible trends in the demand for land-won primary aggregates, consideration needs to be given to the availability of alternative (particularly secondary and recycled but also marine) aggregate sources. Such materials are 'top sliced' in terms of policy preferences, such that only the 'residual' demand needs to be supplied from primary, land-won materials.

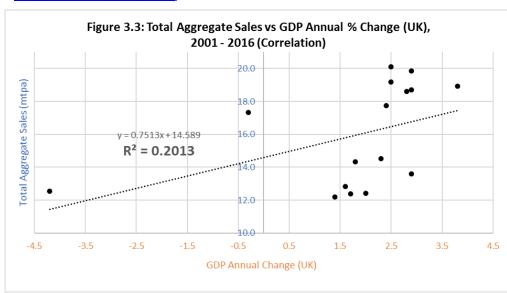
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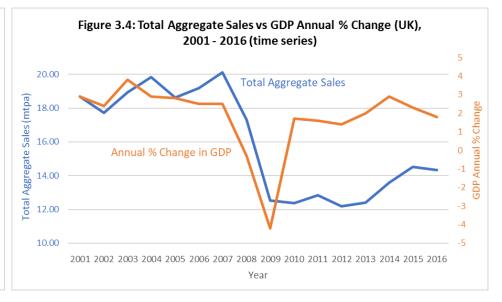
Table 3.4: Annual Aggregate Sales and GDP Data.

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Crushed Rock * (mt)	16.97	16.18	17.46	18.30	16.95	17.75	18.81	16.58	11.8	11.58	12.08	11.33	11.6	12.5	13.31	13.43
Land-won Sand & Gravel * (mt)	1.73	1.55	1.47	1.54	1.68	1.45	1.3	0.74	0.74	0.78	0.75	0.86	0.81	1.09	1.21	0.89
Total * (mt)	18.70	17.73	18.92	19.84	18.62	19.20	20.11	17.32	12.54	12.37	12.83	12.19	12.41	13.59	14.52	14.32
GDP (UK) – Annual % change **	2.9	2.4	3.8	2.9	2.8	2.5	2.5	-0.3	-4.2	1.7	1.6	1.4	2	2.9	2.3	1.8

^{*} SOURCE: Annual RAWP reports, updated (for North Wales) by the RAWP Secretary, for the purposes of this review.

^{**} SOURCE: (https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/data/database?p p id=NavTreeportletprod WAR NavTreeportletprod INSTANCE nPqeVbPXRmWQ&p p lifecycle=0&p p state=normal&p p mode=view&p p col id=column-2&p p col pos=1&p p col count=2)





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Secondary Aggregates

- 3.23 Secondary aggregates comprise the by-products of various industrial processes, including metallurgical slags and power station arisings, but also the by-products from certain types of non-aggregate mineral extraction, such as colliery spoil and slate waste, and from the recycling of glass, ceramics, asphalt planings and rail ballast¹⁰.
- 3.24 Aggregate production from metallurgical slags occurs only in South Wales. Port Talbot continues to produce both blast furnace (iron) and steel slag, whilst electric arc furnace steel slag is still produced from one site in Cardiff. The processing of older stockpiles of blast furnace slag at the former Llanwern steel works is now understood to have ceased. Secondary aggregates are produced from all of these materials although volumes are thought to be declining, with a consequent increase in the demand for primary aggregates.
- 3.25 Coal-fired power station arisings, comprising pulverised fuel ash (PFA) and furnace bottom ash (FBA) are currently produced only at the Aberthaw Power Station, in South Wales. With the planned closure of all coal-fired power stations by 2025, this production will cease. Whether or not historic PFA stockpiles will be able to be worked in future remains to be seen.
- 3.26 Small amounts of aggregate minerals (sandstone and occasionally sand) arise adventitiously from the reworking of former colliery spoil tips or from the working of opencast coal. The amounts and their suitability for use as construction aggregates are highly unpredictable, however, and quantities can vary greatly over time. Many former colliery waste tips in Wales have either been landscaped as part of reclamation schemes or utilised for base fill material. Volumes still available are very limited in North Wales but more significant in parts of the South Wales coalfield. The overall potential for producing aggregate from this material is considered to be small, for a combination of local, fiscal and regulatory reasons, but could be locally significant, particularly within Torfaen and Blaenau Gwent. Here, there may be opportunities for the material to make up for the very limited existing and potential sources of primary aggregate production, although the quality of the material and the quantities available for anything other than low grade fill, have yet to be demonstrated.
- 3.27 Sandstone arisings from new opencast workings have been important as 'windfall' resources at a number of sites within the South Wales coalfield, but these are classed as primary aggregates and are therefore not considered further here.
- 3.28 Crushed slate, derived either from slate waste (as a by-product of roofing material production) or quarried specifically for use as aggregate, features significantly in the overall pattern of supply with in North Wales (particularly in Gwynedd), but not in South Wales. Slate is included in the overall figures for crushed rock production

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¹⁰ it might appear more logical to group these recycled materials with aggregates produced from recycled construction, demolition and excavation wastes (CD&EW). However, the coverage of CD&EW is already well defined in terms of survey returns, so those items are included here as secondary aggregates.

within the North Wales RAWP reports though not in the AM Surveys. Although output fell during the recent recession, the proportions have remained high, suggesting an underlying increase in the market for slate aggregate. However, given that slate production is already included in the crushed rock statistics, this trend has no implications for the overall level of future demand for primary aggregates, only for the balance between slate and other types of crushed rock.

3.29 The various sources of secondary aggregate noted above, together with recycled aggregates, as discussed below, are currently exempt from the Aggregates Levy, in a deliberate attempt to minimise the use of primary aggregates. During 2019 and 2020, the Aggregates Levy was comprehensively reviewed by HMRC, but no changes have been made to those exemptions.

Recycled Aggregates

- 3.30 Aggregates produced from the recycling of construction, demolition and excavation wastes (CD&EW) form an important contribution to the overall supply of construction aggregates. The 2008 RTSs identified a total output for the whole of Wales of 3.97mt, based on 2005 survey data, and suggested a roughly 3 to 1 split between South Wales and North Wales, based on earlier surveys and population ratios. They also noted that, despite the lack of quantitative detail, it is inevitable that the greatest volumes of CD&EW arisings and usage are in the urban areas. The RTS documents emphasised, however, that all statistics for this sector need to be used with a high degree of caution, because of the low rate of response to the surveys.
- 3.31 The situation, in terms of available data, has not improved since the original RTSs were published. No new survey data is available, so any observations on recent or future trends can only be regarded as broad approximations. If anything, the efficiency of recycling is likely to have increased, and the introduction of WRAP's (2005) 'Quality Protocol' for the production of aggregates from inert waste may have increased the proportion and usage of higher value products derived from the various recycled sources. Such improvements, however, represent only small increments on the progress which had previously been made - primarily as a consequence of the price advantages resulting from the landfill tax and, to a lesser extent, the aggregates levy. The view of the Mineral Products Association (MPA), which is not disputed by the NRW, remains that there is little opportunity for significant further increase in the proportion of construction aggregate likely to be derived from this sector. As noted earlier, the future availability of recycled aggregates seems likely to be inextricably linked to the overall rates of construction activity and economic growth, so the safest assumption is that it will rise and fall in a very similar way to overall demand, and will thus have a neutral impact on the demand for primary aggregates, compared to the baseline period (2007 to 2016).

Marine-dredged Aggregates

3.32 Marine-dredged aggregates are of major importance in South Wales, with supplies being sourced from the Severn Estuary and the Bristol Channel, but are of very limited importance in North Wales. In south east Wales, marine-dredged material

Dat Pargebet 1959 Status: Final accounted for 100% of all sand & gravel production over the baseline period (2007 to 2016), reflecting the complete lack of historical (or current) land-based sand & gravel extraction in that area, despite the existence of potential land-based resources.

3.33 For the time being, it seems reasonable to suppose that marine-dredged aggregates will continue to supply a similar proportion of overall demand as they have done over the last decade, so the demand for land-won aggregates in any of the subregions of either South Wales or North Wales is not likely to be affected.

Imports and Exports

- 3.34 The periodic Aggregate Mineral (AM) Surveys usefully include data on the distribution of aggregates from supply areas to destinations, and on the mode of transportation used. Such data is far from perfect, not least because it is only the initial destination that is recorded. In many cases this may be simply an intermediate processing and/or distribution depot, from which the products travel further. Nevertheless, it is the only available source of distribution data, and is therefore very important to the RTS process.
- 3.35 Table 3.5, on the following page, derived from information presented in Tables 4j and 4k of the AM Reports, reveals the extent to which aggregates produced in North Wales and South Wales are exported (either between those regions or, primarily, to England).
- In North Wales, the main aggregate exports, by far, are those of Carboniferous Limestone which primarily are supplied to North West England. The AM Survey figures for North Wales generally show that, as overall sales fell during the recent recession between 2005 and 2009, the proportion (as well as the totals) of exports also fell. This implies that, during periods of recession, for general-purpose limestone aggregates, there is a reduced dependence by importing regions on supplies from more distant sources, as would be expected. But the reverse is also true: as the economy has recovered from recession, since 2009, the demand for exports from North Wales has increased once again, and more quickly than the overall rate of economic growth.
- 3.37 In South Wales, the main export is of sandstone, the vast majority (almost 90%) of which is High Specification Aggregate (HSA) skid-resistant road surfacing material with a Polished Stone Value (PSV) of 58 or above, and generally much higher (Thompson, Greig & Shaw 1993; Thompson et al, 2004). As noted earlier, these exports are of major importance because of the limited sources of unconstrained HSA materials within England. Reference to Table 3.5 shows that, although there was a reduction in sandstone exports between 2005 and 2009, the difference was much less marked than was the case for limestone exports from North Wales, especially in percentage terms. This reflects the fact that the market for skid-resistant road aggregate held up better, during the recession, than was the case for more general-purpose limestone aggregate (presumably because of the safety imperative of continuing to maintain skid resistance on major roads).

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Table 3.5: Summary of Regional-scale export data from recent AM Surveys

Note: all figures exclude sales for non-	AM2001	AM2005	AM2009	AM2014	
aggregate use	(mt)	(mt)	(mt)	(mt)	
North Wales (data from Table 4k of the AM	reports)				
Land won Sand & Gravel Sales	1.342	1.192	0.589	0.897	
S&G Exports*	0.544	0.508	0.128	0.158	
Exports as % of S&G total	41%	43%	22%	18%	
Limestone Sales	6.062	4.641	2.636	3.508	
Limestone Exports*	3.344	2.973	1.116	2.226	
Exports as % of Limestone total	55%	64%	42%	64%	
Igneous Sales	1.136	1.022	0.610	0.660	
Igneous Exports*	0.091	0.277	0.064	0.054	
Exports as % of Igneous total	8%	27%	10%	8%	
Sandstone Sales	0	0	0	0	
Sandstone Exports*	0	0	0	0	
Exports as % of Sandstone total	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Total Crushed Rock Sales**	7.198	5.663	3.245	4.168	
Total CR Exports*	3.436	3.251	1.178	2.280	
North Wales CR Exports as % of CR total	48%	57%	36%	55%	
South Wales (data from Table 4j of the AM re	ports)				
Land won Sand & Gravel Sales	0.115	0.304	0.144	0.205	
S&G Exports*	0.001	0.011	0	0	
Exports as % of S&G total	1%	4%	0%	0%	
Limestone Sales	6.536	6.137	4.554	4.540	
Limestone Exports*	0.262	0.154	0.052	0.332	
Exports as % of Limestone total	4%	3%	1%	7%	
Igneous Sales	0.838	1.238	1.025	1.577	
Igneous Exports*	0.572	0.430	0.694	0.829	
Exports as % of Igneous total	68%	35%	68%	53%	
Sandstone Sales	2.648	3.498	2.605	1.709	
Sandstone Exports*	1.457	1.941	1.258	0.852	
Exports as % of Sandstone total	55%	55%	48%	50%	
Total Crushed Rock Sales**	10.310	10.873	8.185	7.825	
Total CR Exports*	2.302	2.527	2.003	2.013	
South Wales CR Exports as % of CR total	22%	23%	24%	26%	

^{* &#}x27;exports' are primarily to England but include some movement between South Wales and North Wales.

3.38 Wales has always been a net exporter of construction aggregates and imports of land-based aggregates from England are very minor, by comparison with exports. In North Wales, imports in 2014 (from Table 5k of the AM 2014 report) amounted to just 0.023mt of land-won sand & gravel, and only 0.128mt of crushed rock, most of which comprised igneous rock from neighbouring South Wales and Limestone from South West England. In South Wales in 2014 (from Table 5j), land-based imports amounted to 0.042mt of sand & gravel and 0.079mt of crushed rock, primarily limestone from South West England.

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^{**} Unlike the figures used elsewhere in this Review, crushed rock sales in the AM reports exclude slate

- Imports and exports of marine-dredged sand and gravel between England and Wales are only relevant to the RTS apportionment exercise if they affect the continuity of supply of these materials to Wales and thus give rise to increased demand on land-based resources. This is potentially an issue in South East Wales which, as noted earlier, is heavily dependent upon marine aggregates. At the time of the First Review, Wales was a net importer of marine sand & gravel, dredged from the English side of the median line in the Bristol Channel and the Severn Estuary. This was noted in the Review as being likely to change, subject to the approval of new licence applications within Welsh waters. By 2019, the relative balance between imports and exports has shifted as a consequence of a new licence that has been recently permitted across the median line between English and Welsh waters. However, significant trade continues from English licences to Welsh markets as well as vice versa. In Liverpool Bay, the only licence area in Welsh waters remains a net exporter to north west English markets.
- 3.40 Recent AM Surveys have also included information on aggregate movement between sub-regions. In Wales the sub-regions used for this purpose¹¹ comprise:
 - North-East Wales (Conwy, Denbighshire, Flintshire and Wrexham);
 - North-West Wales (Isle of Anglesey, Gwynedd & the Snowdonia National Park);
 - South-East Wales (Swansea, Neath Port Talbot, Bridgend, Rhondda Cynon Taf, Merthyr Tydfil, Caerphilly, Blaenau Gwent, Torfaen, Monmouthshire, Newport, Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan); and
 - 'the Remainder of South Wales' (Pembrokeshire, Pembrokeshire Coast National Park, Ceredigion, Carmarthenshire, Powys and the Brecon Beacons National Park).
- 3.41 Table 3.6, below, shows the results for crushed rock, for each mineral planning authority. In each case, figures are given for sales within the same sub-region, sales to directly adjoining sub-regions within Wales, and sales to other sub-regions, including those in England.
- 3.42 Similar data is available for sand & gravel aggregates, although the quantities involved are extremely small, except in the case of Wrexham, where 51% is sold within NE Wales, 27% in NW Wales and 22% elsewhere (primarily England).

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¹¹ The sub-regions used for the AM Surveys should not be confused with those used for the analysis of future apportionments in this Review, as described on page 53 and shown in Figure 5.2.

Table 3.6: Sub-Regional export data for crushed rock aggregates* from the AM 2014 Survey report (Mankelow et al, 2016), expressed as percentages of total sales.

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Note: all figures exclude sales for non-aggregate use	Sales within sub-region	Sales to adjoining sub-regions in Wales	Sales to other sub- regions and to England	
North Wales (data from Table 9k of	the AM report)			
Conwy	25%	40%	35%	
Denbighshire**	(44%)	(0%)	(56%)	
Flintshire	33%	0%	66%	
Gwynedd	77%	21%	3%	
Isle of Anglesey	70%	17%	12%	
Wrexham	-	-	=	
South Wales (data from Table 9j of the	ne AM report)			
Blaenau Gwent		0%		
Brecon Beacons National Park	2%	98%	0%	
Bridgend	100%	0%	0%	
Caerphilly	54%	469	%	
Cardiff	39%	61%	0%	
Carmarthenshire	23%	77%	0%	
Ceredigion	100%	0%	0%	
Monmouthshire	ı	1	ı	
Neath Port Talbot	11%	57%	32%	
Newport	1	-	ı	
Pembrokeshire	66%	34%	0%	
Pembrokeshire Coast National Park	00%	3470	U70	
Powys	26%	6%	68%	
Rhondda, Cynon, Taf	80%	0%	20%	
Swansea	-	-	-	
Torfaen	-	-	-	
Vale of Glamorgan	65%	35%	0%	

^{*} Unlike the figures in Tables 3.3 and 3.4, above, crushed rock sales exclude slate

Agreed Methodology

- 3.43 The foregoing analysis indicates that there is very little clarity in terms of likely future trends in the demand for construction aggregates in Wales. As noted earlier, a decision was therefore made that the RTS should focus on matching future aggregates provision with a combination of historical sales data and the planned requirements for housing construction in Local Development Plans, rather than relying on any kind of detailed econometric forecasting.
- 3.44 Given that the relationship, such as it is, between house construction and aggregate sales is demonstrable at the national level, but not at regional or sub-regional levels, it is logical that figures for future provision should be set at the national level, and subsequently cascaded down to the regions, sub-regions and individual LPAs.

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^{**} Denbighshire was omitted from Table 9k of the AM 2014 report, so the figures shown here are from AM 2009.

3.45 Following a detailed consideration of several options and permutations, the methodology agreed with the RTS Steering Group¹² was that this should entail four sequential stages, as set out below.

STAGE 1: National Provision

 Calculate the overall level of future aggregates provision in Wales at a national level by combining the historical sales average (taking the highest of the 10year and 3-year averages for each LPA, for the reasons given in para. 3.8 above) with a factor which reflects the planned level of future housing construction activity, compared with that seen over the same 10-year baseline period (for details, see Chapter 5);

STAGE 2: Regional Split

Divide the national figure between North Wales and South Wales, on the basis
of the historical sales split between those regions which, as noted in paragraph
24 of MTAN1, has remained reasonably consistent over many years;

STAGE 3: Sub-Regional and LPA Apportionments

- Sub-divide the regional figures between a series of seven *sub-regions* (defined for the purpose of this Review¹³) and, *provided that it is feasible to do so*, between each of the constituent Local Planning Authorities (LPAs).
- In most cases, the distribution of apportionments within each sub-region is to be achieved through a combination of <u>quantitative</u> and <u>qualitative</u> judgements, exercised by the RTS Steering Group and facilitated by the appointed consultant. The judgements should aim to reflect the Steering Group's collective understanding of market requirements (reflecting both historical sales and the distribution of planned housing activity) together with considerations of existing landbanks, the proximity principle and environmental capacity.
- In a few areas, notably where there has been no production of land-won
 aggregates for many years, with no permitted reserves and zero
 apportionments, it might sometimes be more appropriate for the RTS
 apportionments to be subject to more detailed investigation by all of the LPAs
 within that particular sub-region and to industry responses to future calls for
 sites within those LPAs. In such cases, LPA apportionments will still be
 recommended but the possibility of alternative (more sustainable) subregional patterns of supply being found through sub-regional collaboration
 between LPAs and industry will be noted;

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 $^{^{12}}$ comprising Welsh Government, the two RAWP secretaries, National Resources Wales, the Mineral Products Association, the British Aggregates Association and representatives of one local authority from each Region

¹³ The sub-regions were created, at Welsh Government's suggestion, for the specific purpose of facilitating strategic minerals planning and collaborative approaches between LPAs. They each represent distinctive 'market areas' between which there is relatively little movement of aggregates, except for exports to England, and within which detailed, strategic consideration can be given as to the most appropriate patterns of supply.

STAGE 4: Sand & Gravel / Crushed Rock Split, and Allocations

- Sub-divide each LPA apportionment by aggregate type (sand & gravel or crushed rock), based on the recent historical sales split for that LPA and/or resource availability;
- Then determine the requirements for new allocations within individual LPAs by comparing the apportionment requirements over 22 years (for sand & gravel) or 25 years (for crushed rock)¹⁴ with existing landbanks.
- 3.46 Further details regarding the implementation of this methodology are presented in Chapter 5, below but first, to inform the qualitative element of Stage 3, it is useful to review the nature and adequacy, or otherwise, of the existing pattern of supply.

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¹⁴ These derive from the minimum landbank requirements of 7 years for sand & gravel and 10 years for crushed rock, being required throughout an *entire* 15-year plan period, as set out in MTAN 1.

4. Analysis of the Existing Supply Pattern

Introduction

- 4.1 Planning Policy Wales, paragraph 5.14.1 requires that, in order to provide for society's ongoing needs there should be a steady and adequate supply of construction-related minerals and mineral products. Paragraph 5.14.2 highlights the need to balance this fundamental requirement with the protection of amenity and the environment. This goes to the heart of the RTS process and requires that, as well as balancing supply and demand, consideration is given to the adequacy or otherwise of the existing pattern of supply, from a sustainability perspective. As explained in Chapter 2, this requires at least qualitative assessment of the pattern with respect to both proximity and environmental capacity.
- 4.2 In the original (2008) RTS, proximity was only considered in terms of the 'per capita' demand analysis which, as noted earlier, is difficult to justify. There is little, if any, correlation between aggregate sales and population size. Population density, together with the location of existing urban development, were examined, qualitatively, in the First Review, to provide some indication of the geographical areas where new construction is most likely to be concentrated. Proximity to such areas was seen as one measure of the sustainability of existing quarries, and a desirable factor in the location of new ones subject, of course, to the availability of resources in those locations and to the consideration of other practical and environmental factors. In the present review, as well as population density, the additional factor of planned housing construction is also being considered.
- 4.3 The concept of environmental capacity was considered, in the original RTSs, only in terms of providing qualitative descriptions for each LPA, based on outputs from the IMAECA analysis. It had no influence at all on the resulting apportionments or allocations (although future working within National Parks was discouraged as a more general matter of Policy paragraphs 21 and 22 of the former MPPW; and paragraphs. 46, 49, 51, 52 & 53 of MTAN1).
- In the course of the First Review, a determined attempt was made to use both the proximity principle and environmental capacity to better effect, in conjunction with an understanding of resource availability and historical supply patterns, in order to enhance, if possible, the spatial distribution of future supply sources. That process is continued in this Review, taking account of the additional information now available on the spatial distribution of planned future housing provision.
- 4.5 In considering such enhancement, it must be remembered that supply patterns are crucially dependent on the availability of suitable resources and on the commercial viability of working them. Minerals can only be worked where they are found. Moreover, they can only be worked on a commercial scale where quarry operators are willing to invest in their extraction, and in the procedures necessary to avoid (or minimise) potential adverse environmental impacts. In most cases, the detailed economic and commercial factors involved for individual sites cannot adequately be assessed at the strategic level represented by the RTS.

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- 4.6 It must also be remembered that improved proximity might sometimes be at the expense of reduced environmental capacity; whilst improved capacity might be at the expense of increased transportation distances, with consequential increases in carbon emissions and traffic impacts. The two factors therefore need to be considered in combination.
- 4.7 Consideration also needs to be given to other factors, including the relative merits of extensions to existing quarries as opposed to new 'greenfield sites'; the need to avoid stifling competition between different operators; and the need to maintain productive capacity – both to maintain a healthy degree of competition between different operators and to ensure that the supply pattern has the necessary resilience to be able to cope with periodic spikes in demand (as, for example, may be associated with major infrastructure projects or other large-scale development initiatives).
- 4.8 These detailed issues can most effectively be dealt with at a local level, however, once the overall strategy has been established. For this reason, the following analysis begins with a consideration of the broad, national and regional picture, with more detail being provided in the sub-Regional analyses presented in Appendices A and B. The key findings are then carried through to the assessment of future apportionments and allocations, in Chapter 5.

National and Regional Analysis

Distribution of Quarries and Resources

- 4.9 As noted above, the distribution of suitable geological resources is of fundamental importance in understanding the distribution of existing quarries, and in understanding the limitations involved in locating potential new ones. Once again, it is important to stress that minerals can only be worked where they are found.
- 4.10 Figure 4.1, below, shows the distribution of crushed rock quarries in Wales which were active in 2018, together with the outcrops of the key resources. The quarry locations are taken from an updated edition of the BGS 'Britpits' database¹⁵, limiting the selection to those which produce hard rock aggregates, either as a primary product or (in the case of slate waste tips) as a secondary material. maps, which show the locations of inactive and dormant, as well as active quarries, are presented in the more detailed analysis contained within the Regional Appendices (A and B).

¹⁵ A 2018 edition of the Britpits database was supplied by the BGS at the outset of this study but was then updated by the RAWP secretaries, particularly in terms of current operational status and ownership.

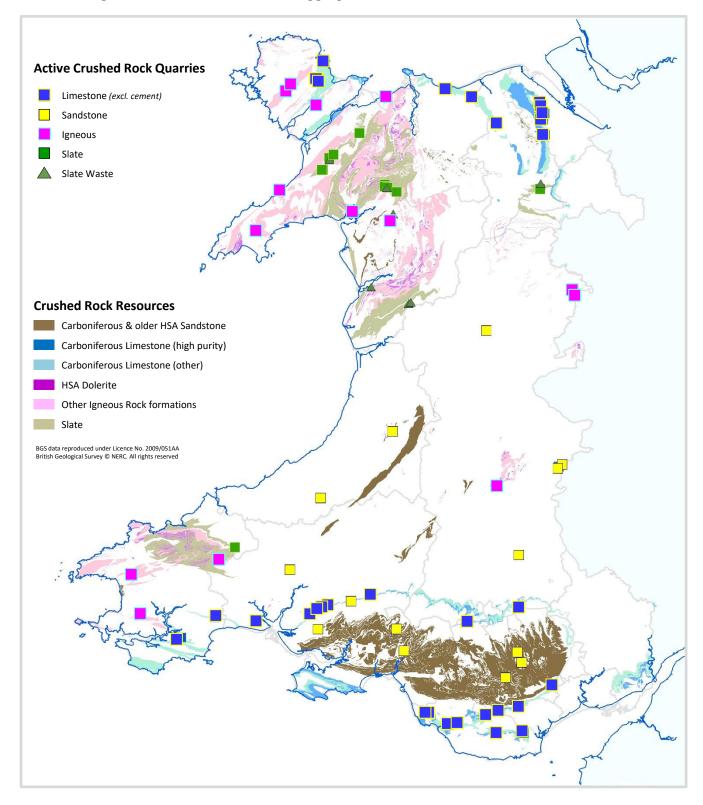


Figure 4.1: Active Crushed Rock Aggregate Quarries and Resources in Wales, 2018

4.11 The resource outcrops on Figure 4.1 are taken directly from the digital dataset produced for the BGS Mineral Resources Map of Wales (Humpage & Bide, 2010), but are limited to those resources which are important for the production of crushed rock aggregates. These include all 'Category 1' resources, as identified on the BGS

maps, and some (but not all) 'Category 2' resources. They fall into seven main groups, as follows:

- Carboniferous HSA sandstones (Category 1)
- Pre-Carboniferous HSA sandstones (Category 2)
- High Purity Carboniferous Limestone (Category 1)
- Other Carboniferous Limestone (Category 2)
- HSA dolerites (Category 1)
- Other igneous rock formations (Category 2)
- Slate (Category 2)
- 4.12 The term 'HSA' refers to 'High Specification Aggregate', which is suitable for use as skid-resistant road surfacing aggregate as defined in the original 'Travers Morgan' report on these materials for the former Department of the Environment (Thompson, Greig & Shaw, 1993). They are characterised by a high Polished Stone Value (PSV≥58) in combination with a low Aggregate Abrasion Value (AAV≤16) and tend to command a premium price compared with other types of road aggregate. They are also transported over much greater distances in order to meet specification requirements in areas which have no comparable indigenous resources (which includes most of eastern and southern England). HSA aggregates in Wales include certain types of hard sandstone (particularly the Carboniferous 'Pennant' Sandstones of the South Wales coalfield, and some older sandstones mainly within Powys), and certain types of dolerite (a particular variety of igneous rock) which occurs within various parts of south-west, north-west and mid-Wales.
- 4.13 It should be noted that some of the extensive sandstone formations within mid-Wales and North Wales that were identified as potential HSA resources within the 1993 Travers Morgan report have since been refined by the most recent and more detailed BGS resource mapping, such that only parts of those resources are now identified as potential sources of HSA material on a commercial scale.
- 4.14 The usual caveat should be added that not all of the outcrops, of any of the rock types or formations listed at para. 4.11, above, will necessarily be suitable for commercial quarrying. This is because all geological materials are inherently variable, from one part of their outcrop to another. Moreover, the commercial viability of extraction is also influenced by a large number of other practical issues including the local extent of the deposit, land ownership, access, and distance from market, as well as planning and environmental constraints.
- 4.15 Above all, it must be emphasised that Figure 4.1 (and Figure 4.2 below) displays the extent of potential **resources** and not **permitted reserves**. Resources are geological materials, including rock formations and naturally occurring sand & gravel deposits, which have the <u>potential</u> to be used for a particular purpose (in this case as construction aggregates). Reserves, in the broadest sense, are those parts of a resource which are <u>known</u> to be suitable for this purpose (usually as a result of detailed ground investigations and laboratory testing) and permitted reserves are

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those which have valid planning permission for the winning and working of the materials in question.

- 4.16 Excluded from Figure 4.1 are a range of weaker sandstones and limestones, including some 'Category 2' resources, which are not currently exploited as sources of crushed rock aggregate on anything other than an extremely local scale (e.g. for use on farms etc.), and where this is most unlikely to change in future, because of their inherent unsuitability for more commercial applications. Such resources include all Devonian sandstones and all post-Carboniferous sandstones and limestones. Whilst many of these have been identified by the BGS as being worthy of safeguarding within Local Development Plans (Wrighton & Humpage, 2012), they do not represent practical alternatives to the resources listed above, in terms of their ability to meet the same commercial specifications and are therefore not considered further here.
- 4.17 Figure 4.2, below, provides a similar map of the distribution of land-based sand & gravel pits, together with the corresponding potential resources. The latter are once again taken largely from the BGS Mineral Resources Map of Wales and include a wide range of sediments which have potential as sources of natural aggregate. The same caveats apply as for the crushed rock resources noted above.
- 4.18 Figure 4.2 also shows, within NW Wales and SE Wales, more specific potential resource blocks which were identified in more detailed studies carried out for the National Assembly for Wales (Thompson et al., 2000; University of Liverpool, 2003). These are not necessarily the only potential worthwhile resources, but they are the most rigorously assessed, within the areas concerned.
- 4.19 Figure 4.3, which follows, shows the areas which are within an illustrative 20km radius of one or more currently active crushed rock quarries; and Figure 4.4 provides a similar illustration in respect of both land-based sand & gravel quarries and ports which receive marine-dredged aggregates (principally sand).
- 4.20 In most cases, the economic radius of distribution from these locations is considerably greater than 20km: typically up to 50km for 'ordinary' graded aggregate or further in the case of value-added products (e.g. ready-mixed concrete and asphalt materials) that are often produced at remote depots for onward distribution, and much further still in the case of High Specification Aggregates or High Purity limestone.
- 4.21 The diagrams merely illustrate that the existing pattern of supply within Wales already conforms reasonably well to the Proximity Principle: very few parts of the country (those shown in black on Figure 4.3) are more than 20km from a source of crushed rock aggregate and many of those which are further away fall within 20km of either a land-based sand & gravel pit or a wharf which imports marine-dredged aggregates. Elsewhere, the distances are more than 20km but rarely more than 30km, and in most cases these are remote rural areas which are unlikely to generate significant levels of demand.

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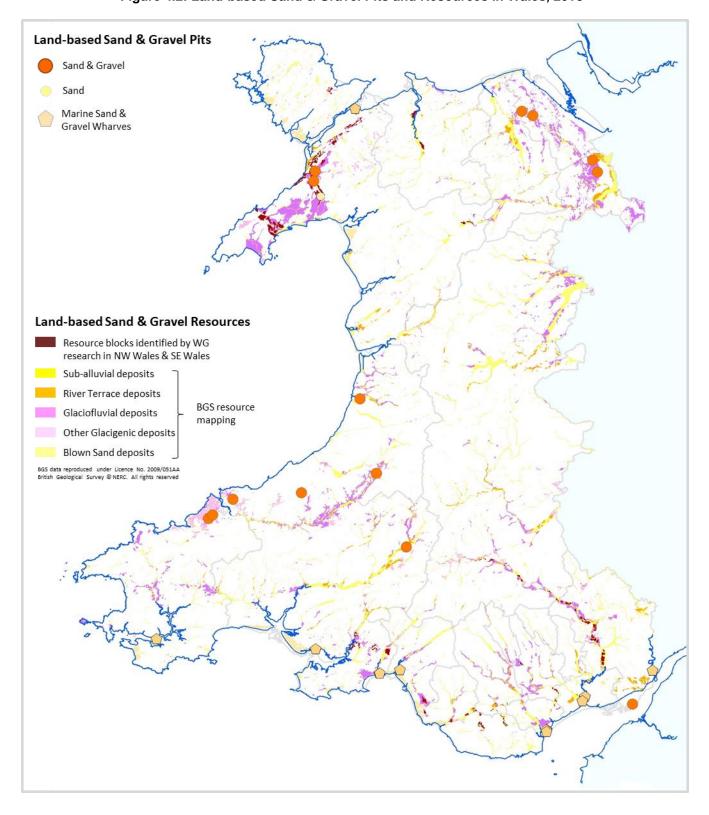


Figure 4.2: Land-based Sand & Gravel Pits and Resources in Wales, 2018

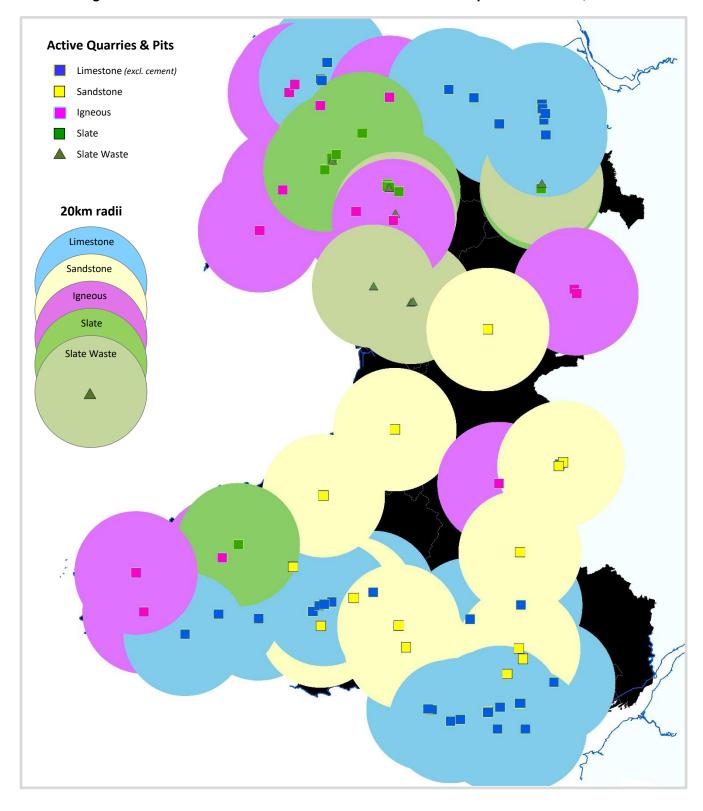


Figure 4.3: illustrative 20km radii from all active crushed rock quarries in Wales, 2018.

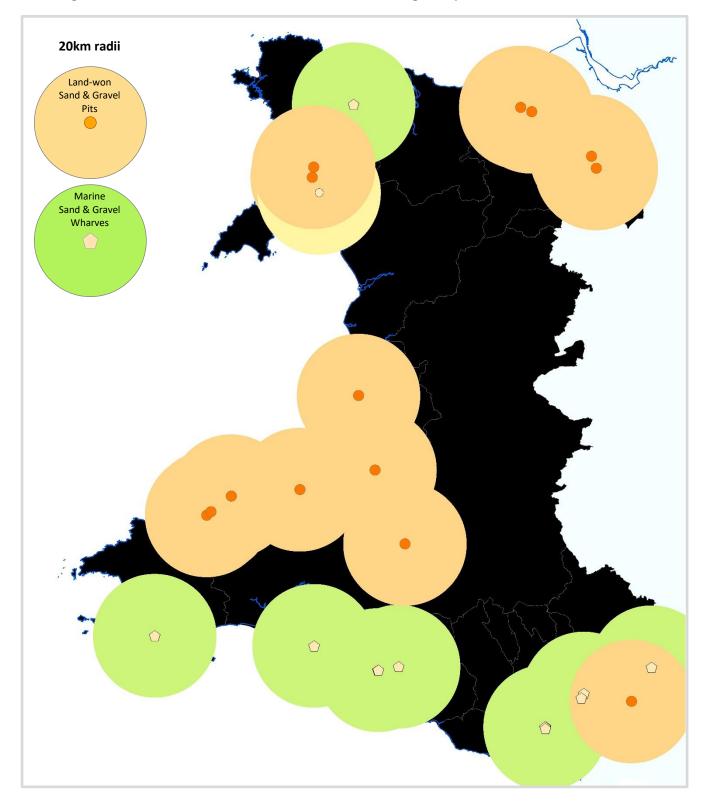


Figure 4.4: illustrative 20km radii from all active sand & gravel pits & wharves in Wales, 2018.

4.22 Figure 4.5, below, shows the distribution of crushed rock quarries in relation to the scale of crushed rock aggregate production, as measured by average historical sales figures for each LPA over the baseline period (2007-2016). The shading corresponds

to the figures given in Tables 5.4 and 5.6 in Chapter 5¹⁶. It is emphasised that this illustrates variations in production, not demand, and therefore includes both domestic consumption and exports to adjoining areas, including England. Figure 4.6 then provides a similar map for land-based sand & gravel production, displaying the data from Tables 5.3 and 5.5.

- 4.23 The focus of production for crushed rock is clearly seen, from Figure 4.5, to be in North-East Wales particularly Flintshire (which is where most of the exporting Carboniferous Limestone quarries are located); and in Powys, where a number of sandstone and igneous rock quarries supply HSA material to England particularly to adjoining parts of the West Midlands. In the rest of South Wales the picture is distorted by the much smaller size of many of the individual unitary authorities, particularly in the south-east, where the totals for each LPA are less than for the much larger county of Powys, even though overall production within SE Wales is double the total for Powys.
- 4.24 Historical crushed rock sales in South Wales have been concentrated within the Carmarthenshire, Bridgend, Vale of Glamorgan, Rhondda Cynon Taf and Cardiff LPAs (which is where most of the larger Carboniferous Limestone quarries in South Wales are located), and in the adjoining LPAs of Caerphilly and Neath Port Talbot, where additional HSA sandstone quarries are also located. Whereas much of the crushed rock production within NE Wales is supplied to the neighbouring parts of North West England, particularly Merseyside, most if not all of the limestone production in South East Wales appears to be utilised locally, within the producing areas, and within the adjoining LPAs of Swansea and Neath Port Talbot, to the west, and those of Merthyr Tydfil, Caerphilly and the 'Former Gwent' authorities to the east. Although Carboniferous Limestone resources do exist in these adjoining areas, they are either less extensive and/or more heavily constrained (see Appendix B for more detailed analysis).
- 4.25 The fact that little or none of the limestone from South Wales is exported further east, into England, is evidenced by the fact that additional Carboniferous Limestone from the Forest of Dean in Gloucestershire is currently being imported into the former Gwent area to make up for what would otherwise be an overall shortfall of supply. Although SE Wales has significant exports of crushed rock to England, most if not all of those exports are of HSA from the Pennant Sandstone formations of the South Wales Coalfield.
- 4.26 Overall, the pattern of crushed rock aggregate production outlined above relates largely to the availability of resources, the location of established supply units and the proximity of these to the main areas of construction activity and/or to major transport routes such as M4 corridor. Further analysis of the supply pattern, including the relationships between quarry locations, resources, markets, major designations and environmental capacity, is provided in paragraphs 4.30 *et seq.*, below, and in the two Regional Appendices.

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¹⁶ The exception being Snowdonia National Park, which is combined with Conwy in Table 3.1, for confidentiality reasons, but which in fact had very limited production over the baseline period, from a single site.

Figure 4.5: Spatial Distribution of Crushed Rock Production within each LPA, based on Average Sales 2007 - 2016, with locations of Active Crushed Rock Aggregate Quarries (2018)

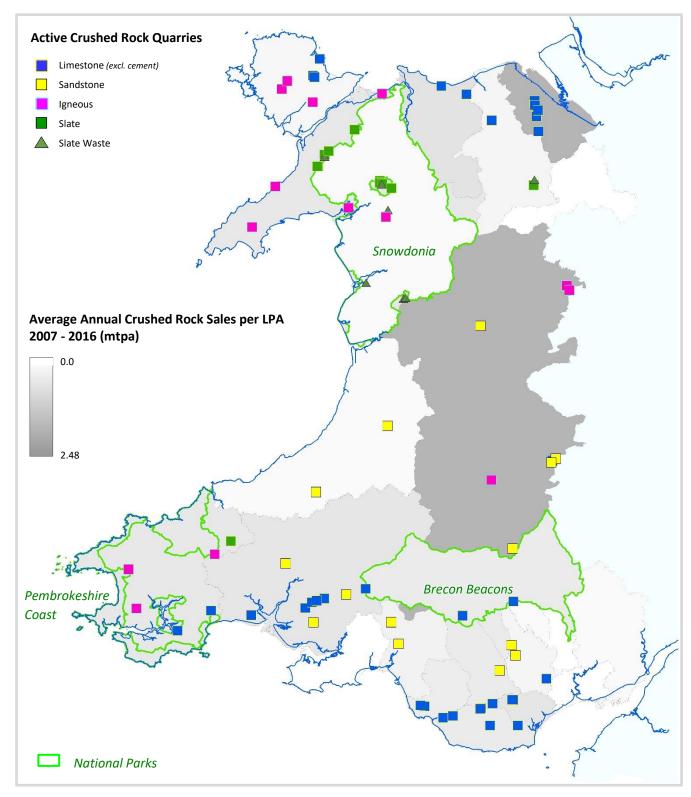
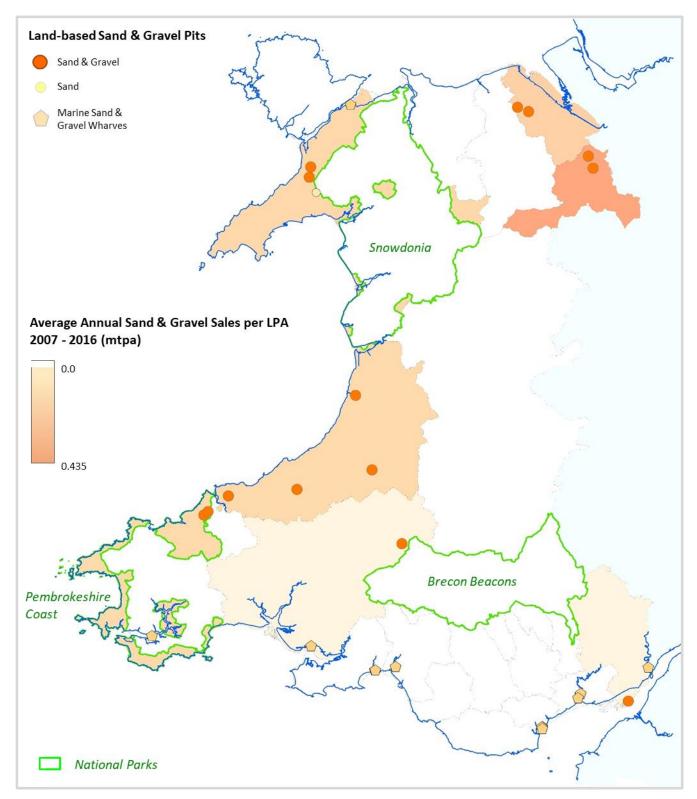


Figure 4.6: Spatial Distribution of Land-won Sand & Gravel production within each LPA, based on Average Sales 2007 - 2016, with locations of Sand & Gravel Pits (2018)



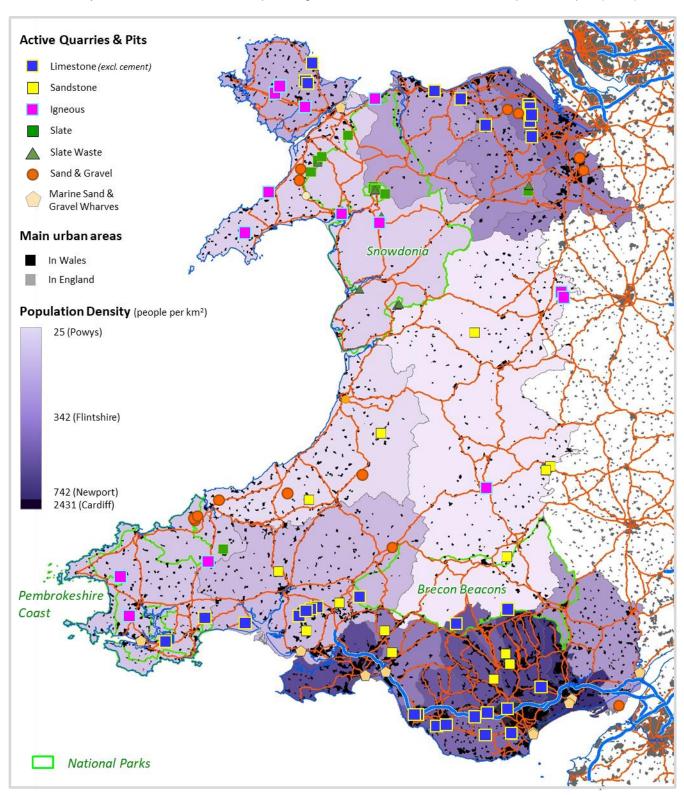
- 4.27 Looking to the future, any undue reliance on historical supply data would inevitably reinforce and perpetuate the same patterns of supply. More careful consideration is therefore needed where such reliance would unnecessarily perpetuate adverse environmental effects or unjustified inequalities in the balance of supply between neighbouring authorities (see also para. 4.27, above); or where undue reliance might otherwise be placed on the continued availability of supplies from an adjoining LPA or country (e.g. imports from Gloucestershire into SE Wales). In addition, any imposed change to the existing supply pattern may, in some cases, either necessitate working less suitable, thinner or otherwise less viable resources, where these exist, or (in some cases at least) may entail increased transportation distances, with consequential increases in carbon emissions and traffic impacts. All of these issues are explored in more detail in the sub-regional analyses within Appendices A and B.
- 4.28 In the case of sand & gravel production, as illustrated in Figure 4.6, the picture is greatly distorted by the reliance of South East Wales, in particular, on marine-dredged aggregates from the Bristol Channel and the Severn Estuary. South West Wales is less dependent on marine aggregates and has a small number of active land-based sites. Powys is too far removed from the coast to be influenced to any significant degree by marine aggregates, but still has only one very small land-based sand & gravel site currently in operation. It is reliant instead on crushed rock material, despite the apparent resources of natural sand & gravel within the upper reaches of the Severn, Wye and Usk valleys. In North Wales, there are, once again, apparently plentiful resources of natural sand & gravel in Gwynedd (as indicated in both BGS and Liverpool University mapping) but the supply pattern is dominated by one major quarry within Wrexham and (to a much smaller extent) by two further units within Wrexham and two or three others in Flintshire. Further details are given in the Regional Appendices.
- 4.29 Overall, in South Wales and much of North Wales, the relative lack of land-based sand & gravel production is influenced to a very large extent by environmental and landscape concerns, as well as by the relative ease of availability of alternative materials (marine aggregates, crushed rock and slate, including slate waste).

Comparison of the Supply Pattern with Population Density and Transport Links

4.30 Figure 4.7, below, shows the distribution of all currently active quarries and pits throughout Wales in relation to variations in population density by local authority area. It also shows urban areas, A-roads and motorways. Additional local roads, not shown on this map, will also be utilised close to individual quarries, distribution depots or customer locations. Together, the areas of high population density and the main urban areas provide a good indication of where construction activity, as a whole, is most likely to be concentrated, but the locations of major transport routes, such as the A55 in North Wales, and the M4 corridor in South Wales have important influences on export distribution. The map does not show railways, which are generally not used for aggregate distribution, though they are important for a few of the quarries in the South Wales coalfield area and along the North Wales coast.

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Figure 4.7: LPA Population Densities (2010) and main urban areas, as approximations for the overall pattern of demand for construction aggregates, with motorways, A-roads, national landscape designations and locations of all active quarries & pits (2018)



- 4.31 In North Wales, the highest population density occurs within Flintshire and Wrexham, coinciding with the highest levels of crushed rock and sand & gravel output, respectively, within that region (see figures 5.5 and 4.6, above). The road network in these areas also provides ease of access for exports into the conurbations of North West England, including the Wirral, Liverpool and Warrington. The main apparent anomaly here is the absence of crushed rock production within Wrexham. Although Carboniferous Limestone resources do exist in the western part of this authority, they fall almost entirely within the Clwydian Range & Dee Valley AONB. It will generally not be appropriate for new allocations to be identified within such areas, unless there are no viable alternatives within neighbouring Flintshire or Denbighshire. This is discussed at greater length in Appendix A, as is the need to maintain sand & gravel supplies within North West Wales by developing further resources in Gwynedd.
- 4.32 In South Wales, there is some coincidence between the areas of high population density and urban areas, on the one hand, and the distribution of crushed rock sales and quarries, on the other, but the relationship is less clear than in the north and the need for adjustments to the future supply pattern is, in some cases, more compelling. In particular, the areas of Newport, Torfaen, Blaenau Gwent and Caerphilly have higher population densities than those of the Vale of Glamorgan, Bridgend and RCT, but it is in the latter areas where most of the Carboniferous Limestone outcrops and quarries are located. Similarly, Swansea has a high population density but no active quarries or pits, relying instead on neighbouring Carmarthenshire for most of its limestone supplies, on Neath Port Talbot for supplies of road surfacing aggregate, and on marine dredged sources landed at Swansea Wharf for building sand. As with Wrexham in North Wales, Swansea does have indigenous resources of Carboniferous Limestone but again these are almost entirely within an AONB designation that of the Gower Peninsula.
- 4.33 As noted in the First Review, the distribution of crushed rock quarries in this area as a whole is therefore not ideally matched with the main areas of demand, suggesting that there may need to be some adjustment in terms of future apportionments, on the grounds of proximity. This, however, needs to be examined in more detail and balanced against both environmental capacity and commercial factors not least including the availability or otherwise of workable resources within and outside national landscape designations. Further commentary on this is given in Appendix B.
- 4.34 In mid Wales, there is a marked contrast between the very low population density of Powys and the high level of demand placed upon that County, in terms of crushed rock sales (compare Fig 4.7 with Fig 4.4). This, as noted earlier, is primarily due to a number of large quarries within Powys which export High Specification Aggregates by road to markets in England. Taking that into account, together with the distribution of these important resources, these quarries are clearly well-placed in terms of proximity to the relevant markets and transport routes.

Comparison of the Supply Pattern with Planned Development

- 4.35 Consideration also needs to be given to the distribution of supply sources in relation to that of the planned distribution of new housing provision since, as explained in Chapter 3, this is likely to have an important influence on the location of future aggregate consumption. Figure 4.8, below, therefore illustrates the distribution of active quarries in relation to the annualised housing requirement set out in Local Development Plans.
- 4.36 In this case, the indicated pattern of consumption is somewhat closer to the pattern of supply, than is the case when looking at population density. In South East Wales, especially, the housing requirement figures are relatively modest in Blaenau Gwent, Torfaen and Monmouthshire, which are served by only a single quarry, but the anomaly is still seen in Swansea, which has the second highest housing requirement figures, after Cardiff.

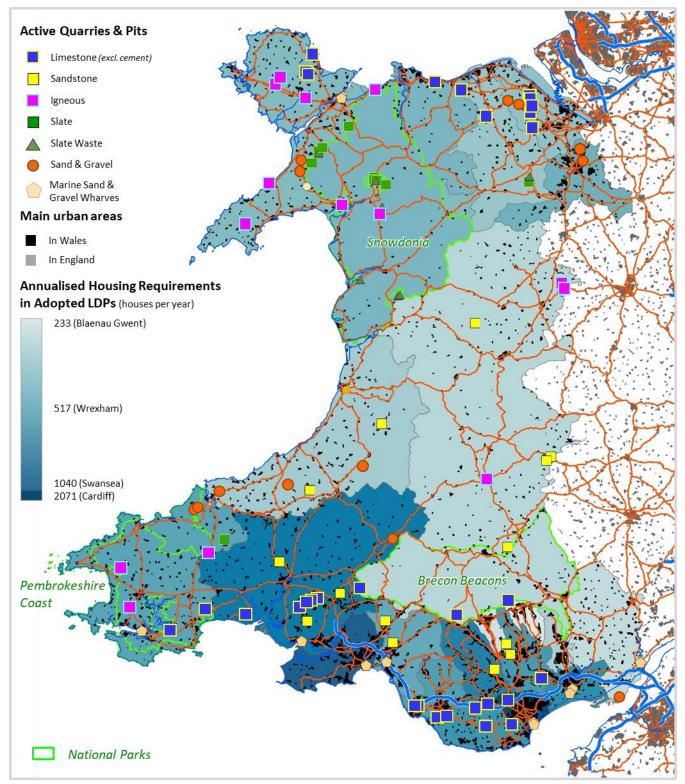
Comparison with Environmental Capacity

- 4.37 Figure 4.9, below, compares the distribution of active quarries with the spatial variations in Environmental Capacity across most (but not all) of Wales, as indicated by the 'combined scores' from the IMAECA Geographic Information System tool developed by Enviros Consulting Ltd. (2005). As explained more fully in paragraphs 2.14 et seq., above, the tool provides values, relative to arbitrary thresholds between the three coloured categories, for each 1km square which was assessed by the IMAECA project. The areas assessed were identified on the basis of whether or not aggregate resources were present within all or part of each square. Areas which were considered not to contain such resources were not assessed, which is why many parts of the country are left blank.
- 4.38 It should be noted that, whist the GIS tool allows separate results to be shown for different resource categories, those categories do not entirely match with the current BGS mineral resource maps and the resource outlines are therefore quite different. It is therefore more useful to look at the overall picture, as shown in Figure 4.9 (and, at a slightly larger scale but at the same level of detail, in the various maps which accompany the sub-Regional analysis in Appendices A and B).
- 4.39 It must be emphasised that the IMAECA results are intended only to provide a very broad indication of the capacity of different areas to accept the environmental impacts of additional quarrying activity. They are necessarily generalised and are specifically <u>not</u> intended to take the place of conventional 'sieve-mapping' within individual Local Authorities, where more detailed constraint maps can be used and site-specific issues can be examined to determine the relative pros and cons of different factors.

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Figure 4.8: Annualised Planned (LDP) Housing Requirements in LPAs and National Parks, as partial indicators of the pattern of demand for construction aggregates,

with motorways, A-roads, and locations of all active quarries & pits (2018)



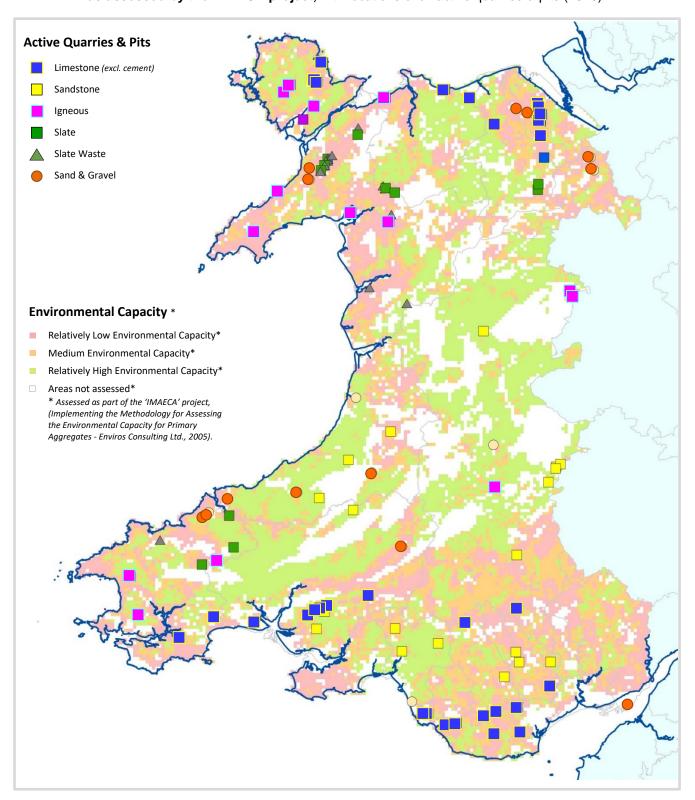


Figure 4.9: Environmental Capacity Assessment (combined scores for each km²), as assessed by the IMAECA project, with locations of all active quarries & pits (2018)

4.40 The IMAECA results have also been criticised for the fact that the presence of an existing quarry is treated, in the IMAECA analysis, as a factor which reduces the capacity for further quarrying in that area. Whilst there might be some justification for this, in terms of seeking to minimise cumulative impacts, it conflicts with the

- widely-held notion that well-designed extensions to existing quarries are likely to be more acceptable, at least in terms of public perception, than the introduction of quarrying to previously undisturbed 'greenfield' sites.
- 4.41 Bearing all of that in mind, the IMAECA results nevertheless provide a useful starting point for comparing environmental capacity issues with other factors (including resource availability, proximity and commercial viability) in areas where the historical supply pattern is thought to be in need of improvement, from a sustainability point of view. This is examined further in the Regional Appendices (A and B), the key findings of which are summarised at the end of this chapter.

Sub-Regional Analysis of Supply Patterns

4.42 More detailed, sub-regional analyses of the inter-relationships between each of the various factors outlined above were taken into account during Stage 3 of the apportionment process, as summarised in Chapter 5, below. They are described more fully in the Regional Appendices for North Wales (Appendix A) and South Wales (Appendix B).

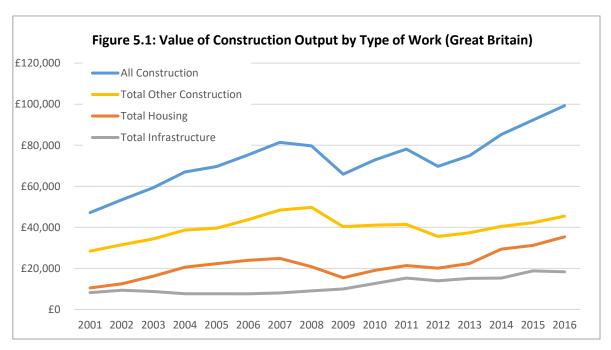
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5. Assessment of Apportionments and Allocations

5.1 The foregoing review of the existing supply pattern feeds into the overall methodology for determining apportionments and allocations for future working, as set out in Chapter 3. This Chapter implements the four sequential stages of that methodology.

STAGE 1: Setting the National Level for Future Aggregates Provision

- The agreed methodology begins by establishing the overall (national) level of future provision for all land-won primary aggregates in Wales. This is required to be assessed by combining historical sales data (using the highest of 10-year and 3-year averages, as explained in para. 3.8, above, and totalling 15.557mt) with a factor which reflects the planned level of future construction activity, compared with that seen over the same 10-year baseline period.
- Housing is an important element of such activity and one for which quantified requirements and levels of provision are made in local development plans, in a way which can readily be related to aggregate consumption. Clearly, however, housing accounts for only part of the overall level of aggregate consumption. Before deciding on how best to use the housing figures, it is therefore useful to consider the overall breakdown of construction activity. Statistical information on this is not readily available for Wales, but a useful insight can be gained by using data for the whole of Great Britain, which is published annually by the Office of National Statistics (ONS).
- 5.4 Figure 5.1 and Table 5.1, below, derived from the ONS Construction Statistics Annual 2017, show how housing accounts for just under 30% on average of all new construction work, in terms of value, varying over time from 22% to 36%.



SOURCE: Combined public & private sector data from Table 2.4c in the ONS Construction Statistics Annual, 2017. https://www.ons.gov.uk/businessindustryandtrade/constructionindustry/datasets/constructionstatisticsannualtables)

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Table 5.1: Percentage value of construction output by type of work, Great Britain. (SOURCE: as for Figure 5.1)

YEAR	2001	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Housing %	22%	23%	27%	31%	32%	32%	31%	26%	24%	26%	27%	29%	30%	34%	34%	36%
Infrastructure %	17%	18%	15%	11%	11%	10%	10%	11%	15%	17%	20%	20%	20%	18%	20%	18%
'Other' %	60%	59%	58%	58%	57%	58%	59%	62%	61%	56%	53%	51%	50%	48%	46%	46%

- 5.5 Major infrastructure projects can have a very substantial effect on the demand for construction aggregates within particular areas or regions. Whilst this needs to be reflected in the planning for future aggregates provision, the difficulty lies in the fact that such projects are rarely planned to a reliable delivery timescale and are susceptible to major political and investment decisions which are beyond the scope of the planning system (as demonstrated, for example, in the case of the proposed Swansea Tidal Lagoon, the Wylfa Newydd nuclear power station and the M4 Newport relief road). There is also considerable difficulty in quantifying the requirements for individual projects in terms of the need for construction aggregate. Overall, infrastructure accounts for between 10% and 20% of total construction value, averaging just under 16%. Its influence on overall demand is therefore likely to be much less than that of housing, and far more difficult to quantify.
- The majority (more than half, on average) of total spending is associated with 'other' types of construction activity. These include schools & universities, offices, entertainment, hospitals, factories, warehouses and a variety of miscellaneous work. Whilst all of these will influence the overall demand for construction materials, in many cases the materials used are likely to be dominated by steel and glass, rather than aggregates. Moreover, whilst much of the building work is recognised in Local Development Plans, in terms of allocations for employment, hospitals, schools, etc., there is no mechanism for quantifying the aggregate requirements involved or for comparing planned activity with historical data.
- In recognition of these various observations, and taking account of the close correlation between house building and aggregates provision; the fact that housing accounts for around 30% of all construction activity (at a GB level); and the fact that provision for house building is set to double (at a national level); it would seem justified to allow for a doubling of that 30% element of the overall supply. In other words, in order to ensure that adequate provision is made for the future supply of aggregates to support planned housing construction, the national level of overall provision should be set at 130% of the historical sales figure. The latter, as noted above, has been calculated as 15.557 mtpa. Applying a 30% uplift to this figure thus gives a headline, national figure for future primary, land-won aggregates provision is calculated to be 20.224 mtpa.
- 5.8 This figure is only marginally higher than the actual recorded sales total of 20.11mt for the year 2007 at the start of the baseline period, immediately prior to the economic recession, so is demonstrably not an unreasonable figure.

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STAGE 2: Calculation of the Regional Split between North Wales and South Wales

- 5.9 Table 3.1, in Chapter 3, shows how the regional split of primary aggregate sales between North Wales and South Wales has varied only slightly over the baseline period, ranging from 34/66% at one extreme to 41/59% at the other. Over the period as a whole, the average split (calculated from the more detailed and updated figures in Tables 5.2 to 5.5, below) has been 38.26% / 61.74%
- 5.10 Applying this ratio to the national total from para. 5.7 above gives the following headline apportionments for each of the two regions:
 - North Wales primary land-won aggregates: 7.738 mtpa
 - South Wales primary land-won aggregates: 12.486 mtpa

STAGE 3: Calculation of Sub-Regional and LPA Apportionments

- 5.11 Stage 3 of the apportionment process requires that the regional figures are apportioned between a series of seven **sub-regions**, created for the purpose of the RTS and, *provided that it is feasible to do so*, between each of the constituent Local Planning Authorities (LPAs).
- 5.12 The sub-regions were created, at Welsh Government's suggestion, for the specific purpose of facilitating strategic minerals planning and collaborative approaches between LPAs. They each represent distinctive 'market areas' between which there is relatively little movement of aggregates, except for exports to England, and within which detailed, strategic consideration can be given as to the most appropriate patterns of supply.
- 5.13 The sub-regions, as listed below, are illustrated in Figure 5.2, which also shows (in black), the main urban areas and (in shades of grey) the neighbouring authorities in England.
 - North West Wales (comprising Anglesey, Gwynedd, Conwy and the Snowdonia National Park), and
 - North East Wales (comprising Denbighshire, Flintshire & Wrexham);
 - Powys;
 - West Wales (Pembrokeshire, Pembrokeshire Coast National Park and Ceredigion);
 - Swansea City-Sub-Region (Swansea, Neath Port Talbot and Carmarthenshire);
 - Cardiff City Sub-Region (Cardiff, RCT, Merthyr Tydfil, Caerphilly, Bridgend, the Vale of Glamorgan and the Brecon Beacons National Park); and
 - 'Former Gwent' (Blaenau Gwent, Torfaen, Newport and Monmouthshire).

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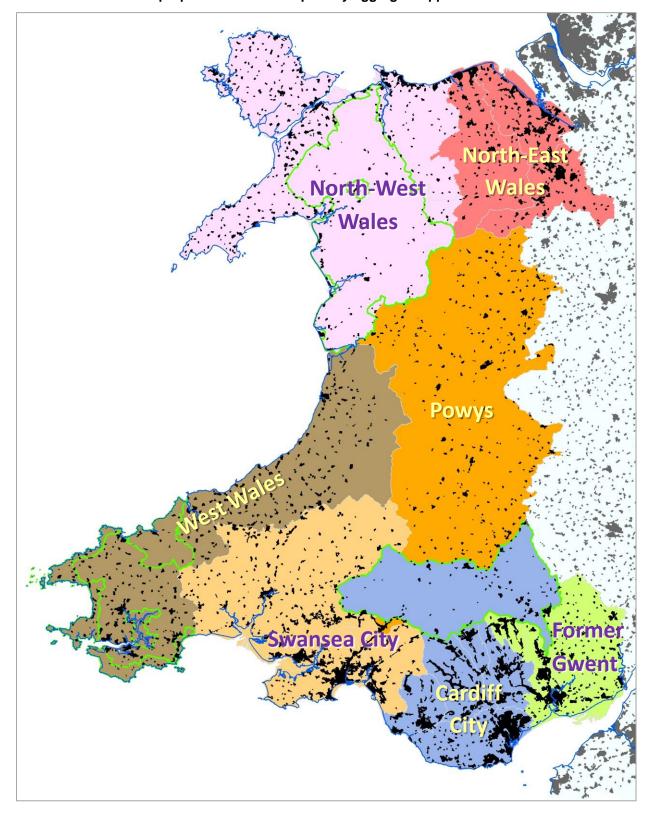


Figure 5.2: Sub-Regional Groupings of Local Planning Authorities in Wales, as determined for the purposes of land-won primary aggregate apportionment

5.14 The sub-regional groupings, thus defined, provide the basis for dividing the Regional Apportionment figures (from para 5.10, above), between the various groups of LPAs and, where feasible, between individual LPAs. The methodology for doing this, as

agreed by the RTS Steering Group, was based on a combination of quantitative calculations and qualitative judgements, as described below.

- Dealing first with the **quantitative data**, it was agreed that the pattern of apportionments should reflect, not only the pattern of historical sales (as had been used in the First Review) but also, where necessary, the pattern of house construction achieved over the baseline period¹⁷. This would have the added benefit of introducing changes to the supply pattern so that it becomes more aligned with the spatial pattern of observed (and likely future) demand, thereby addressing some of the inequalities that are reflected in the existing (historical) pattern of supply.
- 5.16 Two sets of 'theoretical' figures were therefore produced, one relating to historical sales ("Option A") and one relating to the housing figures ("Option B"). The term 'theoretical' is used here to indicate that these are the figures that would result from using only one or the other of the two datasets.
- 5.17 The historical sales data for Option A are derived from Table 3.2, above, using the highest of the 10-year and 3-year averages, for each LPA. In Tables 5.2 and 5.3 below, those figures are then expressed as percentages of the Regional totals and applied to the appropriate Regional figures from Stage 2, above, to obtain the Option A figures shown on the left hand side of the tables.
- 5.18 For Option B, the housing completions data for each LPA, taken from Table 3.3, were initially expressed as percentages of the Regional housing completion totals, in a similar way to the analysis of sales data for Option A. However, applying those percentages to the Regional apportionments from Stage 2 resulted in theoretical LPA figures which were felt to be too far removed from the 'reality' of the historical supply pattern. Instead, the process was therefore taken down to the sub-regional level: the housing figures were expressed as percentages of the sub-regional housing totals and applied to the sub-regional apportionment totals obtained from Option A, to give the Option B figures shown in columns 5 to 7 of Tables 5.2 and 5.3. For the purpose of this exercise (only), the two sub-regions in south-east Wales (i.e. Cardiff and Former Gwent) were combined. This was to address the fact that Former Gwent, as a whole, was considered, by the Steering Group, to have been making a relatively limited contribution to the overall supply pattern for many years.
- 5.19 Option A has the advantage of reflecting the existing distribution of supply sources (quarries) and is therefore realistic in terms of 'deliverability' but carries the disadvantage of perpetuating the historical supply pattern and the various inequalities contained therein. It represents the preferred option in areas where the historical supply pattern appears to provide a sensible balance between the availability of resources and the location of demand, but requires modification elsewhere.

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¹⁷ Whilst future housing requirement figures have been used to influence the overall <u>quantum</u> of future supply, in Stage 1 of the Methodology, for Stage 3 it was considered that the housing completion figures, over the baseline period covered by this review, would provide a more reliable metric for the demonstrable <u>spatial pattern</u> of this element of demand.

Table 5.2: Assessed Sub-Regional and LPA Apportionments, North Wales.

		OPTION A			OPTION B		Preferred			
Local Planning Authority	highest of 10- yr and 3yr Ave. Aggregate Sales (total) (mtpa)	% share of Regional total	Resulting Annualised Apportionments for all Land- Won Primary Aggregates ¹ (mtpa)	Annualised House Completions over the baseline period (2007 – 2016)	% share of <u>Sub</u> - Regional total	Resulting Annualised Apportionments for all Land- Won Primary Aggregates ² (mtpa)	Annualised Apportionments (mtpa) [By default = Option A, but modified in some cases (red figures) to allow for Option B or qualitative observations as noted in column to right]	Qualitative Observations		
N. WALES TOTAL (from Stage 2)				7.738						
NE Wales Sub-Region	4.047	65.75%	5.088	749.0	100.00%	5.088	5.088	The existing supply pattern here (Option A) provides an appropriate balance between market forces (including substantial exports) and the		
Denbighshire	0.329	5.35%	0.414	156.2	20.85%	1.061	0.860	availability of unconstrained resources. Flintshire has much higher aggregate sales than Denbighshire, despite similar housing requirements. This reflects		
Flintshire	3.204	52.06%	4.028	288.6	38.53%	1.960	3.582	local market distortion by exports to NW England. The slight modification shown within the preferred apportionment figures is to make the best use of		
Wrexham	0.514	8.35%	0.646	304.2	40.61%	2.066	0.646	existing landbanks and thereby reduce future allocation requirements overall. Wrexham supplies only sand & gravel as its limestone resources are largely constrained by the AONB.		
NW Wales Sub-Region	2.108	34.25%	2.650	969	100.00%	2.650	2.650	The existing supply pattern in NW Wales is well balanced with the distribution of planned housing provision and is unaffected by exports. Option A		
Conwy + Snowdonia NP	0.955	15.52%	1.201	178.6	39.26%	1.041	1.201	should therefore be used. Supplies are sourced primarily from outside the National Park and AONBs		
Gwynedd	0.898	14.59%	1.129	170.4	36.60%	0.970	1.129	and are well distributed between the main producing areas of Conwy and Gwynedd, with more limited		
Isle of Anglesey	0.255	4.14%	0.321	109.6	24.14%	0.640	0.321	supplies from Anglesey to local markets.		

Notes:

1. The annualised apportionments for Option A were obtained by applying the percentages in column 3 (representing each LPA's share of Regional historic sales totals) by the Regional Apportionment total from Stage 2 (as shown at the top of the table).

The annualised apportionments for Option B were obtained by applying the percentages in column 6 (representing each LPA's share of sub-regional housing requirement totals) by the corresponding Sub-regional Apportionment totals from column 4.

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Table 5.3: Assessed Sub-Regional and LPA Apportionments, South Wales.

		OPTION A			OPTION B		Preferred	
Local Planning Authority (see Table 5.2 for footnotes)	highest of 10- yr and 3yr Ave. Aggregate Sales (total) (mtpa)	% share of Regional total	Resulting Annualised Apportionments for all Land- Won Primary Aggregates¹ (mtpa)	Annualised House Completions over the baseline period (2007 - 2016)	% share of <u>Sub</u> - Regional total	Resulting Annualised Apportionments for all Land- Won Primary Aggregates ² (mtpa)	Annualised Apportionments (mtpa) [By default = Option A, but modified in some cases (red figures) to allow for Option B or qualitative observations as noted in column to right]	Qualitative Observations
S. WALES TOTAL (from Stage 2)				12.486				
West Wales Sub-Region	1.140	12.13%	1.514	366.1	100.00%	1.514	1.514	Some adjustment is required to increase the provision from Ceredigion whilst reducing that from the
Ceredigion	0.300	3.19%	0.398	126.1	34.44%	0.521	0.460	Pembrokeshire Coast National Park but leaving the total unchanged. Ceredigion currently supplies aggregates in proportion to its share of planned housing at a regional
Pembrokeshire	0.510	5.42%	0.677	240	65.56%	0.992	0.677	level, but not at the sub-regional level. Provision from this LPA should therefore be increased (to an average of
Pembrokeshire Coast NP	0.330	3.51%	0.438	240	05.50%	0.992	0.377	Options A and B), with a corresponding reduction from the National Park.
Swansea Sub-Region	1.292	13.74%	1.716	1,311.5	100.00%	1.716	1.716	The Option A figure for Carmarthenshire should be retained, with the remainder of production (mostly HSA - high PSV sandstone) being divided between Swansea
Carmarthenshire	0.832	8.85%	1.105	517.8	39.48%	0.677	1.105	and NPT. Option B addresses the current zero apportionment for Swansea, but realistic opportunities for resource development in Swansea relate only to high PSV sandstone which, at present, is supplied primarily
Swansea	0.000	0.00%	0.000	519.4	39.60%	0.680	0.305	from NPT. Limestone is supplied only from Carmarthenshire, which therefore needs to retain its apportionment from Option A in full, with the balance of
Neath Port Talbot	0.460	4.89%	0.611	274.3	20.91%	0.359	0.305	apportionments (for sandstone) being shared between Swansea and NPT. The figures shown here for those two LPAs assume an equal split between them. If a different balance is preferred, this would need to be agreed by those LPAs as part of their Statement of Sub-Regional Collaboration.
Powys Sub-Region	2.650	28.19%	3.519	191.7	100.00%	3.519	3.519	Option A provides the most reliable reflection of future demand for Powys, being dominated, as it is, by exports of HSA (high PSV) Aggregates to England. That option is
Powys	2.650	28.19%	3.519	191.7	100.00%	3.519	3.519	therefore preferred without modification

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Table 5.3 continued		OPTION A			OPTION B		Preferred	
Local Planning Authority (see Table 5.2 for footnotes)	highest of 10- yr and 3yr Ave. Aggregate Sales (total) (mtpa)	% share of Regional total	Resulting Annualised Apportionments for all Land- Won Primary Aggregates ¹ (mtpa)	Annualised House Completions over the baseline period (2007 – 2016)	% share of Sub- Regional total (or of combined SE Wales total, for Cardiff & Former Gwent)	Resulting Annualised Apportionments for all Land- Won Primary Aggregates ² (mtpa)	Annualised Apportionments (mtpa) [By default = Option A, but modified in some cases (red figures) to allow for Option B or qualitative observations as noted in column to right]	Qualitative Observations
Cardiff City Sub-Region	4.070	43.29%	5.405	2,316.9	66.48%	3.814	4.609	ALL of the apportionments within the combined SE Wales area (i.e. the Cardiff sub-region and Former Gwent) need
Brecon Beacons NP	0.540	5.74%	0.717	122.2	2.020/	0.210	0.368	to be adjusted to reflect the fact that Former Gwent, <u>as a whole</u> , has not been supplying its fair share of aggregates
Merthyr Tydfil	0.150	1.60%	0.199	133.2	3.82%	0.219	0.199	for many years (this being largely but not only due to the lack of production in both Torfaen and Newport). Option
Bridgend	0.600	6.38%	0.797	365	10.47%	0.601	0.699	B addresses this issue by calculating requirements based on % shares of planned housing demand in both subregions combined. However, those figures, on their own,
Rhondda Cynon Taf	0.670	7.13%	0.890	373.9	10.73%	0.615	0.753	do not take account of resource availability. The preferred figures are therefore the average of Options A
Vale of Glamorgan	0.660	7.02%	0.876	284.3	8.16%	0.468	0.672	and B. In the case of BBNP and Merthyr, where that calculation provides only a combined figure (=
Caerphilly	0.390	4.15%	0.518	335.2	9.62%	0.552	0.535	0.567mtpa), it is suggested that Merthyr should retain the Option A figure of 0.199mtpa, with the balance of
Cardiff	1.060	11.27%	1.408	825.3	23.68%	1.359	1.383	0.368mtpa being assigned to the National Park.
Former Gwent Sub-Region	0.250	2.66%	0.332	1,168.2	33.52%	1.923	1.128	The figures shown for the Former Gwent LPAs are simply averages of Options A and B. Torfaen and Newport
Blaenau Gwent	0.180	1.91%	0.239	99.1	2.84%	0.163	0.201	currently have zero apportionments and the feasibility of being able to make future provision in those areas needs to be examined in greater detail by those Authorities. If
Monmouthshire	0.070	0.74%	0.093	228.6	6.56%	0.376	0.235	the balance of supply needs to depart from these figures (but without reducing the sub-regional total), this would need to be agreed by all four LPAs as part of their
Newport	0.000	0.00%	0.000	527.5	15.14%	0.868	0.434	Statement of Sub-Regional Collaboration.
Torfaen	0.000	0.00%	0.000	313	8.98%	0.515	0.258	

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- 5.20 Option B, based purely on the distribution of planned housing activity, theoretically provides a way of changing the pattern of supply to one that is more equitable, and in line with the distribution of a very significant element of demand (i.e. house building and associated other construction), but takes no account of the spatial pattern of geological resources or existing quarries. On its own, this would be wholly inappropriate as a future supply strategy as it would not be deliverable within the timescale required, since it requires supplies to be provided from areas with no existing quarries. It does, however, provide a useful indication of the 'direction of travel' that may be needed in order to improve the existing pattern of supply from a sustainability perspective.
- 5.21 In practice, where the supply pattern was considered to be in need of adjustment to achieve an improved balance, the two sets of figures were combined (by taking the average of Options A and B, for each LPA). In each of the tables, the **preferred option** (usually either option A or the average of A and B) are shown in the eighth column. In a few cases, however, further adjustments were required on the basis of more nuanced **qualitative judgements**, as described in the right-hand column of the tables.
- Decisions regarding which option to select for each LPA, and qualitative judgements regarding other factors which needed to be taken into account, were made by the RTS Steering Group through a process of round-table discussion. Importantly, the analysis and discussions were focused on each of the self-contained sub-regional areas in turn, so as to achieve a preferred balance of supply within each of those areas, whilst not disturbing the broader-scale pattern of supply within each Region as a whole. The only exception to this was in South-East Wales where, as noted earlier, the two sub-regions (Cardiff and Former Gwent) were combined for the quantitative stage of analysis.
- 5.23 The summaries given in the right hand column of Tables 5.2 and 5.3 describe the main reasoning for selecting the preferred distribution of apportionments within each sub-region. Fuller explanations, including details of the consideration given to the distribution of resources, practicalities of mineral extraction, major constraints (National Parks and AONBs), environmental capacity and the proximity principle, are given within the Regional Appendices.

STAGE 4: Sand & Gravel / Crushed Rock Split and Allocations for Future Working

The final stage of the RTS process relates to the separation of each LPA's apportionment figure by aggregate type (i.e. natural sand & gravel, and crushed rock), and then comparison of the total requirements for each of those, over the relevant Plan periods, with the current stock of permitted reserves, in order to determine whether or not new allocations are required to meet any shortfalls. Tables 5.4 to 5.7 below present the data and calculations involved.

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Table 5.4: Calculation of Allocations Required for Land-won Sand & Gravel Aggregates – North Wales

Local Planning Authority	Overall 'Preferred' Apportionment (S&G & CR) ¹ (mt)	Historic proportion supplied from sand & gravel sources ²	New Annualised Apportionment for sand & gravel ³ (mt)	Total Apportionment Required over 22 years	Existing permitted reserves at end of 2016 in mt ^{4,5}	Existing landbank ⁶ (years)	Surplus or Shortfall (-) of Existing Permitted Reserves (mt)	Minimum Allocation needed to meet Required Provision ⁷ (mt)	Additional reserves at Dormant sites, 2016 ⁴ (mt)
Denbighshire	0.860	0.00%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Flintshire	3.582	6.23%	0.223	4.912	1.369	6.1	-3.543	3.543	0.5
Wrexham	0.646	100.00%	0.646	14.217	12.652	19.6	-1.565	1.565	0
Conwy + Snowdonia NP	1.201	0.00%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Gwynedd	1.129	15.44%	0.174	3.834	1.175	6.7	-2.659	2.659	0
Isle of Anglesey	0.321	0.00%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Sub-totals, North Wales	7.738	13.40%	1.044	22.963	15.196		-7.767	7.767	0.5

NOTES:

- 1 Taken from Tables 5.2 (North Wales) or Table 5.3 (South Wales)
- 2 Based on RAWP data over the 10-year baseline period (2007 2016)
- 3 Assumes that the historic proportion is maintained, with the exception of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park where a slight adjustment has been made to avoid the need for allocations.
- 4 Data provided by the RAWP secretary for December 2016
- 5 Permitted reserves exclude those at dormant sites.
- 6 Landbanks = stock of permitted reserves at active and inactive sites, expressed in terms of the annualised apportionment
- 7 Allocations required = calculated shortfall, if any.
- 8. The sand & gravel allocations needed for Ceredigion could potentially be provided, in part, from resources in neighbouring parts of Carmarthenshire, despite being in a different sub-region.

Where allocation requirements are shown these are the <u>minimum</u> amounts required to meet the RTS requirements. In many cases an application for an individual new permission will exceed these amounts, in the interests of economic viability. Such applications should not be rejected purely on the grounds of exceeding the minimum requirements shown here. In some cases, the suggested allocations may already have been partially or entirely fulfilled, either by new permissions granted since December 2016, or by allocations that have already been identified in LDPs. Further details are given in the Regional Appendices.

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Table 5.5: Calculation of Allocations Required for Land-won Sand & Gravel Aggregates – South Wales.

Local Planning Author *see Table 5.4 for footnote	Apportio	rred' properties of the proper	Historic roportion supplied rom sand & gravel sources ²	New Annualised Apportionment for sand & gravel ³ (mt)	Total Apportionment Required over 22 years	Existing permitted reserves at end of 2016 in mt ^{4, 5}	Existing landbank ⁶ (years)	Surplus or Shortfall (-) of Existing Permitted Reserves (mt)	Minimum Allocation needed to meet Required Provision ⁷ (mt)	Additional reserves at Dormant sites, 2016 ⁴ (mt)
Ceredi	gion 0.4	60 3	36.67%	0.188	4.136	0.510	2.7	-3.626	3.626	0
Pembrokes	nire 0.6	77 (0.00%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Pembrokeshire Coas	NP 0.3	77 3	36.36%	0.118	2.600	2.600	22	0.000	0.000	0
Carmarthens	nire 1.10	05 (0.24%	0.003	0.058	0.100	37.7	0.042	See note 8 below Table 5.4	0.35
Swa	sea 0.30	05 (0.00%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Neath Port Ta	bot 0.30	05 (0.00%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Po	wys 3.5	19 (0.00%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Brecon Beacon	NP 0.3	68 (0.00%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Merthyr T	dfil 0.19	99 (0.00%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Bridg	end 0.69	99 (0.00%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Rhondda Cynor	Taf 0.7	53 (0.00%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Vale of Glamo	gan 0.6	72 (0.00%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Caerp	nilly 0.53	35 (0.00%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Ca	diff 1.3	83 (0.00%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Blaenau Gv	ent 0.20	01 (0.00%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Monmouths	nire 0.2	35 (0.00%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
New	oort 0.43	34 (0.00%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Tor	aen 0.2	58 (0.00%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Sub-totals, South V	ales 12.4	185 2	2.96%	0.309	6.784	3.21			3.626	0.35
TOTALS W	ales 20.2	224 6	6.95%	1.353	29.758	18.406			11.394	0.85

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Table 5.6: Calculation of Allocations Required for Crushed Rock Aggregates – North Wales.

Local Planning Authority	Overall 'Preferred' Apportionment (S&G & CR) ¹ (mt)	Historic proportion supplied from crushed rock sources ²	New Annualised Apportionment for crushed rock ³ (mt)	Total Apportionment Required over 25 years	Existing permitted reserves at end of 2016 in mt ^{4, 5}	Existing landbank ⁶ (years)	Surplus or Shortfall (-) of Existing Permitted Reserves (mt)	Minimum Allocation needed to meet Required Provision ⁷ (mt)	Additional reserves at Dormant sites, 2016 ⁴ (mt)
Denbighshire	0.860	100.00%	0.860	21.500	21.710	25.2	0.210	0.000	0
Flintshire	3.582	93.77%	3.359	83.968	48.040	14.3	-35.928	35.928	1.41
Wrexham	0.646	0.00%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Conwy + Snowdonia NP	1.201	100.00%	1.201	30.016	62.500	52.1	32.484	0.000	0.25
Gwynedd	1.129	84.56%	0.955	23.867	28.540	29.9	4.673	0.000	0
Isle of Anglesey	0.321	100.00%	0.321	8.015	14.400	44.9	6.385	0.000	0
Sub-totals, North Wales	7.738	86.60%	6.695	167.366	175.19			35.928	1.66

NOTES:

- 1 Taken from Tables 5.2 (North Wales) or Table 5.3 (South Wales)
- 2 Based on RAWP data over the 10-year baseline period (2007 2016)
- 3 Assumes that the historic proportion is maintained, with the exception of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park where a slight adjustment has been made to avoid the need for allocations.
- 4 Data provided by the RAWP secretary for December 2016
- 5 Permitted reserves exclude those at dormant sites.
- 6 Landbanks = stock of permitted reserves at active and inactive sites, expressed in terms of the annualised apportionment
- 7 Allocations required = calculated shortfall, if any.

Where allocation requirements are shown these are the minimum amounts required to meet the RTS requirements. In many cases an application for an individual new permission will exceed these amounts, in the interests of economic viability. Such applications should not be rejected purely on the grounds of exceeding the minimum requirements shown here. In some cases, the suggested allocations may already have been partially or entirely fulfilled, either by new permissions granted since 2016, or by allocations that have already been identified in LDPs. Further details are given in the Regional Appendices.

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Table 5.7: Calculation of Allocations Required for Crushed Rock Aggregates – South Wales.

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Local Planning Authority *see Table 5.6 for footnotes	Overall 'Preferred' Apportionment (S&G & CR) ¹ (mt)	Historic proportion supplied from crushed rock sources ²	New Annualised Apportionment for crushed rock ³ (mt)	Total Apportionment Required over 25 years	Existing permitted reserves at end of 2016 in mt ^{4, 5}	Existing landbank ⁶ (years)	Surplus or Shortfall (-) of Existing Permitted Reserves (mt)	Minimum Allocation needed to meet Required Provision ⁷ (mt)	Additional reserves at Dormant sites, 2016 ⁴ (mt)
Ceredigion	0.460	63.33%	0.272	6.798	5.370	19.7	-1.428	1.428	0
Pembrokeshire	0.677	100.00%	0.677	16.932	16.720	24.7	-0.212	0.212	0
Pembrokeshire Coast NP	0.377	63.64%	0.259	6.475	10.370	40.0	3.895	0.000	0
Carmarthenshire	1.105	99.76%	1.102	27.556	59.900	54.3	32.344	0.000	13.82
Swansea	0.305	n/a	0.305	7.636	0.000	0.0	-7.636	7.636	0
Neath Port Talbot	0.305	100.00%	0.305	7.636	16.480	54.0	8.844	0.000	0
Powys	3.519	100.00%	3.519	87.981	139.240	39.6	51.259	0.000	0
Brecon Beacons NP	0.368	100.00%	0.368	9.200	120.100	211.8	105.925	0.000	0.36
Merthyr Tydfil	0.199	100.00%	0.199	4.975	120.100	211.0	105.925	0.000	0.50
Bridgend	0.699	100.00%	0.699	17.471	27.270	39.0	9.799	0.000	0.15
Rhondda Cynon Taf	0.753	100.00%	0.753	18.816	9.830	13.1	-8.986	8.986	0
Vale of Glamorgan	0.672	100.00%	0.672	16.806	18.730	27.9	1.924	0.000	13
Caerphilly	0.535	100.00%	0.535	13.371	31.280	58.5	17.909	0.000	5.21
Cardiff	1.383	100.00%	1.383	34.578	27.800	20.1	-6.778	6.778	0
Blaenau Gwent	0.201	100.00%	0.201	5.027	1.320	6.6	-3.707	3.707	0
Monmouthshire	0.235	100.00%	0.235	5.866	11.250	47.9	5.384	0.000	0
Newport	0.434	n/a	0.434	10.854	0.000	0.0	-10.854	10.854	0
Torfaen	0.258	n/a	0.258	6.441	0.000	0.0	-6.441	6.441	0
Sub-totals, South Wales	12.485	97.04%	12.176	304.420	495.66			46.043	32.54
TOTALS Wales	20.224	93.05%	18.872	471.786	670.850			81.971	34.20

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5.25 The requirements, as set out in paragraph 49 of MTAN1, are that a minimum 10year landbank of crushed rock and a minimum 7-year landbank for sand and gravel should be maintained throughout the entire plan period of each LDP. In effect, this means having a minimum landbank for sand & gravel of 22 years, at the start of a 15-year Plan period, and a minimum crushed rock landbank of 25 years. In each case, the landbank is required, by MTAN 1 to be based on an average of the most recent 3 years' production figures. That was modified, in the RTS First Review, to be based on an average of 10-years production figures, since that was adopted as the main guide for future levels of demand. For the present review, a further modification is needed, such that the landbank is expressed in terms of the annualised apportionment figure recommended for each LPA. In all cases, these are higher than the 10-year or 3-year historical sales averages, and the landbanks are therefore correspondingly reduced, increasing the likelihood for new allocations being required. It must be emphasised, however, that at the start of any given Plan period, the overall provision (total apportionment) can be represented by a combination of existing landbanks of permitted reserves and (where necessary) new allocations (subject to the minimum landbank figures being available).

Sand & Gravel / Crushed Rock Aggregates Split

- In order to carry out the required calculations, it was necessary first to distinguish between natural sand & gravel and crushed rock requirements. To do this, it has been assumed that the new apportionments will be divided between the two aggregate types in the same ratio as shown by the historical sales data, over the 10-year baseline period. One exception to this has been The Pembrokeshire Coast National Park where the apportionment has been reduced slightly, so as not to exceed the remaining landbank of permitted reserves. This has been to avoid the necessity of requiring new allocations to be identified within the National Park¹⁸ and has been achieved by a corresponding slight increase in the apportionment for Ceredigion, and with corresponding changes to the crushed rock apportionments in order to maintain the overall apportionments for each area.
- 5.27 Theoretically, there may sometimes be opportunities to achieve the overall requirements with a different balance of aggregate types for example where there is a surplus of permitted crushed rock reserves but a shortage of sand & gravel. In practice, however, this combination of circumstances occurs in only one LPA Gwynedd. Even in that area, the substitution may not be appropriate, depending on the particular end-uses involved. The reverse situation, where there are surpluses of permitted sand & gravel reserves, is found only in Carmarthenshire. In that case, however, there is a much larger surplus of crushed rock, so no necessity for substitution to occur.

Surpluses, Shortfalls and Allocations

5.28 For **land-won sand & gravel**, Tables 5.4 and 5.5 reveal that new allocations to meet RTS requirements over the next 22 years will be required within Flintshire, Wrexham, Gwynedd and Ceredigion. Current landbanks, expressed in terms of the

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¹⁸ MTAN 1 (para 52) seeks to avoid new allocations within National Parks, save In exceptional circumstances.

new annualised apportionments, are already less than the minimum level of 7 years in three of these areas, demonstrating the urgency for granting new permissions, as well as longer-term allocations for future working. In the fourth area (Wrexham), the landbank is currently adequate, at just under 20 years, but a further allocation is needed to meet the RTS requirement over the full plan period.

- Only one LPA in the whole of Wales (Carmarthenshire) currently has a surplus of existing permitted reserves of sand & gravel. The remaining LPAs have neither a surplus nor deficit for sand & gravel provision but, in most cases, this is simply because they currently have no production and no apportionment. An exception to this is the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park which (as a consequence of ensuring that it's apportionment will not exceed the current landbank) has just sufficient reserves to cover the 22-year period required. In future years, the requirement which has hitherto fallen on the National Park will need to be supplied by other adjoining areas. In South East Wales, the zero requirements for land-won sand & gravel production are critically dependent upon the continued availability of marine-dredged aggregates. If that source of supply were to be disrupted, there would be an urgent need to reconsider the apportionments to all of the authorities in that area.
- 5.30 For **crushed rock**, Tables 5.6 and 5.7 reveal that many parts of Wales already have substantial permitted reserves of crushed rock, with landbanks in excess of the required minimum of 25 years. However, shortfalls of permitted reserves, with corresponding requirements for new allocations and/or new permissions, are identified in nine separate LDP areas.
- 5.31 Three of these (Swansea, Newport and Torfaen) correspond to the areas which previously had zero apportionments, and where new sources of supply now need to be found, either within those areas or, if it cannot be avoided, in neighbouring parts of the same sub-regions (subject to the preparation of Statements of Sub-Regional Collaboration with the other LPAs, in accordance with the guidelines set out in Annex A of this document). In the case of Swansea, the reserves requirement (specifically for HSA (high PSV) sandstone) could theoretically be subsumed within the surplus available in adjoining Neath Port Talbot, though that would defeat the objective of seeking a more equitable sub-regional balance. For Newport and Torfaen, part of their combined requirement of almost 17.3 million tonnes could theoretically be offset by the surplus of almost 5.4 million tonnes in Monmouthshire¹⁹, although that would still leave a considerable deficit and again would defeat the objective of seeking a more equitable balance. The word 'theoretically' is italicised in these observations because it is not the intention of the RTS to encourage the 'trading' of apportionments between LPAs, other than in exceptional circumstances, as set out in the Guidelines at Annex A.
- 5.32 The six other LPAs with shortfalls of permitted crushed rock reserves are Flintshire, Ceredigion, Pembrokeshire, Rhondda Cynon Taf, Cardiff and Blaenau Gwent. In the case of RCT and the Cardiff, the combined shortfall of more than 15.7 mt is dwarfed

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¹⁹ The surplus reserves in Monmouthshire are bound up in a single site which has been inactive for many years and are constrained, in part, by the need for dewatering the Carboniferous Limestone aquifer, which would be subject to abstraction licensing requirements.

by the net surplus of almost 120 mt within the Cardiff City sub-region as a whole, though most of that lies within the Brecon Beacons National Park and the RTS seeks to reduce, rather than increase, the dependency on that area for future supply. The shortfall in RCT is matched by the slightly larger surplus in Bridgend, whilst that in Cardiff is more than matched by the surplus in Caerphilly. Once again, however, to rely on those reserves instead of finding new allocations as indicated in Table 5.7 would defeat the objective of seeking a more sustainable long-term pattern of supply in the area and is therefore not encouraged.

5.33 The remaining LPA facing a shortfall of permitted crushed rock reserves – Blaenau Gwent – falls within the same 'Former Gwent' sub-region as Torfaen, Newport and Monmouthshire which, even combined, have a net shortfall of more than 15.6 mt.

Types and Size of Allocations

- A key requirement, in terms of identifying allocations for future working within an LDP, is to be able to demonstrate that adequate provision has been made for suppling <u>at least</u> the minimum quantity identified for the authority in the RTS (or in a SSRC where a different figure has been agreed through sub-regional collaboration). This, in turn, means that the quantity of workable mineral within the allocation needs to be known, as far as possible. In most cases, this is only likely to be feasible within Specific Sites. Preferred Areas will generally not have sufficient information to be able to do this, though it may sometimes be possible for reasonable estimates to be made.
- 5.35 In each case, where sufficiently detailed information exists, it is therefore recommended that the allocations should take the form of **Specific Sites**, as defined in Paragraph 5.14.19 of Planning Policy Wales (PPW) i.e. "where mineral resources of commercial significance exist, and where any planning applications which come forward for those sites are likely to be acceptable in planning terms". In terms of size, Specific Sites should aim, not simply to deliver the bare minimum identified as an allocation requirement in the RTS (or SSRC) but may need to be larger: they will need to be of sufficient size to be commercially viable.
- 5.36 Where Specific Sites cannot be defined, allocations should normally at least take the form of **Preferred Areas** ("areas of known resources with some commercial potential, and where planning permission might reasonably be anticipated"), within which operators should be encouraged to bring forward more specific proposals. Inevitably, for a given minimum size of allocation, such areas will need to be significantly larger than individual sites, in recognition of the fact that only part of the area may eventually be brought forward.
- 5.37 Areas of Search ("...broad areas that are believed to contain mineral resources of commercial significance but whose extent is uncertain...") will usually have only minimal information on the suitability and commercial viability of the resources for commercial development and, as noted in PPW, it will not usually be appropriate to only rely on these for the purposes of making allocations. There will be some situations, however, where there is insufficient knowledge about potential resources to identify anything other than Areas of Search. Where this is the case, it

Dat Property 2015 Status: Final is recommended that the Area(s) so identified should provide the potential for the release of new permitted reserves which are far greater than the minimum allocation recommended, in order to allow for the uncertainties involved.

5.38 In some cases, it may be better, in terms of deliverability, to rely on specific sites (whether existing permissions or new allocations) in neighbouring authorities (additional to those LPAs' own requirements), where such reliance has been agreed through collaborative working and formalised within an agreed SSRC (see para. 1.27, above), in preference to relying upon the uncertainty associated with broad Areas of Search.

Treatment of Dormant Sites

As noted in Chapter 2 (para. 2.4), where an LPA considers that the permitted reserves at dormant sites are likely to be capable of being worked in the relevant period (subject to Environmental Impact Assessment and the agreement of modern conditions) it may be possible for those reserves to be offset against the requirement for new allocations. This would only work, however, if the sites in question meet the same expectations as for other allocations, i.e. that they comply with the definition of Specific Sites or at least Preferred Areas, as given in PPW.

Compliance with and Departures from RTS Recommendations

- 5.40 The outcome of this strategic exercise has been a deliberate attempt to control, and in some cases to modify, the future pattern of supply of land-won primary aggregates in Wales, in line with sustainability principles. In a small number of areas, notably where there has been no production of land-won aggregates for many years, with no permitted reserves and zero apportionments, the Steering Group accepted that there may be insufficient evidence, at present, to determine the precise levels of apportionment and resulting allocations required for individual LPAs. In such cases, more detailed analysis will be required, at the local level, through collaboration between adjoining LPAs and consultation with industry, in order to confirm realistic figures for those particular LPAs and (in exceptional circumstances) to consider the possibility of alternative patterns of supply within the sub-region concerned.
- To this end (and more generally, to ensure that the regional and sub-regional totals recommended by the RTS are achieved), this Review has introduced a requirement for all LPAs within each sub-region to produce Statements of Sub-Regional Collaboration (SSRCs), in consultation with industry, through the RAWPs, prior to the Examination of any individual LDP within that area. Specific guidelines relating to the preparation of SSRCs, including details of the exceptional circumstances tests, are provided at Annex A of this document.
- 5.42 Finally, it should be noted that the recommendations made in this Chapter are based on currently available information regarding permitted reserves, production, proximity and environmental capacity. As noted in 'Box 1' of the original RTS documents, and repeated in the First Review, the suggested apportionments and allocations do not take fully into account all factors that may be material to the

Dat Day of 2000 Status: Final ensuring an adequate supply of aggregates obtained from appropriately located sources. Such factors may, *inter alia*, include such things as:

- The technical capability of one type of aggregate to interchange for another;
- The relative environmental cost of substitution of one type of aggregate by another;
- The relative environmental effects of changing patterns of supply; and
- Whether adequate production capacity can be maintained to meet the required level of supply.
- 5.43 For such reasons, and as already noted in Chapter 1 (para. 1.29), where it is justified by new (e.g. more up to date, more detailed or more precise) evidence, it is open for individual LPAs to depart from the apportionment and allocation figures recommended by the RTS when preparing their LDP policies. In doing so, however, an LPA would need to demonstrate that their intended departure would not undermine the overall strategy provided by the RTS itself (e.g. by working together with other LPAs within the same sub-region to ensure that sub-regional and regional totals are still achieved) and this would need to be reflected in the SSRC agreed with neighbouring LPAs for that area, prior to Examination.
- Where the local authorities involved are unable to reach agreement, or if individual local authorities do not accept the revised Regional Technical Statement, the Welsh Government will, as a last resort, consider its default powers to intervene in the Development Plan process (MTAN 1, paragraph A3).

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6. Consultation Process

- 6.1 This First Review of the RTS documents for North Wales and South Wales has been undertaken as a collaborative exercise with several stages of consultation and technical peer review.
- 6.2 At the outset of the project, initial consultation meetings were held with a range of stakeholders to ensure that the Review was properly focused and that key sources of information were made available for consideration. The organisations and/or representative individuals consulted were as follows:
 - Hugh Towns, Secretary of the South Wales Regional Aggregates Working Party
 - Gary Nancarrow, Secretary of the North Wales Regional Aggregates Working Party
 - Nick Horsley and others, representing the Mineral Products Association (MPA)
 - Trefor Evans representing the British Aggregates Association (BAA)
 - o Ian Gorton and others, representing Natural Resources Wales (NRW)
- 6.3 The findings of this early stage of consultation are detailed in the Interim Report, issued on 18th January 2019 (pdf copies available on request from the author).
- Initial drafts of the revised RTS were then produced in stages between May and August 2019. At each stage, consultation was held with a Project Steering Group made up of the RTS sub-committees of the two Regional Aggregate Working Parties (including mineral operators, mineral planning authorities and Natural Resources Wales). This consultation entailed issuing drafts for comment, Steering Group meetings chaired by Joanne Smith of the Welsh Government, and the preparation of revised drafts incorporating responses to all Steering Group comments received, including the receipt of new technical data. Each successive draft superseded previous versions.
- 6.5 The second draft was issued to the entire membership of both RAWPs and comments on that version were received at a joint North Wales and South Wales RAWP meeting in July 2019.
- 6.6 Following discussion at that meeting, and written comments received from members, a third draft was produced. English and Welsh versions were then issued for wider (public) consultation and drawn to the attention of all Local Planning Authorities in Wales, by the Welsh Government's Chief Planner. Those versions were made available via the Websites of both RAWPs for an eight-week consultation period, between 30th September and 25th November, 2019. Within that period, two consultation events were held, on 11th November at Bridgend in South Wales and on 15th November at Llandudno Junction in North Wales. At each event, the RTS review process was clearly explained and the findings, including recommendations to individual LPAs, were presented for discussion and comment. This was the main opportunity for interested parties to scrutinise the documents and to be satisfied that they were acceptable and fit for purpose, taking account of local and subregional perspectives.

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- 6.7 Following consultation, additional meetings were held with a number of LPAs in South Wales, and with representatives of the Mineral Products Association, to discuss particular concerns relating to sub-regional collaboration and to finalise guidance on this (which had been called for during consultation). A consultation report, which included the Steering Group's recommended responses to the various issues raised by consultees, was produced in June 2020.
- 6.8 A further revision of the RTS (this document and the two Regional Appendices) was then carried out to reflect the recommendations of the consultation report and to incorporate the finalised version of the guidance, (Annex A).
- 6.9 The final edition will be translated into Welsh and issued for endorsement by individual LPAs, after which it will be endorsed for publication by the Welsh Government.
- 6.10 As with previous editions of the RTS, in the interests of sustainability, it is not intended that printed copies will be issued.

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Annex A: Guidance Note on Sub-Regional Collaboration

This Second Review of the Regional Technical Statements for Aggregates Provision in Wales (RTS) introduces a new requirement for all LPAs to agree **Statements of Sub-Regional Collaboration** (SSRCs) in respect of their contributions to the future provision of land-won primary aggregates. In response to suggestions received during the public consultation of the 2nd Review, the following Guidance has been prepared on behalf of the Welsh Government and the two Regional Aggregate Working Parties, in consultation with the project Steering Group.

SSRCs are required to be prepared, collaboratively, by all constituent LPAs within each RTS subregion (as defined by the RTS 2nd Review) as part of the evidence base needed to support each Local Development Plan (LDP) or Strategic Development Plan (SDP). The timescale for preparing SSRCs will therefore need to be geared towards the timescale for the earliest LDP (or SDP) submission within that sub-region. Once agreed, an SSRC will remain in place until it becomes superseded by the requirements of future reviews of the RTS, or new information comes forward which justifies a change.

<u>By default</u>, each SSRC will simply confirm that all constituent LPAs within a particular RTS subregion accept the individual apportionments for aggregates for their individual Authority areas, as set out in the latest Review of the RTS, and that (*as a minimum*) the RTS requirements for that sub-region as a whole will therefore be met.

In <u>exceptional circumstances</u>, an SSRC may identify an alternative pattern of supply which achieves the RTS requirements for that particular sub-region in a different way. Such circumstances may arise <u>either</u> where one or more LPAs within the sub-region are unable to meet the minimum requirements of their apportionments identified in the RTS <u>or</u> where an alternative, achievable and more sustainable pattern of supply is identified through collaboration between the LPAs involved.

The following considerations will apply, in such circumstances:

- 1. Inability to meet RTS apportionments: In order to demonstrate an inability to meet RTS apportionments, an LPA would need to show either that it has no (or insufficient) workable aggregate resources of the type required by the RTS and/or that there is no interest from the minerals industry in developing such resources within the area. It will not be sufficient simply to demonstrate that the area has no existing quarries or no recent production, or that alternative resources and/or permitted reserves exist within another LPA.
- 2. An alternative pattern of supply: Where an alternative pattern of supply is proposed this will entail transferring some or all of the RTS apportionment from one LPA to one or more other LPAs within the same sub-region, so as to make corresponding increases in provision within those authorities, as required by MTAN 1. The receiving authorities

Date September 152 Status: Final will need to increase their apportionments²⁰ (and, where necessary, allocations²¹), to ensure that *as a minimum*, the overall requirements for ongoing supply within that sub-region, as set out in the RTS, are met (both numerically and in terms of aggregate type²²). It will not normally be appropriate to merely transfer apportionments to an LPA with sufficient existing reserves to arithmetically absorb the apportionment, without reference to the additional consideration of productive capacity²³.

Where any adjustments are made, the details and justifications will need to be set out clearly in the SSRC and will be subject to Examination as part of the LDP or SDP process.

The LPAs involved should demonstrate, as far as possible, that the SSRC has been produced in consultation with relevant stakeholders, including the Regional Aggregate Working Party (RAWP), as part of the LDP process. The RAWP would not have any powers of approval over SSRCs but would simply provide a forum for discussion of proposed arrangements and, where necessary, could raise objections.

Where there is clear evidence that the sub-region as a whole cannot meet its collective apportionment, SSRCs may be extended to include one or more other LPAs in directly adjoining parts of a neighbouring sub-region. This may be appropriate, for example, for LPAs which become part of a single SDP sub-region, even though they are in different RTS sub-regions. However, the considerations, as outlined above, would still apply.

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²⁰ This will not apply to National Park Authorities, where the apportionments stated within the RTS shall not be increased.

²¹ Where an apportionment (or part thereof) is transferred from one LPA to another, the receiving authority will need to calculate its resulting total apportionment, over 25 years (for crushed rock) or 22 years (for sand & gravel) and compare those figures with existing landbanks. Where this results in a shortfall of permitted reserves, corresponding allocations for future working will need to be identified within that authority's area to make up the deficit.

²² Where alternative sources of supply are to be considered, the alternative must either be of the same type or, at least, one that is fully capable of meeting the same end-use specifications. For this reason, and to avoid the inappropriate use of specialist aggregate types, it should be noted that High Specification Aggregates such as those with a high Polished Stone Value (PSV) are not interchangeable with other aggregate types.

²³ Whether or not adequate productive capacity is maintained within a given area will, in part, be the responsibility of industry. All that is expected of LPAs in such cases is that they facilitate such capacity through planning permissions and realistic allocations for future working in accordance with Planning Policy Wales and MTAN 1.

Glossary

The following terms are frequently used in relation to aggregate supply and apportionment. The terms are listed in topic groupings rather than alphabetically.

Term	Definition, in relation to the supply of aggregates				
TOPIC: Aggregate Materials					
Aggregate	Crushed rock, natural sand and gravel or artificial granular material that is used in construction, ofte conjunction with a suitable binding agent such as bitumen or cement.				
Primary Aggregates	Aggregates sourced directly from naturally occurring geological materials as a primary product (a distinct from secondary aggregates, including excavation wastes, produced as a by-product from the extraction or processing of geological materials for other primary purposes).				
Secondary Aggregates	These are usually by-products of other industrial processes, or the arisings from non-aggregates extractive operations, that have been processed to meet the specification requirements for construction aggregate materials. They can be sub-divided into manufactured and natural materials, depending on their source. Examples of manufactured secondary aggregates are pulverised fuel ash (PFA) and metallurgical (iron and steel) slags. Natural secondary aggregates include china clay sand, ball clay sand, aggregate produced from slate waste or colliery spoil and excavation wastes (as defined below). All of these are exempt from the aggregates levy, giving them a deliberate cost advantage over primary materials, in an attempt to encourage their greater use.				
Construction, Demolition and Excavation Wastes (CD&EW)	A term referring to wastes (see below) arising from the construction or demolition of buildings and/or civil engineering infrastructure, or from excavations associated with land levelling, foundations or other civil engineering works. Aggregates may be derived from some of these various waste streams, either as recycled materials or from excavation wastes (both of which are defined separately below).				
Waste	Any substance or object which the holder discards or intends, or is required, to discard. In CD&EW surveys, materials arising from construction or demolition works, or from associated excavations, which are beneficially used <i>in an unprocessed form</i> on the site on which they arise are generally not regarded as waste, because they are not generally regulated as waste.				
Road planings	A particular example of CD&EW materials, comprising aggregate and bituminous or cement binder materials that have been 'planed' from the surface of a worn out road prior to resurfacing with new or recycled materials.				
Recycled Materials suitable for use as Aggregate	These are materials, usually arising from construction or demolition projects, which have previously been used for construction purposes, and which are capable of being recycled or re-used as construction aggregates for a second or further time. In the Finance Act 2001, all materials previously used in construction are exempt from the aggregates levy, giving them a deliberate cost advantage over primary aggregates in an attempt to encourage their greater utilisation.				
Excavation Waste suitable for use as Aggregate	These are materials that may be suitable, with or without processing, for use as secondary aggregates, arising from excavation works:				
	a) on the site of any building or proposed building, where the excavation is undertaken exclusively for the purposes of laying foundations, pipes or cables;				
	b) on the site of any river, canal, watercourse or navigational channel, where the excavation is undertaken exclusively for the purpose of creating, restoring, improving or maintaining that feature;				
	c) along the line or proposed line of any highway or proposed highway, where the excavation is undertaken for the purpose of constructing, improving or maintaining the highway and not wholly or mainly for the purpose of extracting aggregate.				
	Each of these categories, as defined more precisely in the Finance Act 2001, is exempt from the aggregates levy, giving these materials a deliberate cost advantage over primary materials in an attempt to encourage their greater utilisation.				
Mineral Wastes	Mineral wastes are identified in MTAN1 as a further category of material with potential for use as aggregate. The term is specifically used to encompass aggregates from slate waste, colliery spoil, and crushed rock fines (i.e. the "dust" generated from crushing and screening operations in hard rock primary aggregate quarries). It may also include aggregates produced from the excavation and processing wastes at building stone (dimensional stone) quarries. Aggregates produced from slate waste and colliery spoil are classed as secondary materials (see above) and are exempt from the aggregates levy. The same is not true of crushed rock fines, or of the residue from building stone production, both of which remain classed as primary aggregates and are not exempt.				

TOPIC: Supply and Demand			
Production	The overall rate at which products are generated, in tonnes (or millions of tonnes) per year, whether or not they are sold. In quarrying, production includes any unsaleable materials that may be produced, including overburden, interburden and processing waste, which may or may not be useable.		
Sales	The rate at which products are sold, in tonnes (or millions of tonnes) per year. In quarrying, for the reasons outlined above, this will usually be less than the rate of production.		
Consumption	The rate at which products are used, within a specified market area, measured in tonnes (or millions of tonnes) per year.		
Demand	The need or desire for a product, backed by an ability to pay. Demand is measured over a given time period, and is affected by budgets, prices, preferences and the availability and price of alternative products. Demand for aggregates may be expressed in terms of the rate at which it is expected to be used within a particular market area (which is rarely known), or the rate at which it is expected to be supplied from a given source area, and is measured in tonnes (or millions of tonnes) per year.		
Supply	The amount of a product which is supplied. Supply of aggregates is normally expressed in relation to a particular source area and is measured in tonnes (or millions of tonnes) per year.		
Distribution	The pattern of market destinations served by the sales from a particular quarry or group of quarries.		
Proximity Principle	The general concept of minimising the transportation of aggregates (and other bulk materials) by road, in accordance with para. 26 of MTAN1, in order to reduce associated impacts on the environment.		
TOPIC: Resources, Reser	ves and Landbanks		
Resources (of primary aggregate)	Geological materials, including rocks and naturally occurring sand & gravel, which have the potential to be used as aggregates. The presence of a resource does not imply an acceptance of mineral working.		
Permitted Reserves (of primary aggregate)	Primary aggregate resources which have the benefit of planning permission for the winning and working of minerals.		
Landbank (of primary aggregate reserves)	In general, a landbank is a stock of planning permissions for the winning and working of minerals within a specified area, expressed both in millions of tonnes and in terms of the number of years' supply which they represent. The latter is usually calculated on the basis of recent rates of production.		
Current Landbank (of permitted primary aggregate reserves)	In MTAN1 (paragraph 45), this is defined as "the sum of all permitted reserves at active and inactive sites at a given time and for a given area", and is required to be based on "the latest 3 years production figures" (production, in this case, usually being represented by sales). For the purposes of the RTS, and in the interests of adopting a more practical approach to the strategic planning of aggregates provision in Wales, two deliberate departures from this definition were agreed by the Steering Group at the time of the First Review. Firstly, although 'inactive sites' technically include those which are dormant or suspended, the current landbank has been taken to exclude those sites (but see also 'Dormant Reserves' below). Secondly, in recognition of the prolonged economic recession, the agreed method of calculating the landbank has been to use the average of the latest 10 (rather than 3) years' sales figures.		
Dormant Reserves	The permitted reserves of primary aggregates at Dormant sites (see below). MTAN1 (paragraph 47) requires these to be "clearly shown in the landbank calculations as a separate category". For the purposes of this review, such reserves and those at sites where permission has been suspended (see below) have therefore been excluded from the main landbank calculations used to determine future allocation requirements, though in some cases they might be able taken into account by local authorities to offset any requirement for new allocations, subject to more detailed local knowledge.		
Future Landbank (of primary aggregate reserves)*	In MTAN1 (paragraph 45), the Future (or 'Extended') Landbank is defined as "land specifically allocated for the working of aggregates" (but see footnote below*)		
Apportionment	The rate for which the mineral planning system requires provision to be made, in Development Plans, for the supply of aggregates from a given area or region. This may be expressed either in terms of millions of tonnes over a specified period, and/or as an averaged 'annualised apportionment' in millions of tonnes per year.		
Allocation	The identification, within a Local Development Plan, of an area of land for future mineral working. In Wales, the size (in terms of tonnage) of allocations required in specific LDPs are defined in the Regional Technical Statements, but only for areas in which the cumulative apportionments over the period covered by the RTS are in excess of the available landbank of permitted reserves, at the time of the baseline date used in the assessment (in this case 31/12/16).		
Provision	The total amount of aggregate required to be supplied from a particular local authority over a period of time, such as the duration of its Local Development Plan. The overall provision may comprise both a landbank of permitted reserves and allocations for future working.		
	mewhat confusing, since a landbank is a stock of planning permissions and (by definition), allocations do not have this part of the overall 'provision' within a Local Development Plan, but cannot form part of the landbank.		

TOPIC: Quarry State	us
Active Site	Active sites in Wales are explicitly defined by the Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Amendment No.2) (Wales) Regulations 2006 as sites where "a) development to which the relevant mineral permission or landfill permission relates is being carried out to any substantial extent; or b) other works to which a condition attached to such permission are being carried out to any substantial extent". "Substantial extent" is not defined, but relevant guidance is provided in Minerals Planning Guidance Note 14 (MPG14): Environment Act 1995:- Review of Mineral Planning Permissions.
Inactive Site	Defined by the Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Amendment No.2) (Wales) Regulations 2006 as one "which is not an active site", as defined above. Inactive sites thus include, but are not limited to, those which are classified under the Environment Act 1995 as being dormant and those where planning permission has been suspended (see below).
Dormant Site	As defined in the Environment Act 1995, this refers specifically to quarries with mineral permissions granted between 30 th June 1948 and 22 nd February 1982 (i.e. "Phase I" and "Phase II" sites, as defined in the Act) where no minerals development was carried out to any substantial extent in, on, or under the site at any time in the period beginning on 22 February 1982 and ending with 6 June 1995. These sites still have valid planning permissions but, since 1 st November 1995 it has not been lawful to recommence or carry on working a dormant site until full modern planning conditions have been approved by the Local Planning Authority (LPA), through the process of an initial ROMP review (see below).
	In some areas there are additional, 'dormant IDO' sites, as defined within the Planning and Compensation Act, 1991. These are sites which were originally granted consent under 'Interim Development Orders' (IDOs), in the period between 22 July 1943 and 1 July 1948, and which were subsequently registered under the 1991 Act (thus retaining valid planning permission), but where no substantial work was carried out between 1 May 1989 and 30th April 1991. For these sites, a scheme of operation and restoration conditions is required to be submitted to the relevant LPA together with an acceptable Environmental Assessment, before they can lawfully be reactivated.
ROMP	The acronym for 'Review of Old Mineral Permissions' carried out in accordance with the Environment Act 1995. Sites which obtained planning permission between 1948 and 1982, whether active, inactive or dormant, were required by this Act to be subject to an Initial Review in order that modern planning conditions can be agreed. In addition, all sites (including reactivated ISO permissions) are required to be subject to subsequent Periodic Reviews at intervals of not less than 15 years. ROMP applications cannot be refused, since valid planning permissions already exist.
	However, court judgments, guidance and regulations have since clarified that both the ROMP process, and the approval of new conditions at IDO sites, amount to obtaining new development consents and are therefore subject to Environmental Impact Assessment.
Stalled ROMP / Suspended Permission	Where a ROMP review has begun but has not been completed (e.g. because an Environmental Statement has not been submitted), the ROMP process is said to have 'stalled'. In accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Undetermined Reviews of Old Mineral Permissions) (Wales) Regulations 2009, planning permission then becomes 'suspended' - i.e. it ceases to authorise any minerals development. As with dormant sites, suspended permissions cannot lawfully be operated until the process (including Environmental Impact Assessment) has been completed and modern conditions agreed.

Abbreviations

The following abbreviations are commonly used throughout the RTS.

AAV Aggregate Abrasion Value
AM survey Aggregate Minerals survey

AONB Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
BAA British Aggregates Association
BGS British Geological Survey

BMAPA British Marine Aggregate Producers Association
CD&EW Construction, Demolition and Excavation Waste
CPRW Council for the Protection of Rural Wales

EA Environmental Assessment EC European Commission

EIA Environmental Impact Assessment

EMAADS Establishing a Methodology for Assessing Aggregates Demand and Supply (project title)

ES Environmental Statement

EU European Union

FBA Furnace Bottom Ash

GDP Gross Domestic Product

GIS Geographic Information System

HMRC Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs
HSA High Specification Aggregate
IDO Interim Development Order

IMADP Interim Marine Aggregates Dredging Policy

IMAECA Implementing the Methodology for Assessing the Environmental Capacity for primary Aggregates (project title)

ISO International Organisation for Standardisation

LDP Local Development Plan
LPA Local Planning Authority

MASS Managed Aggregate Supply System

MHCLG Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government

Office of Budget Responsibility

MPA Mineral Products Association
MPPW Minerals Planning Policy Wales

mt Million tonnes

OBR

mtpa Million tonnes per annum
MTAN Minerals Technical Advice Note
NPA National Park Authority
NRW Natural Resources Wales

PFA Pulverised Fuel Ash
POS Planning Officers Society
PPW Planning Policy Wales
PSV Polished Stone Value

RAWP Regional Aggregate Working Party
ROMP Review of Old Mineral Permissions
RTS Regional Technical Statement
SAC Special Area of Conservation
SEA Strategic Environmental Assessment
SSSI Site of Special Scientific Interest

WG Welsh Government

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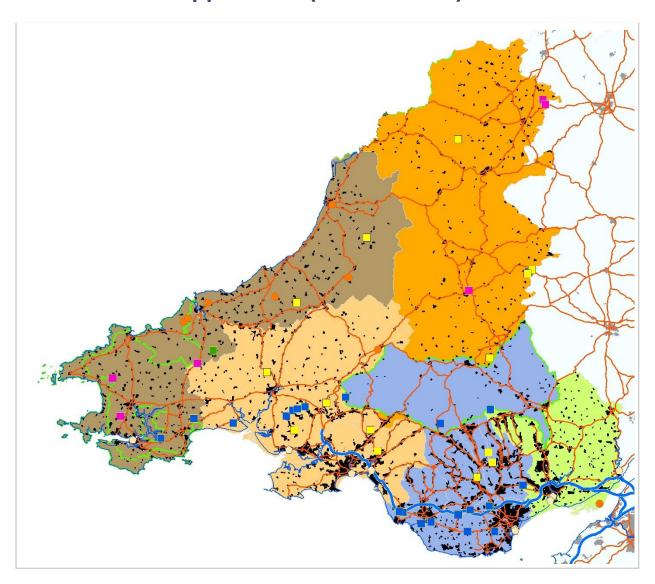
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Appendix B: South Wales Region - Detailed Analysis & Recommendations

Introduction

B1. This appendix is intended to complement, and should be read in conjunction with, the main document of the Second Review of the RTS. It provides additional explanation, specific to the South Wales Regional Aggregate Working Party (RAWP) Region, relating to the consideration of existing supply patterns, the detailed breakdown of sub-regional apportionments and requirements for new allocations. The final part of the Appendix, from paragraph B78 onwards, incorporates that information into specific recommendations and guidance for each individual Local Planning Authority (LPA).

Existing Supply Patterns in South Wales – Regional Overview

- B2. As explained in Chapter 3 of the main document, historical sales figures have been used in this review as a starting point for calculating the overall National requirement for land-won primary aggregate production in Wales, over the period covered by the revised RTS (i.e. 2020-2045). After applying a 30% uplift to reflect the planned increase in housing construction, this enhanced total has then been apportioned between North Wales and South Wales on the basis of their recent historical share of sales. The sub-regional apportionment of those regional figures has then been determined by looking carefully at the patterns of supply within each of seven sub-regions, created specifically for this purpose. That examination is briefly outlined in the main report and described more fully here.
- B3. Figure B1 shows the five sub-regions within the South Wales RAWP area. The sub-regions were created, at Welsh Government's suggestion, for the specific purpose of facilitating strategic minerals planning and collaborative approaches between LPAs. They each represent distinctive 'market areas' between which there is relatively little movement of aggregates, except for exports to England, and within which detailed, strategic consideration can be given as to the most appropriate patterns of supply. Looking carefully at the balance of supply between the LPAs within each sub-region is an important aspect of this.
- B4. For some LPAs, where the existing supply pattern already seems to provide a sensible balance between the spatial distributions of demand, resource availability and other factors, the new apportionments simply reflect the pattern of historical sales (i.e. the regional figures have been divided between the LPAs in proportion to their share of historical sales). In other areas, the new apportionments have been adjusted primarily to take account of the distribution of planned housing activity, as indicated by the housing requirement figures in adopted LDPs so that they reflect an improved (more equitable, more sustainable) spatial balance between supply and demand. In all cases, consideration has also been given, at least qualitatively, to factors such as environmental capacity, proximity and transport networks. The later sections of this document provide more detailed observations regarding these various factors within each of the subregions in South Wales.
- B5. It should be noted that the historical sales figures and apportionments relate only to land-won primary aggregates. These materials are needed to satisfy the residual levels of demand, once allowance has been made for the 'top-sliced' proportion of supply which is obtained from secondary and recycled sources and from marine-dredged aggregates. These materials contributed to the overall market throughout the baseline period and will continue to do so, leaving only the residual demand to be supplied from primary land-won sources.

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Figure B1: Sub-Regional Areas and their constituent Local Planning Authorities in South Wales

B6. No reliable monitoring data on recycled and secondary aggregate production is currently available for any part of the UK. The recently updated Mineral Planning Factsheet on aggregates produced by the British Geological Survey (BGS, 2019)¹ estimates that these materials now constitute approximately 30% of overall supply (based on data provided by the Mineral Products Association), and that most of the material that is suitable for aggregates use (primarily construction, demolition and excavation waste – CD&EW) is already being recovered and utilised. This has been the case since around 2005² and the proportion is thought unlikely to change in the foreseeable future. Being closely dependent upon the rate of construction activity, the actual tonnages can therefore be expected to rise and fall in line with variations in the overall rates of economic growth and will have a neutral impact on the demand for primary aggregates, compared to that seen during the baseline period (2007 to 2016). Moreover, in the case or recycled aggregates, since the arisings of CD&EW are (by definition) very closely associated with the occurrence of new construction work, their availability is unlikely to have any significant influence on spatial patterns of demand.

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¹ https://www.bgs.ac.uk/downloads/start.cfm?id=1355

² https://mineralproducts.org/documents/Contribution of Recycled and Secondary Materials to Total Aggs Supply in GB.pdf

B7. That might not be the case for secondary aggregates, which have a more varied spatial distribution, with different types and different quantities being available within each LPA. Again, there are no up-to-date data sources to provide further details, but there are indications that some of these sources may be declining in availability, which would potentially increase the demand on primary aggregates within those areas. Further observations on this are noted, where appropriate, in the later sections on individual sub-regional areas.

Land-won Primary Aggregate Production

B8. The historical sales figures for all land-won primary aggregates within each LPA in South Wales (including both crushed rock and natural sand & gravel) are shown in Table B1, below. The proportion supplied from crushed rock sources (averaged over 10 years) is shown in the right-hand column. The LPAs are grouped according to the sub-regions shown in Figure B1. The origin of the data is explained fully in Chapter 3 of the main text.

Table B1: 10-year and 3-year Total Land-Won Primary Aggregates Sales Averages (to 2016) for each LPA in South Wales.

Local Planning Authority	10-yr Average Aggregate Sales (total) (mtpa)	3-yr Average Aggregate Sales (total) (mtpa)	Highest of 3-yr and 10-yr ave. sales in each LPA (mtpa)	Proportion from crushed rock sources
Ceredigion	0.300	0.240	0.300	63.33%
Pembrokeshire	0.510	0.360	0.510	100%
Pembrokeshire Coast NP	0.330	0.270	0.330	63.64%
Carmarthenshire	0.832	0.821	0.832	76%
Swansea	0.000	0.000	0.000	100%
Neath Port Talbot	0.460	0.300	0.460	100%
Powys	2.470	2.650	2.650	100%
Brecon Beacons National Park	0.490	0.540	0.540	100%
Merthyr Tydfil	0.150	0.010	0.150	100%
Bridgend	0.580	0.600	0.600	100%
Rhonda Cynon Taf	0.610	0.670	0.670	100%
Vale of Glamorgan	0.660	0.580	0.660	100%
Caerphilly	0.390	0.100	0.390	100%
Cardiff	0.830	1.060	1.060	100%
Blaenau Gwent	0.170	0.180	0.180	100%
Monmouthshire	0.070	0.060	0.070	100%
Newport	0.000	0.000	0.000	100%
Torfaen	0.000	0.000	0.000	100%
TOTAL, South Wales	9.402	97.04%		

 ${\bf SOURCE: Collated\ by\ the\ South\ Wales\ RAWP\ secretary\ from\ confidential\ industry\ data.}$

B9. The figures for land-based sand & gravel production in South Wales (i.e. zero in most cases) are greatly distorted by the reliance of South East Wales, in particular, on marine-dredged aggregates from the Bristol Channel and the Severn Estuary. West Wales is less dependent on marine aggregates and has a small number of active land-based sites, primarily within the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park and Ceredigion. Carmarthenshire also has one very small operation. Powys is too far removed from the coast to be influenced to any significant degree by marine aggregates, but still has only one small land-based sand & gravel site where planning permission has been suspended. The county is reliant instead on crushed rock material. Whilst there are potential resources of natural sand & gravel within the upper reaches of the Severn,

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- Wye and Usk valleys, those are primarily within the Brecon Beacons National Park, part of the Cardiff City sub-regional area.
- B10. The figures for crushed rock production within South Wales are dominated by the output from Powys, where a number of sandstone and igneous rock quarries supply HSA material to England particularly to adjoining parts of the West Midlands. In the rest of South Wales, the picture is affected by the much smaller size of most of the individual planning authorities, Historical crushed rock sales in South Wales have been concentrated within Cardiff, Carmarthenshire, Bridgend, Vale of Glamorgan, Rhondda Cynon Taf and the Brecon Beacons National Park (which is where most of the larger Carboniferous Limestone quarries in South Wales are located), in the adjoining LPAs of Caerphilly and Neath Port Talbot, where additional HSA sandstone quarries are located, and in Pembrokeshire, where there is a mixture of limestone, igneous and slate quarries.
- B11. Significantly, there has been no crushed rock production, during the baseline period, within Swansea, Torfaen or Newport, and very little in Monmouthshire. In the case of Torfaen and Newport this is a reflection of the very limited outcrop of suitable resources, although Carboniferous Limestone was formerly extracted from Penhow Quarry in Newport. In the case of Swansea, the limestone resources are plentiful but are either within the Gower AONB or constrained by existing urban development. Swansea does, however, have relatively unconstrained resources of HSA sandstone. In Monmouthshire, permitted reserves of Carboniferous limestone remain at Ifton Quarry, though this is currently inactive and has been since at least the time of the First Review. Further observations on the relationships between production, resources, markets and environmental capacity within each of the sub-regions are given in paragraphs B30 et seq., below.

Marine-dredged Aggregates

- B12. As noted above, in South Wales, the availability of marine-dredged sand & gravel is of major importance, with supplies being sourced from both Welsh and English waters within the Severn Estuary and the Bristol Channel. Over the 2007 to 2016 baseline period, marine aggregate landings within South Wales accounted for an average of almost 83% of total sand & gravel production, and 9.1% of total primary aggregate production. In south-east Wales (i.e. the Cardiff City and Former Gwent sub-regions), marine-dredged material is the only source of sand & gravel currently available, though it is understood that some commercial exploration work has recently been undertaken of potential resource blocks identified in an earlier study for Welsh Government by Thompson *et al* (2002).
- B13. Discussions with BMAPA in 2019 suggest that similar levels of marine aggregates production are likely to continue in future years, in line with the current Interim Marine Aggregates Dredging Policy (IMADP).
- B14. For the time being, it seems reasonable to suppose that marine-dredged aggregates will continue to supply a similar proportion of overall demand as they have done over the last decade, so the demand for land-won aggregates in any of the LPAs in South Wales is not likely to be affected.

Secondary Aggregate Production

- B15. Secondary aggregates comprise the by-products of various industrial processes, including metallurgical slags and power station arisings, but also the by-products from certain types of non-aggregate mineral extraction, such as colliery spoil and slate waste, and from the recycling of glass, ceramics, asphalt planings and rail ballast³.
- B16. Aggregate production from metallurgical slags has traditionally been an important source of secondary aggregate within South Wales. Port Talbot continues to produce both blast furnace (iron) and steel slag, whilst electric arc furnace steel slag is still produced from one site in Cardiff. The processing of older stockpiles of blast furnace slag at the former Llanwern steel works is now understood to have ceased. Secondary aggregates are produced from all of these materials

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³ it might appear more logical to group these substances with other recycled materials from construction, demolition and excavation wastes (CD&EW). However, the coverage of CD&EW is already well defined in terms of survey returns, so those items are included here as secondary aggregates.

- although volumes are thought to be declining, placing increased pressure on primary aggregate sources.
- B17. Coal-fired power station arisings, comprising pulverised fuel ash (PFA) and furnace bottom ash (FBA) are currently produced only at the Aberthaw Power Station. With the planned closure of all coal-fired power stations by 2025, this production will cease. Whether or not historic PFA stockpiles will be able to be worked in future remains to be seen.
- B18. Small amounts of aggregate minerals (sandstone and occasionally sand) arise adventitiously from the reworking of former colliery spoil tips or from the working of opencast coal. In South Wales, significant quantities of colliery spoil still exist in tips that have not been removed or landscaped under the Derelict Land Reclamation Scheme (and successors). The overall potential for producing aggregate from this material is small, however, for a combination of local (social and planning), fiscal and regulatory reasons, but could be locally significant, where the quality of the material is suitable for the end-uses required. Planning permission for the reworking of former tips exists at Tower Colliery (RCT) but is not being actively exploited at present. Reworking of the spoil from the former opencast workings at Tir Pentwys (straddling the border between Torfaen and Blaenau Gwent) has also been considered and is the subject of Preferred Area allocations in both authorities. A planning application for reworking the Torfaen part of the Tir Pentwys site was the subject of a recent Public Inquiry, but the Appeal was dismissed in August 2019, on the basis of impacts of the proposed access route on an area of Ancient Woodland. Unless and until an acceptable alternative means of access is provided, this renders the resources within that Preferred Area unworkable, and also precludes access to those on the Blaenau Gwent side.
- B19. Sandstone arisings from new opencast workings have been important as 'windfall' resources at a number of sites within the South Wales coalfield, but these are classed as primary aggregates and are therefore not considered further here.
- B20. Slate waste is produced in very small quantities in South Wales, from the northern part of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park and in southernmost Ceredigion. However, the extent to which this resource has been utilised as aggregate is understood to be minimal, and the prospects for future utilisation are equally limited. Mention was made in the original RTS of the possibility of importing secondary aggregates from the much greater quantities of higher quality slate waste in North Wales, though this was also seen as a 'remote' prospect and no progress has since been made.
- B21. The various sources of secondary aggregate noted above, together with recycled aggregates, as discussed below, are currently exempt from the Aggregates Levy, in a deliberate attempt to minimise the use of primary aggregates. During 2019 and 2020, the Aggregates Levy was comprehensively reviewed by HMRC, but no changes have been made to those exemptions.

Recycled Aggregates

- B22. Aggregates produced from construction, demolition and excavation wastes (CD&EW) form an important contribution to the overall consumption of construction aggregates. The 2008 RTSs noted a total output for the whole of Wales of 3.97mt, based on 2005 survey data, and suggested a roughly 3 to 1 split between South Wales and North Wales, based on earlier surveys and population ratios. They also noted that, despite the lack of quantitative detail, it is inevitable that the greatest volumes of CD&EW arisings and usage are in the urban areas. The RTS documents emphasised, however, that all statistics for this sector need to be used with a high degree of caution, because of the low rate of response to the surveys.
- B23. The situation, in terms of available data, has not improved since the original RTSs were published. No new survey data is available, other than a C&D Waste survey in 2012, so any observations on recent or future trends can only be regarded as broad approximations. If anything, the efficiency of recycling is likely to have increased, and the introduction of WRAP's (2005) 'Quality Protocol' for the production of aggregates from inert waste may have increased the proportion and usage of higher value products derived from the various recycled sources. Such improvements, however, represent only small increments on the progress which had previously been made primarily as a consequence of the price advantages resulting from the landfill tax and, to a lesser extent, the aggregates levy. The view of the Mineral Products Association (MPA), which is not disputed by the NRW, remains that there is limited opportunity

for significant further increase in the proportion of construction aggregate likely to be derived from this sector. As noted earlier, the future availability of recycled aggregates seems likely to be inextricably linked to the overall rates of construction activity and economic growth, so the safest assumption is that it will rise and fall in a very similar way to overall demand, and will thus have a neutral impact on the demand for primary aggregates, compared to the baseline period (2007 to 2016).

Imports and Exports

B24. Wales has always been a net exporter of land-won aggregates. Data on both exports and imports is recorded in the periodic Aggregate Minerals (AM) Surveys, and data for exports in the last four surveys is summarised in Table B2, below.

Table B2: Summary of key export statistics for South Wales from recent AM surveys

Note: all figures exclude sales for non-	AM2001	AM2005	AM2009	AM2014
aggregate use	(mt)	(mt)	(mt)	(mt)
(data from Table 4j of the AM reports)				
Land won Sand & Gravel Sales	0.115	0.304	0.144	0.205
S&G Exports*	0.001	0.011	0	0
South Wales S&G Exports as % of S&G total	1%	4%	0%	0%
Limestone Sales	6.536	6.137	4.554	4.540
Limestone Exports*	0.262	0.154	0.052	0.332
Exports as % of Limestone total	4%	3%	1%	7%
Igneous Sales	0.838	1.238	1.025	1.577
Igneous Exports*	0.572	0.430	0.694	0.829
Exports as % of Igneous total	68%	35%	68%	53%
Sandstone Sales	2.648	3.498	2.605	1.709
Sandstone Exports*	1.457	1.941	1.258	0.852
Exports as % of Sandstone total	55%	55%	48%	50%
Total Crushed Rock Sales**	10.310	10.873	8.185	7.825
Total CR Exports*	2.302	2.527	2.003	2.013
South Wales CR Exports as % of CR total	22%	23%	24%	26%

^{* &#}x27;exports' are primarily to England but include some movement between South Wales and North Wales.

- B25. In South Wales, the main export in terms of overall tonnage is of sandstone, the vast majority of which is High Specification Aggregate (HSA) - skid-resistant road surfacing material with a Polished Stone Value (PSV) of 58 or above, and generally much higher (Thompson, Greig & Shaw 1993; Thompson et al., 2004).
- B26. In 2002, the total output of HSA sandstone from South Wales was 1.280mt4. This amounts to some 88% of the previous year's (AM 2001) figure of 1.457 for all sandstone exports from South Wales (the difference representing the change from 2001 to 2002 and the inclusion of some non-HSA sandstone in the latter figure). Of the total HSA sandstone output from South Wales in 2002, some 69% is known to have been exported to England, with the remaining 31% being utilised in Wales, (including domestic consumption within South Wales and exports to North Wales). Of the total HSA sandstone exported, most was supplied from five quarries and two opencast sites in the Pennant Measures of the South Wales coalfield (from which 58% of HSA output was exported to England in 2002); whilst the remainder was sourced from three HSA sandstone quarries in Powys (from which a much higher proportion - 88% - was exported to England).

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^{**} Unlike the figures used elsewhere in this Review, crushed rock sales in the AM reports exclude slate

⁴ Source for this and subsequent data on High Specification Aggregates: unpublished information collated by the author as part of the Capita Symonds' analysis of High Specification Aggregates production in 2002 (Thompson et al., 2004).

- B27. Reference to Table B2 shows that, although there was a reduction in sandstone exports between 2005 and 2009, the difference is much less marked than was the case for Wales' other main aggregate export - limestone from North Wales (see Appendix A), especially in percentage terms. This reflected the fact that the market for skid-resistant road aggregate held up better, during the recession of 2007 and 2008, than had been the case for more general-purpose limestone aggregate (presumably because of the safety imperative of continuing to maintain skid resistance on major roads). However, whilst the North Wales limestone exports had largely recovered by the time of the AM 2014 survey, HSA sandstone exports from South Wales continued to decline, as did the overall sales of these materials. The explanation for this decline is not clear. It may at least partly have been due to a marked reduction in production capacity from some of the major HSA quarries in South Wales over this period: Cribarth Quarry closed in 2014, following a number of years of declining output as permitted reserves were used up; Gelligaer Quarry was inactive between 2012 and 2015; and Hafod Fach Quarry has been inactive since 2015. There does also seem to have been a fall in demand, however, as seen in the steadily declining outputs from Cwm Nant Lleici Quarry, from 2007 to 2014 (Thompson, 2015). If similar trends occurred at other active HSA units, it may reflect the relatively low priority given to road construction and maintenance, since the recession, by comparison with the more focused spending on house building.
- B28. Imports of land-based aggregates are very minor, by comparison with exports. In South Wales in 2014 (from Table 5j of the AM 2014 survey report), land-based imports amounted to 0.042mt of sand & gravel and 0.079mt of crushed rock, primarily limestone from South West England. These compare with imports of 0.064mt of sand & gravel and 0.172mt of crushed rock in the previous (AM 2009) survey.
- B29. Imports and exports of marine-dredged sand and gravel between England and Wales are only relevant to the RTS apportionment exercise if they affect the continuity of supply of these materials to Wales and thus give rise to increased demand on land-based resources. This is potentially an issue in South East Wales which, as noted earlier, is heavily dependent upon marine aggregates. At the time of the First Review, Wales was a net importer of marine sand & gravel, dredged from the English side of the median line in the Bristol Channel and the Severn Estuary. This was noted in the Review as being likely to change, subject to the approval of new licence applications within Welsh waters. By 2019, the relative balance between imports and exports has shifted as a consequence of a new licence that has been recently permitted across the median line between English and Welsh waters. However, significant trade continues from English licences to Welsh markets as well as vice versa. In Liverpool Bay, the only licence area in Welsh waters remains a net exporter to north west English markets.

Sub-Regional Analysis

- B30. In the First Review, the sub-regional analysis for South Wales was based on three broad areas: Mid Wales, South West Wales and South East Wales. In this review, as explained earlier and as illustrated in Figure B1, above, it is based on five smaller areas, each one being intended to approximate a relatively 'self-contained' market area for aggregate production and sales, with little movement of aggregate taking place between adjoining areas, other than exports to England.
- B31. Maps corresponding to each of these areas are presented in Figures B2 to B11 below. For each sub-region there are three maps. The first one shows the distribution of aggregate resources and existing quarries. The second map, at a smaller scale, deals with 'proximity' issues (i.e. the relationships between resources, quarry locations, major roads and the distribution of both planned housing requirements in each LPA and existing urban areas). Planned housing requirements are used in preference to the population density maps that were used in the First Review, although both distributions are shown, for comparison, in Figures 4.7 and 4.8 of the main document. The third map for each sub-region then deals with environmental capacity issues, utilising output from the earlier IMAECA analysis (Enviros, 2005). All of the larger maps are presented at the same approximate scale, as are all of the smaller maps (as indicated in each case by the 30km scale bar).
- B32. It must be emphasised that these maps show only resources and not permitted reserves. **Resources** are geological materials, including rocks and naturally occurring sand & gravel, which have the potential to be used for a particular purpose (in this case as construction

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- aggregates). **Permitted Reserves** are those parts of a resource which are known to be suitable for this purpose (usually as a result of detailed ground investigations and laboratory testing) and which have valid planning permission for the winning and working of the materials in question. The outlines of permitted reserves are not shown on the maps.
- B33. The resources are illustrated in several main categories. Natural **sand & gravel resources**, as mapped by the British Geological Survey (BGS) may be associated with five different types of 'superficial' deposits, as shown on the key to each map, though the extent of workable mineral within these deposits is highly variable. Some of the maps show an additional category of sand & gravel resource blocks that were identified in more detailed study for the Welsh Assembly by the former Symonds Group. These were identified primarily in terms of reconnaissance-level mapping of Quaternary geology and geomorphology, supported by very limited borehole investigations (Thompson *et al*, 2000), and were examined further in a comparative environmental assessment of both marine and land-based resources (Thompson *et al*, 2002). The resource blocks are shown by the deep red shading on the maps for the Swansea, Cardiff and Former Gwent areas.
- B34. **Crushed rock resources** within the area comprise Carboniferous (and older) HSA sandstones (i.e. those which are generally suitable for use as High Specification Aggregates HSA for use in skid-resistant road surfacing); Carboniferous Limestones (which are subdivided, on the larger maps, into high purity (>97% CaCO₃) and other limestones); Igneous Rocks (including HSA dolerites, which are differentiated on the larger maps); and Slates.
- B35. The quarries shown on the maps are categorised in the same way as the resources. They include both active and inactive units (as of 2018), the latter including a small number of dormant sites and one suspended permission. Separate listings of all active, inactive and dormant (or suspended) sites in South Wales are given in Tables B3, B4 and B5, respectively.

West Wales Sub-Region

- B36. Figure B2, below illustrates the distribution of quarries and land-based aggregate resources within West Wales. For ease of presentation, Ceredigion is shown separately to Pembrokeshire and the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park. The crushed rock resources comprise:
 - **Silurian** and **Ordovician HSA sandstones**, currently worked at Ystrad Meurig and Alltgoch quarries in Ceredigion, respectively;
 - a wide variety of igneous rocks, including quartz diorite worked at Bolton Hill in Pembrokeshire and volcanic rhyolite, worked at Rhyndaston Quarry, just inside the National Park;
 - Ordovician slates, currently worked only at Glogue Quarry in Pembrokeshire; and
 - **Carboniferous Limestone**, worked at Blaencilgoed (a.k.a. Gellihalog Quarry) in Pembrokeshire and at Carew, just inside the National Park.
- B37. In addition, there are extensive **glacial** and **glaciofluvial sand & gravel** deposits around Cardigan, straddling the boundaries between the National Park (Trefigin and Pantgwyn Quarries), Pembrokeshire and Ceredigion (Penyparc Quarry). Glaciofluvial deposits are also present along the Teifi valley in Ceredigion (currently worked at Pant Quarry), and in more localised areas elsewhere (including Crug-yr-Eryr Quarry, in Ceredigion). **Alluvial sand & gravel** is also worked, on a very small scale, in the Rheidol valley at Glanyrafon in Aberystwyth.
- B38. Figure B3 illustrates the relationships of these quarries and resources to issues relating to the likely pattern of demand (as indicated by proximity to existing urban areas, planned housing requirements and the primary road network); and issues relating to environmental capacity.
- B39. Most if not all of the quarries are thought likely to serve markets which lie primarily within the West Wales sub-region. This is not least because of the distance of most of them from other markets further north and east, the limited road connections across the Cambrian Mountains in mid-Wales and the existence of other quarries closer to those other market areas. Within the sub-region, some of the quarries are well-placed in relation to local centres of demand, for example around Pembroke, Haverfordwest and Cardigan, whilst others are located in more distant, rural locations, as dictated by the available resource outcrops.

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- B40. Overall, there is limited justification for changing the existing pattern of supply, from a proximity point of view. There is more justification in seeking changes from an environmental perspective particularly in order to encourage a shift of production, in future, away from the National Park. This would require increased output (and/or new sources to be established) in other areas particularly in Ceredigion which, as noted in the main report, does not currently supply aggregates in proportion to its share of sub-regional housing requirements.
- B41. In the case of sand & gravel production, potential opportunities (in terms of resources) exist within Ceredigion, both close to Cardigan (though these are generally in areas of relatively low environmental capacity) and further upstream along the Teifi valley (where environmental capacity has not been assessed). Additional resources also occur on the opposite side of this valley in neighbouring Carmarthenshire, and it would be sensible for these to be included in the search for opportunities. In this regard, the First Review of the RTS suggested that there would be merit in developing a combined approach to future apportionments and allocations between Pembrokeshire, Ceredigion and Carmarthenshire. Although Carmarthenshire is in a separate sub-region (primarily because of the market for crushed rock in the Swansea area), it is recommended that these joint working arrangements should continue, with regard to sand & gravel.

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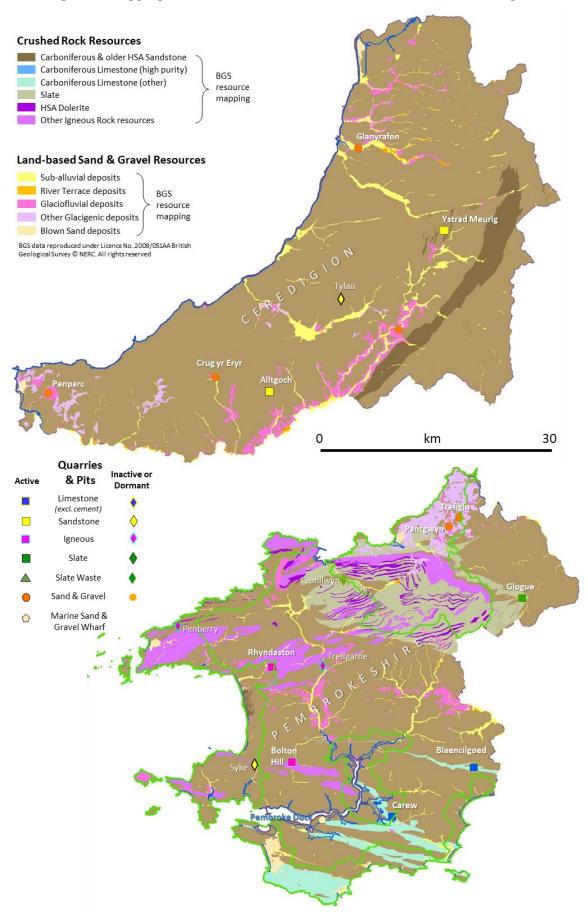
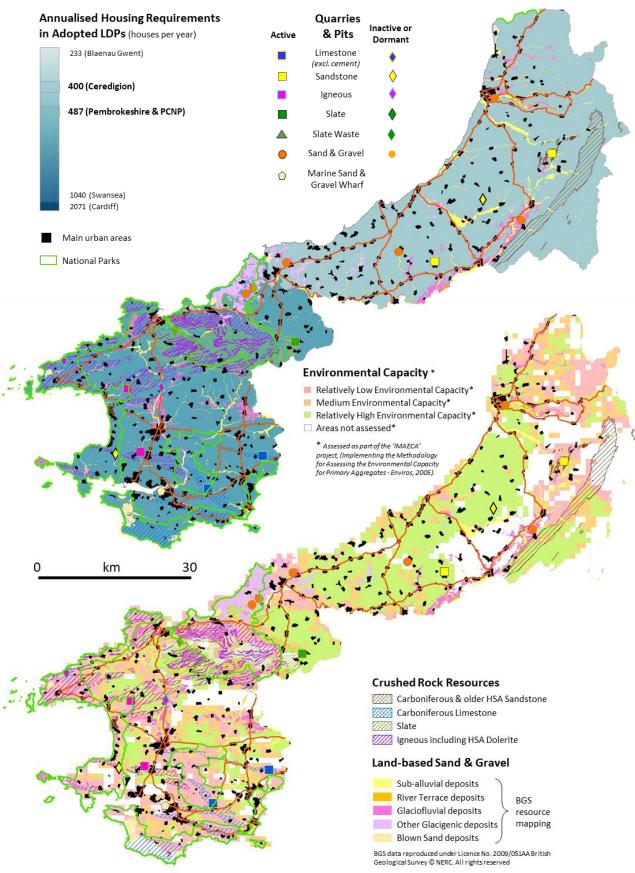


Figure B2: Aggregate Resources and Quarries in the West Wales Sub-Region

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Figure B3: Aggregate Resources, Quarries, Planned Housing Requirements and Environmental Capacity in the West Wales Sub-Region



Swansea City Sub Region

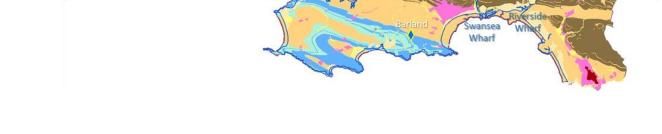
- B42. Figure B4 illustrates the distribution of quarries and land-based aggregate resources within the Swansea City sub-region. In this area, the rock resources are mostly confined to the southern part of Carmarthenshire and to Swansea and Neath Port Talbot. They comprise:
 - Carboniferous Limestone, currently worked at several quarries along a narrow outcrop in southern Carmarthenshire, with a more extensive outcrop in the Gower Peninsula (almost all of which lies within the Gower Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and is thus most unlikely to be worked);
 - Carboniferous HSA sandstone, currently worked predominantly at Cwm Nant Lleici and Gilfach quarries in Neath Port Talbot, and on a much smaller scale, at Pennant Quarry in Carmarthenshire, but extending though all areas in between, including Swansea itself;
 - Silurian sandstone, currently worked only at Foelfach, in Carmarthenshire
 - Small, isolated outcrops of igneous rocks, only one of which (at Garn Wen in western Carmarthenshire) is currently worked; and
 - Ordovician slates, in the same area of western Carmarthenshire, which are not worked at all.
- B43. In addition, there are **glaciofluvial sand & gravel** deposits in various parts of sub-region, including a number of potential resource blocks identified by the Symonds Group study for Welsh Assembly (Thompson *et al* 2000). At present, however, the only operational site is a very small, intermittently active area of river gravel extraction at Llwynjack in the Tywi valley.
- B44. Figure B5 illustrates the relationships of the various resources and quarries to issues relating to the likely pattern of demand (as indicated by proximity to existing urban areas, planned housing requirements and the primary road network); and issues relating to environmental capacity. As can be seen from these maps, the limestone quarries appear to be reasonably well-placed (given the distribution of unconstrained resources) in terms of their proximity to Swansea and adjoining urban areas. A number of inactive quarries are also present along the same narrow limestone outcrop in Carmarthenshire, close to four of the currently active sites, implying that there would be scope for increasing supplies from this area if demand were to increase. Given the constraints which apply to virtually all other limestone outcrops in the area, there would be no opportunity to change the overall pattern of limestone supply.
- B45. The Carboniferous HSA sandstones within the area primarily comprise those of the westernmost part of the South Wales Coalfield (i.e. the 'Pennant' Sandstones) and are highly sought-after as premium, skid-resistant road surfacing aggregates. The two main operational quarries (Gilfach and Cwm Nant Lleici) export to England, as well as supplying local markets. In the case of Cwm Nant Lleici, more than 50% of the output is distributed by rail, with a much lower proportion being transported by rail from Gilfach. The location of both quarries, within the eastern part of the subregion, and close to the Neath Abbey railhead, is therefore sensible, from a proximity point of view. Gilfach is also within an area of high environmental capacity, as are most of the unworked resources in Neath Port Talbot, though that is not the case for Cwm Nant Lleici.

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Crushed Rock Resources Quarries Inactive or Carboniferous & older HSA Sandstone & Pits Active Dormant Carboniferous Limestone (high purity) BGS Limestone Carboniferous Limestone (other) resource (excl. cement) Slate mapping Sandstone HSA Dolerite Other Igneous Rock resources Igneous Slate Land-based Sand & Gravel Resources Slate Waste Resource blocks identified by WG research Sand & Gravel Sub-alluvial deposits Marine Sand & River Terrace deposits BGS Gravel Wharf Glaciofluvial deposits resource mapping Other Glacigenic deposits Blown Sand deposits BGS data reproduced under Licence No. 2009/051AA British Geological Survey.
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Figure B4: Aggregate Resources and Quarries in the Swansea City Sub-Region



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Annualised Housing Requirements in Adopted LDPs (houses per year) 233 (Blaenau Gwent) 520 (Neath Port Talbot) 1013 (Carmarthenshire) 1040 (Swansea) 2071 (Cardiff) Quarries Inactive or & Pits Active Dormant Limestone (excl. cement) Main urban areas Sandstone National Parks Igneous Slate AONBs Slate Waste Sand & Gravel Marine Sand & **Crushed Rock Resources** Gravel Wharf Carboniferous & older HSA Sandstone Carboniferous Limestone ///// Slate Igneous including HSA Dolerite Land-based Sand & Gravel Resource blocks identified by WG research Sub-alluvial deposits River Terrace deposits Glaciofluvial deposits resource Other Glacigenic deposits mapping Blown Sand deposits BGS data reproduced under Licence No. 2009/051AA British Geological Survey © NERC. All rights reserved **Environmental Capacity *** Relatively Low Environmental Capacity* Medium Environmental Capacity* Relatively High Environmental Capacity* ☐ Areas not assessed* * Assessed as part of the 'IMAFCA' 30 project, (Implementing the Methodology for Assessing the Environmental Capacity km for Primary Aggregates - Enviros, 2005).

Figure B5: Aggregate Resources, Quarries, Planned Housing Requirements and Environmental Capacity in the Swansea City Sub-Region



- B46. As noted in the main document, there would be some merit in seeking to redistribute future HSA sandstone within the region, in order to provide a more equitable distribution between Neath Port Talbot and Swansea (which has the same resources but no current production and, hitherto, no apportionments). This would, potentially, enable advantage to be taken of Pennant Sandstone outcrops within Swansea that are located in areas of relatively high environmental capacity (for example close to Junction 44 of the M4, south of Pontardawe, or between Pontardawe and Pontarddulais). In both cases, however, those outcrops lie within a higher part of the Pennant Sandstone sequence, known as the Swansea Beds, which have not, hitherto, been worked on a modern commercial scale and which may be of inferior quality in terms of aggregate properties and/or the continuity and thickness of sandstone units. The suggestion would require further detailed investigations before it could be relied upon.
- B47. In the RTS First Review it was noted that there might also be merit in deliberately seeking to change the existing supply pattern by reducing future output from Neath Port Talbot and increasing that from other LPAs further east within the Pennant Sandstone outcrop (e.g. Rhondda Cynon Taf, Caerphilly, Torfaen or Blaenau Gwent), in order to reduce the transportation distances of HSA material that is exported to England by road, rather than rail. It must be remembered, however, that proximity is only one aspect of sustainability which must be balanced against many other factors. For example, a high proportion of the resource outcrop within Neath Port Talbot coincides with areas of high environmental capacity whereas such areas are more limited further east.
- B48. Older (Silurian) sandstones including the Yr Allt Formation (formerly known as the Bala Series Grits) occur in various parts of northern Carmarthenshire. These are now worked at only one active guarry in the county (Foelfach), and only to supply local markets.
- B49. Igneous rocks (Prescelly dolerite) are currently exploited in only one location, at Garn Wen in Carmarthenshire. The rock has a reasonably high PSV of 57 but not sufficient to qualify as High Specification Aggregate (HSA) and tends to be used as a more general purpose aggregate within the local market area. Other outcrops of igneous rock within the sub-region are confined to localised minor intrusions in the west of Carmarthenshire and are not likely to be seen as commercially viable resources.
- B50. In terms of land-based sand & gravel resources, as noted above these do exist within the subregion and, although many of those within river valleys, especially, fall within areas of low
 environmental capacity, others appear to be better placed in this respect. These include
 resource blocks close to Swansea, identified in the Symonds Group study, and extensive
 glaciofluvial deposits within the Teifi valley, around Llanybydder in Carmarthenshire. The fact
 that none of these are being exploited at present suggests that there is insufficient demand
 and/or commercial interest, not least because of the ready availability of marine dredged sand
 from the Bristol Channel, which is landed at the Swansea, Riverside and Bury Port wharves
 (shown in Figure B4). This almost certainly diminishes the commercial prospects for working
 resources in Swansea, Neath Port Talbot, and much if not all of Carmarthenshire.

Powys Sub-Region

- B51. Figure B6, below, shows the distribution of resources and quarries within the county of Powys, excluding the Brecon Beacons National Park in the south, which forms part of a separate subregion. In this area, despite the widespread occurrence of hard rock resources, those which are regarded as exploitable aggregate resources are far more limited and localised. This is, not least, because of the relatively remote and upland nature of the landscape which dictates that only those resources of exceptional quality and/or proximity to established markets, are actively worked. These comprise:
 - Precambrian HSA Sandstone, of the Yat Wood and Strinds Formations, worked from very localised inliers at Gore, Dolyhir and Strinds quarries, close to the Herefordshire border, near Kington;
 - Ordovician HSA sandstone, of the Cribarth Formation worked until recently at Cribarth Quarry, which closed in 2014 following the exhaustion of permitted reserves;
 - **Silurian HSA sandstone**, worked in only one part of the extensive outcrop of the Penstrowed Grits Formation, at Tan-y-Foel quarry, north-west of Newtown;

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- Ordovician HSA dolerite, worked from a large but very localised intrusion at Criggion Quarry near Welshpool;
- Ordovician HSA igneous rocks of the Llanelwedd Volcanic Formation, worked at the very large Builth Wells Quarry:
- Ordovician igneous rock, worked from a localised intrusion within a predominantly shale quarry at Middletown, near Welshpool; and
- Devonian Old Red Sandstone, worked on a very small scale, primarily for building stone, at Tredomen Quarry in the south of the area.
- B52. Limestone resources are largely absent within mid Wales, though a very small outcrop of Silurian limestone is worked alongside HSA sandstones at Strinds Quarry, close to the English border.
- B53. There are also glaciofluvial and fluvial (river terrace and sub-alluvial) sand & gravel deposits in various parts of sub-region, though none of these is currently exploited. The resources are mostly within the upper reaches of river valleys and are unlikely to offer much in the way of commercially viable opportunities - not least because of the widely dispersed population and hence limited local demand. One site that was previously worked, at Caerfagu, is now a suspended planning permission, with (effectively) no remaining reserves.
- B54. The emphasis in Powys is therefore very clearly on the production, and export to England, of High Specification (skid-resistant) Aggregates. With the exception of Builth and Tan-y-Foel, the HSA quarries exploit very localised geological outcrops. To varying degrees, similar material is likely to exist in adjoining parts of the same formations, but only within a few kilometres of those quarries. Tan-y-Foel is a relatively small quarry which exploits HSA sandstones from the Penstrowed Grits Formation. Whilst the outcrop of this formation is far more extensive, most of it is not suitable for commercial HSA quarrying because of the interbedded nature of the rocks, with the HSA sandstones alternating with largely unsaleable mudstones and shales. For this reason, the formation is not shown on Figure B6, or on B7 (which shows the relationship of the quarries and resources to factors relating to proximity and environmental capacity). Builth Wells Quarry exploits part of a much larger and variable outcrop of volcanic igneous rocks in central Powys. The extent to which similar (HSA) qualities will occur in other parts of those outcrops is not known, but the extremely large permitted reserves which remain at Builth render this immaterial.
- B55. Overall, the scope for significantly modifying the existing supply pattern of sandstone and igneous rock within central Powys is therefore extremely limited. There would be potential benefits to be gained, in terms of proximity, by limiting future planning permissions to resource outcrops closest to the English border, although those areas (around Criggion, Gore and Dolyhir quarries) are seen to have relatively low environmental capacity (in part, at least, because of the existing quarries).

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Crushed Rock Resources Carboniferous & older HSA Sandstone Carboniferous Limestone (high purity) BGS Carboniferous Limestone (other) resource Slate mapping **HSA** Dolerite Other Igneous Rock resources Land-based Sand & Gravel Resources Sub-alluvial deposits River Terrace deposits BGS Glaciofluvial deposits resource mapping Other Glacigenic deposits Blown Sand deposits BGS data reproduced under Licence No. 2009/051AA British Geological Survey
© NERC.
All rights reserved **** Note 1: for RTS purposes, the southern part of Powys, within the Brecon Beacons National Park, forms part of the Cardiff sub-region. Quarries Inactive or & Pits Dormant Limestone Note 2: The small area of Powys around Ystradgynlais, between the National Park and Neath Port Talbot, is part of the Powys sub-region but is shown on Figures B4 and B5, has no significant aggregate resources. (excl. cement) Sandstone Igneous Slate

Figure B6: Aggregate Resources and Quarries in the Powys Sub-Region

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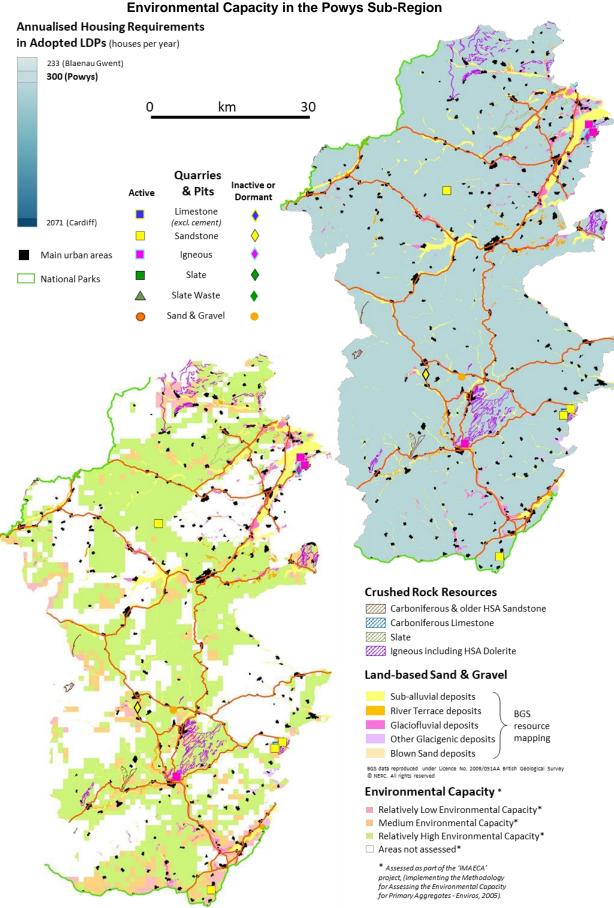


Figure B7: Aggregate Resources, Quarries, Planned Housing Requirements and Environmental Capacity in the Powys Sub-Region



Cardiff City Sub-Region

- B56. This sub-region, as illustrated in Figures B8 and B9, below, comprises Cardiff, the Vale of Glamorgan and Bridgend, along with the valleys directly to the north in Rhondda Cynon Taf, Merthyr Tydfil and Caerphilly, and the Brecon Beacons National Park. The National Park is included primarily because of the major Carboniferous Limestone quarries of Penderyn (active) and Vaynor (currently inactive) which are located within or straddling the southern edge of the Park, and which primarily supply aggregates southwards into the valleys. Ammanford quarry, at the far western edge of the Park is anomalous in this regard, being associated primarily with the neighbouring Swansea sub-region, but its output is very small.
- B57. Crushed rock resources in this sub-region fall into just two, very clearly distinguished groups:
 - Carboniferous HSA sandstone resources within the coalfield area which, like those to the west, are highly sought-after as sources of premium, skid-resistant road surfacing aggregates. They are exploited by a number of specialist quarries - Craigyr-Hesg, Gelligaer, Bryn and Hafod Fach (currently inactive) which supply much of their output to England; and
 - Carboniferous Limestone resources, to the north and south of the coalfield, which are host to a large number of active and inactive quarries, focused primarily on the supply of general purpose construction aggregates into Cardiff and other centres of demand within the area.
- B58. Land-based sand & gravel resources have also been identified within the area, primarily within the valleys. However, many of these are either sterilised by existing urban development or lie within the National Park, and none are currently worked. Instead, the area is entirely dependent, for natural sand, on marine-dredged material from the Bristol Channel which is landed in Cardiff.
- B59. The Carboniferous 'Pennant' Sandstone quarries are generally well-placed, within the overall resource outcrop, to supply both local markets within SE Wales and to export HSA to England, though none of them is rail-connected. The sales, both for local consumption and exports, include end-uses other than skid resistant road surfacing, though this is usually because it is often convenient and economical to use the same aggregate in some of the lower layers of road construction as that which is required for use in the surface course.
- B60. Pennant Sandstone resources are widespread within the sub-region, where they coincide, to some extent, with areas of relatively high environmental capacity - particularly within parts of Bridgend, Rhondda Cynon Taf and Caerphilly. Whilst these areas are less extensive than those within Neath Port Talbot and Swansea in the adjoining sub-region (see para's B45 to B47 above). they may, nevertheless offer prospects for future resource development, as indeed may those of lower apparent capacity - particularly in the case of extensions to existing quarries. In terms of proximity to export markets, these areas offer greater benefits than those further west, though there is less opportunity (if any) for access to railheads. These may be important factors when considering the pattern of future allocations, though this is not required at present within this subregion (see Chapter 5 of the main document).
- B61. The Carboniferous Limestone resources within this sub-region occur in two distinct areas: the north crop (to the north of the South Wales coalfield); the south crop (to the south of the coalfield). Each of these areas is considered separately, below.
- B62. Within the north crop, the limestones occur almost entirely within the Brecon Beacons National Park and are currently (or have until recently been) worked at two main sites: Penderyn (within the National Park, in the northern part of Rhondda Cynon Taf); and Vaynor (north of Merthyr Tydfil, on the boundary of the National Park). Both of these sites are well-placed, in terms of proximity, to serve the densely populated valleys of the South Wales coalfield, with most of those areas being within 20 to 30km of the quarries. However, the location of the quarries within areas of low environmental capacity and wholly or partly within the National Park places major constraints on any future expansion. In the case of Vaynor Quarry, the adjoining resources outside the National Park are partially sterilised by other development and could not be developed as an extension of the existing quarry.

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Figure B8: Aggregate Resources and Quarries in the Cardiff City Sub-Region

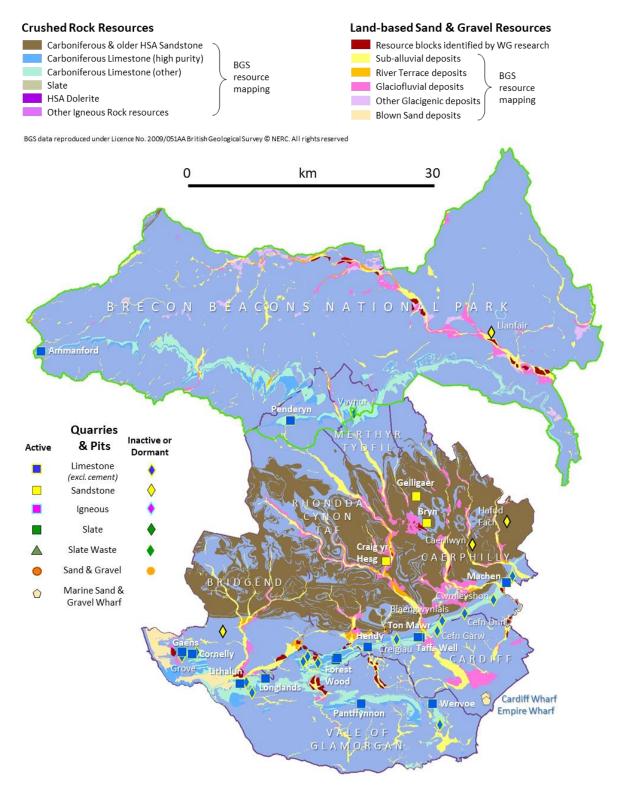
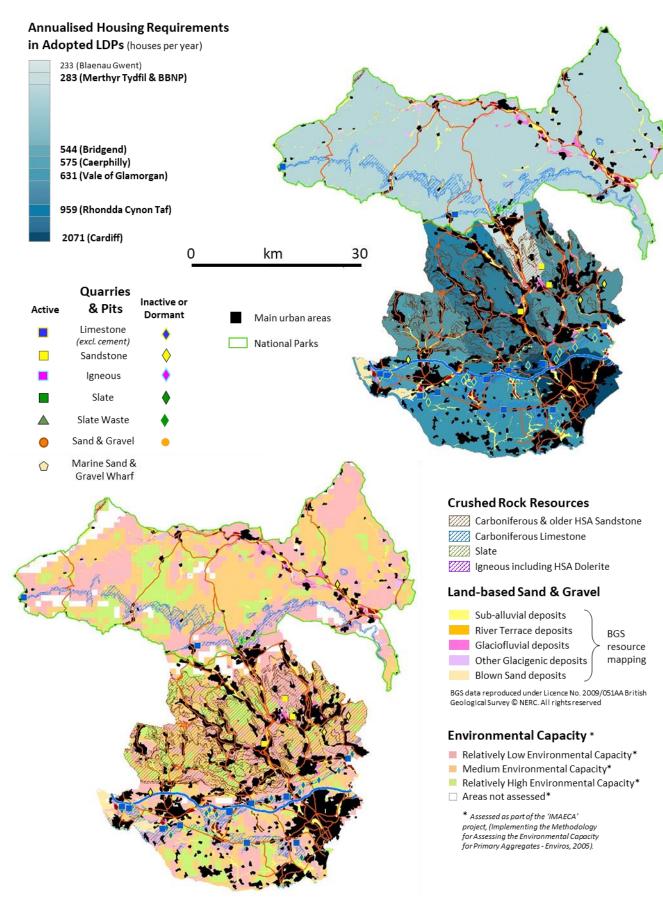


Figure B9: Aggregate Resources, Quarries, Planned Housing Requirements and Environmental Capacity in the Cardiff City Sub-Region



- B63. The second, and most important area of Carboniferous Limestone resource in the Cardiff City sub-region is that within the 'south crop', extending from Bridgend in the west, through the Vale of Glamorgan and Cardiff to Caerphilly in the east. No less than ten active limestone aggregate quarries are located in this area, although one of these (Cornelly) supplies industrial limestone, to the steelworks at Port Talbot, as well as aggregates. Most of these units are located close to the M4 motorway and, together, they are well-placed to supply most of the Cardiff city sub-region as well as the markets in Port Talbot to the west and Newport and Torfaen, to the east.
- B64. Almost all of the south crop resources fall within areas of relatively low environmental capacity (though these are less constrained than those within the National Park). Areas with higher capacity appear to be those in the southernmost part of Caerphilly, in the east, and around Cowbridge in the Vale of Glamorgan, further west. Either of those areas could potentially offer prospects for future resource development, though extensions to existing quarries within the area would be less disruptive and more likely to be preferred.
- B65. As noted above, there is currently no land-based sand & gravel extraction within the Cardiff City sub-region (or indeed within the whole of SE Wales), and this has generally been the case for decades. This is due in part to the ready availability of marine dredged sand from both the Severn Estuary and the Bristol Channel, but also reflects the environmental sensitivity of many of the inland areas which might contain potentially suitable resources. The situation is compounded by the lack of detailed knowledge of those resources (not least because there has been virtually no history of extraction). Reconnaissance-level surveys commissioned by the Welsh Assembly (Thompson *et al,* 2000, 2002) identified a series of potential resource blocks, which are shown by the deep red shading on the maps. Most of those in the Cardiff sub-region are located within the Brecon Beacons National Park, but others are located close to and south of the M4 motorway in the southern part of the area. Most of these fall within areas which have since been assessed as being of relatively low environmental capacity, though some of them, at least, may justify further investigation.

Former Gwent Sub-Region

- B66. Figures B10 and B11, below, illustrate the distribution of land-based aggregate resources, quarries and marine aggregate wharves within the former-Gwent sub-region (i.e. Blaenau Gwent, Torfaen, Newport and Monmouthshire).
- B67. As in the Cardiff sub-region directly to the west, the crushed rock resources in this area fall into two, very clearly distinguished categories:
 - Carboniferous HSA sandstone resources within the eastern edge of the coalfield, in Blaenau Gwent and Torfaen. Like those in both Cardiff and Swansea sub-regions to the west, these provide sources of premium, skid-resistant road surfacing aggregates though, in this area, they have yet to be exploited as such; and
 - Carboniferous Limestone resources, which crop out in a very limited area in the north of Blaenau Gwent (where they are currently worked at Trefil Quarry); along a narrow, hitherto unworked outcrop at the eastern edge of the coalfield in Torfaen, largely sterilised by existing development; and over a much larger area in southern Monmouthshire (including the currently inactive Ifton Quarry). The latter outcrop extends into the eastern edge of Newport and was formerly worked at Penhow Quarry.
- B68. Land-based sand & gravel resources have also been identified within the area, primarily as glacio-fluvial, river terrace and sub-alluvial gravels within the Usk Valley, but also as terrace and sub-alluvial gravels elsewhere. As with the resources in both Cardiff and Swansea sub-regions, none of the deposits are currently worked. Marine-dredged sand is, instead, obtained from licences within the Bristol Channel and the Severn Estuary, and from a planning permission (above the low water mark) on the Bedwin Sands. These are landed at Newport Wharf and North Docks, within the Usk estuary, and at Buffer Wharfe on the Wye estuary.

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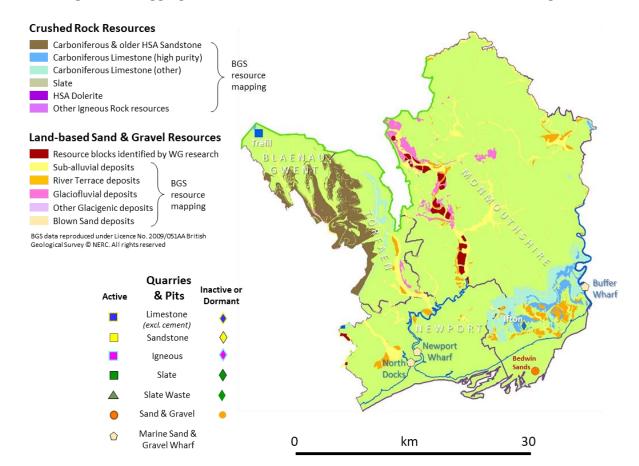
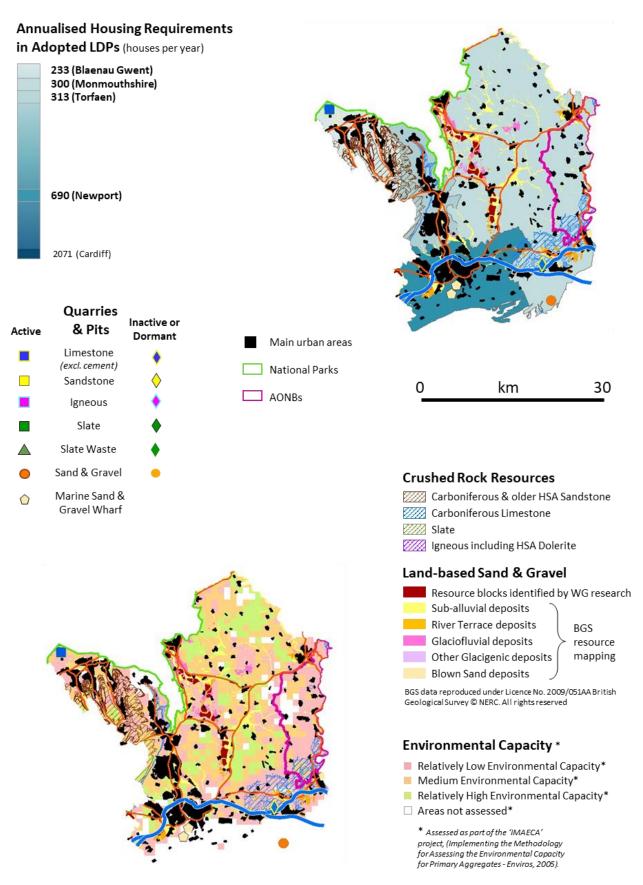


Figure B10: Aggregate Resources and Quarries in the Former Gwent Sub-Region

- B69. The Carboniferous Limestone resources provide essential, general-purpose construction aggregates. Those around Trefil Quarry in the north are recognised as a Preferred Area for future extraction in the Blaenau Gwent LDP, but are also constrained by being at the western edge of a subsequently-designated geological SSSI. They are located within an area of relatively low environmental capacity and are directly adjacent to the southern boundary of the Brecon Beacons National Park. Trefil is important, however, in providing the only source of active limestone production in the whole of this sub-region and the most proximal source of construction aggregates for the eastern coalfield valleys. It is also the only location within the whole of the north crop limestone resources in South Wales where an existing permission could be extended without encroaching into the National Park itself.
- B70. A far more extensive outcrop of Carboniferous Limestone resources occurs within southern Monmouthshire, though the eastern part of this outcrop falls within the Wye Valley Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. There are currently no active quarries in the whole of this area but there is one inactive quarry at Ifton which has significant unworked permitted reserves. Beyond that site, virtually all of the unworked resources fall within areas of low environmental capacity. Pressure for future quarry development here appears to be offset, at present, by the availability of supplies from Machen quarry in Caerphilly, to the west, and from other quarries within the neighbouring Forest of Dean, in England, to the east.
- B71. Although Newport and Torfaen do have Carboniferous Limestone resources, the outcrop in those areas is very thin and much of it is sterilised by existing built development. Most of the available resources there are also within areas of relatively low environmental capacity, though that applies equally to most (but not all) of the south crop limestone resources.

Figure B11: Aggregate Resources, Quarries, Planned Housing Requirements and Environmental Capacity in the Former Gwent Sub-Region



- B72. Pennant Sandstone resources are widespread within Blaenau Gwent, and along the high ground at the western edge of Torfaen. Some of the outcrop coincides with areas of relatively high or moderate environmental capacity and one such area, to the south of Cwm, in Blaenau Gwent, has been allocated in the LDP as a Preferred Area for future sandstone extraction. A further area, straddling the Blaenau Gwent /Torfaen border at Tir-Pentwys, further south, is an area of former opencast coal extraction where the remaining spoil had been identified as Preferred Areas for future working of secondary aggregate⁵ in both LDPs. However, as noted earlier, an application for sandstone extraction (on the Torfaen side) was dismissed on Appeal, effectively sterilising the resources within both of those areas.
- B73. As noted earlier, there is currently no land-based sand & gravel extraction in the whole of SE Wales, including the Former Gwent sub-region. The extraction which takes place on the Bedwin Sands within the Severn Estuary, though technically a land-based planning permission rather than a marine dredging licence, has traditionally been grouped with other landings of marine sand & gravel.
- B74. The reconnaissance-level surveys commissioned by the Welsh Assembly (Thompson et al., 2000; 2002) identified several potential resource blocks within the lower Usk Valley (shown by the deep red shading on Figure B10 and B11). Again, these fall almost entirely within areas which have since been assessed as being of low environmental capacity, though it is understood that some of the areas have recently been subject to more detailed, and promising, commercial investigations. It remains to be seen whether or not any proposals for developing these resources will be brought forward.

Summary of Current Sources of Supply in South Wales

B75. Tables B3 to B5, below, list the currently active, inactive and dormant aggregate quarries (respectively) in each of the sub-regions of South Wales, updated to August 2018. The lists exclude quarries devoted to the manufacture of cement, building stone, silica sand, shale or other non-aggregate products, although they include two quarries which supply both aggregates and industrial limestone.

Table B3: Active Aggregate Quarries in South Wales (2018)

Quarry Name	Operator	Commodity	Easting	Northing
CEREDIGION				
Alltgoch / Bryn	G D Harries & Sons Ltd	Sandstone	249100	248500
Crug-yr-Eryr	R Powell	Sand & Gravel	242075	250310
Glanyrafon Gravel Pit	CB Environmental Ltd	Sand & Gravel	260635	280300
Pant	Teifi Sand & Gravel	Sand & Gravel	265825	256575
Penparc	Cardigan Sand & Gravel Co.	Sand & Gravel	220000	248260
Ystrad Meurig (HSA)	Hanson Aggregates	Sandstone	271810	269570
PEMBROKESHIRE				
Blaencilgoed / Gellihalog	G D Harries & Sons Ltd	Limestone	215800	210700
Bolton Hill	G D Harries & Sons Ltd	Igneous	191800	211400
Cefn	Dyffrig Davies	Slate	220500	242900
Glogue	Mansel Davies & Son Ltd	Slate	221900	232840
PEMBROKESHIRE COAST NATIONAL PARK				
Carew	T Scourfield & Sons	Limestone	204900	204300
Pantgwyn	Cware Pantgwyn Quarry Ltd	Sand & Gravel	212400	242820
Rhyndaston	Mason Brothers	Igneous	189250	223625
Trefigin	Cware Trefigin Quarries Ltd	Sand & Gravel	214000	243900
CARMARTHENSHIRE				
Allt-y-garn	Alan Griffiths (Contractors)	Silica Sandstone	258676	215794
Blaen-y-Fan	Gower Plant Hire	Limestone	245640	211520

⁵ The RTS requirements for primary aggregate extraction are based on the assumption that secondary and recycled aggregates will continue to contribute to the overall aggregate requirements, as they have done in the past. Secondary aggregate production cannot therefore be utilised to offset the RTS requirements for primary aggregates.

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Coygen	GD Harries & Sons Ltd	Limestone	228430	209210
Crwbin	Tarmac	Limestone	247805	213360
Garnbica (Maesdulais)	Gower Plant Hire	Limestone	251720	214610
Garn Wen	G D Harries & Sons Ltd	Igneous	216740	228680
Foelfach	Sigma Rock	Sandstone	239368	225753
Llwynjack	C J Lewis	Sand & Gravel	275400	233100
Pennant	T. Richard Jones Ltd.	Sandstone	248225	206950
Torcoed	Tarmac	Limestone	249000	213870
	Tarriac	Limestone	2 13000	213070
NEATH PORT TALBOT				
Cwm Nant Lleici (HSA)	Aggregate Industries UK	Sandstone	273175	207080
Gilfach (HSA)	CEMEX UK	Sandstone	275370	199880
POWYS				
Builth Wells (HSA)	Hanson Aggregates	Igneous	305105	252125
Criggion (HSA)	Hanson Aggregates	Igneous	328900	314400
Dolyhir (HSA)	Tarmac	Sandstone	324300	258425
Gore (HSA)	Tarmac	Sandstone	325700	259250
Middletown	Border Hardcore & Rockery	Igneous	329880	312850
Strinds	Tarmac	Limestone	324110	257855
Strinds (HSA)	Tarmac	Sandstone	324110	257855
Tan-y-Foel (HSA)	Breedon / H V Bowen	Sandstone	301240	301460
Tredomen	Powys Stone Supplies	Sandstone	311820	230400
BRECON BEACONS NATIONAL I	PARK			
Ammanford	Messrs Griffiths & Williams	Limestone	264910	217640
Penderyn	Hanson Aggregates	Limestone	295500	209000
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MERTHYR TYDFIL				
Gelligaer (HSA)	Hanson Aggregates	Sandstone	311550	199600
BRIDGEND				
Cornelly	Tarmac	Limestone	283625	180160
Gaen's	T S Rees Ltd	Limestone	282380	180430
RHONDDA CYNON TAF				
Craig-yr-Hesg (HSA)	Hanson Aggregates	Sandstone	307917	191726
Forest Wood	Hanson Aggregates	Limestone	301600	179650
Hendy	Tarmac	Limestone	305340	181095
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VALE OF GLAMORGAN	Hannan Annanatas	Limanatama	201425	170400
Forest Wood extension	Hanson Aggregates	Limestone	301425 289560	179400
Lithalun	Hanson Aggregates	Limestone		176500
Longlands	Green Circle Aggregates Ltd	Limestone	292770	177220
Pantyffynnon Quarry	Seth Hill & Son Ltd	Limestone	304565	174000
Wenvoe	CEMEX UK	Limestone	313410	174000
CAERPHILLY				
Bryn (HSA)	Bryn Aggregates Ltd	Sandstone	312600	196400
Machen	Hanson Aggregates	Limestone	322555	189000
CARDIFF				
Taff's Well	CEMEX UK	Limestone	312200	182200
Ton Mawr	T S Rees Ltd	Limestone	311560	182350
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BLAENAU GWENT	Gruphon Quarrias Ltd	Limostono	211075	212600
Trefil	Gryphon Quarries Ltd	Limestone	311975	213690

Table B4: Inactive Aggregate Quarries in South Wales (2018)

Quarry Name	Operator	Commodity	Easting	Northing	
CEREDIGION					
Tylau	W J Evans	Sandstone	258380	260590	
PEMBROKESHIRE					
Cronllwyn	Cronllwyn Quarry	Slate Waste	198550	235195	
PEMBROKESHIRE COAST NATI	ONAL PARK				
Bottom Meadow	E Morgan	Limestone	203750	205870	
Syke	G D Harries & Sons Ltd	Sandstone	187120	210915	
CARMARTHENSHIRE					
Cilyrychen	Tarmac	Limestone	225900	221500	
Coed Moelion	Mr N. Richards	Sandstone	250800	212400	
Dinas (HSA)	Tarmac	Sandstone	262740	235530	
SWANSEA					
Barland	Cuddy Group	Limestone	257540	189530	
NEATH PORT TALBOT					
Margam Sand Pit	Associated British Ports	Sand	275500	188500	
	Associated Bittisii i Oits	Sana	273300	100300	
POWYS	T	Canadatana	207205	205075	
Rhayader (HSA) BRECON BEACONS NATIONAL P	Tarmac	Sandstone	297395	265875	
		Limanatana	202600	200000	
Vaynor (part)	Hanson Aggregates	Limestone	303600	209900	
MERTHYR TYDFIL					
Vaynor (part)	Hanson Aggregates	Limestone	303600	209900	
BRIDGEND					
Cefn Cribbwr	T S Rees Ltd	Sandstone	287400	182800	
Grove	Tarmac	Limestone	282249	179871	
VALE OF GLAMORGAN					
Ewenny	Tarmac	Limestone	290250	176805	
Garwa	Tarmac	Limestone	297940	179840	
CAERPHILLY					
Blaengwynlais (part)	Tarmac	Limestone	314610	184265	
Cwmleyshon	Hanson Aggregates	Limestone	321000	186930	
Hafod Fach (HSA)	Tarmac	Sandstone	322580	196500	
CARDIFF					
Blaengwynlais (part)	Tarmac	Limestone	314610	184265	
Cefn Garw	Mr E Bassett	Limestone	314000	183000	
Creigiau	Tarmac	Limestone	309000	181975	
MONMOUTHSHIRE					
Ifton	Hanson Aggregates	Limestone	346400	188770	

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Table B5: Dormant (or Suspended) Aggregate Quarries in South Wales (2018)

Quarry Name	Operator	Commodity	Easting	Northing	
PEMBROKESHIRE					
Treffgarne	Sealyham Activity Centre	Igneous	195875	223965	
PEMBROKESHIRE COAST NATIO	NAL PARK				
Penberry	Hendre Eynon Farm Ltd.	Igneous	176940	229220	
CARMARTHENSHIRE					
Cynghordy	Mr D Roderick	Sandstone	279400	240300	
Glantowy	Mr A Lewis	Sand & Gravel	274745	232375	
Limestone Hill	Dan Williams	Limestone	246670	212600	
Llwyn-y-Fran	Hobbs Holdings Ltd	Limestone	257690	216032	
Pen-y-banc	Mrs Antonia Jones-Davies	Limestone	247035	212960	
Pwll-y-March	Gower Plant	Limestone	259475	216380	
POWYS					
Caerfagu (suspended)	Caerfagu Products	Sand & Gravel	304400	265350	
Garreg	Hanson Aggregates	Igneous	328760	311935	
BRECON BEACONS NATIONAL PA	ARK				
Llanfair	Glanusk Estate	Sandstone	320705	219975	
BRIDGEND					
Stormy Down	Hobbs Holdings Ltd	Limestone	284185	180380	
VALE OF GLAMORGAN					
Argoed Isha	T Pritchard & J Rosser	Limestone	299250	179050	
Cnap Twt	Duchy of Lancaster	Limestone	291055	175350	
Ruthin	Tarmac	Limestone	297390	179220	
St Andrews	Mr T J Bowles	Limestone	314350	171340	
CAERPHILLY					
Caerllwyn	Mr & Mrs Thomas	Sandstone	318350	193700	
Cefn Onn	Trustees of W. Lewis Estate	Limestone	317400	185200	
Ochr Chwith	Hanson Aggregates	Limestone	323325	189810	

- B76. Whilst any of the sites listed in these tables may be able to contribute to future supply (subject to the dormant sites obtaining new development consents through the ROMP process⁶), it is only the active and remaining inactive sites which contributed to the reserves figures presented in Table 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document. Reserves at dormant sites are noted separately in those tables. The active sites and some of the currently inactive ones, together with a small number of other sites which have since closed, contributed to the historical sales over the baseline period (2007 to 2016).
- B77. Full lists of active, inactive and dormant sites for individual years prior to 2018 are given in the relevant annual RAWP reports.

Apportionments, Allocations and Guidance to LPAs in South Wales

- B78. Tables B6 and B7, below, summarise the apportionments, permitted reserves and allocations for land-won sand & gravel and for crushed rock (respectively) which have been assigned to each Local Planning Authority in South Wales.
- B79. The pages which follow set out in more detail the recommendations and guidance for each individual LPA in South Wales, drawing upon the figures set out in these tables. The LPAs are dealt with in alphabetical order. In each case, reference to the 'Plan period' relates to the end date of the Local Development Plan which has been adopted or is nearing completion (whichever is later) for that particular planning authority.

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⁶ ROMP is the acronym for the Review of Old Mineral Permissions, under the Environment Act 1995. Further details are given in the Glossary at the end of the Main Document.

Table B6: Apportionments, Reserves and Allocations for Sand & Gravel in South Wales

Local Planning Authority	New Annualised Apportionment for sand & gravel (mt)	Total Apportionment Required over 22 years	Existing permitted reserves at end of 2016 in mt	Minimum Allocation needed to meet Required Provision (mt)	Additional reserves at Dormant sites, 2016 (mt)
Ceredigion	0.188	4.136	0.510	3.626	0
Pembrokeshire	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0
Pembrokeshire Coast NP	0.118	2.600	2.600	0.000	0
Carmarthenshire	0.003	0.058	0.100	See note 1	0.35
Swansea	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0
Neath Port Talbot	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0
Powys	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0
Brecon Beacons NP	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0
Merthyr Tydfil	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0
Bridgend	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0
Rhondda Cynon Taf	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0
Vale of Glamorgan	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0
Caerphilly	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0
Cardiff	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0
Blaenau Gwent	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0
Monmouthshire	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0
Newport	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0
Torfaen	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0
Sub-totals, South Wales	0.309	6.795	3.21	3.626	0.35
TOTALS Wales	1.353	29.758	18.406	11.394	0.85

SOURCE: Table 5.5 of the main document

Where allocation requirements are shown these are the <u>minimum</u> amounts required to meet the RTS requirements. In many cases an application for an individual new permission will exceed these amounts, in the interests of economic viability. Such applications should not be rejected purely on the grounds of exceeding the minimum requirements shown here. In some cases, the suggested allocations may already have been partially or entirely fulfilled, either by new permissions granted since 2016, or by allocations that have already been identified in LDPs. See following text for details

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^{1.} There is no specific allocation for Carmarthenshire but, subject to collaborative agreement with the LPAs in West Wales, the sand & gravel allocations needed for Ceredigion could potentially be provided, in part, from neighbouring parts of Carmarthenshire, despite being in a different sub-region.

Table B7: Apportionments, Reserves and Allocations for Crushed Rock in South Wales

Local Planning Authority	New Annualised Apportionment for crushed rock (mt)	Total Apportionment Required over 25 years.	Existing permitted reserves at end of 2016 in mt	Minimum Allocation needed to meet Required Provision (mt)	Additional reserves at Dormant sites, 2016 (mt)
Ceredigion	0.272	6.798	5.370	1.428	0
Pembrokeshire	0.677	16.932	16.720	0.212	0
Pembrokeshire Coast NP	0.259	6.470	10.370	0.000	0
Carmarthenshire	1.102	27.556	59.900	0.000	13.82
Swansea	0.305	7.636	0.000	7.636	0
Neath Port Talbot	0.305	7.636	16.480	0.000	0
Powys	3.519	87.981	139.240	0.000	0
Brecon Beacons NP	0.368	9.200	120 100	0.000	0.20
Merthyr Tydfil	0.199	4.975	120.100	0.000	0.36
Bridgend	0.699	17.471	27.270	0.000	0.15
Rhondda Cynon Taf	0.753	18.816	9.830	8.986	0
Vale of Glamorgan	0.672	16.806	18.730	0.000	13
Caerphilly	0.535	13.371	31.280	0.000	5.21
Cardiff	1.383	34.578	27.800	6.778	0
Blaenau Gwent	0.201	5.027	1.320	3.707	0
Monmouthshire	0.235	5.866	11.250	0.000	0
Newport	0.434	10.854	0.000	10.854	0
Torfaen	0.258	6.441	0.000	6.441	0
Sub-totals, South Wales	12.177	304.415	495.66	46.043	32.54
TOTALS Wales	18.871	471.781	670.850	81.971	34.20

SOURCE: Table 5.7 of the main document

Where allocation requirements are shown these are the <u>minimum</u> amounts required to meet the RTS requirements. In many cases an application for an individual new permission will exceed these amounts, in the interests of economic viability. Such applications should not be rejected purely on the grounds of exceeding the minimum requirements shown here. In some cases, the suggested allocations may already have been partially or entirely fulfilled, either by new permissions granted since 2016, or by allocations that have already been identified in LDPs. See following text for details.

- B80. As explained more fully in the main document, the figures for each authority are based on the assumptions that future aggregate requirements will increase in future years to reflect the increased planned requirements for house construction, and that supplies of alternative aggregates, from marine, secondary and recycled sources, will continue to be maintained in proportions comparable to those experienced during the baseline period (2007 to 2016).
- B81. The validity of these assumptions will continue to need to be monitored by the planning authority, using information from various data sources and new surveys (e.g. by Welsh Government, NRW, and the Mineral Products Association) and that data will be used to inform a revision of the apportionment requirements, if this is needed, as part of the next review of the RTS.
- B82. It should be emphasised that the annualised apportionment figures are given only as a guide to the calculation of the total apportionment required over the duration of the LDP. In practice, sales

- will vary from year to year and there is no requirement for an LPA to maintain or limit those sales in line with the annualised apportionments.
- B83. The need for provision to extend beyond the Plan period is based on the requirement in MTAN1 for maintaining landbanks of 7 years for sand & gravel and 10 years for crushed rock, throughout the full duration of the LDP. Subject to this requirement being met, the overall provision at any given time may comprise both landbanks of permitted reserves and allocations for future working, where these are required.
- B84. In all cases, the recommendations are based on currently available information regarding reserves, production, proximity and environmental capacity. As noted in 'Box 1' of the original RTS documents, the suggested apportionments and allocations may not take fully into account all factors that may be material to the ensuring an adequate supply of aggregates obtained from appropriately located sources. Such factors may include such things as:
 - The technical capability of one type of aggregate to interchange for another;
 - The relative environmental cost of substitution of one type of aggregate by another;
 - The relative environmental effects of changing patterns of supply; and
 - Whether adequate production capacity can be maintained to meet the required level of supply.
- B85. For such reasons, and as already noted in Chapter 1 of the main document, *in exceptional circumstances*, and where it is justified by new (e.g. more up to date, more detailed or more precise) evidence, it is open for individual LPAs to depart from the apportionment and allocation figures recommended by the RTS when preparing their LDP policies. In doing so, however, an LPA would need to demonstrate that their intended departure would not undermine the overall strategy provided by the RTS itself (e.g. by working together with other LPAs within the same sub-region to ensure that sub-regional and regional totals are still achieved) and this would need to be reflected in the Statement of Sub-Regional Collaboration (SSRC) agreed with all other constituent LPAS within that sub-region, prior to Examination. Any shared arrangements that may be agreed between individual LPAs would need to offer advantages, in terms of the proximity principle, environmental capacity and other sustainable criteria, compared with the basic RTS recommendations. Guidelines relating to the preparation of SSRCs, including details of the circumstances under which departures from RTS recommendations may be made, are provided at Annex A of the Main Document.
- B86. As noted in MTAN 1, paragraph A3: If the local authorities reach no agreement or if individual local authorities do not accept the Regional Technical Statement, the Welsh Assembly Government will consider its default powers to intervene in the planning process as a last resort.

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Apportionment for the future provision of land-won primary aggregates

The planning authority is required to make future provision for land-won primary aggregates within its Local Development Plan on the basis of the following annualised apportionments:

- o Land-won sand & gravel provision: Nil
- <u>Crushed rock aggregates provision</u>: **0.201 million tonnes per year** until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

Comparison with existing landbanks

The total apportionments for Blaenau Gwent, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document, are zero for land-won sand & gravel and 5.027 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years. These compare with existing landbanks of zero for sand & gravel and 1.32 million tonnes for crushed rock (as at 31st December 2016).

Allocations required to be identified in the Local Development Plan

In order to address the resulting crushed rock shortfall, new allocations totalling at least 3.707 million tonnes will need to be identified within the LDP. The main requirement (as in both previous editions of the RTS) is to supplement the existing reserves of Carboniferous Limestone. A Preferred Area for this has already been identified within the adopted LDP but, as the landbank is substantially less than the minimum requirement of 10 years, there is now an urgent requirement for new permitted reserves.

The area also has substantial resources of HSA sandstone which, though not urgently required, would be beneficial in terms of helping to shift the overall pattern of sandstone production further east, towards the principal markets in England. Again, a preferred area for this has been identified within the LDP, along with part of the former opencast site at Tir-Pentwys, where the spoil tips are identified in the LDP as a preferred area for secondary aggregate production. Working of those resources, however, would be dependent on access through the Torfaen part of the site, where a recent application has been dismissed on appeal, effectively rendering the resources unworkable unless and until an alternative means of access is agreed.

Consideration should also be given to whether any of the factors set out in paragraph B84 above give rise to any further requirements for resource allocations.

In view of the fact that the neighbouring authorities of Torfaen and Newport may have difficulty in meeting their own new apportionments, given the limited resources in those areas, Blaenau Gwent may *subject to the circumstances and considerations set out in Annex A of the RTS Main Document*, need to work in collaboration with those authorities, and with Monmouthshire, in order meet the combined requirements for the Former Gwent sub-region as a whole. Where different apportionments are agreed, these will need to be set out in a Statement of Sub-Regional Collaboration, produced in accordance with the guidance set out in Annex A, before any of the constituent LDPs are submitted for Examination.

Use of alternative aggregates

In the absence of any significant known land-based sand & gravel resources, Blaenau Gwent relies upon supplies of marine-dredged sand, imported via three wharves in Newport.

Secondary aggregates in the form of overburden material from former opencast coal workings have been identified as a Preferred Area at Tir Pentwys, straddling the border with neighbouring Torfaen. The exploitation of the material within Blaenau Gwent, however, is dependent on access through the Torfaen part of the site.

There is, however, likely to be continued recycled aggregate production within the area from construction, demolition and excavation wastes.

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The residual requirements for primary land-won aggregates assume that all of these alternative materials will continue to be utilised and the authority should continue to encourage this.

Safeguarding of primary aggregate resources

Relevant resources of both crushed rock aggregates and land-based sand & gravel have been safeguarded within the LDP, in accordance with detailed advice based on the use of British Geological Survey mapping, prior to the publication of the BGS safeguarding maps.

Safeguarding of wharves and railheads

All existing and potential new railheads should be identified for safeguarding within the LDP, in order to provide a full range of sustainable transport options (whether or not they are currently utilised).

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BRIDGEND

Apportionment for the future provision of land-won primary aggregates

The planning authority is required to make future provision for land-won primary aggregates within its Local Development Plan on the basis of the following annualised apportionments:

- o Land-won sand & gravel provision: Nil
- <u>Crushed rock aggregates provision</u>: **0.699 million tonnes per year** until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

These figures exclude the provision of limestone for non-aggregate use (primarily for use in the steel industry within neighbouring Neath Port Talbot), for which separate consideration will need to be given in the LDP.

Comparison with existing landbanks

The total apportionments for Bridgend, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document are zero for land-won sand & gravel and 17.471 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years. These compare with existing landbanks (excluding dormant sites) of zero for sand & gravel and 27.27 million tonnes for crushed rock (as at 31st December 2016). These figures exclude limestone reserves which are allocated for non-aggregate use.

Allocations required to be identified in the Local Development Plan

In view of the surplus of existing permitted reserves for crushed rock, and the lack of sand & gravel production, no further allocations for future working are required to be identified within the LDP. However, consideration should be given to whether any of the factors set out in paragraph B84 above give rise to any other requirements for resource allocations.

Any allocations that may be required should, as far as possible, be identified as Specific Sites or, failing that, as Preferred Areas. If, as a last resort, it is only possible to identify broad Areas of Search, these should be sufficient to offer the potential of much greater quantities of reserves, in order to reflect the uncertainties involved.

Consideration is also needed regarding the extent to which some of the surplus of Carboniferous Limestone reserves in Bridgend might, *subject to the circumstances and considerations set out in Annex A of the RTS Main Document*, be needed to accommodate any increase in apportionment, to compensate for shortages of supply of such aggregate in neighbouring LPAs. If such arrangements are made, they would need to be confirmed within a Statement of Sub-Regional Collaboration, produced in accordance with the guidance set out in Annex A, before any of the constituent LDPs are submitted for Examination.

Treatment of Dormant sites

One dormant limestone quarry exists within Bridgend, as detailed in Table B5, above. The planning authority should assess the likelihood of this quarry being worked within the Plan period, subject to the completion of an initial review of planning conditions and submission of an Environmental Impact Assessment. If there is a likelihood of reactivation, and if the quarry is considered by the authority to conform to the definition of 'Specific Sites', as set out in paragraph 5.14.19 of Planning Policy Wales, it may be offset against any requirements that may otherwise be identified for allocations for future working.

Use of alternative aggregates

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Bridgend is currently reliant, for supplies of sand, on marine-dredged material imported via wharves in neighbouring Neath Port Talbot (and perhaps Cardiff). This is despite the existence of limited potential land-based resources within its area, as indicated on BGS resource maps

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and in reconnaissance-level mapping carried out for the Welsh Government by Symonds Group Ltd. in 2000.

There are no secondary aggregate sources of any significance within Bridgend, although steel/blast furnace slag may be delivered by road from Neath-Port Talbot.

In addition, construction, demolition and excavation wastes are generated and recycled at a number of points within the area.

The residual requirements for primary land-won aggregates assume that all of these alternative materials will continue to be utilised and the authority should continue to encourage this.

Safeguarding of primary aggregate resources

Resources of both crushed rock aggregates and land-based sand & gravel should be safeguarded within the LDP in accordance with the British Geological Survey's safeguarding maps, or such other geological information as may be available and suitable for this purpose.

Safeguarding of wharves and railheads

All existing and potential new railheads should be identified for safeguarding within the LDP, in order to provide a full range of sustainable transport options (whether or not they are currently utilised).

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CAERPHILLY

Apportionment for the future provision of land-won primary aggregates

The planning authority is required to make future provision for land-won primary aggregates within its Local Development Plan on the basis of the following annualised apportionments:

- o Land-won sand & gravel provision: Nil
- <u>Crushed rock aggregates provision</u>: **0.535 million tonnes per year** until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

Comparison with existing landbanks

The total apportionments for Caerphilly, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document are zero for land-won sand & gravel and 13.371 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years. These compare with existing landbanks (excluding dormant sites) of zero for sand & gravel and 31.28 million tonnes for crushed rock (as at 31st December 2016).

Allocations required to be identified in the Local Development Plan

In view of the surplus of existing permitted reserves for crushed rock, and the lack of sand & gravel production, no further allocations for future working are required to be identified within the LDP. However, consideration should be given to whether any of the other factors set out in paragraph B84 above give rise to any other requirements for resource allocations.

Any allocations that may be required should, as far as possible, be identified as Specific Sites or, failing that, as Preferred Areas. If, as a last resort, it is only possible to identify broad Areas of Search, these should be sufficient to offer the potential of much greater quantities of reserves, in order to reflect the uncertainties involved.

Consideration is also needed regarding the extent to which some of the surplus of crushed rock reserves in Caerphilly might, *subject to the circumstances and considerations set out in Annex A of the RTS Main Document*, be needed to accommodate any increase in apportionment to compensate for shortages of Carboniferous Limestone supply in neighbouring LPAs. If such arrangements are made, they would need to be confirmed within a Statement of Sub-Regional Collaboration, produced in accordance with the guidance set out in Annex A, before any of the constituent LDPs are submitted for Examination.

Treatment of Dormant sites

A total of three dormant quarries exist within Caerphilly, as detailed in Table B5, above. The planning authority should assess the likelihood of each of these sites being worked within the Plan period, subject to the completion of an initial review of planning conditions and submission of an Environmental Impact Assessment. Where there is a likelihood of reactivation, and where the site(s) in question are considered by the authority to conform to the definition of 'Specific Sites', as set out in paragraph 5.14.19 of Planning Policy Wales, they may be offset against any requirements that may otherwise be identified for allocations for future working.

Use of alternative aggregates

In the absence of any current land-based sand & gravel pits within Caerphilly or adjoining areas (despite the existence of potential land-based resources, as indicated on BGS resource maps), supplies of sand from marine-dredged sources are imported via the wharves in Newport and/or Cardiff. All of Caerphilly lies within 30 to 40 km of those wharves.

Substantial quantities of colliery spoil are understood to exist above Bedwas, Machen, and Llanbradach, but these are generally remote from transport links and therefore difficult to

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utilise effectively. Moreover, as noted in the original RTS, previous efforts to obtain planning permission for the removal of tips in Machen have been refused.

Recycled aggregates from construction, demolition and excavation wastes are likely to be available within most of the major towns within the borough.

The residual requirements for primary land-won aggregates assume that all of these alternative materials will continue to be utilised and the authority should continue to encourage this.

Safeguarding of primary aggregate resources

Resources of both crushed rock aggregates and land-based sand & gravel should be safeguarded within the LDP in accordance with the British Geological Survey's safeguarding maps, or such other geological information as may be available and suitable for this purpose.

Safeguarding of wharves and railheads

All existing and potential new railheads should be identified for safeguarding within the LDP, in order to provide a full range of sustainable transport options (whether or not they are currently utilised).

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CARDIFF

Apportionment for the future provision of land-won primary aggregates

The planning authority is required to make future provision for land-won primary aggregates within its Local Development Plan on the basis of the following annualised apportionments:

- o Land-won sand & gravel provision: Nil
- <u>Crushed rock aggregates provision</u>: 1.383 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

Comparison with existing landbanks

The total apportionments for Cardiff, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document, are zero for land-won sand & gravel and 34.578 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years. These compare with existing landbanks of zero for sand & gravel and 27.8 million tonnes for crushed rock (as at 31st December 2016).

Allocations required to be identified in the Local Development Plan

In order to address the resulting crushed rock shortfall, new allocations totalling at least 6.778 million tonnes will need to be identified within the LDP. The requirement in this area is for Carboniferous Limestone. Consideration should also be given to whether any of the factors set out in paragraph B84 above give rise to any other requirements for resource allocations.

Any allocations that may be required should, as far as possible, be identified as Specific Sites or, failing that, as Preferred Areas. If, as a last resort, it is only possible to identify broad Areas of Search, these should be sufficient to offer the potential of much greater quantities of reserves, in order to reflect the uncertainties involved.

In the event that allocations (or new permissions) cannot be made to address the shortfall, and subject to the circumstances and considerations set out in Annex A of the RTS Main Document, consideration may need to be given to collaborative working with neighbouring LPAs within the same sub-region, such that some of the required provision (apportionment) is effectively transferred. If such arrangements are made, they would need to be confirmed within a Statement of Sub-Regional Collaboration, produced in accordance with the guidance set out in Annex A, before any of the constituent LDPs are submitted for Examination.

Use of alternative aggregates

Cardiff is reliant for its sand on marine-dredged aggregates from the Bristol Channel, imported via two wharves within Cardiff docks. Although potential land-based resources are indicated within its area, on BGS resource maps, most of these are sterilised by existing built development.

Some secondary aggregates are available, including steel slag from the electric arc furnace steelworks in Cardiff, but most arisings are fully utilised as they are produced, with relatively small stockpiles.

Construction, demolition and excavation wastes suitable for recycling as aggregate materials are likely to be extensive, amounting to a considerable proportion of the regional total.

The residual requirements for primary land-won aggregates assume that all of these alternative materials will continue to be utilised and the authority should continue to encourage this.

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Safeguarding of primary aggregate resources

Resources of both crushed rock aggregates and land-based sand & gravel should be safeguarded within the LDP in accordance with the British Geological Survey's safeguarding maps, or such other geological information as may be available and suitable for this purpose.

Safeguarding of wharves and railheads

All existing and potential new wharves and railheads should be identified for safeguarding within the LDP, in order to provide a full range of sustainable transport options (whether or not they are currently utilised).

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CARMARTHENSHIRE

Apportionment for the future provision of land-won primary aggregates

The planning authority is required to make future provision for land-won primary aggregates within its Local Development Plan on the basis of the following annualised apportionments:

- Land-won sand & gravel provision: 0.003 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 7 years thereafter.
- Crushed rock aggregates provision: 1.102 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

Comparison with existing landbanks

The total apportionments for Carmarthenshire, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document, over the 22-year horizon required for sand & gravel, and the 25-year timescale required for crushed rock, are 0.058 million tonnes for land-won sand & gravel and 27.556 million tonnes for crushed rock. These figures compare with existing landbanks (excluding dormant sites) of 0.1 million tonnes for sand & gravel and 59.9 million tonnes for crushed rock (as at 31st December 2016).

Allocations required to be identified in the Local Development Plan

In view of the slight surplus of existing permitted reserves of sand & gravel within Carmarthenshire, no allocations are specifically required to be identified in the LDP. However, some of the resources in Carmarthenshire lie in close proximity to the neighbouring authorities of Ceredigion, Pembrokeshire and the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park, where there is a need to find new sources of sand & gravel outside the National Park. Consideration is therefore also needed regarding the extent to which, subject to the circumstances and considerations set out in Annex A of the RTS Main Document, there may be a need to identify allocations to assist with the future provision of sand & gravel to those areas. This would necessitate a transfer of apportionments (for sand & gravel) between the authorities (but would not apply to the apportionment for crushed rock). If such arrangements are made, they would need to be confirmed within a Statement of Sub-Regional Collaboration, produced in accordance with the guidance set out in Annex A, before any of the constituent LDPs are submitted for Examination.

In view of the substantial surplus of existing crushed rock reserves, no crushed rock allocations are required to be made in the LDP. However, consideration should also be given to whether any of the factors set out in paragraph B84 above give rise to any other requirements for resource allocations.

Any allocations that may be required should, as far as possible, be identified as Specific Sites or, failing that, as Preferred Areas. If, as a last resort, it is only possible to identify broad Areas of Search, these should be sufficient to offer the potential of much greater quantities of reserves, in order to reflect the uncertainties involved.

Treatment of Dormant sites

A total of six dormant quarries exist within Carmarthenshire, as detailed in Table B5, above. The planning authority should assess the likelihood of each of these sites being worked within the Plan period, subject to the completion of an initial review of planning conditions and submission of an Environmental Impact Assessment. Where there is a likelihood of reactivation, and where the site(s) in question are considered by the authority to conform to the definition of 'Specific Sites', as set out in paragraph 5.14.19 of Planning Policy Wales, they may be offset against any requirements that may otherwise be identified for allocations for future working.

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Use of alternative aggregates

Carmarthenshire is currently reliant upon supplies of sand from marine-dredged sources in the outer Bristol Channel, imported via Burry Port. This is despite the existence of potential land-based resources within its area, as indicated on BGS resource maps.

There are no known sources of secondary aggregates within the County.

Recycled aggregates are likely to be minimal over most of the County, and widely dispersed, although greater concentrations are likely to arise in the south east of the county, coincident with the redevelopment of former industrial areas.

The residual requirements for primary land-won aggregates assume that all of these alternative materials will continue to be utilised and the authority should continue to encourage this.

Safeguarding of primary aggregate resources

Resources of both crushed rock aggregates and land-based sand & gravel should be safeguarded within the LDP in accordance with the British Geological Survey's safeguarding maps, or such other geological information as may be available and suitable for this purpose.

Safeguarding of wharves and railheads

All existing and potential new wharves and railheads should be identified for safeguarding within the LDP, in order to provide a full range of sustainable transport options (whether or not they are currently utilised).

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CEREDIGION

Apportionment for the future provision of land-won primary aggregates

The planning authority is required to make future provision for land-won primary aggregates within its Local Development Plan on the basis of the following annualised apportionments:

- Land-won sand & gravel provision: 0.188 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 7 years thereafter.
- Crushed rock aggregates provision: 0.272 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

Comparison with existing landbanks

The total apportionments for Ceredigion, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document, over the 22-year horizon required for sand & gravel, and the 25-year timescale required for crushed rock, are 4.136 million tonnes for land-won sand & gravel and 6.798 million tonnes for crushed rock. These figures compare with existing landbanks of 0.51 million tonnes for sand & gravel and 5.37 million tonnes for crushed rock (as at 31st December 2016).

Allocations required to be identified in the Local Development Plan

To address the sand & gravel shortfall, sand & gravel allocations totalling at least 3.626 million tonnes will need to be identified within the LDPs of this and/or neighbouring authorities of Pembrokeshire and Carmarthenshire. Existing specific site allocations of 1.8mt at Penparc and approximately 0.15mt at Pant Quarry can be deducted from this total, leaving a requirement of at least 1.676 million tonnes still to be identified.

Additional crushed rock allocations totalling at least 1.428 million tonnes will also need to be made. Consideration should also be given to whether any of the factors set out in paragraph B84 above give rise to any other requirements for resource allocations.

In practice, given the close proximity of Ceredigion to the neighbouring authorities of Pembrokeshire and the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park, where there is a need to find new sources of sand & gravel outside the National Park, Ceredigion should continue to work in collaboration with those authorities and, subject to the circumstances and considerations set out in Annex A of the RTS Main Document, may also need to collaborate with neighbouring Carmarthenshire. If necessary, Ceredigion may need to increase its share of the combined subregional apportionment for sand & gravel, compared with the figures given above. This does not apply to the apportionment for crushed rock. If such arrangements are made, they would need to be confirmed within a Statement of Sub-Regional Collaboration, produced in accordance with the guidance set out in Annex A, before any of the constituent LDPs are submitted for Examination.

Any new allocations that may be required should, as far as possible, be identified as Specific Sites or, failing that, as Preferred Areas. If, as a last resort, it is only possible to identify broad Areas of Search, these should be sufficient to offer the potential of much greater quantities of reserves, in order to reflect the uncertainties involved.

As noted in the main document, it may be better (in terms of deliverability) to rely on specific sites in neighbouring authorities (additional to the LPAs' own requirements), where these have been agreed through collaborative working, in preference to relying upon highly uncertain Areas of Search.

Use of alternative aggregates

As noted in the original RTS, Ceredigion is beyond the notional haulage limit for marinedredged aggregate from the Bristol Channel. Although there had been some indications that southern Cardigan Bay could provide marine sand and gravel in future years, there has been

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no further development of this, not least because of the high costs of infrastructure associated with setting this up as a new source of supply.

There are no sources of secondary aggregate within the area and recycled aggregate sources are both minimal and widely dispersed.

Safeguarding of primary aggregate resources

Resources of both crushed rock aggregates and land-based sand & gravel should be safeguarded within the LDP in accordance with the British Geological Survey's safeguarding maps, or such other geological information as may be available and suitable for this purpose.

Safeguarding of wharves and railheads

Ceredigion has no operational wharves but has a number of small working harbours. These, together with all existing railheads should be identified for safeguarding within the LDP, in order to provide a full range of sustainable transport options (whether or not they are currently utilised).

MERTHYR TYDFIL /BRECON BEACONS NATIONAL PARK

Apportionment for the future provision of land-won primary aggregates

The two planning authorities are treated jointly in order to protect the commercial confidentiality of data for the small number of quarries involved, and because one of those quarries (Vaynor) straddles the boundary between the two authorities. Together, they are required to make future provision for land-won primary aggregates within their Local Development Plans on the basis of the following annualised apportionments:

- Land-won sand & gravel provision: Nil
- Crushed rock aggregates provision: **0.199** million tonnes per year within Merthyr Tydfil and 0.368 million tonnes per year within the National Park until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

The figures exclude the provision of limestone for non-aggregate use, for which separate consideration may need to be given in the LDPs.

Comparison with existing landbanks

The total apportionments for Merthyr Tydfil and the Brecon Beacons National Park, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document are zero for land-won sand & gravel and 14.175 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years (made up of 4.975 million tonnes in Merthyr Tydfil and 9.2 million tonnes in the National Park). These compare with existing landbanks (excluding dormant sites) of zero for sand & gravel and more than 120 million tonnes for crushed rock (as at 31st December 2016). These figures exclude any limestone reserves which are allocated for non-aggregate use.

Allocations required to be identified in the Local Development Plans

In view of the substantial surplus of existing permitted crushed rock reserves, and the lack of any sand & gravel extraction in either authority, no further allocations are required to be identified within either of the LDPs. However, consideration should be given to whether any of the factors set out in paragraph B84 above give rise to any other requirements for resource allocations. If any adjustments are made, they would need to be confirmed within a Statement of Sub-Regional Collaboration, produced in accordance with the guidance set out in Annex A of the RTS Main Document, before any of the constituent LDPs are submitted for Examination.

Any allocations that may be required should, as far as possible, be identified as Specific Sites or, failing that, as Preferred Areas. If, as a last resort, it is only possible to identify broad Areas of Search, these should be sufficient to offer the potential of much greater quantities of reserves, in order to reflect the uncertainties involved.

Paragraph 49 of MTAN 1 notes that landbanks are not required to be maintained within National Parks. For this reason, no allocations should be identified within the Brecon Beacons National Park, unless there are no environmentally acceptable alternatives and efforts should be made to gradually transfer production which currently takes place within the National Park to neighbouring authorities. Given that this production relates only to limestone and that it serves markets which, if not within the National Park, are largely (if not exclusively) to the south and west (mostly within the Cardiff City sub-region), it is logical that limestone quarries and resources in those areas should be the main focus of any substitution which can be achieved. This has been the intention of the present Review of the RTS and is the reason why the apportionments for the National Park have been reduced.

Treatment of Dormant and Suspended sites

One dormant sandstone quarry exists within the Brecon Beacons National Park, as detailed in Table B5, above. The planning authority should assess the likelihood of this site being worked within the Plan period, subject to the completion of an initial review of planning conditions and

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Use of alternative aggregates

Some imports of sand from marine-dredged sources, imported primarily via wharves in Cardiff to the south, are likely to be utilised in the absence of any current land-based sand & gravel extraction. This is despite the existence of potential land-based resources within both Merthyr and the National Park, as indicated on BGS resource maps and in reconnaissance-level mapping carried out for the Welsh Government by Symonds Group Ltd. in 2000.

As noted within the original RTS, no significant amounts of secondary aggregate are present within Merthyr Tydfil, but volumes of construction, demolition and excavation wastes are likely to be widely available in the main valley areas.

The residual requirements for primary land-won aggregates assume that these alternative materials will continue to be utilised and the authority should continue to encourage this.

Within the National Park, there are very few ongoing mineral workings of any kind and therefore only limited, if any, sources of secondary aggregate. Similarly, there are likely to be only limited quantities of recycled material from local construction and demolition projects. Nevertheless, the National Park Authority should continue to promote the use of these materials where they are available.

Safeguarding of primary aggregate resources

Resources of both crushed rock aggregates and land-based sand & gravel should be safeguarded within the LDPs of both authorities, in accordance with the British Geological Survey's safeguarding maps, or such other geological information as may be available and suitable for this purpose.

Safeguarding of wharves and railheads

All existing and potential new railheads should be identified for safeguarding within both LDPs, in order to provide a full range of sustainable transport options (whether or not they are currently utilised).

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MONMOUTHSHIRE

Apportionment for the future provision of land-won primary aggregates

The planning authority is required to make future provision for land-won primary aggregates within its Local Development Plan on the basis of the following annualised apportionments:

- o Land-won sand & gravel provision: Nil
- <u>Crushed rock aggregates provision</u>: **0.235 million tonnes per year** until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

Comparison with existing landbanks

The total apportionments for Monmouthshire, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document are zero for land-won sand & gravel and 5.866 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years. These compare with existing landbanks (excluding dormant sites) of zero for sand & gravel and 11.25 million tonnes for crushed rock (as at 31st December 2016).

Allocations required to be identified in the Local Development Plan

In view of the surplus of existing permitted reserves for crushed rock, and the lack of sand & gravel production, no further allocations for future working are specifically required to be identified within the LDP. However, consideration should be given to whether any of the factors set out in paragraph B84 above give rise to any other requirements for resource allocations.

In view of the fact that the neighbouring authorities of Torfaen and Newport may have difficulty in meeting their own new apportionments, given the limited resources in those areas, Monmouthshire may, subject to the circumstances and considerations set out in Annex A of the RTS Main Document, need to work in collaboration with those authorities, and with Blaenau Gwent, in order to meet the combined requirements for the Former Gwent sub-region as a whole. As illustrated in Figure B11 above, Monmouthshire does have extensive unworked resources of Carboniferous Limestone, together with potential resources of sand & gravel along parts of the Usk Valley and elsewhere. Most of those resources, however, fall primarily within areas of relatively low environmental capacity and much of the limestone lies beneath the water table within a principal aquifer. Both of these factors would need to be taken into consideration.

Where different apportionments are agreed, these will need to be set out in a Statement of Sub-Regional Collaboration, produced in accordance with the guidance set out in Annex A, before any of the constituent LDPs are submitted for Examination.

Any allocations that may be required should, as far as possible, be identified as Specific Sites or, failing that, as Preferred Areas. If, as a last resort, it is only possible to identify broad Areas of Search, these should be sufficient to offer the potential of much greater quantities of reserves, in order to reflect the uncertainties involved.

Use of alternative aggregates

Marine sand from the Severn Estuary, including the Bedwin Sands, is landed at three wharves in neighbouring Newport. The whole of the county lies within a maximum radius 30 miles from one or more of these wharves and is reliant upon this material. This is despite the existence of extensive potential land-based resources, particularly within the Usk Valley, as indicated on BGS resource maps and in reconnaissance-level mapping carried out for the Welsh Government by Symonds Group Ltd. in 2000.

As noted in the original RTS, there are no significant sources of secondary aggregates in the area.

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Recycled aggregates are likely to be available to a limited extent within some of the small rural towns but are these are widely dispersed within the predominantly rural area and are not thought likely to contribute significantly to the overall pattern of supply.

The residual requirements for primary land-won aggregates in Monmouthshire assume that all of these alternative materials will continue to be utilised and the authority should continue to encourage this.

Limestone and land won sand and gravel is also imported by road from England. These imports are less desirable in terms of the proximity principle, but are beyond the control of the local planning authority.

Safeguarding of primary aggregate resources

Relevant resources of both crushed rock aggregates and land-based sand & gravel have been safeguarded within the LDP, in accordance with detailed advice based on the use of British Geological Survey mapping, prior to the publication of the BGS safeguarding maps.

Safeguarding of wharves and railheads

All existing and potential new wharves and railheads should be identified for safeguarding within the LDP, in order to provide a full range of sustainable transport options (whether or not they are currently utilised).

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NEATH PORT TALBOT

Apportionment for the future provision of land-won primary aggregates

The planning authority is required to make future provision for land-won primary aggregates within its Local Development Plan on the basis of the following annualised apportionments:

- Land-won sand & gravel provision: Nil
- Crushed rock aggregates provision: 0.305 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

Comparison with existing landbanks

The total apportionments for Neath Port Talbot, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document are zero for land-won sand & gravel and 7.636 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years. These compare with existing landbanks of zero for sand & gravel and 16.48 million tonnes for crushed rock (as at 31st December 2016). These figures exclude any limestone reserves which are allocated for non-aggregate use.

Allocations required to be identified in the Local Development Plan

In view of the surplus of existing permitted crushed rock reserves, and the lack of sand & gravel production, no further allocations are required to be identified within the LDP. However, consideration should also be given to whether any of the factors set out in paragraph B84 above give rise to any other requirements for resource allocations.

It should be noted that the apportionment for Neath Port Talbot has been significantly reduced, compared with that given in previous RTS editions, with the deliberate intention of encouraging a more equitable pattern of supply, with future production of crushed rock being supplied from neighbouring Swansea as well as from NPT. In effect, part of Neath Port Talbot's apportionment (for HSA sandstone production) has been transferred to Swansea. In the event that new allocations (or permissions) cannot be made to address the shortfall, and subject to the circumstances and considerations set out in Annex A of the RTS Main Document, consideration may need to be given to collaborative working with neighbouring LPAs within the same sub-region, such that some or all of the transferred provision is reversed. Any revised arrangements that may be agreed between these authorities would need to be confirmed within a Statement of Sub-Regional Collaboration, produced in accordance with the guidance set out in Annex A, before any of the constituent LDPs are submitted for Examination.

Any allocations that may be required should, as far as possible, be identified as Specific Sites or, failing that, as Preferred Areas. If, as a last resort, it is only possible to identify broad Areas of Search, these should be sufficient to offer the potential of much greater quantities of reserves, in order to reflect the uncertainties involved.

Use of alternative aggregates

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Neath Port Talbot is reliant, for its supplies of sand, on marine-dredged sources, imported via the three operational wharves at Briton Ferry and Giant's Wharf. This is despite the existence of limited potential land-based resources within its area, as indicated on BGS resource maps and in reconnaissance-level mapping carried out for the Welsh Government by Symonds Group Ltd. in 2000.

There are considerable secondary aggregate resources within Neath Port Talbot, primarily associated with the reprocessing of steel and blast furnace slag from the Port Talbot steelworks. Most of the slag is fully utilised, partially as construction aggregate and partly as a sustainable alternative to cement. Some of the secondary aggregate is transported by sea to Newport for processing and distribution. One of the largest construction and demolition waste recycling facilities in the region is based at Neath.

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In addition, and in common with other MPAs within the South Wales coalfield, the overburden and 'waste' associated with opencast coal extraction includes some high PSV sandstone, but these are acknowledged as temporary 'windfalls' rather than permanent supply sources (and in any case are included in the figures for primary, rather than secondary aggregates). Future proposals for opencast coal extraction should, nevertheless, be encouraged to utilise such material in order to offset the need for additional allocations of sandstone (subject to there being satisfactory proposals relating to the restoration of these large-scale sites and to the stockpiling and distribution of the stone).

The residual requirements for primary land-won aggregates assume that all of these alternative materials will continue to be utilised and the authority should continue to encourage this.

Safeguarding of primary aggregate resources

Resources of both crushed rock aggregates and land-based sand & gravel should be safeguarded within the LDP in accordance with the British Geological Survey's safeguarding maps, or such other geological information as may be available and suitable for this purpose.

Safeguarding of wharves and railheads

All existing and potential new wharves and railheads should be identified for safeguarding within the LDP, in order to provide a full range of sustainable transport options (whether or not they are currently utilised).

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NEWPORT

Apportionment for the future provision of land-won primary aggregates

The planning authority is required to make future provision for land-won primary aggregates within its Local Development Plan on the basis of the following annualised apportionments:

- o Land-won sand & gravel provision: Nil
- <u>Crushed rock aggregates provision</u>: **0.434 million tonnes per year** until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

Comparison with existing landbanks

The total apportionments for Newport, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document are zero for land-won sand & gravel and 10.854 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years. The authority currently has zero existing landbanks of permitted reserves, both for sand & gravel and for crushed rock.

Allocations required to be identified in the Local Development Plan

In view of the lack of any existing permitted reserves within Newport, allocations totalling at least 10.854 million tonnes will need to be identified within the LDP. This contrasts with the zero allocation given in the First Review of the RTS but is less than the recommendations given in the original RTS which, purely on the basis of the 'per capita' approach, required Newport to assess the potential to make a resource allocation of 8 to 8.5 million tonnes over a 15-year period (equivalent to 13 to 14mt over 25 years). The requirement, based on the potential availability of resources within Newport (albeit that these are limited), is specifically for Carboniferous Limestone, although contributions from land won sand & gravel resources might be feasible.

Consideration should also be given to whether any of the factors set out in paragraph B84 above give rise to any other requirements for resource allocations.

Given the lack of existing operational sites within Newport, the authority will need to seek proposals for new working from industry. In the event that that allocations (or new permissions) cannot be made to address the shortfall then, *subject to the circumstances and considerations set out in Annex A of the RTS Main Document*, consideration may need to be given to collaborative working with neighbouring LPAs, such that some of the required provision (apportionment) is effectively transferred. If such arrangements are made, they would need to be confirmed within a Statement of Sub-Regional Collaboration, produced in accordance with the guidance set out in Annex A, before any of the constituent LDPs are submitted for Examination.

Any allocations that may be identified should, as far as possible, be Specific Sites or, failing that, Preferred Areas. If, as a last resort, it is only possible to identify broad Areas of Search, these should be sufficient to offer the potential of much greater quantities of reserves, in order to reflect the uncertainties involved.

Use of alternative aggregates

Newport is supplied with sand from marine-dredged sources within the Severn Estuary and the Bristol Channel, via up to three separate wharves within the city. This is despite the existence of limited potential land-based resources within its area, as indicated on BGS resource maps (most but not all of which are sterilised by existing built development.

The original RTS recommended that the feasibility of sea borne rock imports, via these wharves, should be explored. Discussions with the wharf operators in 2009 suggested that the scope for landing additional tonnages of crushed rock aggregate here is extremely limited (Cuesta Consulting Ltd., 2009). The operations are geared up for the landing and processing of marine-

dredged sand. Whilst it would be theoretically possible to land crushed rock, there is insufficient space for both operations to co-exist. In the absence of any current land-based sand & gravel operations in South East Wales, the marine sand is vital to the local construction industry and is therefore unlikely to be displaced by crushed rock imports.

In terms of secondary aggregates, the former Llanwern steelworks previously supplied aggregates derived from blast furnace slag on an ongoing basis, but this ceased when the blast furnace closed in July 2001. The same site continued to produce Basic Oxygen Steel (BOS) slag from the stockpiles of this material which have accumulated over many previous decades of steel production, but it is understood that this has now ceased.

The rail sidings at 'Monmouthshire Bank' in Newport were also previously utilised to process spent rail ballast for use as aggregate. However, in March 2009, aggregate production at this site ceased and Network Rail redistributed the remaining stocks to other sites, elsewhere. This site therefore no longer represents a source of supply for Newport.

Recycled aggregates, produced from construction, demolition and excavation wastes, are likely to continue to provide an important contribution to the overall supply pattern for construction aggregates within this predominately urban area.

The residual requirements for primary land-won aggregates assume that these various alternative materials will continue to be utilised and the authority should continue to encourage this.

Safeguarding of primary aggregate resources

Relevant resources of both crushed rock aggregates and land-based sand & gravel should be safeguarded within the LDP, in accordance with detailed advice based on the use of British Geological Survey mapping, prior to the publication of the BGS safeguarding maps.

Safeguarding of wharves and railheads

All existing and potential new wharves and railheads should be identified for safeguarding within the LDP, in order to provide a full range of sustainable transport options (whether or not they are currently utilised).

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PEMBROKESHIRE

Apportionment for the future provision of land-won primary aggregates

The planning authority is required to make future provision for land-won primary aggregates within its Local Development Plan on the basis of the following annualised apportionments:

- Land-won sand & gravel provision: Nil.
- Crushed rock aggregates provision: 0.677 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

Comparison with existing landbanks

The total apportionments for Pembrokeshire, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document, over the 22-year horizon required for sand & gravel and the 25-year timescale required for crushed rock are zero for land-won sand & gravel and 16.932 million tonnes for crushed rock. These figures compare with existing landbanks (excluding dormant sites) of zero for sand & gravel and 16.72 million tonnes for crushed rock (as at 31st December 2016).

Allocations required to be identified in the Local Development Plan

Given that Pembrokeshire currently has no sand & gravel operations, and that its permitted reserves of crushed rock are very close to the total apportionment required, no allocations for either are specifically required to be identified within the LDP at this time. However, consideration should be given to whether any of the factors set out in paragraph B84 above give rise to any other requirements for resource allocations.

In practice, given the close proximity of Pembrokeshire to the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park, as well as to Ceredigion, and the need to find new sources of sand & gravel outside the National Park, Pembrokeshire should continue to work in collaboration with those authorities in order to support the wider objective of maintaining adequate supplies within the West Wales sub-region as a whole. Subject to the circumstances and considerations set out in Annex A of the RTS Main Document, it may also need to collaborate with neighbouring Carmarthenshire. If necessary, the authority may need to increase its share of the combined sub-regional apportionment for sand & gravel, compared with the figures given above and in those circumstances might well need to identify new allocations. This does not apply to the apportionment for crushed rock. If such arrangements are made, they would need to be confirmed within a Statement of Sub-Regional Collaboration, produced in accordance with the guidance set out in Annex A, before any of the constituent LDPs are submitted for Examination.

Where allocations are required these should, as far as possible, be identified as Specific Sites or, failing that, as Preferred Areas. If, as a last resort, it is only possible to identify broad Areas of Search, these should be sufficient to offer the potential of much greater quantities of reserves, in order to reflect the uncertainties involved.

Given the availability of unworked crushed rock and sand & gravel resources in Pembrokeshire, and the longer-term ambition to reduce quarrying activity within the National Park, there would be merit in identifying new Areas of Search (even if specific allocations are not required) in order to encourage future interest from mineral operators.

Treatment of Dormant sites

One dormant igneous rock quarry exists within Pembrokeshire, as detailed in Table B5, above. The planning authority should assess the likelihood of this site being worked within the Plan period, subject to the completion of an initial review of planning conditions and submission of an Environmental Impact Assessment. Where there is a likelihood of reactivation, and if the site is considered by the authority to conform to the definition of 'Specific Sites', as set out in paragraph 5.14.19 of Planning Policy Wales, the permitted reserves may be offset against any requirements that may otherwise be identified for allocations for future working.

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Use of alternative aggregates

The whole of this area lies within a 30 mile radius of Pembroke Docks, where marine aggregates are landed from dredging in the outer Bristol Channel. The northern part of the area is in closer proximity to land-based sand & gravel sites within the National Park, located to the south-west of Cardigan. The possibility might need to be considered that, as the current permitted reserves at those sites are depleted, marine aggregates may need to provide a greater contribution in future years. For the time being, however, Pembrokeshire should retain a focus on maintaining adequate supplies from terrestrial sources, and all land-based options would need to be thoroughly tested by the Local Plan process before any consideration is given to such a shift in local policy. It should also be recognised that marine sand and gravel cannot always substitute for terrestrial materials in specific end uses.

Slate waste is produced in very small quantities in the northern part of the National Park although the extent to which this has hitherto been utilised as aggregate is understood to be minimal, and the prospects for future utilisation would seem to be equally limited.

Recycled aggregate production from construction, demolition and excavation wastes is likely to be concentrated within the various towns of southern and central Pembrokeshire, outside the National Park.

The residual requirements for primary land-won aggregates assume that all of these alternative materials will continue to be utilised and the authority should continue to encourage this.

Safeguarding of primary aggregate resources

Resources of both crushed rock aggregates and land-based sand & gravel should be safeguarded within the LDP in accordance with the British Geological Survey's safeguarding maps, or such other geological information as may be available and suitable for this purpose.

Safeguarding of wharves and railheads

All existing and potential new wharves and railheads should be identified for safeguarding within the LDP, in order to provide a full range of sustainable transport options (whether or not they are currently utilised).

Date: agent2120

PEMBROKESHIRE COAST NATIONAL PARK

Apportionment for the future provision of land-won primary aggregates

Pembrokeshire National Park Authority has been working in collaboration with its neighbouring authorities in West Wales since the previous RTS Review, with a view to reducing the future extent of working within the National Park. Whilst this is expected to continue, the National Park does have extant mineral permissions which make important contributions to the subregional supply pattern. The planning authority is therefore required to make future provision for land-won primary aggregates within its Local Development Plan on the basis of the following annualised apportionments:

- Land-won sand & gravel provision: 0.118 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 7 years thereafter.
- Crushed rock aggregates provision: 0.259 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

Comparison with existing landbanks

The total apportionments for the Pembrokeshire National Park, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document, over the 22-year horizon required for sand & gravel and the 25-year timescale required for crushed rock are 2.6 million tonnes for land-won sand & gravel and 6.470 million tonnes for crushed rock. These figures compare with existing landbanks (excluding dormant sites) of 2.6 million tonnes for sand & gravel and 10.37 million tonnes for crushed rock (as at 31st December 2016).

Allocations required to be identified in the Local Development Plan

In view of the surplus of existing permitted reserves for crushed rock and taking note of paragraph 49 of MTAN 1 regarding landbanks within National Parks, no further allocations are required to be identified within the LDP. However, consideration should be given to whether any of the factors set out in paragraph B84 above give rise to any other requirements for resource allocations.

In practice, given the close proximity of the National Park to both Pembrokeshire and Ceredigion, the authority should continue to work in collaboration with those authorities in order to support the wider objective of maintaining adequate supplies within the West Wales sub-region as a whole. In view of its status as a National Park, it may also need to collaborate with neighbouring Carmarthenshire, in terms of future sand & gravel provision. If changes to apportionments are needed, subject to the circumstances and considerations set out in Annex A of the RTS Main Document, they would need to be confirmed within a Statement of Sub-Regional Collaboration, produced in accordance with the guidance set out in Annex A, before any of the constituent LDPs are submitted for Examination.

Any allocations that may be required should, as far as possible, be identified as Specific Sites or, failing that, as Preferred Areas. If, as a last resort, it is only possible to identify broad Areas of Search, these should be sufficient to offer the potential of much greater quantities of reserves, in order to reflect the uncertainties involved.

Treatment of Dormant sites

One dormant igneous rock quarry exists within the National Park, as detailed in Table B5, above. The planning authority should assess the likelihood of this site being worked within the Plan period, subject to the completion of an initial review of planning conditions and submission of an Environmental Impact Assessment. Where there is a likelihood of reactivation, and where the site is considered by the authority to conform to the definition of 'Specific Sites', as set out in paragraph 5.14.19 of Planning Policy Wales, they may be offset against any requirements that may otherwise be identified for allocations for future working in neighbouring Pembrokeshire (outside the National Park).

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Use of alternative aggregates

The whole of this area lies within a 30 mile radius of Pembroke Docks, where marine aggregates are landed from dredging in the outer Bristol Channel. The northern part of the area is in closer proximity to land-based sand & gravel sites within the National Park, located to the south-west of Cardigan. The possibility might need to be considered that, as the current permitted reserves at those sites are depleted, marine aggregates may need to provide a greater contribution in future years. For the time being, however, Pembrokeshire should retain a focus on maintaining adequate supplies from terrestrial sources, and all land-based options would need to be thoroughly tested by the Local Plan process before any consideration is given to such a shift in local policy. It should also be recognised that marine sand and gravel cannot always substitute for terrestrial materials in specific end uses.

Slate waste is produced in very small quantities in the northern part of the National Park although the extent to which this has hitherto been utilised as aggregate is understood to be minimal, and the prospects for future utilisation would seem to be equally limited.

Recycled aggregate production from construction, demolition and excavation wastes is likely to be concentrated within the various towns of southern and central Pembrokeshire, outside the National Park.

The residual requirements for primary land-won aggregates assume that all of these alternative materials will continue to be utilised and the authority should continue to encourage this.

Safeguarding of primary aggregate resources

Resources of both crushed rock aggregates and land-based sand & gravel should be safeguarded within the LDP in accordance with the British Geological Survey's safeguarding maps, or such other geological information as may be available and suitable for this purpose.

Safeguarding of wharves and railheads

All existing and potential new wharves and railheads should be identified for safeguarding within the LDP, in order to provide a full range of sustainable transport options (whether or not they are currently utilised).

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POWYS

Apportionment for the future provision of land-won primary aggregates

The planning authority is required to make future provision for land-won primary aggregates within its Local Development Plan on the basis of the following annualised apportionments:

- o Land-won sand & gravel provision: Nil
- <u>Crushed rock aggregates provision</u>: 3.519 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

Comparison with existing landbanks

The total apportionments for Powys, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document are zero for land-won sand & gravel and 87.981 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years. These compare with existing landbanks (excluding dormant sites) of zero for sand & gravel and 139.24 million tonnes for crushed rock (as at 31st December 2016).

Allocations required to be identified in the Local Development Plan

In view of the large surplus of existing permitted crushed rock reserves, and the lack of sand & gravel production within Powys, no further allocations are required to be identified within the LDP. However, consideration should also be given to whether any of the factors set out in paragraph B84 above give rise to any other requirements for resource allocations.

Any allocations that may be required should, as far as possible, be identified as Specific Sites or, failing that, as Preferred Areas. If, as a last resort, it is only possible to identify broad Areas of Search, these should be sufficient to offer the potential of much greater quantities of reserves, in order to reflect the uncertainties involved.

Treatment of Dormant sites

One dormant igneous rock quarry and one suspended permission for sand & gravel extraction exist within Powys, as detailed in Table B5, above. The planning authority should assess the likelihood of each of these sites being worked within the Plan period, subject to the completion of an initial review of planning conditions and submission of an Environmental Impact Assessment. If there is a likelihood of reactivation, and if the site(s) in question are considered by the authority to conform to the definition of 'Specific Sites', as set out in paragraph 5.14.19 of Planning Policy Wales, they may be offset against any requirements that may otherwise be identified for allocations for future working.

Use of alternative aggregates

Powys is not thought to be a significant user of marine-dredged aggregates, in view of its considerable distance from relevant ports and wharves.

Sources of secondary aggregate within the County are thought to be scarce or absent and, in view of the remote and rural nature of much of the County, there is likely to be only a limited degree of recycled aggregate production from construction, demolition and excavation wastes.

Nevertheless, the residual requirements for primary land-won aggregates assume that alternative materials will continue to be utilised to at least the same extent as in the past, and the authority should continue to encourage this.

Safeguarding of primary aggregate resources

Resources of both crushed rock aggregates and land-based sand & gravel should be safeguarded within the LDP in accordance with the British Geological Survey's safeguarding maps, or such other geological information as may be available and suitable for this purpose.

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Safeguarding of wharves and railheads

All existing and potential new railheads should be identified for safeguarding within the LDP, in order to provide a full range of sustainable transport options (whether or not they are currently utilised).

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RHONDDA CYNON TAF

Apportionment for the future provision of land-won primary aggregates

The planning authority is required to make future provision for land-won primary aggregates within its Local Development Plan on the basis of the following annualised apportionments:

- o Land-won sand & gravel provision: Nil
- <u>Crushed rock aggregates provision</u>: **0.753 million tonnes per year** until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

The figures exclude the provision of limestone for non-aggregate use, for which separate consideration may need to be given in the LDP.

Comparison with existing landbanks

The total apportionments for Rhondda Cynon Taf, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document are zero for land-won sand & gravel and 18.816 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years. These compare with existing landbanks of zero for sand & gravel and 9.83 million tonnes for crushed rock (as at 31st December 2016). These figures exclude any limestone reserves which are allocated for non-aggregate use.

Allocations required to be identified in the Local Development Plan

In view of the shortfall of existing crushed rock reserves within RCT, allocations totalling at least 8.986 million tonnes are required to be identified within the LDP. There is already a preferred area for the extension of Craig-yr-Hesg Quarry, amounting to approximately 10 million tonnes. An application to develop that extension was refused in 2019, against officer advice, but may be appealed. That, however, is specifically for HSA Sandstone resources, which would not be able to substitute for any shortage of Carboniferous Limestone. Additional allocations may therefore be required to address this and other factors set out in paragraph B84 above.

In the event that allocations (or new permissions) cannot be made to address the shortfall, consideration may, *subject to the circumstances and considerations set out in Annex A of the RTS Main Document*, need to be given to collaborative working with neighbouring LPAs within the same sub-region, such that some of the required provision (apportionment) is effectively transferred. If such arrangements are made, they would need to be confirmed within a Statement of Sub-Regional Collaboration, produced in accordance with the guidance set out in Annex A, before any of the constituent LDPs are submitted for Examination.

Any additional allocations should, as far as possible, be identified as Specific Sites or, failing that, as Preferred Areas. If, as a last resort, it is only possible to identify broad Areas of Search, these should be sufficient to offer the potential of much greater quantities of reserves, in order to reflect the uncertainties involved.

Use of alternative aggregates

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As with all other parts of south-east Wales, Rhondda Cynon Taf relies, for its supplies of sand, on marine-dredged materials from the Bristol Channel. Although limited potential land-based resources within its area are indicated on BGS resource maps, most of these are sterilised by existing built development.

Considerable quantities of colliery spoil exist at Tower Colliery, Hirwaun, which closed (for a second time, following an earlier workers buy-out), in 2008. This material could potentially be used for low quality fill if there were large contracts nearby, but it would not meet normal aggregate specifications.

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No significant amounts of other secondary aggregates are present within RCT but reasonable volumes of construction, demolition and excavation wastes are likely to be widely available for the production of recycled aggregates throughout most of the urbanised parts of the MPA.

In addition, and in common with other MPAs within the South Wales coalfield, the overburden and 'waste' associated with opencast coal extraction includes some high PSV sandstone, but these are acknowledged as temporary 'windfalls' rather than permanent supply sources (and in any case are included in the figures for primary, rather than secondary aggregates). Future proposals for opencast coal extraction should, nevertheless, be encouraged to utilise such material in order to offset the need for additional allocations of sandstone (subject to there being satisfactory proposals relating to the restoration of these large-scale sites and to the stockpiling and distribution of the stone).

The residual requirements for primary land-won aggregates assume that all of these alternative materials will continue to be utilised and the authority should continue to encourage this.

Safeguarding of primary aggregate resources

Resources of both crushed rock aggregates and land-based sand & gravel should be safeguarded within the LDP in accordance with the British Geological Survey's safeguarding maps, or such other geological information as may be available and suitable for this purpose.

Safeguarding of wharves and railheads

All existing and potential new railheads should be identified for safeguarding within the LDP, in order to provide a full range of sustainable transport options (whether or not they are currently utilised). In particular, as noted in the original RTS, opportunities for co-using rail facilities, (primarily established for opencast coal), for aggregates should be considered as they arise.

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SWANSEA

Apportionment for the future provision of land-won primary aggregates

The planning authority is required to make future provision for land-won primary aggregates within its Local Development Plan on the basis of the following annualised apportionments:

- o Land-won sand & gravel provision: Nil
- <u>Crushed rock aggregates provision</u>: **0.305 million tonnes per year** until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

Comparison with existing landbanks

The total apportionments for Swansea, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document are zero for land-won sand & gravel and 7.636 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years. The authority currently has zero existing landbanks of permitted reserves, both for sand & gravel and for crushed rock.

Allocations required to be identified in the Local Development Plan

In view of the lack of any existing permitted reserves within Swansea, allocations totalling at least 7.636 million tonnes will need to be identified within the LDP. This contrasts with the zero allocation given in the First Review of the RTS but is substantially less than the recommendations given in the original RTS which, purely on the basis of the 'per capita' approach, required Swansea to assess the potential to make a resource allocation of 13.1 to 13.9 million tonnes over a 15 year period (equivalent to 21.8 to 23.2 million tonnes over 25 years). The requirement, based on the potential availability of resources, and the concept of replacing some of the output from NPT, is specifically for Carboniferous HSA Sandstone.

Given the lack of existing operational sites within Swansea, the authority will need to seek proposals for new working from industry. In the event that allocations (or new permissions) cannot be made to address the shortfall, consideration may, *subject to the circumstances and considerations set out in Annex A of the RTS Main Document*, need to be given to collaborative working with neighbouring LPAs within the same sub-region, such that some of the required provision (apportionment) is effectively transferred. If such arrangements are made, they would need to be confirmed within a Statement of Sub-Regional Collaboration, produced in accordance with the guidance set out in Annex A, before any of the constituent LDPs are submitted for Examination.

Any allocations that may be required should, as far as possible, be identified as Specific Sites or, failing that, as Preferred Areas. If, as a last resort, it is only possible to identify broad Areas of Search, these should be sufficient to offer the potential of much greater quantities of reserves, in order to reflect the uncertainties involved.

Paragraph 49 of MTAN 1 notes that landbanks are not required to be maintained within Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty. For this reason, no allocations should be identified within the Gower AONB.

Use of alternative aggregates

Swansea imports all of its sand from marine-dredged sources in the Bristol Channel, via wharves in Swansea and in neighbouring Neath Port Talbot. This is despite the existence of potential land-based resources within its area, as indicated on both BGS resource maps and in reconnaissance-level mapping carried out for the Welsh Government by Symonds Group Ltd. in 2000.

Secondary aggregate is also imported (by road) from the Port Talbot steelworks, whilst recycled aggregates from construction, demolition and excavation wastes are likely to be in plentiful supply within the urban areas of Swansea itself.

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The residual requirements for primary land-won aggregates assume that all of these alternative materials will continue to be utilised and the authority should continue to encourage this. It should also promote and facilitate the maximum use of locally-derived recycled aggregates in order to offset the transportation of both primary and secondary aggregates from other sources.

Safeguarding of primary aggregate resources

Resources of both crushed rock aggregates and land-based sand & gravel should be safeguarded within the LDP in accordance with the British Geological Survey's safeguarding maps, or such other geological information as may be available and suitable for this purpose.

Safeguarding of wharves and railheads

All existing and potential new wharves and railheads should be identified for safeguarding within the LDP, in order to provide a full range of sustainable transport options (whether or not they are currently utilised).

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TORFAEN

Apportionment for the future provision of land-won primary aggregates

The planning authority is required to make future provision for land-won primary aggregates within its Local Development Plan on the basis of the following annualised apportionments:

- Land-won sand & gravel provision: Nil
- Crushed rock aggregates provision: 0.258 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

Comparison with existing landbanks

The total apportionments for Torfaen, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document are zero for land-won sand & gravel and 6.441 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years. The authority currently has no existing landbanks of permitted reserves, either for sand & gravel or for crushed rock.

Allocations required to be identified in the Local Development Plan

In view of the lack of any existing permitted reserves within Torfaen, allocations totalling at least 6.441 million tonnes will need to be identified within the LDP. This contrasts with the zero allocation given in the First Review of the RTS but is less than the recommendations given in the original RTS which, purely on the basis of the 'per capita' approach, required Torfaen to assess the potential to make a resource allocation of 5.25 to 5.66 million tonnes over a 15-year period (equivalent to 8.75 to 9.3mt over 25 years). The requirement, based on the potential availability of resources, could be fulfilled either by HSA Sandstone and/or by Carboniferous Limestone, although contributions from land won sand & gravel resources might also be feasible.

The existing allocation for secondary aggregate extraction from the former opencast coal tip at Tir Pentwys was the subject of a recent planning application, dismissed on Appeal in August 2019. That decision, however, related to the impact of the proposed access route on an area of Ancient Woodland, and not to the principle of working the resources themselves, which therefore remain available subject to alternative access being agreed.

Consideration should also be given to whether any of the factors set out in paragraph B84 above give rise to any other requirements for resource allocations.

Given the lack of existing operational sites within Torfaen, the authority will need to seek proposals for new working from industry. In the event that allocations (or new permissions) cannot be made to address the shortfall, consideration may, subject to the circumstances and considerations set out in Annex A of the RTS Main Document, need to be given to collaborative working with neighbouring LPAs, such that some of the required provision (apportionment) is effectively transferred. If such arrangements are made, they would need to be confirmed within a Statement of Sub-Regional Collaboration, produced in accordance with the guidance set out in Annex A, before any of the constituent LDPs are submitted for Examination.

Any allocations that may be identified should, as far as possible, be Specific Sites or, failing that, Preferred Areas. If, as a last resort, it is only possible to identify broad Areas of Search, these should be sufficient to offer the potential of much greater quantities of reserves, in order to reflect the uncertainties involved.

Use of alternative aggregates

The whole of Torfaen is within a maximum distance of 17 miles (26km) of the marine aggregate wharves in Newport. As a consequence, the area is reliant on the supply of sand from marinedredged sources. Limited potential land-based resources within its area are indicated on BGS resource maps, but most of these are either sterilised by existing built development and/or are unlikely to be commercially exploitable because of their limited extent.

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Secondary aggregates in the form of overburden material from former opencast coal workings may be available for use as general fill and, in part, as a substitute for primary High Specification Aggregate. The main source, at Tir Pentwys, has been identified as a Preferred Area within the LDP.

Regeneration schemes in this area are likely to produce construction, demolition and excavation wastes which may be suitable for use as aggregates.

The residual requirements for primary land-won aggregates assume that all of these alternative materials will continue to be utilised and the authority should continue to encourage this. It should also promote and facilitate the maximum use of locally-derived recycled aggregates in order to offset the transportation of both primary and secondary aggregates from other sources.

Safeguarding of primary aggregate resources

Relevant resources of both crushed rock aggregates and land-based sand & gravel have been safeguarded within the LDP, in accordance with detailed advice based on the use of British Geological Survey mapping, prior to the publication of the BGS safeguarding maps.

Safeguarding of wharves and railheads

All existing and potential new railheads should be identified for safeguarding within the LDP, in order to provide a full range of sustainable transport options (whether or not they are currently utilised).

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VALE OF GLAMORGAN

Apportionment for the future provision of land-won primary aggregates

The planning authority is required to make future provision for land-won primary aggregates within its Local Development Plan on the basis of the following annualised apportionments:

- Land-won sand & gravel provision: Nil
- Crushed rock aggregates provision: 0.672 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

The figures exclude the provision of limestone for non-aggregate use, for which separate

Comparison with existing landbanks

The total apportionments for the Vale of Glamorgan, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document are zero for land-won sand & gravel and 16.806 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years. These compare with existing landbanks (excluding dormant sites) of zero for sand & gravel and 18.73 million tonnes for crushed rock (as at 31st December 2016), all of which relates to Carboniferous Limestone. However, these figures exclude limestone reserves which are allocated for non-aggregate use.

Allocations required to be identified in the Local Development Plan

In view of the slight surplus of existing permitted crushed rock reserves, and the lack of sand & gravel production within the Vale of Glamorgan, no further allocations are specifically required to be identified within the LDP. However, consideration should also be given to whether any of the factors set out in paragraph B84 above give rise to any other requirements for resource allocations.

If any adjustments are made, they would need to be confirmed within a Statement of Sub-Regional Collaboration, produced in accordance with the guidance set out in Annex A of the RTS Main Document, before any of the constituent LDPs are submitted for Examination.

Any allocations that may be required should, as far as possible, be identified as Specific Sites or, failing that, as Preferred Areas. If, as a last resort, it is only possible to identify broad Areas of Search, these should be sufficient to offer the potential of much greater quantities of reserves, in order to reflect the uncertainties involved.

Treatment of Dormant sites

A total of four dormant limestone quarries exist within the Vale of Glamorgan, as detailed in Table B5, above. The planning authority should assess the likelihood of each of these sites to be worked within the Plan period, subject to the completion of an initial review of planning conditions and submission of an Environmental Impact Assessment. Where there is a likelihood of reactivation, and where the site(s) in question are considered by the authority to conform to the definition of 'Specific Sites', as set out in paragraph 5.14.19 of Planning Policy Wales, they may be offset against any requirements that may otherwise be identified for allocations for future working.

Use of alternative aggregates

The Vale of Glamorgan is reliant upon supplies of sand from marine-dredged sources, despite the existence of limited potential land-based resources within its area, as indicated on BGS resource maps and in reconnaissance-level mapping carried out for the Welsh Government in 2000. Until 2005, marine aggregates were imported via Barry Docks but are now supplied from other wharves in neighbouring Cardiff.

Cuesta Consulting Limited 64 QA Reference: C/WG/055 Status: Final There are also substantial resources of secondary aggregate in the form of pulverised fuel ash (pfa) and furnace bottom ash (fba) from the Aberthaw power station, although the quantities utilised for aggregate purposes remain small.

Equally, there is likely to be a modest level of recycled aggregate production from construction, demolition and excavation wastes, primarily in the vicinity of the main urban areas and industrial sites.

The residual requirements for primary land-won aggregates assume that all of these alternative materials will continue to be utilised and the authority should continue to encourage this.

Safeguarding of primary aggregate resources

Resources of both crushed rock aggregates and land-based sand & gravel should be safeguarded within the LDP in accordance with the British Geological Survey's safeguarding maps, or such other geological information as may be available and suitable for this purpose.

Safeguarding of wharves and railheads

All existing and potential new wharves and railheads should be identified for safeguarding within the LDP, in order to provide a full range of sustainable transport options (whether or not they are currently utilised).

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COUNTY COUNCIL

13 JANUARY 2021

REVISED CARMARTHENSHIRE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2018 -2033 REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED AND FOCUSED CHANGES

EXECUTIVE BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS: -

- 1. to endorse the officer recommendations on the consultation responses received to the Deposit Revised LDP, Sustainability Appraisal, Habitat Regulations Assessment and Supplementary Planning Guidance;
- 2. to agree to the presentation of the schedule of Focused Changes to Executive Board for approval for a minimum 6-week public consultation;
- 3. to approve the submission of the Deposit LDP and its supporting documents, evidence and background documents as required to the Welsh Ministers for Examination;
- 4. to grant officers delegated authority to respond to recommendations and requests arising from the Inspector as part of the Examination and hearing sessions;
- 5. to resolve to adopt the SPG in relation to Caeau Mynydd Mawr SAC and the Burry Inlet (subject to the outcome of the Examination) concurrent with the adoption of the Revised LDP;
- 6. to grant officers delegated authority to make non-substantive typographical, cartographical and/or factual amendments to improve the clarity and accuracy of the Revised Local Development Plan and its supporting documents.

Reasons:

- To comply with the Council's statutory obligations in terms of the preparation and progression of a Revised Local Development Plan for Carmarthenshire, in accordance with statutory procedures.
- To respond and accord with the timetable for the preparation of the Revised LDP as set out within the approved Delivery Agreement.
- To ensure that the preparation and adoption of the Revised (replacement) LDP proceeds in a timely manner ahead of the expiration of the current LDP.

Relevant scrutiny committee to be consulted YES Community Scrutiny Committee: 17th December 2020

Exec. Board Decision Required YES 21st December 2020

Council Decision Required YES 13th January 2021



EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:- Cllr. Mair Stephens			
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

COUNTY COUNCIL 13 JANUARY 2021

REVISED CARMARTHENSHIRE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2018 -2033 REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED AND FOCUSED CHANGES

1. BRIEF SUMMARY OF PURPOSE OF REPORT.

This Report follows the resolution of County Council on the 10th January 2018 to formally commence the preparation of a Revised (replacement) Local Development Plan (LDP). Members will recall that the County Council at its meeting on the 13th November 2019 endorsed the Deposit Revised LDP 2018 - 2033 and its supporting documents (Habitat Regulations Assessment and Sustainability Appraisal) along with two draft Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) for the statutory 6-week public consultation. This commenced on the 29th January 2020 and following an extension of over 2 weeks closed on the 27th March 2020.

The above was supplemented by a subsequent 3-week consultation on the Deposit LDP and its supporting documents. This reflected the impact of the closure of public buildings on the final few weeks of the original consultation and closed on the 2nd October 2020.

The consultation on the Deposit Revised LDP represented an important milestone in the Council delivering on its statutory responsibilities to prepare an up-to-date Development Plan for the County (excluding the area within the Brecon Beacons National Park Authority).

Further to the above consultations, this report sets out the responses received together with the officer recommendations. It also seeks to set out a series of Focused Changes which are proposed in response to the recommendations along with those which may have emerged as a result of changes in legislation, guidance, evidence or in the interests of clarity and meaning. They also provide an opportunity to incorporate and respond to issues arising from Covid-19. References should be had to the Covid – 19 Assessment reported to County Council in association with the Revised Delivery Agreement on the 22nd October 2020.

2. Background

The preparation of the Revised LDP reflects the Council's statutory responsibilities under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 - setting out policies and proposals for future development and use of land for Carmarthenshire over the period to 2033. The Revised Delivery Agreement, as approved by County Council on the 22 October 2020 for submission to the Welsh Government (WG) for approval, identifies the timeline for the preparation of the LDP, with Adoption of the Plan scheduled in July/August 2022.



Reference is also made to the publication of the Pre-Deposit Preferred Strategy in December 2018, which set out aspects such as: Issues; Vision, Strategic Objectives; Growth Options; Spatial Options and preferred strategic approach. The responses received as part of the consultation to the Pre-Deposit Preferred Strategy were reported to Council on the 15th May 2019 and have been considered, and where appropriate incorporated, in the preparation of the Deposit Plan. Due consideration has also been given to any recommendations outlined as part of the Sustainability Appraisal – Strategic Environmental Assessment process.

3. Deposit Revised LDP

The Deposit Revised LDP is the Council's proposed statutory land use plan for its administrative area (excluding that area contained within the Brecon Beacons National Park) and covers the period 2018 – 2033. The preparation of the Plan is governed by defined statutory procedures with the process subject to a series of stages prior to its adoption. This process culminates in the Examination in Public (EIP) which will be presided over by an independent Planning Inspector appointed by the Welsh Ministers. Upon its adoption, the Revised LDP will supersede the current adopted LDP. It should be noted that the Inspector's recommendations are binding upon the Council.

Once adopted, the Revised LDP will guide and control development. It will inform future infrastructure and investment programmes from both internal and external partners. It will provide the local policy basis to determine future planning applications. Where relevant, Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) will be prepared to elaborate on, and consolidate upon, the policies and provisions of the Plan itself.

The Deposit Revised LDP consisted of a number of key elements which reflect stages in its preparation. It has sought to build on the preparation of, and consultation responses to, the Pre-Deposit Preferred Strategy. The recommendations of the Sustainability Appraisal – Strategic Environmental Assessment were also responded to where appropriate. In this respect, engagement has, in accordance with the provisions of the Delivery Agreement and its community involvement scheme, been an important aspect of the Plan's preparation, with the contribution of technical consultees and other focused groups being instrumental in guiding the Plan's content.

A key element of the Deposit was founded on the need for the Plan to make appropriate provision for a sustainable and deliverable level of growth - reflecting the ambitions of the County and meeting the needs of its communities. This has been supported by a robust and updated evidence whilst seeking to deliver on key strategic influences with an emphasis on job creation.

The LDP seeks to promote and develop the economy across Carmarthenshire. The Deposit Revised Plan identified appropriate land allocations to reflect Carmarthenshire as an ambitious County which attracts investment and provides opportunities for those living and working in our communities, as well as being a key player within a Swansea Bay regional context.

The proposed growth levels would also seek to challenge and address current demographic patterns, particularly the out-migration as evidenced in the 15-19 age group. It provides opportunities to balance the demographics of the County through the retention of, and in-migration of younger adults (including those returning) to the County, and address some of the issues which could be perceived from an aging population.



The Spatial approach to the distribution of land represents a Balanced Community and Sustainable Growth Strategy, a revision to the approach in the current LDP and one which seeks to address the issues highlighted in the Review Report, as well as reflecting the feedback in the formulation of the preferred strategy. The revised spatial hierarchy and the distribution of growth will therefore be expressed through the settlement framework as grouped under respective clusters which seek to characterise areas across the County.

The Deposit Revised LDP acknowledges and responds to changes in evidence and considers the emerging growth provisions of the emerging Future Wales: the National Plan 2040 (formerly the National Development Framework) as it progresses through to finalisation. Further revisions will be set out as part of the Focused Changes to ensure the Plan is reflective of the emerging Future Wales: the National Plan 2040. The Revised LDP will continue to develop as new evidence, policy guidance and legislation emerges.

4. Responses to the Deposit Revised LDP

As part of the consultation on the Deposit Revised LDP a significant number of responses were received from a range of bodies, organisations, companies, communities and interested parties, with comments covering nearly all aspects of the Plan's content.

In total 1,508 responses were received in respect of the Deposit Plan with 1,174 objecting to its content. Of the total number of representations circa 1,000 were in response to the inclusion or non-inclusion of a site within the Plan, whilst the remainder related to comments on the content of the written statement and matters of policy. Appendix 1 identifies some of the key issues arising from the consultation responses received,

Appendix 2 sets out all the duly made representations received to the Deposit Revised LDP, providing a summary of the response. These are accompanied by officer recommendations including the proposed amendments to the Plan.

Where a site-based representation has been submitted the location and site area can be viewed via the link below:

https://carmarthenshire.opus4.co.uk/planning/localplan/maps/carms-ldp-reps

https://carmarthenshire.opus4.co.uk/planning/localplan/maps/deposit-revised-ldp-representations-welsh

The proposed amendments to the Plan are set out in the 'Focused Changes'. Further information on the Focused changes is set out in section 7 of this report. A full copy of the Schedule of Focused Changes is contained within Appendices of this report as follows:

- Focused Changes: Written Statement Appendix 8
- Focused Changes: Proposals Map and Inset Maps Appendix 9

It is also recognised that throughout the Plan making process, changes are required to reflect changes in legislation and guidance, as well evidential updates and the publication of new information. It is also essential to ensure the Plan responds to circumstances and contextual developments. In this respect, the consequences arising from Covid – 19 have and will require ongoing consideration.



Reference is made to the Covid – 19 Assessment prepared in conjunction with the Revised Delivery Agreement (as presented to County Council on the 22nd October 2020).

Note: Members should note that the responses contained within Appendix 2 will be subject to updating and validation.

5. Key Issues and Themes

Appendix 1 sets out a number of key themes arising out of the representations received. It also seeks to identify specific policy and evidential areas

6. Supporting Documents

Sustainability Appraisal – Strategic Environmental Assessment

The Deposit Revised LDP was be accompanied by a suite of evidential and other documents. Key amongst these is the Sustainability Appraisal (SA) which incorporates the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA). The SA is required by Section 62 (6a) of the Planning Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, while the SEA is a requirement of the SEA Directive 2001/42/EC1. An SEA is a mandatory requirement for plans/programmes.

In response to the consultation on the content of the SA the responses were received are set out in Appendix 4.

Habitat Regulations Assessment

A further key document is the Habitat Regulations Assessment Screening (HRA) Report. The HRA is a legal requirement under The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (the 'Habitats Regulations'). The plan making authority must undertake HRA of their development plan to determine whether the policies and proposals in the plan are likely to have significant effects on the integrity of any European designated site.

In response to the consultation on the content of the HRA 33 responses were received. Received principally from Natural Resources Wales. The responses received are set out in Appendix 5.

Both the SA and HRA are prepared to supplement and critically evaluate the content of the Plan in an objective manner. As such they respond to the content of the Plan and make recommendations as and where appropriate. They will also continue to change and iterate as changes are made and proposed to the Plan as part of the Focused Changes (see section 7).

Supplementary Planning Guidance

As part of the preparation and implementation of the Revised LDP, a series of Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) documents will be prepared and adopted.

SPG is produced to provide further detail on certain policies and proposals contained within the LDP. They help ensure certain policies and proposals are better understood and applied more effectively.

As part of the initial Deposit Revised LDP consultation, two SPG's were published for comment. These were the **Burry Inlet SPG** and the **Caeau Mynydd Mawr SAC SPG**. Their publication reflected the strategic importance of both policy areas in demonstrating the deliverability of the Plan and its adherence to legislative provisions.



As part of the consultation a number of representations were received on their content. These responses, along with the officer recommendations and any changes proposed in light of internal comments and/or contextual and evidential matters are set out in **Appendix 6 and 7**. These responses and any recommended changes have also been considered having regard to any implications on the content of the Revised LDP.

It should be noted that an SPG does not have the same status as adopted development plan policies. However, the Welsh Government advises that they may be taken into account as a material consideration in determining planning applications. Within the context of the Revised LDP, the SPGs seek to consolidate and elaborate upon the policies and provisions of the Plan itself as the plan making process proceeds. It is proposed to adopt the above SPG concurrent with the adoption of the Revised LDP.

7. Focused Changes

The Focused Changes stage represents a non-statutory part of Plan preparation within the WG Development Plan Manual (Ed.3), to be used in exceptional circumstances. However, provision is made within the manual for their use in relation to significant changes in circumstances. In this respect, their inclusion as part of the timetable set out within the Revised DA reflects the need to respond to the circumstances and conditions arising in part from Covid – 19, and to ensure the Plan remains appropriate and sound.

The Focused Changes schedule sets out proposed amendments to the written statement, as well as the proposals map and inset maps. Whilst not of a strategic nature, they will ensure the Plan responds effectively to changing circumstances including representations, emerging evidence and legislation/policy.

The schedules of Focused Changes are set out in Appendix 8 and 9 as follows:

- Appendix 8 Focused Changes: Written Statement
- Appendix 9 Focused Changes: Proposals Map and Inset Maps

The Focused Changes, when published will also be accompanied by a schedule of minor editorial amendments which are published in the interests of clarity and to improve the usability of the Plan. They will however not form part of the Focused Changes and will not be consulted upon.

The Focused Changes will be labelled as an addendum to the Deposit Revised LDP.

The publication and consultation on the Focused Changes will be undertaken in a manner consistent with the deposit plan and the content of the Revised delivery Agreement. The consultation period will be for a minimum of 6 weeks and is scheduled to commence in February 2021.

The Focussed Changes will form part of the submitted documents (see below) with the consultation responses collated and summarised by the Council ahead of submission. It should be noted that, in accordance with WG guidance, the consultation responses received in relation to the Focused Changes will not be reported back to Council. Rather they will be matters for the Planning Inspector to consider as part of the Examination of the Plan.



8. Submission	
The Revised LDP is scheduled to be submitted for indeper point of the submission the Council will publicise the submit the relevant documents and evidence. Details on the docu Welsh Government and the Planning Inspectorate is set or	ission and publicise and make available uments required to be submitted to the
It is anticipated that the Examination will formally commendating, followed by a series of hearing sessions. Referencedural requirements (Appendix 10) and notably the reference being binding.	nce should be had to the note on
DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?	YES



IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report:

Signed:	L Quelch	Head of Planning
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Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
YES	YES	YES	YES	NONE	YES	YES

1. Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities

The Revised LDP identifies and develops on the links and requirements necessary to ensure the Plan, and the processes in its preparation are compatible with Carmarthenshire County Council's well-being objectives. It also ensures alignment with the national Well-being Goals set out within the Well-being of Future Generations Act 2015. Through its land use planning policies, the Revised LDP will seek to promote the principles of sustainability and sustainable development by facilitating the creation of communities and local economies which are more sustainable, cohesive and provide access to local services and facilities and reducing the need to travel.

The integration of sustainability as part of the preparation of the Plan is reflected in the undertaking of a Sustainability Appraisal and Strategic Environmental Assessment reflecting national and international legislative requirements. The formulation of the Revised LDP will closely consider matters of sustainability and will be prepared with the outcomes of the Plan measured in light of the Sustainability Appraisal indicators. This iterative approach ensures sustainability is at the heart of the Plan and that it is reflective of the requirements emanating from the Wellbeing and Future Generations Act 2015 and the Carmarthenshire Well-being Plan: The Carmarthenshire We Want – 2018 - 2023.

The LDP has full regard to the national legislative provisions and will relate and have regard to the Carmarthenshire Well-being Plan. The Revised LDP is assessed against the National and local Well-being Objectives. The Revised LDP will ensure the requirements emanating from the Act are fully and appropriately considered with the Plan, reflective of its duties. In this respect the Plan has been prepared in accordance with the Five Ways of Working through the formulation of its content and its iteration as part of the SA process: Long term – The plan sets a framework for land use planning through to 2033 balancing short term needs with those of the long term. Prevention – balancing impacts and the implications of the Plans content. Integration – connects plans, strategies and balancing and measuring the impacts through effective integration. Collaboration – developed through collaboration across the Plan making process with a range of partners. Involvement – reflecting the Plan making's process focus on engagement and involvement, as set out in the Revised Delivery Agreement - Community Involvement Scheme.



The preparation of the Deposit LDP is in accordance with the 2004 Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act. It is also in line with national regulations and guidance in relation to its scope and content.

Reference is made to the emerging Future Wales: the National Plan 2040 (formerly the National Development Framework) which sets out a high-level spatial strategy for Wales. The Revised LDP will be required to comply with its provisions.

2. Legal

The preparation of the Revised LDP reflects the provisions of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, the requirements of the Planning (Wales) Act 2015 and secondary legislation in the form of the Local Development Plan (Regulations) Wales (As amended) 2015.

Its preparation also has appropriate regard to other sources of primary and secondary legislation including the Environment (Wales) Act and the Well-being of Future Generations Act 2015.

3. Finance

Financial costs to date are covered through the financial provisions in place - including growth items and reserves as required. Should the Planning Division Budget not be able to provide further funding necessary to meet the statutory requirements to review and prepare a development plan then an application will be made for a further growth bid for future years. Whilst additional evidence base checks are required in response to Covid-19 at this stage they are likely to be accommodated within current financial provisions.

The Revised Delivery Agreement, in making reference to such matters, outlines the Council's commitment to prepare and adopt an up to date LDP in accordance with the Council's statutory duty.

4. ICT

Requirements in relation to ICT will seek to utilise existing resources.

6. Physical Assets

Reference is made to the potential inclusion or otherwise of Council owned sites and properties. The preparation of the Revised LDP will impact on Council land and property holdings and values through their inclusion or otherwise for potential development purposes. This will have implications on potential disposal and land valuations and consequently capital receipts.

7. Staffing Implications

Provision has been made for the recruitment of a Programme Officer for the Examination into the LDP. This appointment is a mandatory requirement as part of the examination process.



CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: L Quelch Head of Planning

1. Scrutiny Committee

Community Scrutiny was consulted as part of the preparation of the Deposit Revised LDP. Date for reporting of this report to be confirmed.

2.Local Member(s)

The content of the Deposit LDP, its supporting documents and the proposed SPG have been subject to full public consultation. Members will be engaged throughout the remainder of the Plan making process.

3. Community / Town Council

The content of the Deposit LDP, its supporting documents and the proposed SPG have been subject to full public consultation. Town/Community Councils(s) are a specific consultee at statutory stages throughout the Plan making process.

4. Relevant Partners

The content of the Deposit LDP, its supporting documents and the proposed SPG have been subject to full public consultation. Contributions have and will continue to be sought throughout the revision process. A range of partners are identified as specific and general consultees throughout the Plan making process.

5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations

The content of the Deposit LDP, its supporting documents and the proposed SPG have been subject to full public consultation. Internal contributions have and will continue to be sought throughout the Plan making process.

EXECUTIVE BOARD PORTFOLIO	Yes
HOLDER AWARE/CONSULTED	Executive Board member is chair of the LDP
	Advisory Panel



Title of Document	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
LDP Review Report	http://www.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/media/1213042/ldp-review-reportenglish-version.pdf
Evidence Base	https://www.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/home/council-services/planning/local-development-plan-2018-2033/development-of-anevidence-base/#.XcFfSEb7SUk
Pre-Deposit Preferred Strategy	https://www.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/home/council- services/planning/local-development-plan-2018-2033/preferred-strategy- pre-deposit-public-consultation/#.XW2JhuhKjIU
Sustainability Appraisal and Habitats Regulations Assessment	https://www.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/home/council-services/planning/local-development-plan-2018-2033/sustainability-appraisal-and-habitats-regulations-assessment/#.XW2J7uhKjlU
Deposit Revised LDP (Main page)	https://www.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/home/council-services/planning/local-development-plan-2018-2033/deposit-plan/#.Xww40kVKiUk
Deposit Revised LDP – Written Statement	https://www.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/media/1223344/deposit-written- statement.pdf
Deposit Revised LDP – Proposals Map	<u>ProposalsMap</u>
Deposit Revised LDP – Constraints Map	Constraints Map
Revised Delivery Agreement	https://www.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/home/council- services/planning/local-development-plan-2018-2033/delivery- agreement/#.X9IAAZ77SUk



Appendix 1 – Key issues and Themes

Housing supply and the housing growth requirement

A number of representations were received objecting to the proposed level of growth outlined within the Revised LDP, and seeking a higher level of growth similar to that outlined within the current LDP. Many of these representations were a precursor to support the inclusion of non-allocated land within the plan.

Conversely, representations were also received which sought to reduce the levels of growth set out within the plan. These representations stated that a more realistic target should follow the Welsh Government's projections. This would reduce the levels of migration which dilute the welsh language and unique culture of the county's settlements, and reduce the stresses faced within the health and social care system.

The level of growth set out within the Revised LDP seeks to balance the needs of both rural and urban communities, reflecting and ambitious yet realistic annual build rate, looks to deliver the Council's Corporate Strategy, regeneration and job creation objectives.

Further work will be undertaken in relation to the housing growth requirement and housing supply, with further population and household demographic evidence informing and supporting the Council's approach at the examination.

Housing Distribution

Representation was received relating to the distribution of housing growth and the use of 'Clusters' as part of the settlement hierarchy. Whilst no fundamental objections were received, the responses sought to acknowledge the need to direct the majority of development to sustainable locations within the county. Responses to the Plan include queries relating the role and growth of rural settlements within the strategy.

The Council will in responding to the representations received undertake further work relating to Tier 4 of the settlement hierarchy and evidence the significant role these villages play in supporting the social, economic and linguistic fabric of their communities.

In addition, the housing trajectory and the associate evidence base will continue to highlight the location and rate of housing delivery within the county.

Retail

As part of the response to Covid- 19 and in recognition of the changing shape of our Town centres and the Retail sector, the Focused Changes will seek to reflect the challenges ahead. In this respect consideration will be given to the future role of town centres and the nature of suitable activities in promoting vibrant and attractive living environments.

Affordable Housing

Whilst a limited number of responses were received relating to the Affordable Housing policies, the Council recognises its importance in meeting its strategic aims of maximising the development of affordable housing.

Further evidential work will be undertaking on planning contributions. In addition, the use of the Regional Development Viability Model will ascertain the level of affordable housing contributions from large scale housing development, and safeguarded through the use of Statements of Common Ground with developers and landowners

Gypsy and Travellers

The Council recognises its requirement to provide an up to date Gypsy and Traveller accommodation needs assessment study for the plan period which was undertaken prior to the Deposit Consultation. This needs to be ratified by WG prior to the examination of the Plan. The draft needs assessment is currently with the WG for ratification.

The Deposit LDP has recognised the allocation of a new Gypsy and Traveller site within Llanelli to meet the housing need, in addition to the allocation of the extension to the Penybryn Traveller site in Bynea.

Site Specific Representations

A number of representations have been received relating to the allocation of housing sites within the Plan. Whilst a few of the representations are in support of the sites included in the Plan, the majority are objections to their inclusion within the Plan, in particular to the non-delivery of current allocated sites.

The Council will undertake further work where necessary to support the inclusion of the allocated sites, including the use of statements of common ground with developers on the larger allocated sites to re-affirm their inclusion, whilst on-going discussions are being undertaken with developers regarding the delivery mechanisms on smaller sites.

In relation to the candidate sites or requests to amend the development limits, circa 1,000 responses were received with the majority of them being submitted previously under the candidate site process in 2018. Their assessment would have already been undertaken and published in the January 2020 Site Assessment Table. New candidate sites will be considered within the process set out in the Site Assessment Methodology (September 2019).

Welsh language

Many of the comments received with regards the Welsh language form part of those wider considerations in regards the level and spatial distribution of growth as set out within the Plan, along with the strategic direction of travel.

There have also been a range of views expressed in terms of the Council's proposed policy approach, particularly in terms of the Revised LDP considering that Carmarthenshire in its entirety is considered to be an area of linguistic sensitivity.

It should be noted that in responding to such matters the Council has already prepared evidence, notably in the form of a Welsh Language Impact Assessment (December 2019). However, further evidence will be prepared moving forward. This includes building upon the Welsh Language Impact Assessment, undertaking further analysis work in terms of population and household projections/ migration data and also updating the Two County Economic Study for Carmarthenshire and Pembrokeshire (October 2019). This update to the Economic Study will further consider the links between the Welsh language and the economy in the two Counties.

Caeau Mynydd Mawr and the Burry Inlet

There have been no fundamental concerns raised in regard to these matters. They are fundamentally important policy areas as they seek to balance environmental, infrastructural and developmental interests at two strategically important locations within the County - namely the Cross Hands area and the Llanelli/Burry Port area.

The policies are Policy NE4 'Development within the Caeau Mynydd Mawr SPG Area' and Policy INF4 'Llanelli Wastewater Treatment Surface Water Disposal' respectively.

The Council will be aware that consultation has already been undertaken in regards Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) prepared to support the implementation of the above policies. In this regard, the Council will be provided with responses received to the SPG consultation and recommendations in relation thereto. Again, there are no fundamental concerns raised.

Renewable Energy

Response for the Welsh Government in relation to Renewable Energy policies within the Revised LDP and the implications arising from the emerging Future Wales: the National Plan 2040 (formerly the National Development Framework) has required further evidencing to be undertaken. Amendments to the policies of the Revised Plan will be reflective of the changing positions within national policy.

Climate Change

Whilst not the subject of a significant level of representation the Revised LDP will continue to reflect the declaration both nationally and locally of the climate emergency and will further consolidate links to the Council's Net Zero Carbon agenda.

The Environment

In regards environmental matters, it is not considered that there are any fundamental issues. The Council has undertaken engagement with key consultees – notably Natural Resources Wales and Dwr Cymru Welsh Water. There are no fundamental concerns raised by these key consultees in regards the strategic direction of the Plan, however site-specific matters will be responded to as and where appropriate within the Schedule of Focused Changes.

It should however be noted that there is likely to be a requirement to respond to comments made in regards intensive agriculture.

Flood Risk

The Council has prepared evidence with regards this matter, with a Stage 1 SFCA and a Stage 1b SFCA undertaken and published. The Council will continue to seek to respond proactively to comments received at deposit Plan stage by way of focused changes – (notably comments received to policy CCH4 and paragraph 11.469 of the deposit Plan). However, and with reference again to proactive consultation undertaken (including with Natural Resources Wales), there are no fundamental concerns with regards to the Plan in this regard.

Infrastructure

There are no fundamental issues in respect of infrastructure and the Revised LDP. Of the representations received no raise serious issues of concern. However, there are some minor concerns with some areas from a highway's perspective. The council will look to acquire further evidence in regard to Cross Hands and the highways infrastructure needed to facilitate any new development in the area as the Plan progresses towards adoption. Particular reference will be had to any requirement to upgrade the 'diamond' on the East side of Cross Hands along with the Cross Hands Economic Link Road (ELR). This will alleviate any pressure caused by new developments at the new Cross Hands East Employment site. Welsh Government have no objections to make, only noting potential cumulative impacts in Cross Hands from a highways point of view.

Employment

Evidencing the deliverability of employment allocations is a key issue that the Welsh Government are continuing to emphasise, in accordance with PPW10. This has seen a streamlining of our employment allocations for the Revised LDP – a reduction from 113ha in the adopted LDP to just under 78ha in the Revised Plan.

However, whilst the overall employment portfolio has reduced in terms of specific allocations, new policy provisions have been introduced that seek to enable new employment opportunities in both our larger growth areas (e.g. reserve sites policy), as well as in the more rural areas where greater diversification will be possible.

Two further areas of importance emphasised by the Welsh Government in their representations concern the linking of housing growth with employment opportunities, and the need to engage with neighbouring authorities in the production of 'larger than local' employment studies. For both these topics we commissioned a joint study with Pembrokeshire County Council (and the two constituent National Park authorities with our borders). The resultant piece of work was completed at the end of 2019, and the consultants are currently providing follow up work, where they are looking at the effects of Brexit and Covid on the economy at the two county level and providing advice and positive ways forward.

Due regard is also given to the evidence base of the Plan, where annual monitoring reports (AMRs) and annual employment land reviews (ELRs) are maintained to ensure that the evidence is kept up to date.

Minerals

There were around 40 representations relating to minerals, most of these related to minor matters such as small-scale changes to policy wording.

There was however one objection from the Welsh Government relating to what they saw as the lack of evidence provided in the plan to ensure that there was a sufficient supply of sand and gravel reserves in the County (and Ceredigion and Pembrokeshire – as sand & gravel reserves is a cross border issue) to last until the end of the Plan period in 2033.

In response to this objection, Carmarthenshire CC has already commenced discussions with the two other authorities, with a view to progressing with the matter and drawing up a Statement of Sub Regional Collaboration (SSRC), as required in the Regional Technical Statement (RTS) for the South Wales Region (and as highlighted by the Welsh Government in their representation).

Due regard is also given to the evidence base of the Plan, where annual monitoring reports (AMRs) are maintained to ensure that the evidence is kept up to date. Furthermore, the Minerals Topic Paper (published at the end of 2019) will be revised and updated prior to submission of the Plan to the Welsh Government in May 2021.

Waste

There were very few representations on this topic area, with no objections from the Welsh Government.

One notable representation (submitted by consultants working for CWM Environmental Ltd) related to the allocation of Nantycaws as a waste management site (as it is in the current LDP). The Revised Deposit Plan had identified Nantycaws as a reserve site (under the reserve sites policy). In light of the strategic location of the site, consideration will be given to the allocation of Nantycaws as a regeneration and mixed-use site (under Policy SG1) as part of the focused changes (subject to County Council endorsement).

Due regard is also given to the evidence base of the Plan, where annual monitoring reports (AMRs) are maintained to ensure that the evidence is kept up to date. Furthermore, the Waste Topic Paper (published at the end of 2019) will be revised and updated prior to submission of the Plan to the Welsh Government in May 2021.

It should also be noted that Carmarthenshire is the Lead authority in the production of the annual 'Waste Planning Monitoring Report (WPMR) for the South West Wales region' – a key piece of evidence to be utilised by all six authorities in the sub region. The latest WPMR was submitted to the Welsh Government at the end of March 2020.



Deposit LDP

Summary of Representations & Council's Initial Response

- 1. Introduction
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Paragraph 1. Introduction

Representation(s)

3554 Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Summary: Object

Objection to the landscape format of the Deposit LDP Written Statement:

We do not feel that the landscape orientation of the document and the splitting of each page into two columns has been conducive to deliver an "easy read". Some policies have ended up on two pages in three columns. We would suggest that the document is reformatted into a portrait orientation without the columns.

Council's Initial Response

Noted

Action

No change to the Plan.

2. What is the Deposit Plan?

Paragraph Para 2.8

Representation(s)

3072 Mr Robert Griffiths [4795]

Summary: Object

European Court of justice states cso spill illegal so building more houses may cause situation to worsen wadenzee judgement States precautionary approach must apply

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

With regards the Plan, it should be noted that a Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) has been undertaken and the Council recognises that the HRA should continue to play an important role in ensuring the required regulatory compliance.

The HRA itself was also subject to consultation.

Full regard is given to input from Dwr Cymru Welsh Water, Natural Resources Wales and the City and County of Swansea as part of the preparation of the Plan. In regards the infraction proceedings, reference is made to the investment made by Dwr Cymru Welsh Water in the area and subsequent reporting requirements.

It is noted that the Plan will seek to contribute towards a reduction in the frequency of spills by undertaking compensatory surface water removal as part of planning approvals for relevant schemes - see policy INF4 and supporting SPG.

Reference is also made to the Council's response to representation 3882 under policy INF4 and the fact that no fundamental concerns have been expressed by any of Natural Resources Wales, City and County of Swansea or Dwr Cymru Welsh Water to the emerging Revised Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan.

Action

No Change to the Plan.

Paragraph Habitat Regulations Assessment

Representation(s)

3071 Mr Robert Griffiths [4795]

Summary: Object

The European courts have passed judgment on the area because of the cso spills rainscape remains unproven so the wadenzee judgment must be applied Passing anymore plans to build wii contravene the judgment and be an illegal act

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

With regards the Plan, it should be noted that a Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) has been undertaken and the Council recognises that the HRA should continue to play an important role in ensuring the required regulatory compliance. The HRA itself was subject to consultation.

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Action

No Change to the Plan.

3. Influences on the Plan

Paragraph 3. Influences on the Plan

Representation(s)

3140 Barton Willmore (Joe Ayoubkhani) [646]

Summary:

Support

Chapter 3 - Support

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Overview, Para 3.2

Representation(s)

4605 Rhanbarth Sir Gâr Cymdeithas yr Iaith (Rhanbarth Sir Gâr) [2370]

Summary: Object

Nid oes unrhyw sôn o gwbl am y Gymraeg yn y Profion Cadernid

There is also no mention whatsoever of the Welsh language in the Tests of Soundness.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwadau.

Cyfeirir at y Llawlyfr Cynlluniau Datblygu Lleol (Argraffiad 3) - yn nodedig Tabl 27 ynddo (paragraff 6.27).

Comments noted.

Reference is made to the Local Development Plans Manual (Edition 3) - notably Table 27 contained therein (paragraph 6.27).

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4274 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary: Object

The deposit consultation commenced without the detailed site assessment proformas (2A/2B) being available to review. We set out our concerns to the Council as we wanted to understand how the Council had identified the most appropriate sites to be included in the LDP. This document then appeared at a later date but it only included the allocated sites. We would expect to see a full assessment of all the sites so that it would be possible to understand why one site has been allocated ahead of another. On querying with the Council they noted that a full assessment (2A and 2B) had only been carried out for the allocated sites. This raises a procedural issue in that the Council appears to have identified the sites to be allocated without reviewing all the options and giving each site fair consideration. On further request and weeks into the consultation process we were provided with the 2A/2B proforma for site SR/086/075. However, we question whether the same proforma assessment has been carried out for the other sites that have not been allocated. All sites, regardless of the number submitted should be assessed in the same manner to provide fairness and transparency to the process.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree, the Plan has been prepared in accordance with regulations and guidance. In relation to the Deposit Plan it has also been subject to further consultations significantly over and above the regulatory requirements.

Whilst noting the comments in relation to the availability of a document, the Council recognises that there was a delay in the publication during the initial few days of the consultation, however its subsequent prompt publication along with the extension of the first Deposit consultation period by a further 2 weeks ensured it was available in a manner through which interested parties were able access the information available and have additional opportunity to submit comments or representations. Reference should also be had to the second 3-week Deposit consultation and the additional scope and opportunities it provided to submit comments. This together with the 2-week extension to first Deposit consultation went significantly beyond the statutory provisions identified within the regulations and ensured the documentation was available for scrutiny.

Further to the respondents comments in respect of the availability of site proformas and the non-publication of proformas for non-allocated sites, reference is made to the Site Assessment Methodology and notably paragraph 2.13 which states: "Proformas will be provided on allocated site as part of the evidence base for the Deposit LDP consultation in December 2019, whilst the detailed assessment on non-allocated sites will be available on request." An overview assessment of all the sites considered as part of the preparation of the Revised LDP are available on the website and includes the non-allocated sites. This is supplemented by the opportunity to request proformas non allocated candidate sites as appropriate. This approach reflected the practicalities of publishing the full set of over 900 additional non allocated site proformas on the Council's webpages. All duly submitted sites have been fully considered in accordance with the provisions of the site assessment methodology. It is noted that the respondent acknowledges that the proforma was made available as part of their request.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3393 Elaine Morrisroe [4964]

Summary: Object

My comment concerns the process of formulating the Local Development Plan itself which I do not believe is sound. I believe that at the level at which it is drawn up and agreed, not enough detail is known about each particular site to come to a truly Informed decision.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. Sites are considered in accordance with the site assessment methodology and supported as appropriate by further information. In this respect the Plan has been prepared in accordance with legislation, national planning policy and guidance.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Overview, Para 3.4

Representation(s)

3577 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

There are some text, policies and proposed development sites that we consider need refining to enable a robust sound plan.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted. The representations submitted by the respondent have been responded to with changes made as appropriate.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3575 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

We acknowledge that you have taken on board advice from our previous correspondence which has enabled positive provisions in the Deposit Plan both in policy terms and with regard to allocation of sites. We note that the allocations include sites which we were not consulted on pre-deposit

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No Change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3811 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

NRW have provided a large amount of detail in the annexes supporting their main representations on a range of developmental considerations which are not specific objections. This also includes a review of the SFCA and Stage 1b SFCA. However, these will be taken forward into the Infrastructure Assessment for review. It should be noted that within these annexes NRW do caveat their responses and do not rule out the possibility that certain sites could be deemed inappropriate for development in the future.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The Infrastructure Assessment will be prepared / updated by the Council.

In regards the comments on the SFCA (regional work with Pembrokeshire County Council) and Stage 1b SFCA (Carmarthenshire County Council only), clarification has been attained by the Council (and Pembrokeshire County Council).

NRW confirmed that the clarifications provided are sufficient to address the concerns raised in the Deposit stage representations on both Plans.

Of note is the NRW comment on the need for the effect on flooding elsewhere to be assessed, whatever the source of flood risk, in relation to Section 3.4.2 of the Stage 1b SFCA. This states "The third-party FCA suggests that due to the source of the flood risk being tidal, flood compensation 'is not strictly considered as a requirement'." The NRW comment was provided to clarify that they would not agree with this statement but NRW have confirmed however that the need to consider the effect on flooding elsewhere is acknowledged in another part of the SFCA (i.e. the stage 1b SFCA).

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Overview, Para 3.5

Representation(s)

4581 Ceredigion County Council (Anjuli Davies) [5303]

Summary: Support

A general comment is provided that Ceredigion County Council would welcome to opportunity to discuss the plan's proposals and their implications for Ceredigion.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The Council is committed to ongoing cross border working and would welcome the opportunity for further cross border discussions and regional working.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Overview, Para 3.15

Representation(s)

4450 Mrs Elizabeth Hope Ferguson [5247]

Summary: Object

Adaptability - one of the very recent major contextual changes is the result of Covid-19. Previous perceptions and normal ways of doing things have and are changing at a rapid rate. There is a need for greater flexibility in areas that have traditionally been set. For example the merging of housing and work places has become a new norm and robust high speed internet a priority.

Implications from trends of the past 6 months need to be analysed and incorporated into the rLDP so that it can truly take us from one place to another in the next 13 years.

Council's Initial Response

Noted.

The impacts and implications on the content of the Plan from Covid-19 are duly noted and reference is drawn to the Covid-19 Assessment published as part of the Revised LDP documents. In this respect the Plans policies and components of its evidence base will where appropriate be subject to further consideration.

With reference to the examples stated by the respondent reference should be had to Policy INF3: Broadband and Telecommunications and Policy EME5: Homeworking which reflect the importance of those highlighted.

Action

No change to the Plan as a direct result of this representation.

4. Carmarthenshire - Strategic Context

Paragraph 4. Carmarthenshire - Strategic Context

Representation(s)

3342 Prof David Jenkins [4880]

Summary: Object

This Plan fails adequately to respond to the climate emergency. It lacks recognition of a paradigm shift from Sustainable development to resilience building. What is clearly missing from the Plan is a thorough consideration of resilience.

In order to ensure that the plan emerges fit for purpose it needs to be exposed to greater democratic engagement. This will occur in the context of a Citizens Assembly but not otherwise.

Council's Initial Response

The Plan has been prepared with regard to considerations around climate change and the declarations of climate emergency both at a national and local level. It is however recognised that the Revised LDP needs to remain responsive throughout its preparatory process. Consequently, its content will continue to iterate to reflect contextual changes and evidence.

In relation to the respondent comment in respect of democratic engagement. The Plan has been prepared in accordance with the content of the agreed Delivery Agreement including its community Involvement Scheme and consistent with statutory provisions.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 4.5

Representation(s)

4582 Ceredigion County Council (Anjuli Davies) [5303]

Summary: Object

It would be helpful if the paragraph also references the health services provided from WWGH, the higher and further education role of the University of Wales Trinity St David's campus and the employment opportunities for the wider region which extends into Ceredigion.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. Paragraph 4.5 of the Deposit Revised LDP refers to the identification of the three main urban centres within Carmarthenshire. The suggestion within the representation would not be within the context of this paragraph.

Action

Paragraph Para 4.20

Representation(s)

3150 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Object

The planning needs of Carmarthenshire are noF necessarily consistent with those of the rest of the Mid and West Wales region set out in the draft NDF. This three-region subdivision has been commented on negatively by the Climate Change, Environment and Rural Affairs Committee, which recommends a four-region division. The needs of Carmarthenshire are more complex in that the more rural northern part of the county has needs more in common with Ceredigion than the western corridor through Carmarthen. So there would seem to be potential problems in aligning the LDP with the three-region model in the draft NDF.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The NDF is being prepared by the Welsh Government and subject to its own preparatory procedures and consultation processes. Consequently, its content and the subdivision of regions across Wales are matters beyond the remit of the Revised LDP.

It should be noted that Test 1 of the Tests of Soundness requires that the LDP be in general conformity with the NDF (when published). The Plan has therefore been prepared within this context and will where appropriate be amended to reflect its content.

It is noted that at the time of writing the NDF has been retitled as the Future Wales and is undergoing consideration through the Senedd ahead of anticipated publication in February 2021. Note: the latest iteration of the emerging draft has revised the three regions originally proposed to four.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 4.22

Representation(s)

3579 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

We note the commitment to consider the content of the emerging National Development Framework (NDF) as the plan continues to progress towards adoption.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Action

Paragraph Para 4.44

Representation(s)

3151 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Support

The county's natural environment is indeed crucial to the inhabitants' physical and spiritual wellbeing, as well as being critical in attracting tourism. As is well-recognised, retaining these these qualities when there is significant development pressure is a difficult balance to maintain. My readings of later paragraphs suggest to me that the planning processes proposed may not be sufficiently robust to fulfil the definition of sustainability used and will lead to loss of valuable natural environment and biodioversity..

Council's Initial Response

Noted.

The Revised LDP has been prepared in accordance with, and within the context of legislation and National Planning Policy, in this respect it has policies and provisions including those in relation to sustainability and the natural environment are considered sound.

Reference should be had to the Plan's supporting documents notably the Sustainability Appraisal (incorporating the Strategic Environmental Assessment) and the Habitat Regulations Assessment.

Action

5. Issues Identification

Paragraph Para 5.6, A Resilient Carmarthenshire

Representation(s)

3153 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Support

These are all laudable objectives. However, biodiversity is not just relevant to designated sites so I hope the plan will recognise biodiversity wherever it is found, and not allow developments to go ahead in environmentally high quality areas that do not have an official

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed. It is considered that there is sufficient provision in the Plan's detailed policies to allow for consideration of the concerns highlighted.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 5.6, A Healthier Carmarthenshire

Representation(s)

3154 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Support

These are all laudable objectives. However, with respect to objective 12, my readings of later paragraphs suggest to me that the planning processes proposed may not be sufficiently robust to protect beauty, peace and quiet with respect to some kinds of development (e.g. of wind energy).

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed. It is considered that there is sufficient consideration of the concerns highlighted within the more detailed policies of the Plan.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 5.6, A Carmarthenshire of Cohesive Communities

Representation(s)

3263 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Support

BDW Homes welcomes the recognition of the impact of the lack of delivery of new housing upon the creation of Cohesive Communities. The delivery of new homes and the maintenance of a five year supply of housing is essential to ensure that Cohesive Communities are created in line with the WBFGA. It is therefore crucial that proposed site allocations are deliverable.

3465 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

We note and welcome the inclusion of issue 23 (under paragraph 5.6) regarding infrastructure capacity to support development. The availability of our infrastructure capacity is a key element - particularly in rural areas - in ensuring sustainable and viable development sites.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

6. A Vision for 'One Carmarthenshire'

Paragraph 6. A Vision for 'One Carmarthenshire'

Representation(s)

3623 Union Tavern Estate [3913]

Agent: Barton Willmore (Joe Ayoubkhani) [646]

Summary: Support

We support the LDP's vision which seeks to ensure that the Deposit LDP is positive and sufficiently aspirational. It is imperative that the policies of the LDP enable this vision to be met - for example, through providing sufficient housing growth to underpin the confident and ambitious economic aspirations of the Council.

3141 Barton Willmore (Joe Ayoubkhani) [646]

Summary: Support

A Vision for 'one Carms' - Support

3633 -- John Roberts Family Trust [5018]

Agent: Barton Willmore (Joe Ayoubkhani) [646]

Summary: Support

We support the LDP's vision which seeks to ensure that the Deposit LDP is positive and sufficiently aspirational. It is imperative that the policies of the LDP enable this vision to be met - for example, through providing sufficient housing growth to underpin the confident and ambitious economic aspirations of the Council.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

Paragraph Para 6.4

Representation(s)

64 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Support

BDW Homes is supportive of the proposed Vision for 'One Carmarthenshire' as it seeks to achieve an appropriate balance between environmental, economic, social and cultural objectives. The proposed Vision therefore complies with the holistic 'Placemaking' approach advocated by Planning Policy Wales (Edition 10, p. 16). The Vision also accurately reflects the Well-being Goals set out within the WBFGA.

BDW Homes particularly welcomes direct references within the Vision to securing prosperous, cohesive and sustainable communities and the economic aspirations associated with the Swansea Bay City Region.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

7. Strategic Objectives

Paragraph Para 7.6

Representation(s)

3556 Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Summary: Object

Objection to the format of the sustainability objectives under paragraph 7.6:

The formatting of the document appears to have caused confusion in that SO5 appears before SO3 and SO4.

Amend the formatting of the document and ensure SO3, SO4 and SO5 appear in the correct order.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The matters raised do not cause undue issues in the readability of the document. The Carmarthenshire Well Being Plan's wellbeing objectives have been utilised to group the Revised LDP's Strategic Objectives. This ensures that a local interpretation of wellbeing is interwoven into the strategic objectives and the Plan's strategy from the outset. The actual number attributed to a strategic objective is immaterial.

Action

57 Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Summary: Object

Objection to Paragraph 7.6:

It is not clear why the provision of an adequate supply of minerals is not identified as a Strategic Objective. This is a fundamental requirement of PPW and the need for minerals is the thread which stiches together many of the strategic objectives identified, providing raw materials to deliver the employment, housing, climate change, infrastructure, transport and environmental aspirations.

Include a further Strategic Objective to reflect the need for an adequate supply of minerals.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. Reference is made to Strategic Objective (SO) 7. It is considered that the reference in SO7 to "efficient use and safeguarding of resources" provides an adequate high level 'hook' for the consideration of this important matter for the Plan.

The more detailed policies - notably those listed under Strategic Policy 18 - undertake to provide the required detail.

The strategic objectives have been subject to significant levels of consensus building and are considered robust in their current form. Further information is available in the Issues, Vision and Objective Topic Paper (December 2019), together with a suite of other documents available on the Council's website.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4129 Seasons Holidays plc (_ _ _) [5149]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Owain Nedin) [4937]

Summary: Support

Supports in that it sets a clear aspiration for the Plan and seeks to deliver on an identified LDP issue, however it can only be effective if the policy beneath it is framed to enable its delivery.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

Paragraph Para 7.6, Strong Connections - Strongly connected people, places and organisations that are able to adapt to change.

Representation(s)

3466 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

As mentioned above (see rep 3465), the availability or capacity of infrastructure is a key aspect in determining the sustainability of a settlement, therefore we support the inclusion of SO6.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

(For cross reference purposes the Council's response to representation reference number 3465 can be viewed under its responses to representations received on paragraph 5.6).

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3265 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Support

BDW Homes is supportive of the wording of Strategic Objective SO6 which seeks to ensure that "The principles of spatial sustainability are upheld by directing development to sustainable locations with access to services and facilities...". This Strategic Objective is therefore consistent with the 'Key Planning Principles' set out within Planning Policy Wales (Edition 10, p. 8) which seek to ensure that the planning system contributes to the long-term economic well-being of Wales, by making use of existing infrastructure and facilities.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

Para 7.6, Prosperous People and Places - To maximise opportunities for people and places in

Paragraph Para 7.6, Prosperous People and Places - To maximise opportunities for people and places in both urban and rural parts of our county.

Representation(s)

3469 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

As mentioned above (see rep 3465), the availability or capacity of infrastructure is a key aspect in determining the sustainability of a settlement, therefore we support the inclusion of SO14.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

(For cross reference purposes the Council's response to representation reference number 3465 can be viewed under its responses to representations received on paragraph 5.6).

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3266 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Support

BDW Homes supports Strategic Objective SO10, which refers to the delivery of an appropriate number and mix of new housing to meet society's needs. The need to ensure that "there is sufficient housing land available to meet the need for new private market and affordable housing" is one of the key issues within the 'Active & Social Places' theme within Planning Policy Wales.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

8. Strategic Growth and Spatial Options

Paragraph 8. Strategic Growth and Spatial Options

Representation(s)

3849 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - Growth Levels: Homes and Jobs

The Preferred Strategy tested 6 demographic and 2 employment-led growth scenarios. The Authority concluded that the 'PG Long Term' scenario based on internal migration rates and international migration flows over a 16-year period (2001/2-2016/17) was the preferred growth option. In the local context, natural growth is negative in Carmarthenshire with deaths exceeding births and net migration becoming the main driver of population change. The Preferred Strategy proposed a 6% flexibility allowance (of 593 units) to deliver a housing requirement of 9,887 dwellings.

At Deposit stage a further 3 scenarios were tested by Edge Analytics (September 2019) to incorporate the latest demographic evidence, including the 2018 mid-year population estimates, and to exclude areas in Carmarthenshire located in the Brecon Beacons National Park Authority (BBNPA). The 3 demographic scenarios tested internal migration and international migration flows over a 'PG Short Term' (4 year) 'PG 10 year' and 'PG Long Term' (17 year) period, which resulted in a dwelling requirement of 8,769, 8,835 and 10,065 units respectively using an alternative vacancy rate of 3.4% based on local council tax records.

The Deposit plan is based on the 'PG 10-year' scenario which results in a dwelling requirement of 8,835 units (assuming migration flows of +1,337 persons per year). This is a reduction of 1,052 dwellings from the Preferred Strategy and an increase of 7,565 units above the WG-2018 based principal household projections. The housing requirement of 8,835 units is a reduction of 6,362 dwellings from the housing requirement (15,197 homes) in the adopted plan.

Evidence in the 'Edge Analytics Study' (2018) explains that the 2 employment-led scenarios would result in a requirement for 17,396 and 19,690 homes over the plan period, which the Council recognise is a high level of growth that would be undeliverable and unsustainable in Carmarthenshire. Housing completions over a 12-year period (2007/8-2018/19) averaged 485 dwellings per annum with recent completions from 2015 averaging 507 dwellings per annum. The Council has chosen a demographic growth scenario that will support employment growth and the delivery of 5,310 jobs (354 per annum) over the plan period. The Authority must fully evidence and explain how the scale of growth relates to the latest projections taking account of housing need and impacts on the Welsh language. (See comments on the spatial strategy). The evidence needs to demonstrate where in-migration will be derived from, i.e. neighbouring counties, elsewhere in Wales, the UK, or international migration taking into account the likely effect of UK immigration policy.

As the Welsh Government 2018-based projections were published in February 2020, the Council will need to consider their implications on the plan. The Council will need to ensure the level of growth is deliverable, the levels of migration can be achieved and impacts on the Welsh Language have been fully considered.

Council's Initial Response

The Council will undertake further evidential work relating to Population projections, Household projections and migration data, including an analysis on the most recently published data and trends.

In regards to matters raised on the Welsh language, Section 2.4 of the Carmarthenshire Welsh Language Impact Assessment (WLIA - December 2019) outlines an assessment of the Deposit LDP's Growth Strategy on the Welsh language.

The assessment concludes that based on assumptions about the characteristics of 2011 inmigrants, migration, the net change in population scenario figures and the success of the County's Welsh Language Education Strategy, the numbers of Welsh speakers could possibly be higher than the WG 2033 Trajectory by 4,206. This suggests a likely reduction of 1.5 percentage points from the WG 2014 Trajectory scenario (of 52.0%). (see WLIA para 53 - Key Finding). The Preferred Growth Strategy is assessed as having a minor negative likely impact.

Appendix 2.4 and Appendix 2.5 of the WLIA provide an analysis of migration figures which indicate that a significant number of migrants to and from the County are moving within Wales.

Further evidence will be produced ahead of the submission of the Plan for Examination. This includes building upon the Welsh Language Impact Assessment, undertaking further analysis work in terms of population and household projections/ migration data and also updating the Two County Economic Study for Carmarthenshire and Pembrokeshire (October 2019). This update to the Economic Study will further consider the links between the Welsh language and the economy in the two Counties.

Action

4365 Welsh Government: Welsh Language Commissioner (Ms Meinir Jones) [5159]

Summary: Object

Mae'r targed newydd o ran tai, sef 8,835, yn llawer uwch na'r angen am dai newydd yn seiliedig ar amcanestyniadau Llywodraeth Cymru a eglurir yn adran 8.2 o'r Cynllun. Rydym yn deall mai'r rheswm dros ddefnyddio amcanestyniad gwahanol yw er mwyn cyflawni amcanion ac uchelgeisiau economaidd y Cyngor a chreu swyddi. Gall gosod targed tai newydd mor uchel arwain at roi straen ar seilwaith y sir a'i gwneud hi'n anoddach i fodloni rhai o amcanion strategol eraill y Cynllun Datblygu, gan gynnwys o ran yr iaith Gymraeg.

The new housing target of 8,835 is significantly higher than the need for new housing based on Welsh Government projections explained in section 8.2 of the Plan. We understand that the justification for using a different projection is to realize the Council's economic objectives and ambitions and to create jobs. Setting such a high new housing target can lead to putting strain on the county's infrastructure and make it harder to meet some of the Development Plan's other strategic objectives, including the one on the Welsh language.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwadau.

Cafodd Strategaeth y Cynllun a'i ddull cynaliadwy o ddarparu tai newydd ei seilio ar egwyddorion datblygu cynaliadwy ac yn unol â darpariaethau'r polisi cynllunio cenedlaethol. Mae'r ffigur gofyniad tai ar gyfer y Sir yn seiliedig ar amcanestyniad 10 mlynedd o Dwf y Boblogaeth y mae tystiolaeth gadarn ohono - fodd bynnag, adolygir hyn cyn Archwilio'r Cynllun.

Mae'r safleoedd hynny a ddyrannwyd yn y CDLI at ddibenion preswyl wedi cael eu hystyried yn llawn trwy'r fethodoleg asesu safleoedd. Fel rhan o'r broses asesu hon, paratowyd ffurflen safle.

O ran dosbarthiad gofodol, mae'r Cynllun yn destun Arfarniad Cynaliadwyedd/Asesiad Amgylcheddol Strategol, a hefyd yn cael ei gefnogi gan Asesiad o'r Effaith ar y Gymraeg (Rhagfyr 2019).

Comments noted.

The Plan's Strategy and its sustainable approach to the provision of new homes has been formulated on the basis of sustainable development principles and in accordance with the provisions of national planning policy. The housing requirement figure for the County is based on the Population Growth (PG) - 10yr projection scenario which is robustly evidenced - however this will be reviewed ahead of the Examination of the Plan.

Those sites allocated within the LDP for residential purposes have been subject to full consideration in accordance with the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a site pro forma has been prepared.

In terms of spatial distribution, the Plan is subject to Sustainability Appraisal / Strategic Environmental Assessment, whilst it is also supported by a Welsh language Impact Assessment (December 2019).

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

3934 Pegasus Group (Daniel Millward) [5095]

Summary: Object

Objection to Chapter 8 - Strategic Growth and spatial Options

Whilst we are broadly supportive of the preferred Spatial Option, we feel that it needs to be more explicit in stating that the strategy needs to align with the ambitious economic aspirations of the plan.

At present, we do not feel that this is reflected in the proposed Spatial Option and, therefore, it has not been fully justified in the context of the Council's economic growth ambitions. This does not require wholesale changes to the proposed Spatial Option as this could still be community led and the delivery of sustainable development should be at the heart of all Plan strategies. However, we would wish to see it reflect the Council's ambitious economic growth aspirations and acknowledge that this will influence the spatial distribution of development.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The strategy of the revised LDP seeks to support the distribution of housing and economic growth which is of a scale and nature appropriate to its cluster. In this respect the revised LDP seeks to ensure that development is appropriate to the settlement and reflective of its ability to accommodate growth and the services and facilities available.

Action

8. Strategic Growth and Spatial Options

Representation(s)

4193 Tata Steel Europe Limited (___) [5156]

Agent: Turley Associates Ltd (Abi Roberts) [4717]

Summary: Object

In reviewing the Council's published evidence we believe that it is necessary for the Council to re-visit its selection of a scenario which continues to be based on a trend-based demographic scenario and to adopt a more positive albeit reasonable position which aligns more closely with its own evidence base around the economic potential of Carmarthenshire as well as the need to provide for affordable housing and the higher resultant housing requirement it suggests. As a cross reference note - site based representations made by the respondent include the one that can be found under representation number 4191 (policy HOM1).

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The Population and Household Projection Topic Paper and the evidence contained within the Demographic Forecasts undertaken by Edge Analytics (2018 and 2019) sets out the informing considerations and the justification for the population and household projections for the County.

In assessing and identifying the housing requirement for the Plan and in accordance with PPW 10 Para 4.2.6 the WG local authority level projections were utilised as a starting point. Edge Analytics sought to review and assess the appropriateness of the latest WG population and household projections for Carmarthenshire and sought to also provide an alternative suite of demographic and trend evidence to consider.

The Council considers that an appropriate and deliverable housing requirement within the deposit Revised LDP factors in the ability to meet the strategic objectives and policies of the Council, retains the young within the county, delivers for the needs of all our communities both urban and rural, and provides the opportunity for job creation, amongst others.

Policy SP1 identifies that in meeting the overall requirement of 8,835 dwellings during the plan period, the housing supply is set at 10,160 dwellings (15% general flexibility above the requirement). Some 6,986 residential units will be provided through allocations and those sites considered to be existing commitments. The remainder of the housing requirement will be met through allowances for large and small windfall sites recognising their contribution to housing delivery across the plan area.

Consideration will be given as appropriate to the need to amend or update relevant background /topic papers or evidence prior to submission.

Action

3252 Matthew Utting [2833]

Summary: Support

General Representations to Section 8, Paragraph No.8.8

Section 8 of the LDP considers a number of alternative Strategic Growth and Spatial Options to support the delivery of housing and employment growth in the County.

So far as Strategic Growth Options are concerned, paragraphs 8.6 to 8.8 of the LDP confirm preferred 'PG 10yr Scenario', which is forecast to deliver 8,835 new dwellings (589 new dwellings per annum) and the creation of 5,295 additional jobs (354 additional jobs per annum) over the LDP period 2018-2033. Regarding Spatial Options, paragraph 8.20 of the LDP confirms a preferred 'Balanced Community and Sustainable Growth Strategy', whose key components are summarised in paragraph 9.51 of the LDP to include these targets for new dwellings and new jobs, distributed to the most sustainable locations amongst the County's settlements, whilst recognising the need to deliver opportunities in the County's rural

My client supports the LDP's preferred Strategic Growth and Spatial Options — they will deliver new housing in line with requirements and new jobs to match the same; and represent an optimistic, though not unrealistic set of assumptions and aspirations, geared towards encouraging housing and economic growth in the County over the LDP period.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed. Further evidential work will be undertaken prior to the examination into the LDP.

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

4192 Tata Steel Europe Limited (___) [5156]

Agent: Turley Associates Ltd (Abi Roberts) [4717]

Summary: Support

Strongly supportive of the overall approach taken by the Council in identifying a preferred option for growth which exceeds that implied by the latest official household projections alone. We also support the Council's acknowledgement of the importance, when identifying an appropriate level of growth, of understanding the relationship with the Council's economic objectives and specifically the implied changing demographic profile of its population where a continuation of recent trends are sustained. As a cross reference note - site based representations made by the respondent include the one that can be found under representation number 4191 (policy HOM1).

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Reference should be had to Representation Number 4191.

Action

Paragraph Strategic Growth Options

Representation(s)

3817 Lightwood Planning (Mr Richard Walker) [5065]

Summary: Object

We conclude that the proposed requirement is far too low. At the very least it should be 10,065 homes (baseline), With a 15% uplift for flexibility generating a supply figure of 11,575 homes. This generates a need for another 1,415 homes.

We would also say that we are not convinced that a baseline requirement of 14,090 homes and 632 jobs per annum is 'undeliverable' in terms of housing or employment growth. It is not unsustainable socio-economically.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The Population and Household Projection Topic Paper and the evidence contained within the Demographic Forecasts undertaken by Edge Analytics (2018 and 2019) sets out the informing considerations and the justification for the population and household projections for the County.

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Consideration will be given as appropriate to the need to amend or update relevant background /topic papers or evidence prior to submission.

Action

3470 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

We note that the Council propose to use the Population Growth Long Term scenario which sets a housing supply of 10,160 units over the LDP Period.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 8.1

Representation(s)

3296 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Support

BDW Homes agrees with the Council that the 2014-based projections would deliver a negative job creation value and therefore would, in effect, comprise 'planning for decline'. Carmarthenshire County Council is therefore correct in its approach by utilising the 2014-based Household Projections simply as a starting point. BDW Homes supports the Council's conclusions that reliance upon the 2014-based projections in isolation is not appropriate given its aspirations for economic growth and other evidence must be taken into account.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed.

Action

Paragraph Para 8.7

Representation(s)

3297 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

BDW Homes is broadly supportive of the Council's Preferred Strategic Growth Option, on the basis that it seeks an ambitious but achievable level of growth to support the aspirations of the Strategic Regeneration Plan for Carmarthenshire. However, BDW feels that a higher level of growth should now be sought on the basis of the National Development Framework's aspirations for the South West National Growth Area, with its focus on the Llanelli Area and the secondary town of Carmarthen.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The level of growth set out within the revised LDP is much higher than the level of growth apportioned to the South West area as defined with Future Wales (NDF). This reflects the ambitious growth levels set within the LDP to support regeneration, the economy and the future of our communities.

The revised LDP's proposed growth levels are robustly evidenced.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4583 Ceredigion County Council (Anjuli Davies) [5303]

Summary: Object

Whilst Ceredigion County Council supports the ambitious the level of housing growth proposed, the Council are concerns that it may not be easily absorbed by parts of the County, particularly the settlements along the Teifi Valley

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The strategy of the revised LDP seeks to support the distribution of housing and economic growth which is of a scale and nature appropriate to its cluster. In this respect the revised LDP seeks to ensure that development is appropriate to the settlement and reflective of its ability to accommodate growth and the services and facilities available.

Action

Paragraph Para 8.14

Representation(s)

3155 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Support

Housing development without employment opportunities in the same broad location, and vice versa, is not just 'less sustainable' but is UNsustainable. I am pleased that the LDP recognises the problem of new housing where local employment is not available just increases unsustainable commuting, but think such development should not just be avoided, but disallowed.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The Plan seeks to distribute and deliver growth in a sustainable manner.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Preferred Option - Balanced Community and Sustainable Growth Strategy

Representation(s)

3298 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

BDW Homes is broadly supportive of the 'Balanced Community and Sustainable Growth Strategy' and note that the strategy considers the role and function of settlements in seeking to assign growth. This should ensure that new housing is directed to those areas that are likely to attract higher levels of employment generation. In this regard, it is considered that more growth could be accommodated within the Llanelli and South Gwendraeth Area.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The strategy of the revised LDP seeks to support the distribution of growth which is of a scale and nature appropriate to its cluster. In this respect the revised LDP seeks to ensure that development is appropriate to the settlement and reflective of its ability to accommodate growth and the services and facilities available.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 8.20

Representation(s)

3935 Pegasus Group (Daniel Millward) [5095]

Summary: Object

Objection to Paragraph 8.20, which sets out the preferred Spatial Option.

Whilst we are broadly supportive of the preferred Spatial Option, we feel that it needs to be more explicit in stating that the strategy needs to align with the ambitious economic aspirations of the plan.

At present, we do not feel that this is reflected in the proposed Spatial Option and, therefore, it has not been fully justified in the context of the Council's economic growth ambitions.

This does not require wholesale changes to the proposed Spatial Option as this could still be community led and the delivery of sustainable development should be at the heart of all Plan strategies. However, we would wish to see it reflect the Council's ambitious economic growth aspirations and acknowledge that this will influence the spatial distribution of development.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The strategy of the revised LDP seeks to support the distribution of housing and economic growth which is of a scale and nature appropriate to its cluster. In this respect the revised LDP seeks to ensure that development is appropriate to the settlement and reflective of its ability to accommodate growth and the services and facilities available.

Action

No change to the Plan.

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Representation(s)

3471 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

Whilst we are supportive of the hybrid option and are pleased to note that it acknowledges the need to be supported by a range of appropriate infrastructure, there will inevitably be certain areas - particularly in the more rural locations of the County - where water or sewerage infrastructure is limited in its availability.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Action

9. A New Strategy

Paragraph 9. A New Strategy

Representation(s)

4026 Dyfodol (J W Thomas) [563]

Summary: Object

Rydym yn credu y dylai strategaeth y CDLI ganiatáu ar gyfer adeiladu llai o anheddau. Mae gennym bryderon y bydd y ddarpariaeth o ran tai yn fwy na'r galw ar gyfer y boblogaeth leol ac y byddant yn cael eu defnyddio gan bobl sy'n symud i'r sir, a gallai hynny gael effaith negyddol ar y Gymraeg yn Sir Gaerfyrddin. Rydym yn credu y byddai darparu 5,000 o dai newydd yn darged mwy realistig.

We consider that the LDP's strategy should allow for less dwellings to be built. We have concerns that the housing provision will exceed demand from the local population and be occupied by people moving into the County which could have a negative impact upon the Welsh language in Carmarthenshire. We believe that the provision of 5,000 new homes would be a more appropriate target.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwadau.

Cafodd Strategaeth y Cynllun a'i ddull cynaliadwy o ddarparu tai newydd ei seilio ar egwyddorion datblygu cynaliadwy ac yn unol â darpariaethau'r polisi cynllunio cenedlaethol. Mae'r ffigur gofyniad tai ar gyfer y Sir yn seiliedig ar amcanestyniad 10 mlynedd o Dwf y Boblogaeth y mae tystiolaeth gadarn ohono - fodd bynnag, adolygir hyn cyn Archwilio'r Cynllun.

Mae'r safleoedd hynny a ddyrannwyd yn y CDLI at ddibenion preswyl wedi cael eu hystyried yn llawn trwy'r fethodoleg asesu safleoedd. Fel rhan o'r broses asesu hon, paratowyd ffurflen safle.

O ran dosbarthiad gofodol, mae'r Cynllun yn destun Arfarniad Cynaliadwyedd/Asesiad Amgylcheddol Strategol, a hefyd yn cael ei gefnogi gan Asesiad o'r Effaith ar y Gymraeg (Rhagfyr 2019).

Comments noted.

The Plan's Strategy and its sustainable approach to the provision of new homes has been formulated on the basis of sustainable development principles and in accordance with the provisions of national planning policy. The housing requirement figure for the County is based on the Population Growth (PG) - 10yr projection scenario which is robustly evidenced - however this will be reviewed ahead of the Examination of the Plan.

Those sites allocated within the LDP for residential purposes have been subject to full consideration in accordance with the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a site pro forma has been prepared.

In terms of spatial distribution, the Plan is subject to Sustainability Appraisal / Strategic Environmental Assessment, whilst it is also supported by a Welsh Language Impact Assessment (December 2019).

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

4598 Rhanbarth Sir Gâr Cymdeithas yr Iaith (Rhanbarth Sir Gâr) [2370]

Summary: Object

Cydnabyddwn fod amcanion y Cynllun Datblygu Lleol Diwygiedig yn uchelgeisiol a bod dyhead y Cyngor Sir i hwyluso creu swyddi o ansawdd uchel yn un clodwiw. Wedi dweud hynny a wedi dadansoddi'r dogfennau perthnasol yn fanwl, rydym yn gorfod mynegi pryderon difrifol am effaith y cynllun ar y Gymraeg a rhai o gymunedau ac ardaloedd Cymreiciaf Sir Gâr. Credwn nad yw elfennau allweddol o'r cynllun diwygiedig yn seiliedig ar dystiolaeth gadarn, a bod tipyn o waith i'w wneud i sicrhau dyfodol hyfyw i'r Gymraeg cyn i'r Cyngor gyflwyno'r Cynllun Adneuo i'r Llywodraeth. Nid oes unrhyw ddadansoddiad o sut y gall creu nifer sylweddol o swyddi mewn un gornel o'r sir gyflawni'r nod atal yr allfudiad difrifol o bobl ifainc o'n cymunedau ledled y sir. Camgymeriad sylfaenol yw fod y Cynllun yn trin adfywiad economiadd ac adfywiad iaith a chymunedol fel dau beth ar wahân yn lle ystyriaeth fanwl o ba fath ar ddatblygu economaidd a fydd o fudd pennaf i'r iaith ac i'n cymunedau.

We recognise that the objectives of the Revised Local Development Plan are ambitious and that the County Council's aspiration to facilitate the creation of high quality jobs is commendable. Having said that and having analysed the relevant documents in detail, we have to express serious concerns about the impact of the scheme on the Welsh language and some of the most Welsh communities and areas of Carmarthenshire. We believe that key elements of the revised scheme are not based on sound evidence, and that there is some work to be done to ensure a viable future for the Welsh language before the Council submits the Deposit Plan to the Government. There is no analysis regarding how creating a significant number of jobs in one corner of the county can achieve the aim of preventing the substantial outward migration of young people from our communities across the county. A fundamental mistake is that the Plan treats economic regeneration and language and community regeneration as two separate things instead of detailed consideration of what kind of economic development will be in the best interests of the language and our communities.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwdadau.

Bydd rhagor o dystiolaeth yn cael ei darparu cyn cyflwyno'r Cynllun i'w Archwilio. Mae hyn yn cynnwys adeiladu ar yr Asesiad o'r Effaith ar y Gymraeg (Rhagfyr 2019), ymgymryd â gwaith dadansoddi pellach o ran Rhagamcanion poblogaeth ac Aelwydydd / data mudo a hefyd diweddaru yr Astudiaeth Economaidd Dwy Sir ar gyfer Sir Gaerfyrddin a Sir Benfro (Hydref 2019). Bydd y diweddariad yma i'r Astudiaeth Economaidd yn rhoi ystyriaeth bellach i gysylltiadau rhwng y Gymraeg a'r economi yn y ddwy Sir.

Comments noted.

Further evidence will be produced ahead of the submission of the Plan for Examination. This includes building upon the Welsh Language Impact Assessment (December 2019), undertaking further analysis work in terms of population and household projections/ migration data and also updating the Two County Economic Study for Carmarthenshire and Pembrokeshire (October 2019). This update to the Economic Study will further consider the links between the Welsh language and the economy in the two Counties.



Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

4601 Rhanbarth Sir Gâr Cymdeithas yr Iaith (Rhanbarth Sir Gâr) [2370]

Summary: Object

Mae Cymdeithas yr laith yn rhannu'r farn gyffredin i'r Cynllun Datblygu Lleol presennol fod yn fethiant, ac roeddem yn gobeithio y byddai'r Cyngor yn achub ar y cyfle i lunio cynllun diwygiedig a fyddai'n newid cyfeiriad trwy flaenoriaethu lles cymunedau ledled y Sir a rhoi lle canolog i'r Gymraeg. Siomedig felly yw gweld strategaeth gorfforaethol sydd yn canolbwyntio ar gyflawni ychydig o ddatblygiadau anferth yn ne a dwyrain y Sir yn hytrach na rhaglen arloesol o hyrwyddo datblygiadau a chyfleoedd cyflogaeth ar raddfa llai ledled Sir Gaerfyrddin. Teimlwn yn gryf fod diffyg tystiolaeth o ran y dyraniadau tai a safleoedd cyflogaeth. Nid yw gobaith ac uchelgais yr un peth â thystiolaeth. Croesawn rai o'r camau y mae'r Cyngor am eu gwneud i liniaru ac asesu effaith datblygiadau ar yr iaith, ond fel y nodwyd yn ein hymateb, mae cryn dipyn o waith i'w wneud o hyd, a'r pryder yw y caiff buddiannau cymunedau Cymraeg eu gosod yn ail i amcanion strategaeth adfywio'r Cyngor Sir, strategaeth sydd yn ei hanfod yn edrych yn hen ffasiwn erbyn hyn. Trist yw dweud bod y Cyngor wedi colli cyfle i newid cyfeiriad. Nodir fod Cymdeithas yn dyfynu nifer o sywladau o Llywodraeth Cymru ac un ymateb o'r Cyngor Sir i'r 'Ymgynghoriad Cychwynnol' (Nodyn - mae hwn yn debygol o fod yn gyfeiriad at yr ymgynghoriad ar y Strategaeth a Ffefrir).

Cymdeithas yr laith shares the common view that the current Local Development Plan has been a failure, and we hoped that the Council would take the opportunity to draw up a revised plan that would change direction by prioritising the well-being of communities throughout the County and putting the Welsh language at its heart. It is therefore disappointing to see a corporate strategy which focuses on delivering a few huge developments in the south and east of the County rather than an innovative programme of promoting smaller-scale employment developments and opportunities across Carmarthenshire. We feel strongly that there is a lack of evidence in terms of housing allocations and employment sites. Hope and ambition are not the same as evidence. We welcome some of the steps that the Council wants to take to mitigate and assess the impact of developments on the language, but as noted in our response, there is still a great deal of work to be done, and the concern is that the interests of Welsh-speaking communities will become second place to the objectives of the County Council's regeneration strategy, a strategy that is essentially now looking outdated. It is sad to say that the Council has missed an opportunity to change direction. Noted that Cymdeithas quote a number of comments by the Welsh Government and one response from the County Council to the 'initial consultation' (Note this is likely to be referring to the consultation on the Preferred Strategy).

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwadau.

Mae strategaeth y Cynllun yn ceisio sicrhau twf cytbwys sy'n canolbwyntio ar ddiwallu anghenion ein cymunedau ac yn cyflawni amcanion strategol ac adfywio'r Cyngor a'r rhanbarth. Adfywio yw prif amcan y Cyngor, fel rhan o'i bolisi corfforaethol, ac er mwyn i'r CDLI Diwygiedig gael ei gyflawni, mae'n rhaid iddo ddarparu mynegiant defnydd tir o'r cyfeiriad teithio corfforaethol hwn. Adlewyrchir hyn drwy: Bargen Ddinesig Bae Abertawe, Trawsnewidiadau - Cynllun Adfywio ar gyfer Sir Gaerfyrddin - Symud Ymlaen yn Sir Gaerfyrddin: Strategaeth Gorfforaethol Newydd y Cyngor 2018 - 2033 a Symud Sir Gâr Wledig Ymlaen 2019. Mae'r dull hwn hefyd yn cydymffurfio â phrawf allweddol cadernid (Prawf 1: A yw'r Cynllun yn Cydweddu?)

Mae'r Cynllun yn ceisio darparu cyfleoedd yn cynnwys darparu ar gyfer tai newydd, gan gynnwys tai fforddiadwy a swyddi, yn ogystal â llywio buddsoddiad newydd a blaenoriaethau o ran seilwaith, gan barchu ffabrig cymdeithasol y Sir ar yr un pryd, gan gynnwys y Gymraeg, diwylliant Cymreig a'i naws am le.

Comments noted.

The Plan's strategy seeks to provide balanced growth centred on the delivery of our communities' needs and the delivery of the region and the Council's strategic and regeneration objectives. The Council, as part of its corporate policy, places regeneration as its number one objective and for the Revised LDP to be deliverable it must provide a land use expression of this corporate direction of travel. This is reflected through: The Swansea Bay City Deal, Transformations - Carmarthenshire Regeneration Plan - Moving Forward in Carmarthenshire: The Council's New Corporate Strategy 2018 - 2033 and Moving Rural Carmarthenshire Forward 2019. This approach also conforms to a key test of soundness (Test 1: Does the Plan Fit?)

The Plan seeks to provide opportunities include the provision for new homes including affordable homes and jobs, as well as steering new investment and infrastructural priorities, whilst also respecting the County's social fabric, including the Welsh language, culture and its sense of place.

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Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

2 Rhanbarth Sir Gâr Cymdeithas yr Iaith (Rhanbarth Sir Gâr) [2370]

Summary: Object

O rhan tystiolaeth economiadd, yn amlwg, fe fu newid anferth yn rhagolygon economaidd Cymru a Phrydain ers inni ymateb i'r ymgynghoriad cychwynnol. Tynnodd ein hymateb cyntaf sylw at strategaeth adfywio'r Cyngor Sir oedd am greu rhyw 5,200 o swyddi newydd ar sail cynnydd o 8.1% yn y boblogaeth dros gyfnod y Cynllun diwygiedig. Nododd Cymdeithas yr laith a chyrff eraill, gan gynnwys Llywodraeth Cymru, fod yna ddiffyg tystiolaeth i gyfiawnhau'r amcanion hyn. Er enghraifft, nid oedd sôn am effaith Brexit ar yr economi. Yn y cyfamser, mae'r sefyllfa wedi gwaethygu'n sylweddol. Crebachodd economi Prydain o 2.2.% yn chwarter cyntaf 2020, ac fe grebachodd 20.4% ymhellach yn yr ail chwarter. Yn ôl y Llywodraeth yn San Steffan bydd yr economi 10.1% yn llai erbyn diwedd y flwyddyn, ac er y disgwylir twf cymhedrol yn 2021, yn ôl y Trysorlys, ni fydd yr economi wedi adennill y cwymp hwn erbyn diwedd y flwyddyn nesaf. Ar ben hynny, mae Llywodraeth y DU yn disgwyl gostyngiad o 7.6% ym maint yr economi dros gyfnod o 15 mlynedd o ganlyniad i adael yr Undeb Ewropeaidd, os na fydd cytundeb, a gostyngiad o 4.9% dros yr un cyfnod os bydd cytundeb masnach rhydd rhwng y DU a'r UE. Yn wyneb y datblygiadau hyn, mae'n anodd peidio â dod i'r casgliad bod sail y Cynllun yn edrych yn fwy afrealistig byth. O ganlyniad, mae Cymdeithas yr laith yn galw ar y Cyngor i ailystyried ei strategaeth.

In terms of economic evidence, alearly, there has been a huge change in the economic forecasts for Wales and Britain since we responded to the initial consultation in February. Our first response highlighted the County Council's regeneration strategy which wished to create some 5,200 new jobs based on an 8.1% increase in population over the period of the revised Scheme, Cymdeithas yr laith and other organizations, including the Welsh Government, noted that there was a lack of evidence to justify these objectives. For example, there was no mention of the impact of Brexit on the economy. In the meantime, the situation has deteriorated considerably. Britain's economy shrank by 2.2.% in the first quarter of 2020, and it shrank by a further 20.4% in the second quarter. According to the Government in Westminster, the economy will have shrunk by 10.1% by the end of the year, and although moderate growth is expected in 2021, according to the Treasury, the economy will not have recovered from this by the end of next year. Furthermore, the UK Government expects a 7.6% reduction in the size of the economy over a 15-year period as a result of leaving the European Union, if there is no deal, and a 4.9% reduction over the same period if there is a free trade deal between the UK and the EU. In light of these developments, it is difficult not to conclude that the basis of the Plan looks even more unrealistic. As a result, Cymdeithas yr laith is calling on the Council to reconsider its strategy.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwadau.

Bydd rhagor o dystiolaeth yn cael ei darparu cyn cyflwyno'r Cynllun i'w Archwilio. Mae hyn yn cynnwys diweddaru yr Astudiaeth Economaidd Dwy Sir ar gyfer Sir Gaerfyrddin a Sir Benfro (Hydref 2019). Bydd y diweddariad yma i'r Astudiaeth Economaidd yn rhoi ystyriaeth bellach i gysylltiadau rhwng y Gymraeg a'r economi yn y ddwy Sir.

Comments noted.

Further evidence will be produced ahead of the submission of the Plan for Examination. This includes updating the Two County Economic Study for Carmarthenshire and Pembrokeshire (October 2019). This update to the Economic Study will further consider the links between the Welsh language and the economy in the two Counties.

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

4468 Calon Cymru Network CIC (Dr Pat Racher) [5222]

Summary: Object

Whilst the preferred option has the benefits of being 'community led' and of removing 'the prescriptive approach in assigning character areas within the county', Calon Cymru is sceptical, though, about the concept of 'sustainable growth'. Calon Cymru argues that sustainability requires 'no-growth development', a fundamental change away from simply 'greening' while still maximising production and consumption, towards 'non-material growth' that includes increased well-being, better quality of our environment, more jobs, and building resilient communities.

We welcome the sharper focus on rural areas in the preferred option, however, we feel that the plan relies overmuch on the expectation that change will be slow and steady enough for the future to be similar to the past. There is a probability that shocks to social, economic and environmental systems will be severe and unexpected. Carmarthenshire, and Wales, will require a higher level of self-sufficiency in basic foodstuffs, and those foods will need to come from the currently under-used countryside through horticulture. More horticulture calls for more people living in the countryside. Calon Cymru believes the planning framework should anticipate this necessary rural population increase.

Council's Initial Response

The Plan is prepared within the context of National Planning Policy and legislation and whilst we note the reference to the planning framework should anticipate this necessary rural population increase this does not accord with the provisions of national policy. The Plan seeks to provide for all the County's communities in a responsible and balanced manner. In so doing it recognises and responds to the needs of communities in a manner which is reflective of evidence and in accordance with other plans, strategies and policies.

The preparation of the Plan is informed by the Sustainability Appraisal (including the Strategic Environmental Assessment) as well as the Habitat Regulations Assessment.

Action

3868 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - Delivery and Implementation

The delivery of the strategy is reliant on the Authority allocating sites that are viable and deliverable in accordance with the spatial strategy and settlement hierarchy. The DPM sets out the key issues that must be addressed in Chapter 5 and the Council should ensure all relevant aspects are covered with particular attention on the de-risking checklist. To demonstrate site delivery and implementation the plan must be underpinned by site specific viability work, a robust housing trajectory and effective use of placemaking on key sites.

Council's Initial Response

The Council is currently undertaking further evidential work on key sites which includes the undertaking of Statements of Common Ground to establish the certainty of these sites being delivered during the plan period. The SoCG will consider matters on viability and the housing trajectory timescales.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3936 Pegasus Group (Daniel Millward) [5095]

Summary: Object

Objection to Chapter 9 - A New Strategy.

The perceived reduced importance of delivering the Council's ambitious economic growth targets within the Preferred Spatial Option has manifested in what we consider to be an ineffective Plan Strategy.

This is because the Deposit Plan seeks to take a balanced approach to the distribution of housing supply (paragraph 9.4), despite the fact that it will be reliant on only a few key centres to deliver the vast majority of the economic growth it aspires to (namely, Llanelli, Ammanford/Cross Hands and Carmarthen).

The Plan Strategy needs to be more realistic in acknowledging that it cannot rely on lower order settlements and rural areas to deliver the economic growth it aspires to and that the Tier 1 settlements will likely need to play a greater role than is currently identified.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The Plan's strategy seeks to deliver balanced growth which reflects the diverse nature of Carmarthenshire's communities in this respect. The scale of housing and economic growth potential is focused on the higher tiered settlements.

Action

3551 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

We support the intent of the plan's policies and proposals to enable the delivery of sustainable development and ensure social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being goals are all suitably balanced in the decision-making process, so the right development occurs in the right place.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4200 Tata Steel Europe Limited (_ _ _) [5156]

Agent: Turley Associates Ltd (Abi Roberts) [4717]

Summary: Support

Support in terms of the recognition that Llanelli should be a focus for development in view of the sustainability and viability credentials of the area. It is considered vital to ensure that sufficient growth is directed to Llanelli in particular, in order to ensure economic growth in the area. As a cross reference note - site based representations made by the respondent include the one that can be found under representation number 4191 (policy HOM1).

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted/ support welcomed

Action

Paragraph Para 9.3

Representation(s)

4273 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary: Object

The distribution of development across Cluster 2 is unsuitable and the sustainable and desirable settlement of Llangennech has been overlooked as a settlement to accommodate a fair and reasonable amount of residential development. Llangennech benefits from numerous facilities and services including School and GP Surgery and is well served by public transport in the form of a railway station and bus stops. It also benefits from an established employment area providing valuable job opportunities. No evidence has been put forward to explain why Llangennech has been apportioned the least amount of growth amongst the cluster 2 Service Settlements. There is no logic or consistency to this disproportionate approach given that Llangennech is a highly sustainable settlement with ample services and facilities. We note that Burry Port (another Service Centre) has been allocated 501 dwellings, nearly five times the amount of Llangennech whilst Trimsaran/Carway (also a Service Centre) has been allocated 283 dwellings. We consider that the distribution of development within Cluster 2 should be more balanced and proportionate. Also, Llangennech is within easy reach of junction 48 of the M4 meaning that development in Llangennech is unlikely to have as much impact on the A4138 as development in Llanelli and all the other Cluster 2 settlements with the exception of Hendy/Fforest. This is because traffic coming off the M4 to Llanelli, Burry Port, Kidwelly, Pembrey and Trimsaran/Carway will all need to travel on the A4138 and through Llanelli. Allocating significant development in the Service Centres beyond Llanelli is likely to lead to traffic implications as the infrastructure serving these centres all run through the town of Llanelli. Locating additional residential allocations in Llangennech as opposed to the settlements west of Llanelli will assist in delivering the housing requirement, in line with the settlement hierarchy, in a more proportionate manner which will, as a result assist in reducing the amount of traffic running through Llanelli. Particular reference is made to representations 4222 (comment on policy sp16) and 4227 (comment on policy sp16) where such matters are discussed further. Reference is also made to the promotion of the client's site under rep 4243 and the reference to with a view to ensuring that Llangennech remains a vibrant and viable settlement, additional housing in this area in the short term will assist in supporting the primary school. There is a risk that in delaying the vast majority of development until 2025-2030 that the settlement and its services and facilities will become stagnant. A critical mass is required in the short term to ensure the vibrancy of the town's facilities and services.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The Council considers that the level of growth earmarked for Llangennech in the Plan is appropriate and deliverable given its supportive role for Llanelli within the wider cluster 2. It is important to note that Llangennech has a role to play as part of the wider cluster 2 and not in isolation and as such the overall growth figure in cluster 2 retains a strong developmental focus within the Plan.

A notable consideration in the distribution of development is the importance of the Plan reflecting its evidence base in regards the Role and Function of its settlements. Reference should be made to the Role and Function Topic Paper (January 2020) which is a key piece of evidence in this regard.

Llangennech's development potential will be realised within the revised LDP, particularly noting the investment by Dwr Cymru Welsh Water in the WwTW. The Council recognises that Focused Changes are proposed in Llangennech - notably to sites Sec7/h4 and Sec7/h5, but it is considered that the role and function of the settlement is unaffected.

The sustainability and developmental attributes of Llangennech are noted. In this regard reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference numbers 4222 and 4227 where the Council responds to such matters in detail. These responses can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under policy SP16.

Reference is also made to the Council's response to representation reference number 4240 which can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under policy SP3.

As a cross reference note, the Council's response to the promotion of the client's site under representation reference number 4243 can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under policy HOM1.

Action

Representation(s)

3299 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Support

BDW supports the strategy of building in flexibility to ensure the delivery of sustainable growth and to overcome any potential unforeseen deliverability issues, in line with national guidance. However, the Council should ensure that sites are viable and deliverable before they are taken forward as firm allocations in the LDP. There are concerns about several sites and their ability to contribute to delivering the housing growth projected over the Plan period. Paragraph 4.2.10 of PPW (Edition 10) states that "The supply of land to meet the housing requirement proposed in a development plan must be deliverable".

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The allocation of sites within the LDP for residential purposes have been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro formas have been prepared. Where necessary, further evidential work will be undertaken prior to the examination of the Plan.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 9.17

Representation(s)

4584 Ceredigion County Council (Anjuli Davies) [5303]

Summary: Object

Additional wording to explain or summarise what conclusions the Rural Housing Needs Assessment drew, and how these informed the plan would be welcomed here.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The rural housing needs survey forms part of the evidence base. It is not considered necessary to further supplement the Plans content with additional commentary on the evidence base.

Action

Representation(s)

3558 Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Summary: Support

Support for Paragraph 9.20 - that there is a clear recognition that a strong rural economy is essential to support sustainable and vibrant rural communities.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 9.29

Representation(s)

3519 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

It is unclear how the full extent of the provisions of the Well being of Future Future Generations Act (2015) are to be integrated in to the landuse planning system.

I would therefore suggest that this section of para 9.29:

"..will seek to enhance the economic, social and environmental well-being of communities. It will also as part of this agenda play its part in tackling the causes and effects of climate change reflecting the contribution of the planning system as a whole." be amended to:

'will seek to play its part in tackling the causes and effects of climate change reflecting the contribution of the planning system as a whole whilst enhancing the well being of communities by seeking a balance between the full range of sustainable development principles, as set out in para 9.31 below.'

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The SA/SEA has facilitated a rigorous examination of the sustainability issues, challenges and opportunities facing Carmarthenshire. In doing so it is interwoven into the preparation of this LDP and was central to the development of the Issues and objectives.

The SA/SEA ensures that the principles of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 are at the heart of the planning process.

The proposed wording change does not create a manifest change to the intent of the Authority in this respect.

Action

Representation(s)

4469 Calon Cymru Network CIC (Dr Pat Racher) [5222]

Summary: Object

Agriculture is absent from measures to promote the principles of sustainability (section 9.31). The measures in 9.31 are all laudable, covering biodiversity, water, waste, energy, transport, language and culture, but there is no specific mention of food production. Instead, economic activities are aggregated together into the ambition to support 'the development of a resilient economy and facilitating appropriate future growth'. We would question the concept of 'future growth' and replace it with the steady state 'non-material growth' approach.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The Plan intends to meet the growth requirements of the population from a land use perspective rather than promote non-sustainable material growth. The Plan acknowledges the importance of farming in rural areas and the potential to drive economies, provide jobs and drive growth in renewable energy and sustainable tourism. Reference is made to TAN 6: Planning for Sustainable Rural Communities, which states the Government objective is 'a sustainable and profitable future for farming families and businesses through the production and processing of farm products while safeguarding the environment, animal health and welfare, adapting to climate change and mitigating its impacts, while contributing to the vitality and prosperity of our rural economies'

The Plan has been produced with regard to the Welsh Government policy 'Prosperity for All: Economic action plan' which sets out a pathway for sustainable economic growth.

Action

No change to the Plan.

3156 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Support

These are all laudable aims with which I would agree. However, with respect to the first bullet "Protecting and enhancing biodiversity, townscapes and landscapes", this is not consistent with the statement in para. 9.19 which talks about absorbtion and mitigation, rather than protecting and enhancing. It is increasingly recognised that biodiversity needs to be protected, and that it is rarely possible to mitigate losses resulting from inappropriate development. It would be more consistent to modify the statement in para. 9.19 to be consistent with protection and enhancement, which is a theme supported in other areas of the

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Amendment to paragraph 9.19 to be consistent with para 9.31 and to reflect the differential between the impacts on local infrastructure and the viability of the Welsh language from the protection of the natural environment.

Action

Change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3523 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

Para. 9.34 "The LDP seeks to sustain and enhance existing communities" ADD: 'and their cherished built & natural environment' "whilst also creating new and sustainable developments." Reason: the planning system is the main delivery mechanism in protecting and enhancing existing fabric which is worthy of retention, including heritage assets, and the natural environment.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The wording in this paragraph is considered to be sufficiently robust and in accordance with PPW.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 9.37

Representation(s)

3524 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

Objection to Para. 9.37. The following change is sought:

"Allotments, cemeteries, urban green space," ADD 'including planned open space within existing development', green corridors" Reason, areas of planned open space are particularly targeted for redevelopment, may be privately owned, but still contribute to the streetscene & therefore quality of life.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The proposed wording change does not create a manifest change to the intent of the Authority in this respect.GI 'asset' can be protected and enhanced.

Open space within existing developments that are privately owned and are suitable for redevelopment cannot be protected as a GI assets outside of the GI requirements for new developments.

Action

Representation(s)

3472 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

We welcome the sentiment of paragraph 9.41. Where there is insufficient infrastructure capacity and development wishes to connect in advance of our AMP capital investment, planning obligations or a commercial agreement are the most appropriate way in ensuring delivery of necessary supporting infrastructure.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 9.45

Representation(s)

3473 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

We also welcome the inclusion of paragraph 9.45 - DCWW provde further commentary in respect of policy INF4 and Burry Inlet SPG - refer to rep 3493.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

(For cross reference purposes the Council's response to representation reference number 3493 can be viewed under its responses to representations received on policy INF4).

Action

Representation(s)

4470 Calon Cymru Network CIC (Dr Pat Racher) [5222]

Summary: Object

In 9.51, 'to reflect the needs of rural areas and the rural economy' is a key component, but in the view of Calon Cymru the planning framework should have a more proactive role in fostering ecologically sound agriculture and horticulture, to improve resilience in unstable, difficult times. This includes the services needed to provide, maintain and develop small-scale machinery and new technologies that alleviate the physical demands of traditional horticultural practice.

Calon Cymru welcomes the aim for an integrated transport network, and proposes a presumption in favour of electric vehicle charging points, to form a network to help the rural population switch from petrol and diesel vehicles to electric vehicles.

Council's Initial Response

The revised LDP seeks to protect and enhance the natural environment, and the sustainable management of natural resources. However, in relation to the services needed to provide, maintain and develop small-scale machinery and new technologies that alleviate the physical demands of traditional horticultural practice - this falls outside the remit of the revised LDP.

In relation to the integrated transport network and Electric Vehicle Charging Points, the revised LDP promotes its use through Policy CCH2.

Action

4020 Dyfodol (J W Thomas) [563]

Summary: Support

Mae Dyfodol i'r laith yn croesawu'r cyfeiriadau at ddatblygiad gwledig, graddol a bod nodweddion ieithyddol a diwylliannol penodol y sir yn cael eu cydnabod. Rydym yn ofni y bydd y nodweddion unigryw hyn yn cael eu gwanhau'n ddifrifol os bydd 8,835 o dai yn cael eu hadeiladu rhwng nawr a 2033.

Mae Dyfodol yr laith yn credu bod swyddi a gwell seilwaith yw'r elfennau allweddol o ran cadw pobl ifanc yn y sir. Rydym yn gwybod bod cannoedd yn gadael bob blwyddyn i chwilio am waith yn rhywle arall. Mae cau siopau a ffatrïoedd yn ogystal ag ansicrwydd Brexit yn awgrymu mai datblygiad organig, graddol yw'r dull mwyaf realistig dros y 15 mlynedd nesaf.

Dyfodol i'r laith welcomes the references to gradual, rural development and the recognition of the county's distinct cultural and linguistic characteristic. It is this very distinctiveness which we fear may be seriously weakened if 8,835 houses are built between now and 2033.

Dyfodol i'r laith believes that jobs and a better infrastructure are the key elements to keeping young people in the county. We know that hundreds leave each year to seek work elsewhere. Factory and shop closures as well as Brexit uncertainty, suggest that gradual, organic development is the most realistic approach over the next 15 years.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwadau.

Gellir cyfeirio at ymateb y Cyngor i sylwadau perthnasol eraill yn ymwneud â'r iaith Gymraeg - gan gynnwys cyfeirnodau rhif 4365 a 3849 (ymatebion y Cyngor at sylwadau ar Pennawd / Adran 8 y Cynllun).

Comments noted.

Reference can be made to the Council's response to other relevant representations in regards the Welsh language - including reference numbers 4365 and 3849 (Council's responses to comments on chapter / Section 8 of the Plan).

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

10. The Clusters

Paragraph 10. The Clusters

Representation(s)

4209 Tata Steel Europe Limited () [5156]

Agent: Turley Associates Ltd (Abi Roberts) [4717]

Summary: Object

Policy HOM1 allocates a relatively large number of sites within Llanelli, a number of which are on very small sites (under 10 units). Whilst not expressly seeking the exclusion of such smaller sites from the Plan, it is stated that this focus on smaller sites could impact negatively on delivery, and therefore additional larger sites should be allocated within the cluster in order to ensure a continued supply of new homes thereby supporting the Council's wider economic objectives. As a cross reference note - site based representations made by the respondent include the one that can be found under representation number 4191 (policy HOM1).

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The Council is satisfied that the scale and location of the sites allocated across the cluster is appropriate. In noting the contribution of larger sites, the Council also recognises the importance of providing a range and mix of sites within the cluster. Such an approach will not only ensure a mix and choice of housing types is delivered but will also offer opportunities to a wider range of developers - ranging from national housebuilders to smaller scale companies.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4585 Ceredigion County Council (Anjuli Davies) [5303]

Summary: Object

The Council supports the identification of Newcastle Emlyn and Llanybydder as Service Centres, and Cwmann, Pontyweli and Cenarth as Sustainable Villages. Cluster 4 - Teifi is closest to Ceredigion. There are 3 external links arrows identified at Newcastle Emlyn, Llandysul and Cwmann. External link arrows at all points where the transport network crosses between the two counties would be welcomed including at Llanybydder, Llanfihangel-ar-arth, Henllan and Cenarth.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The identification of arrows on the Key Diagram reflect the importance of cross border connectivity, including key linkages. They are not intended to represent an exhaustive representation of all the transport networks between neighbouring authorities.

Action

4206 Tata Steel Europe Limited (___) [5156]

Agent: Turley Associates Ltd (Abi Roberts) [4717]

Summary: Support

The Spatial Strategy identifies a settlement hierarchy but sets it within a settlement framework grouped under six clusters. The proposed site is located within cluster 2 'Llanelli and the Southern Gwendraeth Area'. The RLDP (at paragraph 10.8) confirms that this cluster retains a strong developmental focus, with its regeneration potential recognised within the Transformations Strategy, City Deal and current Adopted LDP, along with the emerging Draft National Development Framework (October 2019) which identified Llanelli specifically as a 'national growth area'. Llanelli will provide the focus for delivery in this area, which is strongly supported by our client. As a cross reference note - site based representations made by the respondent include the one that can be found under representation number 4191 (policy HOM1).

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted/ support welcomed

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 10.20

Representation(s)

4586 Ceredigion County Council (Anjuli Davies) [5303]

Summary: Object

In addition to Llanysul, Lampeter and Cardigan, reference to the linkages between Adpar and Newcastle Emlyn would be welcomed here.

Council's Initial Response

Agree.

Reference to Adpar to added to paragraph 10.20. Note: Change to form a minor editorial amendment.

Action

Plan to be amended accordingly.

3142 Barton Willmore (Joe Ayoubkhani) [646]

Summary: Support

We support Paragraph 10.20, where it is stated:

"The close cross border relationship of the area to those communities in Ceredigion is noted, as is the role that settlements such as Llandysul, Lampeter and Cardigan play to the communities in this area. This relationship is recognised in various policy documents, and is a key consideration in the distribution and supply of homes within the Deposit LDP."

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 10.22

Representation(s)

4587 Ceredigion County Council (Anjuli Davies) [5303]

Summary: Object

The Council would welcome reference here to the fact that

Newcastle Emlyn and Llanybydder are recognised as Urban and Rural Service Centres in the Ceredigion Local Development Plan 2007-2022.

Council's Initial Response

Agree. Amend paragraph 10.22 to include reference to the status of Newcastle Emlyn and Llanybydder in the Ceredigion Local Development Plan 2007-2022

Action

Plan to be amended accordingly.

11 Policies

Paragraph 11 Policies

Representation(s)

3810 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Seeking a new policy for rural allocations which fall outside the catchment of the public sewerage system we would advise that your Authority consider the allocation in its entirely utilising one private system as proliferation of private plants can cause environmental problems. This is a topic area that needs to be accounted for in the written statement given the dynamics of the county.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. The Council to provide new policy to address content of the representation

Action

Change to the plan (Focused Changes)

Representation(s)

4575 Carmarthenshire County Council (Mr Deryk Cundy) [2579]

Summary: Object

In promoting a site for proposed new open space within the community, a specific site is identified in Bynea (see representation number 4576 - comment on chapter/section 11). In order for such a site to be identified, this would require the insertion of a new policy into the Plan that makes provision for new open space proposals at defined locations and depicted as such on the proposals map.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

It is not considered that there is requirement to introduce such a policy into the Plan. Proposals for open space / recreation developments can be considered on their merits at planning application stage. Reference is made to Policy PSD6 - Community Facilities.

Reference should also be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 4576 as part of its response to comments received on Chapter/Section 11 of the Plan.

Action

576 Carmarthenshire County Council (Mr Deryk Cundy) [2579]

Summary: Object

With due regard to a previous candidate site submission (SR/086/017), the proponent seeks the identification of a new open space proposals and depicted as such on the proposals map. Reference should also be made to representation 4575 under chapter/section 11 of the Plan. The land is in the heart of Bynea and easy to access from the village but also is linked to the footpath network that links many of the new housing estates it is for instance only 1,000 yards from the Genwen Development not a long walk and something that may be able to be supported by some of the open space S106 monies attached to that project. This is part of a larger overall plan where there are a string of recreational areas and play parks that can be used for the benefit of the residents linking through to our footpaths making them accessible for Actif Travel and safe areas for children to play. Currently there are play parks / open spaces in or near the Bynea Ward as follows: Bryn Play Park, Yspitty Road Play Park, Berwick Road Play Park, Propose Recreational Area in Bynea (Gwndwn Mawr), Proposed Play Park in Penygraig (To Be Refurbished if Confirmed with S106 Officer) and Play Park in Dylan (Llwynhendy (Bynea Ward)). All of these parks can be walked to along safe routes for children and parents throughout the Ward. These are there to supplement the open spaces for the Rugby Club, the Field opposite Bynea school etc for official recreation. I hope this shows the plan behind the rquest which is supported by the local community and has financial support for the future. It is noted that the Bynea District Forum is in support of this proposal. This is an objection to chapter 11 in that the site is not identified as proposed new open space. Site reference is ALT/086/017.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Reference is made to site's previous assessment under the site assessment table under site reference SR/086/017. This representation, whilst on the same site area, seeks a different use in that it is a request for the whole site to be shown on the proposals map as a site for new open space. It therefore requires a further assessment.

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site does not accord with Stage 2a - Initial Detailed Site Assessment (the site cannot accommodate 5 dwellings in that it is not a residential proposal here).

The uses raised by the respondent can be considered against the Plan's policy framework if and when a future proposal comes forward. Furthermore, the land is not being promoted directly for such uses by the County Council's Estates Dept.

Reference is made to the Council's response to representation reference number 4575 as part of its response to comments received on Chapter/Section 11 of the Plan.

The site will not be identified on the proposals map, however any future proposal can be considered on its merits against the Plan's policy framework.

Action

3536 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

New policy requested to provide guidance on the "Provision of New Green Infrastructure within Existing Development", , particularly applicable perhaps, to town centres. This would complement PSD8 the Provision of New Open Space. Subject to existing development having an appropriate remaining design life, the introduction of selected areas of green infrastructure such as living walls, green roofs etc should be considered as a viable, more sustainable, less costly & less depressing alternative to knocking down & redeveloping sections of our town centres every 30 years.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The plan makes a commitment to expand its provision of GI in new and existing spaces. Specific reference is made to SP11, PSD3, PSD2.

Action

3534 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

New policy requested be used to protect rights of way corridors beyond the bare legal requirement.

Planning policy should also be used to protect rights of way corridors beyond the bare legal requirement. This should be refected in a NEW POLICY, as well as being referenced in supporting paragaphs. This is important in built up areas where fencing on both sides of a right of way leads to loss of amenity & encourages anti social behaviour. Loss of amenity is also a factor when rights of way, especially those which form part of the strategic rights of way network are replaced by estate roads in development proposals. In these cases the access corridor and its setting should be safeguarded.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The protection of and provisions relating to the rights of way network are adequately covered through legislation.

The impact of development on a PROW is adequately considered under Policy TRA2 and whilst not seeking to protect PROW actively supports proposals which enhance provision as well as encouraging permeable, legible, direct, convenient, attractive and safe walking routes. In addition, criterion c of Policy PSD1: Sustainable and High Quality Design requires new developments to provide high-quality design solutions which deliver solutions in relation to buildings and spaces and their interrelationships, and delivers an effective, safe and inclusive site layout. Criterion f) vi. Seeks delivery of safe and efficient connections to existing access networks including active travel.

Reference should also be made to the provisions of the Rights of Way Improvement Plan (RoWIP) for Carmarthenshire, and the interrelationship of the Plan area's footpaths, bridleways and bye-ways

Action

3888 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category C - Safeguarding of Employment Sites

The strategic sites identified in Carmarthenshire through the two-county summary report are considered to offer strategic benefits and should be protected. The 6 strategic sites and all other existing employment areas identified on the Proposals Map should be clearly listed in a separate safeguarding policy. The DPM identifies that safeguarded sites should be protected for a range of B-Class uses.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

Whilst provisions of the Development Plan Manual Ed.3 are noted it is considered that the delineation of the sites as 'existing' employment on the proposals map along with the provisions of Policy EME1: Employment - Safeguarding of Employment Sites offer sufficient clarity and appropriate protection for a range of B class uses as required.

It should be noted the reference made by the respondent to 6 strategic sites relates to their inclusion within the part of the LDP evidence base. The Plan itself identifies only two Strategic Sites under policy SP6. The 6 sites referred to by the respondent are allocated within the Plan as either employment or mixed use.

Action

3138 Mr Alan Martin [2386]

Summary: Object

Regarding the draft LDP. I wish to lodge a general objection under e mail as I was informed I could.

I refer to the large scale proposals, particularly around CARMARTHEN, as well as numerous villages, such as HENDY, TYCROES and others, where the proposals involve the loss of grade 1 farming land. I have no objection to brownfield, small infill, or poor quality land.

If we are faced with rising sea levels and we are going to sacrifice land to the sea, then available land for living and growing crops will get less as competition for space increases. Also, these lands provide us with oxygen and the habitats for birds and so forth, that form the ecological and life trail.

We have also declared a climate emergency, where we need trees for oxygen, habitat, etc, while trying to reduce vehicles and emissions.

We should strive to develop brown field, or integrate housing onto industrial estates, where possible.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The Revised LDP and its strategy seeks to support the distribution of growth which is of a scale and nature appropriate to the hierarchy and that settlement. In this respect the LDP seeks to ensure that development is appropriate to the settlement and reflective of its ability to accommodate growth and the services and facilities available.

The Plan has full regard to the implications arising from flood risk. The preparation of the Plan is informed by the Sustainability Appraisal (including the Strategic Environmental Assessment) as well as the Habitat Regulations Assessment.

The Plan reflects the declaration of a Climate Change Emergency both by the Welsh Government and the Council and includes a series of policies and proposals.

Action

3333 Mrs DPA Bonnell [519]

Summary: Object

We have no quarrel with the soundness of the plan as it stands but wish to appeal against its extreme inflexibility in the face of urgent extenuating circumstances. I am the owner and sole manager of Swiss Valley Garden Centre and it is impossible for me to continue trading beyond the next few months. Despite considerable efforts over the last 10 years it has proven impossible to find a buyer to take on the business as a going concern as small garden centres are simply not profitable in the face of the big chains who's define themselves as "Destination Centres" making most of their living from cafes and general shopping. Imminent closure is inevitable - staff down to 1. Building and land falling into despair and becoming an eye-sore. Meetings with the Head of Planning and local Assembly Members and the potential for housing on the site are cited (2-3 units). Please, could we consider cutting through some of this red tape. Objection against Chapter 11 in that it is interpreted that the respondent seeks the inclusion of a new policy to allow for redevelopment in such instances.

Council's Initial Response

Reference is made to the previous assessment of a candidate site seeking residential / inclusion within the development limits (SR/086/026). The candidate site was dismissed at Stage 1 of the Site Assessment as it is not compatible against the location of future growth presented in the Preferred Strategy (refer to Sites Assessment Table). It is stated within the Assessment that the site does not comply with the provisions of the Preferred Strategy as it is divorced from the settlement and would result in development in the open countryside.

It is interpreted from this deposit Plan representation that the respondent is seeking the inclusion of a new policy in the Plan that would allow for the consideration of cases such as that outlined in the summary above on a case by case basis. This is not the same as making a site based representation, or specifically questioning the outcomes of the candidate site assessment previously undertaken by the Council.

This 'new' representation is not being assessed against the site assessment methodology as it is not site based, albeit it does have a spatial dimension. As such, this representation is asking a different question to the site based representation previously made at candidate site stage.

The Council does not consider that there is a requirement for a new policy in the Plan, however with reference to the respondent's specific situation / concerns - it should be noted that whilst any proposal will be considered against the policies and provision of the relevant Local Development Plan, due regard may be given (where appropriate) by the Local Planning Authority to other material planning considerations (for example national policy).

Action

3135 Mr KP Morse [4853]

Summary: Object

As an ex soldier and civil servant this County Council is deliberately out to destroy the beauty of this County. The Plan should be rejected and not allowed to proceed.

- 1. Increase in traffic
- 2. No Employment
- 3. Tourism will be affected
- 4. Llandovery Borders the Brecon Beacons National Park Ordnance Survey Map will confirm this
- 5. This council's activities to allow such decimation of the area needs by the secretary of state for the environment and communities to be investigated and rejected.
- 6. Sewerage system would be overloaded.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The Plan has been prepared in accordance with national planning policy and full regard has been given to all the matters raised in the objection.

The Plan is supported by evidence in relation to infrastructure. In addition, the allocation of any sites for development has been undertaken in accordance with the site assessment methodology which has regards to highways implications. The status of Llandovery (bordering the Brecon Beacons National Park) is recognised and any developments that may have an impact upon the national park will be considered accordingly. It is also noted that employment provision has been fully considered and a range of employment allocations and policies have been included within the Plan.

Action

4580 Ffynnone Community Resilience (R Gillam) [5302]

Summary: Object

We were set up to build resilience locally, address and prepare for emergencies and challenges including the climate crisis and the exit from fossil fuels. We have members in Carmarthenshire, Pembrokeshire and Ceredigion. The issue on which we have gathered evidence is relevant everywhere. We would like to draw your attention to the need for greater food security locally and ask that furthering local food resilience be central to the new Local Development Plan. Recently Covid-19 exposed the fragility of our current supply chains: these minor glitches in supply are just a glimpse of the effects climate change will very soon have on food on the supermarket shelves. We recently held an online meeting, where over 70 people attended to share their concerns and ideas with regards to increasing our resilience to the coming shocks. We heard that the community is very concerned about the local and national food crisis. Please find attached collated notes on discussions around food at the meeting. We have conducted a survey locally and the results strongly support our case. please see the short summary attached. 62 respondents told us that local residents need access to grow their own food but do not currently have this, that growing your own provides financial security, and mental and social wellbeing. Respondents state the need for community growing land to be near to homes. We would like the County Council to allocate land for the purpose of community growing adjacent to every village in the County. This is a zero cost but effective way of enabling communities to take control of their food security. Allocating land to community growing is in line with the Wellbeing of Future Generations act. It will bring us closer to all 7 goals: global responsibility by reducing imports and packaging, prosperity by retaining more money locally, increasing resilience to supply chain failure, enabling healthy activity outdoors and healthy food, increasing equality for those currently unable to afford to buy healthy food and with no access to land, encouraging a community working with each other towards common goals, reinvigorating our culture and connection with the land which has always sustained us. In taking this step the County Council will be planning long term, supporting other public bodies such as the heath boards, involving and collaborating with the community, and preventing the growing problems of poor physical and mental wellbeing. This is a request for a new policy in the Plan (land for Community Growing).

Council's Initial Response

Agreed in part.

The Plan does not preclude the provision of community growing and the provision of such facilities would be considered against the policies of the Plan. In this respect reference is made to the provisions made for Green infrastructure and Placemaking. Whilst it is not considered necessary to include a specific policy it is noted that the Plan should make more specific reference to community growing.

Reference is had to the Covid-19 Assessment which forms part of the plan documents. The Plan will where appropriate be developed to respond to any emerging evidence/strategies in relation to the impacts arising from Covid and the Welsh Government and the Councils recovery plans.

The Plan includes a range of policies and provisions in relation to contributing and addressing the challenges of climate change from a land use planning perspective. In this respect it has been prepared with regard to the provisions of PPW and other plans and strategies including the climate change emergencies as declared by the WG and the Council.

Action

Amend the Plan to include reference to 'community growing spaces'.

Representation(s)

3541 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

NEW POLICY REQUESTED. With regards to the archaeological resource, the wording of policy SP14 and its supporting text is therefore confused and confusing and there needs to be a separate policy statement relating to archaeology to clarify this & to add detail to the provisions of TAN 24.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

Matters in relation to archaeology are adequately considered through national Planning Policy in the form of PPW and Technical Advice Note 24: The Historic Environment. The Plan does not seek to unnecessarily repeat matters contained within national policy and primary legislation.

Note a Supplementary Planning Guidance will be prepared as appropriate and where required with regard to the Historic and Built Environment.

Action

4370 Cwm Environment Ltd (Sean Gallagher) [5039]

Agent: Asbri Planning Ltd (Mr Keith Warren) [592]

Summary: Object

In objecting to the identification of Nantycaws waste site under Policy SG2 Reserve Sites, the respondent seeks the identification of the site as a waste allocation on the proposals map, including the extension of the site to include additional land (to that already identified in the current LDP).

N.B This will have to be achieved through the inclusion of a new policy in the Revised LDP (refer also to Representation 3996).

Council's Initial Response

The site including the waste management components will form part of a mixed use development aimed at delivering a strategic opportunity for waste management, energy from waste, and related employment based activities. The Council will be working with the respondent and CWM Environmental Ltd specifically, as well as infrastructure providers, to ensure the site's delivery and its timing is robustly evidenced.

Action

Remove Nantycaws waste management site from Policy SG2: Reserve Sites and place into Policy SG1: Regeneration and Mixed Use Sites. Revise the site area on the Proposals Map to reflect the respondent's representation.

Representation(s)

4079 Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council (Rachel Jordan) [5136]

Summary: Support

After reviewing the document and supporting information, Neath Port Talbot Council is generally supportive of Carmarthenshire's Plan and approach taken. We look forward to continuing to work collaboratively with you on cross boundary and regional issues as your plans proceeds and work begins on the Neath Port Talbot Replacement Plan.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

The Council particularly welcomes the emphasis on collaborative working.

Action

3555 Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Support Summary:

Support for the positive wording of the majority of policies:

We welcome the fact that the majority of policies are positively worded, i.e. "development will be permitted where it..."

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3320 Carmarthen Civic Society (Huw Iorwerth) [207]

> Support Summary:

> The Carmarthen Civic Society supports the planning principles set out in the revised plan, especially those relating to the protection and enhancement of the built and historic environment, the protection of open space and the green infrastructure. The Society welcomes the Council's proposal to prepare Special Planning Guidance and Development Briefs throughout the plan period. We consider this to be particularly important in respect of key areas such as the historic core of Carmarthen town, so as to ensure that plan policies are fully understood and are made relevant and specific to such areas. We consider this will be of great assistance to developers in ensuring that planning policies are properly interpreted.

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

National Grid Company plc. (Avison Young) [4746]

Support Summary:

National Grid has no comments to make in response to this consultation.

Council's Initial Response

Noted.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Policy Strategic Policy - SP 1: Strategic Growth

Representation(s)

3634 -- John Roberts Family Trust [5018]

Agent: Barton Willmore (Joe Ayoubkhani) [646]

Summary: Object

The Preferred Strategic Growth Option of providing a housing requirement of 8,835 new homes which results in Policy SP1 identifying a supply of 10,160 new homes is objected to as it would result in the Plan failing the tests of soundness in that it does not fit (by not having regard to national policy and being inconsistent with regional plans) and is not appropriate (by not enabling the delivery of a strategy that is positive and aspirational). By comparison, the growth identified in Policy SP1 would result in a decrease of 6,392 homes when compared with the existing adopted LDP.

3816 Lightwood Planning (Mr Richard Walker) [5065]

Summary: Object

We conclude that the proposed requirement is far too low. At the very least it should be 10,065 homes (baseline), With a 15% uplift for flexibility generating a supply figure of 11,575 homes. This generates a need for another 1,415 homes.

We would also say that we are not convinced that a baseline requirement of 14,090 homes and 632 jobs per annum is 'undeliverable' in terms of housing or employment growth. It is not unsustainable socio-economically.

3618 Union Tavern Estate [3913]

Agent: Barton Willmore (Joe Ayoubkhani) [646]

Summary: Object

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Council's Initial Response

The Population and Household Projection Topic Paper and the evidence contained within the Demographic Forecasts undertaken by Edge Analytics (2018 and 2019) sets out the informing considerations and the justification for the population and household projections for the County.

In assessing and identifying the housing requirement for the Plan and in accordance with PPW 10 Para 4.2.6 the WG local authority level projections were utilised as a starting point. Edge Analytics sought to review and assess the appropriateness of the latest WG population and household projections for Carmarthenshire and sought to also provide an alternative suite of demographic and trend evidence to consider.

The Council considers that an appropriate and deliverable housing requirement within the deposit Revised LDP factors in the ability to meet the strategic objectives and policies of the Council, retains the young within the county, delivers for the needs of all our communities both urban and rural, and provides the opportunity for job creation, amongst others.

Policy SP1 identifies that in meeting the overall requirement of 8,835 dwellings during the plan period, the housing supply is set at 10,160 dwellings (15% general flexibility above the requirement). Some 6,986 residential units will be provided through allocations and those sites considered to be existing commitments. The remainder of the housing requirement will be met through allowances for large and small windfall sites recognising their contribution to housing delivery across the plan area.

Consideration will be given as appropriate to the need to amend or update relevant background /topic papers or evidence prior to submission.

Action

4030 Dyfodol (J W Thomas) [563]

Summary: Object

Mae gan Dyfodol i'r laith amheuon ynghylch nifer y tai a allai gael eu hadeiladu yng nghefnwlad Llanelli/Abertawe. Yn rhy aml anghofir bod gan Gwm Gwendraeth a Dyffryn Aman nifer sylweddol o siaradwyr Cymraeg. Fodd bynnag, rydym yn credu bod amcangyfrif Llywodraeth Cymru yn llawer mwy realistig o ystyried yr hinsawdd economaidd bresennol. Mae angen arnom darged tai realistig. Mae angen swyddi arnom ar gyfer ein pobl ifanc a thai cymdeithasol a fforddiadwy ar gyfer y bobl yn y sir. Dylai mynd i'r afael â'r broblem o ran tai gwag ddarparu llety ar gyfer pobl leol sy'n chwilio am swyddi. Mae cynyddu'n raddol nifer y tai sy'n cael eu hadeiladu hefyd yn ddymunol, a hynny yn ddelfrydol gan gwmnïau lleol. Mae cynnydd mewn pobl ddi-Gymraeg nid yn unig yn gwanhau ein diwylliant unigryw, ond mae hefyd yn ychwanegu at y problemau sydd eisoes yn wynebu ein sector cymdeithasol a gofal iechyd, gan fod nifer o'r mewnfudwyr yn oedrannus.

Dyfodol i'r laith has reservations about the number of houses that may be built in the Llanelli/Swansea hinterland. It is too often forgotten that the Gwendraeth and Aman valleys have significant numbers of Welsh speakers. However, we think that the Welsh Government's estimate is far more realistic given the current economic climate. We need a realistic housing target. We need jobs for our youngsters and both social and affordable homes for the people of the county. Tackling the empty houses problem should provide accommodation for local people seeking employment. A gradual increase in house building, ideally by local firms is also desirable. An influx of non Welsh speakers not only weakens our unique culture, but adds to the stresses already faced by our social and health care sector, as many of the in migrants are elderly.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir v sylwadau.

Cafodd Strategaeth y Cynllun a'i ddull cynaliadwy o ddarparu tai newydd ei seilio ar egwyddorion datblygu cynaliadwy ac yn unol â darpariaethau'r polisi cynllunio cenedlaethol. Mae'r ffigur gofyniad tai ar gyfer y Sir yn seiliedig ar amcanestyniad 10 mlynedd o Dwf y Boblogaeth y mae tystiolaeth gadarn ohono - fodd bynnag, adolygir hyn cyn Archwilio'r Cynllun.

Mae'r safleoedd hynny a ddyrannwyd yn y CDLI at ddibenion preswyl wedi cael eu hystyried yn llawn trwy'r fethodoleg asesu safleoedd. Fel rhan o'r broses asesu hon, paratowyd ffurflen safle.

O ran dosbarthiad gofodol, mae'r Cynllun yn destun Arfarniad Cynaliadwyedd/Asesiad Amgylcheddol Strategol, a hefyd yn cael ei gefnogi gan Asesiad o'r Effaith ar y Gymraeg (Rhagfyr 2019).

Comments noted.

The Plan's Strategy and its sustainable approach to the provision of new homes has been formulated on the basis of sustainable development principles and in accordance with the provisions of national planning policy. The housing requirement figure for the County is based on the Population Growth (PG) - 10yr projection scenario which is robustly evidenced - however this will be reviewed ahead of the Examination of the Plan.

Those sites allocated within the LDP for residential purposes have been subject to full consideration in accordance with the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a site pro forma has been prepared.

In terms of spatial distribution, the Plan is subject to Sustainability Appraisal / Strategic Environmental Assessment, whilst it is also supported by a Welsh Language Impact Assessment (December 2019).

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

4270 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary: Object

We are generally concerned that the LPA has allocated sites without the robust evidence that is required by PPW and the Development Plan Manual to demonstrate that the sites are deliverable from a technical and financial perspective. This includes a number of Council owned sites and the Council should be transparent about the timetable for delivery of its own sites. A series of specific and clear objections to allocated sites have been lodged as representations and 1 to a reserve site. We consider that the Deposit Plan fails Test of Soundness 3 (Will the Plan Deliver). Not delivering enough housing will have huge consequential impacts on the Council's ability to attract new jobs to the area as the LDP aspires to do. Other sites put forward as part of the LDP process have better prospects of being delivered and written evidence has been provided of this. Reference is made to the client's site in this regard - see rep 4243.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The Council is confident in the deliverability of those sites allocated. Their allocation has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process, site pro formas are prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal.

Where relevant, the Council has prepared responses to representations made to the deposit Plan on allocated sites (most notably but not exclusively under the responses to comments received under policy HOM1- Housing Allocations).

Where appropriate however, the Council can respond to deliverability concerns that emerge by way of focused changes.

The Council will ensure that sufficient evidence is provided by landowners/developers to prove that these sites are able to be delivered within the Plan period. Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination in to the revised LDP.

The Council takes a proactive approach to the deliverability of such sites and continues to engage with landowners/proponents -notably within the context of the content of Planning Policy Wales and the LDP Manual (edition 3).

Council owned sites are not treated differently in regards the expectations placed upon them in terms of on delivery.

In regards reserve sites, their need will be closely monitored through take up of allocated sites as part of the monitoring framework of this Plan and reported through the Annual Monitoring Report arrangements.

As a cross reference note, the Council's response to the promotion of the client's site under representation reference number 4243 can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under policy HOM1. Also, the Council's response to the concerns raised in respect of other allocations are responded under the appropriate policy headings - most notably but not exclusively HOM1- Housing allocations.

Action

4487 CIIr Tina Higgins [2920]

Summary: Object

Tycroes Primary School is full to capacity. There is room for a small extension, however any further building would impede on the school play areas. Provision of education to extra children is a real concern.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. As part of the Plan's preparatory process close liaison is undertaken with other infrastructure and service provider to ensure its policies and provisions are both deliverable and/or are able to be accommodated through future investments/improvement programmes, including education.

It should be note the Plan also makes provision for educational improvements as part of the developer contributions secured through Planning Obligations, whereby financial contributions maybe sought where justified.

Action

Barton Willmore (Joe Ayoubkhani) [646]

Summary: Object

SP1 Strategic Growth - Object

In summary, for the reasons outlined, the housing requirement set in SP 1: Strategic Growth and SP 3: Providing New Homes is objected to and a housing requirement in line with the existing adopted LDP should be utilised.

- a) Planning policy dictates that the Welsh Government projections should form only one element of the 'key evidence' in respect of assessing housing requirements, and that there are a number of specific contextual, policy and economic considerations which need to be accounted for in the context of Carmarthenshire;
- b) Stepping down from the current LDP level would represent a serious risk of triggering enhanced issues of affordability, which already comprises a significant pressure to the local population;
- c) Growth at current levels is required to support the construction sector (which is one of the greatest employers in Carmarthenshire); however, the current LDP does not account for the Swansea Bay City Deal. Significant housing growth (over and above current levels targeted) will be required to underpin the circa 10,000 new jobs targeted to be created within the region, a significant number of which will need to be accommodated and housed within Carmarthenshire due to the commitment for investment in the Council area.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The Population and Household Projection Topic Paper and the evidence contained within the Demographic Forecasts undertaken by Edge Analytics (2018 and 2019) sets out the informing considerations and the justification for the population and household projections for the County.

In assessing and identifying the housing requirement for the Plan and in accordance with PPW 10 Para 4.2.6 the WG local authority level projections were utilised as a starting point. Edge Analytics sought to review and assess the appropriateness of the latest WG population and household projections for Carmarthenshire and sought to also provide an alternative suite of demographic and trend evidence to consider.

The Council considers that an appropriate and deliverable housing requirement within the deposit Revised LDP factors in the ability to meet the strategic objectives and policies of the Council, retains the young within the county, delivers for the needs of all our communities both urban and rural, and provides the opportunity for job creation, amongst others. Policy SP1 identifies that in meeting the overall requirement of 8,835 dwellings during the plan period, the housing supply is set at 10,160 dwellings (15% general flexibility above the requirement). Some 6,986 residential units will be provided through allocations and those sites considered to be existing commitments. The remainder of the housing requirement will be met through allowances for large and small windfall sites recognising their contribution to housing delivery across the plan area.

Consideration will be given as appropriate to the need to amend or update relevant background /topic papers or evidence prior to submission.

Action

3937 Pegasus Group (Daniel Millward) [5095]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy SP1 - Strategic Growth.

We are not convinced the distribution of housing has been properly justified in the context of the ambition to deliver higher levels of economic growth. Our principal concern is that the ambitions to deliver economic growth will be jeopardised by the balanced approach to distributing growth across the county.

Policy SP1 needs to clearly justify the overall quantum of development to be delivered at each settlement tier and then explain how it will be distributed to support the economic aspirations of the plan, alongside its sustainability and community aspirations. Its failure to do so at present is a significant deficiency with the plan that needs to be addressed.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The respondent notes the level of evidence available in support of the sustainable distribution of housing and economic growth. The council recognises that further information will be required in order to ensure that some of the matters raised are sufficiently clear. Further background evidence will be provided leading into examination.

It should however be noted that the LDP is prepared within the context of other plans and strategies including those of the authority, whereby the need to reflect and support rural communities is recognised. Consequently, the Plan provides a balanced approach which recognises and has full regard to national policy provisions in relation to the sustainable location of development, whilst also acknowledging and reflecting the needs of rural communities.

Action

4195 Tata Steel Europe Limited (_ _ _) [5156]

Agent: Turley Associates Ltd (Abi Roberts) [4717]

Summary: Object

There is a clear need for the Council to re-visit the selection of its planned level of housing provision and adopt a more positive albeit reasonable position which aligns more closely with its own evidence base and the higher resultant housing requirement it suggests. As a cross reference note - site based representations made by the respondent include the one that can be found under representation number 4191 (policy HOM1).

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The Population and Household Projection Topic Paper and the evidence contained within the Demographic Forecasts undertaken by Edge Analytics (2018 and 2019) sets out the informing considerations and the justification for the population and household projections for the County.

In assessing and identifying the housing requirement for the Plan and in accordance with PPW 10 Para 4.2.6 the WG local authority level projections were utilised as a starting point. Edge Analytics sought to review and assess the appropriateness of the latest WG population and household projections for Carmarthenshire and sought to also provide an alternative suite of demographic and trend evidence to consider.

The Council considers that an appropriate and deliverable housing requirement within the deposit Revised LDP factors in the ability to meet the strategic objectives and policies of the Council, retains the young within the county, delivers for the needs of all our communities both urban and rural, and provides the opportunity for job creation, amongst others.

Policy SP1 identifies that in meeting the overall requirement of 8,835 dwellings during the plan period, the housing supply is set at 10,160 dwellings (15% general flexibility above the requirement). Some 6,986 residential units will be provided through allocations and those sites considered to be existing commitments. The remainder of the housing requirement will be met through allowances for large and small windfall sites recognising their contribution to housing delivery across the plan area.

Consideration will be given as appropriate to the need to amend or update relevant background /topic papers or evidence prior to submission.

Action

4588 Ceredigion County Council (Anjuli Davies) [5303]

Summary: Object

See previous comments relating to Ceredigion Council's concerns regarding the level of growth proposed: Whilst Ceredigion County Council supports the ambitious the level of housing growth proposed, the Council are concerns that it may not be easily absorbed by parts of the County, particularly the settlements along the Teifi Valley.

Council's Initial Response

Comments are noted. The LDP is prepared within the context of other plans and strategies including those of the authority, whereby the need to reflect and support rural communities is recognised. Consequently, the Plan provides a balanced approach which recognises and has full regard to national policy provisions in relation to the sustainable location of development, whilst also acknowledging and reflecting the needs of rural communities.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3580 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

NRW provide an analysis of the allocations and there are no objections, other than 1 site (see rep 3581). NRW have confirmed that this analysis can be logged and responded to within the LDP Infrastructure Assessment with regards to all regeneration and mixed use sites comments they make, other than this 1 specific objection site (see rep 3581)

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The Infrastructure Assessment will be prepared / updated by the Council.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3581 (policy SG1 - site Prc2/mu2).

Action

3253 Matthew Utting [2833]

Summary: Support

Strategic Policy SP1 reflects the LDP's preferred Strategic Growth and Spatial Options, confirming inter alia provision of 10,160 new dwellings to meet a requirement of 8,835 new dwellings over the LDP period, distributed in a sustainable manner consistent with the LDP's Spatial Strategy and Settlement Hierarchy. My client supports Strategic Policy SP1 — it sets the context for delivering new housing in line with requirements; and represents a sustainable and optimistic, though not unrealistic strategy geared towards encouraging and delivering new housing in the County over the LDP period.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed.

Consideration will be given as appropriate to the need to amend or update relevant background /topic papers or evidence prior to submission.

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

4199 Tata Steel Europe Limited (_ _ _) [5156]

Agent: Turley Associates Ltd (Abi Roberts) [4717]

Summary: Support

The RLDP recognises and references the emerging National Development Framework (NDF). This is currently only in draft form, as the Council notes, but there is nonetheless evidence that the Council has had appropriate regard to its emerging content, including specifically the "Outcomes" specified in the draft NDF. The Council's evidence references the Welsh Government estimates, contained in the draft NDF, of a need for some 23,400 homes across the Mid and West Wales region by 2038. It suggests that 'apportioning this regional housing requirement based upon population distribution, would allocate approximately 5,000 of these 23,400 homes to Carmarthenshire'. It is evident that the RLDP proposes a level of housing provision which exceeds this share. This approach is strongly supported where it is recognised that the figures presented in the draft NDF are simply derived from the Welsh Government published "Estimates of housing need in Wales" which, should be viewed as a baseline or starting point indicator of need and not a target or ceiling. As a cross reference note - site based representations made by the respondent include the one that can be found under representation number 4191 (policy HOM1).

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed.

Action

Policy SG1: Regeneration and Mixed Use Sites

Representation(s)

427 Development Services (Mr Huw Woodford-Rott) [772]

Summary: Object

With due regard to a previous candidate site submission (site SR/086/008), the proponent now seeks to clarify the overall site area and proposed uses. For clarity, this is being treated as a new site however many of its facets will have been reviewed previously as part of the Council's assessment candidate site SR/086/008. This is a mixed use proposal consisting of affordable homes, bungalows for older persons, town houses, 2 and 3 bedroom houses, 4 bedroom houses on appropriate plots, new school and road improvements and flood control. Reference is made to up to 250 dwellings and it is stated that value could be released to implement road improvements in the vicinity. Reference is also made to Western Power Distribution investment in the area. Further information is submitted with regards a retirement village as part of the mixed use proposal - information on infrastructure and road improvements again provided. Further thought on designating this area as a Primary Care Centre being the facilities that will be there all within a 2.5 mile radius of the Llanelli wards and Prince Philip Hospital the last area can accommodate 18 Affordable homes 54 Older Person homes and a Community Centre set in the remaining 1.25 acres. All with views across and down the valley. Perhaps this project can over the Plan Period gain the grants. Also, WPD have now agreed to construct a new Elect Sub Station approx 4m from the hedgerow and 17m from the existing Sub Station and will not encroach on any future roadworks. .As many of their U/G cables within Parc Brynmawr are in private land they have decided to lay new cables in the verge and Lon Dderwen and the estate public roads. It has taken two and a half years for them to come to this conclusion and probably the same time to complete the works. Reference should also be made to file SR/086/008 where a host of material was previously submitted. This is an objection to policy SG1 as this site is not allocated for a mix of uses, the site reference is AS/086/088.

Council's Initial Response

Reference can be made to the previous assessment of candidate site SR/086/008 which will be of relevance, however a new assessment is required as this is a new site area proposed in the objection site.

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reasons: development of the site be contrary to general planning principles in that wider changes have been made to the development limits at this location following the removal of current LDP site GA2/h24 as a residential allocation. There are also concerns at a lack of evidence in terms of deliverability / viability, whilst a proposal of this scale would raise concerns in regards a detrimental impact on the character and setting of the settlement or its features.

Also, the nature of the highway infrastructure is a notable developmental consideration in this part of Llanelli. Whilst reference is made by the respondent to highway investment, there is no confirmation of funding or a delivery Plan in place in this regard within the Plan period.

Also, there is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the settlement to accommodate its housing need.

Any proposed school could be a matter for determination against the policy framework of the Plan, as would any affordable housing exception site proposal or indeed any care related facility.

Action

4530 JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Llanelli would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a low carbon integrated development. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a potential Education/research/employment opportunity. Part of the site is subject of a permission for a solar park, which will provide the necessary low carbon energy for this development. In addition, the proposed development at this location:- * would not be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent properties; * would satisfy recognised sustainability objectives; * would not have a detrimental impact on the landscape or nature conservation interests. Furthermore, the site's delivery, if allocated, is assured. The agent confirms by way of follow up that that the land is owed by a Trust whose remit is one of education and research within a commercial setting. Ideally, our client would like it to be allocated for a mixed use, which would include the generation of low carbon energy. A mixed use SG1 allocation would be appropriate if employment would also be included. This is an objection against Policy SG1 in that the site is not allocated under this Policy - site reference is AS/086/090.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site does not accord with Stage 2a of the Site Assessment Methodology due to the flood risk zone as identified in the TAN 15 Development Advice Maps.

The uses highlighted in the representation can be considered against the policy framework of the plan, however allocating the site (either for mixed use or employment) would be contrary to the Site Assessment Methodology - the C1 designation impacts on the site - and as such there would be a soundness issue.

Action

423 Mango Planning & Development Limited (Mr Arfon Hughes) [4877]

Summary: Object

We introduce an opportunity site in Burry Port for complementary town centre uses. The proposed revision to the town centre boundary (see rep 3419 policy SP2) presents the opportunity to bring into the town centre boundary the 0.12 hectare vacant site that sits between the town centre car park and the bridge. This would be suitable for complementary town centre uses.

The primary objective is to seek its inclusion within the centre, in which case any further 'opportunity site' designation would not be necessary. If of course you take the view that the boundary ought not to be extended, then we would want to see an opportunity site designation.

Site reference is AS/016/024.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reason - Viability and deliverability, in that (for a mixed use scheme) sufficient evidence has not been provided to show the development is deliverable and financially viable and sufficient evidence has not been identified to show when the site will be brought forward for development.

The primary consideration is the fact that the site is currently subject to a planning application under reference PL/00330 for a proposed Class A1 foodstore store, improvements to existing site access, car parking, servicing and ancillary works. Therefore its identification as a mixed use site is not warranted or required.

In this regard, it is considered that the most reasonable course of action for this site is to leave it as 'white land' within the development limits, thus allowing flexibility moving forward. Any future proposals (if PL/00330 is not realised) can be considered against the Plan's policy framework.

The Council's response representation 3419 can be found under its responses to comments received on policy SP2.

Action

818 Lightwood Planning (Mr Richard Walker) [5065]

Summary: Object

Policy SG1 should be amended to seek to meet as far as possible the higher growth options of 14,090 or 19,690 homes.

Council's Initial Response

The Population and Household Projection Topic Paper and the evidence contained within the Demographic Forecasts undertaken by Edge Analytics (2018 and 2019) sets out the informing considerations and the justification for the population and household projections for the County.

In assessing and identifying the housing requirement for the Plan and in accordance with PPW 10 Para 4.2.6 the WG local authority level projections were utilised as a starting point. Edge Analytics sought to review and assess the appropriateness of the latest WG population and household projections for Carmarthenshire and sought to also provide an alternative suite of demographic and trend evidence to consider.

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Consideration will be given as appropriate to the need to amend or update relevant background /topic papers or evidence prior to submission.

Action

3869 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - There is a focus in the plan through Policies SG1 and SP5 on developing strategic and large scale regeneration and mixed-use sites. Sites of over 100 units in Appendix 1 of the Infrastructure Plan are supported by information on phasing, infrastructure requirements and planning obligations but there is no evidence on master planning, viability, detailed costs or commitment from developers through Statements of Common Ground (SoCG).

Council's Initial Response

The Council is currently undertaking further evidential work on key sites which includes the undertaking of Statements of Common Ground to establish the certainty of these sites being delivered during the plan period. The SoCG will consider matters on viability and the housing trajectory timescales.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3721 Mr Paul Evans [3701]

Agent: Hayston Development & Planning Ltd (Mr Andrew Vaughan Harries) [5042]

Summary:

Object

Making an objection to the Deposit Revised Carmarthenshire Local Development against the exclusion of a potential mixed-use development site - SR/163/007,

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non-inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

The site is located within a C1 flood risk zone as delineated by the TAN15 Development Advice Maps.

Action

4426 Mr Alfyn Thomas [5217]

Agent: Integra (Mr Wyn Pryce) [5219]

Summary: Object

Objection to the omission of the former Ystrad Colliery site, Glanamman being allocated as a mixed use site under Policy SG1.

The aim is to redevelop this old colliery site (currently designated as an employment site in the current LDP) into a modern business estate primarily for small to medium sized enterprises, together with - through careful layout planning - a range of housing to meet future local needs.

To ensure the overall viability of the project, it is essential that a range of social, affordable and private homes be built, clearly separated from the commercial development by a recreational area and landscaping. The site is too large for either all business or all housing development; hence the mixed development to satisfy both purposes.

Council's Initial Response

The site is annotated as an existing employment site within the Plan to reflect current uses. Any future proposals in respect of this site will be considered under the policies contained within the Plan, most notable Policy EME1: Employment- Safeguarding of Employment Sites.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4127 Seasons Holidays plc () [5149]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Owain Nedin) [4937]

Summary: Object

Object to the omission of land adjoining Laugharne Estate for a mixed-use allocation which will include visitor accommodation alongside ancillary leisure uses, recreation space and a new principal access road

Council's Initial Response

Agree in part. The importance of high-quality tourism and leisure provision within the county is recognised. It is also recognised that the Season Holidays site within Laugharne is a long-standing tourism and leisure development. In reflecting this and its ongoing redevelopment, the Plan will be amended to include Phase 1 (to be delivered during the Plan period) as identified within the representation.

The remainder of the site as identified within the representation is subject to a longer term deliverable aspiration. As such there is no certainty on its delivery and will not be included within the Plan. The policy framework set out within the revised LDP allows the potential development for tourism and the visitor economy where it is appropriately located. Any proposals submitted will be considered against the revised LDP policies.

Action

Change to the Plan

4095 Davies Richards Developments Ltd (N/A N/A N/A) [5087]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/082/012 under Policy SG1.

We would however contest the above statement and consider its exclusion to be an erroneous decision by the Authority and consider therefore that the LDP is "unsound" and should be changed.

Specifically, we consider that (a) the SFCA was wrong to exclude the whole of the site from consideration and that (b) alternative allocations within the settlement and wider growth area are neither appropriate nor deliverable. We consider therefore that the land edged red in Plan A attached, should be allocated for a mixed use development facilitated by residential development.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3647 Landview Developments Ltd [5020]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

We seek the allocation the land for a mix of residential development, areas of formal and informal amenity space, habitat enhancement areas, as well as improvements to local pedestrian and cycle link provision and linkages. The site comprises a series of existing enclosures, with vehicular access gained off the access estate road shared with a recently constructed residential development to its north east, although multiple pedestrian and cycle linkages would also be available along all boundaries of the site. Locationally, the site is also within close proximity to the range of community facilities and local services the settlement and surrounding area has to offer. A detailed report is provided as to why the site (SR/159/007) should be considered for a mixed use site under policy SG1.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3625 Low Carbon Construction Ltd [3827]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of the south western area of the Emlyn Brickworks site under policy SG1, whilst referring to the inclusion of non-deliverable sites in other parts of the settlement / area.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

The part of the site that falls within PrC3/MU1 has been subject to full consideration and as part of this process a detailed site proforma has been prepared.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3474 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

DCWW provide an analysis of the allocations within an appendix and there are no objections. DCWW have confirmed that this analysis can be logged and responded to within the LDP Infrastructure Assessment/Study. DCWW ask that the general comments that they have included at the introduction of the appendix be transferred over in addition

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The Infrastructure Assessment will be prepared / updated by the Council.

Action

Paragraph SG1: Regeneration and Mixed Use Sites, PrC1/MU1

Representation(s)

3300 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

BDW is concerned that whilst this is a strategic site, there is no confirmation that an end user is in place in the form of a residential developer to deliver the quantum of development proposed within the Plan period. It comprises an existing allocation within the adopted LDP which is proposed to be 'rolled' forward by Carmarthenshire County Council. There is no evidenced justification for the continued allocation of this site, given that no progress has been made since its first allocation in 2014. The deliverability and viability of this site is therefore questionable.

Council's Initial Response

It is considered that the continued allocation of the West Carmarthen Strategic site remains as a strategic site in the LDP. A Development Brief has been adopted on the site in order to ensure a comprehensive and integrated development is undertaken on the site. Since the adoption of the Brief in 2010, the link road has been completed and houses have been completed on the southern side of the site. The Council along with partners, landowners and housebuilders have invested time and resources into delivering this site over recent years. Planning applications are now coming forward for the site and it is considered that the site remains to be appropriate and deliverable for the mixed uses described within the Planning and Development Brief.

Action

3237 E & O & E Jones & Elias [5052]

Agent: RPS Planning & Development (Mrs Kate Gapper) [797]

Summary: Support

In order to meet the requirement of 8,835 homes, provision is made for 10,160 homes in accordance with the identified settlement framework. This includes allocating sites for new homes in established settlements. Policy HOM1 allocates land at West Carmarthen (Site Ref: PrC1/MU1) for the development of 700 new homes within the plan period and makes provision for a total of 84 units (12%) to be affordable units. Policy HOM1 identities this allocation coming forward within years 6-10 and 11-15 of the plan period i.e. 2024 onwards. We agree and support this housing allocation for West Carmathen.

3842 Mr James Bromhead [5053]

Agent: RPS Planning & Development (Mrs Kate Gapper) [797]

Summary: Support

Strategic Policy SP 1: Strategic Growth proposes a housing target of 10,160 homes to meet the identified housing requirement of 8,835 homes. Under the umbrella of Strategic Policy SP1, Policy SG1 identifies land at West Carmarthen

(Site Ref: PrC1/MU1) as being proposed for a mix of uses consisting of residential (an allowance for 700 new homes within the plan period), employment, community facilities and amenity. The policy recognises that a key deliverability indicator is the Carmarthen West Link Road which has been completed and is open.

We agree and support this mixed-use allocation for West Carmathen and welcome development within this area.

3234 Mr D Chapman [5063]

Agent: RPS Planning & Development (Mrs Kate Gapper) [797]

Summary: Support

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3233 Mr D Chapman [5063]

Agent: RPS Planning & Development (Mrs Kate Gapper) [797]

Summary: Support

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We agree and support this mixed-use allocation for West Carmathen and welcome development within this area.

3180 RPS Planning & Development (Mrs Kate Gapper) [797]

Summary: Support

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We agree and support this mixed-use allocation for West Carmathen and welcome development within this area.

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed

Action

Paragraph SG1: Regeneration and Mixed Use Sites, PrC1/MU2

Representation(s)

3109 Mrs Hilary Foster [3606]

Summary: Object

I have concerns regarding the development proposal at Pibwrlwyd. I live in Croesyceiliog village and at certain times of day traffic coming from Croesyceilog has to queue for significant periods of time at Pibrlwyd roundabout to get onto the A484 .The Pibwrwyd roundabout is a problematic bottleneck for traffic on this busy section of the A484, and the problem is already exacerbated by Bro Myrddin school traffic. The addition of new development in this area would make the problem even worse. In summary, the road infrastructure in this area cannot cope with increased development (particularly residential).

3301 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

BDW is concerned that whilst this is a major urban extension to the south of Carmarthen, there is no confirmation that an end user is in place in the form of a residential developer to deliver the quantum of development proposed within the Plan period. The deliverability of this site is therefore questionable.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for mixed use has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. Further evidential work will be undertaken prior to the examination in to the revised LDP

The proposed use for the site is for a mix of potential uses, including residential, education and commercial uses consisting of offices and light industrial. It is also considered that part of the site is appropriate for residential development in order to support the other uses, and to ensure the site's viability.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3950 Coleg Sir Gar (Ceris Harries) [5101]

Agent: Asbri Planning Ltd (Mr Keith Warren) [592]

Summary: Support

The Deposit Revised Plan is supported on the basis that the Council have accepted the principle of residential uses at the scale proposed, while also allowing for a mix of other uses on the site at Pibwrlwyd (PrC1/MU2)

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed.

Action

Paragraph SG1: Regeneration and Mixed Use Sites, PrC2/MU2

Representation(s)

3581 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

The site appears to provide important ecological connectivity features. Loss of ecosystem connectivity would be at odds with the fundamental aims of maintaining and enhancing biodiversity and Section 6, Part 1 of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed in part.

The allocation of the site within the LDP was subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma was prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal.

In noting the above, the Council (as part of an iterative approach to Plan making) will always seek to respond to comments that further consolidate the soundness of the Plan. In this regard, it is noted that these concerns are expressed from a statutory consultee - Natural Resources Wales.

It should be noted that no feedback has been received from Natural Resources Wales that indicates that there is a way forward or that the concerns raised have been addressed by the candidate site promoter.

Amongst those notable concerns raised from a detailed review of Natural Resources Wales concerns on this site includes the fact that the site is heavily wooded and has a watercourse flowing through it providing a natural green corridor which appears to provide important connectivity.

It is considered these concerns would primarily relate to the west of the site (i.e. that part of the site where residential uses would be situated). In this regard, it is noted that the eastern part of the site is progressing in terms of planning - notably through full planning application reference S/39022 - approved subject to s106. Therefore it is not considered that the whole allocation requires deletion or that the allocation requires removal from the development limits.

Therefore, it is considered that the mixed use allocated site area should be amended / reduced to exclude the wooded area of the site to the west. This will lead to the removal of the residential allowance of 35 units, with consequential amendments to policy SG1 (site prc2/mu2 - including site description) and policy HOM1 (site prc2/mu2).

In terms of the housing figure of 35 units, suitable alternatives have been identified elsewhere in cluster 2 and are proposed as focused changes.

Action

Amend the Plan (focused change).

Mixed use allocated site area to be reduced so that the wooded western area of the site is excluded. Remove the residential allowance of 35 units from this site.

Paragraph SG1: Regeneration and Mixed Use Sites, PrC3/MU1

Representation(s)

4267 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary: Object

PPW (Para 4.2.18) states that for housing regeneration sites, where deliverability is considered an issue, planning authorities should consider excluding such sites from their housing supply so that achieving their development plan housing requirement is not dependent on their delivery. We don't consider that this site should be used as a component to meet the housing requirement. The site should either be removed from the LDP or identified as a housing led regeneration site that does not form part of the supply to meet the housing requirement. Reference is made to representation 4248 (policy HOM1 - housing allocations). Also, refer to rep 4243 (policy HOM1) where the client's site is promoted .

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. Further evidence will be developed as the Plan goes into examination.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph SG1: Regeneration and Mixed Use Sites, SeC16/MU1

Representation(s)

4074 Aspect Developments (Aspect Developments) [5135]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Support

The allocation of the land in question for mixed use, together with the alteration of the development limits at this location to facilitate the comprehensive and effective development of the site, is supported (policies SG1 and SD1 cited) Work on the preparation of a full planning application for the development of the whole of the site is ongoing and discussions with the local planning authority and all interested parties are now at an advanced stage. It should be also noted that a number of end-users have already been identified for various aspects of the site, clearly supporting the deliverability of the allocation. The site's allocation results in the Deposit LDP being sound and meeting procedural requirements.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

Paragraph Para 11.16

Representation(s)

3582 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

Paragraph 11.16 states that where appropriate the allocated sites and their identified uses will be considered further through Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) in the form of development briefs. We are happy to be involved in their production and can offer advice on the assessments and considerations required to support any subsequent planning application submission.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted and welcomed. The Council will consult with the respondent at the relevant time and is grateful for the offer of input provided.

Action

Policy SG2: Reserve Sites

Representation(s)

3867 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - Reserve Sites Policy

Policy SG2: Reserve Sites lists 5 sites for a mix of uses including residential, employment and waste, which will be released for development if allocated and committed sites fail to come forward as expected. The rationale for the Reserve Sites policy is unclear not only because the Council has applied a discount allowance to committed sites in the landbank, but also because the plans flexibility allowance (of 15%) should account for non-delivery and unforeseen circumstances on sites. It is unclear how an application would be considered on such sites and its release controlled? It is not appropriate to add / remove sites through the monitoring framework outside of a formal plan review.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed in part.

The policy enables the identification of sites which subject to the successful implementation or otherwise of the Revised LDP may contribute to future provision/delivery.

The respondent comments on the monitoring framework and the use of the formal plan review is noted. However, paragraph 11.18 of the Revised LDP states that "the need for reserve sites will be closely monitored through take-up of allocated sites as part of the monitoring framework of this Plan...."

It is however noted that any change to include the sites would need to be undertaken as part of a formal plan review.

Action

Plan to be amended to reflect the need for sites to be brought forward as part of a formal plan review. Paragraph 11.18 to be amended accordingly.

SG2: Reserve Sites

Representation(s)

4268 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary: Object

SG2/1 - Classed as having a medium flood risk in the Council's SFCA. It is adjacent to an area that is classified as C2 by the TAN15 Development Advice Maps. We question the suitability of the 'medium risk' sites, whether they will be able to meet the new TAN 15 justification test and ultimately whether they are deliverable. In this context we consider that developments should be directed to sites with a low risk of flooding - reference is made to rep 4243 where the client's site is promoted.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Reference is made to paragraph 11.19 of the deposit Plan which clarifies that the need to identify an alternative range of reserve sites is necessary to ensure that the LDP strategy provides sufficient flexibility in the event that development on allocated and existing commitments stalls. Reference is also made to the emerging NDF and potential for a Strategic Development Plan (SDP).

In terms of site SG2/1, its spatial location in the south east of the County is considered to be worthy of note, whilst ongoing discussions around a Swansea Bay Metro are also noted. It is noted that some site specific considerations would need to be overcome, however an initial review of the site based on the Plan's Stage 1 SFCA and Stage1b SFCA do not indicate insurmountable issues.

Whilst the site is not allocated in the Plan, reference can be made to representation 3924 which can be found under the Council's responses to representations received on this policy (i.e. policy SG2), where its identification as a reserve site is supported by the site proponent/agent.

Action

4393 Davies Richards Developments Ltd (N/A N/A N/A) [5087]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/082/012 under Policy SG2.

We consider its exclusion to be an erroneous decision by the Authority and consider therefore that the LDP is "unsound" and should be changed.

The Site represents a sustainable and deliverable opportunity to provide new housing for the settlement of Llandybie in a strategic fashion, as well as the larger Growth Area it forms part of. With the land already capable of being easily served by all services and an adopted means of access by virtue of the adjoining public highway, there are no barriers to its delivery within the early stages of the forthcoming Plan.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The list of reserved sites identifies those which may come forward as part of a plan review process. In this regard, the review will enable additional sites to be promoted where there may be issues in relation to plan delivery. Consequently opportunities will exist for this site to be considered as part of this review process.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3648 Landview Developments Ltd [5020]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

We seek the allocation the land for a mix of residential development, areas of formal and informal amenity space, habitat enhancement areas, as well as improvements to local pedestrian and cycle link provision and linkages. The site comprises a series of existing enclosures, with vehicular access gained off the access estate road shared with a recently constructed residential development to its north east, although multiple pedestrian and cycle linkages would also be available along all boundaries of the site. Locationally, the site is also within close proximity to the range of community facilities and local services the settlement and surrounding area has to offer. A detailed report is provided as to why the site (SR/159/007) should be considered for a mixed use site under policy SG2.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The list of reserved sites identifies those which may come forward as part of a plan review process. In this regard, the review will enable additional sites to be promoted where there may be issues in relation to plan delivery. Consequently opportunities will exist for this site to be considered as part of this review process.

Action

3996 Cwm Environment Ltd (Sean Gallagher) [5039]

Agent: Asbri Planning Ltd (Mr Keith Warren) [592]

Summary:

Object

Objection to Policy SG2 on the following grounds:

The site benefits from a separate policy in the adopted Local Development Plan - 'Policy WPP1 - Nantycaws Waste Management Facility' which allows for a range of waste management facilities. However, in the new Revised Deposit Plan, it is included as a 'Reserve Site' under Policy SG2/5.

This submission therefore objects to the Deposit Plan on the grounds that Nantycaws should be removed as a 'Reserve Site' and included as a waste allocation.

Refer also to Representation 4370.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed in part.

The site including the waste management components will form part of a mixed use development aimed at delivering a strategic opportunity for waste management, energy from waste, and related employment based activities. The Council will be working with the respondent and CWM Environmental Ltd specifically, as well as infrastructure providers, to ensure the site's delivery and its timing is robustly evidenced.

Action

Remove Nantycaws waste management site from Policy SG2: Reserve Sites and place into Policy SG1: Regeneration and Mixed Use Sites. Revise the site area on the Proposals Map to reflect the respondent's representation.

Representation(s)

3475 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

Owing to the unknowns regarding the Reserve Sites, we are not able to provide comments currently. We would be happy to provide further information if further details are provided.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The Council will consult with the respondent as and where appropriate with regards this matter.

Action

Support

Representation(s)

3924 Johnson Brothers [5093]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Support given to Policy SG2, specifically SG2/1. A host of supporting documentation is attached, including the previous candidate site submission (SR/086/077) along with technical/supporting evidence - notably transport and ecology. We can also confirm that the land continues to not face any ecological, flood risk related, highway, infrastructure or land ownership constraints that would restrict its ability to be delivered during the Plan period as a Reserve Site. In fact, our Clients have already been approached by a number of parties expressing a keen interest in developing the site should it be made available. We therefore fully support the decision of the Authority to include the land as a Reserve Site as part of the Deposit LDP.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted/support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Policy SG3: Pembrey Peninsula

Representation(s)

3476 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Object

Unsurprisingly given its undeveloped nature, the majority of the peninsula is unsewered and does not have a water supply with only elements of the south east of the peninsula currently served by either. As such, any proposals on the development of this location will likely require significant offsite water mains and sewers.

Further to this, the Pembrey Wastewater Treatment Works (WwTW) that serves the south east of the peninsula currently has no additional capacity to accommodate any further development. For any proposal, there will therefore be the requirement to fund reinforcement works at the WwTW if development is to progress in advance of our own capital investment.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted. The Council is grateful for the clarity provided. The Council will prepare Supplementary Planning Guidance to provide further elaboration upon the provisions of this policy and the future opportunities within the Peninsula and as such the input of key consultees such as Dwr Cymru Welsh Water will be sought as part of an integrated approach.

Action

Policy Strategic Policy - SP 2: Retail and Town Centres

Representation(s)

3419 Mango Planning & Development Limited (Mr Arfon Hughes) [4877]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy SP2 (in relation to the Burry Port Proposals Map):

The town centre boundary of Burry Port does not reflect either the existing or future intended function of the centre. There is no apparent rationale for this. There has apparently been no re-evaluation of this boundary since the previous iteration of the development Plan. The boundary as drawn is illogical, irrational and incoherent.

In order to be appropriate, the Proposals Map for Burry Port should be amended to include the road bridge crossing and the town centre car park (as shown in the full submission).

Also, this would allow an opportunity 0.12 ha vacant site developed for complementary town centre uses - see rep 4423 (policy SG1).

Site reference is AS/016/022.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site does not accord with Stage 2a - Initial Detailed Site Assessment (site cannot accommodate 5 dwellings - it is not a residential proposal here, the intention is to increase the area of the Retail Town Centre of Burry Port).

The Council considers that Burry Port Retail Town Centre has been defined suitably and its status as a Lower Order Town Centre is appropriate. Reference is made to Strategic Policy 2 - Retail and Town Centres - in this regard.

It is noted that much of the proposed revision to the Town Centre boundary proposed by the respondent includes an area that is used as a public car park.

In terms of the Plan's policy framework, reference can be made to policy SP 2: Retail and Town Centres (criterion c) in terms of proposals for convenience stores of an appropriate scale within the designated Mid and Lower Order Town Centres which are located within or immediately adjoining the defined town centre boundary.

It can be noted that the Council's response representation 4423 can be found under its responses to comments received on policy SG1: Regeneration and Mixed Use Sites.

Action

3420 Mango Planning & Development Limited (Mr Arfon Hughes) [4877]

Summary: Object

Our representation raises OBJECTION to the following:

Policy SP2 - Retail and Town Centres

The numbering of Policy SP2 is confusing, presenting two sets of numbered criteria lists. This ought to be clarified.

We are also concerned that the retail policies of the Plan are based on an out of date retail evidence base. The latest study is already five years old. It is our view that it does not present a robust and credible evidence base. In order for the Plan to meet the test of appropriateness, this evidence base must be updated.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The policy is sufficiently clear. Any amendments required to the criterion numbering are minor editorial matters.

The evidence base in relation to retail matters will be considered as appropriate. Note: reference should be had to the Covid-19 Assessment of the Revised LDP.

Action

4589 Ceredigion County Council (Anjuli Davies) [5303]

Object Summary:

Ceredigion County Council confirms that the retail hierarchy set out within SP2 is consistent with that identified within the Pembrokeshire & Ceredigion Regional Retail Capacity study (Carter Jonas, 2017). The terminology used in policy SP2 should be sufficiently broad to encompass retail centres in Ceredigion and to ensure that retail proposals within Carmarthenshire would not have an adverse impact on retail centres within Ceredigion. The Council would welcome a statement clarifying that

convenience stores (above a certain scale) outside of High, Mid and Low order centres will not be supported. This would deter further attempts to secure retail provision in settlements such as Cwmann or Pontvweli.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed in part. The Council welcomes the confirmation of the consistency of the retail hierarchy set out within SP2 with that identified within the Pembrokeshire & Ceredigion Regional Retail Capacity study.

The Council recognises the importance of cross border working and the implications particular proposals can have where closely related to settlements within a neighbouring authority. In this regard appropriate provision will be made to reflect the impact of convenience retail proposals may have on defined retail centres within neighbouring authorities.

Action

Amend the plan to include appropriate reference to the consideration of cross border implications. ______

Representation(s)

3999 Kames Capital UK Active Value Property Unit Trust (To whom it may concern) [5119]

Agent: ROK Planning (Amy Chan) [4687]

Summary:

Support

Carmarthen sits atop of the retail hierarchy within the District, is identified as a "Sub Regional - High Order Town Centre" and the Council should plan for a range of uses beyond traditional retailing (Use Class A1) in order to protect and support the centre. Therefore, the revised wording of Strategic Policy SP2 and the supporting text, which acknowledges the role different centres have and supports a variety of uses in addition to traditional retail uses (Use Class A1) in higher order centres such as Carmarthen, is supported.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

Paragraph Para 11.52

Representation(s)

3256 Matthew Utting [2833]

Summary: Support

Moreover, my client supports paragraphs 11.523 to 11.526 of the LDP, which confirm that the majority of new residential development, including housing allocations (defined as sites capable of yielding 5 dwellings or more), will be directed to the County's Principal Centres over the LDP period.

Council's Initial Response

Noted.

Action

Policy RTC1: Carmarthen Town Centre

Representation(s)

4003 Kames Capital UK Active Value Property Unit Trust (To whom it may concern) [5119]

Agent: ROK Planning (Amy Chan) [4687]

Summary: Object

Seek the relaxation of the town centre use restrictions across the Cambrian Way centre and the candidate site (SR/021/052) to be suitable for Residential / Mixed Use including retail and ancillary commercial/leisure uses. will ensure the viability of the centre which will contribute positively to the overall health and vitality of Carmarthen as the Sub-Regional centre.

4000 Kames Capital UK Active Value Property Unit Trust (To whom it may concern) [5119]

Agent: ROK Planning (Amy Chan) [4687]

Summary: Object

The proposed amended retail frontage to Secondary Town Centre Retail Area for the majority of the Cambrian Way Shopping Centre is supported.

3421 Mango Planning & Development Limited (Mr Arfon Hughes) [4877]

Summary: Object

Policy RTC1 is unclear and confusing as it implies that any retail development, irrespective of location in the County Borough, must meet this positive requirement:

"Proposals will be permitted where they maintain and enhance the vitality, viability and attractiveness of Carmarthen Town Centre."

This leads to the perverse situation where a proposal within another defined centre could fall foul of the policy because it does not enhance Carmarthen's health.

The policy is also inconsistent with PPW at paragraph 4.3.25 insofar as the test for proposals outside any centre is that there is no adverse harm of that centre's vitality and viability.

4002 Kames Capital UK Active Value Property Unit Trust (To whom it may concern) [5119]

Agent: ROK Planning (Amy Chan) [4687]

Summary: Object

It is considered that Cambrian Way should be designated wholly Secondary Town Centre Retail Area to ensure flexibility and support a diverse range of retail, leisure and ancillary town centre uses, such as residential and office space, to enhance competitiveness and vitality throughout the centre. Non-A1 retail uses are considered to play a "positive role" in supporting centres and increasing footfall, in accordance with Paragraph 9.2 of TAN4.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. Policy RTC1 is subject to review as part of the response to the impacts arising from Covid-19. In this respect reference is made to the Covid-19 assessment an the impact on the retail position within Carmarthen Town Centre.

The Welsh Government in Building Better Places: The Planning System Delivering Resilient and Brighter Futures - Placemaking and the Covid-19 recovery clearly identified the impact of the Covid-19 lockdown on our retail and commercial centres. Town Centres largely became deserted except for those people shopping for essential items with the comparison retail sector notably impacted. Building Better Places identifies that: "The economic consequences have meant that many retailers are struggling financially, and this will lead to higher vacancy rates in all of our commercial centres. Online competition to our town centre retailers was strong before the crisis; this situation will become more apparent as more retailers increase their online presence and more people have become used to doing the majority of their non-essential shopping online."

The WG in recognising the central role of retail and commercial centres state that they "should become places where a variety of retail, employment, commercial, community, leisure, health and public sector uses come together in a hub of activity to make them viable as go-to destinations once more."

As the challenges to respond to the impact of Covid-19 becomes clear and as the town centre reshapes itself, it would suggest that traditional retailing uses will not be as prevalent and the demand for new retail space may lessen. Consequently, its role will need to be reviewed in light of Covid19, and that this must be realistic recognising that retail occupiers may not return in the way prior to the pandemic.

Action

Amend the Plan to reflect any revisions arising from the review of Policy RTC1 in light of Covid-19 and its effect on Retail centres.

Policy RTC3: Retail in Rural Areas

Representation(s)

4590 Ceredigion County Council (Anjuli Davies) [5303]

Summary: Object

Given the close proximity of many settlements to each other and across the Carmarthenshire / Ceredigion border, suggest that criterion B is be amended to state that; 'It will not result in significant harm to the viability of nearby village shops or retail centres.' This will encompass retail centres within Ceredigion as well as Carmarthenshire.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. Paragraph 11.73 of the supporting text to Policy RTC3 already makes provision for the potential to prevent any significant harm to nearby retail activity.

Action

Policy Strategic Policy - SP 3: A Sustainable Approach to Providing New Homes

Representation(s)

3856 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category C - The Council's large site windfall allowance (+5 units) is 89 dwellings per annum based on past trends over a 12 year period (2008-2019). Within this period are years of high completions (+120 units) and low completions (40 units) which have not been discounted from extrapolation rates. The Council must robustly evidence the large sites windfall allowance of 89 units per annum to ensure it is appropriate, robust and deliverable.

Council's Initial Response

The Council considers that the windfall allowance on large sites has been robustly evidenced within the housing supply topic paper, and is based on 12 years of housing completion data

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3858 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category C - The small sites windfall allowance (1-4 units) is 122 dwellings per annum, which exceeds completions over the past 4 years which average 102 units (2019 JHLA). The Council should explain why the small sites allowance in the plan is not in line with past trends?

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The Council considers that the windfall allowance for small sites has been robustly evidenced within the housing supply topic paper based on the previous 4 years of housing completion trends (102 dwellings).

In addition the higher figure includes the additional dwellings which could potentially be developed from Tier 4 settlements where the development limits have been removed. Further work will be undertaken leading into the examination to address the issues raised, with updates to the background topic papers.

Action

3850 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - Spatial Strategy and Distribution

The Authority has tested 6 spatial options to identify how future growth will be distributed across the plan area. The Council's preferred option is a hybrid approach that builds on Strategic Option 4: Community Led and reflects the role and function of settlements whilst providing opportunities for growth in urban and rural areas (LDP, paragraph 8.20). Policy SP16: Sustainable Distribution, identifies 6 clusters. Within each cluster is a functionally linked area with 4 settlement tiers comprising Tier 1: Principal Centres, Tier 2: Service Centres, Tier 3: Sustainable Villages and Tier 4: Rural Villages. The Welsh Government does not object to the principal of this approach, providing that the majority of development is directed to sustainable locations in the County and the impacts on Welsh language have been fully considered (see specific comments).

a) Spatial distribution of large windfall sites

The Welsh Government considers that the spatial distribution of housing across all clusters and settlement tiers is incomplete. There is a significant amount of information regarding the components of housing supply spread across the plan and its supporting evidence base (Housing Supply Topic Paper, January 2020). However, this is not in one place, as required by the DPM Edition 3. The Welsh Government has attempted to attribute the plans housing growth to the relevant tiers and clusters in the tables overleaf. It appears the majority of development (excluding large windfalls) is directed to the most sustainable locations in Tiers 1 and 2 (70%) which is broadly supported and addresses, to some extent, our concerns raised at Preferred Strategy stage. However, this distribution excludes 1300 units on large windfall sites, a significant omission. Without clarity on this matter, the spatial distribution or suitability of the strategy in terms of sustainability and impacts on the Welsh language is unclear and requires clarification. Whilst the scale and distribution of large windfall sites is unclear, the Welsh Government envisages the majority would come forward in Tiers 1 and 2 and Clusters 1 and 2? This position is supported by policy in the draft National Development Framework (NDF) which focuses growth in the 'Mid and South West Region' to the Principal Centres of Llanelli and Carmarthen. The Council's 'Role and Function' Topic Paper highlights the majority of Tier 3 settlements having limited or no key facilities / primary services (Table 13) and the rationale for supporting further developments here would be unclear. (See also comments relating to Tier 4 and 5 specifically). (Table appended)

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The respondent notes the level of evidence available in support of the sustainable distribution of housing growth. However the council recognises that further information will be required in order to ensure that some of the matters raised are sufficiently clear. Further background evidence will be provided leading into examination.

Action

4028 Dyfodol (J W Thomas) [563]

Summary: Object

Rhwng 2001 a 2019 gwelwyd cynnydd o 12,800 ym mhoblogaeth Sir Gaerfyrddin er gwaethaf bod y raddfa marwolaethau'n uwch na'r raddfa genedigaethau a'r all-lif parhaus o bobl ifanc. Mae'r cynnydd oherwydd mudo mewnol. Mae'r mewnlifiad o filoedd o bobl, yn bennaf siaradwyr di-Gymraeg, yn un o'r ffactorau sydd wedi achosi gostyngiad yng nghanran y siaradwyr Cymraeg yn y sir fel y gwelir yng nghyfrifiad 2011. Mae angen amser i roi addysg a pholisïau eraill ar waith i ddadwneud y gostyngiad, a byddai targed mwy realistig o oddeutu 5,000 o dai ar gyfer y CDLI hwn yn hwyluso gweithredu'r polisïau hyn.

Between 2001 and 2019 Carmarthenshire's population grew by 12,800 despite the death rate exceeding the birth rate and the continuing outflow of young people. The increase is attributed to internal migration. The influx of thousands of people, largely non Welsh speakers, is one of the factors which caused a decline in the percentage of Welsh speakers in the county as shown in the 2011 census. Time is needed to implement education and other policies to reverse this decline, and a more realistic target of 5,000 or so houses for this LDP would facilitate the implementation of these policies.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwadau.

Bydd rhagor o dystiolaeth yn cael ei darparu cyn cyflwyno'r Cynllun i'w Archwilio. Mae hyn yn cynnwys adeiladu ar yr Asesiad o'r Effaith ar y Gymraeg (Rhagfyr 2019), ymgymryd â gwaith dadansoddi pellach o ran Rhagamcanion poblogaeth ac Aelwydydd / data mudo a hefyd diweddaru yr Astudiaeth Economaidd Dwy Sir ar gyfer Sir Gaerfyrddin a Sir Benfro (Hydref 2019). Bydd y diweddariad yma i'r Astudiaeth Economaidd yn rhoi ystyriaeth bellach i gysylltiadau rhwng y Gymraeg a'r economi yn y ddwy Sir.

Comments noted.

Further evidence will be produced ahead of the submission of the Plan for Examination. This includes building upon the Welsh Language Impact Assessment (December 2019), undertaking further analysis work in terms of population and household projections/ migration data and also updating the Two County Economic Study for Carmarthenshire and Pembrokeshire (October 2019). This update to the Economic Study will further consider the links between the Welsh language and the economy in the two Counties.

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

4599 Rhanbarth Sir Gâr Cymdeithas yr Iaith (Rhanbarth Sir Gâr) [2370]

Summary: Object

Man cychwyn y cynllun diwygiedig, mae'n debyg, yw Strategaeth Gorfforaethol y Cyngor Sir a'r Cynllun Adfywio a gyhoeddwyd yn 2015. Yn hytrach na gofyn faint o dai fydd eu hangen ar sail ystadegau o'r degawd diwethaf ac amcanestyniadau Llywodraeth Cymru sydd yn seiliedig arnynt, mae'n anodd peidio â dod i'r casgliad i'r Cyngor Sir ofyn faint o dai fyddai eu hangen er mwyn cyflawni amcanion ei strategaeth adfywio. Er bod amcanestyniadau diweddara'r Llywodraeth yn dangos y bydd poblogaeth Cymru'n gostwng dros gyfnod y cynllun diwygiedig, mae'r Cynllun Adneuo'n disgwyl twf o 15,115 (8.1%) ym mhoblogaeth y Sir a bod angen "10,160 o dai er mwyn darparu 8,835 o dai", a hynny er mwyn cyflawni amcan o greu 5,295 o swyddi. Nodwn yn hyn o beth sylwadau Mark Newey ar ran Llywodraeth Cymru (Adroddiad ar yr Ymgynghoriad Cychwynnol). Er bod y Cynllun Adneuo'n ateb ychydig o bryderon Mr Newey, mae yna ddiffyg tystiolaeth sylweddol o hyd o ran dyraniadau tai a'r safleodd cyflogaeth. Tra bod y Cyngor yn credu y gallai'r Pentref Gwyddor Bywyd a Llesiant greu "hyd at 2,000" o swyddi, nid oes unrhyw ffigyrau ar gael ar gyfer y safleoedd cyflogaeth eraill, gan gynnwys Yr Egin. Gan fod y Pentref Llesiant mor allweddol i'r cynllun diwygiedig (38% o'r 5,200 o swyddi newydd), mae'r diffyg gwybodaeth am sut mae'r Cyngor yn mynd i avflawni'r datblygiad hwn yn destun pryder. I ddyfynnu Mr Newey, "The Deposit plan must demonstrate deliverability of both individual sites [h.y. Yr Egin a'r Pentref Llesiant] and in combination, together with Statement of Common Ground with developers". Cred rhai o'r cynghorwyr Sir y gallai'r Cyngor addasu'r Cynllun Datblygu Lleol trwy ddileu canran o'r dyraniadau tai os na chyflawnir y Pentref Llesiant. Nid yw Cymdeithas yr Iaith o'r farn y byddai hyn yn gyfreithlon. Beth bynnag, mae yna risg sylweddol y byddai datblygiadau mawr ar gyrion Llanelli, yng Nghwm Gwendraeth a Dyffryn Aman yn annog mewnlifiad o Abertawe a Chastell Nedd Port Talbot a thanseilio'r Gymraeg yn rhai o'i chadarnleoedd. Nodwn fod Llywodraeth Cymru o'r un farn â Chymdeithas yr laith.

The starting point for the revised plan, apparently, is the County Council's Corporate Strategy and the Regeneration Plan published in 2015. Rather than asking how many houses will be needed on the basis of statistics from the last decade and the Welsh Government's projections based on them, it is difficult not to conclude that the County Council asked how many houses would be needed in order to achieve the objectives of its regeneration strategy. Although the Government's latest projections show that the population of Wales will decrease over the period of the revised scheme, the Deposit Plan expects growth of 15,115 (8.1%) in the County's population and that "10,160 houses are needed to provide 8,835 houses", in order to achieve an objective of creating 5,295 jobs. We note in this regard Mark Newey's comments on behalf of the Welsh Government (Initial Consultation Report). Although the Deposit Plan responds to a few of Mr Newey's concerns, there is still a significant lack of evidence in terms of housing allocations and the employment sites. While the Council believes that the Wellness and Life Science Village could create "up to 2,000" jobs, no figures are available for the other employment sites, including Yr Egin. As the Wellness Village is so key to the revised plan (38% of the 5,200 new jobs), the lack of information on how the Council is going to deliver this development is a cause for concern. To quote Mr Newey, "The Deposit plan must demonstrate deliverability of both individual sites [i.e. Yr Egin and the Wellness Village] and in combination, together with a Statement of Common Ground with developers". Some of the county councillors believe that the Council could adjust the Local Development Plan by removing a percentage of housing allocations if the Wellness Village is not delivered. Cymdeithas yr laith do not consider that this would be lawful. In any case, there is a significant risk that major developments on the outskirts of Llanelli, in the Gwendraeth Valley and the Amman Valley would encourage an influx from Swansea and Neath Port Talbot and undermine the Welsh language in some of its heartlands. We note that the Welsh Government is of the same opinion as Cymdeithas yr laith.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir v sylwadau.

Cafodd Strategaeth y Cynllun a'i ddull cynaliadwy o ddarparu tai newydd ei seilio ar egwyddorion datblygu cynaliadwy ac yn unol â darpariaethau'r polisi cynllunio cenedlaethol. Mae'r ffigur gofyniad tai ar gyfer y Sir yn seiliedig ar amcanestyniad 10 mlynedd o Dwf y Boblogaeth y mae tystiolaeth gadarn ohono - fodd bynnag, adolygir hyn cyn Archwilio'r Cynllun.

Mae'r safleoedd hynny a ddyrannwyd yn y CDLI at ddibenion preswyl wedi cael eu hystyried yn llawn trwy'r fethodoleg asesu safleoedd. Fel rhan o'r broses asesu hon, paratowyd ffurflen safle.

O ran dosbarthiad gofodol, mae'r Cynllun yn destun Arfarniad Cynaliadwyedd/Asesiad Amgylcheddol Strategol, a hefyd yn cael ei gefnogi gan Asesiad o'r Effaith ar y Gymraeg (Rhagfyr 2019).

Comments noted.

The Plan's Strategy and its sustainable approach to the provision of new homes has been formulated on the basis of sustainable development principles and in accordance with the provisions of national planning policy. The housing requirement figure for the County is based on the Population Growth (PG) - 10yr projection scenario which is robustly evidenced - however this will be reviewed ahead of the Examination of the Plan.

Those sites allocated within the LDP for residential purposes have been subject to full consideration in accordance with the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a site pro forma has been prepared.

In terms of spatial distribution, the Plan is subject to Sustainability Appraisal / Strategic Environmental Assessment, whilst it is also supported by a Welsh language Impact Assessment (December 2019).

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

4603 Rhanbarth Sir Gâr Cymdeithas yr laith (Rhanbarth Sir Gâr) [2370]

Summary: Object

O rhan y farchnad dai, mi fydd y Cyngor yn ymwybodol o'r hyn sy'n digwydd yn y farchnad dai ar hyn o bryd, gyda phrisiau tai'n cynyddu tu hwnt i bob rheolaeth ar draul ein cymunedau, gan roi pobl ifainc a theuluoedd â phlant yn enwedig dan anfantais ychwanegol. Yn gyfamserol, mae argyfwng brys o ran gweithrediad y farchnad dai ac eiddo yn ardaloedd gwledig y Sir, ac mae cymunedau cyfan yn colli cyfran helaeth o'u cartrefi trwy'r farchnad i ail gartrefi, tai gwyliau fel AirBnB, a thai i fewnfudwyr cyfoethocach sy'n symud i mewn i ymddeol neu i weithio o gartre ffwrdd o'r dinasoedd. O'r herwydd, galwn ar Gyngor Sir Caerfyrddin, wrth ichi baratoi'r Cvnllun Adnau, i bwyso ar Lywodraeth Cymru i basio Deddf Eiddo i gwrdd â'r argyfwng, fel y canlyn: (1) Gosod cyfrifoldeb ar Awdurdodau Lleol i ddynodi ardaloedd lle mae gweithrediad y farchnad dai yn gosod pwysau ar allu trigolion lleol i brynu a rhentu tai ar raddfa gymesur â chyflog lleol cyfartaledd, (2) Rhoi grymoedd a chyllid rhesymol i'r Awdurdodau Lleol reoli'r farchnad dai yn yr ardaloedd hyn, a gweithredu camau cyffredinol trwy'r sir i sicrhau na chaiff y problemau ond eu symud i ardal arall, (3) Ymhlith y grymoedd penodol (i ardaloedd) a chyffredinol (i sir gyfan) byddai * Sefydlu fod angen caniatad cynllunio i newid defnydd tŷ i fod yn ail gartref neu yn eiddo masnachol i'w osod at wyliau neu AirBnB; * Hawl gosod uchaf-gyfran o dai mewn ardal benodol y gellir eu defnyddio at ddibenion felly (ail gartrefi neu eiddo masnachol); * Cynyddu treth (ac atal dulliau osgoi talu) ar eiddo a gaiff ei ddefnyddio at ddibenion felly, a chau'r bwlch cyfreithiol sy'n golygu bod modd optio allan o dalu treth cyngor. * Rhoi hawl pryniant gorfodol ar eiddo gwag neu eiddo sy ar y farchnad mewn ardaloedd penodol a chyllid yn sail i hyn (a allai ddigolledu gwerth negyddol "Negative equity"); * Cronfa hybu mentrau twristiaeth gymunedol (4)Adolygiad bob dwy flynedd o weithrediad y camau hyn a galluogi rheoliadau i'w diwygio os daw dulliau osgoi i'r amlwg. Mae yna risg sylweddol pe bai'r Cyngor yn mynnu cadw at y strategaeth a amlinellir yn y Cynllun diwygiedig, y byddai cynnydd arwyddocaol yn y stoc tai yn mynd (yn uniongyrchol neu'n anuniongyrchol) at greu mwy o ail gartrefi, tai gwyliau ac i ddenu mewnlifiad yn hytrach nag ar gyfer gweithwyr mewn swyddi newydd.

In terms of the housing market, The Council will be aware of what is currently happening in the housing market, with house prices increasing beyond all control at the expense of our communities, putting young people and families with children in particular at an additional disadvantage. Concurrently, there is an urgent crisis in the functioning of the housing and property market in rural areas of the County, and whole communities are losing a large proportion of their homes due to the second homes market, holiday houses such as AirBnB, and houses for wealthier incomers moving to retire or to work from home away from the cities. We therefore call on Carmarthenshire County Council, in preparing the Deposit Plan, to urge the Welsh Government to pass a Property Act to meet the crisis, as follows: (1) Place a responsibility on Local Authorities to identify areas where the functioning of the housing market puts pressure on the ability of local residents to buy and rent houses on a scale proportionate to average local salary, (2) Provide Local Authorities with reasonable funding and powers to control the housing market in these areas, and to take general action throughout the county to ensure that the problems are not merely moved to another area, (3) Specific powers (for areas) and general powers (for a whole county) would include * Establishing that planning permission is required to change the use of a house to a second home or commercial property to be let for holidays or AirBnB; * A right to set a maximum proportion of housing in a particular area that can be used for such purposes (second homes or commercial property); * Increase tax (and prevent means of evasion) on properties used for such purposes, and close the legal loophole that means it is possible to opt out of paying council tax; * Granting compulsory purchase on vacant properties on the market in certain areas and funding as a basis for this (which could compensate for the negative value of "Negative equity"); * A community tourism initiative promotion fund (4) Biennial review of the

implementation of these actions and enable regulations to be amended if means of evasion emerge. There is a significant risk that if the Council insists on adhering to the strategy outlined in the revised Scheme, a significant increase in the housing stock would go (directly or indirectly) towards the creation of more second homes, holiday homes and to attracting an influx rather than for workers in new jobs.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwadau.

Bydd rhagor o dystiolaeth yn cael ei darparu cyn cyflwyno'r Cynllun i'w Archwilio. Mae hyn yn cynnwys adeiladu ar yr Asesiad o'r Effaith ar y Gymraeg (Rhagfyr 2019), ymgymryd â gwaith dadansoddi pellach o ran Rhagamcanion poblogaeth ac Aelwydydd / data mudo a hefyd diweddaru yr Astudiaeth Economaidd Dwy Sir ar gyfer Sir Gaerfyrddin a Sir Benfro (Hydref 2019). Bydd y diweddariad yma i'r Astudiaeth Economaidd yn rhoi ystyriaeth bellach i gysylltiadau rhwng y Gymraeg a'r economi yn y ddwy Sir.

Pwerau cyfyngedig sydd gan y system cynllunio defnydd tir o ran perchentyaeth ail gartref/cartref gwyliau ar hyn o bryd.

Mae'r dilysrwydd posibl o drafod rhinweddau 'lobïo' Llywodraeth Cymru yn ogystal â chynnal trafodaeth ehangach o'r materion a godwyd yn y sylwad yma yn cael ei chydnabod. Mae hyn, fodd bynnag, y tu allan i'r maes gorchwyl i gael ei gynnwys yn y CDLI Diwygiedig. O ganlyniad, mae'r mater hwn wedi'i gyfeirio at bartneriaid mewnol i'w ystyried ymhellach.

Comments noted.

Further evidence will be produced ahead of the submission of the Plan for Examination. This includes building upon the Welsh Language Impact Assessment (December 2019), undertaking further analysis work in terms of population and household projections/ migration data and also updating the Two County Economic Study for Carmarthenshire and Pembrokeshire (October 2019). This update to the Economic Study will further consider the links between the Welsh language and the economy in the two Counties.

The land use planning system has limited powers in regards to second home / holiday home ownership at the present time.

The potential validity in debating the merits of 'lobbying' the Welsh Government as well as undertaking a wider discussion of the matters raised within this representation is recognised. This is, however, outside of the remit of inclusion within the Revised LDP. Consequently, this matter has been forwarded to internal partners for further consideration.

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

4233 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary: Object

The LDP SCFA categorises sites into different flood risk from Low, Medium, Medium High to High. Looking at Llangennech specifically we can see that two of the largest allocated sites in the settlement are identified as being of medium flood risk. We also note that the Former Morlais Colliery reserve site (SG2/1) is also classed as having a medium flood risk. These are medium risk sites. The Stage 1B Flood Report prepared by Atkins acknowledges the risk in relation to these sites and states: "The implications of this risk are dependent on the nature of updates to national policy on development and flood risk, which are expected to be implemented within the cycle of developing the Revised LDP." Based on the Welsh Government's recent consultation on TAN15 we understand that the Government's stance on locating new developments in areas of flood risk will become even stricter. This is in the context of climate change, the recent severe flooding in Wales and the need to build a resilient Wales. The consultation document on TAN15 seeks to direct development to Zone 1 (very low risk) and only to Zone 2 (low risk) if the development meets strict tests. It is also worth noting the Planning Minister's Call in Decision qA1408568 which refuses a planning application due to flooding reasons. In the letter, the minister states: "I am not convinced that the scheme accords with the WFG Act's sustainable development principle. Specifically, I consider the scheme fails to accord with the Welsh Ministers' well-being objectives in terms of driving sustainable growth and combatting climate change and building resilient communities." We therefore question the suitability of the 'medium risk' sites, whether they will be able to meet the new TAN 15 justification test and ultimately whether they are deliverable. Beyond Llangennech we are also concerned by a number of allocations that are subject to medium, medium high and even high flood risk, according to the SFCA. A specific objection is made under rep 4250 (high risk site - sec4/h2). We question whether it is appropriate for the plan to rely on these sites for the delivery of the housing requirement when better sites are available. In this context we consider that developments should be directed to sites with a low risk of flooding - reference is made to rep 4243 where the client's site is promoted.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The Council agrees with the respondent that climate change, flooding and the need to build a resilient Wales are important matters, particularly in the light of the need to act in a responsible manner in the interests of our future generations.

It should be noted however that Natural Resources Wales have not requested the deletion of housing allocations from the Plan on the basis of flood risk. The Plan is considered sound in this regard.

The Council has prepared evidence with regards this matter, with a Stage 1 SFCA and a Stage 1b SFCA undertaken and published.

The Council is also seeking to respond proactively to comments received at deposit Plan stage by way of focused changes - reference may be made to the Council's responses to comments received under policy CCH4 and paragraph 11.469 of the deposit Plan.

As a cross reference note, the Council's response to the promotion of the client's site under representation reference number 4243 can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under policy HOM1. Also, the Council's response to the concerns raised in representation reference number 4250 (site sec4/h2) can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under policy HOM1 - Housing allocations.

Action

4231 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary: Object

On the whole, we are generally concerned that the LPA has allocated sites without the robust evidence that is required by PPW and the Development Plan Manual to demonstrate that the sites are deliverable from a technical and financial perspective. Planning Policy Wales (Edition 10 states) emphasises the importance of deliverable sites. It states that as part of demonstrating the deliverability of housing sites, financial viability must be assessed prior to their inclusion as allocations in a development plan. At the 'Candidate Site' stage of development plan preparation land owners/developers must carry out an initial site viability assessment and provide evidence to demonstrate the financial deliverability of their sites. For sites that are key to the delivery of the plan, a more detailed viability appraisal is required. We are concerned about sites that have been allocated in previous development plans that have not been developed being allocated again without sufficient justification/evidence that they will be delivered this time around. We consider that these sites should not be included again unless robust evidence is presented. We are also concerned that candidate sites have been allocated without any real information being provided about their viability/deliverability. We note the Welsh Government's research into stalled sites prepared by Arcadis. One of the recommendations of the report is for LDPs to identify sites which are deliverable. This requires LDPs to provide evidence of deliverability, viability and to set a trajectory for development. We do not consider that the LDP as drafted currently has gone far enough in demonstrating the deliverability of sites. If the LDP is progressed in its current form then we consider that stalled sites will continue to be evidenced. The Report explained that Carmarthenshire had the highest number of stalled sites (approximately 70) out of all of the Welsh LPAs. The LPA should seek to adopt an LDP which does not risk further stalled sites. Reference is made to rep 4243 where the client's site is promoted. Furthermore, specific site objections have been made to a number of sites in the Plan which have a housing component (along with 1 reserve site) and should be referred to.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The Council is confident in the deliverability of those sites allocated. These allocations have been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process, site pro formas are prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal.

Where relevant, the Council has prepared responses to representations made to the deposit Plan on allocated sites (most notably - but not exclusively - under policy HOM1-Housing Allocations).

The Council will ensure that sufficient evidence is provided by landowners/developers to prove that allocated sites are able to be delivered within the Plan period. Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

The Council takes a proactive approach to the deliverability of allocated sites and continues to engage with landowners/proponents - notably within the context of the content of Planning Policy Wales (edition 10) and the LDP Manual (edition 3).

Where appropriate however, the Council can respond to deliverability concerns that emerge by way of focused changes.

In regards any need to utilise the reserve sites, this will be closely monitored as part of the monitoring framework of the Plan and reported through the Annual Monitoring Report arrangements.

A response has been prepared by the Council to representation reference number 4268 under policy SG2.

As a cross reference note, the Council's response to the promotion of the client's site under representation reference number 4243 can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under policy HOM1.

Action

4065 Mr Phil Mann [2574]

Agent: Mr Stuart Owen [731]

Summary: Object

We object to Policy SP3 and seek the inclusion of our site as a housing allocation.

Council's Initial Response

The representation seeks to object to SP3 in support of requesting the inclusion of a new site within Penygroes

The Council considers that an appropriate and deliverable housing requirement has been set within the deposit Revised LDP to meet its housing needs.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3548 E McGinley [5001]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Geraint John) [4730]

Summary: Object

This respondent objects claiming that allocating housing commitments with planning permission results in a deficit of additional housing figures being provided (in the examples cited - these are 2 sites in the Bryn, Llanelli - prc2/h20 and prc2/h21). It should be noted that the respondent has confirmed that the deletion of these 2 allocations within policy HOM1 is not sought however. County wide, 60% of the provision is by non allocations (i.e. commitments and/or windfalls) and only 40% by housing allocations. This is questioned as this provision is being made despite the current housing land supply being 3.5 years (under the required 5 years) - source 2019 JHLAS. Figure has been falling for some time - 4.2 in 2017 and 3.8 in 2018. The Plan is heavily dependant therefore on existing sites that have failed to deliver. In the Llanelli / Gwendraeth area the split is around 50/50. Reference made to importance of Llanelli as a growth area - emerging NDF. Therefore, there is an over reliance on windfall/commitments which is objected to. Reference is made to the promotion of the client's site for a housing allocation under reps 3545,3546 and 3547.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The housing commitments set out within the table of housing supply reflect those large sites (+5) that have been granted planning permission, and which the Council identifies as making a key contribution to the housing supply during the Plan period, particularly in the short to medium term. In combination with the allocation figure and the windfall allowance, they would support in meeting the housing requirement figure within the Plan.

Action

3635 -- John Roberts Family Trust [5018]

Agent: Barton Willmore (Joe Ayoubkhani) [646]

Summary: Object

The Preferred Strategic Growth Option of providing a housing requirement of 8,835 new homes which results in Policy SP1 identifying a supply of 10,160 new homes is objected to as it would result in the Plan failing the tests of soundness in that it does not fit (by not having regard to national policy and being inconsistent with regional plans) and is not appropriate (by not enabling the delivery of a strategy that is positive and aspirational). By comparison, the growth identified in Policy SP1 would result in a decrease of 6,392 homes when compared with the existing adopted LDP.

3619 Union Tavern Estate [3913]

Agent: Barton Willmore (Joe Ayoubkhani) [646]

Summary: Object

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Council's Initial Response

The Population and Household Projection Topic Paper and the evidence contained within the Demographic Forecasts undertaken by Edge Analytics (2018 and 2019) sets out the informing considerations and the justification for the population and household projections for the County.

In assessing and identifying the housing requirement for the Plan and in accordance with PPW 10 Para 4.2.6 the WG local authority level projections were utilised as a starting point. Edge Analytics sought to review and assess the appropriateness of the latest WG population and household projections for Carmarthenshire and sought to also provide an alternative suite of demographic and trend evidence to consider.

The Council considers that an appropriate and deliverable housing requirement within the deposit Revised LDP factors in the ability to meet the strategic objectives and policies of the Council, retains the young within the county, delivers for the needs of all our communities both urban and rural, and provides the opportunity for job creation, amongst others.

Policy SP1 identifies that in meeting the overall requirement of 8,835 dwellings during the plan period, the housing supply is set at 10,160 dwellings (15% general flexibility above the requirement). Some 6,986 residential units will be provided through allocations and those sites considered to be existing commitments. The remainder of the housing requirement will be met through allowances for large and small windfall sites recognising their contribution to housing delivery across the plan area.

Consideration will be given as appropriate to the need to amend or update relevant background /topic papers or evidence prior to submission.

Action

3761 Ffos Las Ltd [3885]

Agent: White Young Green (Mr Rob Mitchell) [2371]

Summary:

Object

Objection to Strategic Policy SP3.

The Policy is heavily reliant on the delivery of sites allocated under Policy HOM1 which have failed to be delivered in the previous LDP.

It has not been robustly evidenced that allocated sites are free, or readily freed, from planning, physical and ownership constraints and be economically viable at the point of the trajectory when they are due to come forward for development, in order to support the creation of sustainable communities" (PPW 10).

The current Deposit LDP fails to identify and allocate sufficient demonstrably deliverable housing sites.

In order for Strategic Policy SP3 to be met it is clear the Council must seek to allocate alternative/additional sites which are: demonstrably sustainable; financially viable; and eminently deliverable.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of sites within the revised LDP for residential purposes have been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process detailed site pro formas have been prepared.

Further evidential work will be undertaken prior to the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

3938 Pegasus Group (Daniel Millward) [5095]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy SP3.

We are not convinced the distribution of housing has been properly justified in the context of the ambition to deliver higher levels of economic growth. Our principal concern is that the ambitions to deliver economic growth will be jeopardised by the balanced approach to distributing growth across the county.

Policy SP3 needs to clearly justify the overall quantum of development to be delivered at each settlement tier and then explain how it will be distributed to support the economic aspirations of the plan, alongside its sustainability and community aspirations. Its failure to do so at present is a significant deficiency with the plan that needs to be addressed.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The respondent notes the level of evidence available in support of the sustainable distribution of housing and economic growth. The council recognises that further information will be required in order to ensure that some of the matters raised are sufficiently clear. Further background evidence will be provided leading into examination.

It should however be noted that the LDP is prepared within the context of other plans and strategies including those of the authority, whereby the need to reflect and support rural communities is recognised. Consequently, the Plan provides a balanced approach which recognises and has full regard to national policy provisions in relation to the sustainable location of development, whilst also acknowledging and reflecting the needs of rural communities.

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3985 Mr Phil Mann [2574]

Agent: Mr Stuart Owen [731]

Summary: Object

Objection to SP3 by seeking the inclusion of part of site SR/067/004, and that in not allocating this site for residential development and ensuring removal of an inappropriate use which is detrimental to the amenity and safety of the residents of Gorslas is unsound.

Council's Initial Response

The site does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reasons. The site comprises a longstanding allocation, part of which has been developed. The remaining part of the allocation will be deallocated as it comprises an area of ecological value and there are concerns regarding the delivery of the site. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

4276 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

After a detailed review of the sites proposed to be allocated for residential development, it remains the case that c.33 % (2,325 of the 6,986 homes) listed at Table 5 of the Deposit LDP as housing allocations have clear long standing deliverability issues, given that they have not successfully come forward during the current plan period between 2006-2021.

There remains a lack of robust assessment of the issues surrounding the rationale for the sites historic failure to be delivered during the plan period and justification for re-allocation. Particularly given that some of these sites have historically been granted planning permission for residential development and have still not progressed during this time. Furthermore 27% (1,903 of the 6,986 homes) continue to remain beyond 5 year aspirations in the Deposit LDP, emphasising a continued lack of confidence from the LPA that the sites are nearing a realistically deliverable state.

Reference can be made to a series of allocated sites objected to by the respondent. Also, the client's site(s) are promoted under representations 4272 and 4275 (policy HOM1). Also, reference may be made to representation 4271 (policy HOM1).

4143 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Reference can be made to a series of allocated sites objected to by the respondent. Also, the client's site is promoted under representation 4142 (policy HOM1).

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The respondent has provided no detailed evidence to substantiate their assertion other than referencing the inclusion of sites within previous development plan.

The allocation of sites within the revised LDP for residential purposes have been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process detailed site pro formas have been prepared.

As the Plan proceed to examination, Further information around the deliverability of certain sites will be provided as part of the plan's evidence base.

Action

3144 Barton Willmore (Joe Ayoubkhani) [646]

Summary: Object

In summary, for the reasons outlined, the housing requirement set in SP 1: Strategic Growth and SP 3: Providing New Homes is objected to and a housing requirement in line with the existing adopted LDP should be utilised.

- a) Planning policy dictates that the Welsh Government projections should form only one element of the 'key evidence' in respect of assessing housing requirements, and that there are a number of specific contextual, policy and economic considerations which need to be accounted for in the context of Carmarthenshire;
- b) Stepping down from the current LDP level would represent a serious risk of triggering enhanced issues of affordability, which already comprises a significant pressure to the local population;
- c) Growth at current levels is required to support the construction sector (which is one of the greatest employers in Carmarthenshire); however, the current LDP does not account for the Swansea Bay City Deal. Significant housing growth (over and above current levels targeted)will be required to underpin the circa 10,000 new jobs targeted to be created within the region, a significant number of which will need to be accommodated and housed within Carmarthenshire due to the commitment for investment in the Council area.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The Population and Household Projection Topic Paper and the evidence contained within the Demographic Forecasts undertaken by Edge Analytics (2018 and 2019) sets out the informing considerations and the justification for the population and household projections for the County.

In assessing and identifying the housing requirement for the Plan and in accordance with PPW 10 Para 4.2.6 the WG local authority level projections were utilised as a starting point. Edge Analytics sought to review and assess the appropriateness of the latest WG population and household projections for Carmarthenshire and sought to also provide an alternative suite of demographic and trend evidence to consider.

The Council considers that an appropriate and deliverable housing requirement within the deposit Revised LDP factors in the ability to meet the strategic objectives and policies of the Council, retains the young within the county, delivers for the needs of all our communities both urban and rural, and provides the opportunity for job creation, amongst others. Policy SP1 identifies that in meeting the overall requirement of 8,835 dwellings during the plan period, the housing supply is set at 10,160 dwellings (15% general flexibility above the requirement). Some 6,986 residential units will be provided through allocations and those sites considered to be existing commitments. The remainder of the housing requirement will be met through allowances for large and small windfall sites recognising their contribution to housing delivery across the plan area.

Consideration will be given as appropriate to the need to amend or update relevant background /topic papers or evidence prior to submission.

Action

855 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category C - Components of Housing supply- Clarification and presentation The Council has discounted 1717 units from the landbank. The Welsh Government does not object to the principal of this approach which is advocated in the DPM. However, clarification is sought on the status of sites 'discounted' in Appendix 2 of the 'Housing Supply' Topic Paper. Appendix 2 states 'sites that have been omitted from the revised LDP'. However, commentary next to some individual sites suggests they have 'development potential for inclusion in the plan', which is at odds with being discounted in the first place? Clarity is required on the status of Appendix 2 and the LPA should be clear what sites have been discounted, or why sites have been 'added back in' through other means (i.e. windfalls).

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. Appendix 2 of the Housing Supply Paper identifies all large sites that that have been considered, yet omitted from the revised LDP. Whilst the appendix identifies that a number of sites may have the potential for development, their non-inclusion within the revised LDP reflects the lack of certainty and lack of confidence that they will be delivered. To include them would undermine the premise that the LDP should include deliverable sites only. Should some sites identified within this appendix come forward for development, then they will be considered within the windfall allowance, which has been robustly evidenced.

Action

4240 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary: Object

Development in Llanelli and Burry Port will need to be subject to draft Policy INF4 and the emerging Burry Inlet SPG as they drain into the Llanelli Waste Water Treatment Works. According to the LDP, within this catchment area there are concerns that the connection of foul flows generated by new development introduces the risk of deterioration in the water quality of the Carmarthen Bay and Estuaries European Marine Site (CBEEMS). This is due to the fact that the majority of the sewer system in the Llanelli WWTW area is combined (surface and foul). DCWW has requested that all new development within the catchment be subject to a requirement to undertake compensatory surface water removal from the system as part of the granting of planning permission. Given the above concern and necessary compensation requirements we question the logic of directing so much development to the affected area when better alternatives are available. The settlement of Llangennech lies outside of the catchment in question and therefore we argue that it would be appropriate to reduce the quantum of development in the Burry Inlet area and to provide some of the redistributed quantum of development in the nearby settlement of Llangennech, therefore retaining the quantum of development in Cluster 2. Reference is made to rep 4266 (comments on LDP policy INF4). Reference is also made to rep 4243 where the client's site is promoted.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

It is noted that the settlement of Llangennech is located outside of the INF4 policy area, however this is just one of a number of considerations that are taken into account in preparing a sound Plan. In this regard, the approach should not be purely 'constraint led' but rather one which provides a land use expression of the corporate direction of travel and allows for the realisation of the Plan's vision and objectives.

A notable consideration in the distribution of development is the importance of the Plan reflecting its evidence base in regards the Role and Function of its settlements.

Paragraph 6.92 of the Role and Function Topic Paper (January 2020) outlines that Llangennech is a self-sufficient village with all the services and facilities appropriate for its scale being within close proximity. In this sense, it plays a vital service centre role within the settlement hierarchy. Its position on the M4 corridor is also recognised. The Council considers that the level of growth earmarked for Llangennech in the Plan is appropriate and deliverable given its supportive role for Llanelli within the wider cluster 2. The Council recognises that Focused Changes are proposed in Llangennech - notably to sites Sec7/h4 and Sec7/h5, but it is considered that the role and function of the settlement is unaffected.

It is noted that those settlements within the INF4 policy / Burry Inlet area are Llanelli and Burry Port and these have a higher quantum of development than Llangennech. This quantum of development is a reflection of the Plan's evidence base, most notably the Role and Function Topic Paper (January 2020).

In noting the cluster based approach underpinning the Plan, the Council emphasises that Llanelli itself remains the focus of development for cluster 2 as the Principal Centre. Paragraphs 6.64, 6.65 and 6.66 of the Role and Function Topic Paper (January 2020) should be referred to in this regard. Notably paragraph 6.66 states that "Future opportunities include the regeneration of the town centre and coastal area will boost and drive socio-economic improvements. It will also enhance the accessibility to homes, services and employment across the South East of Carmarthenshire and beyond".

In regards Burry Port, Paragraph 6.76 of the Role and Function Topic Paper (January 2020) should be referred to. Also most notably paragraph 6.73 states that "many of the sites which were defined previously as windfall sites are being brought into the housing allocation and commitments element of the housing supply components. These sites will support the large scale regeneration opportunity in the harbour area".

In regards the deliverability of sites allocated in Llanelli and Burry Port, their allocation has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process, site pro formas are prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. The allocations identified within the LDP for Llanelli and Burry Port make sufficient provision for the housing needs of those settlements. There is firm evidence of deliverability on these sites. Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination in to the revised LDP. Furthermore, the growth in Llanelli and Burry Port is consistent with the Plan's evidence base - see above.

As a cross reference note, the Council's response to the promotion of the client's site under

representation reference number 4243 can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under policy HOM1. Also, the Council's response to the concerns raised in representation reference number 4266 can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under policy INF4.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3254 Matthew Utting [2833]

Summary: Support

Strategic Policy SP3 builds on Strategic Policy SP1 by confirming that in order to meet the requirement for 8,835 dwellings over the LDP period, 10,160 new dwellings will be provided between 2018-2033, in accordance with the LDP's Settlement Framework. My client supports Strategic Policy SP3 - it sets the context for delivering new housing in line with requirements, with a reasonable and realistic 'buffer' to ensure those requirements are satisfied; and therefore represents a sustainable and achievable strategy for meeting the County's housing needs over the LDP period.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

No change to the Plan

Paragraph Para 11.86

Representation(s)

3302 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

It is acknowledged that windfalls can make an important contribution to the overall housing requirement for the County. However, in order to ensure the deliverability of the housing requirement then sufficient sites should be identified and allocated to meet this requirement. Windfall sites are unidentified by definition and therefore should therefore form part of the flexibility allowance only.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The Council considers that that sufficient land has been allocated for residential development to meet the proposed growth requirement. In respect of windfall sites the council must make an allowance for unforeseen developments which may come forward during the plan period. The flexibility of 15% within the housing supply figure over and above the requirement takes into account the potential for an uplift within all of the housing supply components.

Action

Policy HOM1: Housing Allocations

Representation(s)

3425 Mr G Morris [4979]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Objection to the omission of site SR/106/002 - Land adj B4312 Llansteffan: The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Llansteffan would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. The concept is based on a retirement village with ancillary community facilities to serve the residents. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future elderly persons housing for this sustainable community.

3854 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category C - Components of Housing supply- Clarification and presentation The Welsh Government has the following observations on the housing components and policies in the plan:

* Policy HOM1: Housing Allocations includes sites with planning permission. The DPM is clear that allocations and commitments should be separated to aid clarity of the plan. If the Council wishes to identify committed housing sites these should be listed in a separate policy and clearly identified on the Proposals Map. Key sites with planning permission, such as PrC1/MU1 West Carmarthen, may require a separate policy as greater evidence is necessary to deliver the site and plan strategy. (See Delivery and Implementation comments.)

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. Reference should be drawn to Appendix 7 - Housing Trajectory within the LDP which provides up to date information on sites identified as allocations, and those identified as commitments. Appendix 7 will be a live document which will be updated on an annual basis to coincide within the AMR. It is considered that this form of monitoring is sufficient to identify differences between those sites which are allocations and those which are commitments. Its inclusion into HOM1 would date the Plan on its adoption.

Action

3245 Mr Roger Poolman [4883]

Summary: Object

We are led to believe that the site is referred to in the Deposit LDP as a residential site but we believe that there is a recommendation to omit the same from the new Plan. Our clients disagree with the Councils position and believe that the site should continue to be included as one for residential development within this new strategy document.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3269 Mr Huw Jones [4898]

Summary: Object

I support the inclusion of this current LDP site (SC18/h4) into the next L.D.P 2018-2033. As it is ideal for housing development - particularly in furtherance of SD1 - sustainable villages SP16. do not include this site is in contravention of plan aims - para 10.4 need to sustain rural settlement - reflected in the distribution of housing growth areas.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3289 Mr David Jones [4762]

Summary: Object

Proposed for housing - approximately 1.1 hectares and allocated in the current LDP. Update given on progress in brining the site forward for development - including engagement of planning consultant, meetings, engagement with statutory consultees (inc NRW and DCWW) land agent advice and surveys. There are no technical obstacles, and the site would contribute to the local economy and County's demographic structure. The land is ripe for development and also sustainable located - public transport links and cycle path cited. This is therefore an objection to policy HOM1 as the site is not allocated for housing in deposit Revised LDP. Site reference is AS/039/007

3314 Mr Robert Jones [4927]

Summary: Object

Object to the non-inclusion of an existing LDP site at Ffrwdwen, Cwmffrwd, and seeks its inclusion in the revised LDP. I support the inclusion of this 1.1-hectare site in the revised 2018-2033 L.D.P as it represents an environmentally sustainable and minimally intrusive residential development, opportunity that compliments the sustainable development objectives of the LDP. Previously identified as site sc18/h4 in the 2011 deposit LDP plan. This is therefore an objection to policy HOM1 in that the site is not allocated for housing in the Revised LDP. The site reference is AS/039/007

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3246 Kevin & Wendy Duggan [2800]

Summary: Object

SR/070/001 Opening up our land for building affordable housing, will allow us to apply for planning on our two barns, one as a family home and the other as a holiday rental, bringing tourism to the area this would also help us to maintain the woodland and fields that we own helping the environment.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3386 Mr A.R Llewellyn [4957]

Agent: CDN Planning (Mr Graham Carlisle) [5017]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion from allocation of a site in Trimsaran. The site is allocated for housing development in the currently adopted LDP (T3/4/h7). The land in question is an attractive residential site. It has a good direct access from the main road linking Trimsaran to Llanelli and it is in a sustainable location being close to the facilities in Trimsaran, including the nearby junior school. It is also on a regular bus route to Llanelli.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

HOM1: Housing Allocations

Representation(s)

4186 Mr C Hurley [4688]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

A comprehensive case for the allocation of the land for residential development purposes and it should also be read in conjunction with the accompanying supporting information and indicative site layout plan. An accompanying layout drawing has taken account of all the potential assets and constraints of the site and demonstrates that it is capable of delivering 18 houses in a deliverable and sustainable manner. The site is capable of accommodating detached and semi detached, two-storey houses to replicate and being reflective of the existing form and density of residential development in the immediate locality. With the Site having no access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints, its delivery if allocated is assured. Combined therefore with its locational characteristics, the site represents a sustainable Alternative Site for future housing development. Objection under policy HOM1 as land is not allocated. Site reference AS/016/021, not previously a candidate site. Reference can be made to 8 objections about the deliverability of allocated sites - including 3381. Those 8 Housing allocations should be removed from the plan and units redistributed to Alternative Sites, of up to circa 20-25 units such as this one as there is clear evidence that such moderately-sized sites are far more likely to be brought forward and developed in full by regional housebuilders given that construction and development costs are more likely to be viable in relation to house sales and the general housing market in this part of Carmarthenshire.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reasons: there are concerns that the development of the site would be contrary to general planning principles in that it would contribute towards the unacceptable coalescence of 2 distinctly separate parts of the existing built form (Pembrey and Burry Port). Also, there is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the settlement to accommodate its housing need.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representations made by the respondent seeking deletion of allocated housing sites from the Plan - including rep number 3381 - site sec4/h2- can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses - housing allocations)

Action

3204 Mr & Mrs Gary & Lynne Edwards [4671]

Summary: Object

The site reference is AS/016/019. Plan is sound but is seeking new site. The site is promoted as a natural extension of Dolau Fan Road Housing Estate for 10 self build plots. The land is derelict. All services are available and adequate with existing access. A Bus service is in operation and the land is for sale. Other potential land uses discussed are donation of land to cemetery, whilst solar, wind, water power are also highlighted. The main thrust of the representation is for housing however. This is therefore an objection to policy HOM1 in that the land is omitted as a housing allocation. Reference may be made to representation 3205. Supplemental information on access and land ownership provided in addition.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reasons - Development of the site for housing will be contrary to general planning principles (unacceptable extension) and would have a detrimental impact on the character and setting of the settlement or its features. In this regard, it is considered that allocating for housing would lead to an illogical and unnecessary eastern departure from the established urban form of the Dolau Fan area. Also, there is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the settlement to accommodate its housing need. For other potential uses highlighted in the representation - these would be for consideration against the Plan's policy framework.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 3205 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

4118 Mr B.O. Beynon [5011]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

The proposals under this Representation seek the addition of circa 46 residential units to the overall housing supply of Pembrey/Burry Port, which forms a local service centre, being part of the Llanelli Cluster as defined within the draft LDP. An indicative site layout plan is provided, and the original candidate site submission is attached. The site has been promoted as a natural extension to the Garreglwyd allocation in the LDP - Site SeC5/h1, which is being constructed alongside, and is a development of semi-detached, two-storey units, which complement and resemble established local-authority-built houses in this part of Pembrey (SeC5/h1 to be completed by 2022). This will not appear at odds to the prevailing spatial pattern of development in Pembrey. The locality has numerous examples of modern cul-desac development being completed at backland locations, which in turn, advocates that the form of development proposed at Garreglwyd is no different, resulting in it being respectful to the character and setting of the locality. This is an objection to policy HOM1 in that candidate site SR/016/017 is not allocated for housing. Site reference - AS/016/017. Reference can be made to 8 objections about the deliverability of allocated sites - including rep 4123. Those 8 Housing allocations should be removed from the plan and units redistributed to Alternative Sites, of up to 50 units such as this one as there is clear evidence that such moderately-sized sites are far more likely to be brought forward and developed in full by regional housebuilders given that construction and development costs are more likely to be viable in relation to house sales and the general housing market in this part of Carmarthenshire.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representations made by the respondent seeking deletion of allocated housing sites from the Plan - including rep number 4123 - site sec4/h2- can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses - housing allocations)

Action

3545 E McGinley [5001]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Geraint John) [4730]

Summary: Object

A detailed case for the allocation of the site is set out and should be read in conjunction with the previous candidate site submission. The site is immediately adjacent to development limits and a proposed housing allocation (prc2/h21) in the deposit Plan. Reference is made to the Council's assessment of the candidate site previously which is disagreed with. Entire site in ownership of promoter. This is a logical expansion of Bryn to the east and the site is readily available. This is presented as an option for 210 dwellings. Part of the site is previously developed land. It is sustainably located and constraint free. Objection under HOM1 to non allocation of candidate site SR/086/038, site reference is AS/086/038. This was a preferred option at candidate site stage to that discussed under rep 3546. Further site options set out in reps 3546 and 3547 should be referred to.

3546 E McGinley [5001]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Geraint John) [4730]

Summary: Object

A detailed case for the allocation of the site is set out and should be read in conjunction with the previous candidate site submission. The site is immediately adjacent to development limits and a proposed housing allocation (prc2/h21) in the deposit Plan. Reference is made to the Council's assessment of the candidate site previously which is disagreed with. Entire site in ownership of promoter. This is a logical expansion of Bryn to the east and the site is readily available. This is presented as an option for 41 dwellings. Previously developed land. It is sustainably located and constraint free. Objection under HOM1 to non allocation of candidate site SR/086/039, site reference is AS/086/039. This was not the preferred option at candidate site stage to that discussed under rep 3545. Further site options set out in reps 3545 and 3547 should be referred to.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 3547 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

3547 E McGinley [5001]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Geraint John) [4730]

Summary: Object

A detailed case for the allocation of the site is set out. Reference is made to previous a candidate site submission which was made in relation to options 1 and 2 previous (see reps 3545 and 3546) as background. Reference is made to the Council's assessment of those candidate site previously which is disagreed with. The site is immediately adjacent to development limits and a proposed housing allocation (prc2/h21) in the deposit Plan. This is presented as an option for 96 dwellings. Part of the site is previously developed land. It is sustainably located and constraint free. Contractual arrangements are in place between the landowner and a developer via an option agreement. The site is being promoted by an active, locally based SME housebuilder. Reference is also made to the emerging NDF. Objection under HOM1 to non allocation of the site under reference is AS/086/080. Further site options set out in reps 3545 and 3546 should be referred to.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. It is noted that this representation proposes a different option to those in representations 3545 and 3546. The site does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reasons - the development of the site would be contrary to general planning principles in that it would contribute towards the coalescence of 2 distinctly separate parts of the existing built form (Bryn and Llangennech). It is noted that the site is visibly prominent in this regard.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference numbers 3545 and 3546 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

3921 Mr A Richards [4122]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

This site will provide a second phase to adjoining site SeC7/H1 - clients are confident that SeC7/H1 will be implemented by 2023. Representation seeks the addition of circa 7 residential units to the overall housing supply of Llangennech, which forms part of the principal service centre centred upon the Llanelli Cluster as defined within the deposit LDP. The indicative proposals to construct 7 dwellinghouses will not appear at odds to the prevailing spatial pattern of development in Llangennech. The locality has numerous examples of modern cul-de-sac development being completed at backland locations, which in turn, advocates that the form of development proposed at Aber Llwchwr is no different, resulting in it being respectful to the character and setting of the locality. This is a location where housing proposals are deliverable, assisting to meet housing needs in this part of the Llanelli Cluster. An extract of the indicative site layout plan for this site is provided and the candidate site report resubmitted. This is an objection to policy HOM1 in that candidate site SR/086/076 is not allocated for housing. Site reference - AS/086/076. Refer to rep 3923 also.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 3923 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses - housing allocations)

Action

HOM1: Housing Allocations

Representation(s)

4011 Stradey Estate (Mr Edward Mansel Lewis) [5122]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Mr Luke Grattarola) [685]

Summary: Object

Objection to policy HOM1 in that that candidate site SR/086/032 was not allocated. The land lies immediately adjacent to the settlement boundary for Llanelli. The development of the site would not unduly damage the character of the surrounding area, due to location in settlement and strong association with the settlement of Furnace, and Llanelli. The site is located within close association and connection to Furnace, and town centre of Llanelli, which provides a range of services and facilities within convenient walking distance (which would facilitate sustainable growth of the settlement). The sustainability and accessibility credentials of the site lend themselves to supporting residential development at this location - a bus stop is located within 150m of the site. The land is not identified as being of any special landscape / nature conservation / ecology interest - it is not afforded any such protection status within the current LDP. it is considered that the inclusion of this land for residential development will significantly assist the Local Authority in meeting their housing needs provision. This is the 'next' logical outward expansion of Furnace as the site is bound by residential development on the southern and western boundaries. Furthermore, the guarry site (h10) is located to the north-east of the promoted site and would link well with that expansion of the settlement. The site reference is AS/086/032.

4013 Stradey Estate (Mr Edward Mansel Lewis) [5122]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Mr Luke Grattarola) [685]

Summary: Object

Objection to policy HOM1 in that that candidate site SR/086/036 was not allocated. The land lies immediately adjacent to the settlement boundary for Llanelli. The development of the site would not unduly damage the character of the surrounding area, due to location in settlement and strong association with the settlement of Furnace, and Llanelli. The site is located within close association and connection to Furnace, and town centre of Llanelli, which provides a range of services and facilities within convenient walking distance (which would facilitate sustainable growth of the settlement). The sustainability and accessibility credentials of the site lend themselves to supporting residential development at this location - a bus stop is located within 150m of the site. The land is not identified as being of any special landscape / nature conservation / ecology interest - it is not afforded any such protection status within the current LDP, it is considered that the inclusion of this land for residential development will significantly assist the Local Authority in meeting their housing needs provision. This is the 'next' logical outward expansion of Furnace as the site is bound by residential development on the southern and western boundaries. Furthermore, the guarry site (h10) is located to the north-east of the promoted site and would link well with that expansion of the settlement. The site reference is AS/086/036.

HOM1: Housing Allocations

4012 Stradey Estate (Mr Edward Mansel Lewis) [5122]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Mr Luke Grattarola) [685]

Summary: Object

Objection to policy HOM1 in that that candidate site SR/086/035 was not allocated. The land lies immediately adjacent to the settlement boundary for Llanelli. The development of the site would not unduly damage the character of the surrounding area, due to location in settlement and strong association with the settlement of Furnace, and Llanelli. The site is located within close association and connection to Furnace, and town centre of Llanelli, which provides a range of services and facilities within convenient walking distance (which would facilitate sustainable growth of the settlement). The sustainability and accessibility credentials of the site lend themselves to supporting residential development at this location - a bus stop is located within 150m of the site. The land is not identified as being of any special landscape / nature conservation / ecology interest - it is not afforded any such protection status within the current LDP. it is considered that the inclusion of this land for residential development will significantly assist the Local Authority in meeting their housing needs provision. This is the 'next' logical outward expansion of Furnace as the site is bound by residential development on the southern and western boundaries. Furthermore, the quarry site (h10) is located to the north-east of the promoted site and would link well with that expansion of the settlement. The site reference is AS/086/035.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

4015 Stradey Estate (Mr Edward Mansel Lewis) [5122]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Mr Luke Grattarola) [685]

Summary: Object

Objection to policy HOM1 in that site ref AS/086/082 is not allocated (not a candidate site - alternative 1). Accessible via clos Pen Y Fai, via an access owned by the site promoter, and could allow for a small-scale residential opportunity. This 'rounding' off of the settlement would be a logical extension to the settlement in this location, not least as the proposed site would have built form on the western and southern boundaries. Noting the boundaries, these are natural hedgerows and the southern and south-eastern boundaries have a number of large trees which act as natural boundaries. This smaller option would comprise a site capacity of circa 12 dwellings. This density and quantum of built form would allow the settlement to 'round off' in the area and would allow a lower density proposal on the rural edge of the settlement. This low-volume of built form would also have no material impact on the highway network. A highway technical note has been prepared specifically for this site. Reference is made to representations 4011,4012 and 4013.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reasons - Development would lead to an unnecessary encroachment beyond the development limits. Development of the site for housing will be contrary to general planning principles (unacceptable extension) and would have a detrimental impact on the character and setting of the settlement or its features. In this regard, it is considered that allocating for housing would lead to an illogical and unnecessary eastern departure the from the established urban form of the Pen Y Fai area. The nature of the highway infrastructure is a notable developmental consideration in this part of Llanelli, albeit the proponent has submitted a transport assessment to support this proposal. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the settlement to accommodate its housing need.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference numbers 4011,4012 and 4013 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

HOM1: Housing Allocations

Representation(s)

4016 Stradey Estate (Mr Edward Mansel Lewis) [5122]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Mr Luke Grattarola) [685]

Summary: Object

Objection to policy HOM1 in that site ref AS/086/083 is not allocated (not a candidate site - alternative 2). Given the Quarry's allocation to the north-east, the below could be a suitable alternative. This would be 'rounding off' the settlement, and could look to utilise a shared access opportunity with the adjacent promoter of the quarry site. This parcel of land, circa 6ha in size could crudely look to provide (at a notional 20dph density) 100 - 120 units. Reference is made to representations 4011,4012 and 4013.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reasons - Development would lead to an unnecessary encroachment beyond the development limits. Development of the site for housing will be contrary to general planning principles (unacceptable extension) and would have a detrimental impact on the character and setting of the settlement or its features. In this regard, it is considered that allocating for housing would lead to an illogical and unnecessary eastern departure the from the established urban form of the Pen Y Fai area. The nature of the highway infrastructure is a notable developmental consideration in this part of Llanelli. Also, there is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the settlement to accommodate its housing need.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference numbers 4011,4012 and 4013 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

4017 Stradey Estate (Mr Edward Mansel Lewis) [5122]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Mr Luke Grattarola) [685]

Summary:

Object

Objection to policy HOM1 in that site ref AS/086/084 is not allocated (not a candidate site - alternative 3). Whilst it is acknowledged that Pen Y Fai Lane has its issues, this alternative option would continue the 'ribbon development' theme along Pen Y Fai Lane, and could offer road improvements for vehicle and pedestrian refuge. The alternative, at 0.4 ha in size could provide circa 8 dwellings which would replicate the density and character of generous plot sizes in the area. Improvements to the road could also be made by allowing for passing bays etc which would improve highway and pedestrian safety. Reference is made to representations 4011,4012 and 4013.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reasons: Whilst there are concerns that the development could result in a detrimental impact on the character and setting as this is a large and prominent infill proposal, the primary concern is the nature of the highway infrastructure which is a notable developmental consideration in this part of Llanelli. Also, there is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the settlement to accommodate its housing need.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference numbers 4011,4012 and 4013 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

HOM1: Housing Allocations

Representation(s)

4044 Mrs D Davies [4075]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

The proposals under this Representation seek the addition of circa 7 residential units to the overall housing supply of Hendy & Fforest, which forms part of the principal service centre centred upon the Llanelli Cluster as defined within the deposit LDP. The indicative proposals to construct circa 7-10 dwellinghouses will not appear at odds to the prevailing spatial pattern of development in Hendy and Fforest. The locality has numerous examples of modern cul-desac development being completed at backland locations, which in turn, advocates that the form of development proposed at Oaklands is no different, resulting in it being respectful to the character and setting of the locality. This is a location where housing proposals are deliverable, assisting to meet housing needs in this part of the Llanelli Cluster. An extract of the indicative site layout plan for this site is provided and the candidate site report resubmitted. This is an objection to policy HOM1 in that candidate site SR/069/014 is not allocated for housing. Site reference - AS/069/014

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

HOM1: Housing Allocations

Representation(s)

4073 Mr W R Thomas [5060]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Reference is made to the Council's concerns with regards to the proposed Candidate site SR/086/070 in regards flooding. As a result, the site area has been revised to exclude the southern portion of the grazing field which falls within the Zone C2. The locality has numerous examples of modern cul-de-sac development being completed at backland locations, which in turn, advocates that the form of development proposed at Gwaelod-y-Maes is no different, resulting in it being respectful to the character and setting of the locality. Reference is made to the position with Llangenench WWTW investment also. This is an objection to policy HOM1 in that site AS/086/085 is not allocated (revised site area from the original candidate site). Indicative site layout and original candidate site submission provided. Reference is made to representation 3801.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reasons: The development of the site would be contrary to general planning principles due to it being an unacceptable extension to the settlement. In this regard, the emphasis in this plan period should be on delivering allocation SeC7/h4 - refer to representation 3801 - policy HOM1 housing allocations. The submission of an amended site area is as a means to counter concerns on DAMs C2 zone is noted. Also, there is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the settlement to accommodate its housing need.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 4072 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses - housing allocations)

Action

4096 Mr & Mrs K & T Jones [4052]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

The proposals under this Representation seek the addition of circa 100 residential units to the overall housing supply of Llanelli, which the Bynea / Bryn locality forms part of the Llanelli Cluster as defined within the draft LDP. An indicative site layout plan is provided, and the original candidate site submission is attached. This will not appear at odds to the prevailing spatial pattern of development in Llanelli. The locality has numerous examples of modern culde-sac development being completed at backland locations, which in turn, advocates that the form of development proposed at Pencoed Farm is no different, resulting in it being respectful to the character and setting of the locality. It is abundantly clear that this area has a good market demand, where prospective homebuyers are attracted to this part of eastern Llanelli to live. It is ironic that the Council seek to promote locations where housing supply can be effectively delivered, but when presented with such Candidate Sites, they subsequently are fearful that more development would somehow be detrimental to the locality. The development off the eastern side of Pendderi Road would complement the long-since completed "Bryn Emrallt" which lies to the immediate north-west of the Representation Site. and is another example of high market demand of sites in this locality being completed and wholly delivered. This is an objection to policy HOM1 in that candidate site SR/086/071 is not allocated for housing. Site reference - AS/086/071. Reference can be made to 8 objections about the deliverability of allocated sites - including rep 4097. Those 8 Housing allocations should be removed from the plan and units redistributed to Alternative Sites, of up to 100 units such as this one. There is clear evidence that such moderately-sized sites are far more likely to be brought forward and developed in full by regional housebuilders given that construction and development costs are more likely to be viable in relation to house sales and the general housing market in this part of Carmarthenshire.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representations made by the respondent seeking deletion of allocated housing sites from the Plan - including rep number 4097 - site prc2/h15 - can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses - housing allocations)

Action

4397 Phyllis Davies [2614]

Summary: Object

The site has been waiting for 45 years to be placed in the development Plan. Drainage/ sewage infrastructure in place for 45 years, also attractive views over Llanelli. Reference made to Council fields adjacent. Access via Dimpath Lane not Pentrepoeth. Close to schools, hospital - no traffic jams or pollution - also not a flood plain - eg South Llanelli (people need a choice). Last development in this part of the town was in the 60's & 70's - Swiss Valley - long since completed. This is no longer neat and tidy farm land as it was years ago - overgrown etc. Further detailed information provided - including Dwr Cymru Welsh Water information. Reference is also drawn to climate emergency declared by the County Council and the fact that this site has strong attributes in this regard given location close to services etc. This is an objection under policy HOM1 to non allocation of candidate site SR/086/004 (site reference AS/086/004).

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

4529 Mr Martin Beynon [3555]

Summary: Object

The deposit plan has excluded the site. I made representations for including this site previously and do not wish to repeat those comments here but instead to respond to the Stage 2a initial detailed site assessment to which I respond to as follows: - (1) 'Development would lead to a sporadic form of development' - The school provides a suitable boundary for the village's development limit and should thereby provide an opportunity for much needed infill development. This site falls within that infill area. With Llanedi being categorised as a "Sustainable Village", greater provision for housing within the village is justified and this plot would make a suitable contribution. The suitability of this site for development was outlined in my previous representation, which addressed the tests set in in your Authority's Stage 2b assessment such as accessibility and infrastructure & utilities. (2) There is a lack of certainty in terms of site ownership. The ownership of this land is registered at HM Land Registry. The owner is willing to negotiate a sale of this land to a suitable developer to bring forward within this plan period. Llanedi is a popular residential village with previous allocations for housing being developed or due to commence. Property values in Llanedi ensure that residential development is viable and sufficient developer interest exists. Consequently, viability and deliverability tests can be met. This is an objection to the non allocation of this site under policy HOM1 - site reference AS/084/003.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site, albeit land ownership issues and intent are confirmed by the respondent. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

HOM1: Housing Allocations

Representation(s)

3664 N, L & S Hammer, Casey & Evans [5030]

Agent: Aled Thomas Planning Design Ltd (Mr Aled Thomas) [3225]

Summary: Object

We would like the Authority and the Planning Inspector to re-think its reason for not including this land and urge them to re-read our submitted evidence with our first submission. A copy of the candidate site report is provided - this concludes by stating that this site is believed to be a perfect site for inclusion within the Local Development Plan to allow for further residential properties within the locality for local people. This is an objection under policy HOM1 to non allocation of CS/086/031 - site ref AS/086/031.

3776 Mrs Sandra Y Evans [601]

Summary: Object

There is no issue with this site with regards stage 2a constraints - including nature conservation, cultural heritage designations or TAN 15 flood risk zones. Also, I believe it is possible to overcome or mitigate the constraints put forward in the Initial Detailed Site Assessment comments, "A notable deliverability concern is highway access, with reference given to the lack of pedestrian facilities and limited visibility in this regard. The site will remain outside of the development limits." There is currently a planning application which is due for a decision on 27/3/20 which we are hopeful will be approved. If this is the case the planning agreement constraints submitted by the Highways & Transport Division Environment Department as part of the Consultation process will overcome and mitigate the deliverability concern of highway access, lack of pedestrian facilities and limited visibility. (Direct quotes from the Highways consultation document are provided). Therefore I feel the concerns have been addressed and being in a housing high demand area in the heart of Felinfoel the site should be included in the development limits. This is an objection under policy HOM1 to non allocation of CS/086/031 - site ref AS/086/031.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non-inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table.

However there is now additional information available that requires the above assessment to be reviewed, notably the granting of planning permission S/39676 on the land adjacent to the site.

Reference is made to the Council's initial assessment in this regard, notably in terms of highways/access concerns (refer to Sites Assessment Table).

This new assessment of the site is undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site does not accord with Stage 2b of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reason: development of the site have a detrimental impact on the character and setting of the settlement or its features. The site's allocation for housing would raise concerns in regards the hedgerow and trees that run along the site boundary and the site levels are also noted.

However, a further assessment of the site based on a smaller site area has also been undertaken.

This further assessment of the amended / reduced site area is undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

The site does not accord with Stage 2a of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reason: the site accommodate 5 or more dwellings.

It is considered that development of this smaller site area will not have a detrimental impact on the character and setting of the settlement or its features

As a result, a small portion of the site will be included within the development limits in recognition of its development potential for 1-2 units and the site will not be allocated. This smaller site area than which is requested recognises the importance of the retention of the hedgerow and trees that run along the site boundary and to partially screen the development from the surrounding area. The levels are also noted. Trees may need root protection areas and there is a likely requirement for surveys (eg dormice).

In this regard, the site will require detailed consideration of a range of matters as part of any future planning application.

Action

Amend the Plan (focused change) - part of the site to be included within development limits.

Object

Representation(s)

3451 Mr H Davies [4985]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/097/004.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Llangynog would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

3105 Mr S Cooper [4829]

Summary: Object

The following Submissions have been made to the Local Authority to amend the Development Plan for exclusion and should be rejected: SR/067/015 - CA0892

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper.

The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3853 Estate of W J Thomas [5078]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Geraint John) [4730]

Summary: Object

Objects to the Deposit LDP on the grounds that the site isn't included as an allocation and is set to be delivered. Outline Application S/38518 for residential development of up to 20 dwellings is under consideration by the Council, with just one outstanding matter before being heard at Planning Committee. This is an objection to policy HOM1 site reference AS/086/081 (not previously a candidate site - note it is white land within development limits). The site is a highly suitable location for housing, and for inclusion as such within the emerging LDP. It lies within the settlement boundary for Llanelli, which is a defined Growth Area. It is currently afforded a residential allocated status within the currently adopted LDP, and this should be considered as the baseline for the site. The development of the site would not unduly damage the character of the surrounding area, due to the site's location within an existing residential area. The site benefits from a close association and connection with the services and facilities provided within Llwnhendy, which are situated within convenient walking distance (which would facilitate sustainable growth of the settlement). The sustainability and accessibility credentials of the site lend themselves to supporting residential development at this location - several bus stops are located immediately north of the site on Heol Llwynhendy. The land is not identified as being of any special landscape / nature conservation / ecology interest - it is not afforded any such protection status within the current LDP. It is considered that the inclusion of this land for residential development will assist the Local Authority in meeting their housing needs provision. The site is wholly deliverable and can realistically come forward within the early years of the Plan period.

Council's Initial Response

The site (in the form of Adopted LDP allocation GA2/h37) has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site (see paragraph 2 below). The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

It is noted that an outline residential application is in place at the time of writing. However, there remains insufficient evidence to identify when the site will be delivered. The site will remain within development limits due to its position in the urban form.

Action

Object

Representation(s)

3514 Mr J W Philips [4998]

Agent: Nicole Jones (Nicole Jones) [704]

Summary:

Objection to Policy HOM1. Seeking the inclusion of a site in Cwmffrwd.

The proposal is a small parcel of land located partially behind some development with access from the main road A484 through Cwmffrwd. The site is set inland away from any coastal flooding and it lies outside any flood risk area.

The site is not located close or within any nature conservation area, and there is a wide access point off the A484 which would be used for the main access.

All services: mains water supply, foul sewer, electricity and high-speed electronic communications networks, are in close proximity to the site.

Council's Initial Response

It is considered that there are more suitable sites available within Cwmffrwd to meet the housing need within the village.

Action

Representation(s)

3543 Mr & Mrs Williams [2858]

Agent: Nicole Jones (Nicole Jones) [704]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of a site within the Deposit LDP:

The site lies just outside the local development plan of Four Roads, which the access plots included in the existing LDP. Residential development will sit nicely next to the existing dwellings.

All surrounding roads would be able to cope with the additional traffic without the need of any improvements.

All necessary services are in close proximity.

There is sufficient space for a double access onto the main road and an additional access can be achieved via the new estate roads.

The number of children in the surrounding primary school are decreasing steadily. A new development would safeguard the future of the school and the communities.

Council's Initial Response

Four Roads has been classified as a settlement within Tier 4 of the settlement hierarchy and therefore any site proposal will be considered under policies set out within the revised LDP, most notably Policy HOM3.

Action

Object

HOM1: Housing Allocations

Representation(s)

3588 E McGinley [5001]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Geraint John) [4730]

Summary:

Objection to the exclusion of part of site SR/078/004 from allocation within the Plan.

The northern part of the site was considered suitable for allocation of residential development.

The inclusion of the southern part of the site would comprise a logical extension to the settlement. This would provide sufficient land for the inclusion of circa 40 dwellings along with the inclusion of land to facilitate the Sustainable Urban Drainage (SuDs) requirements which have recently been enforced by national government.

This site could make a meaningful and short-term contribution to the housing delivery in Llanddarog and the surrounding areas and should be re-considered as expanding the allocation to allow for a larger development area.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

The land which has been allocated provides a suitable and sympathetic development within Llanddarog, which meets the housing need within the village. It is considered that the allocation of further land is not needed to accommodate new growth.

Action

Representation(s)

3209 Mr Derrick Phillips [812]

Summary: Object

Object to the non-inclusion of SR/039/004. The land that forms part of this candidate site submission adjoin the existing built form of Cwmffrwd and is available for delivery within the short term. The development of this site would assist in deliverig much needed housing, including affordable housing and would be fully compliant with the sustainable pronicples that underpin national policy. There are no insurmountable constraints. Finlly and perhaps more significantly having regard to the sube five year housing land supply within Carmarthenshire, the development would not incorporate any abnormal costs that would restrict its delivery and it would be fully policy compliant and therefore be capable of delivering significant infrastructure and benefit to the local economy.

3208 Mr Derrick Phillips [812]

Summary: Object

Object to the non-inclusion of SR/039/003. The land that forms part of this candidate site submission adjoin the existing built form of Cwmffrwd and is available for delivery within the short term. The development of this site would assist in deliverig much needed housing, including affordable housing and would be fully compliant with the sustainable pronicples that underpin national policy. There are no insurmountable constraints. Finlly and perhaps more significantly having regard to the sube five year housing land supply within Carmarthenshire, the development would not incorporate any abnormal costs that would restrict its delivery and it would be fully policy compliant and therefore be capable of delivering significant infrastructure and benefit to the local economy.

3207 Mr Derrick Phillips [812]

Summary: Object

Object to the non-inclusion of SR/039/002. The land that forms part of this candidate site submission adjoin the existing built form of Cwmffrwd and is available for delivery within the short term. The development of this site would assist in deliverig much needed housing, including affordable housing and would be fully compliant with the sustainable pronicples that underpin national policy. There are no insurmountable constraints. Finlly and perhaps more significantly having regard to the sube five year housing land supply within Carmarthenshire, the development would not incorporate any abnormal costs that would restrict its delivery and it would be fully policy compliant and therefore be capable of delivering significant infrastructure and benefit to the local economy.

3206 Mr Derrick Phillips [812]

Summary: Object

Object to the non-inclusion of SR/039/001. The land that forms part of this candidate site submission adjoin the existing built form of Cwmffrwd and is available for delivery within the short term. The development of this site would assist in deliverig much needed housing, including affordable housing and would be fully compliant with the sustainable pronicples that underpin national policy. There are no insurmountable constraints. Finlly and perhaps more significantly having regard to the sube five year housing land supply within Carmarthenshire, the development would not incorporate any abnormal costs that would restrict its delivery and it would be fully policy compliant and therefore be capable of delivering significant infrastructure and benefit to the local economy.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

There is sufficient and more suitable land available within the locality to meet the county's housing need.

Action

3597 Mr B.O. Beynon [5011]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

The proposals under this Representation seek the addition of circa 80 residential units to the overall housing supply of Kidwelly, which forms a local service centre, being part of the Llanelli Cluster as defined within the draft LDP. An indicative site layout plan is provided, and the original candidate site submission is attached. An application for Approval of Reserved Matters is currently under preparation to construct a total of 93 houses on Site SeC3/h4. extensive supporting material taking time to compile but our clients are aiming to be formally submitting such detailed proposals for approval to the Local Planning Authority in May 2020 and confident that that allocation will be implemented by 2024. This representation Site will lead from that development to provide a second phase. This will not appear at odds to the prevailing spatial pattern of development in Kidwelly. The locality has numerous examples of modern cul-de-sac development being completed at backland locations, which in turn, advocates that the form of development proposed at Holloway Farm is no different, resulting in it being respectful to the character and setting of the locality. This is an objection to policy HOM1 in that candidate site SR/074/011 is not allocated for housing. Site reference -AS/074/011. Reference can be made to 8 objections about the deliverability of allocated sites - including rep 3624. Those 8 Housing allocations should be removed from the plan and units redistributed to Alternative Sites, of up to 100 units such as this one as there is clear evidence that such moderately-sized sites are far more likely to be brought forward and developed in full by regional housebuilders given that construction and development costs are more likely to be viable in relation to house sales and the general housing market in this part of Carmarthenshire.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

There is sufficient land available for development within Kidwelly to meet its housing needs for the plan period.

Action

Representation(s)

3621 Mr & Mrs V & J Griffiths [555]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

The site full planning permission to construct 20 dwellinghouses. It was granted permission in December 2008, under Application S/19881, A technical start has been acknowledged on the development, by virtue of the formation of part of the access off Heol Waunyclun in 2010. The planning is therefore "valid in perpetuity", and we submit that its continued legal status should be recognised through formal allocation as such in the draft Local Development Plan. A site layout is provided together with further supporting information. This site will not appear at odds to the prevailing spatial pattern of development in Trimsaran. The locality has numerous examples of modern cul-de-sac development being completed at backland locations, which in turn, advocates that the form of development proposed here is no different, resulting in it being respectful to the character and setting of the locality. Objection to the omission of current LDP allocation T3/4/h4 from the deposit revised LDP under policy HOM1 - site reference AS/157/014. Reference can be made to 8 objections about the deliverability of allocated sites - including 3645. Those 8 Housing allocations should be removed from the plan and units redistributed to alternative Sites such as this one as there is clear evidence that such moderately-sized sites are far more likely to be brought forward and developed in full by regional housebuilders given that construction and development costs are more likely to be viable in relation to house sales and the general housing market in this part of Carmarthenshire. Refer also to rep 3637.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site.

The respondent has the opportunity to develop the site in conjunction with the planning permission.

Action

Representation(s)

3637 Mr & Mrs V & J Griffiths [555]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

The site has the benefit of outline planning permission granted in January 2018, under Application S/35524. That permission remains extant, wit the site layout plan reproduced as The provided site layout indicates that a total of 35 dwellinghouses could be constructed over a cul-de-sac layout, forming a second phase of development from the Heol Waunyclun phase (see representation 3621). Further supporting information is provided. This site will not appear at odds to the prevailing spatial pattern of development in Trimsaran. The locality has numerous examples of modern cul-de-sac development being completed at backland locations, which in turn, advocates that the form of development proposed here is no different, resulting in it being respectful to the character and setting of the locality. Objection to the omission of current LDP allocation T3/4/h5 from the deposit revised LDP under policy HOM1 - site reference AS/157/015. Reference can be made to 8 objections about the deliverability of allocated sites - including 3645. Those 8 Housing allocations should be removed from the plan and units redistributed to alternative Sites such as this one as there is clear evidence that such moderately-sized sites are far more likely to be brought forward and developed in full by regional housebuilders given that construction and development costs are more likely to be viable in relation to house sales and the general housing market in this part of Carmarthenshire.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

Representation(s)

3099 Mr T Pearce [2802]

Agent: RPS Planning & Development (Emma Fortune) [681]

Summary: Object

Whilst we support the inclusion of part of Candidate Site SR/126/001 within the development limits of Pendine, we consider that the site also provides an opportunity to accommodate a slightly larger form of sustainable residential development. The proposed allocation would, however, still be very modest in scale and would not extend the built development limits of Pendine along Tavernspite Road any further than the existing situation to the north.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

The land which has been allocated provides a suitable and sympathetic development within Pendine, which meets the housing need within the village. It is considered that the allocation of further land which is subject to this representation is not needed to accommodate new growth.

Action

3205 Mr & Mrs Gary & Lynne Edwards [4671]

Summary: Object

The site reference is AS/016/020. States Plan is sound but is seeking new site. The site is promoted as a natural extension of Dolau Fan Road Housing Estate for 50 houses. The land is derelict. All services are available and adequate with existing access. A Bus service is in operation and the land is for sale. Solar, wind, water power are also highlighted. The main thrust of the representation is for housing however. This is therefore an objection to policy HOM1 in that the land is omitted as a housing allocation. Reference may be made to representation 3204. Supplemental information on access and land ownership provided in addition.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reasons - Development of the site for housing will be contrary to general planning principles (unacceptable extension) and would have a detrimental impact on the character and setting of the settlement or its features. In this regard, it is considered that allocating for housing would lead to an illogical and unnecessary eastern departure from the established urban form of the Dolau Fan area. Also, there is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the settlement to accommodate its housing need. For other potential uses highlighted in the representation - these would be for consideration against the Plan's policy framework.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 3204 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

Representation(s)

4191 Tata Steel Europe Limited (_ _ _) [5156]

Agent: Turley Associates Ltd (Abi Roberts) [4717]

Summary: Object

Our client strongly objects to the failure to also allocate land this site for residential development - site reference AS/086/086. This site originally formed part of an outline planning application covering the adopted LDP allocated site ga2/h35 as a whole but was removed from the application boundary in response to comments raised by NRW in relation to flood risk. In the interests of delivering new homes in the shortest space of time, our client took the decision to amend the application. It is prudent for our client to await the release of the new flood maps and publication of the revised TAN15 to ensure that the technical work supporting a resubmitted outline planning application is not superseded by the updated policy position. The detailed surveys and reports prepared to support the previous outline planning application demonstrate that the site is suitable for residential development. Any future planning application would be supported by appropriate technical work to demonstrate that a scheme could be brought forward that addresses flood risk (specifically in relation to climate change). The land controlled by Tata Steel at Erw Las would provide a viable and deliverable allocation that could be brought forward quickly. An enclosed Property Consultancy letter dated 27 March 2020) confirms that the two parties interested in the site at Maesyrddafen Road (see rep 4187 - allocation prc2/h15) have also registered their interest in the site at Erw Las. Both parties have indicated that they consider the site to be deliverable, subject to appropriate reprofiling. The developers have indicated that they are keen to get confirmation of the impending changes to the NRW flood mapping and TAN 15, which would enable them to progress with the necessary technical work. This is in the acknowledgement that there are deliverable solutions to flood risk. The technical documents prepared to support the original planning application further establish the suitability of the site to provide residential development. During the course of the application, no in principle technical objections were received from statutory consultees (but referenced flood risk as discussed above). The site is sustainably located and has a functional relationship with the allocated site adjacent (pr2/h15). Corrected plan submitted.

Council's Initial Response

Reference is made to the assessment conducted within the site assessment table of current LDP allocation (site ref Ga2/h35). However it is considered that given that this representation is expressly promoting that part of GA2/h35 that has not been allocated in the Deposit Plan it does require its own further assessment. It should be noted that part of the former Ga2/h35 allocated area has been allocated - refer to the Council's response to representation 4187 (allocated site prc2/h15, under responses received to comments on policy HOM1 - Housing Allocations).

This assessment of the site site (i.e. AS/086/086) has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. It does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reasons: there is insufficient evidence to confirm that the site is deliverable. In noting the detailed information submitted with the representation, there remain fundamental deliverability concerns - reference is made to the Plan's evidence base in terms of flooding - notably the Stage 1 SFCA, as well as the planning history on this site. Also, there is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the settlement to accommodate its housing need, including that land allocated adjacent (allocation PrC2/h15).

Action

Representation(s)

4543 Mr G Jones [5287]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

The inclusion of this site within reinstated development limits for Cynheidre would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community. The site is subject of a permission for the siting of a number of caravans and therefore qualifies as previously developed land. In addition, residential development at this location:- * would not be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent properties; * would satisfy recognised housing and sustainability objectives; * would not have a detrimental impact on the landscape or nature conservation interests. Furthermore, the site is not impeded by any access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints and its delivery, if allocated, is assured. A layout of 5 units is provided. This is an objection to the non allocation the site under HOM1 site ref is AS/046/001 Reference is made to representation 4544 under policy sp16.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

It should be noted that the site is within a tier 4 settlement and therefore no HOM1 housing allocations will be made.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 4544 under policy sp16.

Action

Representation(s)

4243 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary: Object

This is a suitable and deliverable site with limited technical or environmental constraints. As explained in our candidate site submission (documents attached again for the Inspector's benefit) we consider that our client's site is suitable for development. It is immediately adjacent to the settlement boundary and within close proximity to the primary school and other facilities such as play areas, playing fields and bus stops. There are very limited physical and environmental constraints and there is no flooding issue - the Council's SFCA confirms that the site is in the best category in terms of flooding. We consider that suitable sites that are of the very lowest flood risk should be allocated ahead of others that have a higher flood risk. This site should be looked at positively in this regard. Including our client's site would assist in ensuring that Llangennech remains a vibrant and viable settlement. Additional housing in this area in the short term will assist in supporting the primary school. There is a risk that in delaying the vast majority of development until 2025-2030 that the settlement and its services and facilities will become stagnant. A critical mass is required in the short term to ensure the vibrancy of the town's facilities and services. A recent statement from a renowned volume house builder confirming their continued interest in the site (and that they consider the site to be deliverable in the short term) accompanies this representation. We have provided regular updates to the Council regarding the firm developer interest in developing the site in the short term and an update in the form of a statement from the said developer and we are concerned in this regard that a number of sites have been allocated without a developer that is lined up to build out the site, especially those that are to contribute to the development trajectory in the first 5 years (specific site objections have been made to a number of sites in the Plan which have a housing component (along with 1 reserve site) and should be referred to). We have demonstrated that the site is viable given the developer interest, meaning that there is certainty that the site can be delivered. We query whether the proposed allocations benefit from the same certainty in terms of delivery. This is an Objection to non inclusion of candidate site SR/086/075 under HOM1 - site reference AS/086/075 given that the candidate site is not allocated for housing.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

In regards the query on 'whether the proposed allocations benefit from the same certainty in terms of delivery' (as the site being promoted here), the Council would refer to the response provided to representation reference number 4231 under policy SP3.

Action

3326 David Hefin Lewis [2772]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of the candidate site SR/005/001 (CA0087) comprising 2 fields - Western field for a sewage works and the Eastern site for housing.

My land does not flood. According to Welsh Government it is too small to farm. Both LDP Inspectors advised it was suitable for affordable housing.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3739 Mr C Howells [5048]

Agent: Nicole Jones (Nicole Jones) [704]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/049/008 under Policy HOM1. The site is located immediately adjacent to the development limits for Drefach and abuts designated LDP housing site GA3/h51. There is a current planning application for residential development on GA3/h51 awaiting determination.

The field has got an existing vehicular access off Heol Blaenhirwaun at the northern side of the land. No evidence can be found on the flood maps that the site floods. Mains services are in close proximity to the site. The site lies close to the services and amenities afforded by Drefach and the transport links to Carmarthen, Llanelli and further East are well established.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3959 Mr Philip George Bsc (Hons) Qs. Dip Con. [521]

Summary: Object

Object to the exclusion of part of the current allocation T3/3/h3 within the adopted LDP under reference AS/074/012.

The site forms an integral part of Kidwelly and it would be a shame to removed it from the LDP in its entirety and therefore half the site (5 acres) should remain in the LDP! We intend to formalise the planning permission and commence development in the near future and phase one would fit in with this objective!

3958 Mr Philip George Bsc (Hons) Qs. Dip Con. [521]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate SR/074/004, which is currently housing allocation T3/3/h3 in the adopted LDP.

The site forms an integral part of Kidwelly and should remain in the LDP. We intend to formalise the planning permission and commence development in the near future.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

Representation(s)

3984 Mr Phil Mann [2574]

Agent: Mr Stuart Owen [731]

Summary: Object

Objection to HOM1 seeking inclusion of part of site SR/067/004, and that in not allocating this site for residential development and ensuring removal of an inappropriate use which is detrimental to the amenity and safety of the residents of Gorslas is unsound.

3781 Cllr. A & D Vaughan Owen & Price [5057]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site ref SR/067/004 under policy HOM1.

We have received representations from residents in Gorslas who would like to see the former scrap yard on Cefneithin Road included in the Deposit LDP for the purposes of housing. We are aware that discussions have taken place between a proposed developer and local authority officers in terms of the site.

We would support moves to develop part of this site, and would urge officers to do all that they can to reassess whether a scheme could be developed which is both financially viable for the developer and protects the ecology of the area.

4516 Lucy Tootle [5279]

Summary: Object

I am writing to inform you that we as a family living in the local area support the proposal to remove the scrapyard and replace it with a new housing development and a safeguarded ecology area.

4512 Mr Gareth Edwards [5276]

Summary: Object

We confirm our support to remove the scrapyard and replace it with an attractive, new housing development and a safeguarded ecology area.

4505 Denise Dixon [5267]

Summary: Object

I am a resident of Cross Hands and I would like to support Manor Homes proposal to remove the scrap yard at Cefneithin Road, Gorslas and build new homes there.

4506 Bryan & Lynette Winn [5268]

Summary: Object

Agreement with the removal of the scrapyard in the village of Gorslas and be replaced with housing and a safeguarded ecology area. Site AS/067/004

4507 H Barrell [5269]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of site reference SR/067/004

4510 P N Newell [5272]

Summary: Object

I wish to support the proposal to remove the scrapyard and replace it with a new housing development and safeguarded ecology area in Gorslas ref SR/067/004.

Council's Initial Response

The site does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reasons. The site comprises a longstanding allocation, part of which has been developed. The remaining part of the allocation will be deallocated as it comprises an area of ecological value and there are concerns regarding the delivery of the site. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

No change to the plan

3438 Mr D Williams [3994]

Summary:

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

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Objection to the omission of candidate site SR/115/003.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Mynyddcerrig would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table.

Mynyddcerrig has been defined as a Tier 4 settlement, and therefore the village does not have development limits. Any proposal will be considered against the policies set out within Policy HOM3 of the revised LDP.

Action

No change to the Plan

Object

3661 Mr & Mrs Evans [3692]

Agent: Aled Thomas Planning Design Ltd (Mr Aled Thomas) [3225]

Summary:

Object

Seeks the inclusion of SR/083/002. This site is believed to be a perfect site for inclusion within the Local Development Plan to allow for further residential properties within the locality for local people.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

The site would be an illogical extension to the settlement by impacting on the rural nature of Llandyfaelog and the character of the area.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3241 Richard Williams [2671]

Summary: Object

The site reference is AS/049/013 (previously promoted as candidate site SR/049/013). The site adjacent has had its LDP status withdrawn after some 15 years because it failed to deliver any houses. This happened because the site had no access to a main sewer. This site has a gravity fed main sewer on site and can deliver homes with proper sized front and back gardens that people will want to purchase. This is therefore an objection to policy HOM1 in that the land is omitted as a housing allocation.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers.

Action

No change to Plan

3278 Miss Joy Richards [605]

Summary: Object

Seeks the inclusion of site SR/004/004 - Land at Penybanc Road

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

No change to Plan

Representation(s)

3424 Ms K Mottram [4978]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Objection to the omission of SR/158/003. The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Tumble would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national quidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

Representation(s)

3431 Ms K Mottram [4978]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the omission of SR/158/004. The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Tumble would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

No change to Plan

Representation(s)

4400 Mr Ken Davies [5164]

Summary: Object

Objection to the non-inclusion of site SR/075/002 from the Deposit LDP under Policy HOM1 Development Limits.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

4464 Mrs Bethan Thomas [2311]

Summary: Object

Seek the inclusion of land within the revised LDP, and provides information relating to the planning history of the allocated site which is adjacent this candidate site.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3436 Mr & Mrs H Davies [3990]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of a site.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Foelgastell would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

Object

Representation(s)

3440 Mr A Thomas [4025]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Objection to the omission of candidate site SR/018/003.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Capel Hendre would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3448 Mr A Rees [3910]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/004/025.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Betws would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

No change to Plan

Object

Representation(s)

3450 Messrs D & T H Jones [4100]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/040/004.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Cwmgwili would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3397 mrs julie james [4929]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/021/005 Capel Dewi Road, Llangunnor Carmarthen:

This site is wholly acceptable for development from a site selection perspective. This site is level and south facing with immediate access to multiple road links . Bus links , wide pavements and cycle paths are directly opposite and it is within easy walking distance to employment / Carmarthen Town. There is good road lighting, and services in place.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3460 Mr G Thomas [4987]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/040/005.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Cwmgwili would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

3452 Mr A Williams [3980]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/040/003.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Cwmgwili would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

3458 Mr & Ms W & R Lawrence [4986]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/004/041.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Ammanford would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

3454 Mr E Salini [4088]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the omission of site SR/004/036 - Land at Wern Ddu Road, Ammanford. The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Ammanford would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

No change to Plan

Representation(s)

3455 Mr E Davies [4097]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/067/013.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Cross Hands would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

3464 Messrs T & B Evans & Owen [4984]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/082/010.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Llandybie would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3427 Mrs E Humphries [4981]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Objection to the non-inclusion of site SR/067/014 within the development limits for Gorslas. Allocation of this site would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this

sustainable community. Its inclusion will reflect a previous planning permission which confirmed its acceptability for residential development.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

3517 Mr Clive Douch [2924]

Agent: Nicole Jones (Nicole Jones) [704]

Summary:

Object

Objection to Policy HOM1. Seek inclusion of site SR/138/005 in Pontyberem.

There is an existing access points onto Llannon Road which is wide enough for a new development site, with good visibility standard in both directions.

No evidence can be found that the site floods.

All services: mains water supply, foul sewer, electricity and high-speed electronic communications networks, are in the next field along.

Pontyberem is a small town which has got all necessary amenities in close proximity, and the transport links to the towns of Carmarthen and Llanelli are well established and developed.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

Representation(s)

3542 Mr Clive Douch [2924]

Agent: Nicole Jones (Nicole Jones) [704]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/138/006 from the development limits of Pontyberem:

Access can be achieved either though the adjoining field which was already include in the LDP or through another

adjoining field which the owner has put forward as a candidate site.

Flooding: The site lies well above the water level and in good distance from any water course. No activities have taken place which would have resulted in a contamination of the soil or the sub soil.

All services: mains water supply, foul sewer, electricity and high-speed electronic communications networks, are in the next field along.

Pontyberem is a small town which got all necessary amenities in close proximity.

The transport links to Carmarthen and Llanelli town are well established and developed.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

Representation(s)

3549 Gwenego Homes Ltd [5003]

Agent: Atriarc Planning and Construction (Mr Wayne Reynolds) [745]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/082/003 from the Deposit LDP:

When comparing this site to those allocated within the Llandybie settlement, considering services are already in-situ, the allocation of this site is considered preferable in comparison to those sites where greater infrastructure works would be required to facilitate development. The nature of this site would also allow options for self-build plots, which are considered to be underrepresented in the deposit LDP. The inclusion of this site would have a minimal impact on the overall number of dwellings proposed in the deposit LDP, however due to its peculiarities, we consider it's inclusion is well supported from a LDP Planning assessment and policy perspective.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

3601 Mr A Pritchard [5153]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/082/005 under policy HOM1:

Although currently undeveloped, the Candidate Site represents a sustainable and deliverable opportunity to provide new housing within the settlement of Llandybie. With the land already capable of being easily served by all services and an adopted means of access by virtue of the adjoining public highway, together with the Site's greenfield and agricultural form, there are no barriers to the its delivery within the early stages of the forthcoming Plan.

In addition, the Site lies within close proximity and walking distance of the existing community services and local facilities of the adjoining settlement, which will ensure it makes a positive contribution to both national and local sustainable development objectives.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3402 Aled & Sarah Jones & Holmes [3654]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclsion of site SR/021/21

Providing more smaller sites directly in the heart of the Town would provide a more varied choice for people, in-keeping with the unique market town / community feel of Carmarthen, for those who want to remain or move into the area, rather than limiting people's options with just a 'shoebox' house, engulfed within a large housing estate built by Large National House Builders.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non-inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3617 Mr & Mrs D Rourke [3925]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/132/008.

The Site forms a logical extension to the existing settlement, being well related to it and being positioned at a location within the wider landscape to not form a prominent or logical part of the surrounding open countryside. The Site also represents a logical subsequent phase of the adjoining recently constructed residential development, which in itself sustains the argument of the Site's deliverability and viability.

In addition, the Site lies within close proximity and walking distance of the existing community services and local facilities of the adjoining settlement.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3622 Union Tavern Estate [3913]

Agent: Barton Willmore (Joe Ayoubkhani) [646]

Summary: Object

Candidate Site SR/067/008 should form a housing allocation. The site is not within or near any statutory cultural heritage, landscape or ecological designations. There are no technical constraints on the site that cannot be overcome or would preclude residential development. The site is sustainably located, there are no pre-requisite infrastructural requirements to enable it to be developed. It is deliverable and in an area where there is demand for residential development. The enclosed Transport Statement demonstrates that site is accessible to pedestrians, cyclists and public transport users; a safe and appropriate access, that meets current design standards, can be provided.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

3649 Landview Developments Ltd [5020]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

We seek the allocation the land for a mix of residential development, areas of formal and informal amenity space, habitat enhancement areas, as well as improvements to local pedestrian and cycle link provision and linkages. The site comprises a series of existing enclosures, with vehicular access gained off the access estate road shared with a recently constructed residential development to its north east, although multiple pedestrian and cycle linkages would also be available along all boundaries of the site. Locationally, the site is also within close proximity to the range of community facilities and local services the settlement and surrounding area has to offer. A detailed report is provided as to why the site (SR/159/007) should be considered for a mixed use site under policy HOM1.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3659 Mr Clive Douch [2924]

Agent: Nicole Jones (Nicole Jones) [704]

Summary: Object

Seeks the inclusion of candidate site SR/138/009 with the representation identifying a number of postive reasons for its inclusion.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

3285 Mr C B Jones [710]

Summary: Object

The Council's concerns in the candidate site assessment are acknowledged with an option for access put forward from the south eastern corner and locked gate. Meeting held with the County Council's corporate property with regards a south west access and I feel that issues with parked cars, width of road and public footpath can be overcome. I am aware of the costs included by using Council roads and land as an access route to this site. 3 options available - south west corner access for social housing or 4 private houses and south east corner - 2 private houses. This site is of no use agriculturally - (reference can be made to representation 3767 where the respondent objects to allocation prc2/h1 - notably describing that site as beautiful grazing land). Therefore, Policy HOM1 is objected to due to the fact that candidate site SR/086/001 is not allocated for housing in the deposit Plan. Site reference AS/086/001.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 3767 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses - housing allocations - site prc2/h1)

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3426 Mr & Mrs I & S Howell & James [4980]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to Policy HOM1 in that site SR/016/006 has not been allocated: The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Pembrey would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community. Objection site reference AS/016/006.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

Representation(s)

3443 Mr R Nicholls [4057]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Five Roads would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community. Objection to non inclusion of candidate site SR/061/008, objection site reference is AS/061/008.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

4275 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

It is considered that the land at Fforest Road should be allocated for new homes as proposed as it is free from environmental constraints and is evidently deliverable the short term. The respondent notes that the Council deems that there is sufficient residential land allocated in the settlement (site assessment by the Council). Planning Policy Wales edition 10 makes clear that sites should be free or readily freed from planning, physical and ownership constraints and be economically viable. The land at Fforest Road site compasses all necessary elements, meets the Sustainability Assessment criteria and is clearly deliverable / viable as demonstrated by the precedent set at SeC6/h4. In regard to site deliverability / viability, a note has been prepared and submitted. A Masterplan is provided. Reference may be made to representation 4276 (comment on policy sp3), whilst a series of objections have been made to a number of allocations in the County - notably within the Hendy / Fforest settlement are sites SeC6/h2 and SeC6/h5.

This is an objection to the non allocation of option 2 (area beyond allocation SeC6/h4) under policy HOM1.

The site reference is AS/069/017 (amended from SR/069/015 as part of that candidate site submission was in fact allocated under SeC6/h4 - note site area SR/069/015 was never plotted as a candidate site but was included on the register - clerical error).

4272 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

It is considered that the land at Fforest Road should be allocated for new homes as proposed as it is free from environmental constraints and is evidently deliverable the short term. The respondent notes that the Council deems that there is sufficient residential land allocated in the settlement (site assessment by the Council). Planning Policy Wales edition 10 makes clear that sites should be free or readily freed from planning, physical and ownership constraints and be economically viable. The land at Fforest Road site compasses all necessary elements, meets the Sustainability Assessment criteria and is clearly deliverable / viable as demonstrated by the precedent set at SeC6/h4. In regard to site deliverability / viability, a note has been prepared and submitted. A Masterplan is provided. Reference may be made to representation 4276 (comment on policy sp3), whilst a series of objections have been made to a number of allocations in the County - notably within the Hendy / Fforest settlement are sites SeC6/h2 and SeC6/h5.

This is an objection to the non allocation of option 1 (area beyond allocation SeC6/h4) under policy HOM1.

The site reference is AS/069/016 (amended from SR/069/003 as part of that candidate site submission area was in fact allocated under SeC6/h4).

Council's Initial Response

Reference is made to the site assessment table where relevant previous assessments were undertaken at candidate site stage - notably references SR/069/001, SR/069/003, SR/069/005 & SR/069/015.

This further / new assessment of the site is as a result of a representation made to the deposit version of the Revised LDP and in the interests of clarity given this objection site area excludes that area allocated for housing under reference SeC6/h4.

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site has proceeded through the site assessment methodology stages, however it will not be allocated as there is sufficient land available for residential development within the settlement to accommodate its housing need.

Also, in noting the outcomes of this and previous site assessments, a wider review of the settlement (with reference to the Role and Function Paper - January 2020) would indicate that the release of this site (even as a reasonable alternative) will be resisted by the Council due to the level of growth proposed in Pontarddulais, along with the notable level of growth already seen within Hendy in recent years (part immediately preceding and part within the revised LDP plan period). Therefore, the release of a site of this scale cannot be supported.

Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representations made by the respondent seeking deletion of allocated housing sites from the Plan - including SeC6/h2 (representation number 4312) can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses - housing allocations.

Also, the Council's response to the Council's response to representation number 4276 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy SP3.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3373 Mr J Davis [672]

Summary: Object

Please see attached document.

LPA summary: Site AS/148/001 should be included as it has greater sustainability values compared to site SuV33/h1. The site is directly adjacent to the development limits and is within an existing urbanised environment. The layout has individual access points and would be deliverable and would be immediately available for development.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

Action

3432 Mr & Mrs Harrison [3978]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of SR/098/002.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Llanllwch would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

Agree to the inclusion of a smaller part of site AS/098/002 as requested by representation 3276, it is considered acceptable to include the site within the development limits to allow the flexibility for potential future development within a settlement with otherwise very limited growth. Any potential proposal will be considered against the policies set out within the revised LDP.

In terms of the wider site being included as a housing allocation, the reasons for its non-inclusion are set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

Amend development limits in Llanllwch to include site AS/098/004.

Representation(s)

3441 Mr R Chadzy [3905]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to exclusion of site SR/121/005.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Newcastle Emlyn would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

Representation(s)

3518 Amanda Arter [834]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Mr Luke Grattarola) [685]

Summary:

Object

Objection to Policy HOM1. Seeking an extension to a housing allocation in Llanybydder.

The site within our client's ownership has been allocated under site reference Sec13/h1 for residential development. We fully support this policy and allocation while also encouraging an extension of the land included. A detailed case is provided in the attachment.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree to the extension of the housing allocation on the site. The site lies within the development limits and if there is potential for the incorporation of the house and outbuildings in a scheme for the adjoining site, this will be considered as under the policies of the Plan.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3606 Mr N Davies [4032]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Object Summary:

We seek the inclusion of the unallocated part of candidate site referenced SR/021/042 under Policy HOM1 in addition to that part which has been allocated in the Deposit LDP.

The Candidate Site forms a logical extension to the existing settlement, being well related to established residential development off the very long western perimeter which forms a continuous developed boundary with intervening mature trees able to be fully retained.

In addition, the site lies within immediate proximity and walking distance of Glangwili Hospital. The local Primary School, filling station and store and nearby public house are located only a short distance to the site, with Carmarthen Town Centre a short drive of only 5 minutes.

Council's Initial Response

Part of the site has been included within the Plan as a housing allocation. In terms of the remainder of the land it is has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non-inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the additional land. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3409 Avison Young (Michael Southall) [755]

Agent: Avison Young (Michael Southall) [755]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the non-inclusion of site SR/075/002.

Accordingly, this representation is made with respect to the land adjacent to Pludds Meadow in Laugharne for residential purposes. The extent of which is shown on the site location plan (enclosed at Appendix I). This same site was promoted for residential purposes as part of the call of candidate sites consultation exercise that was carried out by the council in June 2018.

Access is gained via a field gate with the adjacent Pludds Meadow development site, into which an access has been created onto the A4066 (this land falls within the ownership of our client).

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3676 Mr Paul Evans [3701]

Agent: Hayston Development & Planning Ltd (Mr Andrew Vaughan Harries) [5042]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the non inclusion of the new candidate site AS/163/012, and provides a supporting statement for its inclusion.

Council's Initial Response

There is sufficient and more appropriate land available for residential development within the town to accommodate its housing needs. A part of the site will continue to be within the development limits to match the existing urban form at Spring Gardens.

Action

3260 Matthew Utting [2833]

Summary: Object

Furthermore, enlarging allocation ref. PrC3/h4 to yield circa 80 additional dwellings over and above the 'committed' 289 dwellings that are already consented on the site would avoid the need to make an equivalent allocation elsewhere in the County. As such, my client requests that housing allocation ref. PrC3/h4 in Policy HOM1 of the Deposit Revised LDP is confirmed for circa 330 dwellings, using the boundaries of Candidate Site ref. CA0326 (Site Ref. SR/004/012) contained within your Authority's Candidate Sites Register of December 2018. We therefore seek the inclusion of the entire candidate site SR/004/012.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town, to meet it's housing need.

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3610 Dr J Thomas [5015]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site ref SR/148/002 under Policy HOM 1:

The Site forms a logical extension to the existing settlement, as well an opportunity to facilitate the delivery of adjoining land previously considered appropriate for development by the Authority. The Site's close association to existing and proposed development to its west and north respectively also result in the ability of the Site being developed without detriment to visual amenity, in either the immediate or wider context.

The Site lies within close proximity and walking distance of the existing community services and local facilities of the adjoining settlement, which will ensure it makes a positive contribution to both national and local sustainable development objectives.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. It is considered that there is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

3662 C & J & J Wilson, Griffith & Jenkins [5028]

Agent: Aled Thomas Planning Design Ltd (Mr Aled Thomas) [3225]

Summary: Object

Seek the inclusion of site SR/021/018 within the HOM1 allocations. The site is believed to be a perfect site for inclusion within the Local Development Plan to allow for further residential properties within the locality for local people. In a climate where there are not enough housing available, it is considered that the authority should re-asses their assessment of this site and consider it's inclusion due to the land owners being keen in developing the land.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. It is considered that there is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3663 Mr Islwyn Evans [5029]

Agent: Aled Thomas Planning Design Ltd (Mr Aled Thomas) [3225]

Summary: Object

Seek the inclusion of site SR/021/006 within the HOM1 allocations. This site is believed to be a perfect site for inclusion within the Local Development Plan to allow for further residential properties within the locality for local people.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. It is considered that there is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

3665 Arwel & Martin Davies & Jones [5031]

Agent: Aled Thomas Planning Design Ltd (Mr Aled Thomas) [3225]

Summary: Object

Seek inclusion of new candidate site AS/021/054. This site is believed to be a perfect site for inclusion within the Local Development Plan to allow for further residential properties within the locality for local people. In a climate where there are not enough housing available, it is considered that the authority should re-asses their assessment of this site and consider it's inclusion due to the land owners being keen in developing the land.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. It is considered that there is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

B713 Harold Metcalfe Partnership (Mr D A Jones) [706]

Summary: Object

We request the inclusion of this parcel of land as an extension to housing allocation SUV32/h1 for the following reasons:

- It lies between developed land and land which is allocated for housing, access could be gained through the currently allocated land.
- If only part of the site is included, then suitable access could be gained from the main road.
- The land compares favourably in ecological terms.
- Sewer connection, water and electricity supplies are available.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. Disagree to include the site as a housing allocation as it is considered that the site would create a backland/tandem style of development. Furthermore, it is considered that there is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

3401 Mrs Paula Lewis [4813]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion LDP site T3/5/H2:

We believe the proposed plan is incorrect and incomplete. In the 2006 - 2021 LDP a portion of the land, situated alongside Parc Mansant, Pontyates (T3/5/H2) was allocated for residential development. This is missing from the proposed plans and should be reinstated. When Parc Mansant was built in the early 1990's planning permission took into consideration future development - therefore access, drainage and utilities were laid along the road at the entrance to the field in preparation for this.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3674 Richard James [848]

Summary: Object

Seeks the inclusion of candidate site SR/019/003. The site has not been included as there is sufficient & more suitable sites available but SR/019/007 is further away from the village. Planning has been awarded on sites for 20 years with no development. These sites are blocking new developments.

Council's Initial Response

The land has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the additional land. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

Representation(s)

3675 Richard James [848]

Summary: Object

Seeks the inclusion of candidate site SR/019/004. The site has not been included as there is sufficient & more suitable sites available but SR/019/007 is further away from the village. Planning has been awarded on sites for 20 years with no development. These sites are blocking new developments.

Council's Initial Response

The land has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the additional land. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

4478 Mr Alun Cole [5182]

Summary: Object

Unquestionably a genuine need for additional affordable housing in Llansteffan and Llanybri. The Candidate site is very close indeed to the current Development Limits, and there is housing to either side of the proposed Candidate site, as well as immediately above (i.e. to the north of) it. Indeed, a large house along Old School Road and to the West of the site is still in the process of being developed.

The Candidate Site Application ought not to have fallen at the 'first hurdle' but warranted substantive and detailed consideration, which it appears it did not receive. Had the Application received such consideration, it would have become apparent from the full and comprehensive Statement which accompanied the Application shows that the site is not only consistent with but is aligned with and would positively promote all of the relevant Planning.

The Statement and the several plans which accompanied it made it clear that the proposed development at the site comprises approximately 1 acre of a 12 acre field. It was proposed that on the 1 acre, 4 affordable and 1 private dwelling be developed. The Statement details that the remaining 11 acres would be gifted in Trust to the communities of Llansteffan and Llanybri as an environmental, education and recreational amenity, together with an annual stipend for a number of years

In addition, there are procedural inadequacies relating to the publication of the maps and candidate site submission.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

In consideration of the area of land potentially being gifted to the community, the types of proposals considered within the representation can be determined under current LDP policies.

Action

3284 Mrs Barbara Jones [3134]

Summary: Object

This is an objection to candidate site SR/091/002. Concerns are raised in terms of access. Half of the site is in the current LDP and subject to planning application W/38125 which seeks to use Dol-y-Dderwen as an access. The majority of Llangain residents along with myself oppose the current plans for using Dol-y-Dderwen as the access. Therefore, Policy HOM1 is objected to due to the fact that candidate site SR/091/002 forms part of housing allocation suv8/h1 in the deposit Plan.

Council's Initial Response

A part of the candidate site is currently under consideration at planning appeal and is identified in the revised LDP as SuV8/h1. The remainder of the candidate site is not allocated in the plan.

Further evidence will be provided at examination into the deliverability of the site within the revised LDP.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3837 Mr C Stack [3950]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Our clients consider the LDP to be unsound as it "will no deliver" and seek the inclusion of site SR/021/030 as a housing allocation under Policy HOM1. A detailed assessment of the site's potential is provided. It is also considered that the addition of this site, providing an estimated 32 units will not add to the over-supply of housing in the Carmarthen town area.

Council's Initial Response

The land has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the land. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3667 Mrs Samantha Brunell [5034]

Agent: Aled Thomas Planning Design Ltd (Mr Aled Thomas) [3225]

Summary: Object

Seek the inclusion of SR/147/001 under policy HOM1. This site is believed to be a perfect site for inclusion within the Local Development Plan to allow for further residential properties within the locality for local people. In a climate where there are not enough housing available, it is considered that the authority should re-assess their assessment of this site and consider it's inclusion due to the land owners being keen in developing the land.

3897 Mr C Jenkins [3627]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

We seek the inclusion of this site (SR/088/003) within the development limits for Llanfihangel-ar-Arth. A detailed assessment is supplied to support the request for inclusion justifying the site's potential for development. The continued inclusion of the allocated housing site is questioned, as is the inclusion of white land suitable for small scale development, a comparison is provided to our clients land in this respect.

Council's Initial Response

The land has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the land. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3900 __ Jones, Douch, T.A.C Morgan, Bromley Davenport, Boggis-Rolfe [5085]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

We seek the inclusion of site SR/021/038 as a housing allocation within the Carmarthenshire LDP. The site is suitable for 250 dwellings and will not appear at odds to the prevailing spatial pattern of development in Llangunnor. The locality has numerous examples of modern cul-desac development being completed at backland / edge of settlement locations, which in turn, advocates that the form of development proposed at Llangunnor is no different, resulting in it being respectful to the character and setting of the locality. Comprehensive evidence is provided in support of the representation.

Council's Initial Response

The land has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the land. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3118 Mr David Wyn Jenkins [4844]

Summary: Object

SR/009/001 LDP does not meet what is required in Blaenau. There is no scope for any new builds in the area at all. The Candidate Site CA0080 SR/009/001 is said to be divorced from Blaenau, but is actually inside where the sign says welcome to Blaenau. We were hoping to build on our land so that my wife could be close to her elderly parents who live just across the road at 161 Penygroes Road with their health deteriorating as time goes on. The family has owned the land for the last twenty years and are looking for a single dwelling, with the possibility of maybe more properties being built in the future, such as Affordable housing to enhance Blaenau.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3918 Mr Vaughan Davies [2808]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Geraint John) [4730]

Summary: Object

We seek the inclusion / allocation / retention of the site (SR/021/001) as a housing allocation in the LDP. The site is already an identified housing allocation within the extant LDP, and a live outline planning application is currently under consideration by the Local Planning Authority, with a positive decision expected in the near future and a subsequent reserved matters application due to be submitted swiftly thereafter. It is considered appropriate to maintain the allocation as it will contribute towards housing delivery through the redevelopment of an existing brownfield site, in a sustainable location. Further detailed evidence is provided to support the inclusion of the site.

Council's Initial Response

The land has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the land. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3922 Mr P Morris [3844]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

The objector's land ownership amounts to one large field at Penbryn Farm, Llangynnwr. Approximately half of this field has been identified as being suitable for residential development, the remaining half however has been excluded. The inclusion of part of the field is obviously supported, but an objection is hereby made to the remaining part of the field that has been excluded. The justification for including only part of the objector's land will apply to all of the field.

It's inclusion would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The land has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the land. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The inclusion of part of the field is welcomed (covered by representation number 3920), the additional land is not considered appropriate for the reasons covered in the Site Assessment table.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3187 Mr Emyr John [4549]

Summary: Object

Site edged blue - Seeks inclusion of LDP site (GA3/h2 forms part of)

Council's Initial Response

Noted.

Whilst it is noted that the site has planning permission and is under construction it is located within the C2 flood risk zone as identified on the Development Advice Maps (DAMs). Consequently, the identification of the site would be contrary to the provisions of national policy and TAN15.

Action

The dwellings being built will be accounted for as part of the Plans windfall allowance.

Obiect

Representation(s)

3429 Mr R Williams [4982]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Objection to the non-inclusion of a new site - Land opposite Derwendeg, Porthyrhyd (Lower Site B):

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Porthyrhyd would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its' development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community

3428 Mr R Williams [4982]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Objection to the non inclusion of a site - Land opposite Derwendeg, Porthyrhyd (Upper Site A):

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Porthyrhyd would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. It's development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

There is sufficient and more appropriate land available for residential wihin the village to accommodate its housing need.

Action

Object

Representation(s)

3388 Kidwelly Town Council (Mr Mark Stephens) [4958]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/116/004. This site has been the subject of candidature during previous consultations. Kidwell Town Council wishes the site to be developed as housing on a co-operative basis, and the supplementary documents are provided as evidence of deliverability.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3512 Mr J W Philips [4998]

Agent: Nicole Jones (Nicole Jones) [704]

*Summary:*Object to Policy HOM1 and request the allocation of new candidate site AS/039/008

Object to Policy How I and request the allocation of new candidate site A5/039/006

Council's Initial Response

The inclusion of the site would result in an illogical extension to the settlement. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for development within the village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

Representation(s)

3600 Mr J W Phillips [5009]

Agent: Nicole Jones (Nicole Jones) [704]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of a site from the Plan under Policy HOM1:

The site lies outside any flood risk area;

The site is not located close or within any nature conservation;

There are 2 existing access points onto the whole of the field at present and the whole of the field frontage will give good visibility standard in both directions;

All services: mains water supply, foul sewer, electricity and high-speed electronic communications networks, are in close proximity;

The site is surrounded by residential development;

The site is in close proximity to the amenities afforded by the nearby town of Carmarthen and the transport links to Carmarthen are well established and developed.

Council's Initial Response

The inclusion of the site would result in an illogical extension to the settlement. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for development within the village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

4374 Mrs Lynn C C C Bushin [4817]

Summary: Object

This part of the objection relates to the part of the Candidate Site (SR/124/011)that falls outside of the allocation SeC14/h4.

I wish to object to this site being included in the Deposit LDP.

This site is incorrectly named & identified - There are three areas in close proximity that are called "Glanawmor" in the village of Pencader. The proposed site currently makes up part of the holding of Glanawmor Uchaf Farm and should be identified as such.

The plan supplied by the applicants to identify this site shows two fields and does not show the full extent of the land and buildings owned by the applicants, and by its omission is erroneous and misleading. The full extent of the land in ownership of the applicant and its current use should be taken in account when making this decision to include a site in the LDP.

4004 Mrs Lynn C C C Bushin [4817]

Summary: Object

I object to the above site (AS/124/010) not being included in the draft LD for the following reasons:

- * This is an infill site.
- * Part of this site did have approval for a bungalow and garage to be built on it in 1990.
- * The proposed site has access to Sewerage and Water in the main road which runs past the site and directly into the centre of the village.
- * The site is served by adjacent street lighting. The 30mph road alongside the site is wide, with excellent visibility.
- * The site is large enough to accommodate attractive development to take place without the need for ribbon development and avoid cramming unlike SR/124/002 which is crammed in alongside the adjacent housing of Maescader along the side of the busy B4459 road,
- * Comparing this proposed site against one that has been included in the Draft LDP SR/124/002 shows how more suitable this proposed site is. Not over crammed with housing, making housing development top heavy in this area of the village which is away from key facilities in the middle of the village along a narrow busy road.
- * I challenge the agricultural classification of the land, this is incorrect, this is general agricultural land.
- * This site is within the village, between and opposite existing housing and would have no more of a detrimental impact on the character and setting of the settlement as nearby site SR/124/001 which has been included in the LDP.
- * This site could provide the needed appropriate accommodation for the growing number of older people in the community.
- * Carmarthenshire County Councils own wellbeing goals and, Well-Being of Wales National Goals and indicators would be met and supported by the inclusion of this site

4001 Mrs Lynn C C C Bushin [4817]

Summary: Object

I object to the above site (SR/124/009) not being included in the draft LDP and should be included as a proposed site for the following reasons:

- * This is an infill site.
- * The site has access to Sewerage and Water, is served by adjacent street lighting, has three routes into the centre of the village to access key facilities, with wide pavements and public footpaths.
- * The 30mph road alongside the site is wide, with excellent visibility.
- * The site is large enough to accommodate attractive development to take place without the need for ribbon development and avoid cramming unlike SR/124/002 which is crammed in alongside the adjacent housing of Maescader along the side of the busy B4459 road,
- * Comparing this proposed site against one that has been included in the Draft LDP SR/124/002 shows how more suitable this proposed site is. Not over crammed with housing, making housing development top heavy in this area of the village which is away from key facilities in the middle of the village along a narrow busy road.
- * I challenge the agricultural classification of the land, this is incorrect, this is general agricultural land.
- * This site is within the village, between and opposite existing housing and would have no more of a detrimental impact on the character and setting of the settlement as nearby site SR/124/001 which has been included in the LDP.
- * This site could provide the needed appropriate accommodation for the growing number of older people in the community.
- * Carmarthenshire County Councils own wellbeing goals and, Well-Being of Wales National Goals and indicators would be met and supported by the inclusion of this site

Council's Initial Response

The land has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the land. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

4023 Mr P Morris [3844]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Objection - non inclusion of candidate site SR/021/035- site ref AS/021/035 under policy HOM1. The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Llangynnwr would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

In addition, residential development at this location (1) would not be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent properties (2) would satisfy recognised housing and sustainability objectives (3) would not have a detrimental impact on the landscape or nature conservation interests. Furthermore, the site is not impeded by any access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints and its delivery, if allocated, is assured.

A full description of the site's development potential and merits has previously been provided in the candidate site submission, to which reference should be made.

Council's Initial Response

The land has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the land. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3613 Mr & Mrs J T J Davies [4132]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

Objection to Policy HOM1 and seek an extension to the allocated site SeC2/h2, and include the remainder of candidate site SR/058/003:

The Candidate Site forms a logical extension to the existing settlement, being well related to established residential development.

Council's Initial Response

There is sufficient land available within the village to meet its housing needs.

Action

3096 Mr Paul Dyer [879]

Summary: Object

Objection to the omission of a candidate site from the settlement of Felingwm Uchaf under Policy HOM1.

With the Country crying out for housing, we think this site is ideal. Road access is not impaired. At least half would be allocated to social housing.

I enclose proposals and copy of Land Registry Map.

Council's Initial Response

Felingwm Uchaf has been classified as a settlement within Tier 4 of the settlement hierarchy and therefore any site proposal will be considered under policies set out within the revised LDP, most notably Policy HOM3.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4087 Mr & Mrs C Jones [5138]

Agent: Crompton Land & Development Ltd (Mr Andrew Crompton) [3047]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/021/004 from the Revised LDP, and the representation provides a supporting statement for its inclusion.

Council's Initial Response

The land has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the land. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

Representation(s)

3764 Ffos Las Ltd [3885]

Agent: White Young Green (Mr Rob Mitchell) [2371]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/023/003 under Policy HOM1.

We note from the Council's Site Assessment document the above referenced candidate site was discounted after the completion of a Stage 3 assessment; this is despite, scoring very strongly in the LPA's Sustainability Appraisal. It is curious therefore, that this site is not proposed to be allocated. On the ground, the site represents the logical infill of Carway, abutting Carway's existing settlement boundary to the north and the committed housing allocation currently being delivered to the south (SC40/h3 (SeC8/h1)). Indeed, it is our view it is more appropriate for this site to be allocated than not, as it currently physically separates the existing allocation from the remainder of Carway.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non-inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3884 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - Best and Most Versatile Agricultural Land

PPW is clear agricultural land of grades 1, 2 and 3a is the best and most versatile and should be conserved as a finite resource. In the Council's SA Scoping Report (Appendix B) it identifies a patchwork of grade 3 land but does not provide detail on the split between grade 3a and 3b nor the data source of this information. Whilst the Scoping Report identifies that the majority of land in Carmarthenshire is grade 4 some of the allocated housing sites totalling 725 units are located on BMV land including PrC1/MU1 and SeC18/h6. The Council must be able to robustly justify any loss of BMV land linked to the search sequence in PPW and findings in the SA.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. Further information addressing the respondents points will be prepared to support the identification of the sites contained within the Plan.

Action

3434 Mrs J Powell [3941]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/164/002.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Ystradowen would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3459 Mr R Winterton [4026]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/060/002.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Ffarmers would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

It should be noted that part of the site is included within the development limits and would represent an appropriate infill opportunity.

Action

Representation(s)

3462 Mrs S Slaymaker [4989]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/090/004.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Llangadog would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

Object

Representation(s)

3544 Mrs H Wight [5000]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Mr Luke Grattarola) [685]

Summary:

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site reference SR/015/004 which includes current LDP allocation T3/9/h4 under policy HOM1:

- * The site benefits from a close association and connection with the services and facilities provided within Brynamman, which are situated within convenient walking distance (which would facilitate sustainable growth of the settlement).
- * The sustainability and accessibility credentials of the site lend themselves to supporting residential development at this location several bus stops are located immediately north of the site on Cwmgarw Road.
- * It is considered that the inclusion of this land for residential development will assist the Local Authority in meeting their housing needs provision.
- * The site is wholly deliverable and can realistically come forward within the early years of the Plan period.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3589 Harold Metcalfe Partnership (Mr D A Jones) [706]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/015/007 under policy HOM1.

This site will allow an opportunity to provide an estate, in comparison with the ribbon development which is the general arrangement along Cwmgarw Road.

Mains water and electricity are available in the vicinity of the site.

A second access is available to the land shown in red on the attached location plan.

There is no issue with flooding.

A plot within the overall site has the benefit of planning permission.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

It should be noted that part of the site (a frontage plot) is included within the development limits and would represent an appropriate infill opportunity.

Action

Representation(s)

3599 Mr & Mr D & P Sims & Cromwell [5012]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/135/003 under policy HOM1:

The site lies within walking distance of the village centre, and two public houses and public bus stops. It forms a logical extension to the existing settlement, being well related to established residential development. The development of the Site will form an accessible cluster at the western side of Pontargothi, mirroring similar modern residential development off the eastern side of the village.

The site lies within close proximity and short driving distance of the existing community services and local facilities of Nantgaredig. It will also benefit from well served excellent public transport links to the nearby settlements, specifically the towns of Llandeilo and Carmarthen, together with other locations within and adjoining the County.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3848 Mr A Douch [593]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/117/006 under Policy HOM1.

The Candidate Site forms a logical extension to the existing settlement, being well related to established residential development.

The site lies within close proximity and walking distance of the existing community services and local facilities of Nantgaredig - particularly the Primary School and Medical Surgery, which will ensure it makes a positive contribution to both national and local sustainable development objectives.

The Site also benefits from well served excellent public transport links to the nearby settlements, specifically the towns of Llandeilo and Carmarthen.

The Site has no access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3962 Ms and Mr L & E Edwards [5103]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site ref SR/076/003 under policy HOM1.

The Candidate Site comprised of part of a single enclosure, with its northern boundary fronting onto the adjoining public highway, from which access to it was gained. Its eastern and western boundaries are then well defined by existing development, whilst it's remaining southern boundary then leads on to the remainder of the agricultural enclosure it forms part of. The land therefore clearly represented a logical infill opportunity within the settlement and its extents are illustrated by the red line

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Whilst it is acknowledged that the site has been reduced in size since the one submitted as at the candidate site stage, the reasons for the non inclusion of this smaller site nevertheless remain the same.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4059 Mr E Hughes [5126]

Agent: Roger Parry & Partners LLP (Richard Corbett) [2925]

Summarv:

Object

The site is available and deliverable and is suitable for development for the following reasons: i) the site is well related in both physical and visual terms to existing development, is in character with the adjoining housing and would be a logical extension to Llangadog ii) the development and its future households will contribute to the economy and help Llangadog retain the critical mass necessary to retain services and facilities iii) there is active interest in developing the site (named party/developer). This is therefore an objection to the exclusion of candidate site ref SR/090/002 under policy HOM1 - site ref AS/090/002

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

Representation(s)

4402 E Thomas [5165]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of a new candidate site AS/099/008 under policy HOM1. The area of land should be included within the Deposit Plan as a residential site allocation. The site is 1.7 hectares and would be able to accommodate approximately 40 dwellings. The site borders on the main settlement area of the village, with the village shop, school and amenities within walking distance. It is within a speed-restricted area, making it safer, and more suitable to walk to the village amenities.

4401 E Thomas [5165]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of a new candidate site AS/099/007 under policy HOM1. The area of land should be included within the Deposit Plan as a residential site allocation. The site is 1.7 hectares and would be able to accommodate approximately 40 dwellings. The site borders on the main settlement area of the village, with the village shop, school and amenities within walking distance. It is within a speed-restricted area, making it safer, and more suitable to walk to the village amenities.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs. The site is detached from the main built up part of Llanllwni and would result in a fragmented development.

Action

4086 Mr G Green [5137]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site ref SR/080/007 under policy HOM1.

We consider its exclusion to be an erroneous decision by the Authority and consider therefore that the LDP is "unsound" and should be changed.

The Site lies within close proximity and walking distance of the existing community services and local facilities of Ffairfach, which will ensure it makes a positive contribution to both national and local sustainable development objectives. Furthermore, the Site will also benefit from well served excellent public transport links to the larger towns of Llandeilo, Carmarthen and Ammanford.

Within the Candidate Site having no access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints, its delivery if allocated is assured.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

4113 Mr M Jones [5147]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Object

Object to the non inclusion of candidate site SR/080/002 from the Revised LDP

We consider site's exclusion to be an erroneous decision by the Authority and consider therefore that the LDP is "unsound" and should be changed.

The Candidate Site forms a logical extension to the current form of Llandeilo, and the Site's development could be delivered without resulting in a detriment to visual amenity in the immediate and wider setting of the landscape and adjoining settlement.

In addition, the Site lies within close proximity and walking distance of the existing community services and local facilities of Llandeilo which will ensure it makes a positive contribution to both national and local sustainable development objectives.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4457 Aled & Sarah Jones & Holmes [3654]

Summary: Object

Due to Covid-19 and the probable recession that will follow, and the effect this will have on the rate of development, there is a strong case that more smaller sites should be allocated, so as to minimise the risk for the Local Authority, thus ensuring supply is maintained throughout the plan period. More smaller sites will also benefit the local supply chain. Candidate site SR/021/021 should be allocated to address these concerns.

Council's Initial Response

The land has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the land. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within Carmarthen to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

Representation(s)

4556 Ms J Wilkinson [5292]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

The inclusion of this site within revised development limits for Capel Dewi would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type.

Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

In addition, residential development at this location:-

- would not be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent properties;
- would satisfy recognised housing and sustainability objectives;
- would not have a detrimental impact on the landscape or nature conservation interests.

Furthermore, the site is not impeded by any access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints and its delivery, if allocated, is assured.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

Object

HOM1: Housing Allocations

Representation(s)

4549 Mr D L Thomas [5290]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Llandeilo would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

In addition, residential development at this location:-

- would not be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent properties;
- would satisfy recognised housing and sustainability objectives;
- would not have a detrimental impact on the landscape or nature conservation interests.

Access to this site would be achieved via the proposed adjoining Glynceirch development land, as identified in the current LDP.

Furthermore, the site is not impeded by any ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints and its delivery, if allocated, is assured.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

Representation(s)

3768 Mr Lynn Griffiths [3589]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of current LDP allocation T2/2/h5, candidate site ref SR/08/009 under policy HOM1.

The Initial Assessment published in December 2018 raised no fundamental objection and a more detailed analysis demonstrates that the site is suitable for development.

With regard to the concerns over the deliverability of the site, there have been attempts to bring the development to market with the application lodged in 2009 being withdrawn over uncertainty over the proposed Llandeilo bypass leading to conflicting requirement over the access. In 2015 approaches from a developer were not pursued due to personal reasons however recent enquiries are demonstrated progression of the site is possible.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

Representation(s)

3773 Mr M Scarlioli [5054]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Cummary:

Object

Objection, seeking allocation of a new proposed residential site in Llandeilo under policy HOM1.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Llandeilo would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

In addition, residential development at this location:-

- * would not be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent properties;
- * would satisfy recognised housing and sustainability objectives;
- * would not have a detrimental impact on the landscape or nature conservation interests.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table (refer to the assessment of current LDP allocation T2/2/h1, of which this site forms a part). The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and he supporting evidence.

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3903 Davies Richards Developments Ltd (N/A N/A N/A) [5087]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Object

Object to the exclusion of candidate site SR/080/013 under Policy HOM1.

The Site forms a logical expansion of the existing settlement's urban form and lies within close proximity and walking distance of the existing community services and local facilities of the adjoining settlement.

From a wider sense, the Site will also benefit from well served excellent public transport links to the nearby settlements, the larger towns of Ammanford and Carmarthen.

With the Candidate Site having no access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints, its delivery if allocated is assured. Combined therefore with its locational characteristics, the Site in question represents a sustainable candidate for future housing development.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table (site ref: SR/080/013). The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

Representation(s)

4109 Mr & Mrs G Mainwaring [5144]

Agent: Mr Stuart Owen [731]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of part of candidate site SR/080/004.

The site adjoins current development limits and existing built form, has good horizontal and vertical visibility on to Heol Myrddin, and would reflect the in depth form of recent development in the locality.

Whilst it is understood that the original candidate site proposing 101 dwellings may be considered inappropriate, what does also appear to be inappropriate is the total imbalance of allocated residential sites, with all three clustered in Llandeilo and none in Ffairfach.

So what is now put forward as a revised submission on just 0.824 hectares of the original site is a residential allocation of low cost/affordable housing, offered on completion to a housing Association for a reduced rate to market value.

This form of development would make an invaluable contribution to the social fabric of the town.

Council's Initial Response

This site forms part of site that has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table (site ref: SR/080/004). The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Whilst it is acknowledged that the site is much smaller than SR/080/004, there is sufficient residential land allocated within the Llandeilo/Ffairfach area. The site will remain excluded from residential allocation and from within the development limits.

Action

3779 Mr T E Hughes [5056]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of part of candidate site reference SR/090/001 and seeking its inclusion within the revised LDP.

The Council consider that the allocation of the whole site for the purposes of residential development is unnecessary due to their view that alternative allocations within Llangadog will deliver sufficient housing for the settlement.

We however consider the exclusion of the southern portion of the site to be an erroneous decision by the Authority. Llangadog with its associated high level of community facilities, local services and recently expanded Primary School has asignificantly higher level of sustainability than the proposed level of housing provision by the Deposit LDP gives it merit for. In fact, due to its close proximity to the A40 Trunk Road, the settlement serves a wider catchment than that of its current physical extents.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table (site ref: SR/090/001). The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3878 Dr William D Rees [541]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of a site for housing.

I would like to suggest that the land off Maesywern Road, Glanamman be considered for inclusion in the LDP as a new site. You will note that part of this land was previously within the development boundary. The site is close to existing amenities and the Bro Ryan sheltered housing complex. The site has access to mains water and to the existing sewerage system. There is access to public transport with busses serving Bro Ryan.

Council's Initial Response

There is sufficient residential land allocated within the settlement. The allocation of this site for housing site would constitute an unnecessary and illogical extension to the development limits.

Action

3943 Dr William D Rees [541]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of a site for housing.

I would like to suggest that the land off Llwyncelyn Road, Glanamman be considered for inclusion as a new site. The site has potential for residential housing.

The site is close to existing amenities and there is access to public transport with a regular bus service on the main road.

Council's Initial Response

There is sufficient residential land allocated within the settlement. The allocation of this site for housing site would constitute an unnecessary and illogical extension to the development limits.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4024 Mr E Hughes [5126]

Agent: Roger Parry & Partners LLP (Richard Corbett) [2925]

Summary: Object

The site would provide for future growth needs in the Manordeilo/Cwmifor/Penybanc Ward with land for up to 5 dwellings. This submission promotes a highly suitable site that would help meet the housing needs of the area. The land is available for development within the next LDP period. It is available and deliverable with active interest in developing the site. Objection policy HOM1 - Site reference AS/005/002. Reference is made to representation 4022 also.

Council's Initial Response

This site is located to the south east of the village of Ashfield Row from which it is detached from and separated by the A40.

Ashfield Row has itself been classified as a settlement within Tier 4 of the settlement hierarchy and therefore does not have development limits. Any site proposal within or adjacent to Ashfield Row will be considered under policies set out within the revised LDP, most notably Policy HOM3.

Action

4106 Mr A Thomas [4025]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Objection to the part exclusion of former LDP allocation SC30/h1 under policy HOM1. Part of the site has been allocated and given the reference number SuV51/h1.

The justification for including only part of the objector's land will apply to all of the field.

Inclusion of the whole field would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site forms part of an existing residential allocation in the current LDP (SeC30/h1). The allocation has has been reduced in size in the Deposit Revised LDP and the objection site is the part that has been excluded.

The overall site (SeC30/h1) has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for the reduction in size set out within the Site Assessment Table. Whilst it is acknowledged there is a current planning application for three dwellings on the front portion of the current allocation, the representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the objection site.

The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

Representation(s)

4381 Mrs H Wight [5000]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Mr Luke Grattarola) [685]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of current LDP allocation T3/9/h4 under policy HOM1:

- * The site benefits from a close association and connection with the services and facilities provided within Brynamman, which are situated within convenient walking distance (which would facilitate sustainable growth of the settlement).
- * The sustainability and accessibility credentials of the site lend themselves to supporting residential development at this location several bus stops are located immediately north of the site on Cwmgarw Road.
- * It is considered that the inclusion of this land for residential development will assist the Local Authority in meeting their housing needs provision.
- * The site is wholly deliverable and can realistically come forward within the early years of the Plan period.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table (reference: T3/9/h4). The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

4387 Harold Metcalfe Partnership (Mr D A Jones) [706]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of a site (part of candidate site SR/015/007) under policy HOM1.

This is a smaller parcel of land that could be considered with a development to the south of the plot as shown highlighted in green on the attached plan.

This site will allow an opportunity to provide an estate, in comparison with the ribbon development which is the general arrangement along Cwmgarw Road.

Mains water and electricity are available in the vicinity of the site.

There is no issue with flooding.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table (reference: SR/115/007). The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Whilst it is noted that this objection site is smaller than site SR/115/007, the same reasons for non-inclusion of the site apply.

Action

Object

Representation(s)

4571 Mr Brian Birch [5297]

Agent: Asbri Planning Ltd (Mr Keith Warren) [592]

Summary:

Objection to Policy HOM1 - in that the site should be allocated for housing development and shown as such on the Proposals Map.

The site has benefitted from previous planning permissions and as part of an allocation in the former Unitary Development Plan. However the number of units has been reduced to 11 in order to address flood risk issues associated with land to the south. The site area has also been reduced accordingly.

A layout drawing has been prepared which shows a scheme along the frontage of Tan-Y-Gelli which links existing development to the west and east and rounds off the settlement pattern at this location.

A Sustainability Assessment (SA) is provided which shows that the development of the site would meet the LDP SA objectives.

Council's Initial Response

Sufficient residential opportunities exist within the settlement.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4498 Neil Evans [5187]

Summary: Object

We seek the amendment of the development limits to include the site for residential development. Our ambition is for the site to offer suitable homes for 1st / 2nd time buyers, hopefully with, or wanting to start a family, who will benefit immensely from all the amenities this site location can offer. Homes suitable for those who want to stay locally but may be forced away from the locality by the current costs of local housing. The site can be serviced via safe and appropriate access points and is viable with water, electricity, superfast broadband & good access to the site. A detailed supporting statement is provided with the representation.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

Representation(s)

4499 JE Rees & Son [5264]

Agent: Feniton Park Ltd (Paul Willis) [5263]

Summary: Object

Site Sc1/h2 Land adjacent to Aweldeg, Felindre is allocated for residential development of 30 dwellings in the current Carmarthenshire LDPlan. The site was granted outline planning permission for residential development on 24/10/89. The site is ready for the delivery of 30 dwellings and could be started within 2 years and completed within 4 years. It is able to make a rapid contribution to housing supply and delivery. The site should continue to be allocated for residential development in the Revised LDP.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the Drefach Felindre to accommodate its housing needs. There are concerns about the delivery of the site, planning permission has been granted on the site in 1989 and has not been delivered in this time. It is for this reason that the site has been removed as a housing allocation.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3981 Sancler 3 Ltd (_ _ _) [5112]

Agent: Avison Young (Michael Southall) [755]

Summary: Object

Objection under Policy HOM1 seeking the inclusion of a new candidate site in Pontwelly (part allocation SC21/h1 in current LDP. The site comprises a residential allocation in the adopted LDP and benefits from extant outline planning permission for the development of 14 no. dwellings. Most recently, a Section 73 application has been submitted to the council to extend the time period for the submission of further reserved matters applications on the remaining plots for a further 5 years.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs. There are concerns about the delivery of the site, planning permission has been granted on the site for many years, dating at least from 1986 for residential development with no signs of delivery. It is for this reason that the site has been removed as a housing allocation.

Action

Object

Representation(s)

4522 Mr P G Head [5283]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

It is considered that the site (AS/145/004) is a suitable site for housing. It lies opposite a current residential development and can be considered as a logical addition to Rhydargaeau. A detailed supporting statement is provided to support the representation.

Council's Initial Response

The land has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the land. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4536 Mr Richard Moses [409]

Summary: Object

The site is considered suitable for residential development as it is the next phase to existing development SuV10/01.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

3687 West Wales Developments Ltd (Nigel & Jane Evans) [859]

Summary: Object

Object to the non-inclusion of candidate site SR/149/008 from the LDP, and provides a supporting statement for its inclusion.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3689 West Wales Developments Ltd (Nigel & Jane Evans) [859]

Summary: Object

Object to policy HOM1 and the non-inclusion of SR/132/003 from the LDP. The representation also provides a supporting statement to promote the site's inclusion.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

4591 Ceredigion County Council (Anjuli Davies) [5303]

Summary: Object

To summarise the numbers of units planned in relevant cross-border settlements is:

Newcastle Emlyn = 51

Llanybydder = 63

Cwmann - 50

Pontyweli = 19

Ceredigion County Council is particularly concerned that the level of growth planned in Cwmann and Pontyweli will detract from meeting housing needs within the service centres of Lampeter and Llandysul. If these levels of growth are retained, Ceredigion County Council would welcome a strong emphasis on the provision of affordable housing for local people within allocated sites. Furthermore, in considering an appropriate scale of growth for these settlements, the level of growth planned in Llanybydder and Cwmann is considered high and could absorb housing demand from within Ceredigion.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The strategy of the revised LDP seeks to support the distribution of housing and economic growth which is of a scale and nature appropriate to its cluster. In this respect the revised LDP seeks to ensure that development is appropriate its settlements and reflective of their ability to accommodate growth and the services and facilities available.

The revised LDP makes provision for affordable homes on allocated site in conjunction with policy AHOM1 of the Plan. The council will seek to maximise the delivery of affordable homes during the plan period.

Action

4420 Julie & Ian Evan Jones [5166]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

The inclusion of part SR/004/028 within the development limits for Betws would not lead to additional environment pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type.

Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4607 Mrs C M Bevan [4250]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy HOM1 due to the exclusion of Abertrinant Fields, Carmel in the Deposit Revised LDP. The fields amount to 30 acres and are located adjacent to the development limits of Carmel in the current LDP. We would like the site included for housing in the Revised LDP.

Council's Initial Response

The site does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology in that it would be an illogical extension to the settlement and impact upon the rural character of this area of Carmel.

Action

4610 ms roxane lawrence [2986]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site reference SR/004/041 from the revised LDP.

4611 ms roxane lawrence [2986]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site reference SR/004/002 from the revised LDP.

4609 ms roxane lawrence [2986]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site reference SR/004/003 from the revised LDP.

4608 ms roxane lawrence [2986]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site reference SR/004/001 from the revised LDP.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

Representation(s)

4554 Mr R Robinson [4092]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

The site's inclusion within reinstated development limits for Capel Seion would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type.

Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

In addition, residential development at this location:-

- * would not be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent properties;
- * would satisfy recognised housing and sustainability objectives:
- * would not have a detrimental impact on the landscape or nature conservation interests.

Furthermore, the site is not impeded by any access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints and its delivery, if allocated, is assured.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. Capel Seion has been defined as a Tier 4 settlement, and therefore the village does not have development limits. Any proposal will be considered against the policies set out within Policy HOM3 of the revised LDP.

Action

Obiect

Representation(s)

3995 Westacres (- Westacres -) [5116]

Agent: Asbri Planning Limited (Mr Richard Bowen) [591]

Summary:

Objection to Policy SD1 - seeks an increase to the area of housing allocation PrC3/h18 and the consequent area included within development limits.

The proposed housing land allocation under Candidate Site Reference PrC3/h18 which provides for the development of the site for an indicative number of 29 units is initially welcomed.

Notwithstanding the above, this submission therefore objects to the Deposit Plan on the grounds that the larger area of land should be included as a housing land allocation PrC3/h18. A Sustainability Assessment (SA) is provided at Appendix F which shows that the development of the site would meet the Deposit Plan SA objectives.

Council's Initial Response

The inclusion of the Candidate Site would result in an illogical extension to the settlement, whilst there is sufficient and more suitable land available elsewhere in the settlement to accommodate it's housing need.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4557 Ms S McNeill [5293]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

The inclusion of this land within revised development limits for Cross Hands would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type.

Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

In addition, residential development at this location:-

- * would not be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent properties;
- * would satisfy recognised housing and sustainability objectives;
- * would not have a detrimental impact on the landscape or nature conservation interests. Furthermore, the site is not impeded by any access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints and its delivery, if allocated, is assured.

Council's Initial Response

Development of the site would result in a ribbon pattern of development contrary to general planning principles.

Action

4142 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

We respectfully request the site's allocation for residential development. It is deliverable in the short-medium for up to 67 homes and is free from environmental constraints - it is evidently deliverable in the short term. Planning Policy Wales edition 10 makes clear that sites should be free or readily freed from planning, physical and ownership constraints and be economically viable. Whilst the land at Church Road, Gorslas site does not utilise previously developed land, it does utilise land at the edge of a settlement that would form a logical extension to the settlement which encompasses all necessary elements, meets the Sustainability Assessment criteria and is clearly deliverable / viable in the short term. In regards to site deliverability / viability, a note has been prepared and submitted. A Masterplan is provided. This is an objection to the non allocation of candidate site SR/067/002 (site ref. AS/067/002) from the Plan under policy HOM1. A response is provided by the representor in respect of the Council's reasons for the candidate site's failure at stage 2b of the site assessment process. Reference can be made to representation 4143, whilst a series of objections have been made to a number of allocations in the County - including sites within PrC3

4560 K, D, E & G Fakes, James, Roberts & Jones [5296]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Seeking the allocation of a new alternative site within the Deposit Revised LDP. Although currently undeveloped, the Alternative Site forms a logical extension to the existing settlement, being well related to and encapsulated by it, as well as being positioned at a location within the wider landscape to not form a prominent or logical part of the surrounding open countryside. From a wider sense the site also benefits from well served excellent public transport. With the Alternative Site having no access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints, its delivery if allocated is assured. Combined therefore with its locational characteristics, the Site in question represents a sustainable candidate for future housing development.

Council's Initial Response

There is sufficient and more suitable land available within the area to accommodate the settlement's housing need.

Action

4525 J Eirian Thomas [2907]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of SR/067/007 from within the Deposit Revised LDP

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4413 Mrs V, Mrs A, Mr E, Mr & Mrs J. Davies, Davies & Davies [5096]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Object to the exclusion of site SR/082/002 from the housing allocations as being suitable for 5 units.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

Representation(s)

4212 Mr C Howells [5048]

Agent: Nicole Jones (Nicole Jones) [704]

Summary: Object

This site has many attributes and is appropriately situated in close physical proximity to the existing built form. It can be seen as a logical extension of the village boundaries and would not result in an intrusion into open countryside or a ribbon development -it would not lead to additional environmental pressure. Careful consideration has to be given to the style of any future development, however with the site sitting below the road level any development would be visually unobtrusive. Further investigation should be taken into the vegetation and animal life at these fields - however there are no mature trees or wooded areas that would impact development. The existing footpath could easily be incorporated into any future development by diverting it. This would protect the brock at the western boundary as well as maintain a natural habitat for wildlife. An increase of traffic would occur by this possible small development, however with an existing access onto the main road of Heol Blaenhirwaun, the local housing sites would not be affected. All surrounding main roads would cope. Any development would have a positive effect on the local economy and local community's wellbeing by providing homes at a sustainable location in a growth area. Realignment of the LDP's development limits to a more logical physical edge to the settlement - inclusion of this site. In addition, the inclusion of this site will provide for an improved access to development site GA3/h51, which is currently facing technical difficulties in bringing an access alongside Bron-Yr-Ynn housing estate. Objection to the non inclusion of candidate site SR/049/009 (site ref AS/049/009) under policy HOM1. Reference may be made to reps 4213 & 3739.

4213 Mr C Howells [5048]

Agent: Nicole Jones (Nicole Jones) [704]

Summary: Object

This site has many attributes and is appropriately situated in close physical proximity to the existing built form. It can be seen as a logical extension of the village boundaries and would not result in an intrusion into open countryside or a ribbon development -it would not lead to additional environmental pressure. Careful consideration has to be given to the style of any future development, however with the site sitting below the road level any development would be visually unobtrusive. Further investigation should be taken into the vegetation and animal life at these fields - however there are no mature trees or wooded areas that would impact development. The existing footpath could easily be incorporated into any future development by diverting it. This would protect the brock at the western boundary as well as maintain a natural habitat for wildlife. An increase of traffic would occur by this possible small development, however with an existing access onto the main road of Heol Blaenhirwaun, the local housing sites would not be affected. All surrounding main roads would cope. Any development would have a positive effect on the local economy and local community's wellbeing by providing homes at a sustainable location in a growth area. Realignment of the LDP's development limits to a more logical physical edge to the settlement - inclusion of this site. In addition, the inclusion of this site will provide for an improved access to development site GA3/h51, which is currently facing technical difficulties in bringing an access alongside Bron-Yr-Ynn housing estate. Objection to the non inclusion of candidate site SR/049/007 (site ref AS/049/007) under policy HOM1. Reference may be made to reps 4212 & 3739.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3376 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

BDW wish to add a new site allocation - Land off Heol-y-Mynydd, Bryn, previously submitted as a Candidate Site (ref. no. SR/086/053). Please see attached documents in support of this submission.

Council Summary (extracted text from detailed submission): BDW has prepared a sitespecific representation in support of the proposed allocation of Land off Heol-y-Mynydd, Bryn for residential use within the Deposit Revised Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan. This was previously submitted at the Candidate Sites stage of the LDP's preparation together with a Candidate Site Assessment Questionnaire. The proposed allocation of Land off Heol-y-Mynydd. Bryn for residential development within the LDP is fully compliant with the requirements of local and national planning policy as well as the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015. We have undertaken a number of technical studies which support the allocation of the Site for residential use, and there are no other identified constraints which would prevent the Site from coming forward. Moreover, the Site falls entirely within the boundary of a single title and a national housebuilder is actively promoting the Site. Accordingly, the Site is considered to be readily freed from physical and ownership constraints and is capable of making a significant contribution to the Council's supply of housing land in the short-to-medium term, in accordance with PPW. In light of the above, we respectfully request that Land off Heol-y-Mynydd, Bryn is included within the emerging LDP as a residential allocation for up to 160 homes. This is an objection to the non allocation of candidate site SR/086/053 under policy HOM1 - site reference AS/086/053.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

As a cross reference aid - reference can also be made to the Council's response to a range of other representations which were made as part of promoting this site. This includes the Council's response to objections made to housing allocations in the Plan which can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under policy HOM1 - housing allocations - whilst the Council's response to representation reference number 3375 can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under policy MR3: Mineral Safeguarding.

Action

4091 Jonathan Edwards MP (Jonathan Edwards) [4049]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site ref SR/159/008, and seeks its inclusion within the revised LDP.

The proposed land adjoins the development limits. Development has been undertaken to the east where four houses have been built to the rear of the Hendre Road frontage. The proposed site is a natural and logical extension to the existing settlement.

I am very critical of the local authority's approach of granting planning permission for housing estates for hundreds of dwellings. A development of this small size on the land proposed to be included in the local development plan is far more sustainable. It would also be sustainable when construction work is undertaken by small local building companies rather than big multinationals, with the local economy benefiting.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

4080 Davies Richards Developments Ltd (N/A N/A N/A) [5087]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/082/012 under policy HOM1.

We consider its exclusion to be an erroneous decision by the Authority and consider therefore that the LDP is "unsound" and should be changed.

The Site represents a sustainable and deliverable opportunity to provide new housing for the settlement of Llandybie in a strategic fashion, as well as the larger Growth Area it forms part of. With the land already capable of being easily served by all services and an adopted means of access by virtue of the adjoining public highway, there are no barriers to its delivery within the early stages of the forthcoming Plan.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4069 Llannon Community Council (Ms Susan James) [5134]

Summary: Object

We seek inclusion of candidate site referenced SR/031/006.

Local residents have highlighted concern over the current state of the site and anti-social use by young people. We understand that part of the site is listed under the Haywood Homes development, but we ask that the unassigned piece of brown land also be considered on the LDP plan.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

Object

HOM1: Housing Allocations

Representation(s)

4019 Mr & Mrs Davies [5123]

Agent: Aspinalls Planning & Legal (David Lucas) [5125]

Summary:

Objection to Policy HOM1 - and the representation provides a supporting statement seeking the inclusion of SR/004/004 into the revised LDP

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Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

4008 Mr Clive Douch [2924]

Agent: Nicole Jones (Nicole Jones) [704]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/138/008 under Policy HOM1.

It is worth emphasising that the site:

- * will help sustain the community by providing dwellings in a location that reinforces the traditional settlement pattern;
- * would fully comply with established planning policies that direct development to sustainable locations in terms of proximity to urban facilities and a public transport route.
- * it is closely related to the main public transport corridors;
- * the site is conveniently located in terms of schools and other services and facilities;
- * the site is not constrained by any significant environmental considerations, including ecological designations;
- * it will be contained within existing defendable boundaries and will not give rise to any harmful precedent for further residential development.

4009 Mr Clive Douch [2924]

Agent: Nicole Jones (Nicole Jones) [704]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/138/007 under Policy HOM1.

It is worth emphasising that the site:

- * will help sustain the community by providing dwellings in a location that reinforces the traditional settlement pattern;
- * would fully comply with established planning policies that direct development to sustainable locations in terms of proximity to urban facilities and a public transport route.
- * it is closely related to the main public transport corridors;
- * the site is conveniently located in terms of schools and other services and facilities;
- * the site is not constrained by any significant environmental considerations, including ecological designations;
- * it will be contained within existing defendable boundaries and will not give rise to any harmful precedent for further residential development.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3998 Mr B Owen [5118]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site reference SR/018/002 under policy HOM1.

We consider its exclusion to be an erroneous decision by the Authority and consider therefore that the LDP is "unsound" and should be changed.

The Site forms a logical extension to the existing settlement, being well related to it and being positioned at a location within the wider landscape.

The Site lies within close proximity and walking distance of the existing community services and local facilities of the adjoining settlement.

The Site also benefits from well served excellent public transport links to the nearby settlements, the larger towns of Ammanford and Cross Hands.

The development of the Site will in turn ensure a deliverable source of future housing for the settlement and Growth Area in which it lies.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3963 Mr Harries Mrs Sainty [5104]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion candidate site ref SR/067/012.

Seeking inclusion of their land for future residential development within the defined settlement limits of Gorslas within the Revised Local Development Plan. The Candidate Site comprises an undeveloped field enclosure set primarily to the rear of residential properties which front the eastern flank of Church Road in Gorslas. The site has an undeveloped plot which lies between detached houses on Church Road which leads directly to the field at the rear.

We have noted that the frontage plot is included within the draft settlement limits, however the adjoining, rear field has not been included. This formal Representation relates solely to the unsuccessful part of the Candidate Site.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3952 Ms & Mr England & Davies [5102]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of site ref SR/149/010 under policy HOM1

The Site forms a logical addition to the existing settlement, being well related to it on two sides and representing an opportunity to complete an otherwise undeveloped frontage element of its principle access route.

The Site lies within close proximity and walking distance of the existing community services and local facilities of the adjoining settlement, which will ensure it makes a positive contribution to both national and local sustainable development objectives. The Site also benefits from well served excellent public transport links to the nearby settlements, the larger town of Ammanford.

The development of the Site will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for the settlement and Growth Area.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3945 Landview Developments [5100]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/004/0032 under policy HOM1

This Representation has sought to examine the Council's reasons for non-allocation of a Candidate Site. It has successfully addressed the reason put forward by the Authority for its exclusion and has identified that currently proposed allocations are undeliverable.

The development of the site for the purposes of residential development can be undertaken in a manner that would not result in a form of overdevelopment, an instance of ribboning, nor would it result in a detriment to any ecological, highway safety, flooding, contamination or amenity related interest.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4488 Mr Dewi Rees [355]

Summary: Object

Seeking the inclusion of field no.9640 as a new residential site within the Deposit Revised LDP. Also seeking the siting of a small organic farm.

Council's Initial Response

There is sufficient and more suitable land avialable within the area to accommodate its housing needs.

With respect to the representation relating to an organic farm, the use proposed will be considered against the policies set out within the revised LDP.

Action

4497 Mr Bryn Jones [3991]

Agent: Asbri Planning Limited (Mr Richard Bowen) [591]

Summary:

Object

Objection to policy HOM1 seeking the allocation of part of the candidate site SR/031/008 within the Deposit Revised LDP.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4405 Julie & Ian Evan Jones [5166]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

The inclusion of part SR/004/027 within the development limits for Betws would not lead to additional environment pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type.

Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The inclusion of this site would lead to an inappropriate ribbon development of the settlement which would have a detrimental impact on the character of this area.

On the reference map, this site is identified as AS/004/047.

Action

4039 Davies Richards Developments [5131]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Objection to non inclusion of SR/004/022 under policy HOM1 - site ref AS/004/022. We consider its exclusion to be an erroneous decision by the Authority and consider therefore that the LDP is unsound. Alternative allocations within the settlement and wider growth area are neither appropriate nor deliverable (refer to site specific objection representations - inclduing 4043). It is stated that this representation has sought to examine the Council's reasons for non-allocation of a Candidate Site and that it has successfully addressed the reason put forward by the Authority for its exclusion (that there is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town to accommodate its housing need) and has identified that currently proposed allocations are undeliverable.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4421 Julie & Ian Evan Jones [5166]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

The inclusion of part SR/004/031 within the development limits for Betws would not lead to additional environment pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type.

Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

On the reference map, this site is identified as AS/004/049, owing to the smaller area being considered.

Action

3777 Mr Clive Douch [2924]

Agent: Nicole Jones (Nicole Jones) [704]

Summary: Object

Objection to the omission of current LDP allocation T3/6/h5 under Policy HOM1.

The site consists of a grassed parcel of land of a rectangular shape just South of the center of Pontyberem. The owner is in the process of maintaining an outline planning permission for 3 double story dwellings on the site. All services: mains water supply, foul sewer, electricity and high-speed electronic communications networks, are in Ashgrove.

Pontyberem is a small town which has all necessary amenities in close proximity. The transport links to Carmarthen and Llanelli towns are well established and developed.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table (T3/6/h5). The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3819 Lightwood Planning (Mr Richard Walker) [5065]

Summary: Object

Against this background of the need for increased housing growth, additional land at Penygroes should be allocated. The Plan already allocates land for 290 homes across 5 sites and these these all have planning permission. (PrC3/MU1) and (PrC3/h22) (79 homes) account for 88% of proposed new homes.

Land west of Waterloo Road and south of Maesglas should be allocated.

A site plan and testing layout shows an indicative layout for 44 homes. The site is already contained on 3 sides, including the relatively recent development at Clos Ael-Y-Bryn. We assess that the SA of this new candidate site is identical to that prepared by the Council or land adj Pant y Blodau (PrC3/h22) in respect of significant effects.

Council's Initial Response

There is sufficient and more suitable land available for development within the settlement to accommodate its housing need.

Action

Representation(s)

3323 Mr Chris Lloyd [4928]

Agent: M&M Design Consultancy (Mr Mike Morgan) [5022]

Summary: Object

Aallocate the proposed site for residential development to meet the needs for local people. The site is an almost rectangular parcel of land which would logically round off the settlement limits to the north. The council has allocated a large housing site for residential development under SU41h1 for 19 dwellings. The proposed development would be a much suitable infill development than the proposed allocation. It would appear unreasonable that the Council has identified large Greenfield sites with no defensible boundary for development within the area and yet excluded this land from the village envelope when it is clearly a much more suitable parcel of land for development. The illustrative layout indicates 4 properties will front the main road and 5 properties via the existing access which serves a cluster of properties. The proposal could be easily amended and purely highlights how the site could be developed. The site is a more logical rounding off of the settlement. This is an objection to non inclusion of candidate site SR/070/004 (part) as a housing allocation. Reference is also made to representation 3322 where an objection to Heol Ddu as a Tier 4 settlement is made.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table.

Heol Ddu has been defined as a Tier 4 settlement, and therefore the village does not have development limits. Any proposal will be considered against the policies set out within Policy HOM3 of the revised LDP.

Action

HOM1: Housing Allocations

Representation(s)

3968 Mr Stuart Thomas [5105]

Agent: CDN Planning (Mr Graham Carlisle) [5017]

Summary: Object

Seek the allocation of a new site AS/067/xxx within the Deposit LDP.

The site at Black Lion Road has an area of 4.3 hectares and based on a fairly low density of development it would provide in the region of 50 new houses. It is suggested, therefore, that serious consideration be given to the inclusion of this land as a new residential allocation. The site is in an attractive and sustainable location and there are no constraints to prevent an early start to the building process. As with all development plans the certainty of a site going forward within the plan period is all important. Other less attractive and potentially less viable sites could be set aside for this purpose.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs and the development would lead to the removal of extensive trees and hedgerows which would impact upon the character of the area.

Action

Object

Representation(s)

4376 Mr R Robinson [4092]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/020/002 under Policy HOM1.

Residential development at this location:-

- * would not be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent properties;
- * would satisfy recognised housing and sustainability objectives;
- * would not have a detrimental impact on the landscape or nature conservation interests. Furthermore, the site is not impeded by any access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints and its delivery, if allocated, is assured.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table.

Capel Seion has been defined as a Tier 4 settlement, and therefore the village does nothave development limits. Any proposal will be considered against the policies set out within Policy HOM3 of the revised LDP.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3654 Lady Julie Romani [817]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Seek the inclusion of candidate site SR/149/002 under policy HOM1. The site consists of two enclosures, accessed either via an adjoining recently

constructed residential development or the public highway. We have noted that the western part of the Candidate Site is included within the draft

settlement limits, however the eastern portion has not been included within the draft settlement limits. This formal Representation relates solely to the unsuccessful part of the Candidate Site, with full support being given to the decision to include the western portion. A comprehensive accompanying report sets out further reasons to support the inclusion of the site.

Council's Initial Response

There is sufficient and more appropriate residential land allocated within the settlement to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

3893 T Richard Jones (Betws) Ltd (Owain Jones) [5084]

Agent: Asbri Planning Ltd (Mr Keith Warren) [592]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the site's exclusion from Policy HOM1.

The site benefits from a planning permission - E/09709 for 4 pairs of semi-detached bungalows. Furthermore a start has been made on site, following the discharge of precommencement conditions.

This submission seeks therefore objects to the Deposit Plan on the grounds that the site be included as a housing land allocation, or at least identified as a commitment.

TRJ would therefore respectfully request that Carmarthenshire County Council considers these representations with a view to making appropriate Focused Changes to the Plan prior to its formal submission to the Planning Inspectorate.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The respondent notes that the site has permission dating back to 2000 which is extant, this is not sufficient to warrant it's inclusion as a housing allocation as no evidence of deliverability has been supplied. The site is located within the development limits and should the site be developed, it can be picked up within the windfall allowance.

Action

3894 T Richard Jones (Betws) Ltd (Owain Jones) [5084]

Agent: Asbri Planning Ltd (Mr Keith Warren) [592]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of site from Policy HOM1.

The site represents the undeveloped part of a wider allocation - GA3/h9 in the adopted LDP.. The site benefits from reserved matters planning permission - E/24742, for 66 dwellings,. Furthermore a start has been made on site, following the discharge of pre-commencement conditions.

The site which represents the final phase of a mixed use residential and employment scheme on the former colliery site has an extant planning permission and should be included as a housing land allocation, or at least identified as a commitment.

TRJ Ltd would therefore respectfully request that Carmarthenshire County Council considers this representation with a view to making appropriate Focused Changes to the Plan prior to its formal submission to the Planning Inspectorate.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The respondent notes that the site has permission dating back to 2011 which is extant, this is not sufficient to warrant it's inclusion as a housing allocation as no evidence of deliverability has been supplied. Should the site be developed, it can be picked up within the windfall allowance.

Action

Object

Representation(s)

3898 T Richard Jones (Betws) Ltd (Owain Jones) [5084]

Agent: Asbri Planning Ltd (Mr Keith Warren) [592]

Summary:

This submission objects to the Deposit Plan on the grounds that the site be included as a housing land allocation under Policy HOM1 to reflect its status in the adopted LDP - GA3/h54. The site has previously benefitted from a full planning permission - S/24072, for 10 bungalows, It is contained by existing residential uses and supported accommodation. The site should be allocated for 10 dwellings to reflect the previous planning permission and be identified accordingly on the Proposals Map. Supporting evidence is provided.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The respondent notes that the site has in the past benefitted from planning permission in the past which has now lapsed. This is not sufficient to warrant it's inclusion as a housing allocation as no evidence of deliverability has been supplied. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3636 -- John Roberts Family Trust [5018]

Agent: Barton Willmore (Joe Ayoubkhani) [646]

Summary: Object

The site is allocated within the adopted LDP (GA3/h59) and benefits from planning permission S/31677 granted on 19/01/17. We therefore consider that the site should form part of an allocation for residential development in the Revised LDP.

The site is not within or near any statutory cultural heritage, landscape or ecological designations. There are no technical constraints on the site that cannot be overcome or would preclude development. The site is sustainably located, there are no pre-requisite infrastructural requirements to enable it to be developed, it is deliverable and in an area where there is demand.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3941 Pegasus Group (Daniel Millward) [5095]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy HOM1 and seeking the inclusion of a new site.

The site is well related to development around the 6-way junction along the A476 in Gorslas which is home to a number of services and facilities that would meet the day to day needs of future residents.

The site is also well related to existing and future large-scale employment and commercial development areas at Cross Hands.

The site is free from any land use allocation or other designations that would otherwise constrain development; it could be made available for development in the short-term and be built out comfortably within a five-year time frame once detailed planning permission is granted.

Council's Initial Response

There is sufficient and more suitable land available for development within the settlement to accommodate its housing need.

The Mineral Resource Map for Wales indicates that the site may contain high carbon soil.

Action

HOM1: Housing Allocations

Representation(s)

3969 Magnet Properties Limited (_ _ _) [5107]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Objection to the non-inclusion of the current adopted LDP allocation number GA3/h47 from the Deposit Revised LDP.

Our clients own a substantial land holding off the western flank of Carmarthen Road in Cross Hands, known locally as the "former Ennis Caravan site". It lies within the defined settlement limits of Cross Hands as contained within the 2014-adopted Local Development Plan and allocated for Residential Development as Site GA3/h47, capable of providing 80 dwellinghouses. We note that the western rear half of the site has been omitted from the settlement limits, and the whole site is no longer allocated for housing. Whilst our clients acknowledge some recognition of the role at least half of the site can play in bringing forward residential development in the Plan Period, we are concerned at the limitation applies to only half the land currently allocated in the 2014-adopted LDP

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

The site is currently a Reserve Site within the revised LDP. The list of reserved sites identifies those which may come forward as part of a plan review process. In this regard, the review will enable additional sites to be promoted where there may be issues in relation to plan delivery. Consequently opportunities will exist for this site to be considered as part of this review process.

Action

HOM1: Housing Allocations

Representation(s)

4064 Mr Phil Mann [2574]

Agent: Mr Stuart Owen [731]

Summary: Object

We seek inclusion of a site which reflects a smaller area of the previously proposed candidate site SR/132/007. The site sits behind a road frontage development of 4 plots being developed by Mannor Homes. Sufficient land remains to provide satisfactory access to the site with an indicative layout of 6 bungalows. The area has good access to the A48 corridor. No site being developed near this proposed allocation proposes bungalows for local people, built by a local company, employing local tradesmen and labour.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the settlement to accommodate its housing need.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4036 Mr & Mrs P & J Knight [3953]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Objection to the non-inclusion of part of SR/159/008 within the Deposit LDP under policy HOM1, therefore the new site reference is AS/159/017. Reference is made representation 4037 and it is argued that the deletion of that housing allocation means that houses should be redistributed to modest sites, of up to 15-25 units such as this one. There is clear evidence in Tycroes, Capel Hendre and Saron that such modest sites are far more likely to be brought forward and developed in full by regional and small housebuilders given that construction and development costs are more likely to be viable in relation to house sales and the general housing market in this part of Carmarthenshire. The indicative proposals for this site are to construct circa 13-15 dwellinghouses as a second phase to the former commercial yard redevelopment, which will not appear at odds to the prevailing spatial pattern of development in Tycroes and Saron.

Council's Initial Response

The land has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the land. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

3975 Dolawen Cyf (Owain Jones) [3841]

Agent: Asbri Planning Ltd (Mr Keith Warren) [592]

Summary:

Object

Objection to Policy HOM1, seeking inclusion of new site.

The site comprises candidate site SR/009/003 with additional land adjoining its northern boundary.

The site is well related to the existing settlement pattern, and its development will not result in any material harm in planning terms. Furthermore an agreement has been reached to provide a suitable access to the site.

There are no allocations proposed in the linked village of Caebryn/Blaenau.

This submission also seeks to demonstrate that the site is deliverable by a proven local building company and provisions would be incorporated which would seek to ensure a high quality of design and layout.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3916 Mr V Vijayasundaram [5091]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/064/015 under Policy HOM1.

The Site forms a logical extension to the existing settlement, and would be seen as a physical extension of the Maes-y-Beddol estate.

In addition, the site lies within close proximity and walking distance of the existing community services and local facilities of the settlements of Garnant and Glanamman which will ensure it makes a positive contribution to both national and local sustainable development objectives.

The Site also benefits from well served public transport links to the nearby settlements, specifically the town of Ammanford, together with other locations within and adjoining the County.

The Site has no access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table (SR/064/015). The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

No change to the Plan.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3820 Mr L W Jones [5066]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Seeks inclusion of area of land comprising new candidate site SR/159/013 and provides a supporting statement to promote the sites in inclusion as a housing allocation.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table (SR/159/013). The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

4094 John Price [2620]

Summary: Object

Yn gwrthwynebu peidio â chynnwys SR/067/001 o'r CDLI adneuo ac yn ceisio ei gynnwys.

Objects to the non-inclusion of SR /067/001 from the Deposit LDP and seeks its inclusion.

I gloi mae'r cynllun yn arloesol mewn sawl ffordd; Tai fforddiadwy, Byngalos ar gyfer yr henoed, Cyfle i nifer o bobl leol prynu plot adeiladu er mwyn i adeiladu tai ei hunain Pensaeriaeth arloesol. Defnyddio technoleg ddiweddaraf i adeiladu tai Cynaliadwy Eco cyfeillgar. Ardal wyrdd gymunedol. Creu cymuned clos. Cynorthwyo i Ddiogelu'r iaith Cymraeg.

Finally, the scheme is innovative in many ways; Affordable housing, Bungalows for the elderly, An opportunity for local people to buy building plots to build their own houses. Innovative architecture. Using the latest technology to build eco-friendly sustainable housing. Communal green space. Creating a close community. Helping to safeguard the Welsh language.

Council's Initial Response

Ystyriwyd y safle'n briodol wrth lunio a pharatoi'r CDLI gyda'r rhesymau dros beidio â chynnwys yn y CDLI wedi'i nodi yn y Tabl Asesu Safleoedd. Nid yw'r sylwad yma yn codi unrhyw wybodaeth ychwanegol i gyfiawnhau cynnwys y safle newydd a awgrymir.

Roedd y gwaith o asesu safleoedd yn cael ei gynnal yn unol â chanllawiau cenedlaethol a'r methodoleg asesu'r safle a phapurau cefndir/pwnc a'r dystiolaeth ategol.

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

Dim newidiad i'r Cynllun. No change to the Plan.

3341 LR HM & IR Lewis [4945]

Agent: Asbri Planning Ltd (Mr Keith Warren) [592]

Summary:

Object

Land at Dolau Fields/N of Dan y Crug, Llandovery Sec15/h1:

This Housing Allocations is objected to on the basis that the numbers associated with SeC15/h1 be extended to 61 dwellings to reflect the extant planning permission (thereby extending the site to the same as that allocated in the current LDP).

The Proposals Map is also objected to on these grounds.

Council's Initial Response

There are concerns over the deliverability of the site in its entirety, as allocated in the current LDP. The site has been allocated for housing for a number of years and has not been developed. For this reason it was deemed necessary to reduce the size of the allocation to frontage only (in keeping with the adjacent built form) with reference SeC15/h1, and to exclude the remainder from development limits.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3106 sarah eyles [4645]

Summary: Support

Supports the exclusion of SR/088/006 (Candidate Site application for Land at Heol Mafon originally submitted by JCR Planning on behalf of Mr. M. Evans). There are a number of reasons for the objection of development at this location:

1. The effect of development on the solar farm which lies in close proximity to the site.

2. Western Power Distribution powerlines cross the site.

Council's Initial Response

The support for the exclusion of site AS/088/006 is welcomed.

Action

3120 Mr & Mrs C K Davies [4513]

Summary: Support

We live next to the site (SR/098/001) and strongly object to any developments.

The main reason for objection relates to traffic in in the village, using it as a shortcut which is causing concern for the highway safety. In addition to this site, the 1200 houses to be built at Travellers Rest will cause highway concerns. The infrastructure through the village is dangerous, due to narrow roads, a lack of footpaths and a narrow bridge. Access to the site is also a concern.

3399 Mr Jeff Davies [3781]

Summary: Support

Support the exclusion of site SR/098/001 from being a housing allocation for the following reasons:

- The B road leading to this proposed development is very narrow.
- Small bridge that only allows a single car at a time to cross, causing a lot of issues.
- Llanllwch village is already seeing increased traffic from the Travelers Rest housing development, this will only add to the daily congestion.
- Lack of visibility
- Narrow track leading into the site which I have right of way on, so I'm concerned that my rights may be affected, if this development went ahead.

Council's Initial Response

The respondent is objecting to the whole submitted candidate site, which consists of a large site. Whilst the majority of the site has been excluded from the development limits, part of the site is considered appropriate in terms of small scale rounding off, suitable for 1 or 2 plots.

Action

3200 Mr Lawrence Aldridge [495]

Summary: Support

Supports the exclusion of AS/019/008 - (candidate site SR/019/008) - for residential development. The issues cited include determinantal impact on the character of the village, lack of amenities and population/traffic impact. It is stated that there is plentiful provision of building plots which are not being delivered. This representation is therefore supporting policy HOM1 of the Deposit Plan in that the site is not allocated for residential development.

3197 Mr Lawrence Aldridge [495]

Summary: Support

Supports the exclusion of AS/019/001 - (candidate site SR/019/001) - for residential development. The issues cited include determinantal impact on the character of the village, lack of amenities and population/traffic impact. It is stated that there is plentiful provision of building plots which are not being delivered. This representation is therefore supporting policy HOM1 of the Deposit Plan in that the site is not allocated for residential development.

3198 Mr Lawrence Aldridge [495]

Summary: Support

Supports the exclusion of AS/019/003 - (candidate site SR/019/003) - for residential development. The issues cited include determinantal impact on the character of the village, lack of amenities and population/traffic impact. It is stated that there is plentiful provision of building plots which are not being delivered. This representation is therefore supporting policy HOM1 of the Deposit Plan in that the site is not allocated for residential development.

3202 Mr Lawrence Aldridge [495]

Summary: Support

Supports the exclusion of AS/019/004 - (candidate site SR/019/004) - for residential development. The issues cited include determinantal impact on the character of the village, lack of amenities and population/traffic impact. It is stated that there is plentiful provision of building plots which are not being delivered. This representation is therefore supporting policy HOM1 of the Deposit Plan in that the site is not allocated for residential development.

Council's Initial Response

Support for the exclusion of the site is welcomed.

Action

3137 Mr Christopher Bowen [2957]

Summary: Support

Support the exclusion SR/163/005

I would like to object to any planning proposals relating to the above reference for land development at Ael-y-Bryn fields in Spring Gardens, Whitland.

I previously objected to this development on the basis that it would obstruct the country views from our property and also de-value our home.

The country views we're a huge deciding factor in our decision to purchase the property in December 2017.

3152 Mr Gwyn Lewis [4342]

Summary: Support

Support the exclusion of SR/163/005 at Spring Gardens, Whitland.

3136 Mr David Kirk [3848]

Summary: Support

Support the exclusion of SR/163/005

- 1. There are a number of sites in Whitland with current planning approved that are not shown on the candidate sites plans , many on brown field sites so why apply to develop a green field site?
- 2. The above brown field sites are near all the amenities so why develop a green field site.
- 3. We would suffer immense loss of visual amenity if the above were to proceed.
- 4. Why not extend the Magstim development or some of the larger estates in Whitland.
- 5. Nothing is happening with the old Dairies site and hasn't for a number of years, why is this as it is central to the town and its amenities? This area could be a mix of residential builds selling plots off individually.
- 6. The development of the Dairies site would promote and augment the current regeneration of the town that the council are currently looking at.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

3191 Mr Rod Davies [2881]

Summary: Support

Objection to the future planning on the field Ael y Bryn, Spring Gardens, the use of this green field at the top of Whitland for building when there are brown field sites in Whitland itself seems to be going backwards, that old factory site has been empty for 20 years and it is a eyesore in the town, it should be used before any other site in the town. Also there are other sites closer to the town for building that would be a lot better suited than a field right out on the outskirts of the town.

3229 Mr Richard Lewis [4887]

Summary: Support

Support exclusion of site SR/163/005 from the revised LDP.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3261 Mr Gareth Phillips [3854]

Summary: Support

We refer to the County council's planning proposals for extending local development under reference SR/163/005, sub reference CA0302 and in particular to the proposed planning in the field to the rear of our property at Ael y Bryn, Spring Gardens, Whitland.

We formally object to the proposal to include this field within the proposed development plan for the following reasons

Council's Initial Response

The site is located outside the development limits. Therefore support is welcomed

Action

3477 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

DCWW provide an analysis of the allocations within an appendix and there are no objections. DCWW have confirmed that this analysis can be logged and responded to within the LDP Infrastructure Assessment/Study. DCWW ask that the general comments that they have included at the introduction of the appendix be transferred over in addition

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The Infrastructure Assessment will be prepared / updated by the Council.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3583 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

NRW provide an analysis of the allocations and there are no objections, other than 4 sites (see reps 3584,3586,3678,3679). NRW have confirmed that this analysis can be logged and responded to within the LDP Infrastructure Assessment with regards to all housing allocation comments they made, other than these 4 specific objection sites (see reps 3584,3586,3678,3679).

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The Infrastructure Assessment will be prepared / updated by the Council.

Reference should be made to the Council's responses to representation reference numbers 3584 (prc3/h4) ,3586 (sec7/h3),3678 (prc2/h10) and 3679 (prc3/h30) - these can be viewed under the responses to representations received under policy HOM1 - housing allocations.

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation.

3481 Mrs Margaret Teal [4952]

Summary: Support

Having attended the consultation session at St Clears, I was made aware that site SR/126/006 for residential use has not been moved forward to the LDP for various reasons. I thank you for that decision.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3093 Mr DW Taylor [4823]

Summary: Support

Proposals for housing development would be unsound. A number of concerns are cited - most notably in relation to access/traffic issues and parking. Therefore, Policy HOM1 is supported due to the fact that candidate site SR/067/015 is not allocated for housing in the deposit Plan.

3091 Mr DW Taylor [4823]

Summary: Support

Proposals for housing development would be unsound. A number of concerns are cited - most notably in relation to access/traffic issues and parking. Therefore, Policy HOM1 is supported due to the fact that candidate site SR/067/002 is not allocated for housing in the deposit Plan.

3092 Mr D W Taylor [4823]

Summary: Support

Proposals for housing development would be unsound. A number of concerns are cited - most notably in relation to access/traffic issues and parking. Therefore, Policy HOM1 is supported due to the fact that candidate site SR/067/012 is not allocated for housing in the deposit Plan.

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed

Action

HOM1: Housing Allocations

Representation(s)

4569 Mrs Sharon Meek [4220]

Summary: Support

I am writing in regards to the proposed development which are to the back and side of my property, I am extremely concerned as to the effect of these developments on the traffic and damage to the roads. The single track road behind our property is at present only to supply the farm and the few houses of the Dell. If this road is to be used for access to new developments then there is a good possibility that there will be structural damage, caused to the road running behind our house and that of Rock House due to the degrading etc to the road caused by heavy plant machinery and excess traffic. The single track road has less than a meter of land before it drops 30ft off the quarry wall, to the ground on which the two houses sit. In bad weather this bit of land has already started to move, dropping debris down onto the properties. It will also effect the entrance to our drive which is situated on the blind bend leading down from the Dell. Where is the proposed site entrance to be? This is a very large proposal site of agricultural land, when just up the road there has sat a development of houses left to go to ruin. I hope my concerns are heard. This is a support for the site's non inclusion under policy HOM1 as a housing allocation in the deposit Plan. Site reference is AS/086/032.

4570 Mrs Sharon Meek [4220]

Summary: Support

I am writing in regards to the proposed development which are to the back and side of my property, I am extremely concerned as to the effect of these developments on the traffic and damage to the roads. The single track road behind our property is at present only to supply the farm and the few houses of the Dell. If this road is to be used for access to new developments then there is a good possibility that there will be structural damage, caused to the road running behind our house and that of Rock House due to the degrading etc to the road caused by heavy plant machinery and excess traffic. The single track road has less than a meter of land before it drops 30ft off the quarry wall, to the ground on which the two houses sit. In bad weather this bit of land has already started to move, dropping debris down onto the properties. It will also effect the entrance to our drive which is situated on the blind bend leading down from the Dell. Where is the proposed site entrance to be? This is a very large proposal site of agricultural land, when just up the road there has sat a development of houses left to go to ruin. I hope my concerns are heard. This is a support for the site's non inclusion under policy HOM1 as a housing allocation in the deposit Plan. Site reference is AS/086/036.

4568 Mrs Sharon Meek [4220]

Summary: Support

I am writing in regards to the proposed development which are to the back and side of my property, I am extremely concerned as to the effect of these developments on the traffic and damage to the roads. The single track road behind our property is at present only to supply the farm and the few houses of the Dell. If this road is to be used for access to new developments then there is a good possibility that there will be structural damage, caused to the road running behind our house and that of Rock House due to the degrading etc to the road caused by heavy plant machinery and excess traffic. The single track road has less than a meter of land before it drops 30ft off the quarry wall, to the ground on which the two houses sit. In bad weather this bit of land has already started to move, dropping debris down onto the properties. It will also effect the entrance to our drive which is situated on the blind bend leading down from the Dell. Where is the proposed site entrance to be? This is a very large proposal site of agricultural land, when just up the road there has sat a development of houses left to go to ruin. I hope my concerns are heard. This is a support for the site's non inclusion under policy HOM1 as a housing allocation in the deposit Plan. Site reference is AS/086/035.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed/comments noted.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4551 Mr Chris Carrott [2997]

Summary: Support

It is a poorly thought out position as the road into it from Garreglwyd cannot handle increased traffic. This supports the non allocation of the site under Policy HOM1 - site ref AS/016/017.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed/comments noted.

Action

3104 Mr S Cooper [4829]

Summary: Support

The following Submissions have been made to the Local Authority to amend the Development Plan for exclusion and should be rejected: SR/067/012 - CA0697

3103 Mr S Cooper [4829]

Summary: Support

The following Submissions have been made to the Local Authority to amend the Development Plan for eclusion and should be rejected: SR/067/002 - CA0340

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

No action to be undertaken

Representation(s)

3113 Mr Dennis Alexander [3310]

Summary: Support

Land between Heol Hafod Road & Heol Brown (previously promoted for safeguarding from development under candidate site SR/159/005) should be entirely outside the development area and should remain as recreation land. Therefore, Policy HOM1 is supported due to the fact that this land is not allocated for housing in the deposit Plan.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

3178 Mr Emyr John [4549]

Summary: Support

SR/004/041 Land at Myddynfych Farm, Bonllwyn.

Support that the above site has not been included.

3177 Mr Emyr John [4549]

Summary: Support

SR/004/003 En.0851 Dol y Derwen, Myddynfych

Support that the above site has not been included.

3179 Mr Emyr John [4549]

Summary: Support

SR/004/001 Enclosure 0608 Myddynfych Farm

Support that the above site has not been included.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

3243 Mr J A C Davies [4892]

Summary: Support

Proposals for housing development are objected to. A number of concerns are cited - most notably in relation to access/traffic issues - with reference made to the increased popularity of Llyn Llech Owain, the proposed new school and the industrial estate. Therefore, Policy HOM1 is supported due to the fact that candidate site SR/067/012 is not allocated for housing in the deposit Plan.

3244 Mr J A C Davies [4892]

Summary: Support

Proposals for housing development are objected to. A number of concerns are cited - most notably in relation to access/traffic issues - with reference made to the increased popularity of Llyn Llech Owain, the proposed new school and the industrial estate. Therefore, Policy HOM1 is supported due to the fact that candidate site SR/067/015 is not allocated for housing in the deposit Plan.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

3249 Mr & Mrs R Geddes [4897]

Summary: Support

Concerns raised in regards publicising the proposals. There may be demand for new houses - but the infrastructure is not here - inc water treatment/supply and amenities. Various issues with traffic and access (eg safety and amenity). School was extended but already full and there is a deficiency of play opportunities. There is a right of way and ecology interest. Concerns on ground conditions and history of the site following its handover to community. Plentiful supply of housing - including empty homes. Therefore, Policy HOM1 is supported due to the fact that candidate site SR/159/005 (which sought protection from development) is not allocated for housing in the deposit Plan.

3250 Mr & Mrs R Geddes [4897]

Summary: Support

Concerns raised in regards publicising the proposals. There may be demand for new houses - but the infrastructure is not here - inc water treatment/supply and amenities. Various issues with traffic and access (eg safety and amenity). School was extended but already full and there is a deficiency of play opportunities. There is a right of way and ecology interest. Concerns on ground conditions and history of the site following its handover to community. Plentiful supply of housing - including empty homes. Therefore, Policy HOM1 is supported due to the fact that candidate site SR/159/007 is not allocated for housing in the

3248 Mr & Mrs R Geddes [4897]

Summary: Support

Concerns raised in regards publicising the proposals. There may be demand for new houses - but the infrastructure is not here - inc water treatment/supply and amenities. Various issues with traffic and access (eg safety and amenity). School was extended but already full and there is a deficiency of play opportunities. There is a right of way and ecology interest. Concerns on ground conditions and history of the site following its handover to community. Plentiful supply of housing - including empty homes. Therefore, Policy HOM1 is supported due to the fact that candidate site SR/159/014 (which sought protection from development) is not allocated for housing in the deposit Plan.

3251 Mr & Mrs R Geddes [4897]

Summary: Support

Concerns raised in regards publicising the proposals. There may be demand for new houses - but the infrastructure is not here - inc water treatment/supply and amenities. Various issues with traffic and access (eg safety and amenity). School was extended but already full and there is a deficiency of play opportunities. There is a right of way and ecology interest. Concerns on ground conditions and history of the site following its handover to community. Plentiful supply of housing - including empty homes. Therefore, Policy HOM1 is supported due to the fact that candidate site SR/159/015 (which sought protection from development) is not allocated for housing in the deposit Plan.

HOM1: Housing Allocations

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

No action to be taken

Representation(s)

3780 Cllr. A & D Vaughan Owen & Price [5057]

Summary: Support

Support for the proposed level of housing allocation in Gorslas and Drefach under Policy HOM1.

In terms of housing allocation within the Gorslas ward, we welcome the fact that a number of the candidate sites have not been taken forward and included in the Deposit Plan - particularly in the village of Drefach and the area of Church Road, Gorslas, following concerns expressed to us around over-development.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

3211 Mr Christopher Williams [3938]

Summary: Support

I would like to support the removal of development SR/117/003 from the Local Development Plans

3223 Mr Christopher Williams [3938]

Summary: Support

I would like to support the removal of development SR/117/002

3212 Mr Christopher Williams [3938]

Summary: Support

I would like to support the removal of development SR/117/001 as these additional dwellings would increase the traffic using the junction between the A40 and the B4310.

3224 Mr Christopher Williams [3938]

Summary: Support

I would like to support the removal of development SR/117/006

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3309 Mrs Mandy Rogers [3206]

Summary: Support

I just wanted to state my gratitude that the previously candidate site submission ref.SR/080/008 at Maerdy Road SA19 6PN has not been included. I appealed when the proposed candidate sites were put forward last year and I stand with my reasons for appeal at that time, therefore I am grateful to see this proposed area has not been included in the Local Development Plan.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

HOM1: Housing Allocations

Representation(s)

4495 Lisa Orwig [5260]

Summary: Support

The deposit revised Carmarthenshire local development plan 2018-2033 proposals map shows PrC3/h18 as the only residential allocation within the development limits in Gorslas. The written statement for views and comments shows PrC3/h18, land adj. Brynlluan (opposite the breakers yard), as the only site in Gorslas, for 29 units within the 11-15 year delivery timescale.

Flyer tries to stir up previous opposition to the scrapyard: 'at the end of the current lease period (dec. 2021) the scrapyard will return to full usage......with no planning conditions restricting hours of operation, height of scrap storage, numbers of vehicles, etc'

However, remedial works would be required to bring up to operational standards due to the fire there at end july 2020.

The whole candidate site SR/067/004, cannot just be added in automatically to the LDP as a result of the influence of the last minute flyer. Number of vehicles would increase with even more housing anyway.

A lot of lorries use this road as a thoroughfare now. Lots of locals and tourists visit Cwmcerrig farm shop as its a restaurant and a shop in an agricultural setting.

Gorslas should keep its own identity rather than being added to the Cefneithin conurbation

4465 Mr & Ms N & L Beckett & Williams [5253]

Summary: Support

We are residents of Gorslas ward and we have received a flyer through our door asking us to get in touch with you to support an application for the old breakers yard (SR/067/004) to be included in the LDP. We would like to comment that we would not support the inclusion of the site in the LDP until such time as NRW are willing to accept the surrender of the current permit and Carmarthenshire County Council are satisfied that biodiversity concerns have been addressed.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

No change to Plan

3112 Mr Dennis Alexander [3310]

Summary: Support

Land between Heol Hafod Road & Heol Brown (previously promoted for safeguarding from development under candidate site SR/159/014) should be entirely outside the development area and should remain as recreation land. Therefore, Policy HOM1 is supported due to the fact that this land is not allocated for housing in the deposit Plan.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

No change to plan

Representation(s)

4085 Mr Owen Williams [3158]

Summary: Support

Support for the site's exclusion (SR/147/001).

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

4573 Mr & Mrs P & S Newman [5213]

Summary: Support

Support for Policy HOM1.

Support for the exclusion of candidate site (SR/064/013) from the Revised Deposit LDP. The site is located on a bad bend and very poor access, with no drainage or sewage facilities and even with this Lock-down our road still carries a lot of traffic. We've seen many a car or trailer end up in a ditch because of this.

Plus the water; over the last forty years there have been several buildings converted to dwellings & also the property at the very top of the road, Trumyrhwch has been put on the water main causing all sorts of problems with the water pressure low for them & high for us and others. Last time the water board came out ours was 11 bars they said they've fixed it like they did last time and before that.

4574 Mr & Mrs P & S Newman [5213]

Summary: Support

Support for Policy HOM1.

Support for the exclusion of candidate site (SR/064/001) from the Revised Deposit LDP. The site is located on a bad bend and very poor access, with no drainage or sewage facilities and even with this Lock-down our road still carries a lot of traffic. We've seen many a car or trailer end up in a ditch because of this.

Plus the water; over the last forty years there have been several buildings converted to dwellings & also the property at the very top of the road, Trumyrhwch has been put on the water main causing all sorts of problems with the water pressure low for them & high for us and others. Last time the water board came out ours was 11 bars they said they've fixed it like they did last time and before that.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

4077 Mr & Mrs Barney & Pat Gill [4820]

Summary: Support

This is the site of a former toxic waste tip and is totally unsuitable for any development. This landfill site received waste from the Borough of Llanelli from 31st December 1959 to 31st December 1975. According to the Environment Agency site details (May 2012) all five types of waste have been buried in this landfill site over this period, including hazardous waste. (attachments/copies provided). The land was used to bury large amounts of asbestos. The Environment Agency took samples from the boundary ditch between this proposed development land and the adjacent land opposite Trem - y - Dderwen and stated that this land should be left undisturbed due to the toxic elements dumped at this former waste tip and bound up in the soil. They are of the opinion that provided the land was left intact the potential for serious pollution of the River Gwili would be minimised. Concerns are therefore focused upon the history / former uses on the site. This is a support for the non-inclusion of the candidate site SR/084/004 - site reference is AS/084/004 under policy HOM1.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

4466 Aled Davies [3266]

Summary: Support

Support is given to the decision to exclude land at Mounthill Farm, rear of Brynhyfryd and along the southern side of Roman Road as a large residential development site (site reference AS/021/038). A number of reasons in support of the representation are provided.

4467 Carys Davies [3353]

Summary: Support

Support is given to the decision to exclude land at Mounthill Farm, rear of Brynhyfryd and along the southern side of Roman Road as a large residential development site (site reference AS/021/038). A number of reasons in support of the representation are provided.

4524 Tegwen Thomas [4325]

Summary: Support

There have been a number of developments in the area but, from discussions with the Community Council, the view amongst locals is that the Roman Road forms what would be considered a natural boundary for developments in the area and they would not wish for future developments on that side of the Roman Road (Candidate site reference SR/021/038). Thank you for respecting that view of where a boundary should be drawn to define and retain the unique character of the Llangunnor community.

4519 Mr Llew Thomas [3286]

Summary: Support

My purpose in writing is to thank the County Council for listening to the views of the community and indeed the Community Council and removing the proposed large scale development from the revised plan (candidate site ref SR/021/038). It is much appreciated by locals who feared that the development would swamp the area and change the character and nature of the community. We are most grateful to the County Council for taking a stand and supporting the community over profit.

Council's Initial Response

Support for the exclusion of the site is welcomed.

Action

3994 Mrs Lynn C C C Bushin [4817]

Summary: Support

This part of the objection relates to the part of the Candidate Site (SR/124/001)that falls outside of the allocation SeC14/h4.

I wish to object to this site being included in the Deposit LDP.

This site is incorrectly named & identified - There are three areas in close proximity that are called "Glanawmor" in the village of Pencader. The proposed site currently makes up part of the holding of Glanawmor Uchaf Farm and should be identified as such.

The plan supplied by the applicants to identify this site shows two fields and does not show the full extent of the land and buildings owned by the applicants, and by its omission is erroneous and misleading. The full extent of the land in ownership of the applicant and its current use should be taken in account when making this decision to include a site in the LDP.

Council's Initial Response

Support for the exclusion of the Candidate Site is welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4455 Mr Wyn Davies [3276]

Summary: Support

Support is given to the Deposit Plan and agreement with the decision to exclude the land at Mounthill Farm, rear of Brynhyfryd and along the southern side of Roman Road as a large residential development site (Site Reference SR/021/038. Detailed reasons are provided as part of the representation.

Council's Initial Response

Support for the exclusion of the site is welcomed.

Action

4416 Llanedi Community Council (Mr J L Griffiths) [2922]

Summary: Support

The respondent supports the exclusion of candidate site SR/159/005.

4418 Llanedi Community Council (Mr J L Griffiths) [2922]

Summary: Support

SR/159/015 support to the exclusion

4417 Llanedi Community Council (Mr J L Griffiths) [2922]

Summary: Support

SR/159/014 support to the exclusion

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The site is excluded from the Revised LDP.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3193 Mr Wyn Humphreys [4580]

Summary: Support

I wish to support the exclusion of site SR/162/002, Land adjacent to Maesawelon, Whitemill from the housing allocations list.

The proposed sitting of the development is particularly ill-considered

The development represents an outward extension of built development into open countryside resulting in a visual intrusion into the countryside and a coalescence of settlements to the detriment of the appearance and character of the area.

The development doesn't fit in with the character of the village form and landscape, and it cannot be classified as a logical extension or rounding of the development due to location and nature of its surroundings

Council's Initial Response

Support for the exclusion of the site is welcomed.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC1/h1

Representation(s)

4145 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4278 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275

Council's Initial Response

The site has planning permission for residential development. The principle of development on this site has been established.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC1/h2

Representation(s)

4282 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

3294 Mr Chris Still [4907]

Summary: Object

We object to further parcels of land in the Springfield and Cwmoernant area being developed upon for the following reasons...

- it is a Conservation area
- it will drive the wildlife away (rabbits, birds, foxes, hedgehogs, bats, lizards, and birds of prey)
- the roads are unsafe currently as they are narrow and a further increase in traffic will worsen the problem up Springfield Road where there are no pavements and a substantial number of pedestrian traffic including school children
- it will increase air and noise pollution

3771 Mr Ceredig Emanuel [4942]

Summary: Object

This is an objection to the inclusion of the housing allocation PrC1/h2 for the following reasons:

- Increased vehicular traffic to Springfield Road will exacerbate an already busy and narrow road which has no pavement for pedestrians.
- There is also considerable congestion at the junctions for Longacre Road (no footpaths), Capel Evan Road, and Park Hall Road as they approach Richmond Terrace. There is a similar problem at the junctions of Wellfield Road, Penlan Road and Brewary Road as they access Waterloo Terrace.

4154 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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3712 Mr Derek Edwards [4951]

Summary: Object

We object to further development (site PrC1/h2) for the following reasons:

- The approach road is hazardous;
- The area is dangerous to pedestrians as there are no pavements;
- The junction at the bottom of Springfield Hill and Wellfield Road often has parked cars;
- Extra traffic will add to these hazards.

3391 Mr & Mrs S & L John [4960]

Summary: Object

Objection to housing allocation PrC1/h2 in Carmarthen:

My comments relate to the impact on the local roads which impact me in Heol Y Delyn. I assume that with the proposed development will come 50-60 cars belonging to the residents. There will be addition traffic from deliveries etc.

What impact on Wellfield Road and Long Acre Road will there be from this additional traffic?

Will the local roads cope with the extra traffic, particularly at certain times of the day eg school, shop opening times? Are traffic lights envisaged?

3422 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

Objection to allocation PrC1/h2

The site should be the subject of further analysis of physical & nature conservation constraints.

This site has been "in play" in the planning system for 30 years, yet it remains undeveloped.

It is difficult to see how the 29 units can be achieved because of the slope of the land.

This junction of Capel Evan Road is the only route out for over 500 dwellings.

Nature conservation and biodiversity constraints of the site were not assessed.

The public right of way which crosses the site is part of the strategic rights of way network.

4031 Mr and Mrs Robert and Gaynor Hathway [5129]

Summary: Object

Opposition to further housing development off Springfield road and Cwmoernant - this is based on the the following facts 1. Traffic along Wellfield road is already chaotic - for most part of the road there is insufficient width for two cars to pass each other which results in cars driving up onto the narrow pavements. 2. Springfield road itself is quite narrow and has a choke point about 2/3rds of the way up. Adding more housing with say 2 cars per household would significantly increase the traffic problems which already exist 3. The area to be included in the development plan adjacent to these areas support a large array of wildlife.

With the enormous housing development going on the west of the town already why is it necessary to destroy these oases of wildlife so close to the town centre.

4088 Mr & Mrs C Jones [5138]

Agent: Crompton Land & Development Ltd (Mr Andrew Crompton) [3047]

Summary:

Object

Objects to the inclusion of site PrC1/h2 under policy HOM1. It is an extremely difficult site to develop due to the extreme topographical level changes across the site that will require significant earthworks and retaining walls - as illustrated by the indicative cross sections included within the application drawings.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The site has the benefit of outline planning permission.

Action

Representation(s)

4280 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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4150 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

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3295 Mr Chris Still [4907]

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- it will increase air and noise pollution

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

Action

Representation(s)

3974 Dolawen Cyf (Owain Jones) [3841]

Agent: Asbri Planning Ltd (Mr Keith Warren) [592]

Summary: Support

representation which is supporting housing allocation PrC1/h4 and policy HOM1.

Further to the candidate site submission in 2018, the identification of the site as a residential development allocation - PrC1/h4 is welcomed, The Deposit LDP is supported on the basis. As such, in relation to this site the overall soundness of the Plan is also accepted. The aim is to work with the Council in progressing detailed proposals for the site which will be informed by information, particularly relating to site capacity and the scale of the house types proposed, This will be provided at future stages of the LDP Review process in the lead up to the Examination. Further evidence is provided in the submission to demonstrate that the site is deliverable and in a future development provisions would be incorporated which would seek to ensure a high quality of design and layout, and which would also address site issues including access considerations.

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC1/h10

Representation(s)

3920 Mr P Morris [3844]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Support

The inclusion of part of the field within the deposit draft development limits for Llangynnwr is supported.

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed.

Action

Representation(s)

4281 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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4151 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

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Council's Initial Response

The site has planning permission and is currently under construction for 12 dwellings. The principle of development on this site has been established.

Action

Representation(s)

3906 __ Mcdermott, Howell, Evans [5089]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Support

Our clients wholeheartedly welcome the decision of the Authority to concur with the representation previously made in relation to our Clients land and fully support their decision to include the land as a Residential Allocation within the development limits. They intend enacting upon this inclusion shortly after the LDP is formally adopted, by means of a formal planning application, and thereafter commence implementation of the development of the site within the early years of the Plan Period.

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed.

Action

Representation(s)

4279 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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4149 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to, and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. The allocation, along with the others within Carmarthen, makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement. The site has the benefit of outline planning permission and is currently for sale.

Action

Representation(s)

3901 _ _ Jones, Douch, T.A.C Morgan, Bromley Davenport, Boggis-Rolfe [5085]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Concern is raised about the delivery of the West Carmarthen housing site (PrC1/MU1). Numbers in support of the current, and past delivery rate illustrate that the level of development anticipated will not be achieved.

3614 Mr & Mrs J T J Davies [4132]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

We submit that the draft allocation at West Carmarthen (PrC1/MU1) be omitted from the Plan, and that the site's housing allocation be redistributed to modest Candidate Sites, of up to 10-25 units such as that proposed at Parc-y-Ffynnon.

There is clear evidence in Ferryside, such as the completion of the Parc-y-Ffynnon development, that such modest sites are far more likely to be brought forward and developed in full by regional and small housebuilders given that construction and development costs are more likely to be viable in relation to house sales and the general housing market in this part of Carmarthenshire.

3611 Mr N Davies [4032]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

We submit that the site PrC1/MU1 West Carmarthen be omitted from the Plan, and that housing allocation be redistributed to modest Candidate Sites, of up to 90 units such as that proposed at Dolgwili. There is clear evidence in the Bronwydd Road area of Carmarthen, such as the completion of the "Coed-y-Neuadd" and "Pantglas" developments, that such modest sites are far more likely to be brought forward and developed in full by regional and small housebuilders given that construction and development costs are more likely to be viable.

3607 Mr O Evans [3966]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Objection to the allocation of Carmarthen West (PrC1/MU1), and seeking a reduction in allocation size under policy HOM1.

Only 10% (114 units out of 1100 units) of the Strategic Site PrC/MU1 have been completed in the LDP period, and by the Council's own calculations (reproduced in the JHLAS) only a further 115 units are optimistically predicted to be completed by late 2021, resulting in an overall total of 229 units out of a predicted 1100 units (21%).

Clearly, there is no historic demand for a site of this scale in this part of Carmarthen.

3872 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

An objection is raised about the delivery of the West Carmarthen housing site (PrC1/MU1). Numbers in support of the current, and past delivery rate illustrate that the level of development anticipated will not be achieved.

3838 Mr C Stack [3950]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Concern is raised about the delivery of the West Carmarthen housing site (PrC1/MU1). Numbers in support of the current, and past delivery rate illustrate that the level of development anticipated will not be achieved.

Council's Initial Response

It is considered that the continued allocation of the West Carmarthen Strategic site remains as a strategic site in the LDP. A Development Brief has been adopted on the site in order to ensure a comprehensive and integrated development is undertaken on the site. Since the adoption of the Brief in 2010, the link road has been completed and houses have been completed on the southern side of the site. The Council along with partners, landowners and housebuilders have invested time and resources into delivering this site over recent years. Planning applications are now coming forward for the site and it is considered that the site remains to be appropriate and deliverable for the mixed uses described within the Planning and Development Brief.

Action

Representation(s)

3841 Mr James Bromhead [5053]

Agent: RPS Planning & Development (Mrs Kate Gapper) [797]

Summary: Support

In order to meet the requirement of 8,835 homes, provision is made for 10,160 homes in accordance with the identified settlement framework. This includes allocating sites for new homes in established settlements. Policy HOM1 allocates land at West Carmarthen (Site Ref: PrC1/MU1) for the development of 700 new homes within the plan period and makes provision for a total of 84 units (12%) to be affordable units. Policy HOM1 identities this allocation coming forward within years 6-10 and 11-15 of the plan period i.e. 2024 onwards. We agree and support this housing allocation for West Carmathen.

3190 RPS Planning & Development (Mrs Kate Gapper) [797]

Summary: Support

In order to meet the requirement of 8,835 homes, provision is made for 10,160 homes in accordance with the identified settlement framework. This includes allocating sites for new homes in established settlements. Policy HOM1 allocates land at West Carmarthen (Site Ref: PrC1/MU1) for the development of 700 new homes within the plan period and makes provision for a total of 84 units (12%) to be affordable units. Policy HOM1 identities this allocation coming forward within years 6-10 and 11-15 of the plan period i.e. 2024 onwards.

We agree and support this housing allocation for West Carmathen.

3238 E & O & E Jones & Elias [5052]

Agent: RPS Planning & Development (Mrs Kate Gapper) [797]

Summary: Support

In order to meet the requirement of 8,835 homes, provision is made for 10,160 homes in accordance with the identified settlement framework. This includes allocating sites for new homes in established settlements. Policy HOM1 allocates land at West Carmarthen (Site Ref: PrC1/MU1) for the development of 700 new homes within the plan period and makes provision for a total of 84 units (12%) to be affordable units. Policy HOM1 identities this allocation coming forward within years 6-10 and 11-15 of the plan period i.e. 2024 onwards. We agree and support this housing allocation for West Carmathen.

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed

Action

Object

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC1/MU2

Representation(s)

3612 Mr N Davies [4032]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

We submit that the site PrC1/MU2 Parc Pibwrlwyd be omitted from the Plan, and that housing allocation be redistributed to modest Candidate Sites, of up to 90 units such as that proposed at Dolgwili. There is clear evidence in the Bronwydd Road area of Carmarthen, such as the completion of the "Coed-y-Neuadd" and "Pantglas" developments, that such modest sites are far more likely to be brought forward and developed in full by regional and small housebuilders given that construction and development costs are more likely to be viable.

3839 Mr C Stack [3950]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

The allocation of the Pibwrlwyd allocation (Site PrC1/MU2) is questioned. The current adopted SPG for the site states that "residential use on this site is not considered appropriate". No explanation has been provided to warrant a departure from the adopted SPG. New housing at this location would be alien in form to the long-established business and education uses at Pibwrlwyd.

3615 Mr & Mrs J T J Davies [4132]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

We submit that the draft allocation at Pibwrlwyd be omitted from the Plan, and that it's housing allocation be redistributed to modest Candidate Sites, of up to 10-25 units such as that proposed at Parc-y-Ffynnon. There is clear evidence in Ferryside, such as the completion of the Parc-y-Ffynnon development, that such modest sites are far more likely to be brought forward and developed in full by regional and small housebuilders given that construction and development costs are more likely to be viable in relation to house sales and the general housing market in this part of Carmarthenshire.

3902 _ _ Jones, Douch, T.A.C Morgan, Bromley Davenport, Boggis-Rolfe [5085]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

The allocation of the Pibwrlwyd allocation (Site PrC1/MU2) is questioned. The current adopted SPG for the site states that "residential use on this site is not considered appropriate". No explanation has been provided to warrant a departure from the adopted SPG. New housing at this location would be alien in form to the long-established business and education uses at Pibwrlwyd.

3908 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

The allocation of the Pibwrlwyd allocation (Site PrC1/MU2) is questioned. The current adopted SPG for the site states that "residential use on this site is not considered appropriate". No explanation has been provided to warrant a departure from the adopted SPG. New housing at this location would be alien in form to the long-established business and education uses at Pibwrlwyd.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for mixed use has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. Further evidential work will be undertaken prior to the examination in to the revised LDP

The proposed use for the site is for a mix of potential uses, including residential, education and commercial uses consisting of offices and light industrial. It is also considered that part of the site is appropriate for residential development in order to support the other uses, and to ensure the site's viability.

Action

Representation(s)

4161 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

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4288 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

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WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

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Council's Initial Response

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to, and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. The allocation, along with the others within Cynwyl Elfed, makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement. The site has the benefit of outline planning permission on part, reserved matters on part and a number of plots are currently for sale.

Action

Representation(s)

4162 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

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Representation(s)

4477 Mr Alun Cole [5182]

Summary: Object

No consideration has been given to the distinct possibility that the development of the site at Maes Griffith, might well not go ahead for lack of viability. If the development of this site for housing does not go ahead, then Llansteffan will have insufficient new housing (including affordable housing) to meet the requirements of the LDP.

The possibility that the site at Maes Griffith will prove to be unviable is very real. It is well documented that this site has been available for development for many years, but that due to the requirements imposed in respect of it for affordable housing, and other adverse factors relating to the site itself, to date it has not proved possible to bring forward a financially viable development - and hence the site has remained undeveloped. The current prospective developer is Cartrefi Croeso, and to the best of my knowledge the issue of viability remains alive and unresolved.

Another factor bearing upon the prospective availability of Maes Griffith site to provide housing, is the very immediate and pressing issue of parking on the main street through the village creating dangers for both pedestrians and vehicles. The pedestrian paving is very narrow. The dangers of personal injury and damage to vehicles is obvious and manifest.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

Action

No change to the Plan

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV5/h1

Representation(s)

3210 Mr Derrick Phillips [812]

Summary: Object

There are no plots left available within the allocation and the Council have got their figures in relation to the plots available in the plan period incorrect

Council's Initial Response

The Council has undertaken background evidential work in line with previous Joint Housing Land Availability Studies. Whilst a number of plots have been developed on the site since the revised LDP base date, their numbers are included within the housing commitment section of the Housing trajectory set out in Appendix 7.

Action

Representation(s)

4290 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

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Council's Initial Response

The site is currently under consideration at planning appeal. further evidence will be provided at examination into the viability and deliverability of the site within the the revised LDP

Action

Representation(s)

4291 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

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Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to, and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. The allocation, along with the others within Peniel, makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement. The site has the benefit of outline planning permission on part, reserved matters on part and a number of plots are currently for sale.

Action

Representation(s)

4108 Pennant Homes (Dyfan Williams) [5143]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Mr Luke Grattarola) [685]

Summary: Support

The site within our client's ownership has been allocated under site reference SuV10/h2 for residential development. We fully support this policy and allocation. A detailed case is provided in the full representation

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Deposit LDP

Representation(s)

4165 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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4293 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to, and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. The allocation makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of Llanpumpsaint. Contact has been made with the landowner who has confirmed that the site is deliverable during the Plan period.

Action

Representation(s)

3745 Mr & Mrs C J Griffin [623]

Summary: Object

This is an objection to candidate site SR/145/010. The supporting documentation by the agent for the candidate site contains a number of errors and a number of statements are also disputed.

The recent/current Cefn Farm site development promised only 9 houses would be built; consideration would be given to providing an area of amenity land for community use and every effort would be made to preserve existing hedgerows and increase them by new planting of boundary hedges between the new properties all of which proved to be untrue.

Rhydargaeau is a small village with no employment opportunities, retail services or public facilities. It has very limited public transport services thus forcing people to use private transport. The latest proposal, on top of the recent and current development within the village, represents in percentage terms a disproportionate development of the area and should therefore not be supported.

Council's Initial Response

The objector's comments are noted, however, it is considered that the site is an appropriate site for the future growth of Rhydargaeau, for which this is the only housing site identified in the village. The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

Action

Representation(s)

3808 Moelfre Developments Ltd [498]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Support

Supports the inclusion of site SuV14/h1 within the HOM1 allocations.

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4166 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4292 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The site has planning permission and is under construction, with only a few units remaining at the time of writing. It is considered that there is sufficient evidence to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Action

Representation(s)

4294 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

4167 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4055 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Allocated in current LDP and former UDP - the site has only delivered one unit in a 15 year lifespan and so has made no real contribution to meet the local level of housing need. What is of further concern is that the Authority continues to allocate the land - for 8 units - in a settlement with such a low level of community facilities and local services. The above is of significant concern, as it is clear that the level of housing allocation for Capel Dewi in comparison with - for example - Llanarthne when taking into consideration their respective sustainability level, is clearly disproportionate. This is against not only the guidance of national planning policy, but also against that of the Council's own LDP Preferred Strategy in terms of the distribution of growth. The site's allocation results in the Deposit LDP being unsound.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Parts of the site have planning permissions (or applications being determined at the time of writing). It is considered that there is sufficient evidence to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Action

Representation(s)

4168 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4295 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The landowner/developer has made active progress towards delivery of the site through a recent pre-application process for a housing scheme.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

Action

Representation(s)

4296 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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4169 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

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Council's Initial Response

The site has reserved matters planning permission for 15 dwelling houses. The principle of development on this site has been established.

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. The allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement.

Action

Representation(s)

4297 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

4170 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

The site has a pending Reserved Matters application awaiting determination. Further evidential work will be provided at the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

Representation(s)

3743 Annette Gregory [382]

Summary: Object

I am objecting to any further development to the area already granted to SuV19/h2. The area is accessed beside Llanddarog School and the land adjacent to Haulfan.

Objections includes impacts on the local school, traffic, habitat, over development of Llanddarog, impact on health and well being, unsustainable strain on infrastructure, loss of agricultural land

3227 Mr Allan Haskins [4884]

Summary: Object

Whilst I accept that there's a urgent need for new housing to be provided for an ever expanding population sporadic development as proposed for Llanddarog is in my opinion not the answer, the infrastructure simply would not support the number of houses that could be built on the proposed area, I believe It would be more cost effective to site new builds where the infrastructure already exists by expanding larger conurbations this would have the added benefit of not increasing traffic flow on an already overloaded road network. I believe this proposal should be removed from the LDP.

3219 Mr Shaun Burgess [3027]

Summary: Object

This proposal Increases the village by 25% in an area with few supporting facilities and where planning has already been awarded for a further 15 dwellings. Its more appropriate in larger settlements close to areas of employment, shops, transport, Gps, a more preferable option than pepper potting growth areas within rural communities. The proposal will increase car journeys of new residents when accessing employment, shops, education. Pepper potting rural communities goes against the sustainability agenda which the local

authority should be supporting.

The school is currently at capacity and unable to accommodate increase and further development, compromising the children's safety.

3738 Mrs Sheila Mills [549]

Summary: Object

Any development wil destroy the wonderful habitat across the field. Over the years my friends have visited from Germany, Finland and the Netherlands and all are so impressed by this small, quiet, unspoilt village. They were dismayed when new large houses were built, about 25% extra in my time. It would get noisier, traffic increased, no Sunday buses for non-drivers. Existing homes will lose value.

After the bungalows here were all occupied the sewers on the site couldn't cope and we had it flowing onto our garden. The infrastructure cannot take all this extra pressure.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

The site has not been subject to any objection from infrastructure or statutory consultees.

Further evidential work will be provided at the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV20/h1

Representation(s)

4068 Mr Dafydd Jones [3402]

Summary: Object

I register my opposition to this site SuV20 /h1 being included in the revised Local Development Plan. This site borders with one of our farm's fields and it is a site that was categorically refused in 2014.

From my understanding of the situation, following a long period of consultations, tests and assessments, and a Public Hearing, it was unanimously decided that this particular field - now presented as SuV20/h1 - was not suitable for development. The Forward Planning Department presented a list of arguments recommending that the site be turned down for a number of Planning issues. Amongst those issues raised was the fact that it would result in unnecessary intrusion of development into the countryside as well as having a detrimental impact on the character and setting of the settlement. There were other various sound arguments that led to the decision not to allocate this field. At the Public Hearing the Independent Inspector agreed. What, then, has changed? If this field was refused for development in 2014 why is it under consideration for development now? The arguments against its development remain unchanged. I wish to attend the Public Hearing to have the opportunity to present evidence to the Independent Inspector

3405 Gwyneth & Eddie Jones [4968]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of site SvV20/h1 for the following reasons:

- 1. This land is not a suitable site for development. Surface water flows down from surrounding area and drains in this field.
- 2. Another concern is the fact there will be need of an entrance to a proposed development site. If this entrance is to be located at the small junction there will be potential danger regarding poor visibility.
- 3. In the past numerous developments were refused based on the fact that they were considered as being out of character with the surrounding area.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. The allocation identified within the LDP make sufficient provision for part of the housing/employment needs of this settlement.

Action

Representation(s)

3824 Mudiad Amddiffyn Porthyrhyd [4349]

Summary: Object

Estyniad di-alw amdano a digyfiawnhad o ardal fechan ynysig yng nghefn gwlad fyddai datblygiad o'r fath - a hynny ar safle a ddyfarnwyd yn anaddas yn 2014.

O ystyried y safle dan sylw (SuV20/h1) nid yw'r ffaith bod modd cael mynediad arall yn datrys yr holl broblemau dwys eraill.

Nid yw'r ffaith bod y safle'n llai o faint yn gwneud unrhyw wahaniaeth gwirioneddol 'chwaith na'r ffaith mai chwech o breswylfeydd yw'r nifer a glustnodir bellach ar gyfer y safle. Yn 2014, pan ystyriwyd pob safle amgen posib gan gynnwys y safle hwn, deuthpwyd i gonsensws barn nad oedd safle addas i ddatblygu arno ym Mhorth-y-rhyd. Does dim wedi newid.

This is an unwarranted and unjustified extension of an isolated urban area in the countryside - a development proposed on land that was refused and deemed not suitable for development in 2014.

With regards to the site in question (SuV20/h1) a different entrance does not erase all the other serious issues. Neither is the fact that the proposed site has now been reduced in size with six dwellings having been identified as indicative for the site. The fact remains. This site is not suitable for development.

When all possible alternative sites in the village (including this site) were under scrutiny back in 2014 with the aim of allocating a site for development, a consensus was reached that there were NO suitable sites for development in Porth-y-rhyd. Nothing has changed.

3398 Mrs Lynwen Jones [**3394**]

Summary: Object

Fel cyd berchennog fferm Llwynhenri, Porthyrhyd, rwy'n gwrthwynebu cynnwys safle SuV20/h1 yn y fersiwn diwygiedig o'r Cynllun Datblygu Lleol.

As co-owner of Llwynhenri Farm, Porthyrhyd, I register my opposition to the inclusion of SuV20/h1 in the revised Local Development Plan

3827 Mr Brian Evans [2973]

Summary: Object

1. Mae'r cae hwn wedi cael ei wrthod ar gyfer ei ddatblygu yn y gorffennol gan Arolygydd Annibynnol a hynny gydag argymhelliad Adran Blaen-Gynllinio Cyngor Sir Caerfyrddin. Er iddo gael ei wrthod am nifer o resymau Cynllunio cadarn gan wahanol garfannau mae'n debyg ei fod yn cael ei ystyried unwaith eto ar gyfer ei ddatblygu.

- 2.Pan ystyriwch ddaearyddiaeth a daeareg Porth-y-rhyd nid yw'n syndod nad oes safleoedd addas ar gyfer datblygu yn y pentref. Mae'r pentref i gyd ar lawr dyffryn y Gwendraeth Fach ac o fewn parthau llifogydd.
- 3.Ni fyddai adeiladu ar y safle hwn yn ddatblygiad naturiol o ran Materion Cynllunio a dylai 'r safle gael ei wrthod y tro hwn eto.
- 1. This particular field was turned down as an allocation site by an Independent Inspector in 2014 on the recommendation of the Forward Planning Department of the Carmarthenshire County Council. Despite the fact that it was refused on the basis of sound Planning arguments by numerous parties it is now presented and proposed again as a possible site for development.
- 2. Taking into account the geology and geography of Porth-y-rhyd it is not surprising that there are no suitable sites for developments available. The village lies on the valley floor of the Gwendraeth fach and is within designated flood zones.
- 3. This development would be an unwarranted and unjustified extension of an isolated area in the countryside. Developing this site would not be a natural development according to Planning Guidances and the site should be refused this time again.

3826 Mudiad Amddiffyn Porthyrhyd (Mrs M E Evans) [619]

Summary: Object

1.Gwrthodwyd y safle hwn.

Public Hearing.

Roedd hyn yn 2014 yn dilyn misoedd lawer o gynnal profion ac asesiadau gwahanol, o ymgynghori gyda'r asiantaethau perthnasol ac o goladu ffeiliau o dystiolaeth o amrywiol ffynonellau.

Daethpwyd i'r penderfyniad unfrydol nad oedd yn safle addas ar gyfer ei ddatblygu. Dyna oedd barn y trigolion lleol (300 ohonynt wedi arwyddo Deiseb). Dyna oedd barn M.A.P o gasglu tystiolaeth.

Dyna oedd barn Ymgynghorydd Cynllunio annibynnol a luniodd adroddiad ar ran Cyngor Cymuned Llanddarog. Dyna oedd casgliad yr Adain Blaen-Gynllunio yn dilyn asesiadau trylwyr. Dyna oedd penderfyniad y Cyngor Sir yn seiliedig ar broses cadarn a rhesymegol. Dyna hefyd oedd dyfarniad terfynol yr Arolygydd Annibynnol yn dilyn y Gwrandawiad Cyhoeddus yn 2014.

- 2. Pryderaf oherwydd bod y safle hwn yn agos iawn at y Brif Bibell Ddŵr.
- 1. This site was turned down and refused as an allocation.

This was in 2014 following many months of various tests and assessments, deliberations with agencies and collating evidence and statements from different sources. It was decided unanimously that the field in question was an unsuitable site for development. That was the opinion of the residents (300 signed the Petition). That was the view of M.A.P following the gathering of evidence. That was the view of an Independent Planning Consultant who compiled a report on behalf of the Llanddarog Community Council. That was the recommendation of the Forward Planning Department following thorough assessments. That was the decision of the County Council based on a robust and rational selection process. That was the final judgement of the independent Inspector following the

2. I have grave concerns as this proposed site is within close proximity to the strategic Main Water Pipeline

Council's Initial Response

Mae dyraniad y safle yn y CDLI at ddibenion preswyl wedi cael ei ystyried yn llawn trwy'r fethodoleg asesu safleoedd. Fel rhan o'r broses asesu hon, paratowyd ffurflen safle fanwl.

Ystyrir bod polisïau a chynigion y CDLI yn rhai cadarn y gellir eu cyflawni, o sylfaen dystiolaeth gadarn ac wedi'u llunio gan ystyried yr Arfarniad Cynaliadwyedd ac mewn modd sy'n gyson ag ef. Mae'r dyraniad a nodir yn y CDLI yn gwneud darpariaeth ddigonol ar gyfer anghenion tai y setliad hwn.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. The allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement.

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3418 Miss Fiona Morgan [3398]

Summary: Object

We strongly object to the proposed development site SuV20/h1 for numerous reasons:

Allowing this development would have a detrimental effect on our lives.

Developing this site would be out of character with existing properties in this part of the village.

This is a very wet and saturated field. We are very worried about our children's safety as there would be another entrance to the proposed development site.

There aren't enough places for local children at the local school as it stands. We are worried as to the effect a development would have on the village and on the community.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. The allocation identified within the LDP make sufficient provision for part of the housing/employment needs of this settlement.

Action

Representation(s)

3385 Llanddarog Community Council (Mr Gary Evans) [41]

Summary: Object

Yn 2012, comisiynodd Cyngor Cymuned Llanddarog Ymgynghorydd Cynllunio Annibynnol i lunio Adroddiad Adolygu Safleoedd ar gyfer pob un o'r saith safle amgen sy'n cael eu hystyried i'w datblygu bryd hynny. Roedd y safle y cyfeirir ato bellach fel SuV20/h1 yn un o'r safleoedd amgen arfaethedig hynny. Nododd yr adroddiad yn bendant y byddai eu cynnwys yn groes i bolisïau a chanllawiau cynllunio lleol a cenedlaethol.

Llanddarog Community Council Registers its Objection to the inclusion of proposed site SuV20/h1.

In 2012, Llanddarog Community Council commissioned an Independent Planning Consultant to compile a Site Review Report for all seven alternative sites being considered for development at that time. The site now referenced as SuV20/h1 was one of those proposed alternative sites. The report stated categorically that 'their inclusion would be contrary to both local and national planning policies and guidance.'

Council's Initial Response

Mae dyraniad y safle yn y CDLI at ddibenion preswyl wedi cael ei ystyried yn llawn trwy'r fethodoleg asesu safleoedd. Fel rhan o'r broses asesu hon, paratowyd ffurflen safle fanwl.

Ystyrir bod polisïau a chynigion y CDLI yn rhai cadarn y gellir eu cyflawni, o sylfaen dystiolaeth gadarn ac wedi'u llunio gan ystyried yr Arfarniad Cynaliadwyedd ac mewn modd sy'n gyson ag ef. Mae'r dyraniad a nodir yn y CDLI yn gwneud darpariaeth ddigonol ar gyfer anghenion tai y setliad hwn.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. The allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement.

Action

Dim newidiad i'r Cynllun.

Support

Representation(s)

3696 Mr A Yelland [5045]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Support the inclusion of SuV20/h1.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed.

Further evidential work will be required prior to the examination in to the revised LDP

Action

Representation(s)

4171 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

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The Council is confident in the deliverability of this site. Feedback from the proponent / landowner (October 2020) states that there will be strong demand and that the site is readily developable in the short term. There is consensus regarding the Plan's Housing Trajectory.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4143 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3.

The Council's response to representation number 4142 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

4298 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

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Action

3909 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

This site has not been the subject of any applications for planning permission to realise the allocation in previous Development Plans. That site was allocated in the 2014 LDP and has not shown any signs of implementation nor active delivery.

The site's retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. We therefore object to the proposed allocation, as its inclusion within the Plan fails the tests of soundness.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement (i.e. Llanelli including Pwll - Prc2).

The Council is confident in the deliverability of this site. Feedback from the proponent / landowner (October 2020) states that there will be strong demand and that the site is readily developable in the short term. There is consensus regarding the Plan's Housing Trajectory.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

Action

3767 Mr C B Jones [710]

Summary: Object

I feel the LDP does not support the needs of the people of Pwll in the way of cheaper social housing. The site they have included for Pwll in the LDP, which will be a continuation of the last site, which was of expensive housing. The land is beautiful grazing land. My site is of no use agriculturally - (reference can be made to representation 3285 where the respondent's site is promoted this is the 'my site' referred to here). Therefore, Policy HOM1 is objected to due to the fact that prc2/h1 is allocated for housing in the deposit Plan.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement (i.e. Llanelli including Pwll - Prc2).

The Council is confident in the deliverability of this site. Feedback from the proponent / landowner (October 2020) states that there will be strong demand and that the site is readily developable in the short term. There is consensus regarding the Plan's Housing Trajectory.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

As a cross reference aid - the Council's response to representation reference number 3285 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC2/h2

Representation(s)

3677 Mr Adrian Griffiths [5043]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Mr Luke Grattarola) [685]

Summary: Support

The site within our client's ownership and we fully support this policy and allocation. The site has an outline planning permission, and the site is currently being marketed for developer interest to procure and submit a reserved matters application in due course

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted/support welcomed.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the deliverability of this site. Further communication from the respondent/agent (October 2020) confirms that a reserved matters application has been submitted (Clews Homes).

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period. Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP - however the progress already made is noted - see above. There is consensus between the Council and the respondent regarding the Plan's Housing Trajectory.

The Council notes that the reserved matters application is in fact for 15 units and not the 10 which is in the deposit Revised LDP. As such, the Council will increase the allocated figure on this site.

Feedback of note in regards policy INF4 is that a scheme has been achieved and agreed with the LPA through the current application process, and will therefore fully accord with the emerging Policy INF4 of the forthcoming LDP.

Action

Amend the Plan by way of focused change(s) - increase the allocated units for this site, increase the Total Affordable Units in Plan period for this site (policy HOM1:Housing Allocations) and also amend the housing trajectory.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC2/h4

Representation(s)

3305 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

Summary: No progress or effort has been made to bring the site forward for a prolonged period. The site is not considered to be deliverable within the Plan period.

Comments noted.

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The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Feedback attained from the landowner/developer (November 2020) confirms intent to deliver in accordance with the Plan period.

This feedback outlines the position on the site in terms of planning application (S/38285), notably the resolution to approve by the Council's Planning Committee on the 14th January 2020.

It is stated that supporting surveys and investigations can be found in the documentation submitted as part of the planning application.

It is also stated that planning contributions are agreed and that consultants have been appointed to develop the preferred option for betterment on the site (note the landowner/developer confirms the provisions of policy INF4 are known and will be adhered to by the scheme).

It is also stated that the site will be developed in accordance with the dates set out in the Plan's Housing Trajectory.

It is also stated that there are plans to release a Development Brief to market with a view to appointing a preferred developer in due course.

It should be noted that the landowner/developer has also agreed to complete a Statement of Common Ground (SCOG) detailing timescales, funding, marketing, delivery and viability in regards this site ahead of the LDP Examination.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

It is noted that the development is being progressed by the Llanelli Waterside Joint Venture who have a strong track record in progressing similar developments.

This is a notable site for the settlement in terms of number of units. It should be noted however that there are a number of housing developments already under construction and / or completed within the settlement to date within the Plan period. Notable of which are PrC2/h3 (94 units), PrC2/h13 (29 units), Prc2/h18 (32 units), prc2/h19 (240 units initially) and prc2/h21 (34 units). To this end, the supply of housing across the plan period within the settlement is appropriate within the early years of the trajectory, and this site will make a contribution in due course. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period

As a cross reference note - the respondent's site is promoted under representation reference number 3376. The Council's response to this can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy

Action

HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC2/h4

Action

HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC2/h4

Representation(s)

4172 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Comments noted.

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HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC2/h4

HOM1 policy responses).

Action

4299 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

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Comments noted.

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Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC2/h5

Representation(s)

4173 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Feedback attained from the landowner/developer (November 2020) confirms intent to deliver in accordance with the Plan period.

This feedback indicates that this development site is a continuation of the phase 1 development already delivered on adjacent land and that discussions are taking place between the Llanelli Waterside Joint Venture and Carmarthenshire County Council's Housing Department. The project timescales are aligned with the dates set out in the Site Trajectory Schedule (Housing Trajectory of the Plan). Consideration is being made for up to 100% affordable housing on the site that will meet local need.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4143 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3. The Council's response to representation number 4142 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation / objection.

However it should be noted that following the feedback received from the landowner/developer (as discussed in the Council's response above) an amendment will be made to the Plan by way of focused change to increase the Total Affordable Units in Plan period for this site (policy HOM1:Housing Allocations).

4300 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC2/h10

Representation(s)

4567 Mrs Sharon Meek [4220]

Summary: Object

I am writing in regards to the proposed development which are to the back and side of my property, I am extremely concerned as to the effect of these developments on the traffic and damage to the roads. The single track road behind our property is at present only to supply the farm and the few houses of the Dell. If this road is to be used for access to new developments then there is a good possibility that there will be structural damage, caused to the road running behind our house and that of Rock House due to the degrading etc to the road caused by heavy plant machinery and excess traffic. The single track road has less than a meter of land before it drops 30ft off the quarry wall, to the ground on which the two houses sit. In bad weather this bit of land has already started to move, dropping debris down onto the properties. It will also effect the entrance to our drive which is situated on the blind bend leading down from the Dell. Where is the proposed site entrance to be? This is a very large proposal site of agricultural land, when just up the road there has sat a development of houses left to go to ruin. I hope my concerns are heard. This is an objection under policy HOM1 to the allocation of this site for housing in the deposit Plan.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

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Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference numbers 3678 and 3074. These can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site prc2/h10 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Action

3306 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

BDW objects to the proposed allocation of this site. We have serious concerns regarding its deliverability. The site is a former quarry and is covered by dense vegetation with complicated access arrangements which are affected by Flood Risk Zone C2 constraints. It has not been demonstrated that this site can be accessed without unacceptable flood risk consequences. The site is also brownfield in nature and it should be demonstrated that appropriate ground investigation work has been undertaken to demonstrate that the site is viable and deliverable.

This site should be removed as a draft allocation from the Deposit Revised LDP.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

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As a cross reference note - the respondent's site is promoted under representation reference number 3376. The Council's response to this can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses.

Action

3678 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Reservations regarding the allocation as it appears to provide important ecological connectivity features. Loss of ecosystem connectivity would be at odds with the fundamental aims of maintaining and enhancing biodiversity and Section 6, Part 1 of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016

Council's Initial Response

In noting the concerns raised, the proponent / landowner has undertaken further work further to which Natural Resources Wales have confirmed in writing (November 2020) that there is a way forward.

In this regard, the site will be retained as an allocation and it is not proposed to remove the site as a focused change.

Action

3074 Mr Bowler [651]

Summary: Support

- 1. Positive redevelopment of a brownfield site
- 2. Support of local residents.
- 3. Viable and sustainable
- 4. Local approval

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted/ support welcomed.

(This representation is from the landowner/developer of the site).

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The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Further feedback from the respondent / developer (November 2020) confirms intent to deliver in accordance with the Plan period.

Also, there has been an effort to respond to concerns raised by Natural Resources Wales. Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3678 in this regard. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site prc2/h10 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period. Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

Further feedback from the respondent / developer (November 2020) refers to a proven track record as a local developer in the delivery of housing in the Llanelli area and that the opportunity to work collaboratively with the Council in securing the allocation and its future delivery on the ground is welcomed. There is consensus on the trajectory.

Also, of note with reference to policy INF4 is the feedback that a scheme of surface water removal from an off-site receptor site within the ownership of the respondent / developer has been designed.

Action

3089 MR GARETH PHILLIPS [3164]

Summary: Support

I have lived in Furnace all my life and have been looking for a plot to build a suitable home for my growing family for nearly ten years. If this project is approved it will allow my family to stay in the Furnace/Llanelli area where we will continue to be a part of and support the local community and local businesses.

3088 Mr Darren Conway [4821]

Summary: Support

I wholeheartedly support the inclusion of this site as it is a place I would like to live. There needs to be sites like this with individuality and style. It is redevelopment of brown land and has great links to the furnace village.

3115 Mrs Diane Phillips [4840]

Summary: Support

Planning for brownfield sites such as this one is important. Great to see this site included for residential development. This gives local people the opportunity to build quality homes in the area in which they live. Good to see smaller sites available for this purpose as opposed to large, national house builders.

3075 Mrs Julie Morris [4806]

Summary: Support

I am interested in living on the site and believe this is a lovely opportunity for a unique development.

Please make this be adopted

4116 Stradey Estate (Mr Edward Mansel Lewis) [5122]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Mr Luke Grattarola) [685]

Summary: Support

The Stradey Estate fully support the site's inclusion.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted/ support welcomed.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference numbers 3678 and 3074. These can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site prc2/h10 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC2/h11

Representation(s)

4252 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary: Object

We question the continued allocation of this site and whether a redevelopment proposal is realistic and deliverable. The site was an allocation in the previous LDP and failed to come to fruition. There are a number of barriers to the redevelopment of this site including existing occupied dwellings on site and ecological issues. No developer is on board and no planning application has been submitted despite allocation in the previous LDP. We also question the suitability of the site from a sustainability perspective given that no local facilities or services can be accessed by sustainable means of transport such as walking. The LDP states that dwellings will be delivered in the 0-5 year and 5-10-year timescale. We question whether completions on this site is possible within the 0-5 year timescale. Reference is made to rep 4243 where the client's site is promoted.

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Feedback attained from the developer / landowner (November 2020) confirms intent to deliver in accordance with the Plan period.

Delivery of this site has been highlighted as a priority for the Council and survey works are already underway. Ecological surveys are to continue in December 2020 (Bat Hibernation Surveys). A variety of ecology studies have been programmed throughout the year of 2021 to capture the many different species that have been identified on the site. The survey dates for the ecology studies are provided also in the feedback. It is also stated that due to the extensive survey work that is due to take place, it is recommended to move the projections on a year or two, which will also account for the planning process and procurement of works.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP - however it is noted that much evidential work has already been completed / surveys being or to be undertaken (see above).

As a cross reference note - the respondent's site is promoted under representation reference number 4243. The Council's response to this can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses.

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation / objection.

However it should be noted that following the feedback received from the landowner/developer (as discussed in the Council's response above) an amendment will be made to the Plan by way of focused change to the housing trajectory for this site.

4174 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Feedback attained from the developer / landowner (November 2020) confirms intent to deliver in accordance with the Plan period.

Delivery of this site has been highlighted as a priority for the Council and survey works are already underway. Ecological surveys are to continue in December 2020 (Bat Hibernation Surveys). A variety of ecology studies have been programmed throughout the year of 2021 to capture the many different species that have been identified on the site. The survey dates for the ecology studies are provided also in the feedback. It is also stated that due to the extensive survey work that is due to take place, it is recommended to move the projections on a year or two, which will also account for the planning process and procurement of works.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP - however it is noted that much evidential work has already been completed / surveys being or to be undertaken (see above).

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4143 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3.

The Council's response to representation number 4142 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation / objection.

However it should be noted that following the feedback received from the landowner/developer (as discussed in the Council's response above) an amendment will be made to the Plan by way of focused change to the housing trajectory for this site.

4301 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Feedback attained from the developer / landowner (November 2020) confirms intent to deliver in accordance with the Plan period.

Delivery of this site has been highlighted as a priority for the Council and survey works are already underway. Ecological surveys are to continue in December 2020 (Bat Hibernation Surveys). A variety of ecology studies have been programmed throughout the year of 2021 to capture the many different species that have been identified on the site. The survey dates for the ecology studies are provided also in the feedback. It is also stated that due to the extensive survey work that is due to take place, it is recommended to move the projections on a year or two, which will also account for the planning process and procurement of works.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP - however it is noted that much evidential work has already been completed / surveys being or to be undertaken (see above).

Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4276 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3.

The Council's response to representation numbers 4272 and 4275 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation / objection.

However it should be noted that following the feedback received from the landowner/developer (as discussed in the Council's response above) an amendment will be made to the Plan by way of focused change to the housing trajectory for this site.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC2/h15

Representation(s)

3377 Mr C Hurley [4688]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Allocated in the 2014 LDP and yet remains undeveloped. The locality is riddled with historic coal mining activity, with low lying coal seams, together with multiple mine entries across the site. Clearly, any residential development will have to overcome ground remediation to stabilise the ground for residential foundations. The abnormal costs of which are likely to be significant, and hence present the development costs as leading to unviable and undeliverable sites. Its retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. The client's site is promoted under rep 4186.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 4187. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site prc2/h15 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 4186 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

3624 Mr B.O. Beynon [5011]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Allocated in the 2014 LDP and yet remains undeveloped. The locality is riddled with historic coal mining activity, with low lying coal seams, together with multiple mine entries across the site. Clearly, any residential development will have to overcome ground remediation to stabilise the ground for residential foundations. The abnormal costs of which are likely to be significant, and hence present the development costs as leading to unviable and undeliverable sites. Its retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. Reference is made to rep 3597 where the client's land is promoted.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 4187. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site prc2/h15 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 3597 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

3639 Mr & Mrs V & J Griffiths [555]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Allocated in the 2014 LDP and yet remains undeveloped. The locality is riddled with historic coal mining activity, with low lying coal seams, together with multiple mine entries across the site. Clearly, any residential development will have to overcome ground remediation to stabilise the ground for residential foundations. The abnormal costs of which are likely to be significant, and hence present the development costs as leading to unviable and undeliverable sites. Its retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. Reference is made to reps 3621 and 3637 where the client's land is promoted.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 4187. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site prc2/h15 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference numbers 3621 and 3637 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

4097 Mr & Mrs K & T Jones [4052]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Allocated in the 2014 LDP and yet remains undeveloped. The locality is riddled with historic coal mining activity, with low lying coal seams, together with multiple mine entries across the site. Clearly, any residential development will have to overcome ground remediation to stabilise the ground for residential foundations. The abnormal costs of which are likely to be significant, and hence present the development costs as leading to unviable and undeliverable sites. Its retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. Reference is made to rep 4096 where the client's land is promoted.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 4187. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site prc2/h15 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 4096 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

4119 Mr B.O. Beynon [5011]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Allocated in the 2014 LDP and yet remains undeveloped. The locality is riddled with historic coal mining activity, with low lying coal seams, together with multiple mine entries across the site. Clearly, any residential development will have to overcome ground remediation to stabilise the ground for residential foundations. The abnormal costs of which are likely to be significant, and hence present the development costs as leading to unviable and undeliverable sites. Its retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. Reference is made to rep 4118 where the client's land is promoted.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 4187. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site prc2/h15 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 4118 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Allocated in the in the 2014 LDP and yet remains undeveloped. The locality is riddled with historic coal mining activity, with low lying coal seams, together with multiple mine entries across the site. Clearly, any residential development will have to overcome ground remediation to stabilise the ground for residential foundations. The abnormal costs of which are likely to be significant, and hence present the development costs as leading to unviable and undeliverable sites. The site's retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. We therefore object to the proposed allocation, as its inclusion within the Plan fails the tests of soundness

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 4187. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site prc2/h15 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Action

4187 Tata Steel Europe Limited (___) [5156]

Agent: Turley Associates Ltd (Abi Roberts) [4717]

Summary: Support

Our client strongly supports the proposed residential allocation. The proposed allocation reflects that the site benefits from a resolution to grant outline planning permission, subject to a S106 agreement (reference: S/34991), for a residential development of up to 94 units. Our client's solicitors are currently in advanced dialogue with Carmarthenshire County Council to complete the S106 as soon as possible. Initial 'soft' marketing of the site has been undertaken by a Property Consultancy (information enclosed for further details - letter dated 27/3/20). This has demonstrated that there is demand in the market for the site, with two developers having already noted their interest in the development and have submitted provisional offers. The Property Consultancy have been instructed to request final offers as soon as planning permission has been received. The initial interest received to date confirms that the site is be viable and deliverable in the short term. Reference may be made to representation 4191.

Comments noted/support welcomed.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

A Statement of Common Ground (SoCG), along with a Viability and Deliverability Statement, were submitted in November 2020.

Of note within the SoCG (in regards Trajectory and Timescale) is that it is stated that the anticipated commencement date and delivery rates are both considered reasonable and that it is agreed that there are no impediments to the delivery of the proposed allocation. It is stated that the site is expected to be brought forward in line with the identified housing trajectory, with marketing expected to commence shortly after completion of the Section 106 Agreement and issuing of the formal planning permission.

It is stated that the content of this SoCG reflects the advanced position of the Site, which is subject to a resolution to grant outline planning permission for up to 94 homes (Ref: S/34991). The Site has therefore already been subject to rigorous assessment by the Local Planning Authority, together with extensive consultation with statutory consultees and the wider community. A schematic layout plan of the development (a Concept Masterplan) is appended to the SoCG. It is stated that initial 'soft' marketing of the Site has already been undertaken (in 2019). It is stated that this process has demonstrated that there is demand in the market for the site, with two developers having already noted their interest in the development and have submitted provisional offers. It is stated that since the initial marketing of the Site, further expressions of interest have been received from developers who have indicated that they will be looking to tender.

A Viability and Deliverability Statement has also been provided which states that the prospective development of the site passes the test of being deliverable and viable for the purposes of supporting its allocation.

Note the SoCG has yet to signed / formally agreed by the Council. Also, the viability information can be reviewed as appropriate.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP - however it is noted that much evidential work has already been completed (see above).

This is a notable site for the settlement in terms of number of units. It should be noted however that there are a number of housing developments already under construction and / or completed within the settlement to date within the Plan period. Notable of which are

PrC2/h3 (94 units), PrC2/h13 (29 units), Prc2/h18 (32 units), prc2/h19 (240 units initially) and prc2/h21 (34 units). To this end, the supply of housing across the plan period within the settlement is appropriate within the early years of the trajectory, and this site will make a contribution in due course. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period

In regards representation reference number 4191 - reference is made to the Council's responses to representations as set out under policy HOM1.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC2/h16

Representation(s)

3378 Mr C Hurley [4688]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Allocated in the 2014 LDP and yet remains undeveloped. The locality is riddled with historic coal mining activity, with low lying coal seams, together with multiple mine entries across the site. Clearly, any residential development will have to overcome ground remediation to stabilise the ground for residential foundations. The abnormal costs of which are likely to be significant, and hence present the development costs as leading to unviable and undeliverable sites. Its retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. The client's site is promoted under rep 4186.

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Feedback attained from the developer / landowner (November 2020) outlines that contracts were recently exchanged. The purchaser's planning consultants are working on a full planning application for the residential development along with care home facility on the site. The site is currently going through the Pre-Application Consultation (PAC) process and a planning application is expected to be submitted by the end of this year.

It is noted that Asbri Planning Ltd. has been commissioned by Padda Care Ltd. to undertake pre-application consultation in this regard.

It is considered that the trajectory date should be moved forward to 2024/2025 for completion of residential development on the site given this progress.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 4186 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation / objection.

However it should be noted that following the feedback received from the landowner/developer (as discussed in the Council's response above) an amendment will be made to the Plan by way of focused change to the housing trajectory for this site.

3626 Mr B.O. Beynon [5011]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Allocated in the 2014 LDP and yet remains undeveloped. The locality is riddled with historic coal mining activity, with low lying coal seams, together with multiple mine entries across the site. Clearly, any residential development will have to overcome ground remediation to stabilise the ground for residential foundations. The abnormal costs of which are likely to be significant, and hence present the development costs as leading to unviable and undeliverable sites. Its retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. Reference is made to rep 3597 where the client's land is promoted.

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

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It is considered that the trajectory date should be moved forward to 2024/2025 for completion of residential development on the site given this progress.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 3597 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation / objection.

However it should be noted that following the feedback received from the landowner/developer (as discussed in the Council's response above) an amendment will be made to the Plan by way of focused change to the housing trajectory for this site.

3640 Mr & Mrs V & J Griffiths [555]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Allocated in the 2014 LDP and yet remains undeveloped. The locality is riddled with historic coal mining activity, with low lying coal seams, together with multiple mine entries across the site. Clearly, any residential development will have to overcome ground remediation to stabilise the ground for residential foundations. The abnormal costs of which are likely to be significant, and hence present the development costs as leading to unviable and undeliverable sites. Its retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. Reference is made to reps 3621 and 3637 where the client's land is promoted.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

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The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

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It is noted that Asbri Planning Ltd. has been commissioned by Padda Care Ltd. to undertake pre-application consultation in this regard.

It is considered that the trajectory date should be moved forward to 2024/2025 for completion of residential development on the site given this progress.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference numbers 3621 and 3637 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation / objection.

However it should be noted that following the feedback received from the landowner/developer (as discussed in the Council's response above) an amendment will be made to the Plan by way of focused change to the housing trajectory for this site.

4098 Mr & Mrs K & T Jones [4052]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Allocated in the 2014 LDP and yet remains undeveloped. The locality is riddled with historic coal mining activity, with low lying coal seams, together with multiple mine entries across the site. Clearly, any residential development will have to overcome ground remediation to stabilise the ground for residential foundations. The abnormal costs of which are likely to be significant, and hence present the development costs as leading to unviable and undeliverable sites. Its retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. Reference is made to rep 4096 where the client's land is promoted.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

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It is noted that Asbri Planning Ltd. has been commissioned by Padda Care Ltd. to undertake pre-application consultation in this regard.

It is considered that the trajectory date should be moved forward to 2024/2025 for completion of residential development on the site given this progress.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 4096 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation / objection.

However it should be noted that following the feedback received from the landowner/developer (as discussed in the Council's response above) an amendment will be made to the Plan by way of focused change to the housing trajectory for this site.

4120 Mr B.O. Beynon [5011]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Allocated in the 2014 LDP and yet remains undeveloped. The locality is riddled with historic coal mining activity, with low lying coal seams, together with multiple mine entries across the site. Clearly, any residential development will have to overcome ground remediation to stabilise the ground for residential foundations. The abnormal costs of which are likely to be significant, and hence present the development costs as leading to unviable and undeliverable sites. Its retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. Reference is made to rep 4118 where the client's land is promoted.

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Feedback attained from the developer / landowner (November 2020) outlines that contracts were recently exchanged. The purchaser's planning consultants are working on a full planning application for the residential development along with care home facility on the site. The site is currently going through the Pre-Application Consultation (PAC) process and a planning application is expected to be submitted by the end of this year.

It is noted that Asbri Planning Ltd. has been commissioned by Padda Care Ltd. to undertake pre-application consultation in this regard.

It is considered that the trajectory date should be moved forward to 2024/2025 for completion of residential development on the site given this progress.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 4118 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation / objection.

However it should be noted that following the feedback received from the landowner/developer (as discussed in the Council's response above) an amendment will be made to the Plan by way of focused change to the housing trajectory for this site.

3927 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Allocated in the in the 2014 LDP and yet remains undeveloped. The locality is riddled with historic coal mining activity, with low lying coal seams, together with multiple mine entries across the site. Clearly, any residential development will have to overcome ground remediation to stabilise the ground for residential foundations. The abnormal costs of which are likely to be significant, and hence present the development costs as leading to unviable and undeliverable sites. The site's retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. We therefore object to the proposed allocation, as its inclusion within the Plan fails the tests of soundness

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

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It is noted that Asbri Planning Ltd. has been commissioned by Padda Care Ltd. to undertake pre-application consultation in this regard.

It is considered that the trajectory date should be moved forward to 2024/2025 for completion of residential development on the site given this progress.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation / objection.

However it should be noted that following the feedback received from the landowner/developer (as discussed in the Council's response above) an amendment will be made to the Plan by way of focused change to the housing trajectory for this site.

4176 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 11-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

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It is noted that Asbri Planning Ltd. has been commissioned by Padda Care Ltd. to undertake pre-application consultation in this regard.

It is considered that the trajectory date should be moved forward to 2024/2025 for completion of residential development on the site given this progress.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4143 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3.

The Council's response to representation number 4142 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation / objection.

However it should be noted that following the feedback received from the landowner/developer (as discussed in the Council's response above) an amendment will be made to the Plan by way of focused change to the housing trajectory for this site.

4302 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 11-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Feedback attained from the developer / landowner (November 2020) outlines that contracts were recently exchanged. The purchaser's planning consultants are working on a full planning application for the residential development along with care home facility on the site. The site is currently going through the Pre-Application Consultation (PAC) process and a planning application is expected to be submitted by the end of this year.

It is noted that Asbri Planning Ltd. has been commissioned by Padda Care Ltd. to undertake pre-application consultation in this regard.

It is considered that the trajectory date should be moved forward to 2024/2025 for completion of residential development on the site given this progress.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4276 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3.

The Council's response to representation numbers 4272 and 4275 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation / objection.

However it should be noted that following the feedback received from the landowner/developer (as discussed in the Council's response above) an amendment will be made to the Plan by way of focused change to the housing trajectory for this site.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC2/h18

Representation(s)

4177 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the deliverability of this site. The site is already under construction with a number of units already completed.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4143 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3.

The Council's response to representation number 4142 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

No change to the Plan

4303 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the deliverability of this site. The site is already under construction with a number of units already completed.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4276 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3. The Council's response to representation numbers 4272 and 4275 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC2/h19

Representation(s)

4395 David Tudor Davies [2770]

Summary: Support

Original candidate site area SR/086/007. Interest in developing the site has intensified as indicated by letter, (copy provided) inviting us owners to discuss matters further with them. Talks are currently ongoing. Support under policy HOM1. The candidate site has been included in that area that has been re allocated as part of prc2/h19 and the representation form states support for prc2/h19.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted/support welcomed.

The allocation of site PrC2/h19 within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the deliverability of PrC2/h19. The majority is already under construction under S/33342 - 240 units.

Turning to the area of PrC2/h19 covered by candidate site SR/086/007 (to which this representation relates), communication received in October 2020 confirms developer intention (a national housebuilder and current landowner have both responded). An initial offer is currently being negotiated. An interest in the site is established. It is however stated that this parcel of land has capacity for 30 units as opposed the 20 allowed for in the deposit Plan - this is based on a high level analysis of the site by the interested party / developer. There is consensus regarding the Plan's Housing Trajectory.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

Action

Amend the Plan by way of focused change(s) - increase the allocated units for this site, increase the Total Affordable Units in Plan period for this site (policy HOM1:Housing Allocations) and also amend the housing trajectory.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC2/h20

Representation(s)

3111 Mr Richard Roach [4838]

Summary: Object

I object to the plans because this Is a playing area for the children, to play to be safe and most important to be seen! It has been a play area for many years and hopefully will remain a play area!! There is also pylon above the area where houses should not be built!! We have open days throughout the year where all the neighbours get involved with thier family's on this play area!!

3228 E P A Alcock [4484]

Summary: Object

There is inadequate infrastructure drainage/Sewerage and access. This is the only safe green area for young children to play and used annually for fete etc. The road dynamics are unable to cope with existing traffic, parking & access. Wildlife habitat has already compromised and this would damage even more. Construction traffic will cause chaos and upheaval to residents. This area is a small strip of green land not originally built on deemed unsuitable and is unrealistic for housing development due to cul-de-sac to accommodate traffic. A more accessible realistic site should be sought not a small strip of green land like this. This is therefore an objection to policy HOM1 seeking the deletion of this site as a housing allocation.

3189 E P A Alcock [4484]

Summary: Object

My reasonings are as follows:

- 1) inadequate infrastructure / drainage and sewerage.
- 2) it is the Only safe green area for the young children to play on in the site, and it is also used annually for a summer fete.
- 3) the road is already unable to cope with the amount of existing traffic and parking. Building additional houses in this area will only make the problem worse!
- 4) the wildlife habitat is already compromised and will be damaged even more if this project goes ahead.
- 5) extra construction traffic to complete this project will cause chaos due to the narrow roads and reduce access for the residents.
- 6) finally, it is also very difficult for services such as refuge collection and, more importantly, ambulances and fire engines to access the culdesac that I on, which is directly opposite the proposed development site. I do worry that the new site development will make it even more difficult for the residents to have access to emergence services should they need them.

Comments noted.

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The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Feedback attained from the developer / landowner (November 2020) confirms intent to deliver in accordance with the Plan period.

This feedback states that this site is identified as a candidate site for the Welsh Government's newly developed Self Build Wales scheme. The purpose of the scheme is to allow potential home owners to build their own home in a place they want to live with assistance from the Development Bank of Wales who provide a 2 year interest free loan for the construction of the home. It is stated that the Development Bank of Wales is already receiving interest in the site which has been generated through the Welsh Government Self Build webpage.

The proposed site layout, design and costings are currently being finalised by the Council prior to submission of planning permission.

In terms of the trajectory, the feedback indicates that it may be appropriate to split the units over 2022/23 and 2023/24 to take into account that they are self-build plots and could be developed at different times

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP - however it is noted that much evidential work has already been completed (see above).

It is considered that the concerns over open space / play space would have formed part of previous planning application deliberations and can be considered within any future planning application(s) as and where appropriate.

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation / objection.

However it should be noted that following the feedback received from the landowner/developer (as discussed in the Council's response above) an amendment will be made to the Plan by way of focused change to the housing trajectory for this site.

4178 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Comments noted.

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Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP - however it is noted that much evidential work has already been completed (see above).

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4143 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3.

The Council's response to representation number 4142 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation / objection.

However it should be noted that following the feedback received from the landowner/developer (as discussed in the Council's response above) an amendment will be made to the Plan by way of focused change to the housing trajectory for this site.

4304 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Feedback attained from the developer / landowner (November 2020) confirms intent to deliver in accordance with the Plan period.

This feedback states that this site is identified as a candidate site for the Welsh Government's newly developed Self Build Wales scheme. The purpose of the scheme is to allow potential home owners to build their own home in a place they want to live with assistance from the Development Bank of Wales who provide a 2 year interest free loan for the construction of the home. It is stated that the Development Bank of Wales is already receiving interest in the site which has been generated through the Welsh Government Self Build webpage.

The proposed site layout, design and costings are currently being finalised by the Council prior to submission of planning permission.

In terms of the trajectory, the feedback indicates that it may be appropriate to split the units over 2022/23 and 2023/24 to take into account that they are self-build plots and could be developed at different times

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP - however it is noted that much evidential work has already been completed (see above).

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4276 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3.

The Council's response to representation numbers 4272 and 4275 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation / objection.

However it should be noted that following the feedback received from the landowner/developer (as discussed in the Council's response above) an amendment will be made to the Plan by way of focused change to the housing trajectory for this site.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC2/h22

Representation(s)

3379 Mr C Hurley [4688]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Allocated within the Carmarthenshire Unitary Development Plan (2003) and the Local Development Plan (2014). Not been subject of any detailed planning application, let alone market interest. It remains undeveloped. The locality is riddled with historic coal mining activity, with low lying coal seams, together with multiple mine entries across the site. Clearly, any residential development will have to overcome ground remediation to stabilise the ground for residential foundations. The abnormal costs of which are likely to be significant, and hence present the development costs as leading to unviable and undeliverable sites. Its retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. The client's site is promoted under rep 4186.

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this allocation. It should be noted that the majority of the allocation is within the ownership of Carmarthenshire County Council.

Feedback attained from the landowner/developer (December 2020) confirms intent to deliver that part of the allocation in the Council's ownership in accordance with the Plan period.

This feedback outlines the following with regards the County Council's land:
This part of the allocation has been through the Pre-Application Consultation (PAC) process during 2019 and an outline planning application for up to 202 units was validated on the 12th June 2020 (Planning application no. S/40692). The masterplan for this development is provided and further surveys and site information can be found within the documentation submitted as part of the planning application. It is also stated that part of the planning application site area, known as 'Y Waun', is included within the Council's New Build Programme. It is likely that the remainder of the planning application site area will be openly marketed for delivery by the private sector. Of note is the acknowledgment of Policy INF4 and that such matters are being considered as part of the Drainage Strategy for the application site, whilst it is also confirmed that it will be developed within the timescales set out in the Deposit plan's Housing Trajectory.

It should be noted that the Council has committed to completing a Statement of Common Ground (SCOG), whilst reference is also made to the fact that the planning application for this site has advanced and consultation has already been carried out with statutory consultees. Also, there is a commitment to provide a viability assessment in due course.

The Council also states that initial discussions have taken place with the adjoining landowner and their agent. It is stated that the masterplan of the Council site includes access points to the adjoining land and that further discussions to formalise access agreements will take place in due course.

Further to the above, it should be noted that feedback has also been received (November 2020) from the agent representing the owners of that parcel of the allocation which is not in the ownership of Carmarthenshire County Council. This feedback states that "on the basis that access to our site is maintained in conjunction with the local authority site and indeed that part is developed and suitably serviced, it is the intention to develop the site in accordance with the timescales set out in the Deposit plan's Housing Trajectory". The feedback refers to delivery in the latter period of the Plan.

It is also stated that there are discussions with the adjoining landowner, being the local authority, in respect of access arrangements between the respective parcels, but that there is confidence that an

arrangement can be arrived at which will enable the allocation to be developed in its entirety. Of note also is the fact that the requirement of policy INF4 is acknowledged.

Sufficient evidence has been provided to prove the whole allocation is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

It is considered that based upon the above feedback, that the '3rd party' parcel of land (i.e. the land outside of the ownership of Carmarthenshire County Council) would be developed later in the Plan period.

This is a notable site for the settlement in terms of number of units. It should be noted however that there are a number of housing developments already under construction and / or completed within the settlement to date within the Plan period. Notable of which are PrC2/h3 (94 units), PrC2/h13 (29 units), Prc2/h18 (32 units), prc2/h19 (240 units initially) and prc2/h21 (34 units). To this end, the supply of housing across the plan period within the settlement is appropriate within the early years of the trajectory, and this site will make a contribution in due course. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 4186 can

Action

No Change to the Plan

3627 Mr B.O. Beynon [5011]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Allocated within the Carmarthenshire Unitary Development Plan (2003) and the Local Development Plan (2014). Not been subject of any detailed planning application, let alone market interest. It remains undeveloped. The locality is riddled with historic coal mining activity, with low lying coal seams, together with multiple mine entries across the site. Clearly, any residential development will have to overcome ground remediation to stabilise the ground for residential foundations. The abnormal costs of which are likely to be significant, and hence present the development costs as leading to unviable and undeliverable sites. Its retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. Reference is made to rep 3597 where the client's land is promoted.

Comments noted.

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The Council is confident in the delivery of this allocation. It should be noted that the majority of the allocation is within the ownership of Carmarthenshire County Council.

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(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 3597 can

Action

No change to the Plan.

3641 Mr & Mrs V & J Griffiths [555]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

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Comments noted.

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(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference numbers 3621

Action

No change to the Plan.

4099 Mr & Mrs K & T Jones [4052]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

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(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 4096

Action

No change to the Plan.

4121 Mr B.O. Beynon [5011]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

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(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 4118

Action

3303 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

BDW Homes objects to the allocation of this site. It comprises an existing allocation within the adopted LDP which is proposed to be 'rolled' forward by Carmarthenshire County Council. There is no evidenced justification for the continued allocation of this site, given that no progress has been made since its first allocation in 2014. The delivery of this site has been pushed back a year in every JHLAS since at least 2017 which confirms the lack of progress and deliverability of this site.

This site should be removed as a draft allocation from the Deposit Revised LDP.

Comments noted.

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As a cross reference note - the respondent's site is promoted under representation reference number 3376. The Council's response to this can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy

Action

925 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

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Comments noted.

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Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC2/h23

Representation(s)

3380 Mr C Hurley [4688]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

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Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

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Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3983. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site prc2/h23 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 4186 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

3628 Mr B.O. Beynon [5011]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

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Council's Initial Response

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Action

3642 Mr & Mrs V & J Griffiths [555]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

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Representation(s)

4101 Mr & Mrs K & T Jones [4052]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

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Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3983. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site prc2/h23 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 4096 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

Obiect

Representation(s)

4122 Mr B.O. Beynon [5011]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Allocated within the Carmarthenshire Unitary Development Plan (2003) and the Local Development Plan (2014). Not been subject of any detailed planning application, let alone market interest. It remains undeveloped. The locality is riddled with historic coal mining activity, with low lying coal seams, together with multiple mine entries across the site. Clearly, any residential development will have to overcome ground remediation to stabilise the ground for residential foundations. The abnormal costs of which are likely to be significant, and hence present the development costs as leading to unviable and undeliverable sites. Its retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. Reference is made to rep 4118 where the client's land is promoted.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3983. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site prc2/h23 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 4118 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

3917 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Allocated within the Carmarthenshire Unitary Development Plan (2003) and the Local Development Plan (2014). Not been subject of any detailed planning application, let alone market interest. It remains undeveloped. The locality is riddled with historic coal mining activity, with low lying coal seams, together with multiple mine entries across the site. Clearly, any residential development will have to overcome ground remediation to stabilise the ground for residential foundations. The abnormal costs of which are likely to be significant, and hence present the development costs as leading to unviable and undeliverable sites. The site's retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. We therefore object to the proposed allocation, as its inclusion within the Plan fails the tests of soundness.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3983. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site prc2/h23 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Action

3304 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

Summary: The site is not deliverable during the plan period. It has a number of constraints, is not sustainable in terms of its location and it is not supported by a robust masterplan.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3983. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site prc2/h23 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

As a cross reference note - the respondent's site is promoted under representation reference number 3376. The Council's response to this can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses.

Action

4179 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3983. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site prc2/h23 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4143 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3.

The Council's response to representation number 4142 can be viewed under the Council's

HOM1 policy responses).

Action

4305 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3983. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site prc2/h23 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4276 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3. The Council's response to representation numbers 4272 and 4275 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

3983 Persimmon Homes - West Wales (Mr Ryan Greaney) [4188]

Summary: Support

In the process of preparing a Draft Planning application and proposing to embark on a Pre-Application Consultation (PAC) exercise during spring 2020, with the submission of a Full planning application to follow once the PAC exercise has been brought to an appropriate conclusion. A draft layout is appended. The Deposit Plan is supported in the context of the proposed allocation of this site for the construction of circa 150 dwellings and associated infrastructure. Wishes to work with Carmarthenshire County Council through the forthcoming Local Development Plan stages and would seek to agree a statement of common ground for submission to the appointed independent Planning Inspector.

Comments noted/support welcomed.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Further feedback attained from the respondent (November 2020) confirms intent to deliver in accordance with the Plan period.

A Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) - emerging/draft - has been submitted and a commitment has been given to prepare a viability statement - this is ongoing.

Of note within the SoCG in regards Trajectory and Timescale is the following: "It is confirmed that this should not be considered as a 'stalled' site (given its allocated status in the current LDP) as Persimmon Homes West Wales is actively pursuing development and going through the process of demonstrating the deliverability of the site. The 150 homes identified in the Plan can be delivered in accordance with policy requirements during the Plan period. It is the intention to submit a planning application and the proposals are supported by a major house builder".

Also - the SoCG provides a timetable for delivery which accords with the Council's Site Trajectory Schedule included in Appendix 7 of the Deposit Plan.

(It is stated that this is considered accurate at the current time. It is dependent on the outcome of the planning application process).

The SoCG makes provision for the Site Layout to be appended.

Reference is made to the preparation of a Transport Assessment (TA), Preliminary Ecology Assessment, Tree Survey, and Topographical Survey. The content of the TA and Ecological Assessment are summarised.

It is stated that the scope of the TA has been informed through pre-application scoping discussions with CCC. A detailed review of the existing highway network and baseline situation has been carried out.

Note the SoCG has yet to signed / formally agreed by the Council. Also, the viability information can be reviewed as appropriate.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP - however reference is made to the progress already made as per the above.

This is a notable site for the settlement in terms of number of units. It should be noted however that there are a number of housing developments already under construction and / or completed within the settlement to date within the Plan period. Notable of which are PrC2/h3 (94 units), PrC2/h13 (29 units), Prc2/h18 (32 units), prc2/h19 (240 units initially) and prc2/h21 (34 units). To this end, the supply of housing across the plan period within the

settlement is appropriate within the early years of the trajectory, and this site will make a contribution in due course. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC2/MU2

Representation(s)

4180 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary.

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 11-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142. The respondent has clarified that they are not objecting to the non-residential elements of the mixed use site.

Council's Initial Response

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3581. This response is under the Council's response to representations received in respect of Policy SG1 - site prc2/mu2.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4143 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3.

The Council's response to representation number 4142 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation.

4306 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 11-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275. The respondent has clarified that they are not objecting to the non-residential elements of the mixed use site.

Council's Initial Response

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3581. This response is under the Council's response to representations received in respect of Policy SG1 - site prc2/mu2.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4276 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3. The Council's response to representation numbers 4272 and 4275 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC3/h1

Representation(s)

4308 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

4181 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

The site has an outline planning permission which the land owner has stated they are looking to act upon.

Further evidential work will be provided at the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC3/h2

Representation(s)

3387 Mr Philip George Bsc (Hons) Qs. Dip Con. [521]

Summary: Support

Support for housing allocation SeC3/h2. As the owner of site ref:SeC3/h2 (Site off Priory Street Kidwelly) I can confirm I have the resources to deliver and develop this site within the Local Development Plan period and will be happy to provide whatever information is required to satisfy officers this site can be delivered on time and within the Plan period.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed. Further evidential work is being undertaken prior to the LDP examination.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC3/h4

Representation(s)

4182 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4309 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

The site has outline permission, and further evidential work will be provided at the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC4/h2

Representation(s)

3381 Mr C Hurley [4688]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

This has been marketed by the County Council for many years, and despite its coastal position, has failed to receive firm interest and any form of detailed planning application. Ground conditions require remediation of former historic uses. Consequently, at least seventeen years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery (commentary grouped with other sites Sec5/h2, SeC8/h2, SuV22/h1 which have also been lodged as objections). Clearly, there is no historic demand for sites of these scales in parts of the Llanelli, Trimsaran and Burry Port / Pembrey areas. All are certainly physically challenging sites, many of which have historic industrial or coal mining legacy issues, which may require significant abnormal costs to achieve developable areas for residential use. The client's site is promoted under rep 4186.

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Feedback attained from the landowner/developer - Carmarthenshire County Council - in November 2020 confirms intent to deliver in accordance with the Plan period.

This feedback outlines the position on the site in terms of the planning permissions in place - outline/section 73 permissions S/30678, S/38251, S/30598 and S/38106 - and advises that supporting surveys and investigations can be found in the documentation submitted as part of these applications.

It is stated that 3rd party land which forms part of the allocation (known locally as the 'Grillo' site) was acquired by Carmarthenshire County Council in August 2020.

It is also stated that planning contributions have already been made for 'sites 5 and 6' whilst they are agreed for the 'Grillo' site. Together 'sites 5 and 6' and the 'Grillo' site make up the allocated area.

It is also stated that in regards associated planning consent S/30601 for the provision of infrastructure to serve housing development and the surrounding area, the works have commenced.

It is also stated that there are plans to release a Development Brief to market with a view to appointing a preferred developer in due course.

It is also stated that a scheme for betterment on the site has been identified and agreed at planning stage (note the landowner/developer confirms the provisions of policy INF4 are known and will be adhered to by the scheme).

It is also stated that the site will be developed in accordance with the dates set out in the Plan's Housing Trajectory.

It should be noted that the landowner/developer has also agreed to complete a Statement of Common Ground (SCOG) detailing timescales, funding, marketing, delivery and viability in regards this site ahead of the LDP Examination.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

It is noted that the development is being progressed by the Llanelli Waterside Joint Venture who have a strong track record in progressing similar developments

This is a notable site for the settlement in terms of number of units. It should be noted however that there are a number of housing developments already under construction and / or completed within the Pembrey/Burry Port area to date within the Plan period. Notable of which are SeC4/h1 (105 units), SeC4/h3 (32 units) and Sec5/h1 (14 units). To this end, the supply of housing across the plan period within the vicinity is appropriate within the early

years of the trajectory, and this site will make a contribution in due course. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 4186 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

3629 Mr B.O. Beynon [5011]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

This has been marketed by the County Council for many years, and despite its coastal position, has failed to receive firm interest and any form of detailed planning application. Ground conditions require remediation of former historic uses. Consequently, at least seventeen years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery (commentary grouped with other sites Sec5/h2, SeC8/h2, SuV22/h1 which have also been lodged as objections). Clearly, there is no historic demand for sites of these scales in parts of the Llanelli, Trimsaran and Burry Port / Pembrey areas. All are certainly physically challenging sites, many of which have historic industrial or coal mining legacy issues, which may require significant abnormal costs to achieve developable areas for residential use. Reference is made to rep 3597 where the client's land is promoted.

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Feedback attained from the landowner/developer - Carmarthenshire County Council - in November 2020 confirms intent to deliver in accordance with the Plan period.

This feedback outlines the position on the site in terms of the planning permissions in place - outline/section 73 permissions S/30678, S/38251, S/30598 and S/38106 - and advises that supporting surveys and investigations can be found in the documentation submitted as part of these applications.

It is stated that 3rd party land which forms part of the allocation (known locally as the 'Grillo' site) was acquired by Carmarthenshire County Council in August 2020.

It is also stated that planning contributions have already been made for 'sites 5 and 6' whilst they are agreed for the 'Grillo' site. Together 'sites 5 and 6' and the 'Grillo' site make up the allocated area.

It is also stated that in regards associated planning consent S/30601 for the provision of infrastructure to serve housing development and the surrounding area, the works have commenced.

It is also stated that there are plans to release a Development Brief to market with a view to appointing a preferred developer in due course.

It is also stated that a scheme for betterment on the site has been identified and agreed at planning stage (note the landowner/developer confirms the provisions of policy INF4 are known and will be adhered to by the scheme).

It is also stated that the site will be developed in accordance with the dates set out in the Plan's Housing Trajectory.

It should be noted that the landowner/developer has also agreed to complete a Statement of Common Ground (SCOG) detailing timescales, funding, marketing, delivery and viability in regards this site ahead of the LDP Examination.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

It is noted that the development is being progressed by the Llanelli Waterside Joint Venture who have a strong track record in progressing similar developments

This is a notable site for the settlement in terms of number of units. It should be noted however that there are a number of housing developments already under construction and / or completed within the Pembrey/Burry Port area to date within the Plan period. Notable of which are SeC4/h1 (105 units), SeC4/h3 (32 units) and Sec5/h1 (14 units). To this end, the supply of housing across the plan period within the vicinity is appropriate within the early

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years of the trajectory, and this site will make a contribution in due course. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 3597 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

3643 Mr & Mrs V & J Griffiths [555]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

This has been marketed by the County Council for many years, and despite its coastal position, has failed to receive firm interest and any form of detailed planning application. Ground conditions require remediation of former historic uses. Consequently, at least seventeen years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery (commentary grouped with other sites Sec5/h2, SeC8/h2, SuV22/h1 which have also been lodged as objections). Clearly, there is no historic demand for sites of these scales in parts of the Llanelli, Trimsaran and Burry Port / Pembrey areas. All are certainly physically challenging sites, many of which have historic industrial or coal mining legacy issues, which may require significant abnormal costs to achieve developable areas for residential use. Reference is made to reps 3621 and 3637 where the client's land is promoted.

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Feedback attained from the landowner/developer - Carmarthenshire County Council - in November 2020 confirms intent to deliver in accordance with the Plan period.

This feedback outlines the position on the site in terms of the planning permissions in place - outline/section 73 permissions S/30678, S/38251, S/30598 and S/38106 - and advises that supporting surveys and investigations can be found in the documentation submitted as part of these applications.

It is stated that 3rd party land which forms part of the allocation (known locally as the 'Grillo' site) was acquired by Carmarthenshire County Council in August 2020.

It is also stated that planning contributions have already been made for 'sites 5 and 6' whilst they are agreed for the 'Grillo' site. Together 'sites 5 and 6' and the 'Grillo' site make up the allocated area.

It is also stated that in regards associated planning consent S/30601 for the provision of infrastructure to serve housing development and the surrounding area, the works have commenced.

It is also stated that there are plans to release a Development Brief to market with a view to appointing a preferred developer in due course.

It is also stated that a scheme for betterment on the site has been identified and agreed at planning stage (note the landowner/developer confirms the provisions of policy INF4 are known and will be adhered to by the scheme).

It is also stated that the site will be developed in accordance with the dates set out in the Plan's Housing Trajectory.

It should be noted that the landowner/developer has also agreed to complete a Statement of Common Ground (SCOG) detailing timescales, funding, marketing, delivery and viability in regards this site ahead of the LDP Examination.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

It is noted that the development is being progressed by the Llanelli Waterside Joint Venture who have a strong track record in progressing similar developments

This is a notable site for the settlement in terms of number of units. It should be noted however that there are a number of housing developments already under construction and / or completed within the Pembrey/Burry Port area to date within the Plan period. Notable of which are SeC4/h1 (105 units), SeC4/h3 (32 units) and Sec5/h1 (14 units). To this end, the supply of housing across the plan period within the vicinity is appropriate within the early

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years of the trajectory, and this site will make a contribution in due course. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference numbers 3621 and 3637 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

4102 Mr & Mrs K & T Jones [4052]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

This has been marketed by the County Council for many years, and despite its coastal position, has failed to receive firm interest and any form of detailed planning application. Ground conditions require remediation of former historic uses. Consequently, at least seventeen years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery (commentary grouped with other sites Sec5/h2, SeC8/h2, SuV22/h1 which have also been registered as objections). Clearly, there is no historic demand for sites of these scales in parts of the Llanelli, Trimsaran and Burry Port / Pembrey areas. All are certainly physically challenging sites, many of which have historic industrial or coal mining legacy issues, which may require significant abnormal costs to achieve developable areas for residential use. Reference is made to rep 4096 where the client's land is promoted.

Comments noted.

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(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 4096 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

4123 Mr B.O. Beynon [5011]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

This has been marketed by the County Council for many years, and despite its coastal position, has failed to receive firm interest and any form of detailed planning application. Ground conditions require remediation of former historic uses. Consequently, at least seventeen years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery (commentary grouped with other sites Sec5/h2, SeC8/h2, SuV22/h1 which have also been lodged as objections). Clearly, there is no historic demand for sites of these scales in parts of the Llanelli, Trimsaran and Burry Port / Pembrey areas. All are certainly physically challenging sites, many of which have historic industrial or coal mining legacy issues, which may require significant abnormal costs to achieve developable areas for residential use. Reference is made to rep 4118 where the client's land is promoted.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

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It should be noted that the landowner/developer has also agreed to complete a Statement of Common Ground (SCOG) detailing timescales, funding, marketing, delivery and viability in regards this site ahead of the LDP Examination.

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years of the trajectory, and this site will make a contribution in due course. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 4118 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

3919 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Site has been marketed by the County Council for many years, and despite its coastal position, has failed to receive firm interest and any form of detailed planning application. Ground conditions require remediation of former historic uses. It was also allocated with the Carmarthenshire Unitary Development Plan (2003), and LDP in 2014, and despite being allocated in Development Plan for over 17 years has not shown any signs of delivery. We submit that this site has showing no impetus to be developed and satisfy local housing need, and it should be omitted from the new LDP, and Alternative Site promoted and included in its place. The site's retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. We therefore object to the proposed allocation, as its inclusion within the Plan fails the tests of soundness.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

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supply of housing across the plan period within the vicinity is appropriate within the early years of the trajectory, and this site will make a contribution in due course. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period.

Action

4250 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary: Object

The initial outline application for this site was submitted in 2008 and outline permission was subsequently granted on 27 January 2016. However, to this date no development has come to fruition. We are aware that an extension of time was issued in December 2019 in order to extend the timescale for submission of reserved matters. However, prior to any development commencing a number of pre commencement conditions require discharging and reserved matters approval will be required. We are not aware that a developer is on board. This raises real questions about the delivery of the scheme. As a housing led regeneration site we consider that if the LPA wish to continue allocating this site then it should not be relied upon in the Council's housing land supply due to the uncertainty about delivery. We are also concerned about the SFCA's classification of the site as a high-risk flood area. It is especially concerning that a site that is to deliver 364 dwellings within the plan period is categorised as a 'high risk' flooding site by the SFCA. We question whether this approach meets PPW paragraph 6.6.22 which states that "planning authorities should adopt a precautionary approach of positive avoidance of development in areas of flooding from the sea or rivers." Reference is made to rep 4243 where the client's site is promoted.

Council's Initial Response

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years of the trajectory, and this site will make a contribution in due course. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period.

As a cross reference note - the respondent's site is promoted under representation reference number 4243. The Council's response to this can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, Sec5/h1

Representation(s)

4552 Mr Chris Carrott [2997]

Summary: Object

The previous buildings on the site has caused damage to my house in Danlan Road with no resolution for it being fixed. This is an objection against the allocation of the site under Policy HOM1.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted

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The site is already completed within the Plan period and should therefore contribute to the housing supply.

Action

4183 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

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(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4143 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3. The Council's response to representation number 4142 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

4310 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

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Action

Object

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, Sec5/h2

Representation(s)

3382 Mr C Hurley [4688]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Remains allocated for 100 dwellings, despite recently being refused planning permission by the Council's Planning Committee on highways, drainage and amenity grounds. That site was allocated in the 2003 UDP and 2014 LDP and has not shown any signs of implementation nor active delivery. Consequently, at least seventeen years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery (commentary grouped with other sites Sec4/h2, SeC8/h2, SuV22/h1 which have also been lodged as objections). Clearly, there is no historic demand for sites of these scales in parts of the Llanelli, Trimsaran and Burry Port / Pembrey areas. All are certainly physically challenging sites, many of which have historic industrial or coal mining legacy issues, which may require significant abnormal costs to achieve developable areas for residential use. The client's site is promoted under rep 4186.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted

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Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3973. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site Sec5/h2 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 4186 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

3630 Mr B.O. Beynon [5011]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Remains allocated for 100 dwellings, despite recently being refused planning permission by the Council's Planning Committee on highways, drainage and amenity grounds. That site was allocated in the 2003 UDP and 2014 LDP and has not shown any signs of implementation nor active delivery. Consequently, at least seventeen years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery (commentary grouped with other sites Sec4/h2, SeC8/h2, SuV22/h1 which have also been lodged as objections). Clearly, there is no historic demand for sites of these scales in parts of the Llanelli, Trimsaran and Burry Port / Pembrey areas. All are certainly physically challenging sites, many of which have historic industrial or coal mining legacy issues, which may require significant abnormal costs to achieve developable areas for residential use. Reference is made to rep 3597 where the client's land is promoted.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted

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(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 3597 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

3644 Mr & Mrs V & J Griffiths [555]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Remains allocated for 100 dwellings, despite recently being refused planning permission by the Council's Planning Committee on highways, drainage and amenity grounds. That site was allocated in the 2003 UDP and 2014 LDP and has not shown any signs of implementation nor active delivery. Consequently, at least seventeen years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery (commentary grouped with other sites Sec4/h2, SeC8/h2, SuV22/h1 which have also been lodged as objections). Clearly, there is no historic demand for sites of these scales in parts of the Llanelli, Trimsaran and Burry Port / Pembrey areas. All are certainly physically challenging sites, many of which have historic industrial or coal mining legacy issues, which may require significant abnormal costs to achieve developable areas for residential use. Reference is made to reps 3621 and 3637 where the client's land is promoted.

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Comments noted

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(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference numbers 3621 and 3637 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

4103 Mr & Mrs K & T Jones [4052]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

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Action

4124 Mr B.O. Beynon [5011]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

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Action

3913 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

The site remains allocated despite recently being refused planning permission by the Council's Planning Committee on highways, drainage and amenity grounds. That site was allocated in the 2003 UDP and 2014 LDP and has not shown any signs of implementation nor active delivery. The site's retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. We therefore object to the proposed allocation, as its inclusion within the Plan fails the tests of soundness.

3271 Mr M Thomas [4899]

Summary: Object

This site has been turned down many times over the years both by Llanelli Borough Council and Carmarthenshire County Council, on the grounds of the traffic in this village. Therefore, why are they even thinking of building houses on this site? The traffic has more than doubled over the years and will only get worse from here on.

We are also losing too much of our green fields, trees and animal habitation (bats, dormice, lizards, badgers, foxes, squirrels, etc) in this village as it is.

Pembrey has a beautiful mountain for people to walk through and see these animals and the great view of our village, which will be ruined by the mass building of houses.

4451 N/A (Elaine Morrisroe) [4677]

Summary: Object

I wish this following comment to be considered together with my original feedback given in March 2020. Since the closing date of the original consultation, residents of Pembrey have become aware that there are water voles living in the canal. We have photographic proof and Swansea University, together with volunteers from the village, will soon be carrying out a survey on the water voles living on the canal. They are one of the most endangered species in the UK at the moment, due to habitat loss and predation by the non-native American minx. The canal which cuts through the village will, if developers get their way, become used as a means of getting rid of excess run off water from the site and, no doubt too, foul water when the area floods, both of which will affect the delicate ecosystem that the water voles are currently able to survive in. This is another reason why I think the site should be withdrawn from the LDP.

3279 Julie Rowlands [4901]

Summary: Object

Object to the housing allocation at Cwrt Farm.

I live on the A484, in line with the LDP of land on Pembrey Mountain by Court Farm.

This road is the second busiest road in Carmarthenshire and has seen many accidents over the years, with the most recent one being only a few days ago. The junction coming onto this road is also very dangerous.

4461 Mr Michael Thomas [5249]

Summary: Object

I have previously sent many videos and photos to the council planning office and water defence regarding the flooding behind our properties from the surface water travelling down off the mountain. If the planning of these houses goes ahead, not only will our houses risk flooding, but the water will also travel downwards and flood even more houses in the village. People living here know more about this village than the people in planning department and living elsewhere do. When the people in this village speak up, the council needs to listen before they decide to give these big building firms the go-ahead and make things worse. Last week, just up the road from us, there was flooding outside the Goodig Hotel building site on the A484. I have attached photos to this email. This is exactly what we do not want to happen in our village as I am already concerned about the current level of flooding we experience at the back of our house and do not want this to get any worse since we are directly in front of the proposed housing site. This is an objection against allocation of site sec5/h2 under Policy HOM1.

3394 Elaine Morrisroe [4964]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of housing allocation SeC5/h2 (Court Farm Pembrey):

Do we really need the number of houses that are proposed on this development? Apparently these houses are needed for people coming to the area to fill the now jobs. There are no new jobs.

Surely if the site were suitable for a development such as that proposed, it would have been given approval by the Council long ago.

The quality of the water in this stretch of the coastline has been an issue for a number of years and, should development go ahead, will likely continue to be an issue.

4550 Mr Chris Carrott [2997]

Summary: Object

The site has already been rejected as part of the planning process by the council. This is an objection against the allocation of the site under Policy HOM1.

3270 P Rowlands [4616]

Summary: Object

The land around the village of Pembrey at Court Farm/Mountain Road should be removed from the LDP.

Firstly, it is prime agricultural land and the two proposed roads to the site are unsafe for the traffic and pedestrians. Carmarthenshire Highways have told the proposed developer that the Mountain Road could not be used and were not allowed access to the site. On request, a site visit was paid to Garreglwyd by Carmarthenshire Planning Committee, and on their return to the Council Chambers, all voted against the other road at Garregwlyd being used to the site. The road was deemed unsuitable, and the junction to and off the main road of the A484 too dangerous. The outcome was refusal of full planning permission.

Also, to develop on this land the plans show the removal of many mature trees of all types which are homes to dormice and a vast number of other wild creatures.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process detailed a site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3973. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site Sec5/h2 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Action

3307 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

Summary: the site is constrained, is not viable and is not deliverable within the plan period.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process detailed a site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3973. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site Sec5/h2 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

As a cross reference note - the respondent's site is promoted under representation reference number 3376. The Council's response to this can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses.

Action

3196 Ms Pauline John [3815]

Summary: Object

I strongly object to the site being included on the LDP list on the grounds that it has been included previously and all planning applications for this site have been refused. It is obviously not a suitable site for development and should therefore be taken off the map for local development plans.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process detailed a site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3973. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site Sec5/h2 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Action

4184 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process detailed a site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3973. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site Sec5/h2 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4143 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3.

The Council's response to representation number 4142 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

4311 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process detailed a site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3973. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site Sec5/h2 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4276 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3. The Council's response to representation numbers 4272 and 4275 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

3973 Persimmon Homes - West Wales (Mr Ryan Greaney) [4188]

Agent: Asbri Planning Ltd (Mr Keith Warren) [592]

Summary: Support

The Deposit Revised Plan is supported on the basis that the Council have continued to maintain the housing land allocation, in spite of a refusal of a full planning application for the construction of 100 dwellings and associated works on 14th November 2019 (Ref S/21597). This was contrary to an officer recommendation to approve. Whilst the intention is to appeal the decision, in the meantime this submission seeks to demonstrate that the site is deliverable and in a future development provisions would be incorporated which would seek to ensure a high quality of design and layout, and which would also address site issues, including those cited as reasons for refusal. Would be pleased to agree a Statement of Common Ground to be presented to a future Inspector.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted/support welcomed.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Further feedback attained from the respondent (November 2020) confirms intent to deliver in accordance with the Plan period.

A Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) - emerging/draft - has been submitted and a commitment has been given to prepare a viability statement - this is ongoing.

Of note within the SoCG in regards Trajectory and Timescale is the following: "It is confirmed that this should not be considered as a 'stalled' site (given its allocated status in the current LDP) as Persimmon Homes West Wales is actively pursuing development and going through the process of demonstrating the deliverability of the site. The 100 homes identified in the Plan can be delivered in accordance with policy requirements during the Plan period. The proposals are being taken through the planning process, albeit there is need to go through the appeal process, and are supported by a major house builder".

Also - the SoCG provides a timetable for delivery which accords with the Council's Site Trajectory Schedule included in Appendix 7 of the Deposit Plan.

(It is stated that this is considered accurate at the current time. It is dependent on the outcome of the appeal and the time taken for its determination).

The SoCG makes provision for a Site Layout to be appended.

Reference is made to the information also set out as part of the planning application S/21597 and responses from consultees.

Note the SoCG has yet to signed / formally agreed by the Council.

Also, the viability information can be reviewed as appropriate.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP - however note the work already undertaken as per the above.

The Council will monitor the position with regards the planning appeal.

This is a notable site for the settlement in terms of number of units. It should be noted however that there are a number of housing developments already under construction and / or completed within the Pembrey/Burry Port area to date within the Plan period. Notable of which are SeC4/h1 (105 units), SeC4/h3 (32 units) and Sec5/h1 (14 units). To this end, the supply of housing across the plan period within the vicinity is appropriate within the early years of the trajectory, and this site will make a contribution in due course. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC6/h1

Representation(s)

3315 Llanedi Community Council (Mrs Ruth Taylor-Davies) [2943]

Summary: Object

Following public consultation, a meeting of Llanedi Community Council Council agreed that we wish to object to all future large scale (5 plus houses) proposals for residential development in Hendy and Forest. Significant development has already taken place in recent years in the area. We are also concerned about the impact of future developments in Pontarddulais on our community.

Our specific objection to this candidate site also includes concerns over:

- * impact upon traffic in the village
- * impact on existing services (schools, surgeries, dentists etc.) and utilities/infrastructure (e.g., drainage)
- * negative environmental impact

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted. The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

This site has been delivered - part of it within the plan period. It will contribute to the overall housing supply.

For those comments relating to the wider settlement, reference should be made to the Council's response to representation number 4439 (policy sp16).

Action

4435 Mr & Mrs E Jones [2710]

Summary: Object

Rydym yn parhau i wrthwynebu unrhyw ddatblygiad pellach yn ardal Hendy / Fforest oherwydd twf sylweddol yr ardal dros y blynyddoedd diwethaf. Yn wir, gofynnwn i'r safleoedd hynny yn y Cynllun datblygu blaenorol gael eu dileu hefyd. Mae hyn yn wrthwynebiad i ddyraniad y Safle yn y Cynllun o dan bolisi HOM1.

We continue to object to any further development in the Hendy / Fforest area due to the significant growth of the area in recent years. Indeed we request that those sites in the previous development Plan be removed also. This is an objection to the allocation of the site in the Plan under policy HOM1.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwadau.

Mae dyraniad y safle yn y CDLI at ddibenion preswyl wedi cael ei ystyried yn llawn trwy'r fethodoleg asesu safleoedd. Fel rhan o'r broses asesu hon, paratowyd ffurflen safle. Ystyrir bod polisïau a chynigion y CDLI yn rhai cadarn y gellir eu cyflawni, o sylfaen dystiolaeth gadarn ac wedi'u llunio gan ystyried yr Arfarniad Cynaliadwyedd ac mewn modd sy'n gyson ag ef. Mae'r dyraniad yma a nodir yn y CDLI yn gwneud darpariaeth ddigonol ar gyfer rhan o anghenion tai y setliad hwn.

Mae'r safle wedi cael ei gyflawni - rhan ohono fe o fewn cyfnod y Cynllun. Fe fydd yn cyfrannu at y cyflenwad tai ehangach.

Am y sylwadau ehangach rheini yn ymwneud â Hendy/Fforest, dylid cyfeirio at ymateb y Cyngor at sylwad cyfeirnod rhif 4439 (polisi sp16).

Comments Noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

This site has been delivered - part of it within the plan period. It will contribute to the overall housing supply.

For those wider comments relating to Hendy/Fforest, reference should be made to the Council's response to representation number 4439 (policy sp16).

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

3128 April Jones [525]

Summary: Support

Having reviewed the CCC deposit revised LDP 2018-2088 in relation to Hendy/Fforest area, I would like to say that I can support the plan as it stands with the following area:

SeC6/h1 - Adjacent Clos Ty Gwyn for 20 units only

3181 Huw a Menna Watkins [2676]

Summary: Support

SeC6/h1 - Adjacent Clos Ty Gwyn for 20 units only

Generally support the plan as it stands with the following areas included:

However, I would strongly like to register my opposition to the CCC LDP 2018-2033 if it is to include any additional areas of development as it would change the character of the area, and the village could become a bedroom community and hence lose its identity, which would go against SP12.

3122 Norman Wilkinson [2602]

Summary: Support

Area Hendy/Fforest

Having reviewed the CCC deposit revised LDP 2018-2088 in relation to Hendy/Fforest area, I would like to say that I can support the plan as it stands with the following:

SeC6/h1 - Adjacent Clos Ty Gwyn for 20 units only

3213 Mr Mike Pugh [2379]

Summary: Support

SeC6/h1 Adjacent Clos Ty Gwyn

Reluctantly agree with the current plan as it stands.

Strongly object to any further expansion to this draft proposal, and wish to be informed if this is the case.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

4146 Dr Non Evans [3372]

Summary: Support

Ar ôl bwrw golwg dros gynllun CDLI diwygiedig 2018-2088 Cyngor Sir Gar mewn perthynas ag ardal yr Hendy/Fforest, hoffwn ddweud y gallaf gefnogi'r cynllun fel y saif gyda'r safleoedd canlynol yn cynnwys:

SeC6/H1 - gerllaw clos Tŷ Gwyn ar gyfer 20 uned yn unig

Pe byddai unrhyw safleoedd ychwanegol yn cael eu cynnwys yna byddai'n rhaid i mi wrthwynebu'n gryf CDLI arfaethedig 2018-2033 Cyngor Sir Gar gan na fyddai'r isadeiledd presennol yn gallu darparu'n effeithiol na chwaith ymdopi ar gyfer unrhyw ddatblygiadau ychwanegol. (Codir pryderon hefyd am yr iaith Gymraeg ynghyd â datblygiadau ar y gweill o fewn ardal Dinas a Sir Abertawe - Pontarddulais).

Having reviewed the CCC deposit revised LDP 2018-2088 in relation to Hendy/Fforest area, I would like to say that I can support the plan as it stands with the following: SeC6/h1 - Adjacent Clos Ty Gwyn for 20 units only

If any additional areas were included, then I would have to strongly oppose Carmarthenshire County Council's proposed LDP 2018-2033 as the existing infrastructure would not be able to effectively provide for or cope with any additional developments. (Concerns also raised also with regards the Welsh language as well as planned development within the City and County of Swansea area - Pontarddulais).

Council's Initial Response

Croesawir y gefnogaeth

Support welcomed

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC6/h2

Representation(s)

3316 Llanedi Community Council (Mrs Ruth Taylor-Davies) [2943]

Summary: Object

Following public consultation, a meeting of Llanedi Community Council Council on the 6th February 2018 agreed that we wish to object to all future large scale (5 plus houses) proposals for residential development in Hendy and Forest. Significant development has already taken place in recent years in the area. We are also concerned about the impact of future developments in Pontarddulais on our community.

Our specific objection to this candidate site also includes concerns over:

- * impact upon traffic in the village
- * impact on existing services (schools, surgeries, dentists etc.) and utilities/infrastructure (e.g. drainage)
- * negative environmental impact

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3358. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site sec6/h2 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

For those comments relating to the wider settlement, reference should be made to the Council's response to representation number 4439 (policy sp16).

Action

3334 Mr Chris Davies [2969]

Summary: Object

We consider the scale of this proposal to be an overdevelopment of the area and believe it will have a detrimental impact to the semi-rural nature of the surrounding area of Fforest as well as impacting ecological diversity. We request a reduction in scale and introduction of a 5m buffer strip to act as a wildlife corridor and mitigate against habitat loss, inline with Deposit Draft Policies PSD3 and PSD4 (both of which we fully support) as well as the The Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and Environment (Wales) Act 2016.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

In regards to the proposed 5m buffer proposed by the respondent, such matters would be for consideration as part of detailed design / planning application level deliberations as appropriate. As cited by the respondent, regard can be given to the policies of the Plan - notably policies PSD3 and PSD4. The support for these policies is noted but they have not been 'split off' as separate representations from this main representation as they are framed within an overall critique of this allocated site by the respondent.

With regards the proposed reduction in scale of the allocation and 5m buffer plan provided by the respondent - this has not been 'split off' as a separate site based representation from this main representation as it is framed within an overall critique of this allocated site. It is noted that the objection as submitted by the respondent is to allocation Sec6/h2 specifically.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3358. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site Sec6/h2 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Action

4185 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3358. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site sec6/h2 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4143 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3. The Council's response to representation number 4142 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

4312 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3358. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site sec6/h2 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4276 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3.

The Council's response to representation numbers 4272 and 4275 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

3914 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

The site remains undeveloped yet remains allocated. The site off Bronallt Road has the benefit of planning permission for 8 detached houses, of which only two have been constructed. The 8 dwellings form a phase immediately off an estate road junction with Bronallt Road, and the phase is restricted to the north-western part of the entire allocation of 39 units, which stretches south over steeply sloping and heavily undulating fields to the rear of Clayton Road. No planning permission has ever been sought for the majority of the site, despite the site being included in the Llanelli Borough Local Plan (1996), Carmarthenshire Unitary Development Plan (2003), and latterly the Local Development Plan (2014). The decision to retain Bronallt Road after a period of 25 years within the LDP is shown to be even more inconsistent, as it does not sit with LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. We therefore object to the proposed allocation, as its inclusion within the Plan fails the tests of soundness.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3358. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site sec6/h2 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Action

4045 Mrs D Davies [4075]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

The continued allocation of this undeveloped site is unreasonable. It has the benefit of planning permission for 8 - only 2 constructed. The 8 dwellings form a phase immediately off an estate road junction with Bronallt Road, and the phase is restricted to the north-western part of the entire allocation of 39 units, which stretches south over steeply sloping and heavily undulating fields to the rear of Clayton Road. No planning permission has ever been sought for the majority of the site, despite the site being included in 3 development plans. Clearly, there is no historic demand for a site of this scale in this part of the Hendy area. It is almost certainly a physically challenging site, due to steep topography and the inability to adequately dispose of surface water, given there is no obvious watercourse receptor to deal with run-off from new development. The decision to retain it after a period of 25 years within the LDP is shown to be even more inconsistent, as it does not sit with LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. Reference is made to representation 4044 where the client's site is promoted.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3358. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site sec6/h2 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation reference number 4044 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses)

Action

4434 Mr & Mrs E Jones [2710]

Summary: Object

Cyfeirir at bryderon blaenorol a gyflwynwyd o ran cais cynllunio (rhan o'r ardal ddyrannu gyffredinol) - yn fwyaf nodedig o ran dŵr wyneb, nentydd a dŵr o dan ddaear - problemau hydrolegol. Er gwaethaf hyn, rhoddwyd caniatâd cynllunio. Cyflwynir llu o ddeunyddiau (lluniau) o sut y mae materion wedi dod i'r amlwg a honnir bod yr adeilad wedi cael effaith na ellir ei gwrthdroi. Er gwaethaf hyn, dyrennir y safle. Mae'r tir yn serth - nid wyf am ddweud y bydd trychineb yn digwydd ond rwyf am i'm pryderon gael eu nodi (fel pobl eraill). Mae hyn yn wrthwynebiad i ddyraniad y safle yn y Cynllun o dan bolisi HOM1.

Rydym yn parhau i wrthwynebu cynnwys unrhyw ddatblygiadau cynllunio pellach yn ardaloedd Yr Hendy a'r Fforest o fewn y Cynllun Datblygu Lleol ar gyfer 2018-2033, a hynny oherwydd yr adeiladu sylweddol a fu dros y blynyddoedd diwethaf, ac sy'n dal i fod. Rydym o'r farn hefyd y dylid dileu'r ardaloedd i'w datblygu a glustnodwyd yn y CDLI blaenorol, yng nghyddestun Yr Hendy a'r Fforest.

Hefyd pryderon ehangach yn cael ei godi ynglŷn ag ardal Hendy/Fforest - gweler sylwad 4439 o dan bolisi SP16.

Previous concerns made to a planning application (a part of the overall allocation area) referred to - most notably with regards surface water, streams and water underground - hydrological problems. In spite of this planning permission was given. A host of material is submitted (visuals) of how issues are manifesting themselves and it is claimed that the building has had an impact that cannot be reversed. In spite of this, the site is allocated. The land is steep - I do not want to say a disaster will happen but I want (as others have) my concerns to be noted. This is an objection to the allocation of the site in the Plan under policy HOM1.

We remain opposed to the inclusion of any further planning developments in Hendy and Fforest areas within the Local Development Plan for 2018-2033, due to the significant development that has taken place in recent years, and which continues to take place. We are also of the view that the areas for development identified in the previous LDP, in the context of Hendy and Fforest, should be removed.

Also wider concerns raised with regards the Hendy/Fforest area - see representation 4439 under policy SP16.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwadau.

Mae dyraniad y safle yn y CDLI at ddibenion preswyl wedi cael ei ystyried yn llawn trwy'r fethodoleg asesu safleoedd. Fel rhan o'r broses asesu hon, paratowyd ffurflen safle fanwl. Ystyrir bod polisïau a chynigion y CDLI yn rhai cadarn y gellir eu cyflawni, o sylfaen dystiolaeth gadarn ac wedi'u llunio gan ystyried yr Arfarniad Cynaliadwyedd ac mewn modd sy'n gyson ag ef. Mae'r dyraniad yma a nodir yn y CDLI yn gwneud darpariaeth ddigonol ar gyfer rhan o anghenion tai y setliad hwn.

Dylid cyfeirio at ymateb y Cyngor i sylwad rhif cyfeirnod 3358. Gellir ffeindio hwn o fewn ymatebion y Cyngor at sylwadau a wneir ynglyn â safle sec6/h2 - HOM1 - Dyraniadau Tai.

Am y sylwadau ehangach rheini yn ymwneud â Hendy/Fforest, dylid cyfeirio at ymateb y Cyngor at sylwad cyfeirnod rhif 4439 (polisi sp16).

Comments Noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3358. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site sec6/h2 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

For those wider comments relating to Hendy/Fforest, reference should be made to the Council's response to representation number 4439 (policy sp16).

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

3129 April Jones [525]

Summary: Support

Having reviewed the CCC deposit revised LDP 2018-2088 in relation to Hendy/Fforest area, I would like to say that I can support the plan as it stands with the following area:

SeC6/h2 - Land between Clayton Road and East of Bronallt Road for 39 units only

3214 Mr Mike Pugh [2379]

Summary: Support

SeC6/h2 Land between Clayton Road and East of Bronallt Road

Reluctantly agree with the current plan as it stands.

Strongly object to any further expansion to this draft proposal, and wish to be informed if this is the case.

3182 Huw a Menna Watkins [2676]

Summary: Support

SeC6/h2 - Land between Clayton Road and East of Bronallt Road for 39 units only

Generally support the plan as it stands

However, I would strongly like to register my opposition to the CCC LDP 2018-2033 if it is to include any additional areas of development as it would change the character of the area, and the village could become a bedroom community and hence lose its identity, which would go against SP12.

3123 Norman Wilkinson [2602]

Summary: Support

Having reviewed the CCC deposit revised LDP 2018-2088 in relation to Hendy/Fforest area, I would like to say that I can support the plan as it stands with the following:

SeC6/h2 - Land between Clayton Road and East of Bronallt Road for 39 units only

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

3358 N/A (Ben Davies) [4631]

Summary: Support

We wish to support its continued allocation for residential development within the new LDP. Included within the submission are sustainability / site analysis documentation along with a current and potential future site plan. The submission is intended to demonstrate the deliverability of the site and support its continued allocation.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted/support welcomed.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Further feedback attained from the respondent (November 2020) confirms intent to deliver in accordance with the Plan period.

This further feedback consists of a report that has been written to address questions raised around the viability and deliverability of the site in line with the timescales set out within the deposit Revised LDP.

Of note within the November 2020 report is this text "When Greenway homes initially evaluated the site we commissioned our engineers to design a roadway that met the adoptable standards of Carmarthenshire County Council to ensure that the whole site was developable. The roadway, footpaths and all hard landscaped areas for the entire site were incorporated within a Drainage strategy report that was submitted as part of the Phase 1 planning application and signed off by CCC engineers. This ensured that the remaining land was accessible following on from phase 1 and that once completed the site would have no adverse effect on neighbouring properties".

Furthermore, the November 2020 report acknowledges that whilst the Revised LDP uses a high level viability appraisal to establish the affordable housing policy and provision level within a development site, attention should be drawn to the abnormal works and costs that development of this site will incur and indeed the fact that Greenway have invested heavily in the infrastructure necessary to develop the site as a whole.

Further to these comments, the Council does acknowledge the challenging nature of the site - notably topography and the investment required to deliver it. Also, the design approach will offer the opportunity to deliver a range and mix of housing types across cluster 2. It is noted that the November 2020 report highlights an approach to building individual houses with bespoke foundation systems for each plot.

The November 2020 report also provides some useful feedback on the built rates and trajectory, further to which the Council will amend the trajectory for this site (non committed element).

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP - however it is noted that much evidential work has already been completed (see above).

This is a notable site for the settlement in terms of number of units. It should be noted however that there are a number of housing developments already under construction and / or completed within the Hendy area to date within the Plan period. Notable of which are SeC6/h1 (20 units in the plan period) and SeC6/h4 (35units). To this end, the supply of housing across the plan period within the settlement is appropriate within the early years of the trajectory, and this site will continue to make a contribution in due course, having already delivered an initial phase of units. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period.

Action

Amend the Plan (focused change) in that the housing trajectory for this site will be amended.

Representation(s)

4147 Dr Non Evans [3372]

Summary: Support

Ar ôl bwrw golwg dros gynllun CDLI diwygiedig 2018-2088 Cyngor Sir Gar mewn perthynas ag ardal yr Hendy/Fforest, hoffwn ddweud y gallaf gefnogi'r cynllun fel y saif gyda'r safleoedd canlynol yn cynnwys:

SeC6/H2-tir rhwng Heol Clayton a dwyrain o Heol Bronallt am 39 o unedau yn unig Pe byddai unrhyw safleoedd ychwanegol yn cael eu cynnwys yna byddai'n rhaid i mi wrthwynebu'n gryf CDLI arfaethedig 2018-2033 Cyngor Sir Gar gan na fyddai'r isadeiledd presennol yn gallu darparu'n effeithiol na chwaith ymdopi ar gyfer unrhyw ddatblygiadau ychwanegol. (Codir pryderon hefyd am yr iaith Gymraeg ynghyd â datblygiadau ar y gweill o fewn ardal Dinas a Sir Abertawe - Pontarddulais).

Having reviewed the CCC deposit revised LDP 2018-2088 in relation to Hendy/Fforest area, I would like to say that I can support the plan as it stands with the following: SeC6 / H2- land between Clayton Road and situated east of Bronallt Road for 39 units only. If any additional areas were included, then I would have to strongly oppose Carmarthenshire County Council's proposed LDP 2018-2033 as the existing infrastructure would not be able to effectively provide for or cope with any additional developments. (Concerns also raised also with regards the Welsh language as well as planned development within the City and County of Swansea area - Pontarddulais).

Council's Initial Response

Croesawir y gefnogaeth

Support welcomed

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC6/h3

Representation(s)

3317 Llanedi Community Council (Mrs Ruth Taylor-Davies) [2943]

Summary: Object

Following public consultation, a meeting of Llanedi Community Council Council agreed that we wish to object to all

future large scale (5 plus houses) proposals for residential development in Hendy and Forest. Significant development has already taken place in recent years in the area. We are also concerned about the impact of future developments in Pontarddulais on our community.

Our specific objection to this candidate site also includes concerns over:

- * impact upon traffic in the village
- * impact on existing services (schools, surgeries, dentists etc.) and utilities/infrastructure (e.g. drainage)
- negative environmental impact

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted. The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

There is firm evidence of deliverability on this site, including permissions issued / plots under construction and the Council wishes to ensure that the remaining units contribute to the overall housing supply within the plan period.

For those comments relating to the wider settlement, reference should be made to the Council's response to representation number 4439 (policy sp16).

Action

4436 Mr & Mrs E Jones [2710]

Summary: Object

Rydym yn parhau i wrthwynebu unrhyw ddatblygiad pellach yn ardal Hendy / Fforest oherwydd twf sylweddol yr ardal dros y blynyddoedd diwethaf. Yn wir, gofynnwn i'r safleoedd hynny yn y Cynllun datblygu blaenorol gael eu dileu hefyd. Mae hyn yn wrthwynebiad i ddyraniad y Safle yn y Cynllun o dan bolisi HOM1.

We continue to object to any further development in the Hendy / Fforest area due to the significant growth of the area in recent years. Indeed we request that those sites in the previous development Plan be removed also. This is an objection to the allocation of the site in the Plan under policy HOM1.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwadau.

Mae dyraniad y safle yn y CDLI at ddibenion preswyl wedi cael ei ystyried yn llawn trwy'r fethodoleg asesu safleoedd. Fel rhan o'r broses asesu hon, paratowyd ffurflen safle fanwl. Ystyrir bod polisïau a chynigion y CDLI yn rhai cadarn y gellir eu cyflawni, o sylfaen dystiolaeth gadarn ac wedi'u llunio gan ystyried yr Arfarniad Cynaliadwyedd ac mewn modd sy'n gyson ag ef. Mae'r dyraniad yma a nodir yn y CDLI yn gwneud darpariaeth ddigonol ar gyfer rhan o anghenion tai y setliad hwn.

Mae yna dystiolaeth gadarn o gyflenwad ar y safle yma, gan gynnwys caniataid yn cael ei rhoi / plotiau dan ddatblygiad ac y mae'r Cyngor am sicrhau fod yr unedau sydd ar ôl yn cyfrannu at y cyflenwad tai ehangach o fewn cyfnod y Cynllun.

Am y sylwadau ehangach rheini yn ymwneud â Hendy/Fforest, dylid cyfeirio at ymateb y Cyngor at sylwad cyfeirnod rhif 4439 (polisi sp16).

Comments Noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

There is firm evidence of deliverability on this site, including permissions issued / plots under construction and the Council wishes to ensure that the remaining units contribute to the overall housing supply within the plan period.

For those wider comments relating to Hendy/Fforest, reference should be made to the Council's response to representation number 4439 (policy sp16).

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

3130 April Jones [525]

Summary: Support

Having reviewed the CCC deposit revised LDP 2018-2088 in relation to Hendy/Fforest area, I would like to say that I can support the plan as it stands with the following area:

SeC6/h3 - Coed y Bronallt for 8 units only

3215 Mr Mike Pugh [2379]

Summary: Support

SeC6/h3 Coed y Bronallt

Reluctantly agree with the current plan as it stands.

Strongly object to any further expansion to this draft proposal, and wish to be informed if this is the case.

3124 Norman Wilkinson [2602]

Summary: Support

Having reviewed the CCC deposit revised LDP 2018-2088 in relation to Hendy/Fforest area, I would like to say that I can support the plan as it stands with the following area:

SeC6/h3 - Coed y Bronallt for 8 units only

3183 Huw a Menna Watkins [2676]

Summary: Support

SeC6/h3 - Coed y Bronallt for 8 units only

Generally support the plan as it stands.

However, I would strongly like to register my opposition to the CCC LDP 2018-2033 if it is to include any additional areas of development as it would change the character of the area, and the village could become a bedroom community and hence lose its identity, which would go against SP12.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

4148 Dr Non Evans [3372]

Summary: Support

Ar ôl bwrw golwg dros gynllun CDLI diwygiedig 2018-2088 Cyngor Sir Gar mewn perthynas ag ardal yr Hendy/Fforest, hoffwn ddweud y gallaf gefnogi'r cynllun fel y saif gyda'r safleoedd canlynol yn cynnwys:

SeC6/H3-coed y Bronallt ar gyfer 8 uned yn unig

Pe byddai unrhyw safleoedd ychwanegol yn cael eu cynnwys yna byddai'n rhaid i mi wrthwynebu'n gryf CDLI arfaethedig 2018-2033 Cyngor Sir Gar gan na fyddai'r isadeiledd presennol yn gallu darparu'n effeithiol na chwaith ymdopi ar gyfer unrhyw ddatblygiadau ychwanegol. (Codir pryderon hefyd am yr iaith Gymraeg ynghyd â datblygiadau ar y gweill o fewn ardal Dinas a Sir Abertawe - Pontarddulais).

Having reviewed the CCC deposit revised LDP 2018-2088 in relation to Hendy/Fforest area, I would like to say that I can support the plan as it stands with the following: SeC6/H3-Coed y Bronallt for 8 units only

If any additional areas were included, then I would have to strongly oppose Carmarthenshire County Council's proposed LDP 2018-2033 as the existing infrastructure would not be able to effectively provide for or cope with any additional developments. (Concerns also raised also with regards the Welsh language as well as planned development within the City and County of Swansea area - Pontarddulais).

Council's Initial Response

Croesawir y gefnogaeth

Support welcomed

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC6/h4

Representation(s)

3318 Llanedi Community Council (Mrs Ruth Taylor-Davies) [2943]

Summary: Object

Following public consultation, a meeting of Llanedi Community Council Council agreed that we wish to object to all

future large scale (5 plus houses) proposals for residential development in Hendy and Forest. Significant development has already taken place in recent years in the area. We are also concerned about the impact of future developments in Pontarddulais on our community.

Our specific objection to this candidate site also includes concerns over:

- * impact upon traffic in the village
- * impact on existing services (schools, surgeries, dentists etc.) and utilities/infrastructure (e.g. drainage)
- * negative environmental impact

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted. The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The site is under construction, deliverability is demonstrated. The site will contribute to the housing supply within the plan period.

For those comments relating to the wider settlement, reference should be made to the Council's response to representation number 4439 (policy sp16).

Action

4437 Mr & Mrs E Jones [2710]

Summary: Object

Rydym yn parhau i wrthwynebu unrhyw ddatblygiad pellach yn ardal Hendy / Fforest oherwydd twf sylweddol yr ardal dros y blynyddoedd diwethaf. Yn wir, gofynnwn i'r safleoedd hynny yn y Cynllun datblygu blaenorol gael eu dileu hefyd. Mae hyn yn wrthwynebiad i ddyraniad y Safle yn y Cynllun o dan bolisi HOM1.

We continue to object to any further development in the Hendy / Fforest area due to the significant growth of the area in recent years. Indeed we request that those sites in the previous development Plan be removed also. This is an objection to the allocation of the site in the Plan under policy HOM1.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwadau.

Mae dyraniad y safle yn y CDLI at ddibenion preswyl wedi cael ei ystyried yn llawn trwy'r fethodoleg asesu safleoedd. Fel rhan o'r broses asesu hon, paratowyd ffurflen safle fanwl. Ystyrir bod polisïau a chynigion y CDLI yn rhai cadarn y gellir eu cyflawni, o sylfaen dystiolaeth gadarn ac wedi'u llunio gan ystyried yr Arfarniad Cynaliadwyedd ac mewn modd sy'n gyson ag ef. Mae'r dyraniad yma a nodir yn y CDLI yn gwneud darpariaeth ddigonol ar gyfer rhan o anghenion tai y setliad hwn.

Mae'r safle yn cael ei ddatblygu, mae tystiolaeth o gyflenwad. Fe fydd y safle yn cyfrannau i'r cyflenwad tai o fewn cyfnod y Cynllun.

Am y sylwadau ehangach rheini yn ymwneud â Hendy/Fforest, dylid cyfeirio at ymateb y Cyngor at sylwad cyfeirnod rhif 4439 (polisi sp16).

Comments Noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The site is under construction, deliverability is demonstrated. The site will contribute to the housing supply within the plan period.

For those wider comments relating to Hendy/Fforest, reference should be made to the Council's response to representation number 4439 (policy sp16).

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

3216 Mr Mike Pugh [2379]

Summary: Support

SeC6/h4 Adjacent to Clos Benallt Fawr, Fforest

Reluctantly agree with the current plan as it stands

Strongly object to any further expansion to this draft proposal, and wish to be informed if this is the case.

3125 Norman Wilkinson [2602]

Summary: Support

Having reviewed the CCC deposit revised LDP 2018-2088 in relation to Hendy/Fforest area, I would like to say that I can support the plan as it stands with the following area:

SeC6/h4 - Adjacent to Clos Benallt Fawr, Fforest for 35 units only

3131 April Jones [525]

Summary: Support

Having reviewed the CCC deposit revised LDP 2018-2088 in relation to Hendy/Fforest area, I would like to say that I can support the plan as it stands with the following area:

SeC6/h4 - Adjacent to Clos Benallt Fawr, Fforest for 35 units only

3184 Huw a Menna Watkins [2676]

Summary: Support

SeC6/h4 - Adjacent to Clos Benallt Fawr, Fforest for 35 units only

Generally support the plan as it stands

However, I would strongly like to register my opposition to the CCC LDP 2018-2033 if it is to include any additional areas of development as it would change the character of the area, and the village could become a bedroom community and hence lose its identity, which would go against SP12.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

4152 Dr Non Evans [3372]

Summary: Support

Ar ôl bwrw golwg dros gynllun CDLI diwygiedig 2018-2088 Cyngor Sir Gar mewn perthynas ag ardal yr Hendy/Fforest, hoffwn ddweud y gallaf gefnogi'r cynllun fel y saif gyda'r safleoedd canlynol yn cynnwys:

SeC6/H4-yn gyfagos i clos Benallt fawr, Fforest ar gyfer 35 o unedau yn unig Pe byddai unrhyw safleoedd ychwanegol yn cael eu cynnwys yna byddai'n rhaid i mi wrthwynebu'n gryf CDLI arfaethedig 2018-2033 Cyngor Sir Gar gan na fyddai'r isadeiledd presennol yn gallu darparu'n effeithiol na chwaith ymdopi ar gyfer unrhyw ddatblygiadau ychwanegol. (Codir pryderon hefyd am yr iaith Gymraeg ynghyd â datblygiadau ar y gweill o fewn ardal Dinas a Sir Abertawe - Pontarddulais).

Having reviewed the CCC deposit revised LDP 2018-2088 in relation to Hendy/Fforest area, I would like to say that I can support the plan as it stands with the following: SeC6 / H4-adjacent to Benallt Fawr Close, Fforest for 35 units only If any additional areas were included, then I would have to strongly oppose Carmarthenshire County Council's proposed LDP 2018-2033 as the existing infrastructure would not be able to effectively provide for or cope with any additional developments. (Concerns also raised also with regards the Welsh language as well as planned development within the City and County of Swansea area - Pontarddulais).

Council's Initial Response

Croesawir y gefnogaeth

Support welcomed

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4271 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Support

Summary:

Support is given for this site's allocation under policy HOM1. Planning permission relating for construction of 35 dwellings has been granted, development has commenced therefore clearly reinforcing the deliverability of this site.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC6/h5

Representation(s)

3319 Llanedi Community Council (Mrs Ruth Taylor-Davies) [2943]

Summary: Object

Following public consultation, a meeting of Llanedi Community Council Council agreed that we wish to object to all

future large scale (5 plus houses) proposals for residential development in Hendy and Forest. Significant development has already taken place in recent years in the area. We are also concerned about the impact of future developments in Pontarddulais on our community.

Our specific objection to this candidate site also includes concerns over:

- * impact upon traffic in the village
- * impact on existing services (schools, surgeries, dentists etc.) and utilities/infrastructure (e.g. drainage)
- * negative environmental impact

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3345. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site sec6/h5 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

For those comments relating to the wider settlement, reference should be made to the Council's response to representation number 4439 (policy sp16).

Action

4188 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3345. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site sec6/h5 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4143 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3.

The Council's response to representation number 4142 can be viewed under the Council's

HOM1 policy responses)

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation alone - refer to the Council's response to representation reference number 3345.

4313 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3345. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site sec6/h5 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4276 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3.

The Council's response to representation numbers 4272 and 4275 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

3915 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

The site remains undeveloped yet remains allocated. Planning permission has long since lapsed having been granted back in 2008 (S/17720 refers). Only outline planning permission was sought at that time, with an indicative site layout of 17 dwellings. This Agent has experience of investigating the site for potential developers. However, the land has been subject to extensive land raising, and tipping of waste, to the rear of the existing garage buildings. Consequently, there are ground stability issues, coupled with heavy contamination of the commercial site as a result of its garage past. As such, the costs of remediation are exhaustive, resulting in no viable scheme coming forward. Hence, we are confident that the site will not come forward and be developed for housing. The decision to retain Fforest Garage within the LDP is shown to be even more inconsistent, as it does not sit with LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. We therefore object to the proposed allocation, as its inclusion within the Plan fails the tests of soundness.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3345. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site sec6/h5 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Action

4046 Mrs D Davies [4075]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

The continued allocation of this undeveloped site is unreasonable. Planning permission has long since lapsed having been granted back in 2008 (S/17720 refers). Only outline planning permission was sought at that time, with an indicative site layout of 17 dwellings. This Agent has experience of investigating the site for potential developers. However, the land has been subject to extensive land raising, and tipping of waste, to the rear of the existing garage buildings. Consequently, there are ground stability issues, coupled with heavy contamination of the commercial site as a result of its garage past. As such, the costs of remediation are exhaustive, resulting in no viable scheme coming forward. Hence, we are confident that the site will not come forward and be developed for housing. The decision to retain it after a period of 25 years within the LDP is shown to be even more inconsistent, as it does not sit with LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only reallocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. Reference is made to representation 4044 where the client's site is promoted.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3345. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site sec6/h5 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Action

4438 Mr & Mrs E Jones [2710]

Summary: Object

Rydym yn parhau i wrthwynebu unrhyw ddatblygiad pellach yn ardal Hendy / Fforest oherwydd twf sylweddol yr ardal dros y blynyddoedd diwethaf. Yn wir, gofynnwn i'r safleoedd hynny yn y Cynllun datblygu blaenorol gael eu dileu hefyd. Mae hyn yn wrthwynebiad i ddyraniad y Safle yn y Cynllun o dan bolisi HOM1.

We continue to object to any further development in the Hendy / Fforest area due to the significant growth of the area in recent years. Indeed we request that those sites in the previous development Plan be removed also. This is an objection to the allocation of the site in the Plan under policy HOM1.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwadau.

Dylid cyfeirio at ymateb y Cyngor i sylwad rhif cyfeirnod 3345. Gellir ffeindio hwn o fewn ymatebion y Cyngor at sylwadau a wneir ynglyn â safle sec6/h5 - HOM1 - Dyraniadau Tai.

Am y sylwadau ehangach rheini yn ymwneud â Hendy/Fforest, dylid cyfeirio at ymateb y Cyngor at sylwad cyfeirnod rhif 4439 (polisi sp16).

Comments noted.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3345. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site sec6/h5 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

For those wider comments relating to Hendy/Fforest, reference should be made to the Council's response to representation number 4439 (policy sp16).

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun yn dilyn y sylwad yma yn unigol - cyfeiriwch at ymateb y Cyngor i sylwad rhif cyfeirnod 3345.

3185 Huw a Menna Watkins [2676]

Summary: Support

SeC6/h5 - Fforest Garage for 17 units only

Generally support the plan as it stands

However, I would strongly like to register my opposition to the CCC LDP 2018-2033 if it is to include any additional areas of development as it would change the character of the area, and the village could become a bedroom community and hence lose its identity, which would go against SP12.

3132 April Jones [525]

Summary: Support

Having reviewed the CCC deposit revised LDP 2018-2088 in relation to Hendy/Fforest area, I would like to say that I can support the plan as it stands with the following area:

SeC6/h5 - Fforest Garage for 17 units only

3217 Mr Mike Pugh [2379]

Summary: Support

SeC6/h5 Fforest Garage

Reluctantly agree with the current plan as it stands

Strongly object to any further expansion to this draft proposal, and wish to be informed if this is the case.

3126 Norman Wilkinson [2602]

Summary: Support

Having reviewed the CCC deposit revised LDP 2018-2088 in relation to Hendy/Fforest area, I would like to say that I can support the plan as it stands with the following area:

SeC6/h5 - Fforest Garage for 17 units only

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3345. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site Sec6/h5 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Action

4153 Dr Non Evans [3372]

Summary: Support

Ar ôl bwrw golwg dros gynllun CDLI diwygiedig 2018-2088 Cyngor Sir Gar mewn perthynas ag ardal yr Hendy/Fforest, hoffwn ddweud y gallaf gefnogi'r cynllun fel y saif gyda'r safleoedd canlynol yn cynnwys:

SeC6/H5-Fforest Garage ar gyfer 17 Uned yn unig

Pe byddai unrhyw safleoedd ychwanegol yn cael eu cynnwys yna byddai'n rhaid i mi wrthwynebu'n gryf CDLI arfaethedig 2018-2033 Cyngor Sir Gar gan na fyddai'r isadeiledd presennol yn gallu darparu'n effeithiol na chwaith ymdopi ar gyfer unrhyw ddatblygiadau ychwanegol. (Codir pryderon hefyd am yr iaith Gymraeg ynghyd â datblygiadau ar y gweill o fewn ardal Dinas a Sir Abertawe - Pontarddulais).

Having reviewed the CCC deposit revised LDP 2018-2088 in relation to Hendy/Fforest area, I would like to say that I can support the plan as it stands with the following: SeC6 / H5-Fforest Garage for 17 Units only

If any additional areas were included, then I would have to strongly oppose Carmarthenshire County Council's proposed LDP 2018-2033 as the existing infrastructure would not be able to effectively provide for or cope with any additional developments. (Concerns also raised also with regards the Welsh language as well as planned development within the City and County of Swansea area - Pontarddulais).

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwadau.

Dylid cyfeirio at ymateb y Cyngor i sylwad rhif cyfeirnod 3345. Gellir ffeindio hwn o fewn ymatebion y Cyngor at sylwadau a wneir ynglyn â safle sec6/h5 - HOM1 - Dyraniadau Tai.

Comments noted.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3345. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site sec6/h5 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun yn dilyn y sylwad yma yn unigol - cyfeiriwch at ymateb y Cyngor i sylwad rhif cyfeirnod 3345.

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation alone - refer to the Council's response to representation reference number 3345.

3345 Ms Alex Franklin [3562]

Summary: Support

My husband and I own this brownfield site which at present is being rented and used as a carwash and garage business. We have retired and now live abroad, and believe that in the current economic climate the land would be better used for housing, especially as all services are already at site and the highways dept have agreed it in principle. We therefore, wish to proceed with the application for inclusion in the LDP and have recently been in touch with a planning advisor and spoken to a few local builders in a bid to move things forward.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes was subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma was prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal.

In noting the above, concerns have emerged post the publication of the deposit Plan in regards the deliverability of the site. Due to logistical difficulties, the landowner is unable to press ahead with bringing the site forward at the present time.

It is considered that the site should be de-allocated, however it will be left within development limits given its position within the urban form.

Suitable alternatives have been identified elsewhere in cluster 2 and are proposed as focused changes.

Action

Amend the Plan (focused change) to delete this housing allocation.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC7/h1

Representation(s)

4189 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council has confidence in the delivery of this site. It is subject to the submission of a recent section 73 application and feedback from the planning application agent (October 2020) states that the Section 73 application is the first stage in the process of developing the site. The intention is to enter into a JV with a developer and the agent is in discussions with potential developers. It is stated that there is intent from the owner, with the owner realistic about land values.

There is consensus between the Council and the landowner/ developer regarding the Plan's Housing Trajectory.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4143 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3.

The Council's response to representation number 4142 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

4314 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

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There is consensus between the Council and the landowner/ developer regarding the Plan's Housing Trajectory.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4276 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3.

The Council's response to representation numbers 4272 and 4275 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC7/h2

Representation(s)

3324 Mrs Suzanne Davies [4933]

Summary: Object

An inspection has been untaken behind our properties concerning an air shift with mine working. Also trees have been cut down and probably the remaining one will soon follow this will affect the habitat ie woodpeckers, birds ,bats. We have been treating knotweed for the passed 18 year it keeps coming back every year.

3174 Mr Kenneth Grayson [4861]

Summary: Object

The surrounding area is already over-developed giving consideration to the limited infrastructure of the village.

The road design from 'Phase 2' of Aber Llwchwr to 'Phase 1' of Aber Llwchwr has created a dangerous corner as traffic approaches 1 Aber Llwchwr with cars speeding up to take a blind uphill corner.

This particular area is infested with knotweed and, according to the NCB, is the location of an air shaft from a very old coal mine.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

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There is firm evidence of deliverability on this site, including permissions issued / plots under construction and the Council wishes to ensure that the remaining units contribute to the overall housing supply within the plan period.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC7/h3

Representation(s)

4190 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

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The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Feedback attained from the landowner/developer (December 2020) confirms intent to deliver in accordance with the Plan period.

This feedback outlines the following:

Development of the site (note this is an allocation in the current/adopted LDP) was delayed due to investment being required at the Llangennech Dwr Cymru Welsh Water (DCWW) treatment works, however DCWW have confirmed that the works are underway and as such this is no longer an issue. The County Council's Housing Department have confirmed that they have a requirement for new build homes in Llangennech, under their delivery programme to provide 900 new council houses. The Council (landowner) is now in the process of selecting a planning consultant to prepare and submit an outline planning application for the site. A Highway Feasibility Study has been carried out and a Transport Statement will be prepared in due course. With regards to drainage, the appointed Planning Consultants will be consulting with the Council's Sustainable Drainage Approval Body (SAB) at an early stage to inform the Drainage Strategy. In terms of delivery, it is stated that the site will be delivered by the Council's Housing section, as part of the Council's New Build Programme. Furthermore, it is stated that the site will be developed within the timescales set out in the Deposit plan's Housing Trajectory.

It should be noted that the landowner/developer (i.e. the Council) has committed to completing a Statement of Common Ground (SCOG).

Also, a viability assessment will be provided in due course - once the proposed housing mix and masterplan have been finalised to inform the appraisal.

Also, there has been an effort to respond to concerns raised by Natural Resources Wales by the landowner/developer.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3586 in this regard under its responses to comments received to site Sec7/h3 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

This is a notable site for the settlement in terms of the number of residential units. It should be noted however that there are a number of housing developments already under construction and / or completed within the vicinity to date within the Plan period. Notable of which are Prc2/h18 (32 units), prc2/h19 (240 units initially) and prc2/h21 (34 units), as well as sites in Hendy. To this end, the supply of housing across the plan period within the vicinity is appropriate within the early years of the trajectory, and this site will make a contribution in

due course. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period.

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Action

4315 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

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The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

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It should be noted that the landowner/developer (i.e. the Council) has committed to completing a Statement of Common Ground (SCOG).

Also, a viability assessment will be provided in due course - once the proposed housing mix and masterplan have been finalised to inform the appraisal.

Also, there has been an effort to respond to concerns raised by Natural Resources Wales by the landowner/developer.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3586 in this regard under its responses to comments received to site Sec7/h3 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

This is a notable site for the settlement in terms of the number of residential units. It should be noted however that there are a number of housing developments already under construction and / or completed within the vicinity to date within the Plan period. Notable of which are Prc2/h18 (32 units), prc2/h19 (240 units initially) and prc2/h21 (34 units), as well as sites in Hendy. To this end, the supply of housing across the plan period within the vicinity is appropriate within the early years of the trajectory, and this site will make a contribution in

due course. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4276 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3. The Council's response to representation numbers 4272 and 4275 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

4264 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary: Object

At a Medium risk of flooding according to the Council's SFCA. When considered with allocation SEC7/h4 (see rep 4265 against site sec7/h4), of 107 dwellings proposed for allocation in Llangennech. 85 of these have a medium flood risk and are adjacent to Zone B and Zone C2 as classified by the current TAN 15 maps. We question the suitability of the 'medium risk' sites, whether they will be able to meet the new TAN 15 justification test and ultimately whether they are deliverable. We consider this to be a concern given the recent devastating flooding in South Wales and the Welsh Government's aspiration of ensuring resilient developments (Well Being Goal as set out in the Well-being of Future Generations Act) that are not at risk of flooding. The consultation document on TAN15 seeks to direct development to Zone 1 (very low risk) and only to Zone 2 (low risk) if the development meets strict tests. We question whether it is appropriate to allocate sites within areas of flood risk when there are other suitable and sustainable sites in the same settlement that have a low risk of flooding. We consider that suitable sites that are of the very lowest flood risk should be allocated ahead of others that have a higher flood risk. Our client's site should be looked at positively in this regard - reference is made to the client's promotion representation number 4243.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Feedback attained from the landowner/developer (December 2020) confirms intent to deliver in accordance with the Plan period.

This feedback outlines the following:

Development of the site (note this is an allocation in the current/adopted LDP) was delayed due to investment being required at the Llangennech Dwr Cymru Welsh Water (DCWW) treatment works, however DCWW have confirmed that the works are underway and as such this is no longer an issue. The County Council's Housing Department have confirmed that they have a requirement for new build homes in Llangennech, under their delivery programme to provide 900 new council houses. The Council (landowner) is now in the process of selecting a planning consultant to prepare and submit an outline planning application for the site. A Highway Feasibility Study has been carried out and a Transport Statement will be prepared in due course. With regards to drainage, the appointed Planning Consultants will be consulting with the Council's Sustainable Drainage Approval Body (SAB) at an early stage to inform the Drainage Strategy. In terms of delivery, it is stated that the site will be delivered by the Council's Housing section, as part of the Council's New Build Programme. Furthermore, it is stated that the site will be developed within the timescales set out in the Deposit plan's Housing Trajectory.

It should be noted that the landowner/developer (i.e. the Council) has committed to completing a Statement of Common Ground (SCOG).

Also, a viability assessment will be provided in due course - once the proposed housing mix and masterplan have been finalised to inform the appraisal.

Also, there has been an effort to respond to concerns raised by Natural Resources Wales by the landowner/developer.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3586 in this regard under its responses to comments received to site Sec7/h3 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

This is a notable site for the settlement in terms of the number of residential units. It should be noted however that there are a number of housing developments already under construction and / or completed within the vicinity to date within the Plan period. Notable of which are Prc2/h18 (32 units), prc2/h19 (240 units initially) and prc2/h21 (34 units), as well as sites in Hendy. To this end, the supply of housing across the plan period within the vicinity is appropriate within the early years of the trajectory, and this site will make a contribution in

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due course. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period.

As a cross reference note - the respondent's site is promoted under representation reference number 4243. The Council's response to this can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3586 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Reservations regarding the allocation as it appears to provide important ecological connectivity features. Loss of ecosystem connectivity would be at odds with the fundamental aims of maintaining and enhancing biodiversity and Section 6, Part 1 of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016

Council's Initial Response

In noting the concerns raised, the proponent / landowner has undertaken further work further to which Natural Resources Wales have confirmed in writing (November 2020) that there is a way forward.

In this regard, the site will be retained as an allocation and it is not proposed to remove the site as a focused change.

Action

3396 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Objection to SeC7/h3 Golwg-yr-Afon, Llangennech

Twenty-five years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery of this site. Clearly, there is no historic demand for a site of this scale in this part of the Llangennech area. It is almost certainly a physically challenging site, covered in mature and dense vegetation, with mature trees along its entire eastern perimeter covered and protected by a large Tree Preservation Order.

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Feedback attained from the landowner/developer (December 2020) confirms intent to deliver in accordance with the Plan period.

This feedback outlines the following:

Development of the site (note this is an allocation in the current/adopted LDP) was delayed due to investment being required at the Llangennech Dwr Cymru Welsh Water (DCWW) treatment works, however DCWW have confirmed that the works are underway and as such this is no longer an issue. The County Council's Housing Department have confirmed that they have a requirement for new build homes in Llangennech, under their delivery programme to provide 900 new council houses. The Council (landowner) is now in the process of selecting a planning consultant to prepare and submit an outline planning application for the site. A Highway Feasibility Study has been carried out and a Transport Statement will be prepared in due course. With regards to drainage, the appointed Planning Consultants will be consulting with the Council's Sustainable Drainage Approval Body (SAB) at an early stage to inform the Drainage Strategy. In terms of delivery, it is stated that the site will be delivered by the Council's Housing section, as part of the Council's New Build Programme. Furthermore, it is stated that the site will be developed within the timescales set out in the Deposit plan's Housing Trajectory.

It should be noted that the landowner/developer (i.e. the Council) has committed to completing a Statement of Common Ground (SCOG).

Also, a viability assessment will be provided in due course - once the proposed housing mix and masterplan have been finalised to inform the appraisal.

Also, there has been an effort to respond to concerns raised by Natural Resources Wales by the landowner/developer.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3586 in this regard under its responses to comments received to site Sec7/h3 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

This is a notable site for the settlement in terms of the number of residential units. It should be noted however that there are a number of housing developments already under construction and / or completed within the vicinity to date within the Plan period. Notable of which are Prc2/h18 (32 units), prc2/h19 (240 units initially) and prc2/h21 (34 units), as well as sites in Hendy. To this end, the supply of housing across the plan period within the vicinity is appropriate within the early years of the trajectory, and this site will make a contribution in

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due course. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period.

Action

3923 Mr A Richards [4122]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

The site remains undeveloped but allocated. No planning permission has ever been sought for residential development on the site. The site was included in the Llanelli Borough Local Plan (1996). Carmarthenshire Unitary Development Plan (2003) and within the Local Development Plan (2014). Consequently, twenty-five years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery of this site. Clearly, there is no historic demand for a site of this scale in this part of the Llangennech area. It is almost certainly a physically challenging site, covered in mature and dense vegetation, with mature trees along its entire eastern perimeter covered and protected by a large Tree Preservation Order. A Google Earth image covers the vegetated spread over the site. The site is undoubtedly rich in ecological habitats which may further hinder its delivery. Yet despite these obvious deficiencies, the Council is prepared to allocate the site once again in a new Development Plan? The site's retention in the deposit Plan is shown to be even more inconsistent as it does not sit with LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only reallocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. The site's allocation results in the Deposit LDP being unsound. Reference is made to representation 3921 where the client's land is promoted.

Comments noted.

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The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

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This feedback outlines the following:

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It should be noted that the landowner/developer (i.e. the Council) has committed to completing a Statement of Common Ground (SCOG).

Also, a viability assessment will be provided in due course - once the proposed housing mix and masterplan have been finalised to inform the appraisal.

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Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

This is a notable site for the settlement in terms of the number of residential units. It should be noted however that there are a number of housing developments already under construction and / or completed within the vicinity to date within the Plan period. Notable of which are Prc2/h18 (32 units), prc2/h19 (240 units initially) and prc2/h21 (34 units), as well as sites in Hendy. To this end, the supply of housing across the plan period within the vicinity is appropriate within the early years of the trajectory, and this site will make a contribution in

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due course. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period.

As a cross reference aid - the Council's response to representation reference number 3921 can be found within the Council's responses to representations received to policy HOM1.

Action

4072 Mr W R Thomas [5060]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

The site remains undeveloped but allocated. No planning permission has ever been sought for residential development on the site. The site was included in the Llanelli Borough Local Plan (1996). Carmarthenshire Unitary Development Plan (2003) and within the Local Development Plan (2014). Consequently, twenty-five years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery of this site. Clearly, there is no historic demand for a site of this scale in this part of the Llangennech area. It is almost certainly a physically challenging site, covered in mature and dense vegetation, with mature trees along its entire eastern perimeter covered and protected by a large Tree Preservation Order. A Google Earth image covers the vegetated spread over the site. The site is undoubtedly rich in ecological habitats which may further hinder its delivery. Yet despite these obvious deficiencies, the Council is prepared to allocate the site once again in a new Development Plan? The site's retention in the deposit Plan is shown to be even more inconsistent as it does not sit with LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only reallocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. The site's allocation results in the Deposit LDP being unsound. Reference is made to representation 4073 where the client's land is promoted.

Comments noted.

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The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

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due course. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period.

As a cross reference aid - the Council's response to representation reference number 4073 can be found within the Council's responses to representations received to policy HOM1.

Action

3173 Mr Kenneth Grayson [4861]

Summary: Object

The surrounding area is already over developed considering the infrastructure limitations of the village.

This particular area is an important habitat for bats, woodpecker and other birds. This area is also infested with knotweed

3119 Mrs C Thomas [574]

Summary: Object

Object to the plan to build housing to the rear of Clos Plas Isaf Llangennech. This is largely a woodland area with a great deal of wildlife. With so much being said about conservation and trees being the lungs of the world the council should be planting more trees and extending the woodland walks which are so popular in the area. There is already plenty of housing in this area with quite a few empty starter home properties. yet the only park for the children in the area has been demolished. Newspapers repeatedly say that children should have exercise and get away from their i pads and what does our council do? take away their play area.

3107 Mr Wyn Richards [4835]

Summary: Object

Golwg yr Afon is already a congested street, with several households owning more than one car, causing families to park on the road. Access to the road is often precarious. A proposed development will, surely, add to the build up of cars on this road. More cares = more pollution. The proposed development site will need its tress to be cut down, causing a loss of habitat for birds and other wildlife.

The village already has a poor infrastructure - the post office closed down, and the local surgery is understaffed, causing long delays.

3110 Mr Christopher Evans [3119]

Summary: Object

Concerns:

- 1. Loss of habitat for bats and birds.
- 2. Poor existing infrastructure and services/increased pollution.
- 3. Historic mine works.

3108 Mr Paul parry [3245]

Summary: Object

My objection includes environmental issues, access to land, removal of the park by CCC, infrastructure including access to schools, doctors surgeries, hospital, sewerage etc. There are old mine workings and streams in the area, also the stability of the land that existing houses are built on and existing subsidence in the road on Heol Plas Isaf.

Trees will have to be cut down, loss of habitat for birds and bats also foxes.

I have kept a list of all the wildlife should it be required.

3083 Mrs Linda Hicks [3109]

Summary: Object

We object to development at Golwg-yr-Afon as there has already been a great deal of housing development in this area over the last few years. This has resulted in the loss of trees/habitats for wildlife and the proposed area in question is one of the few green areas left. We are concerned about the mining workings in that area and Golwg yr Afon is a quiet narrow street and could not sustain an increase in traffic. The infrastructure of the village cannot cope with more housing as we have no post office, an overstretched surgery and oversubscribed primary school.

3070 Mr Gary Jones [4783]

Summary: Object

- 1. This is an area which has numerous trees and wildlife etc
- 2 There are numerous mine workings and residue from a Tinplate works
- 3. A children's park was removed to make This more attractive to a buyer
- 4. The village is already congested with high pollution levels in the Main Street
- 5 How will building on council owned land contribute to the nett zero carbon ambition.
- 6 It was on the previous LDP with no takers, what has changed?

Comments noted.

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The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

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This feedback outlines the following:

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Also, there has been an effort to respond to concerns raised by Natural Resources Wales by the landowner/developer.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3586 in this regard under its responses to comments received to site Sec7/h3 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

Reference can be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3176 (under policy SP16) in regards those wider concerns raised about the settlement (e.g. infrastructure, capacity etc).

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construction and / or completed within the vicinity to date within the Plan period. Notable of which are Prc2/h18 (32 units), prc2/h19 (240 units initially) and prc2/h21 (34 units), as well as sites in Hendy. To this end, the supply of housing across the plan period within the vicinity is appropriate within the early years of the trajectory, and this site will make a contribution in due course. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC7/h4

Representation(s)

4194 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

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Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3801. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site sec7/h4 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4143 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3. The Council's response to representation number 4142 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

3356 mr. William griffiths [4896]

Summary: Object

This seems to be another example of building in a green belt area with ancient trees and pleasing rural aspects. This would be environmentally and visually extremely sad for the village in my opinion. This site is also in an area of low lying land, near to the Morlais River and I believe within the wider Llangennech flood plain zone, bordered by the tidal river Loughor. Recent high tides and rain have resulted in considerable water retention in this area and only the mid-wales railway embankment has provided major flooding issues in this area. In the light of recent flooding experiences across Wales and other parts of the UK, often related to housing developments in flood plain areas, I believe it would be unwise in the extreme for any specific planning application to be granted for this particular site. With ongoing environmental change and global warming likely to produce more challenging weather conditions over the next 10 years and beyond, the Carmarthenshire County Council needs to re-examine its whole approach to such planning applications and particularly to flood plain developments or allowing building near to key rivers and waterways. I strongly object to any development on the site and hope you will look very carefully at any such proposal. Reference is also made to representation 3355 (policy sp16).

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

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The Council's response to representation reference number 3355 can be viewed under the Council's response to representations received under Policy sp16.

Action

4265 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary: Object

At a Medium risk of flooding according to the Council's SFCA. When considered with allocation SEC7/h3 (see rep 4264 against site sec7/h3), of 107 dwellings proposed for allocation in Llangennech. 85 of these have a medium flood risk and are adjacent to Zone B and Zone C2 as classified by the current TAN 15 maps. We question the suitability of the 'medium risk' sites, whether they will be able to meet the new TAN 15 justification test and ultimately whether they are deliverable. We consider this to be a concern given the recent devastating flooding in South Wales and the Welsh Government's aspiration of ensuring resilient developments (Well Being Goal as set out in the Well-being of Future Generations Act) that are not at risk of flooding. The consultation document on TAN15 seeks to direct development to Zone 1 (very low risk) and only to Zone 2 (low risk) if the development meets strict tests. We question whether it is appropriate to allocate sites within areas of flood risk when there are other suitable and sustainable sites in the same settlement that have a low risk of flooding. We consider that suitable sites that are of the very lowest flood risk should be allocated ahead of others that have a higher flood risk. Our client's site should be looked at positively in this regard - reference is made to the client's promotion representation number 4243.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

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Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3801. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site sec7/h4 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

As a cross reference note - the respondent's site is promoted under representation reference number 4243. The Council's response to this can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses.

Action

4316 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

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(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4276 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3. The Council's response to representation numbers 4272 and 4275 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

3801 Mr W R Thomas [5060]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Support

Fully support the decision to include the land as a Residential Allocation within the development limits. A full planning application is currently under preparation to construct a total of 30 houses. Reference is given to DCWW investment in Llangennech. It is envisaged that the application will be subject to a formal Pre-Application Consultation exercise in April 2020, and subsequently formally submitted to the Local Planning Authority in May 2020. The Applicants are regional housing developers, and locally well-known for having a proven track record of fully delivering residential housing schemes of this scale. They plan to commence works on the site within two months of acquiring planning permission, and thus potentially within 12 months of the date of this

Representation to the Deposit LDP.

Comments noted/support welcomed.

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The Council is confident in the deliverability of this site. Further communication from the respondent/agent (October 2020) confirms the recent submission of an application for full planning permission for 30 dwelling houses for the site (referenced PL/00470) - Haywood Homes.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period. Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP - however the progress already made is noted - see above.

The Council notes that the reserved matters application is in fact for 30 units and not the 35 which is in the deposit Revised LDP. As such, the Council will decrease the allocated figure on this site to 30 units.

It is also considered that the site's position in the trajectory needs to be amended / brought forward to reflect the progress made and following feedback from the agent.

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Action

Amend the Plan by way of focused change(s) - decrease the allocated units for this site, decrease the Total Affordable Units in Plan period for this site (policy HOM1:Housing Allocations) and also amend the housing trajectory.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC7/h5

Representation(s)

4196 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Feedback attained from the developer / landowner (November 2020) confirms intent to deliver in accordance with the Plan period.

This feedback states that this site is identified as a candidate site for the Welsh Government's newly developed Self Build Wales scheme. The purpose of the scheme is to allow potential home owners to build their own home in a place they want to live with assistance from the Development Bank of Wales who provide a 2 year interest free loan for the construction of the home. It is stated that the Development Bank of Wales is already receiving interest in the site which has been generated through the Welsh Government Self Build webpage.

The proposed site layout, design and costings are currently being finalised by the Council prior to submission of planning permission.

The feedback indicates the site allocation area can be increased and an allocation figure of 7 units provided.

In terms of the trajectory, the feedback indicates that it may be appropriate to split the units as follows: 3 completing in 2022/23 and 4 in 2023/24.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP - however it is noted that much evidential work has already been completed (see above).

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Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation / objection.

However it should be noted that following the feedback received from the landowner/developer (as discussed in the Council's response above) an amendment will be made to the Plan by way of focused change(s) as follows: increase the site area, increase the allocated units for this site, increase the Total Affordable Units in Plan period for this site (policy HOM1:Housing Allocations) and also amend the housing trajectory for this site.

4317 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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The Council's response to representation numbers 4272 and 4275 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

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Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC8/h2

Representation(s)

3383 Mr C Hurley [4688]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Has been in Development Plans stretching back to the Llanelli Borough Local Plan in 1995. It has only been developed with 5 houses, and thus its continued allocation for dozens more units in the draft LDP must surely come under question? Consequently, at least seventeen years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery (commentary grouped with other sites Sec4/h2, Sec5/h2, SuV22/h1 which have also been lodged as objections). Clearly, there is no historic demand for sites of these scales in parts of the Llanelli, Trimsaran and Burry Port / Pembrey areas. All are certainly physically challenging sites, many of which have historic industrial or coal mining legacy issues, which may require significant abnormal costs to achieve developable areas for residential use. Reference is made to rep 4186 where the client's land is promoted.

4104 Mr & Mrs K & T Jones [4052]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

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3912 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

The site has has been in Development Plans stretching back to the Llanelli Borough Local Plan in 1995. It has only been developed with 5 houses, and thus its continued allocation for dozens more units in the draft LDP must surely come under question? That site was allocated in the 2003 UDP and 2014 LDP and has not shown any signs of implementation nor active delivery. The site's retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. We therefore object to the proposed allocation, as its inclusion within the Plan fails the tests of soundness.

3631 Mr B.O. Beynon [5011]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Has been in Development Plans stretching back to the Llanelli Borough Local Plan in 1995. It has only been developed with 5 houses, and thus its continued allocation for dozens more units in the draft LDP must surely come under question? Consequently, at least seventeen years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery (commentary grouped with other sites Sec4/h2, Sec5/h2, SuV22/h1 which have also been lodged as objections). Clearly, there is no historic demand for sites of these scales in parts of the Llanelli, Trimsaran and Burry Port / Pembrey areas. All are certainly physically challenging sites, many of which have historic industrial or coal mining legacy issues, which may require significant abnormal costs to achieve developable areas for residential use. Reference is made to rep 3597 where the client's land is promoted.

3645 Mr & Mrs V & J Griffiths [555]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Has been in Development Plans stretching back to the Llanelli Borough Local Plan in 1995. It has only been developed with 5 houses, and thus its continued allocation for dozens more units in the draft LDP must surely come under question? Consequently, at least seventeen years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery (commentary grouped with other sites Sec4/h2, Sec5/h2, SuV22/h1 which have also been lodged as objections). Clearly, there is no historic demand for sites of these scales in parts of the Llanelli, Trimsaran and Burry Port / Pembrey areas. All are certainly physically challenging sites, many of which have historic industrial or coal mining legacy issues, which may require significant abnormal costs to achieve developable areas for residential use. It is not clear whether any progress will be made on the sole allocated site at Cae Linda. Our clients submit that their site is no different in planning status than their potential site. They consider that there is an unmet demand and need for an alternative housing allocation for the mid to later years of the Plan Period, other than those sites which have been proposed in the draft LDP. Reference is made to reps 3621 and 3637 where the client's land is promoted.

4125 Mr B.O. Beynon [5011]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Has been in Development Plans stretching back to the Llanelli Borough Local Plan in 1995. It has only been developed with 5 houses, and thus its continued allocation for dozens more units in the draft LDP must surely come under question? Consequently, at least seventeen years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery (commentary grouped with other sites Sec4/h2, Sec5/h2, SuV22/h1 which have also been lodged as objections). Clearly, there is no historic demand for sites of these scales in parts of the Llanelli, Trimsaran and Burry Port / Pembrey areas. All are certainly physically challenging sites, many of which have historic industrial or coal mining legacy issues, which may require significant abnormal costs to achieve developable areas for residential use. Reference is made to rep 4118 where the client's land is promoted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

Further evidential work will be provided at the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV22/h1

Representation(s)

4105 Mr & Mrs K & T Jones [4052]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Has remained undeveloped, despite outline planning permission being granted nearly three years ago in 2017. Consequently, at least seventeen years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery (commentary grouped with other sites Sec4/h2, Sec5/h2, SeC8/h2 which have also been registered as objections). Clearly, there is no historic demand for sites of these scales in parts of the Llanelli, Trimsaran and Burry Port / Pembrey areas. All are certainly physically challenging sites, many of which have historic industrial or coal mining legacy issues, which may require significant abnormal costs to achieve developable areas for residential use. Reference is made to rep 4096 where the client's land is promoted.

4318 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

3632 Mr B.O. Beynon [5011]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Has remained undeveloped, despite outline planning permission being granted nearly three years ago in 2017. Consequently, at least seventeen years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery (commentary grouped with other sites Sec4/h2, Sec5/h2, SeC8/h2 which have also been lodged as objections). Clearly, there is no historic demand for sites of these scales in parts of the Llanelli, Trimsaran and Burry Port / Pembrey areas. All are certainly physically challenging sites, many of which have historic industrial or coal mining legacy issues, which may require significant abnormal costs to achieve developable areas for residential use. Reference is made to rep 3597 where the client's land is promoted.

4126 Mr B.O. Beynon [5011]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Has remained undeveloped, despite outline planning permission being granted nearly three years ago in 2017. Consequently, at least seventeen years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery (commentary grouped with other sites Sec4/h2, Sec5/h2, SeC8/h2 which have also been lodged as objections). Clearly, there is no historic demand for sites of these scales in parts of the Llanelli, Trimsaran and Burry Port / Pembrey areas. All are certainly physically challenging sites, many of which have historic industrial or coal mining legacy issues, which may require significant abnormal costs to achieve developable areas for residential use. Reference is made to rep 4118 where the client's land is promoted.

3384 Mr C Hurley [4688]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Has remained undeveloped, despite outline planning permission being granted nearly three years ago in 2017. Consequently, at least seventeen years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery (commentary grouped with other sites Sec4/h2, Sec5/h2, SeC8/h2 which have also been lodged as objections). Clearly, there is no historic demand for sites of these scales in parts of the Llanelli, Trimsaran and Burry Port / Pembrey areas. All are certainly physically challenging sites, many of which have historic industrial or coal mining legacy issues, which may require significant abnormal costs to achieve developable areas for residential use. Reference is made to rep 4186 where the client's land is promoted.

4197 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

3646 Mr & Mrs V & J Griffiths [555]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Has remained undeveloped, despite outline planning permission being granted nearly three years ago in 2017. Consequently, at least seventeen years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of wholesale delivery (commentary grouped with other sites Sec4/h2, Sec5/h2, SeC8/h2 which have also been lodged as objections). Clearly, there is no historic demand for sites of these scales in parts of the Llanelli, Trimsaran and Burry Port / Pembrey areas. All are certainly physically challenging sites, many of which have historic industrial or coal mining legacy issues, which may require significant abnormal costs to achieve developable areas for residential use. Reference is made to reps 3621 and 3637 where the client's land is promoted.

3910 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

The site has remained undeveloped, despite outline planning permission being granted nearly three years ago in 2017. That site was allocated in the 2014 LDP and has not shown any signs of implementation nor active delivery. The site's retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. We therefore object to the proposed allocation, as its inclusion within the Plan fails the tests of soundness.

4089 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Land opposite Parc-y-Garreg in Mynyddygareg (SuV22/h1) for 30 units has remained undeveloped, despite outline planning permission being granted nearly three years ago in 2017.

That site was allocated in the 2014 LDP and has not shown any signs of implementation nor active delivery.

The site's retention does not sit with Assembly Government LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only re-allocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability.

We therefore object to the proposes allocation, as its inclusion within the Plan fails the tests of soundness

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

The site has outline planning permission and the landowners have recently stated their intention to progress with the site.

Further evidential work will be provided at the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

No change to the Plan

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV22/h3

Representation(s)

3731 Dr D Gravell [3663]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Support

Wholeheartedly welcome the decision of the Authority to concur with the representation previously made in relation to our Clients land and fully support their decision to include the land within the development limits. They intend enacting upon this inclusion shortly after the LDP is formally adopted, by means of a formal planning application, and thereafter commence implementation of the development of the site within the early years of the Plan Period.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

Object

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV23/h1

Representation(s)

3222 D Bowler [5092]

Agent: Asbri Planning Ltd (Mr Keith Warren) [592]

Summary:

Policy HOM 1 is objected to on the basis that the number of dwellings proposed in housing land allocation SuV23/h1 - Clos Y Parc (20 dwellings) should be reduced to 16.

The site is subject to a current Reserved Matters planning application for 16 dwellings (S/40024).

This immediately points to a shortfall in provision in the settlement cluster of 4 dwellings, which could be compensated for by the inclusion of the site proposed at Horeb within extended development limits.

Comments noted / agreed in regards reducing the numbers allocated on this site.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council has confidence in the delivery of this site. The approval of Reserved Matters under Application S/40024 for 16 dwelling houses is noted. Feedback has been received from the planning application agent (October 2020) which provides further confidence in this regard.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period. There is consensus between the Council and the landowner/ developer regarding the Plan's Housing Trajectory.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the Examination into the revised LDP - however reference is made to the progress already made as per the above.

Notwithstanding the above, the Plan has an allocated figure of 20 units for this site. This will be reduced to 16 units to reflect the planning permission.

With regards the proposal from the respondent at Horeb, reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3220 which can be viewed within the Council's responses to comments made under policy SD1.

However, for clarity, it is not considered that there will be any material shortfall in housing supply within the settlement even taking into account a reduction in the allocated numbers on this site (i.e. site Suv23/h1) to 16 units.

Action

Amendment will be made to the Plan by way of focused change (s) as follows: decrease the allocated units for this site. Amend the housing trajectory as a result.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV23/h2

Representation(s)

4198 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3753. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site Suv23/h2 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4143 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3.

The Council's response to representation number 4142 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

No change to the Plan.

4319 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3753. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site Suv23/h2 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4276 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3. The Council's response to representation numbers 4272 and 4275 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

3221 D Bowler [5092]

Agent: Asbri Planning Ltd (Mr Keith Warren) [592]

Summary: Object

Policy HOM1 is objected to on the basis that exclusion of site SuV23/h2 - Adjacent Little Croft (25 dwellings) as a residential allocation is sought. The site has not been the subject of a planning application, and apart from a statement indicating that there is development interest, there is little indication that the site will be developed. Indeed the site has been included in the Council's 5 year land supply in Joint Housing Land Supply Scheduled since 2015. Welsh Government advice is to remove such sites which have proved to be undeliverable. It is understood that the landowners may live abroad and have no intention to dispose of the site to developers. The Proposals Map is also objected to on these grounds.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3753. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site Suv23/h2 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Action

3753 Frances Jones [4713]

Summary: Support

Supports the allocation. The site has recently been placed in the hands of and is being actively marketed by local valuers/surveyors (agent). Contact has been made with a number of developers, four of whom have given a positive response. As of the 27th March 2020, negotiations and discussions are "on hold" because of the Coronavirus crisis, but the Agent is confident that, when the country and the market return to normality, a buyer will be found. His assessment is that Five Roads is a popular location with strong values which will allow for viable development within the policies and aims of the LDP.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted/support welcomed.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the deliverability of this site. Feedback has been received from both the respondent and an interested party / developer in October 2020. Notable amongst this feedback is an update from GRD Limited which states that terms have been agreed with the trustees for the purchase of the site and solicitors have been instructed to deal with the sale and purchase agreement. There is consensus regarding the Plan's Housing Trajectory.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC3/h1

Representation(s)

4307 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

4201 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. The allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement.

Action

Object

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC3/h4

Representation(s)

4378 Landview Developments Ltd [5020]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Having considered the allocations in Cluster 3, in terms of their sustainability level, technical deliverability and recent planning history, we consider that a number will not be brought forward during the Plan period and so will result in the Plan being unsound if it is adopted in its current form. This includes allocation PrC3/h4 Tirychen Farm, Penybanc .

3964 Mr Harries Mrs Sainty [5104]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of Tirychen Farm as an allocation within the Deposit LDP

Planning permission was last granted in 2014 for 289 dwellings, under Application E/21633. However, that permission was only granted in outline form. It subsequently lapsed, and the landowners sought to vary conditions upon that permission to extend the validity of the outline permission. That Variation of Condition application was finally approved in October 2019, under Application E/38686. The recently approved Variation of Condition permission does little to display any real progress in the deliverability of the site. It merely amounts to the landowners seeking to continue to benefit from an outline planning permission at the site

4411 Mr V Vijayasundaram [5091]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Objection to the allocation of site PrC3/h4, seeking the site's removal from the Deposit Plan under policy HOM1.

We submit that the draft allocation at Tirychen be omitted from the Plan, and that housing allocation be redistributed to modest Candidate Sites, of up to 40 units. There is clear evidence in Betws, Ammanford and Penybanc that such modest sites are far more likely to be brought forward and developed in full by regional and small housebuilders given that construction and development costs are more likely to be viable in relation to house sales and the general housing market in this part of Carmarthenshire.

4052 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

In the area surrounding Ammanford, great emphasis has been placed upon the continued allocation of this large proposed housing site. Planning permission was last granted in 2014 for 289 dwellings (outline) and this has lapsed. Whilst the landowners sought to vary conditions upon that permission to extend the validity of the outline permission (approved in October 2019) this does little to display any real progress in the deliverability of the site (reference is made to the phasing plan). In spite of the planning history, thirty years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of delivery of this site and more physically challenging sites in the area, such as the re-development of the Betws Colliery site, have come forward long before this site. Reference is made to other sites omitted from the Deposit LDP (inc LDP site GA3/h23 which has an outline planning permission) - yet this site remains in the deposit Plan and therefore the LDP is shown to be even more inconsistent, as it does not sit with LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only reallocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. The site's allocation results in the Deposit LDP being unsound.

4320 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

4408 Mr L W Jones [5066]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Submit that the draft allocation at Tirychen be omitted from the Plan, and that housing allocation be redistributed to small and modest Candidate Sites, of between 5 up to 25 units such as that proposed at Heol Ddu / Brynteg. There is clear evidence in Tycroes, Capel Hendre and Saron that such modest sites are far more likely to be brought forward and developed in full by regional and small housebuilders given that construction and development costs are more likely to be viable in relation to house sales and the general housing market in this part of Carmarthenshire.

4388 Mr A Pritchard [5153]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of PrC3/h4 in the Deposit Revised LDP under policy HOM1

HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC3/h4

4202 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4018 Mr & Mrs Davies [5123]

Agent: Aspinalls Planning & Legal (David Lucas) [5125]

Summary: Object

Objection to HOM1. There is no confidence that allocation PrC3/h4 can be fully implemented given that this is a re-allocation of a site previously allocated in a development plan, which had no prospect of coming forward.

3281 Miss Joy Richards [605]

Summary: Object

I would like to question the decision to include site PrC3/h4. Please see my queries/comments below:

- Having looked at the plans for site PrC3/h4, I can see that the only available access point to the site would be on Dyffryn Road. This causes some concerns due to this section of Dyffryn road having a dangerous bend with a fast traffic flow. I believe this could cause a negative impact on the number of traffic collisions on this road, particularly as a college is based nearby.

4386 Lady Julie Romani [817]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Having considered the allocations in Cluster 3, in terms of their sustainability level, technical deliverability and recent planning history, we consider that a number will not be brought forward during the Plan period and so will result in the Plan being unsound if it is adopted in its current form. This includes allocation PrC3/h4 Tirychen Farm, Penybanc.

3972 Magnet Properties Limited (_ _ _) [5107]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

We submit that the draft allocation at Tirychen PrC3/h4 be omitted from the Plan, and that housingallocation be redistributed to Alternative Sites.

Planning permission was last granted in 2014 for 289 dwellings, under Application E/21633. However, that permission was only granted in outline form. It subsequently lapsed, and the landowners sought to vary conditions upon that permission to extend the validity of the outline permission. That Variation of Condition application was finally approved in October 2019, under Application E/38686. The recently approved Variation of Condition permission does little to display any real

progress in the deliverability of the site. It merely amounts to the landowners seeking to continue to benefit from an outline planning permission at the site

3308 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

Summary: this is an historic allocation and there has been little progress in bringing the site forward for development despite extensive marketing. The site is not deliverable within the Plan period.

4415 Mr B Owen [5118]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of PrC3/h4 - the council is prepared to allocate the site once again in a new Development Plan despite clear doubts over its deliverability within the Plan period.

4037 Mr & Mrs P & J Knight [3953]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Planning permission was last granted in 2014 for 289 dwellings (outline) and this has lapsed. Whilst the landowners sought to vary conditions upon that permission to extend the validity of the outline permission (approved in October 2019) this does little to display any real progress in the deliverability of the site (reference is made to the phasing plan). In spite of the planning history, thirty years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of delivery of this site and more physically challenging sites in the area, such as the redevelopment of the Betws Colliery site, have come forward long before this site. Reference is made to other sites omitted from the Deposit LDP (inc LDP site GA3/h23 which has an outline planning permission) - yet this site remains in the deposit Plan and therefore the LDP is shown to be even more inconsistent, as it does not sit with LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only reallocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. The site's allocation results in the Deposit LDP being unsound. Reference is made to representation 4036 where the client's site is promoted.

3344 Mr & Mrs Hill [4946]

Summary: Object

Concerns raised - additional school places, prices of housing going down, sewerage, flooding - no drainage, road access, medical access, passageway access.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The site has the benefit of outline planning permission.

Further evidential work will be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3258 Matthew Utting [2833]

Summary: Object

Whilst the principle of housing allocation ref. PrC3/h4 is supported, it is considered that the current terms of the allocation must be improved upon.

The site benefits from an extant outline consent for 289 dwellings, with access and layout granted in detail at the outline stage.

The site's existing allocation ref. GA3/h17 for 250 dwellings in Policy H1 of the Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan 2006-2021; and the terms of the site's extant outline consent ref. E/38686 for 289 dwellings clearly and unequivocally demonstrate that the site is suitable and sustainable, and available and achievable. At the very least, therefore, allocation ref. PrC3/h4 in the Deposit Revised LDP should be increased from 150 dwellings to 289 dwellings, to reflect the fact that the site is a consented 'commitment' for 289 dwellings in Ammanford.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The site has the benefit of outline planning permission

The council considers that given the scale of the site it is appropriate to phase the delivery over two local plan periods. Should the development come forward in its entirety during the revised LDP period in conjunction with the outline planning permission, then the additional housing completions can be considered under the windfall allowance.

Action

Representation(s)

3584 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Reservations regarding the allocation as it appears to provide important ecological connectivity features. Loss of ecosystem connectivity would be at odds with the fundamental aims of maintaining and enhancing biodiversity and Section 6, Part 1 of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The site currently benefits from outline planning permission. Any further details relating to ecological connectivity and biodiversity will be considered at reserved matters stage.

Further evidential work will be undertaken prior to the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3257 Matthew Utting [2833]

Summary: Support

The principle of housing allocation ref. PrC3/h4 is supported by my client.

(See representation 3258 which makes reference to the fact that the current terms of the allocation must be improved upon)

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

No change to Plan

Representation(s)

3836 Mr C & A Smith & Roberts [3806]

Agent: Mr T Mabbitt [5075]

Summary: Support

Support is given to the allocation of Maes Ifan (PrC3/h6) as a housing allocation. A detailed supporting statement is provided covering: adherence to the LDP strategy and policies; a sustainability appraisal; viability; and deliverability.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Deposit LDP

Representation(s)

4321 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

4203 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

The site has a pending planning application. Further evidence will be developed as the Plan goes into examination.

Action

HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC3/h8

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC3/h8

Representation(s)

3967 NBA Developments (Mr Neal Atkins) [17]

Agent: Asbri Planning Limited (Mr Richard Bowen) [591]

Summary: Support

The provision to include the site as a residential allocation in the emerging Deposit Plan and acknowledged under PrC3/h8 is welcomed and supported.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

Representation(s)

4561 K, D, E & G Fakes, James, Roberts & Jones [5296]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Despite having historic consents often repeated through extension of time applications the site has failed to deliver a significant level of housing for the growth area in question. To continue to allocate such sites for residential development therefore results in the Plan being unsound.

4389 Mr A Pritchard [5153]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of PrC3/h9 in the Deposit Revised LDP under policy HOM1

4050 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

The site has remained undeveloped through previous LDP plans. It has been the subject of a long-running planning application for 9 dwellings. However, it is noted that there are coal mining shafts on the site, which may pose abnormal costs for remediation. After some three years that application remains undetermined. Whilst the site is enveloped in the centre of Cross Hands, it has shown little sign of implementation and therefore we respectfully request that they it remains within settlement limits, but its allocated site status be omitted, and those dwelling numbers be re-allocated elsewhere in the locality. The site's allocation results in the Deposit LDP being unsound.

4040 Davies Richards Developments [5131]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

This objection represents the trend of re-allocating undeliverable sites. The site highlighted have seen consents granted on them some time ago, but each has seen little or no evidence of any development since these approvals were issued. There has clearly been no firm interest in developing the site, and therefore its deliverability must be questioned. This does not sit with LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only reallocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability The site's allocation results in the Deposit LDP being unsound.

3971 Magnet Properties Limited (_ _ _) [5107]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Site PrC3/h9 "Land adjacent to Maesyrhaf" has remained undeveloped through previous LDP plans. It has been the subject of a long-running planning application for 9 dwellings. However, it is noted that there are coal mining shafts on the site, which may pose abnormal costs for remediation. After some three years that application remains undetermined

^{*} Requests that PrC3/h9 is deallocated but remain within limits

4006 Mr B Owen [5118]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Objection to the allocation of site PrC3/h9 under policy HOM1 - Clearly has significant questions over its deliverability and genuine availability for development. To continue to allocate such a site for residential development therefore results in the Plan being unsound. Alternative sites, such as that put forward by our Client, must therefore be considered and brought forward in order to address this deficiency and ensure that the Plan is sound in all respects.

3650 Landview Developments Ltd [5020]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Having considered the allocations in Cluster 3, in terms of their sustainability level, technical deliverability and recent planning history, we consider that a number will not be brought forward during the Plan period and so will result in the Plan being unsound if it is adopted in its current form. This includes allocation PrC3/h9 Land adjacent Maesyrhaf.

4283 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

3946 Landview Developments [5100]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Objection to allocated site PrC3/h9 under policy HOM1.

Despite having historic consents, each of the applications has still failed to contribute towards delivering a significant level of housing for the growth area in question. The site clearly has significant questions over its deliverability and genuine availability for development. To continue to allocate such sites for residential development therefore results in the Plan being unsound. Alternative sites, such as that put forward by our Client, must therefore be considered and brought forward in order to address this deficiency and ensure that the Plan is sound in all respects.

3954 Ms & Mr England & Davies [5102]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

Objection to allocated site PrC3/h9 under policy HOM1.

Despite having historic consents, each of the applications has still failed to contribute towards delivering a significant level of housing for the growth area in question. The site clearly has significant questions over its deliverability and genuine availability for development. To continue to allocate such sites for residential development therefore results in the Plan being unsound. Alternative sites, such as that put forward by our Client, must therefore be considered and brought forward in order to address this deficiency and ensure that the Plan is sound in all respects.

4382 Lady Julie Romani [817]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Having considered the allocations in Cluster 3, in terms of their sustainability level, technical deliverability and recent planning history, we consider that a number will not be brought forward during the Plan period and so will result in the Plan being unsound if it is adopted in its current form. This includes allocation PrC3/h9 Land adjacent to Maesyrhaf.

3965 Mr Harries Mrs Sainty [5104]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of PrC3/h9 - Land adjacent to Maesyrhaf within the Deposit LDP

The site has remained undeveloped through previous LDP plans. It has been the subject of a long-running planning application for 9 dwellings. However, it is noted that there are coal mining shafts on the site, which may pose abnormal costs for remediation. After some three years that application remains undetermined.

4156 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC3/h9

Council's Initial Response

The site has planning permission for 9 dwellings with associated access and landscaping works. The principle of development on this site has been established.

Action

No change to Plan

Representation(s)

4041 Davies Richards Developments [5131]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

This objection represents the trend of re-allocating undeliverable sites. The site highlighted have seen consents granted on them some time ago, but each has seen little or no evidence of any development since these approvals were issued. There has clearly been no firm interest in developing the site, and therefore its deliverability must be questioned. This does not sit with LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only reallocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability The site's allocation results in the Deposit LDP being unsound.

4390 Mr A Pritchard [5153]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of PrC3/h10 in the Deposit Revised LDP under policy HOM1

4157 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 11-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4049 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

The site has remained allocated in previous Development Plans, yet remains allocated for 30 dwellings, despite not having planning permission secured in the 6 years since last adoption in 2014. An outline planning application was submitted in 2013, but not proceeded with, with the LPA finally disposing of. Details within that application reveal two major obstacles to development being the presence of a high-pressure gas main cutting traversing through the site, together with an underground main culvert. There has been no firm interest in developing the site, and therefore its deliverability must be questioned. Whilst the site is enveloped in the centre of Cross Hands, it has shown little sign of implementation and therefore we respectfully request that they it remains within settlement limits, but its allocated site status be omitted, and those dwelling numbers be re-allocated elsewhere in the locality. The site's allocation results in the Deposit LDP being unsound.

3966 Mr Harries Mrs Sainty [5104]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of PrC3/h10 - Land to the rear of Gwernllwyn from the Deposit Revised LDP.

The site has remained allocated in previous Development Plans, yet remains allocated for 30 dwellings, despite not having planning permission secured in the 6 years since last adoption in 2014. An outline planning application was submitted in 2013, but not proceeded with, with the LPA finally disposing of. Details within that application reveal two major obstacles to development being the presence of a high-pressure gas main cutting traversing through the site, together with an underground main culvert. There has been no firm interest in developing the site, and therefore its deliverability must be questioned

4007 Mr B Owen [5118]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Objection to the allocation of site PrC3/h10 under policy HOM1 - Clearly has significant questions over its deliverability and genuine availability for development. To continue to allocate such a site for residential development therefore results in the Plan being unsound. Alternative sites, such as that put forward by our Client, must therefore be considered and brought forward in order to address this deficiency and ensure that the Plan is sound in all respects.

3947 Landview Developments [5100]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Objection to allocated site PrC3/h10 under policy HOM1.

Despite having a historic consent, the application has still failed to contribute towards delivering a significant level of housing for the growth area in question. The site clearly has significant questions over its deliverability and genuine availability for development. To continue to allocate such sites for residential development therefore results in the Plan being unsound. Alternative sites, such as that put forward by our Client, must therefore be considered and brought forward in order to address this deficiency and ensure that the Plan is sound in all respects.

3970 Magnet Properties Limited (_ _ _) [5107]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Request that PrC3/h10 is deallocated but remain within limits.

The site PrC3/h10 "Rear of Gwernllwyn" has remained allocated in previous Development Plans, yet remains allocated for 30 dwellings, despite not having planning permission secured in the 6 years since last adoption in 2014. An outline planning application was submitted in 2013, but not proceeded with, with the LPA finally disposing of. Details within that application reveal two major obstacles to development being the presence of a highpressure gas main cutting traversing through the site, together with an underground main culvert. There has ben no firm interest in developing the site, and therefore its deliverability must be questioned

3955 Ms & Mr England & Davies [5102]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Objection to allocated site PrC3/h10 under policy HOM1.

Despite having a historic consent, the application has still failed to contribute towards delivering a significant level of housing for the growth area in question. The site clearly has significant questions over its deliverability and genuine availability for development. To continue to allocate such sites for residential development therefore results in the Plan being unsound. Alternative sites, such as that put forward by our Client, must therefore be considered and brought forward in order to address this deficiency and ensure that the Plan is sound in all respects.

4284 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 11-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

4383 Lady Julie Romani [817]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Having considered the allocations in Cluster 3, in terms of their sustainability level, technical deliverability and recent planning history, we consider that a number will not be brought forward during the Plan period and so will result in the Plan being unsound if it is adopted in its current form. This includes allocation PrC3/h10 Land to the rear of Gwernllwyn, Cross Hands.

3651 Landview Developments Ltd [5020]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Having considered the allocations in Cluster 3, in terms of their sustainability level, technical deliverability and recent planning history, we consider that a number will not be brought forward during the Plan period and so will result in the Plan being unsound if it is adopted in its current form. This includes allocation PrC3/h10 Land to the rear of Gwernllwyn, Cross Hands

4562 K, D, E & G Fakes, James, Roberts & Jones [5296]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Despite having historic consents often repeated through extension of time applications the site has failed to deliver a significant level of housing for the growth area in question. To continue to allocate such sites for residential development therefore results in the Plan being unsound.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. Further evidence will be developed as the Plan goes to examination.

Action

No change to Plan

Representation(s)

4010 Mr B Owen [5118]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Objection to the allocation of site PrC3/h14 under policy HOM1 - Clearly has significant questions over its deliverability and genuine availability for development. To continue to allocate such a site for residential development therefore results in the Plan being unsound. Alternative sites, such as that put forward by our Client, must therefore be considered and brought forward in order to address this deficiency and ensure that the Plan is sound in all respects.

3956 Ms & Mr England & Davies [5102]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Objection to allocated site PrC3/h14 under policy HOM1.

Despite having a historic consent, the application has still failed to contribute towards delivering a significant level of housing for the growth area in question. The site clearly has significant questions over its deliverability and genuine availability for development. To continue to allocate such sites for residential development therefore results in the Plan being unsound. Alternative sites, such as that put forward by our Client, must therefore be considered and brought forward in order to address this deficiency and ensure that the Plan is sound in all respects.

3948 Landview Developments [5100]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Objection to allocated site PrC3/h14 under policy HOM1.

Despite having a historic consent, the application has still failed to contribute towards delivering a significant level of housing for the growth area in question. The site clearly has significant questions over its deliverability and genuine availability for development. To continue to allocate such sites for residential development therefore results in the Plan being unsound. Alternative sites, such as that put forward by our Client, must therefore be considered and brought forward in order to address this deficiency and ensure that the Plan is sound in all respects.

3652 Landview Developments Ltd [5020]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Having considered the allocations in Cluster 3, in terms of their sustainability level, technical deliverability and recent planning history, we consider that a number will not be brought forward during the Plan period and so will result in the Plan being unsound if it is adopted in its current form. This includes allocation PrC3/h14 Nantydderwen, Drefach

4391 Mr A Pritchard [5153]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of PrC3/h14 in the Deposit Revised LDP under policy HOM1

4048 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

The site has been allocated in previous Development Plans and it is proposed to continue to be allocated for 13 dwellings in the Deposit LDP, despite the site not benefiting from the granting of a planning permission in over 12 years. An outline planning application was last granted in 2008, but no reserved matters for this approval was then submitted. Furthermore, taking into consideration a change in economic conditions since that time, no subsequent outline or full planning application has been submitted. There has clearly been no firm interest in developing the site, and therefore its deliverability must be questioned. The site's allocation results in the Deposit LDP being unsound.

4563 K, D, E & G Fakes, James, Roberts & Jones [5296]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Despite having historic consents often repeated through extension of time applications the site has failed to deliver a significant level of housing for the growth area in question. To continue to allocate such sites for residential development therefore results in the Plan being unsound.

4175 Mr Nicholas Parker [3900]

Summary: Object

I object to the development of site PrC3/h14 as this area is a play area for the young children on the estate. If the council is intent on doing something with this small plot of grass, I suggest that the site is levelled by the importing of a quantity of top soil, and reseeded with grass. By levelling the site, the problem of rainwater pooling in the middle of the site during the wet winter months will be eliminated, and the area available for the children to play on for a greater portion of the year. PrC3/h14 covers 2 areas in the Nant y Dderwen estate. The area i have particular concern about is the more western of the 2 areas, and is that area immediately on the right hand side when turning into Nant y Dderwen from the main road leading toward Capel Seion from Drefach.

4425 Mr Phillip Jones [3886]

Summary: Object

1) The area is wet marsh land, bordered by culverts & water courses. Any additional buildings on this site could potentially upset the water table & cause flooding. 2) Road safety (a) Increase in traffic will pose danger to pedestrians, especially children. (b) The only entrance to the estate converges on to a busy main road. Increased traffic around the entrance could pose a danger to road users.

4042 Davies Richards Developments [5131]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

This objection represents the trend of re-allocating undeliverable sites. The site highlighted have seen consents granted on them some time ago, but each has seen little or no evidence of any development since these approvals were issued. There has clearly been no firm interest in developing the site, and therefore its deliverability must be questioned. This does not sit with LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only reallocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability The site's allocation results in the Deposit LDP being unsound.

4384 Lady Julie Romani [817]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Having considered the allocations in Cluster 3, in terms of their sustainability level, technical deliverability and recent planning history, we consider that a number will not be brought forward during the Plan period and so will result in the Plan being unsound if it is adopted in its current form. This includes allocation PrC3/h14 Nantydderwen, Drefach.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period. Further evidence will be developed as the Plan goes into exam.

Action

Representation(s)

4285 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

4158 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

Site is currently under construction and therefore the site will remain allocated within the Plan

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

4063 Miss Lowri Thomas [3185]

Summary: Object

Dwi'n gwrthwynebu i adeiladu rhwng Bancyberllan a Bronallt ond does dim gwrthwynebiad gyda fi bod 'na fynediad i geir i fyny at y ddatblygiad tu ôl.

I object to building between Bancyberllan and Bronallt but I don't have an objection to an entry for vehicles leading up the development behind.

Council's Initial Response

(Mae'r gynrychiolaeth yn cyfeirio at AS/049/023) Anghytuno. Ni gynigir y mynediad y cyfeirir ato yn y gynrychiolaeth fel mynediad ond yn hytrach mae'n rhan o gynllun y safle.

(This representation refers to AS/049/023) Disagree. The access referred to in the representation is not proposed as an access but instead makes up part of the site lay out.

Action

Dim newidad i'r Cynllun.

Representation(s)

4257 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary: Object

The site has been identified to deliver housing in the 10 to 15 year timeframe. We question why so much time is required to deliver a fairly small scheme. The Council's Candidate Site Assessment states that "Additional information will be sought as necessary as the LDP progresses towards examination to identify when the site is likely to be brought forward." We assert that information about the deliverability of the site should be presented now to understand why the long timescale is required, otherwise sites that have provided this information should be prioritised. Reference is made to rep 4243 where the client's site is promoted.

3094 Mr DW Taylor [4823]

Summary: Object

Proposals for housing development on this site are unsound. A number of concerns are cited - most notably in relation to access/traffic issues and parking. It is also claimed that this site should have formed the location of the new school for Gorslas. Therefore, Policy HOM1 is objected to due to the fact that candidate site SR/067/010 is allocated for housing in the deposit Plan under site reference PrC3/h18.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. Further evidence will be developed as the Plan goes in to examination.

Action

No action to be taken

Representation(s)

3993 Westacres (- Westacres -) [5116]

Agent: Asbri Planning Limited (Mr Richard Bowen) [591]

Summary:

Object

Objection to Policy HOM1 - seeks an increase to the area of housing allocation PrC3/h18.

The proposed housing land allocation under Candidate Site Reference PrC3/h18 which provides for the development of the site for an indicative number of 29 units is initially welcomed.

Notwithstanding the above, this submission therefore objects to the Deposit Plan on the grounds that the larger area of land should be included as a housing land allocation PrC3/h18. A Sustainability Assessment (SA) is provided at Appendix F which shows that the development of the site would meet the Deposit Plan SA objectives.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

In relation to the adjacent parcel of land, it is considered that there is sufficient and more suitable land available within the village to accommodate its housing need.

The authority will be in contact with the respondent regarding further evidential work.

Action

Representation(s)

4286 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

4159 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

Site is currently under construction, therefore it will remain allocated within the Plan.

Action

No action needed

Representation(s)

4014 Mr B Owen [5118]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Objection to the allocation of site PrC3/h20 under policy HOM1 - Clearly has significant questions over its deliverability and genuine availability for development. To continue to allocate such a site for residential development therefore results

in the Plan being unsound. Alternative sites, such as that put forward by our Client, must therefore be considered and brought forward in order to address this deficiency and ensure that the Plan is sound in all respects.

4564 K, D, E & G Fakes, James, Roberts & Jones [5296]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Despite having historic consents often repeated through extension of time applications the site has failed to deliver a significant level of housing for the growth area in question. To continue to allocate such sites for residential development therefore results in the Plan being unsound

3957 Ms & Mr England & Davies [5102]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Objection to allocated site PrC3/h20 under policy HOM1.

Despite having historic consents, each of the applications has still failed to contribute towards delivering a significant level of housing for the growth area in question. The site clearly has significant questions over its deliverability and genuine availability for development. To continue to allocate such sites for residential development therefore results in the Plan being unsound. Alternative sites, such as that put forward by our Client, must therefore be considered and brought forward in order to address this deficiency and ensure that the Plan is sound in all respects.

4385 Lady Julie Romani [817]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Having considered the allocations in Cluster 3, in terms of their sustainability level, technical deliverability and recent planning history, we consider that a number will not be brought forward during the Plan period and so will result in the Plan being unsound if it is adopted in its current form. This includes allocation PrC3/h20 Land north of Maespiode, Llandybie.

Object

3949 Landview Developments [5100]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Objection to allocated site PrC3/h20 under policy HOM1.

Despite having historic consents, each of the applications has still failed to contribute towards delivering a significant level of housing for the growth area in question. The site clearly has significant questions over its deliverability and genuine availability for development. To continue to allocate such sites for residential development therefore results in the Plan being unsound. Alternative sites, such as that put forward by our Client, must therefore be considered and brought forward in order to address this deficiency and ensure that the Plan is sound in all respects.

3653 Landview Developments Ltd [5020]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Having considered the allocations in Cluster 3, in terms of their sustainability level, technical deliverability and recent planning history, we consider that a number will not be brought forward during the Plan period and so will result in the Plan being unsound if it is adopted in its current form. This includes allocation PrC3/h20 Land north of Maespiode, Llandybie.

4392 Mr A Pritchard [5153]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of PrC3/h20 in the Deposit Revised LDP under policy HOM1

4043 Davies Richards Developments [5131]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Planning permission was last granted in 2014 for 289 dwellings (outline) and this has lapsed. Whilst the landowners sought to vary conditions upon that permission to extend the validity of the outline permission (approved in October 2019) this does little to display any real progress in the deliverability of the site (reference is made to the phasing plan). In spite of the planning history, thirty years of Development Plan allocations have elapsed without any signs of delivery of this site and more physically challenging sites in the area, such as the redevelopment of the Betws Colliery site, have come forward long before this site. Reference is made to other sites omitted from the Deposit LDP (inc LDP site GA3/h23 which has an outline planning permission) - yet this site remains in the deposit Plan and therefore the LDP is shown to be even more inconsistent, as it does not sit with LDP Procedural Guidance which encourages Local Planning Authorities to only reallocate sites based upon firm evidence of deliverability. The site's allocation results in the Deposit LDP being unsound.

4160 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 11-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4051 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

The site has been allocated in previous Development Plans and it is proposed to continue to be allocated for 42 dwellings in the Deposit LDP. The site has seen some piecemeal development since its first allocation, amounting to the granting of planning permission for a handful of units in the last 10+ years. However, the vast majority of the site has not benefited from any form of planning consent for a period much longer than this. There has clearly been no firm interest in developing the site, and therefore its deliverability must be questioned. The site's allocation results in the Deposit LDP being unsound.

4287 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 11-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. Further evidence will be developed as the Plan goes into exam.

Action

Representation(s)

4062 Mr Phil Mann [2574]

Agent: Mr Stuart Owen [731]

Summary: Object

We seek the exclusion of site PrC3/h22. Apart from an access road to safeguard 'a start' there has been no development since it allocation in the extant LDP, nor since its grant of planning permission in April 2015. It is clearly inappropriate that in a recognised Growth Area such as Penygroes, acknowledged by a proposed housing allocation of 290 units, 256 of those are on just 2 sites which between them have so far realised just 10 dwellings.

4204 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4527 J Eirian Thomas [2907]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of site PrC3/h22. Been allocated for a long period of time but not actively being brought forward

4322 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The site has planning permission, therefore the principle of development on this site has been established.

Action

Object

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC3/MU1

Representation(s)

4248 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary:

This site was allocated in the previous LDP for 250 dwellings. It was also allocated in some form in the previous UDP and before then the Dinefwr Local Plan. Various planning permissions and variations have occurred over the years since the early 2000s. Despite this, only 9 dwellings have been completed on site. We understand that full planning permission (E29521) is in place since 2014 for the development of a further 70 dwellings but development has not been forthcoming, highlighting that there is a deliverability issue for this site. The LPA's candidate site assessment for this site acknowledges that there is an issue but continues to propose allocation of the site (extract cited and should be referred to). The deliverability of the site is fundamental to the deliverability and effectiveness of the plan. We consider that credible information about the deliverability and viability of the site should be presented now before committing to allocating the site again. If the site cannot demonstrate that it can be delivered then the LPA should identify other sites that can provide the necessary evidence. PPW (Para 4.2.18) states that for housing regeneration sites, where deliverability is considered an issue, planning authorities should consider excluding such sites from their housing supply so that achieving their development plan housing requirement is not dependent on their delivery. We don't consider that this site should be used as a component to meet the housing requirement. The site should either be removed from the LDP or identified as a housing led regeneration site that does not form part of the supply to meet the housing requirement. Reference is made to representation 4267 (policy sq1) Reference is also made to rep 4243 (policy HOM1) where the client's site is promoted.

4526 J Eirian Thomas [2907]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of site PrC3/MU1. Been allocated for a long period of time but not actively being brought forward.

4061 Mr Phil Mann [2574]

Agent: Mr Stuart Owen [731]

Summary: Object

The allocation, PrC3/MU1, has a proposed figure of 177 residential units. The site has benefited from planning permission for more than 20 years, and in that time only 10 dwellings have been built. It is clearly inappropriate that in a recognised Growth Area such as Penygroes, acknowledged by a proposed housing allocation of 290 units, 256 of those are on just 2 sites which between them have so far realised just 10 dwellings. Whilst there is a clear and obvious argument for the site's regeneration, the housing allocation could be reduced facilitating the inclusion of smaller, readily available sites.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. Further evidence will be developed as the Plan goes into examination.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC3/h26

Representation(s)

3831 Mr & Mrs John [3618]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Support

Welcome the decision of the Authority to concur with the representations previously made in relation to our Clients land. We can also confirm that the land continues to not face any ecological, flood risk related, highway, infrastructure or land ownership constraints that would restrict its ability to be delivered during the Plan period. In fact, our Clients have already been approached by a number of parties expressing a keen interest in developing the site once the Plan is adopted. We therefore fully support the decision of the Authority to include the land within the development limits of Saron as part of the Deposit LDP.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed.

Action

Representation(s)

4380 Lady Julie Romani [817]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Support

Support the inclusion of part of Candidate Site representation SR/149/002 - LDP site reference (PrC3/h27)

The Candidate Site forms a logical extension to the existing settlement, and lies within close proximity and walking distance of the existing community services and local facilities. The Site will also benefit from well served excellent public transport links to the nearby settlements, including the larger town of Ammanford.

With the Site having no access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints, its delivery if allocated is assured.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

Representation(s)

4323 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

4261 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary: Object

The Council's Candidate Site Assessment states that "the site is subject to planning permission, however, further information will be sought as necessary as the LDP progresses towards examination to identify when the site is likely to be brought forward". If the site benefits from planning permission then we question why the site is not being brought forward. Is there an issue to the deliverability of the site? The initial outline planning permission was granted in 2013 and no reserved matters applications have been forthcoming. We suggest that if credible evidence is not presented to demonstrate deliverability then the site should not be reallocated. Evidence has not been provided to demonstrate that a developer will build the site. Reference is made to rep 4243 where the client's site is promoted.

4205 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. further evidence will be developed as the Plan goes into examination.

Action

No change to the Plan

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, PrC3/h30

Representation(s)

3679 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Reservations regarding the allocation as it appears to provide important ecological connectivity features. Loss of ecosystem connectivity would be at odds with the fundamental aims of maintaining and enhancing biodiversity and Section 6, Part 1 of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016.

Council's Initial Response

The site has a pending application. The respondents comments are duly noted. We will work closely with the landowner and the respondent as the Plan progresses towards examination.

Action

Representation(s)

4324 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

4484 Cllr Tina Higgins [2920]

Summary: Object

The land referenced PrC3/h31 is land that is off an already large housing estate known as Parc Gwernen which runs off Fforestfach Estate. Residents in Parc Gwernen have experienced flooding over the years. More development will increase the likelihood of further flooding.

4207 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

The site has full planning permission. Further evidence will be developed as the Plan goes into examination.

Action

Representation(s)

4430 Mrs Julie Davies [5237]

Summary: Object

The respondent objects to the allocation Prc3/h32 citing as series of constraints, impacts and consideration including: the scale of impact on local infrastructure, significantly increased traffic volumes and road safety implications, environmental and ecological impacts, detrimental impact on residents of Ffordd y Deri, the sites current exclusion from the adopted LDP, its greenfield nature, lack of consultation, highway capacity. Further information is provided by the respondent.

4431 Mr Simon Case [5232]

Summary: Object

Please find objection comments in the attached letter.

4480 Pat Walters [5257]

Summary: Object

Objects to the inclusion of site ref PrC/h32 within the Deposit Revised LDP. Cause severe strain to local infrastructure, the road traffic volume will increase considerably, the current road safety conditions entering and leaving Ffordd y Deri on to Tycroes Road is a genuine and real concern. Environmental and ecological impact also a concern.

3339 June Evans [4941]

Summary: Object

Objects due to the amount of extra traffic it will cause on 'Tycroes Square" (Pontardulais Road/Ammanford Road onto A483). This is an already dangerous junction due to it being a blind corner for traffic coming down the road from M4 and Tycroes School towards Ammanford. There have been 2 accidents on the square itself in the last 2 years, plus four other accidents I have seen in the 200 yards(!!) - Between the school and the square in recent years. I have had police with speed cameras hiding behind my car in my drive to catch speeding traffic, and the police are in co-ordination with Tycroes School and regularly set up a speed trap in conjunction with the school children and teachers in a lesson situation (This happens approximately once a term). The police have told me speed bumps are not permitted on this road due to it being a trunk road to the M4. I can only see more accidents happening if this housing development goes ahead.

3325 Mr Dafydd Evans [4934]

Summary: Object

I have lived in Pontardulais Road, Tycroes for 30 years. When I moved in there was going to be a by-pass from "Coopers" junction where Tesco is in Ammanford now. This has never materialised, but the amount of traffic through the village has quadrupled. Therefore, Policy HOM1 is objected to due to the fact that site PRC3/h32is allocated for housing in the deposit Plan.

4579 Llanelli Constituency (Nia Griffith MP) [265]

Summary: Object

I would like to lodge my concerns about the above site's inclusion in the County's LDP 2018-2033, as it appears there are fundamental difficulties with the potential development of the site that are insurmountable.

This site includes land which has never been in the LDP before. It is clear that there are two sites here, which should be treated separately, the one where there is already planning permission and building work has started, and this entirely new site which has not been in the LDP before.

Currently, on adjacent land - the area to the rear of Tycroes Road, north of the rugby club - 37 dwellings are being built, for Pobl Housing Association. Access to this site will be via Ffordd y Deri, formerly a cul-de-sac, which is rather narrow. There is no access from this site to the main road, other than through Ffordd y Deri, and this would also apply to PrC3/h32. When the Pobl development has been completed, and the properties are occupied, some 40-60 vehicles will have to use Ffordd y Deri to access the main road. If PrC3/h32 is included for development (for 25 dwellings, as stated in the LDP proposal) another 40+ vehicles will be added to that total.

The number of vehicles owned by residents at Ffordd y Deri numbers is 24. Even with this number, there are road safety concerns about vehicles exiting on to Tycroes Road. Allowing further development at that location will dramatically increase traffic volumes and exacerbate the problem.

Any development should improve conditions for all residents, not worsen them, and although new houses will be required during the lifetime of the new LDP, bringing benefits for many, PrC3/h32 seems completely inappropriate for such development.

4446 Mr Ian Evans [5245]

Summary: Object

Objects to site PrC3/h32 - it has been placed as one site but should be 2 sites as development has been approved and is currently taking place on part of the site. The additional area, a steeper greenfield site would attract considerable traffic to an already dangerous junction, is not in keeping with the current houses and will pose difficulty dealing with foul water and sewerage. Further information is provided by the respondent.

4432 Mr Martin Jackson [5239]

Summary: Object

Well being of existing local residents are not considered. The increase in the number of proposed dwellings cannot be accommodated safely in this area.

Alternative areas are not properly considered. An alternative brownfield site is clearly more appropriate, causing less disruption to local residents.

Attached pdf file provides more detail on the objections.

4479 Chris & Rachel Landers [5242]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of site ref PrC3/h32 within the Deposit Revised LDP

4445 Mrs Andrea Dale [5243]

Summary: Object

The respondent objects to the allocation Prc3/h32 citing the following: 1. The site should not be considered part of the existing allocation as currently being developed and challenges the use of a greenfield location, 2. Traffic and access issues onto a narrow road, any further traffic would be unsuitable and dangerous, 3. Access onto Tycroes Road - states that the access is already difficult and that this would exacerbate the situation, 4. Further disruption to residents - references wellbeing implications, 5. Destruction of hedgerows and trees, 6. Land was previously not in the adopted LDP and questions why alternative brownfield locations were not considered.

4447 Mr Ian Evans [5245]

Summary: Object

Objects to site PPrC3/h32 on the basis there should be 2 separate sites, one currently being developed and an additional parcel of land namely a steeper sloped green field area which will pose considerable additional traffic to an already dangerous junction, that alternate brown field sites are available in the area and drainage and sewerage will be difficult to connect to services. Further information is provided by the respondent.

4482 Cllr Tina Higgins [2920]

Summary: Object

This area of land, currently a greenfield site, is outside the development limits and is not in the current LDP. The land referenced as PrC3/h32 is not one area of land but two separate areas. One half (the land behind Penygarn Road leading to the Rugby Club) already has planning permission for 37 houses which was granted in December 2019 and is now currently under development. This planning permission was approved with the reason given that the need for social housing allowed for an exemption from the County Council's own policy. This was an exception, not the rule and should not be used to set a precedent to have more development on the other half of the land reference PrC3/h32. Other issues include:

- * Flooding
- * Access to the dwellings
- * Ecology and Environment

4448 Mr Ian Evans [5245]

Summary: Object

Objects to site PrC3/H32 on the basis there should be 2 separate site applications as one area is already being developed, the additional area is a steeper sloped greenfield site which will pose additional traffic to an already dangerous junction, and will have difficulty dealing with rainwater and sewerage. Further information is provided by the respondent.

4578 Welsh Parliament (Mr Lee Waters MS) [5300]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of site PrC3/h32 within the Deposit Revised LDP

Council's Initial Response

Comments Noted.

The allocation of site PrC3/32 has been undertaken in accordance with the site assessment methodology and is reflective of the settlement's status within the Ammanford/Cross Hands Growth Area. As part of the assessment a detailed site proforma was prepared and is available as part of the Revised LDP documentation on the Councils website. It should be noted that the identification and allocation of the site was undertaken in accordance with national guidance, reference should also be had to the Plans supporting evidence including that relating to infrastructure.

Part of the site to the rear of Capel Moriah has an established planning permission for 37 affordable units. Information has been provided by the landowner/developer in relation to site delivery within the Plan period, however further information will be sought where required ahead of examination.

In relation to those respondents' comments on the identification of the site as a single allocation, this in no way precludes the consideration of components of the site at a later date incl. at planning application stage.

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3814 Mr C Jenkins [3627]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Support

Welcome the decision of the Authority to concur with the representations previously made in relation to our Clients land. It should be noted that since the submissions were made on behalf of our Client, planning permission has been granted for 37 affordable units on the westernmost enclosure and construction of these is now underway. We can also confirm that that the remainder of the land continues to not face any ecological, flood risk related, highway, infrastructure or land ownership constraints that would restrict its ability to be delivered during the Plan period.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

No change to Plan

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC9/h1

Representation(s)

4208 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4325 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summarv:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

The site has reserved matters planning permission for 9 dwelling houses, some of which have been completed. The principle of development on this site has been established.

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

It is considered that there is sufficient evidence show that the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC10/h1

Representation(s)

4210 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4326 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC10/h2

Representation(s)

4217 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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4327 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

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The site has planning permission and is under construction, with only a few units remaining at the time of writing. It is considered that there is sufficient evidence to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC10/h4

Representation(s)

3287 Mr Alan Ball [4905]

Summary: Object

The following has to be taken into consideration:

Demolition of houses on Tirycoed Road - many cars parked in road at all times, noise, length of time to demolish, lorries taking rubble away - how many and how will they turn, working hours/days

3313 Mr Malcolm Bentley [4912]

Summary: Object

The planning and access has been refused on a number of occasions due to Tirycoed road being an unsuitable road for access. Tirycoed road is not suitable as an access road to a larger, it already struggles to cope as the footpaths are small and non existent in sections. Parking is extremely difficult as both sides of the street park on right side, the same side as the proposed access. There is no other possible access than the one proposed and that itself would lead to it being a closed/blind junction as the houses are so close to the road

3390 Dr John Studley [4959]

Summary: Object

Objection to housing allocation SeC10/h4 in Glanamman:

Such a large project will almost certainly have a negative socio-psychological impact on the area and will probably depress house prices.

Tirycoed Road is already very busy and the proposed plan will only exacerbate the problem.

You are supporting the destruction of our rural idyll and replacing the largely rural panorama we enjoy with a "concrete jungle". You are undermining our wellbeing and happiness.

4090 Cwmamman Town Council (Mr D Davies) [30]

Summary: Object

I wish to highlight the strong feelings of Glanaman Town Council and local residents to the allocation of the Glanaman Hospital site for housing in the Deposit Revised LDP (reference SeC10/h4). The Council has opposed this proposal since the early stages of the LDP.

In relation to the Site Allocation Assessment for the site, it is felt that there are some errors in the appraisal process and the Council wishes to offer a number of observations on the content of the assessment.

The Town Council would wish that it's strong objection to this allocation is noted by Carmarthenshire CC and that it is removed from the LDP.

4021 Mr Mark Vickers [5128]

Summary: Object

Objection to the allocation of SeC10/h4 under policy HOM1.

I note that the proposed development of the Amman Valley Maternity hospital appears to be at odds with a number of the LDP stated aims. A number of concerns are immediately obvious. In particular, environmental concerns (that have previously been raised), appear to prevent the proposed development in its current form. These include (but are not limited to) the following points:

The Bat survey carried out by the developers being wholly inadequate and failing to identify the presence of bats in the vicinity;

The presence of endangered species on the site;

The impact on flood damage being caused to properties due to the dramatic increase in hard standing and Tarmac areas.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

A planning application for a housing development is currently being considered on the site in which all matters, including highways, ecology and local amenity, are being addressed.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC11/h1

Representation(s)

4218 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4263 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary:

Object

The Council's Candidate Site Assessment states that "Additional information will be sought as necessary as the LDP progresses towards examination to evidence the site's financial viability and to identify when the site is likely to be brought forward." The site has not passed question C26 (Deliverable and Financially Viable). We therefore question how the Council can propose that the site is allocated when insufficient evidence has been provided in relation to its deliverability, especially when the Council is asserting that some of the dwellings will come forward in the 0-5 year timescale. Reference is made to rep 4243 where the client's site is promoted.

4328 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. Further evidence will be developed as the Plan goes into examination.

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

4414 Sauro Homes Limited (Peter Sauro) [5168]

Agent: Asbri Planning Limited (Mr Richard Bowen) [591]

Summary: Support

The proposed housing land allocation under Candidate Site Reference SeC11/h1 which provides for the development of the site for an indicative number of 55 units, is supported, as is the overall soundness of the Plan.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV25/h1

Representation(s)

4329 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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4219 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

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Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV26/h1

Representation(s)

4220 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 4060. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site SuV26/h1 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4143 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3.

The Council's response to representation number 4142 can be viewed under the Council's

HOM1 policy responses).

Action

4330 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 4060. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site SuV26/h1 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

(Cross referencing note - the Council's response to representation number 4276 can be found under the Council's response to representations made under policy sp3. The Council's response to representation numbers 4272 and 4275 can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses).

Action

4076 Mr & Mrs Barney & Pat Gill [4820]

Summary: Object

This is the site of a former toxic waste tip and is totally unsuitable for any development. This landfill site received waste from the Borough of Llanelli from 31st December 1959 to 31st December 1975. According to the Environment Agency site details (May 2012) all five types of waste have been buried in this landfill site over this period, including hazardous waste. (attachments/copies provided). The land was used to bury large amounts of asbestos. The Environment Agency took samples from the boundary ditch between this proposed development land and the adjacent land opposite Trem - y - Dderwen and stated that this land should be left undisturbed due to the toxic elements dumped at this former waste tip and bound up in the soil. They are of the opinion that provided the land was left intact the potential for serious pollution of the River Gwili would be minimised. Concerns are therefore focused upon the history / former uses on the site. This is a objection for the retention of the site as a housing allocation under policy HOM1.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

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Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 4060. This can be found within the Council's responses to comments made in regards site SuV26/h1 - HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Action

4060 Anton Developments (Anton Developments) [5132]

Agent: Asbri Planning Limited (Mr Richard Bowen) [591]

Summary: Support

Supports the inclusion of allocated site SuV26/h1 under policy HOM1. This submission seeks to demonstrate that the site is deliverable in terms of the residential development proposed.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted/support welcomed.

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the deliverability of this site. Further communication from the respondent/agent (October 2020) states that it is the intention of Anton Developments Ltd is to develop the site in accordance with the timescales set out in the Deposit Plan's Housing Trajectory and notes that the site benefits from a full permission (subject to conditions) for the installation of all service roads and drainage to create a fully serviced site.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP - however the progress already made is noted (see above).

Action

No change to the Plan

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV27/h1

Representation(s)

4100 Daley Homes [5140]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Support

Supports the inclusion of the site SuV27/h1 within the Revised LDP.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV30/h1

Representation(s)

4331 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

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4221 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

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Council's Initial Response

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Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC12/h3

Representation(s)

4223 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

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4332 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to, and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. As part of this assessment process a detailed site proforma has been prepared. The allocation, along with the others within Newcastle Emlyn, makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC13/h1

Representation(s)

4224 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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4333 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

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Council's Initial Response

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Action

Support

Representation(s)

3310 Amanda Arter [834]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Mr Luke Grattarola) [685]

Summary:

The site within our client's ownership has been allocated under site reference Sec13/h1 for residential development. We fully support this policy and allocation while also encouraging an extension of the land included.

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC13/h2

Representation(s)

3905 N/A Trustees of Highmead Estate [5088]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Support

We support the decision of the Authority to include the land within the development limits of Llanybydder as part of the Deposit LDP. We can also confirm that the land continues to not face any ecological, flood risk related, highway, infrastructure or land ownership constraints that would restrict its ability to be delivered during the Plan period.

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC13/h3

Representation(s)

4225 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4334 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

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Council's Initial Response

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to, and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. As part of this assessment process a detailed site proforma has been prepared. The allocation, along with the others within Llanybydder, makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC14/h2

Representation(s)

4336 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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4228 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to, and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. As part of this assessment process a detailed site proforma has been prepared. The allocation, along with the others within Pencader, makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC14/h3

Representation(s)

3992 Mrs Lynn C C C Bushin [4817]

Summary: Object

I wish to object to this site being included in the Deposit LDP.

This site is incorrectly named & identified - There are three areas in close proximity that are called "Glanawmor" in the village of Pencader. The proposed site currently makes up part of the holding of Glanawmor Uchaf Farm and should be identified as such.

The plan supplied by the applicants to identify this site shows two fields and does not show the full extent of the land and buildings owned by the applicants, and by its omission is erroneous and misleading. The full extent of the land in ownership of the applicant and its current use should be taken in account when making this decision to include a site in the LDP.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

In respect of the objection to the name of the site, the name isn't derived from the farm holding it is located in, it is merely for identification purposes, and the name of "Glanmawmor" is considered to be appropriate.

Objections are made that in allocating the site, the full extent of the land in the ownership of the applicant should be considered. All relevant information is taken into account when allocating a site.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC14/h4

Representation(s)

4335 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

4226 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to, and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The allocation, along with the others within Pencader, makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement. Contact has been made with the landowner who has confirmed that the site is deliverable during the Plan period.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV31/h1

Representation(s)

4337 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

4229 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to, and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The allocation, along with the others within Drefach Felindre, makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement. Contact has been made with the landowner who has confirmed that the site is deliverable during the Plan period.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV32/h1

Representation(s)

4230 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4338 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to, and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The allocation makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement. Furthermore, the site has the benefit of Reserved Matters Permission.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV33/h1

Representation(s)

3195 Mr Andrew Bray [3451]

Summary: Object

The proposal by JCR Planning is not deliverable as the development on the submitted plan extends beyond SUV33/h1 on the southern border. A large parcel of the proposed development land on the east of the site belongs to myself and I would not want this developed. Due to the reasons given above the site would not accommodate 5 dwellings or the access road. Visibilty onto the A484 would be poor due to the bend. The development would detract from the Welsh hamlet feel of the village and become another ribbon development like Saron and Rhos.

3372 Mr J Davis [672]

Summary: Object

Please refer to attachment for reasons for objection.

LPA's summary:

An objection is made to site SuV33/h1 being included in the LDP for a number of reasons including:

- this cluster where the development land for housing is proposed is in isolation from the key settlement areas of SC2 and it's facilities and amenities;
- The boundary illustrated at the east side of this site is part of Ty Newydd and the owners will not relinquish this section of land for development.
- There is no safe pedestrian access to the key settlement areas.

Council's Initial Response

It is considered that the site is appropriate for residential use, however, in light of the objection relating to part of the site in the ownership of the objector, this element will be removed from the allocation but remain within the development limits.

Action

Remove part of the allocation that is owned by the objector, but retain within the development limits.

Support

Representation(s)

3822 Mr W O Ponsonby-Lewes [3837]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Our clients support the inclusion of site SuV33/h1 as a housing allocation under policy HOM1.

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed. However, in light of the objection relating to part of the site in the ownership of another party who does not wish to develop the land, this element will be removed from the allocation but remain within the development limits.

Action

Remove part of the allocation that is owned by another party, but retain within the development limits.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV34/h1

Representation(s)

4340 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

4056 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Allocated in current LDP but has not been the subject of any pre-application enquiry or formal planning application since its allocation in the current LDP, adopted in 2014. It was also not promoted as being available for development by the land owner during the Candidate Site Stage of the preparation of the emerging LDP. As a result, there is no clear or indeed any indication that the land in question is available for development and so therefore its delivery during the Plan period is in serious question. The site's allocation results in the Deposit LDP being unsound.

4232 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to, and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. The allocation makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement. Contact has been made with the landowner who has confirmed that the site is deliverable during the Plan period.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV35/h1

Representation(s)

4057 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Allocated in current LDP and in a number of previous development plans - failed to deliver any residential units during this time - 20 years. Previous planning application activity on the A484 frontage is noted, but as previous evidence submitted to the Authority highlights, this has not been positive due to access constraints - and has in fact identified that residential development at this location is not possible to be delivered. The site's allocation results in the Deposit LDP being unsound.

4339 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

4234 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Aaent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to, and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. The allocation makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement. Contact has been made with the landowner's agent who has confirmed that the site is deliverable during the Plan period.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV37/h1

Representation(s)

4144 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4277 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to, and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. The allocation, along with the others within Cwmann, makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement. An outline planning application has been submitted on the site and is awaiting determination (ref: W/32329).

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV37/h2

Representation(s)

3145 Barton Willmore (Joe Ayoubkhani) [646]

Summary: Support

Support is given to the housing allocation SuV37/h2 Land south of Cae Coedmor.

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV38/h1

Representation(s)

4235 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4341 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

3942 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

We object to the inclusion of SuV38/h1 within thee Deposit LDP. Th site, of 11 units remains wholly

undeveloped, and we have noted from a check of the Council's planning application records that there are no applications to develop the site in the last Plan Period.

It was also allocated with the Carmarthenshire Unitary Development Plan (2003), and LDP in 2014, and despite being allocated in Development Plan for over 17 years has not shown any signs of delivery. We submit that this site

has showing no impetus to be developed and satisfy local housing need, and it should be omitted from the new LDP, and Alternative Site promoted and included in its place.

3064 Mr Nick Hopkins [2887]

Summary: Object

SuV38/h1 - As usual where does the council think the employment, transport links, shopping and amenities and healthcare provision will come from. The Council can barely provide a functional service in these local communities such as Capel Iwan - no banks, no shops, no post office, no school, no healthcare. The council is in cloud cuckoo land if it thinks anyone will want to move to or stay in these areas without any sort of service provided.

4433 Mr M Thomas [5059]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Site SuV38/h1 should be omitted from the LDP and an alternative site included in its place. There have not been any planning applications on the site during the last Plan period. It has been allocated since the UDP, for over 17 years and has not shown any signs of delivery.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The site is considered to be a reasonable development opportunity within Capel Iwan for small to medium scale housebuilders. The site was submitted as a candidate site and as such, the agent has provided evidence showing it's viability.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV38/h2

Representation(s)

3201 Mr Lawrence Aldridge [495]

Summary: Object

Objects to the allocation of site SuV38/h2 for residential development. The issues cited include determinantal impact on the character of the village, lack of amenities and population/traffic impact. It is stated that there is plentiful provision of building plots which are not being delivered. This representation is therefore objecting to policy HOM1 of the Deposit Plan in that the site is allocated for residential development.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

Action

3907 Mr K Thomas [4041]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Support

Our clients wholeheartedly welcome the decision of the Authority to concur with the representation previously made in relation to our Clients land and fully support their decision to include the land as an Allocated Residential Site within the development limits.

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed.

Action

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV39/h1

Representation(s)

4058 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Allocated in current LDP and former UDP - failed to deliver any residential units for the last 14 years. From the Deposit LDP, the Authority does not anticipate that it will deliver any new units for a further 4 to 8 years. Outline planning application made by the land owners for 8 units on the site in recent months is noted (this is the only planning history the site has for its entire time as a housing allocation) but this has not been made or promoted by a developer. It is understood that are questions and concerns with regard to the delivery of a suitable access to serve the site. Significant doubts over the deliverability of the site, its allocation rewards an apathy to delivery and a failure to meet the longstanding and unmet needs of the community, resulting in the Deposit LDP being unsound.

4410 Mr C Jenkins [3627]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

The continued inclusion of site SuV39/h1 as an allocated housing site is questioned, as it has been an allocation since the Carmarthenshire Unitary Development Plan. Whilst we note that an outline planning application has been made by the land owners for 8 units on the site in recent months, this is the only planning history the site has for its entire time as housing allocation. Furthermore, we note that the application has not been made or promoted by a developer and we understand that there are questions and concerns with regard to the delivery of a suitable access to serve the site.

4342 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

4236 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to, and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. The allocation makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement. Contact has been made with the landowner who has confirmed that the site is deliverable during the Plan period. Furthermore, an outline planning application has been submitted on the site and is awaiting determination (ref: W/39945).

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV40/h1

Representation(s)

3573 Mr Michael Palmer [3264]

Summary: Object

Planning permission currently exists on sites within the village boundary including for another 10 houses (ie. SuV40/h1) within 100 metres of the two candidate sites SR/156/001 and SR/156/002. For a number of reasons, these have not been progressed, namely:

There is no demand for new houses - two 2 bed starter homes have not been sold in the 8 years we have lived in the village. Moreover, both stood empty for more than 5 years;

The sewage/ drainage system does not have capacity for more dwellings as has been previously discussed in relation to development within the village;

Council's Initial Response

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to, and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The allocation makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement.

Action

Representation(s)

4343 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 11-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

4237 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 11-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to, and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. As part of this assessment process a detailed site proforma has been prepared. The allocation makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement.

Action

Representation(s)

4238 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 11-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4344 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 11-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to, and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The allocation makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement.

Action

Representation(s)

4239 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4345 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Action

Representation(s)

4053 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

The allocation is located some distance from the Town of Llandovery and so not within close proximity of its community facilities and local services. It is in fact clearly detached from the existing urban form of Llandovery. Furthermore, it is separated by two distinct and strong linear features, namely the A40 Trunk Road and the River Tywi. Both these features and the distance of the site from the existing urban form of Llandovery result in the allocation being detached in nature and clearly not a 'logical' extension of the urban form. In addition, such detachment and a lack of any pedestrian connection to the allocation from the Town will clearly discourage sustainable modes of transport. On this basis, the consistency of approach with regards to the assessment of sites must be called into question and indeed the soundness of the Plan. The site's allocation results in the Deposit LDP being unsound.

3978 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Allocation SeC15/h2 is clearly detached from the existing urban form of Llandovery. Furthermore, it is separated by two distinct and strong linear features, namely the A40 Trunk Road and the River Tywi. Both these features and the distance of the site from the existing urban form of Llandovery result in Allocation SeC15/h2 being detached in nature and clearly not a 'logical' extension of the urban form. On this basis, the consistency of approach with regards to the assessment of sites must be called into question and indeed the soundness of the Plan.

The Plan as it stands does not meet the first test of Soundness and so Allocation SeC15/h2 should be removed.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal.

This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Action

Representation(s)

3980 W D Lewis [4021]

Agent: Asbri Planning Limited (Mr Richard Bowen) [591]

Summary:
Support for the inclusion of housing allocation Sec15/H2 under policy HOM1.

Support

Further to the candidate site submission Ref SR/081/006), it is noted that the adjacent to Bryndeilog, Tywi Avenue, Llandovery has been allocated for residential development of 8

units under Candidate Site Reference Sec15/h2.

The Deposit Revised Plan is supported on the basis that the Council have accepted the principle of residential uses at the scale proposed and as such WD Lewis accepts the overall soundness of the Plan.

WD Lewis wish to emphasise that their focus is continue to develop the site for residential development in the short to medium term.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

Representation(s)

4241 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 11-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4346 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 11-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

It is considered that there is sufficient evidence show that the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

Action

Representation(s)

3979 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Objection to housing allocation SeC16/h3, seeking the site's removal.

The site does not have any planning history for at least the last 15 years. A key factor in the site not being brought forward previously has been the inability to deliver a means of access off Carmarthen Road to the required standards. The site's frontage with Carmarthen Road is particularly short, with visibility being severely restricted in both directions. There are also no pedestrian footways either side of the site and so it is quite clear that due to access constraints, Allocation SeC16/h3 is therefore technically undeliverable.

The Plan as it stands does not meet the second test of Soundness and so Allocation SeC16/h3 should be removed.

4071 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Whilst this is a newly allocated site, it has been included within the development limits of Llandeilo under several previous development plans. Despite this, the site does not have any planning history for at least the last 15 years. A key factor in the site not being brought forward previously has been the inability to deliver a means of access off Carmarthen Road to the required standards. The site's frontage with Carmarthen Road is particularly short, with visibility being severely restricted in both directions due to adjoining separate land ownership and a Listed garden wall. There are also no pedestrian footways either side of the site and so it is quite clear that due to access constraints, this allocation is therefore technically undeliverable and so will not contribute to the provision of new housing for the settlement of Llandeilo during the Plan period. The site's allocation results in the Deposit LDP being unsound.

4054 Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Whilst this is a newly allocated site, it has been included within the development limits of Llandeilo under several previous development plans. Despite this, the site does not have any planning history for at least the last 15 years. A key factor in the site not being brought forward previously has been the inability to deliver a means of access off Carmarthen Road to the required standards. The site's frontage with Carmarthen Road is particularly short, with visibility being severely restricted in both directions due to adjoining separate land ownership and a Listed garden wall. There are also no pedestrian footways either side of the site and so it is quite clear that due to access constraints, this allocation is therefore technically undeliverable and so will not contribute to the provision of new housing for the settlement of Llandeilo during the Plan period. The site's allocation results in the Deposit LDP being unsound.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period. It should be noted that the allocation figure set out in the Deposit Plan is considered too low for a site of this size, and consequently the number will be increased as a focused change.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

Action

Representation(s)

4348 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

4242 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Part of the site has a reserved matters planning permission. The principle of development on this site has been established. It is considered that there is sufficient evidence show that the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

Action

Representation(s)

4349 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

4244 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement.

A planning application for a housing development is currently being considered on the site. Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

Action

Representation(s)

4350 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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4245 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

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Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

Action

Representation(s)

4107 Mr A Thomas [4025]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Support

Support for the inclusion of site SuV51/h1 under policy HOM1. The site is part of formally larger allocation SC30/h1.

In supporting the inclusion of this allocation, the respondent also argues that the remainder of the field should also be included within the LDP (refer to representation reference 4106).

A full description of the (whole) site's development potential and merits has previously been provided in the candidate site submission, to which reference should be made.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

Representation(s)

3596 Mr N Morgan [5008]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Objection to housing allocation SeC18/h1 and seeking the site's removal from Policy HOM1:

In St. Clears, land continues to be allocated at Brittania Terrace for a total of 60 units (Site SeC18/h1), despite being allocated in previous Development Plan without interest being implemented. Outline planning permission was granted in 2010 but has long since lapsed. The southern part of the site now has planning permission to construct a new McDonalds and Costa Coffee development off the A40 roundabout at St. Clears. Residential proposals appear of little interest? These factors must surely question its deliverability as a residential allocation.

4246 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4351 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-15 years. Reference may be made to representation 4276, along with the promotion of the client's site(s) under representations 4272 and 4275.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. The allocation identified within the LDP make sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

Action

Representation(s)

4247 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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4352 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

The site has a pending planning application with the LPA.

Further evidential work will be provided at the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

Representation(s)

3321 K Wilson [3624]

Summary: Support

Support the inclusion of site SeC18/h3 within the Plan.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SeC18/h5

Representation(s)

4075 Mr Wynne & John Walters [3732]

Agent: Asbri Planning Limited (Mr Richard Bowen) [591]

Summary: Support

The provision to include the site as a residential allocation in the emerging Deposit Plan is welcomed and supported. The Deposit Revised Plan is supported on the basis that the Council have accepted the principle of residential uses at the scale proposed. It is emphasised that the focus is on developing the site for residential development in the short to medium term.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed.

Action

Representation(s)

4249 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4353 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

It is anticipated that this site will be developed on a plot by plot basis, and provides a development opportunity very different to other allocations within St Clears.

Further evidential work will be provided at the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

Representation(s)

3332 Mrs Alison Cook [3132]

Summary: Object

Object strongly to development at Park View, Trevaughan Whitland.

TAN15 states surface water can increase water courses - the water courses cannot cope at present with the amount of water.

I am a property owner at the edge of the land currently a candidate site and do not want my property jeopardised by more water than we already have passing the property from the land at Park View.

This land is between two powerful waterways and floods. Developing this area would have a detrimental affect to current properties - definite flooding and property damage.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

The allocation has not been subject to any objection from infrastructure and statutory consultees.

Further evidential work will be provided at the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

Representation(s)

3593 Mr N Morgan [5008]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of part of site SR/163/010 (the part that is not allocated under SeC19/h1).

The Candidate Site forms a logical extension to the existing settlement, being well related to the Park View farmyard buildings which serve to screen the majority of the field from public view.

Accordingly, the development of the site would remain more akin in character to the built-up form of Trevaughan, than open pasture to the south and east of the town.

In addition to the above, the site lies within close proximity and walking distance of the existing shops, rail station, community services and local facilities of Whitland which will ensure it makes a positive contribution to both national and local sustainable development objectives.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of part of this site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

It is also considered that there is little requirement for additional land to meet the housing provision within the town.

Action

Representation(s)

3594 Mr N Morgan [5008]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Objection to Whitland Creamery SeC19/h2 & seeking the site's removal from Policy HOM1.

Great emphasis within the Draft Plan has been placed upon the continued allocation of proposed housing site at Whitland Creamery. The site is allocated for 48 residential units as Site SeC19/h2. Within the current LDP (2014-21) the site is wholly allocated for employment purposes. That allocation has remained unfulfilled and undelivered for many years, stretching back to the Carmarthenshire Unitary Development Plan (2003) and Carmarthen District Local Plan (1997). Questions must therefore be posed as to whether the site is capable of redevelopment due to its historic former uses needing to be remediated.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

The northern side of the site has full planning permission for 28 dwellings and initial works have been undertaken. The southern element is a new allocation.

Further evidential work will be provided at the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

Representation(s)

4253 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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4355 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

The site is currently under construction, and the agent has provided a development timescale. Further evidential work will be provided at the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

Representation(s)

4251 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 6-10 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

3595 Mr N Morgan [5008]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Objection to housing allocation SeC20/h2 and seeking the site's removal from Policy HOM1: The Western Carmarthenshire draft allocations includes parcels of residential allocations in St Clears and Laugharne. In the case of the latter, land continues to be allocated adjacent to Laugharne Primary School for 42 units (Site SeC20/h2) despite being allocated in previous Development Plans, with out any firm implementation on the site. The site does have the benefit of outline planning permission, secured on Appeal, however, has been recently marketed for sale by auction, and apparently without any firm interest.

4354 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

The site was granted outline permission at appeal. Further evidential work will be provided at the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4528 Mrs Bethan Thomas [2311]

Summary: Support

Provides a historic context to the allocation of the site.

Support the allocation of the site and. will be concentrating on securing these lands giving us great satisfaction to do so.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed.

Action

Representation(s)

3272 Charles Mitchell [4900]

Summary: Object

The inclusion of the field off Clifton street, Laugharne would cause serious traffic issues at the point in would joins Clifton st. The field itself is a haven for wildlife- Hawks are often seen and I believe there are rare wild flowers present. On an incline it provides a good soak away for rain water- if that was built on we would see yet more rain water on Clifton street. The sewage works at the moment cannot cope. The health services in laugharne are already stretched.

3286 Mr C Kirby [4904]

Summary: Object

Residential development should not take place on this site - it should remain agricultural. The site is too steep and the access is problematic which would affect road safety with construction traffic and additional traffic from residents once built would put an unreasonable strain on traffic passing through Laugharne which is already a problem. There is ample more level development sites already in Laugharne which are adjacent to the highway which are much more suitable and accessible. The development would prejudice surrounding properties privacy significantly as it will overlook a number of properties that front Clifton St. the fields at the rear of Clifton street should remain fields. Are there archeological issues here as well? The site adjoins the pilgrims way from St Davids? Therefore, Policy HOM1 is objected to due to the fact that site SeC20/h3 is allocated for housing in the deposit Plan

3337 Ms Joanna Legg [4781]

Summary: Object

Objection to the allocation and therefore an objection to policy HOM1. A number of concerns are cited, particularly in terms of archaeological / conservation concerns. Detailed information is submitted to this effect, with site history provided. It was considered a site of Sensitivity of Archaeological Significance by Dyfed Archaeological Trust. Also, it is not appropriate to have a development of 5 large houses, when first time buyers cannot get a foothold on the property ladder. It is also Agricultural land, grade 1. Excellent arable land.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

Further evidential work will be provided at the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

Representation(s)

3609 Mrs & Mr J & G Brown & Howells [5013]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Support

Wholeheartedly welcome the decision of the Authority to concur with the representation previously made in relation to our Clients land and fully support their decision to include the land as a Residential Allocation (ref SeC20/h3) within the development limits. They intend enacting upon this inclusion shortly after the LDP is formally adopted, by means of a formal planning application, and thereafter commence implementation of the development of the site within the early years of the Plan Period.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed.

Action

Representation(s)

4254 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

The Carmarthenshire Deposit LDP currently relies on a number of historic housing allocations that have unquestionably had deliverability issues to date given the failure come forward within the last plan period. It is considered that there is an inadequate evidence that an appropriate degree of scrutiny has been applied to these historic housing allocations to give confidence to the conclusions reached by the LPA that the Deposit LDP appropriately plans to provide an adequate housing supply and facilitate the delivery of the required housing numbers in Carmarthenshire. As such, the plan is unsound in its current state. Expected delivery timescale of this site in emerging LDP: 1-5 years. Reference may be made to representation 4143, along with the promotion of the client's site under representation 4142.

4356 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

The site has a pending outline planning application. Further evidential work will be provided at the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

Representation(s)

4357 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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4256 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

It is anticipated that this site will be brought forward within the short term.

Further evidential work will be provided at the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

Representation(s)

4255 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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4358 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

A new field has been added to the existing allocation in order to support and push forward with the proposal in its entirety.

Further evidential work will be provided at the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

Representation(s)

4258 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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4359 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

The site has been completed.

Action

Support

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV59/h2

Representation(s)

3403 Mr E & M Howells [4038]

Agent: Asbri Planning Limited (Mr Richard Bowen) [591]

Summary:

Housing Allocation SuV59/h2 is supported.

The Deposit Revised Plan is supported on the basis that the Council have accepted the principle of residential uses at the scale proposed and as such E & M Howells accepts the overall soundness of the Plan. This is confirmed in the attached submission document which seeks to demonstrate that the site is deliverable in terms of the residential development proposed.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

No change to the Plan

Deposit LDP

Representation(s)

4360 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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4259 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

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Further evidential work will be provided at the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

Representation(s)

4361 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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4260 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

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Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

Further evidential work will be provided leading into the examination of the Plan.

Action

Representation(s)

3097 Mr T Pearce [2802]

Agent: RPS Planning & Development (Emma Fortune) [681]

Summary: Support

Support is provided to the allocation of Land at Nieuport Farmyard, Pendine (ref: SuV61/h1), part of which currently benefits from an implemented planning permission for 5 dwellings (ref: 2/21251).

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed.

Further evidential work will be undertaken prior to the examination in to the revised LDP.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph HOM1: Housing Allocations, SuV63/h1

Representation(s)

3084 Llanddowror Community Council (Ms Vicky Mitchell) [42]

Summary: Object

This Council would like it to be a condition of any new housing or accommodation on either existing agreed potential development sites or any new ones to include mandatory work to ensure the sewage system is sufficient for any proposed building or development work. This should be made a condition of any planning approval and should be completed before any dwellings whether houses, lodges or caravans or any variant thereof are built or sited in the area

Development in the area from the west edge of Pendine to Brook in the east has been extensive and the infrastructure has not been maintained and upgrades to cope with it. This has led to issues for residents, which they wish to avoid in the future.

Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. Part of the site is under construction with a full road and plot layout set out for self build development.

The site has outline planning permission with three plots under construction following Reserved Matters permission.

Action

Representation(s)

4362 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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4262 Persimmon Homes West Wales (Stuart Phillips) [5154]

Agent:

WYG PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT (Louise Darch) [598]

Object

Summary:

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Council's Initial Response

The allocation of the site within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared.

Part of the site is under construction with a full road and plot layout set out for self build development.

Further evidential work will be provided leading into the examination of the Plan.

Action

Policy HOM2: Housing within Development Limits

Representation(s)

4460 Mr Thomas Marr [5235]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of a site from the development limits of Brynamman under Policy HOM2.

There are exisiting residential developments that fall outside of the boundary of the LDP therefore the proposed site allocation would have little visual impact on the surrounding area. The new site allocation falls within the inner boundary of the village of Brynamman. There is exisiting outline planning persmission for development (SeC9/h1) which is set back off Mountain Road an equal distance (behind existing houses) to the proposed site allocation.

Council's Initial Response

Policy HOM2 relates to proposals for housing developments on unallocated sites within the development limits of a defined settlement.

The objection site is separated and detached from the current built form. It's inclusion would constitute an illogical extension of the development limits.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3098 Mr T Pearce [2802]

Agent: RPS Planning & Development (Emma Fortune) [681]

Summary: Support

Full support is provided to the revision of the defined settlement limits of Pendine to include Land adjacent to Crofters Rest, Pendine and the Curtilage of Nieuport Farmhouse which are both under the sole ownership of the site promoter, Mr T. Pearce.

The revision of the settlement limits to include the above additional areas of land will help to support the organic growth of Pendine as a sustainable village in a manner which is consistent with the LDP's strategic objectives, policies and provisions. The inclusion of the Land adjacent to Crofters Rest and the Curtilage of Nieuport Farmhouse includes land which is not only deliverable and available but responds to the realistic small-scale potential opportunities for growth in the village.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

3102 Mr S Cooper [4829]

Summary: Support

Referring to SA14 7NF, Church Road. The Development Plan appears Fundamentally Sound and I am supportive of it.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

No action to be taken

Policy HOM3: Homes in Rural Villages

Representation(s)

3851 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - The Authority has tested 6 spatial options to identify how future growth will be distributed across the plan area. The Council's preferred option is a hybrid approach that builds on Strategic Option 4: Community Led and reflects the role and function of settlements whilst providing opportunities for growth in urban and rural areas (LDP, paragraph 8.20). Policy SP16: Sustainable Distribution, identifies 6 clusters. Within each cluster is a functionally linked area with 4 settlement tiers comprising Tier 1: Principal Centres, Tier 2: Service Centres, Tier 3: Sustainable Villages and Tier 4: Rural Villages. The Welsh Government does not object to the principal of this approach, providing that the majority of development is directed to sustainable locations in the County and the impacts on Welsh language have been fully considered (see specific comments).

b) Policy HOM3: Homes in Rural Villages (applicable to Tier 4 Settlements) - clarification and justification of approach

The Welsh Government is seeking clarification and justification for the level of growth attributed to Tier 4 settlements. The policy states that proposals for 1-4 dwellings will be permitted in these settlements and due to viability evidence this is likely to be for market housing only. The plan directs 500 dwellings to Tier 4 settlements. PPW states that only infill or minor extensions to existing settlements in the countryside may be acceptable (paragraph 3.56). The Council should explain how the scale of growth in rural villages aligns with the requirements of PPW, the role and function of those settlements which have limited services and facilities and an assessment on the opportunities for growth in this tier, having regard to the implications for the Welsh Language. The following must be addressed:

- * Appendix 1 of the 'Housing Supply' Topic Paper lists the Tier 4 settlements with 'appropriate numbers within the settlements' and a 'cap on new proposed dwellings within the settlement'. In addition, Appendix 2 states that many of the Tier 4 villages already have extant planning permission / existing LDP allocations, way in excess of the proposed caps? It is unclear what the total housing proposed in Tier 4 villages is, i.e. what is currently extant and how this relates to the 20% uplift in each settlement. Is the 20% in addition to sites with planning permission? Are current LDP allocations being 'rolled over' and included in capacity at these settlements?
- * There is no justification for a blanket 20% numerical uplift to the number of existing homes in each rural village, totalling 505 units (subject to clarification) on small sites (1-4 units) with no settlement boundaries. The rationale for this blanket approach has not been evidenced and it is unclear why the uplift has been applied equally to all villages when the 'Role and Function' Topic Paper identifies some villages as more sustainable than others. The reasoned justification to the policy suggests the 20% cap could be exceeded even further to deliver affordable homes? It is questionable how this approach would be implemented in practice. Thresholds/ caps have not worked well in other parts of Wales.
- * The Council's 'Rural Needs Study' 2019 states that in rural settlements, there is a predominant need for smaller affordable homes. While commuted sums may be achievable in some cases, it is likely that the majority of housing delivered in these settlements will be for market housing. In addition, the study also highlights that half of the properties sold in these areas are likely to be for people outside the County Borough. The policy appears at odds with the evidence base. It is unclear how this approach aligns with findings in the SA/SEA, which identifies that growth and inward migration has the potential to dilute the Welsh language, which would be frustrated by the development of market housing in rural villages.

Council's Initial Response

The Council notes the level of evidence available in support of the sustainable distribution of housing growth. However, the council recognises that further information will be required in order to ensure that some of the matters raised are sufficiently clear. Further background evidence will be provided leading into examination.

Reference should be made to the Council's Focused Change which amends the policy in terms of the cap on the number of new houses which will be permitted in each settlement.

Welsh Language response

In regards the concerns raised on the Welsh language, it should be noted that the Role and Function Topic Paper (January 2020) can be updated ahead of the submission of the Plan for Examination. Further evidence will be produced ahead of the submission of the Plan for Examination. This includes building upon the Welsh Language Impact Assessment (WLIA - December 2019), undertaking further analysis work in terms of population and household projections/ migration data.

With regards the implications for the Welsh Language the WLIA has assessed the impact of the Deposit LDP's spatial strategy upon the Welsh language concluding in section 2.5 that it is likely to have a minor positive impact upon the Welsh language compared to the current "business as usual" LDP. Evidence collected to date on the relationship between new housing and the Welsh language do not provide definitive answers; an analysis of housing completions and the difference in Welsh speakers between 2001 and 2011 shows no relationship (other than a very weak negative correlation between the two datasets) between the level of new housing and changes in the Welsh language. Other evidence collected in respect of the occupancy of new homes indicates that a significant proportion of new developments are occupied by existing Welsh speaking households moving from the existing stock.

As explained in the Deposit LDP's evidence base, the relationship between development and the Welsh language is a difficult one to understand fully. The Council has undertaken research and has responded according to the findings of that research. Whilst there is often a presumption that a higher level of development can negatively impact upon the Welsh language, there appears to be no evidence to indicate that this has been the case in Carmarthenshire. As explained in the LDP's Topic Paper on the Welsh Language (August 2019), there are a number of factors, other than development, which can impact upon the Welsh language, and whilst these largely fall beyond the remit of the LDP, it is acknowledged by the Council that these could play a contributory, if not fundamental, role.

The Sustainability Appraisal/Strategic Environmental Assessment (SA/SEA) makes these comments in respect of Spatial Option 3 - Dispersal which sought to distribute housing, employment and other forms of development on a broad basis between settlements within the County, both urban and rural. This Option would see a higher proportion of the County's growth being directed to rural areas than is being proposed through the Preferred Strategy for the Deposit LDP. These comments relate to a strategy which would have seen a much higher proportion of growth directed to smaller settlements than that facilitated by Policy HOM3.

Action

3327 Mr Owen Williams [3158]

Summary: Object

In summary, I believe that this passage of the LDP concerning infilling in rural villages does not meet the first test of soundness, as it is evident that the policy is not in line with other local authority policies concerning the amount of infilling that is allowed to take place. It suggests that proper research has not been undertaken into national standards and best practice and uses figures that are unjustified and unsupported by any evidence. For these reasons I propose that the maximum infilling allowable should be 2 dwellings - in line with other policies across Wales.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The scale of settlements set out within Tier 4 vary considerable within the County. Policy HOM3 recognises the potential for new development, and seeks to limit the number of new housing within settlements by adopting a cap on the number of dwellings which can be delivered during the plan period. This is considered necessary so that smaller settlements within the county would only favour small scale development, whilst other larger settlements within Tier 4 may be able to provide developments of up to 4 dwellings, albeit up to the cap set out within the evidence base.

The policy also provides guidance on acceptable plots which would support the development of cohesive and sustainable communities.

Action

4081 Mr Owen Williams [3158]

Summary: Object

Objects to policy HOM3 in that this is incompatible with neighbouring authority plans and inconsistent with policies on infill more generally for rural areas. Infilling can be used to justify all manner of inappropriate developments if given too wider latitude of operation.

It is important for Carmarthenshire County Council to demonstrate a similar consistency with what is clearly a national trend towards small and more easily managed infilling within rural settlements. As no justification for the 4-dwelling upper limit has been shown, the Deposit Plan should be modified reflect the emerging standard of no more than 2 dwellings for an infill site, especially in rural areas. This would ensure more sustainable growth that would be much more likely to keep pace with infrastructural developments and to ensure that the overall environmental, landscape, and character impacts upon rural areas are minimised to acceptable levels.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The scale of settlements set out within Tier 4 vary considerable within the County. Policy HOM3 recognises the potential for new development and seeks to limit the number of new housing within settlements by adopting a cap on the number of dwellings which can be delivered during the plan period. This is considered necessary so that smaller settlements within the county would only favour small scale development, whilst other larger settlements within Tier 4 may be able to provide developments of up to 4 dwellings, albeit up to the cap set out within the evidence base.

The policy also provides guidance on acceptable plots which would support the development of cohesive and sustainable communities.

Action

4092 Mr & Mrs Henry [3677]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Support

Support for Policy HOM3, in relation to the settlement of Felindre.

The inclusion of Felindre as Rural Village of Cluster 5 is both welcomed and supported.

Felindre is located at a sustainable location with good access to a nearby larger settlement that contains a wide range of local services and community facilities. Access to this settlement is possible by non-motorised means and the village is also positioned on a regular bus service route, giving it good access to further settlements of the County and their associated facilities and services. Its sustainable location therefore merits its designation as a Rural Village to enable it to facilitate further housing development to serve the immediate rural community.

3747 Mr M Thomas [3749]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Support

Our clients have given careful consideration to the categorisation of Cross Inn as a "Rural Village", and accordingly wholeheartedly welcome and support the decision of the Authority to include the village in those settlements listed under Tier 4 within Cluster 6 of the Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan.

4115 Mr Martin Ingram [3506]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Support

Support the provision of HOM3 and identify that their clients land represents one such opportunity for new housing development and being well related to the existing form of the village.

4110 Mr Trevor Davies and Sons [5145]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Support

The inclusion of Llansadwrn as Rural Village of Cluster 5 (under Policy HOM3) is both welcomed and supported.

In order to sustain and preserve a community's level of sustainability, it is vital that provision for new housing is made available for all its members, irrespective of their social or economic backgrounds. This then ensures a positive balance within such communities that will secure their sustainability for the future. It is considered that Policy HOM3 now ensures that local planning policy in Carmarthenshire goes some way to assist in securing this objective.

3666 Mr & Mrs Hughes [5033]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Support

Support of policy HOM3 specifically in relation to Manordeilo being classified as a Rural Village

3769 Mr and Mrs Jones [5051]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Support

Support for Policy HOM3.

We fully support the provision of Policy HOM3 and the designation of Pontantwn as a Rural Village capable of accommodating further open market housing development following the adoption of the Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan.

3832 Mr & Mrs Jones [5073]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Support

Fully support the provision of Policy HOM3 and the designation of Whitemill as a Rural Village capable of accommodating further open marking housing development following the adoption of the Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan.

3892 Mrs E Goodwin-Jones [5083]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Support

On behalf of our Client, we fully support the provision of Policy HOM3 and the designation of Felingwm Isaf as a Rural Village capable of accommodating further open marking housing development following the adoption of the Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan.

Felingwm Isaf is located at a sustainable location with good access to nearby larger settlements that contain a wide range of local services and community facilities. It is also positioned on a public highway that is served by a regular service, giving it good access to further settlements of the County and their associated facilities and services.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4462 Mr & Mrs B E & D R Harries [380]

Summary: Support

Support the written statement and in particular, the removal of boundary limits in some areas. The settlements identified as rural villages, such as Broadway, near Laugharne, are constrained by the current LDP.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed.

Action

Policy HOM4 - Homes in Non-Defined Rural Settlements

Representation(s)

3852 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - The Authority has tested 6 spatial options to identify how future growth will be distributed across the plan area. The Council's preferred option is a hybrid approach that builds on Strategic Option 4: Community Led and reflects the role and function of settlements whilst providing opportunities for growth in urban and rural areas (LDP, paragraph 8.20). Policy SP16: Sustainable Distribution, identifies 6 clusters. Within each cluster is a functionally linked area with 4 settlement tiers comprising Tier 1: Principal Centres, Tier 2: Service Centres, Tier 3: Sustainable Villages and Tier 4: Rural Villages. The Welsh Government does not object to the principal of this approach, providing that the majority of development is directed to sustainable locations in the County and the impacts on Welsh language have been fully considered (see specific comments).

c) Policy HOM4: Homes in Non-Defined Rural Settlements (Tier 5)

The policy currently permits up to 2 local needs affordable housing in unidentified hamlets or groups of dwellings. This approach is contrary to PPW, which clearly states that "new buildings in the open countryside away from existing settlements or areas allocated for development in development plans must continue to be strictly controlled" (paragraph 3.56). The policy does not identify hamlets or groups of dwellings. Policy HOM4 should be deleted accordingly. The Welsh Government considers it would be appropriate to deliver local needs/affordable housing in identified Tier 4 Rural Villages. This would align with the Council's own evidence base and SA conclusions in respect of the Welsh Language. (See specific comments on Welsh Language).

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The policy seeks to provide for flexibility within the rural context and the nature of rural communities within Carmarthenshire.

In regards the concerns raised on the Welsh language, it should be noted that the Role and Function Topic Paper (January 2020) can be updated ahead of the submission of the Plan for Examination. Further evidence will be produced ahead of the submission of the Plan for Examination. This includes building upon the Welsh Language Impact Assessment (WLIA - December 2019), undertaking further analysis work in terms of population and household projections/ migration data.

With regards the implications for the Welsh Language, the WLIA has assessed the impact of the Deposit LDP's spatial strategy upon the Welsh language concluding in section 2.5 that it is likely to have a minor positive impact upon the Welsh language compared to the current "business as usual" LDP. Evidence collected to date on the relationship between new housing and the Welsh language do not provide definitive answers; an analysis of housing completions and the difference in Welsh speakers between 2001 and 2011 shows no relationship (other than a very weak negative correlation between the two datasets) between the level of new housing and changes in the Welsh language. Other evidence collected in respect of the occupancy of new homes indicates that a significant proportion of new developments are occupied by existing Welsh speaking households moving from the existing stock.

As explained in the Deposit LDP's evidence base, the relationship between development and the Welsh language is a difficult one to understand fully. The Council has undertaken research and have responded according to the findings of that research. Whilst there is often a presumption that a higher level of development can negatively impact upon the Welsh language, there appears to be no evidence to indicate that this has been the case in Carmarthenshire. As explained in the LDP's Topic Paper on the Welsh Language (August 2019), there are a number of factors, other than development, which can impact upon the Welsh language, and whilst these largely fall beyond the remit of the LDP, it is acknowledged by the Council that these could play a contributory, if not fundamental, role.

The Sustainability Appraisal/Strategic Environmental Assessment (SA/SEA) makes these comments in respect of Spatial Option 3 - Dispersal which sought to distribute housing, employment and other forms of development on a broad basis between settlements within the County, both urban and rural. This Option would see a higher proportion of the County's growth being directed to rural areas than is being proposed through the Preferred Strategy for the Deposit LDP. These comments relate to a strategy which would have seen a much higher proportion of growth directed to smaller settlements than that facilitated by Policy HOM4.

Action

3672 JEM & EJ Hughes [5038]

Agent: Aled Thomas Planning Design Ltd (Mr Aled Thomas) [3225]

Summary:

Object

Objection to policy HOM4, stating that further information is required regarding policy HOM4 regarding what happens when the properties cannot be let or sold as an affordable property.

Council's Initial Response

The approach as set out within policy SP16 Strategic Policy - SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework is considered sound. The diversity of the County is recognised with regard given to housing in rural areas, and the value such areas play within the County. Within rural villages (Tier 4) and non-defined settlements, new housing development will be limited to small scale opportunities. Reference is made to Policy HOM3 of this Plan where opportunities may exist for proponents of appropriate residential proposals in such areas.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3977 Harold Metcalfe Partnership (Mr D A Jones) [706]

Summary: Support

Support for Policy HOM4, particularly in relation to candidate site SR/165/010.

In our original submission we encouraged the LPA to support moderate housing development within our small communities. Policy HOM4 demonstrates that the LPA is in support of that Policy.

In regard to site SR/165/010, the site could accommodate 3 housing plots and complies with Policy HOM4 in all ways.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

Paragraph Para 11.103

Representation(s)

4471 Calon Cymru Network CIC (Dr Pat Racher) [5222]

Summary: Object

In relation to rural affordable housing, Calon Cymru agrees with 11.103 for occupancy controls to be imposed to ensure that homes remain affordable. In our view, community land trusts are an ideal legal form for maintaining affordability. Consideration should also be given to facilitating self-build on approved and serviced sites, where construction can be paced to suit evolving household needs and budgets.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The revised LDP allows the opportunity for the provision of affordable housing through various mechanism provided it accords with the policies set out within the Plan.

Action

No change to the Plan

Policy HOM5: Conversion or Subdivision of Existing Dwellings

Representation(s)

3680 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

We note the purpose of this policy but would advise against any proposal in a flood risk area if it involved new residential units situated wholly on the ground floor. We acknowledge that these dwellings are classed as having highly vulnerable use as defined in Technical Advice Note (TAN) 15: Development and Flood Risk. However, such conversions could but all parts of what would be a new residential unit, at risk of flooding. Such applications would require a Flood Consequences Assessment (FCA) to demonstrate that TAN 15's A1.14 criteria can be met, or an amended layout with no new self-contained residential units situated on the ground floor.

Council's Initial Response

Comments Noted

Action

HOM6: Specialist Housing

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Representation(s)

3090 Mr Ian Morgan [4818]

Summary: Object

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3087 Mr Ian Morgan [4818]

Summary: Object

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Council's Initial Response

Disagree. Paragraph 11.107 defines Specialist Housing, of which extra or close care housing falls within its definition. Additionally the HOM6 policy referes to a set of criteria which, along with other policies within the plan would be able to deal with such an application and adequately address the concerns of the respondent.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3660 Mr N Bundock [5027]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary. Object

Consider that the draft settlement limits for Glanamman / Garnant, as defined under Policy SD1 "Settlement Limits", should be amended to include the land within this representation.

The land should be appropriately allocated for Specialist Housing under Policy HOM6. There are no available allocated sites within Glanamman / Garnant in which a Care Village could be adequately sited, both in terms of land availability, and ease of access onto the local highway network,

Council's Initial Response

Diasgree. The Plan does not allocate sites under a C2 use class, and therefore the development limits will not be amended. Any potential new proposal will be considered against the policies set out within the revised LDP, most notably policy HOM6 which deals with new proposals directly related to the development limits of defined settlements.

Action

Policy Strategic Policy - SP 4: Affordable Homes Strategy

Representation(s)

3157 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Object

The affordable/market split proposed is 1600/8560, or 16%/84%. This is significantly lower than the the 2019 LHMA ration of 24%/76%. Noting the importance of good quality housing for meeting the health and wellbeing aim, the proposed level of affordable housing seems totally inadequate. Elsewhere it is stated that 1 in 3 households are classed as in poverty. A greater fraction of affordable housing is surely needed to help achieve the health and wellbeing aims as well as reduce poverty.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. SP4 sets out the minimum provision of affordable housing during the plan period, which is delivered through various housing components of supply i.e. from allocations, small sites or large windfall sites).

In terms of the affordable housing targets set out in AHOM1, the revised LDP has been subject to detailed evidence gathering and its requirements reflect the findings of the LDP's viability study. In addition it should be noted that the LDP and planning system are only one of few mechanisms used to meet this affordable housing need identified within the LHMA.

Action

365 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - Affordable Housing

Local Housing Market Assessment - PPW identifies the LHMA as a core piece of evidence setting out the level and type of housing need in an area. Only a draft LHMA Area Summary has been submitted as part of the evidence base and whilst this Summary (December 2019) identifies a need for 2,304 affordable homes (154 units per annum) over the plan period, it does not set out the tenure split. Without knowing the tenure mix for social rent and intermediate housing, it is unclear if the 50% social rent and 50% intermediate housing tested in the viability assessment is appropriate, especially as the level of intermediate housing seems high. This will impact on the viability assessment, both plan-wide and site specific targets and thresholds in Policy AHOM1.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The Local Housing Market Assessment (LHMA) has been prepared as part of a regional collaboration with the publication of the area summary reflective of the version available for publication at the time of the Deposit. The full LHMA and the finalised area summary will be published in due course and will be available as part of the Plan's evidence base.

In relation to the respondent's query on the tenure mix for social rent and intermediate housing the transfer values applied to affordable homes are the same for social rented and intermediate tenures. Reference should be had to paragraphs 4.6 - 4.8 of the Report of Financial Viability as contained within the Revised LDP's evidence base. The balance between those two tenures is not considered relevant to viability, and would be determined by need in a particular Affordable Housing Action Area.

Action

3374 Casey Edwards [4773]

Summary: Support

Our representation on the deposit plan highlights the potential role of community-led housing schemes in helping to provide more quality, affordable housing in Carmarthenshire, which meets the needs of the community. Whilst we recognise that community-led housing will only play a small part in meeting affordable housing targets and will never replace traditional house building, it can help authorities in bringing forward new market and affordable schemes to address local needs, a key target of the deposit plan.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The revised LDP sets a policy framework to allow the potential for various forms of affordable housing to be provided within Carmarthenshire.

Action

Policy AHOM1: Provision of Affordable Homes

Representation(s)

3235 Mr D Chapman [5063]

Agent: RPS Planning & Development (Mrs Kate Gapper) [797]

Summary: Object

Support the AH provisions as set out in Policy AHOM1. However to ensure that the provisions of this policy do not contradict with Policy HOM1, the policy should be worded to reflect the fact that the housing allocation at West Carmarthen (Site Ref: PrC1/MU1) for the development of 700 new homes makes provision for an affordable housing contribution of 12% in recognition of the costs associated with the Carmarthen West Link Road on the financial viability of the site.

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3239 E & O & E Jones & Elias [5052]

Agent: RPS Planning & Development (Mrs Kate Gapper) [797]

Summary: Object

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Council's Initial Response

Agreed in part.

The West Carmarthen site identified in the HOM1 housing allocation list recognises that the affordable housing figure is set at a 12% target.

In light of the above the council recognises the need for clarity in relation to the percentage target for west Carmarthen. A new sentence will be inserted to paragraph 11.124 and the plan to be amended accordingly.

Action

Change to the Plan.

3359 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs. Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

In summary, BDW objects to this policy. Further justification and explanation is sought on the rationale behind applying varying affordable housing percentages according to the scale of development as opposed to a range of affordable housing percentages across different market areas. It is not considered that this policy is based on robust viability information. BDW is concerned that this policy has the potential to have a detrimental impact on development viability and hence the delivery of affordable housing and housing in general in Carmarthenshire. As such, BDW do not consider this policy should be adopted in its current form.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The Council has undertaken robust viability evidence to establish affordable housing targets set out within the Plan.

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

4592 Ceredigion County Council (Anjuli Davies) [5303]

Summary: Object

The level of affordable housing sought ranges from a commuted sum contribution to in the region of 10-20% affordable housing provision on-site. Ceredigion County Council has yet to undertake a Strategic Viability Assessment, however, once it has done, the results should be compared to ensure that a consistent level of provision is sought on either side of the river Teifi so as not to advantage or

disadvantage the profitability or deliverability of particular sites in Carmarthenshire over those in Ceredigion.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The revised LDP has been subject to detailed evidence gathering and its requirements reflect the findings of the LDP's viability study and takes into consideration other factor such as the LHMA, past delivery rates and the need for flexibility to allow for variances between sites

Action

3866 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - Affordable Housing

Affordable Housing Targets and Thresholds - The affordable housing checklist in the DPM sets out the information that all LDPs should contain to support the delivery of affordable housing. Taking on board our previous comments on the tenure split, the Council will need to consider how findings in the viability assessment have informed Policy AHOM1 in the plan. The Welsh Government has no concerns on the model used in the high level study, nor the cost inputs, this will be for the industry to comment on. However, the Welsh Government has concerns on the policy approach regarding the use of action areas (6 or 4?), median income and site size, implemented through the target ranges in AHOM1. The approach is unclear and confusing and it is not possible to ascertain if the targets are appropriate, viable or maximise affordable housing in the Country. The following needs to be addressed:

- a. It is unclear why the Council has moved from a market area viability approach in the adopted LDP to an approach based on site size. Does a site of 19 homes have the same viability/costs across the entire County Borough? The current adopted plan approach of market areas suggests this may not be the case?
- b. The policy is also linked to a median household income approach across 4 (or 6?) Affordable Housing Action Areas (AHAA). The approach is confusing, and it is unclear how this would be implemented in practice. It is also unclear how it relates to areas of viability and why it is appropriate to replace the Welsh Government's Acceptable Cost Guidance (ACG) in favour of this approach? How does household earnings impact on site viability, particularly as earnings will vary year on year? The Council needs to explain this approach and why it is different to residual values determined across sub-market areas in the adopted plan.
- c. It is unclear how the policy ranges relate to the viability assessment, especially as the assessment does not appraise sites by range or identify the AHAAs? For example, the final appraisal in Appendix E of the viability assessment identifies that 26% affordable housing is viable on a 72 unit site. How does this align with Policy AHOM1 and a target of 20-25% on sites of 50+ units? How does an approach of ranges/site size maximise affordable housing? d. It is also unclear why affordable housing on allocated sites and large windfalls has been calculated using the lowest percentage target?
- e. There is no policy for affordable housing led sites (50%) affordable housing on public land. https://gov.wales/increasing-supply-affordable-homes-through-planning-july-2019

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

In relation to the concerns on how findings in the viability assessment have informed Policy AHOM1 in the plan, specific reference is made to The Financial Viability Report notably page 10, and particularly para. 3.15. This explains how the Affordable Housing percentages in Policy AHOM1 were informed by the high-level viability testing/study.

The following details the response in relation to the respondents points to be addressed: a. Viability was tested not only by site size (using the typologies identified in Appendix B of the Report on Financial Viability as set out within the evidence base for the Revised LDP, but also across the range of Community Network/ Affordable Housing Action Areas (AHAA's). Whilst costs on the whole are reasonably constant across the County, they do vary according to site size. Appendix B shows how different levels of cost (as well as fees and profit margins) were assumed for different sizes of site. Values, on the other hand, do vary across the County, and in different AHAA's. This is partly because of differing levels of value ascribed to affordable homes (AH) in each AHAA; but also, because open market values vary across the County. The high-level testing thus produced a range of AH percentages that it should be viable for the open market housing to support, the lower percentages being found in the lowest value AHAA, and the higher percentages in the highest value AHAA. Burrows-Hutchinson Ltd (BHL) therefore recommended that the Council redefine their existing policy so as to specify a range of AH percentages that it should be viable for sites to provide, depending first on their size, but also on their location within the County.

Bearing in mind the varied nature of development opportunities, and the number of variables in Viability generally, it was also felt that specifying a range of AH percentages in policy AHOM1 would provide an ability to take a flexible approach towards site proposals, and in the determination of planning applications.

The policy expects sites in higher value areas to deliver AH percentages at the upper end of the range stated; but recognises that a single percentage may/will not be appropriate for all sites, and may also be subject to a degree of change over time, it offers a suitable degree of flexibility as well. The Council can push for the higher percentages where it considers this appropriate; while the alternative approach of setting the percentage at the lowest common denominator, to ensure that all sites would be viable, does not afford the same opportunity to maximise AH delivery.

b. The Council's approach to affordability is based on TAN 2 with affordability dependent on (1) price of housing, either for rent or for sale and (2) the income of the household that is looking for somewhere to live.

Household incomes vary considerably in different parts of the County. It is not considered reasonable to base affordability figures on a County average, as this will not be meaningful to a family in in different parts of the County. The Council recognises that household income figures vary every year as do market prices for homes for rent and for sale.

Acceptable Cost Guidance (ACG) is not related to affordability rather it relates to the cost of construction by registered social landlords. ACG has little relationship to local construction costs, as it is based on a very partial dataset, such as past construction costs by Welsh housing associations. In areas where housing associations haven't built anything for years, there is limited data. These tend to be rural areas, which as a consequence get put into band 1 (the lowest). This in turn makes housing association development in many rural areas not

financially viable, so consequently, there lesser opportunity for development.

- c. The five assessments in Appendix E to the Report on Financial Viability were included merely as a examples of the high-level testing. It was considered that including all the results would overburden the report unnecessarily. A more comprehensive table of results could be added to the Report on Financial Viability if this would assist in providing additional clarity. The top figure (26.4%) and some others were deliberately "rounded" to reflect the degree of accuracy that can be evidenced from high-level studies of this kind.
- d. This allows the Council to set a minimum level in relation to a identified target. Whilst this does not in itself show a maximum level it does not preclude achieving AH based on the higher percentages.
- e. The Council notes the content of the Chief Planning Officers letter and will consider the content accordingly as part of the Focused Changes to the Plan. The Council notes however that the viability of such public owned sites will depend to a very large extent on the level of SHG that they receive or qualify for. The Council is however, committed to delivering an ambitious level of affordable housing. In this respect reference is made to the Council's Affordable Housing Delivery Plan.



No change to the Plan. Note a change may emerge in relation to the response to point e.

3840 Mr James Bromhead [5053]

Agent: RPS Planning & Development (Mrs Kate Gapper) [797]

Summary: Support

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Action

Change to the Plan.

RPS Planning & Development (Mrs Kate Gapper) [797]

Summary: Support

Firstly, it should be noted that our client supports the Affordable Housing provisions as set out in Policy AHOM1. However to ensure that the provisions of this policy do not contradict with Policy HOM1, the policy should be worded to reflect the fact that the housing allocation at West Carmarthen (Site Ref: PrC1/MU1) for the development of 700 new homes makes provision for an affordable housing contribution of 12% in recognition of the costs associated with the Carmarthen West Link Road on the financial viability of the site.

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Action

Change to the Plan.

Policy Strategic Policy - SP 5: Strategic Sites

Representation(s)

3870 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - There is a focus in the plan through Policies SG1 and SP5 on developing strategic and large scale regeneration and mixed-use sites. Sites of over 100 units in Appendix 1 of the Infrastructure Plan are supported by information on phasing, infrastructure requirements and planning obligations but there is no evidence on master planning, viability, detailed costs or commitment from developers through Statements of Common Ground (SoCG).

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The respondent's recognition of the information contained within the Infrastructure Plan is welcomed, this will however be supplemented as appropriate. Further evidence on residential sites of over 100 units as cited by the respondent, including matters relation viability and deliverability as well as Statements of Common Ground, will form part of the LDP documents and evidence base, as well as further informing the infrastructure plan as the Plan progresses towards submission.

Action

3681 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

We acknowledge the two strategic sites identified as key components of the Swansea Bay City Deal:

- * The Life Science and Well-being Village, Llanelli.
- * Yr Egin Creative Digital Cluster, Carmarthen.

We have no comment to make on Policy SP5 as we are involved with both sites through the planning process. We will continue to work with your Authority in progressing the development of these sites.

4047 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

Given that each of these sites has extant planning consent, there is nothing specific for us to advise.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Action

Paragraph Strategic Policy - SP 5: Strategic Sites, PrC2/SS1

Representation(s)

4269 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary: Object

In addition to the points that we have raised about the strategy and spatial distribution of development we also wish to make comments about suitability, viability and deliverability of allocations. Not delivering enough housing will have huge consequential impacts on the Council's ability to attract new jobs to the area as the LDP aspires to do. Upon clarifying this matter with the agent, it was confirmed that they wish to attribute the reference to this strategic policy in their representation form against prc2/ss1 due to the fact that it has a housing component of 240 units. Reference is also made to rep 4243 where the client's site is promoted.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The allocation of the site within the LDP has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process a detailed site pro forma has been prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. This allocation identified within the LDP makes sufficient provision for part of the housing needs of this settlement.

The Council is confident in the delivery of this site.

Feedback attained from the landowner/developer (November 2020) confirms intent to deliver in accordance with the Plan period.

This feedback states the following:

The allowance of 240 c3 use class units within the overall allocation is appropriate and in keeping with the aspirations for the site.

The planning position on the site is set out (outline planning permission - S/36948).

The scheme is being developed in accordance with the phasing plan as approved within planning.

The scheme has been approved by Carmarthenshire County Council and Swansea Bay City Deal's Joint Committee.

A scheme for betterment on the site has been identified and agreed at planning stage (note the landowner/developer confirms the provisions of policy INF4 are known and will be adhered to by the scheme).

The project timescales are aligned with the dates set out in the Site Trajectory Schedule (Housing Trajectory of the Plan).

Also it is noted that the site is named Pentre Awel.

It should be noted that the landowner/developer has also agreed to complete a Statement of Common Ground (SCOG) detailing timescales, funding, marketing, delivery and viability in regards this site ahead of the LDP Examination.

Sufficient evidence has been provided by the landowner/developer to prove the site is able to be delivered within the Plan period.

Where appropriate, further evidential work can be undertaken prior to the examination into the revised LDP.

It is considered that he residential component of the overall strategic site scheme is integral to the delivery and wider offer. In residential terms, it will facilitate the delivery of a range and choice of homes across the area that will meet the challenges faced in terms of an increasing diverse requirement in terms of housing need.

This is a notable site for the settlement in terms of the number of residential units. It should be noted however that there are a number of housing developments already under construction and / or completed within the settlement to date within the Plan period. Notable of which are PrC2/h3 (94 units), PrC2/h13 (29 units), Prc2/h18 (32 units), prc2/h19 (240 units initially) and prc2/h21 (34 units). To this end, the supply of housing across the plan period within the settlement is appropriate within the early years of the trajectory, and this site will make a contribution in due course. This also leads to a natural phasing of development across the Plan period

As a cross reference note - the respondent's site is promoted under representation reference number 4243. The Council's response to this can be viewed under the Council's HOM1 policy responses.

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of this representation / objection.

However it should be noted that following the feedback received from the landowner/developer (as discussed in the Council's response above) an amendment will be made to the Plan by way of focused change in respect of the site name to read: Pentre Awel.

Policy Strategic Policy - SP 6: Employment and the Economy

Representation(s)

3879 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - Employment Provision and Jobs

Growth forecasts over the plan period evidence employment growth of 5,310 new jobs (354 a year). There appears to have been no assessment on the number of jobs in the Class B sector or how this aligns to the scale of employment allocations in the plan, totalling 77.93ha in Policy SP6. The evidence should be clear on the scale of B-Class jobs and how this has informed the level of employment provision in the plan by sector.

Council's Initial Response

Noted.

The Pembrokeshire and Carmarthenshire Two County Economic Study (TCES) utilises Experian employment forecasts from 2019 for both broad sectors and detailed employment categories, to explore how the potential demand within the Use Class B Sector would transpose into land-based demand.

Three different Experian scenarios were tested, which generated varying levels of demand for employment land. Within the Baseline Forecast, a requirement of 3.0ha of employment land was considered needed to meet demand across the office and distribution sector, whilst the Wales-based forecast applied to the Two County Study area resulted in demand for 6.0ha of employment land. The Brexit forecast was more conservative.

Whilst the forecasts and historic take up rates alone within the TCES would not justify the allocations in Policy SP6, the study found through engagement strong latent demand, confidence and a willingness to invest / grow particularly from strategically-important indigenous businesses located on a number of the larger employment sites across the Two County Area.

TAN 23 Economic Development considers that 'employment land provision targets may be higher than anticipated demand', to allow for the change to meet demand and ensure that opportunities are not missed. Employment land provision should therefore ensure flexibility to allow for competition and choice.

The economic study did not seek to justify the total land allocation and given the existing nature of the majority (if not all) of the sites, the study seeks to retain sites which offer strategic benefits and should be protected (e.g. where there is port or strategic road connectivity), where current sites have occupiers with clear growth potential (e.g. Cross Hands / Withybush) or where the site may have a role in wider interventions and have been identified as such (e.g. City Deal). Responding to a perception of 'missed opportunities', the study also includes several interventions which aim to actively promote sites and encourage growth of existing employers and investment from new.

The TCES is being updated to understand the initial implications of both the effects of the pandemic and potential Brexit scenarios. Although updated forecasts from Experian show a short-term decline in jobs (reflecting the immediate impact of the pandemic), the future trends show a broad V-shape recovery, assuming a vaccine allows the economy to recover. Employment projections show recovery to levels that broadly align to previous forecasts across the majority of sectors.

In addition, initial engagement has identified that there is a continuing perception of demand for space from indigenous businesses, a confidence in the demand emerging from the local and domestic markets and key sectors appear to be responding to the challenges of Covid, with a strong sense of entrepreneurship from SMEs and opportunities arising from working from home (i.e. local employment hubs).

Action

3461 Mr D Richards [4988]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Seeking the inclusion of a new employment site.

The designation of this area of land as an employment site will provide considerable economic development at this important strategic gateway site into Llanelli.

Its designation would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for wider economic activity. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the local area and will ensure a deliverable source of future economic growth.

Council's Initial Response

Part of the objection site has been allocated for employment use in the Revised Deposit LDP (part of site PrC2/E2). With regard to the additional parts of the objection site, these will remain excluded from allocation as there is sufficient land available within Llanelli to meet its employment need. Potential future proposals on the additional parts of the objection site will be dealt with under LDP policy.

Action

4474 welsh government (Mr Paul Evans) [5241]

Summary: Object

This site represents a suitable and sustainable location for development. Development on this site will strive to meet the goals of the WBFGA. The site is also considered to align with key objectives of WG's Property Development Plan and therefore will meet the requirements for appropriate WG funding required to provide the necessary site infrastructure for future private and public sector commercial /industrial investment. As such WG considers its proposals for this site are viable and deliverable within the next Plan period and would meet all the tests for soundness required for inclusion within the LDP. WG has allocated funding to commence with a masterplanning exercise for the site during 2020-2022, subject to the LPA either allocating the site within the deposit LDP, or allowing the site to come forward earlier within the plan process based on its own merits. This is an objection against Policy SP6 in that the site does not form part of the Plan's employment allocation - site reference is AS/086/**

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

There is sufficient employment land allocated within the area. Nevertheless, the Council will continue to work with the respondent to meet the employment needs of Llanelli and the Plan area, as well as those of the wider region, including the City Deal area.

Policies within the Plan are in place that make provision for potential employment proposals on sites that are adjacent to development limits such as this.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)
4473 Calon Cymru Network CIC (Dr Pat Racher) [5222]

Calon Cymru welcomes the statement in SP6, Employment and the Economy, to "allow appropriate small scale employment opportunities and rural enterprises in the countryside to support rural communities and to deliver a diverse and sustainable rural economy".

Council's Initial Response

Summary:

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Support

Policy EME1: Employment- Safeguarding of Employment Sites

Representation(s)

4215 Tata Steel Europe Limited (_ _ _) [5156]

Agent: Turley Associates Ltd (Abi Roberts) [4717]

Summary:

Object

The Policy sets out criteria where, exceptionally, proposals which result in the loss of employment sites is acceptable. The wording to that policy does not make it clear whether all or some of the criteria need to be met. This should be clarified. It is considered that only some of the criteria would need to be met as not all the criteria would be relevant to every

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The wording of the policy is sufficiently clear in that all the criteria need to be considered and met.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4483 Cllr Tina Higgins [2920]

Summary: Object

This is an area of land situated off an unclassified road known as Heol Ddu. The land is close to Teglan Park a large housing estate leading off from Penygarn Road. Although the land is currently a site for factories, the land has planning permission for residential properties. I would prefer that this area is used for residential purposes due to its close proximity to residential properties.

Council's Initial Response

Noted.

The identification of the site as existing employment is reflective of the current activity. Should an alternative use be proposed then this would be considered against the policies and provisions of the Revised LDP and any other material considerations.

Action

3392 Mr Enzo Sauro [4962]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Mr Luke Grattarola) [685]

Summary: Support

Support for policy EME1: Employment - Safeguarding of Employment Sites:

The above policy is supported, particularly in relation to a site identified within the Plan as being safeguarded for existing employment uses.

The particular site is located along Heol Croppin, Dafen. F.R.E.D.S Timberframe Ltd are in the process of preparing a pre-app and subsequent planning application for a timber frame production facility to be located on the site. The viability and policy compliance of this are discussed in attached evidence.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4211 Tata Steel Europe Limited (_ _ _) [5156]

Agent: Turley Associates Ltd (Abi Roberts) [4717]

Summary: Support

The respondent's client welcomes the designation of the Trostre Steelworks as an existing employment site. Tata also welcome the support for employment related proposals within this area which allows for the extension and / or intensification of existing employment enterprises.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4216 Tata Steel Europe Limited (_ _ _) [5156]

Agent: Turley Associates Ltd (Abi Roberts) [4717]

Summary: Support

Support is given to criterion (f) which allows uses which are complementary to the primary employment use of the surrounding area. This recognises that non B-class uses and ancillary uses can be appropriate for locations within an employment site. Examples (not exhaustive) of such uses could include those relating to education or visitor centres.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Policy EME2 Employment - Extensions and Intensification

Representation(s)

4214 Tata Steel Europe Limited (_ _ _) [5156]

Agent: Turley Associates Ltd (Abi Roberts) [4717]

Summary: Support

Tata also welcome the support for employment related proposals within this area which allows for the extension and / or intensification of existing employment enterprises.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

Policy EME3: Employment Proposals on Allocated Sites

Representation(s)

3478 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Object

The following provisions are applicable to all individual development plots located within allocated employment sites:

- * We will work with your authority to support sustainable economic development, however your authority and potential developers should be aware that the obligations of a water and sewerage undertaker extends to 'domestic' supplies only. Where an employment allocation results in higher demands of water supply and/or trade effluent discharges we recommend and welcome early consultation with Dwr Cymru Welsh Water.
- * The individual plots available for development can represent a substantial area of land for which the potential demands upon our assets are unknown at present. It is essential that we understand these demands in order to allow us to assess the impact on our assets. It may be necessary for water and/or sewerage modelling assessments to be undertaken at the developer's expense to establish where the proposed development could connect to the existing networks, and to identify and required infrastructure improvements.
- * Water mains and/or sewerage infrastructure required for any potential development site can be acquired through the requisition provisions of the Water Industry Act 1991 (as amended).
- * Welsh Water has rights of access to its assets at all times. Where there are water mains and/or sewers crossing sites then protection measures in respect of these assets will be required, usually in the form of an easement width or in some instances a diversion of the asset.
- * If any development site gives rise to a new discharge (or alters an existing discharge) of trade effluent, directly or indirectly to the public sewerage system, then a Discharge Consent under Section 118 of the Water Industry Act 1991 is required from Welsh Water. Please note that the issuing of a discharge consent is independent of the planning process and a consent may be refused despite planning permission being granted.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The local planning authority will continue to work closely with the respondent.

Action

3881 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - Employment Allocations

The employment allocations listed in Policy EME3 are largely made-up of parcels of land within strategic and local employment sites. Whilst the Welsh Government does not object to the principle of this approach, there does not appear to be any evidence supporting the choice of employment allocations in the plan. Neither the Employment Land Review (ELR) nor the two-county economic study identify local employment sites that are suitable for allocation. The Council must clearly explain the rationale for identifying the employment allocations in Policy EME3 based on sector growth and demand and site delivery and availability over the plan period.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed in part.

As outlined within the Two-County Economic Study (TCES), it is difficult to justify the allocations purely based on employment growth and associated land demand. The Study therefore takes a broader view and focusses on strategic sites only, seeking to ensure a portfolio of sites across the region, with a focus on certain key sectors and allowing for growth and flexibility of already successful sites.

The sites have been identified on the basis of offering strategic benefits and should be protected (e.g. where there is port or strategic road connectivity), where current sites have occupiers with clear growth potential (e.g. Withybush / Cross Hands) or where the site may have a role in wider interventions and have been identified as such (e.g. City Deal).

Sites were categorised based on whether these were regionally important strategic sites, sector specific sites which align with strategic growth sectors or regionally priorities, regionally important gateway sites or future potential sites. A number of sites within Policy EME3, such as those at Cross Hands and Parc Hendre were identified as having sector specific roles, for the food sector and manufacturing. This reflects the anecdotal evidence through interviews with key businesses and recognises the investment already within these sites by a number of key occupiers.

Dafen, was identified as being a regionally-important strategic site for its direct access onto the A4138, with direct access onto the M4 motorway. This was identified as a strategic site with a sector focus on manufacturing and associated supply chain uses.

Whilst the focus of the TCES was on strategic sites, and not on local sites, there was anecdotal evidence (highlighted within INV2 of the Study) which indicated that there was ongoing demand for smaller, high quality speculative builds which allowed for local churn of secondary stock. Although there is limited evidence of demand, this has remained a continuing theme within the 2020 work.

Alongside the strategic site portfolio, we would generally recommend a network of smaller, local sites to support indigenous business growth, particularly given the rural nature of much of the region.

Action

4593 Ceredigion County Council (Anjuli Davies) [5303]

Summary: Object

The Council supports the identification of an employment allocation in Llanybydder and would welcome the identification of such provision within the service centre of Newcastle Emlyn, although the identification of existing employment sites on the maps is recognised.

Council's Initial Response

The distribution of employment sites within the County is reflective of and in accordance with the spatial strategy of the Plan. In this regard they have specific reference to the sustainability objectives of the Revised LDP and seek to focus employment growth within established and identified centres.

Whilst Newcastle Emlyn has no specific employment allocations, it is considered that the settlement is well served by existing employment sites, which are safeguarded in the Plan. The Revised LDP supports the provision of new employment opportunities across the settlement hierarchy and within our rural market towns. In this respect the Plan makes provision for the consideration of proposals on a case by case basis maximising opportunities for employment and job creation. Such an approach provides an appropriate level of flexibility in responding the needs of its communities.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3785 Mr G Lewis [5058]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

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Objection to Policy EME3.

Seeking inclusion of site solely for employment use under policy EME3. The site was previously proposed for mixed use with the candidate site reference SR/031/002.

Council's Initial Response

There is sufficient and more suitable land allocated within the settlement to accommodate new economic growth. Potential proposals for employment related uses on this site will be dealt with under the policies in the Plan.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Object

3682 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

NRW provide an analysis of the allocations and there are no objections, other than 2 sites (see reps 3683 and 3685). NRW have confirmed that this analysis can be logged and responded to within the LDP Infrastructure Assessment with regards to all regeneration and mixed use sites comments they make, other than these 2 specific objection sites - (see reps 3683 - prc3/E2 and 3685 prc3/E4).

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

The objections to two specific sites under this policy have been dealt with under separate representation numbers.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph EME3: Employment Proposals on Allocated Sites, PrC2/E2

Representation(s)

3857 Peter Reynolds [5079]

Agent: Geraint John Planning Ltd (Mr Luke Grattarola) [685]

Summary: Support

The site is located within Dafen Park, an area made up of industrial units, justifying its use for industrial employment:

The site is in close association and connection to Dafen, Felinfoel and Panteg where a range of services and facilities are located within convenient walking distance, demonstrating the sites accessibility;

The sustainability and accessibility credentials of the site lend themselves to supporting employment development at this location; and

It is considered that the inclusion of this land for employment development is compatible with the surrounding uses and will contribute positively to the local economy.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

Paragraph EME3: Employment Proposals on Allocated Sites, PrC3/E1

Representation(s)

3930 Welsh Government (Mr Richard Jones) [2788]

Summary: Support

Site PRC3/E1 likely to access via the grade separated junction however it should be noted that this may require upgrading on the two county road dumbbell roundabouts. Such schemes may have an impact on the Cross Hands roundabout and this should be quantified in Transport Assessments with any necessary mitigation. Full delivery of the Economic Link Road (ELR) is also necessary.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

This strategic employment site has outline planning permission and further highway requirements will be taken into account at the detailed planning application stage.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph EME3: Employment Proposals on Allocated Sites, PrC3/E2, PrC3/E2

Representation(s)

3683 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Reservations regarding the employment allocation PrC3/E2 as it appears to provide important ecological connectivity features. Loss of ecosystem connectivity would be at odds with the fundamental aims of maintaining and enhancing biodiversity and Section 6, Part 1 of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016.

Council's Initial Response

It is noted that the concerns raised relate only to a portion of the allocation. It is agreed that this element of the site will be removed from the allocation.

The local planning authority will continue to work closely with the respondent.

Action

Remove the portion of the allocation that is the subject of the ecological concerns.

This part will remain as white land within development limits.

Paragraph EME3: Employment Proposals on Allocated Sites, PrC3/E4, PrC3/E4

Representation(s)

3685 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Reservations regarding the employment allocation PrC3/E4 as it appears to provide important ecological connectivity features. Loss of ecosystem connectivity would be at odds with the fundamental aims of maintaining and enhancing biodiversity and Section 6, Part 1 of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016.

Council's Initial Response

It is noted that the concerns raised relate only to a portion of the allocation. It is agreed that this element of the site will be removed from the allocation.

The local planning authority will continue to work closely with the respondent.

Action

Remove the portion of the allocation that is the subject of the ecological concerns. This part will remain as white land within development limits.

Policy Strategic Policy - SP 7: Welsh Language and Culture

Representation(s)

4033 Dyfodol (J W Thomas) [563]

Summary: Object

Mae Dyfodol i'r laith yn pryderu am rannau o'r Polisi Strategol SP7, megis "lliniaru effaith" adeiladu tai ar y Gymraeg. Gair arall am "lliniaru" yw "lleddfu" ac mae'r ddau'n cydnabod bod niwed wedi cael ei wneud, ac y byddai mesurau lliniaru neu leddfu yn ddull o geisio lleihau'r niwed. Fel y mae nifer o'r adrannau yn nogfennau'r sir yn dangos, nid yw'r Gymraeg mewn sefyllfa i ddioddef rhagor o niwed. Mae ymateb Dyfodol yr laith i'r syniad o liniaru yn y CDLI yr un peth ag yn y FfDC, hynny yw nid yr asbrin ar ôl cael strôc sydd ei angen, ond osgoi'r pwl yn y lle cyntaf.

Dyfodol i'r laith is concerned about parts of Strategic Policy SP7, such as "mitigating the impact" of house building on the Welsh language. Another word for "mitigation", is "alleviate" and both recognise that harm has been done, and mitigation or alleviation measures would be trying to reduce the harm. As several sections of the county's documentation show, the Welsh language is not in a position to suffer further harm. Dyfodol yr laith's response to the idea of mitigation in the LDP is the same as in the NDF - it's not the aspirin after the stroke that's needed but avoiding the attack in the first place.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwadau.

Er bod y CDLI Adneuo a'r dystiolaeth ategol yn cyfeirio at liniaru, mae hefyd yn cyfeirio at gyfleoedd i wella. Mae llinell cyntaf polisi SP7 yn gweud "Mae'r Cynllun yn cefnogi cynigion datblygu sy'n diogelu, yn hyrwyddo ac yn gwella buddiannau'r Gymraeg a diwylliant Cymru yn y Sir."

Dylid nodi bod mesurau lliniaru yn cael eu hystyried yn hanfodol mewn sefyllfaoedd lle rhagwelir y bydd datblygiad yn cael effeithiau negyddol ac am y rheswm hwnnw nid yw'r Cyngor yn bwriadu cael gwared ar hyn fel gofyniad datblygiad a allai fod yn niweidiol. Fodd bynnag, rhagwelir y gall datblygiad hefyd gael effaith gadarnhaol ar y Gymraeg ac felly mae'r CDLI Adneuo wrth gyfeirio at yr angen i nodi cyfleoedd i wella yn ceisio harneisio'r canlyniadau cadarnhaol hyn.

Comments noted.

Whilst the Deposit LDP and the supporting evidence does refer to mitigation it also makes reference to opportunities for enhancement. The first line of SP7 states "The Plan supports development proposals which safeguard, promote and enhance the interests of the Welsh language and culture in the County".

It should be noted that mitigation is considered essential in situations where development is anticipated to have negative impacts and for that reason the Council does not propose to remove this as a requirement of potentially harmful development. However, it is anticipated that development can also have a positive impact upon the Welsh language and so the Deposit LDP in making reference to the need to identify opportunities for enhancement is seeking to harness these positive outcomes.



Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

4600

Rhanbarth Sir Gâr Cymdeithas yr Iaith (Rhanbarth Sir Gâr) [2370]

Summary: Object

Er bod yr Arfarniad Cynaliawyedd yn cyfeirio at "Asesiad Effaith ar yr Iaith Gymraeg, Rhagfyr 2019", vmddengys nad vw'r ddogfen honno ar gael fel rhan o'r ymgynghoriad. A vw'r Cyngor yn bwriadu cyhoeddi'r asesiad hwn, ac a fydd ymgynghoriad arall cyn i'r Awdurdod gyflwyno'r Cynllun Adneuo i Lywodraeth Cymru? Mae Deddf Cynllunio (Cymru) 2015 yn ei gwneud yn ofynnol i Arfarniadau Cynaliadwyedd Cynlluniau Datblygu Lleol gynnwys asesiad o effeithiau tebygol v cynllun ar y defnydd o'r Gymraeg yn ardal yr Awdurdod (A.11(3)). Nodwn unwaith yn rhagor y pryderon a fynegodd y Llywodraeth yn yr ymgynghoriad cychwynnol, er enghraifft: "The authority must fully justify/evidence that the growth levels are directed to the most sustainable places, related to the scale and location of housing need, not impacting negatively on the Welsh language and is realistic and deliverable. The authority must fully justify/evidence that the growth levels are directed to the most sustainable places, related to the scale and location of housing need, not impacting negatively on the Welsh language and is realistic and deliverable. The consequence of the level/distribution of housing growth proposed on the Welsh language needs to be clearly articulated especially as past high levels of in migration and international migration are being used to justify the housing requirement." Roedd y Cyngor am ymateb i bryderon Llywodraeth Cymru yn yr Arfarniad Cynaliadwyedd, meddai, ond mae'n anodd gweld sut yn union mae'r cwestiynau hyn wedi cael ei hateb. Ar ben hynny, mae'n amlwg nad yw'r Arfarniad Cynaliadwyedd yn waith gorffenedig, Mae'r adran am y Gymraeg yn cynnwys y frawddeg "Mwy i'w gynnwys o Bapur Pwnc y Gymraeg" (tudalen 158), er enghraifft.

Although the Sustainability Appraisal refers to a "Welsh Language Impact Assessment, December 2019", that document does not appear to be available as part of the consultation. Does the Council intend to publish this assessment, and will there be another consultation before the Authority submits the Deposit Plan to the Welsh Government? The Planning (Wales) Act 2015 requires the Sustainability Appraisals of Local Development Plans to include an assessment of the likely effects of the plan on the use of the Welsh language within the area of the Authority (S.11(3)). Once again we note the concerns expressed by the Government in the initial consultation, for example: "The authority must fully justify/evidence that the growth levels are directed to the most sustainable places, related to the scale and location of housing need, not impacting negatively on the Welsh language and is realistic and deliverable. The authority must fully justify/evidence that the growth levels are directed to the most sustainable places, related to the scale and location of housing need, not impacting negatively on the Welsh language and is realistic and deliverable. The consequence of the level/distribution of housing growth proposed on the Welsh language needs to be clearly articulated especially as past high levels of in migration and international migration are being used to justify the housing requirement." The Council wished to respond to the Welsh Government's concerns in the Sustainability Appraisal, it said, but it is difficult to see exactly how these questions have been answered. Furthermore, it is clear that the Sustainability Appraisal is not a finished piece of work. The Welsh language section contains the sentence "More to be included from the Welsh Language Topic Paper" (page 158), for example.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwadau

Mae'r Asesiad o'r Effaith ar y Gymraeg (Rhagfyr 2019) wedi bod ar gael ar wefan y Cyngor fel rhan o sylfaen dystiolaeth y CDLI trwy gydol yr ymgynghoriad ar y CDLI Diwygiedig Adneuo.

Dylid hefyd cyfeirio at ymateb y Cyngor i sylwadau a gyflwynwyd ar yr Arfarniad Cynaliadwyedd / Asesiad Amgylcheddol Strategol.

Gellir cyfeirio at ymateb y Cyngor i sylwadau perthnasol eraill yn ymwneud â'r iaith Gymraeg - gan gynnwys cyfeirnodau rhif 4365 a 3849 (ymatebion y Cyngor at sylwadau ar Pennawd / Adran 8 y Cynllun).

Comments noted.

The Welsh Language Impact Assessment (December 2019) has been available on the Council's website as part of the LDP evidence base for the duration of the consultation on the Deposit Revised LDP.

Reference should also be made to the Council's response to comments submitted on the Sustainability Appraisal / Strategic Environmental Assessment.

Reference can be made to the Council's response to other relevant representations in regards the Welsh language - including reference numbers 4365 and 3849 (Council's responses to comments on Chapter / Section 8 of the Plan).

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

1366 Welsh Government: Welsh Language Commissioner (Ms Meinir Jones) [5159]

Summary: Support

Rydym yn croesawu'r Polisi Strategol ar y Gymraeg a Diwylliant sy'n nodi "Mae'r Cynllun yn cefnogi cynigion datblygu sy'n diogelu, yn hyrwyddo ac yn gwella buddiannau'r Gymraeg a diwylliant Cymru yn y Sir. Ni fydd cynigion datblygu sy'n cael effaith niweidiol ar fywiogrwydd a hyfywedd y Gymraeg a'i diwylliant yn cael eu derbyn oni bai y bydd modd o liniaru'r effaith. Bydd disgwyl i'r holl gynigion datblygu y mae WL1 yn berthnasol iddynt nodi mesurau sy'n gwella buddiannau'r Gymraeg a diwylliant Cymru." Rydym yn cytuno â bwriad y Cyngor i wneud y polisi'n berthnasol i'r sir gyfan, yn hytrach nag i feysydd penodol fel sy'n digwydd yn y Cynllun cyfredol.

We welcome the Strategic Policy on the Welsh Language and Culture which states that "The Plan supports development proposals which safeguard, promote and enhance the interests of the Welsh language and culture in the County. Development proposals which have a detrimental impact on the vitality and viability of the Welsh language and culture will not be permitted unless the impact can be mitigated. All development proposals subject to WL1, will be expected to identify measures which enhance the interests of the Welsh language and culture." We agree with the Council's intention to make the policy relevant to the whole county, rather than to specific areas as is the case in the current Plan.

Council's Initial Response

Croesawir y gefnogaeth.

Gellir cyfeirio at ymateb y Cyngor i sylwad cyfeirnod rhif 3859 (ymatebion y Cyngor at sylwadau ar bolisi WL1).

Support welcomed.

Reference can be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3859 (Council's responses to comments on policy WL1).

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

4032 Dyfodol (J W Thomas) [563]

Summary: Support

Mae Polisi Strategol SP7 Y Gymraeg a Diwylliant Cymru a WL1 Y Gymraeg a Datblygiadau Newydd yn strategaethau sy'n gallu cyfrannu at lewyrch y Gymraeg yn y sir os ydynt yn cael eu gweithredu'n gywir.

Strategic Policy SP7 Welsh language and Culture and WL1 The Welsh language and New Developments are strategies which can contribute to the prosperity of the Welsh language in the county if they are properly implemented.

Council's Initial Response

Croesawir y gefnogaeth.

Gellir cyfeirio at ymateb y Cyngor i sylwad cyfeirnod rhif 3859 (ymatebion y Cyngor at sylwadau ar bolisi WL1).

Support welcomed.

Reference can be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3859 (Council's responses to comments on policy WL1).

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

Paragraph Para 11.173

Representation(s)

04 Rhanbarth Sir Gâr Cymdeithas yr Iaith (Rhanbarth Sir Gâr) [2370]

Summary: Support

Mae Cymdeithas yr Iaith yn croesawu penderfyniad y Cyngor Sir ym mis Gorffennaf i ddynodi'r sir gyfan yn ardal yn ieithyddol sensitif ac i'r Gymraeg fod yn ystyriaeth gynllunio berthnasol ym mhob datblygiad o 10 tŷ neu fwy.

Cymdeithas yr Iaith welcomes the County Council's decision in July to designate the whole county as a linguistically sensitive area and for the Welsh language to be a material planning consideration in all developments of 10 or more houses.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sywladau / croesawir y gefnogaeth.

Gellir cyfeirio at ymateb y Cyngor i sylwad cyfeirnod rhif 3859 (ymatebion y Cyngor at sylwadau ar bolisi WL1).

O ran maint datblygiad tai, dylid cyfeirio at Bolisi WL1 i gael eglurhad oherwydd mewn pentrefi cynaliadwy mae'r polisi'n berthnasol i 5 neu fwy nid dim ond 10 neu fwy.

Comments noted / support welcomed.

Reference can be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3859 (Council's responses to comments on policy WL1).

In regards housing development size, reference should be made to Policy WL1 for clarification as in sustainable villages the policy applies to 5 or more not just 10 or more.

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

Policy WL1: Welsh Language and New Developments

Representation(s)

59 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category C - Policy WL1 Welsh Language and New Developments
As worded, the policy requires planning applications for windfall sites to be submitted with a
Welsh Language Impact Assessment (WLIA). While the requirement to submit a Language
Action Plan is sensible and in line with national policy, it is unclear why the LPA is seeking a
WLIA on windfall sites over 10 units in Principal / Service Centres and on 5 or more homes in
Sustainable Villages? The impacts of housing growth at specific locations on the Welsh
Language (above the LPAs chosen threshold) should have been tested through the SA
process. This is an excessive approach and requires justification / amendment in light of
policy in TAN 20. The LPA has set a threshold of 5 units for large allocated and windfall sites
across the County (para 11.83 of the Plan). The relationship between the threshold and
Policy WL1 requires explanation. We have commented previously on the impacts of Welsh
Language in Tier 4 settlements.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Whilst the Deposit Plan's Sustainability Appraisal/Strategic Environmental Assessment (SA/SEA) process and the Welsh Language Impact Assessment (WLIA - December 2019) takes account of overall growth and distribution it is difficult to assess the implications which windfall sites may have upon the Welsh language. An allowance can be made for these in terms of their scale and broad location, however, given that they are not allocations within the Plan there is significantly less certainty as to their individual size, location and timing of delivery.

Guidance in respect of the linguistic assessment of windfall sites is set out in Technical Advice Note 20 (2017) which notes the following:

- "3.2.2 Applications to develop windfall sites should be assessed against the strategy and policies of an adopted development plan, and with regard to relevant national planning policies. When a LPA receives a proposal for a large development on a windfall site in an area it has defined as linguistically sensitive or significant, an assessment of the likely impact of the development on the Welsh language may be undertaken.
- 3.2.3 Large development would normally be defined as 10 or more residential dwellings or developments over 1,000 sq.metres or 1 hectare, but LPAs may set locally-appropriate thresholds in the LDP, based on evidence".

Paragraph 2.26 of the Deposit LDP's Topic Paper on The Welsh Language (August 2019) provides information in respect of local thresholds applied to the consideration of the Welsh language in planning applications as agreed by Carmarthenshire County Council's elected members in July 2019. These thresholds have been identified by Carmarthenshire County Council as appropriate and justified for the reasons set out within the Topic Paper. Furthermore, the nature of residential development in Carmarthenshire occurs over a wide variety and scale of sites. However, smaller sites comprising less than 10 new homes are prevalent across the County. Cumulatively, these sites can have significant impacts, particularly where they occur within smaller settlements which may be more sensitive to their impacts. It is therefore considered logical that a threshold of 10 and 5 for urban and rural areas respectively is retained for the purposes of this policy, and it is considered important to do so in order to ensure that the LDP's approach is in accordance with the County Council's approach.

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Welsh Government: Welsh Language Commissioner (Ms Meinir Jones) [5159]

Summary: Object

Mae'r ddogfen ymgynghori'n cyfeirio at Gynllun Gweithredu'r iaith Gymraeg, sef cynllun sy'n nodi'r mesurau i'w rhoi ar waith i ddiogelu, hyrwyddo a gwella'r Gymraeg, a sut mae'r datblygiad yn bwriadu gwneud cyfraniad cadarnhaol i grwpiau iaith yn y gymuned. Bydd angen i Gynllun Gweithredu'r Iaith Gymraeg gynnwys mwy o wybodaeth a manylion am y mesurau lliniaru hyn a sut y mae'r Cyngor yn bwriadu eu rhoi ar waith ledled y sir. Bydd angen diwygio canllawiau cynllunio atodol y sir i gyd-fynd â'r Cynllun Datblygu newydd.

The consultation document refers to a Welsh Language Action Plan, namely a plan which sets out the measures to be taken to safeguard, promote and enhance the Welsh language, and how the development proposes to make a positive contribution to language groups in the community. The Welsh Language Action Plan will need to include further information and details on these mitigation measures and how the Council intends to implement them across the county. The county's supplementary planning guidance will need to be amended to accompany the new Development Plan.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwdau.

Gellir cyfeirio at Atodiad 3 y Cynllun.

Bydd Canllawiau Cynllunio Atodol (CCA) newydd yn cael eu paratoi cyn cyflwyno'r cynllun i'w Archwilio i gefnogi polisïau'r CDLI a fydd yn nodi canllawiau ychwanegol mewn perthynas â pharatoi Cynllun Gweithredu'r laith Gymraeg.

Comments noted.

Reference may be made to Appendix 3 of the Plan.

New Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) will be prepared ahead of the submission of the plan for Examination to support the LDP's policies which will set out additional guidance in respect of preparing a Welsh Language Action Plan.

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun (ond fe fydd y CCA yn cael eu paratoi cyn cyflwyno'r cynllun i'w Archwilio).

No change to the Plan (but the SPG will be prepared ahead of the submission of the plan for Examination).

3360 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

In summary, BDW objects to this policy which requires development proposals throughout the entire county to provide a Welsh Language Impact Assessment (for windfall sites) and a Language Action Plan (for allocated and windfall sites). These are considered to be very onerous requirements. A more reasonable approach would be to identify specific areas which are Welsh Speaking Strongholds in the county as advocated in TAN 20 'Planning and the Welsh Language' and PPW 10. Further justification is required for not defining specific areas for the application of this policy.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The policy is robust and sound.

Reference should be made to the evidence base of the Plan, including the Topic Paper on the Welsh Language (August 2019).

Reference is made to paragraph 11.175 of the deposit Plan - notably - "The need to safeguard, promote and enhance the Welsh language applies to developments proposed across the County and is not restricted to specific areas within the County".

Reference can be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3859 (Council's responses to comments on policy WL1).

Action

4034 Dyfodol (J W Thomas) [563]

Summary: Support

Yn dilyn ymateb Cyfarwyddiaeth Gynllunio Llywodraeth Cymru, roedd Dyfodol i'r laith yn croesawu penderfyniad Cyngor y Sir ym mis Gorffennaf 2019 i ddynodi'r sir gyfan yn ardal o "sensitifrwydd ieithyddol" ac yn ogystal penderfynu bod "yr iaith yn ystyriaeth gynllunio berthnasol": -

- Ym mhob cais i adeiladu 5 neu ragor o dai mewn ardaloedd gwledig ac
- Ym mhob cais i adeiladu 10 neu ragor o dai mewn ardaloedd trefol... ledled y sir. Mae'r polisi yn gam sylweddol i'r cyfeiriad cywir os yw'r Asesiad o'r Effaith ar y Gymraeg yn cael ei roi ar waith yn effeithiol.

Following the Welsh Government's Planning Directorate response, Dyfodol i'r laith welcomed the County Council's decision in July 2019 to designate the whole county as one of "linguistic sensitivity" and further to determine that "the language is a relevant planning consideration": -

- In all applications to construct 5 or more houses in rural areas and
- In all applications to build 10 or more houses in urban areas.... across the county. The policy is a significant step in the right direction if the Impact Assessment on the Welsh Language is implemented effectively.

Council's Initial Response

Croesawir y gefnogaeth.

Gellir cyfeirio at ymateb y Cyngor i sylwad cyfeirnod rhif 3859 (ymatebion y Cyngor at sylwadau ar bolisi WL1).

Support welcomed.

Reference can be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3859 (Council's responses to comments on policy WL1).

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

4606 Rhanbarth Sir Gâr Cymdeithas yr Iaith (Rhanbarth Sir Gâr) [2370]

Summary: Support

Credwn hefyd y gall y defnydd o Gynlluniau Gweithredu Iaith chwarae rhan hynod o bwysig wrth i'r Cyngor ystyried datblygiadau tai a datblygiadau diwydiannol neu fasnachol yn y dyfodol. Nodwn fod y Cyngor yn cytuno bod angen methodoleg ar gyfer asesu effaith datblygu ar y Gymraeg er mwyn cefnogi gweithrediad polisïau. Wrth reswm, mae amser yn brin, ac felly gofynnwn ar frys pryd caiff yr Asesiad o Effaith ar y Gymraeg ei gyhoeddi, ac a fydd ymgynghoriad ar y ddogfen honno? Hefyd, hoffem weld disgrifiadau manwl o'r Cynlluniau Gweithredu Iaith a'r fethodoleg y mae'r Cyngor yn bwriadu ei defnyddio ar gyfer asesu effaith datblygu ar yr iaith.

We also believe that the use of Language Action Plans can play an extremely important role as the Council considers future housing developments and industrial or commercial developments. We note that the Council agrees that a methodology is needed for assessing impact on the Welsh language from development to support policy implementation. Of course, time is short, and so we ask urgently when will the Welsh Language Impact Assessment be published, and whether there will be a consultation on that document? We would also like to see detailed descriptions of the Language Action Plans and the methodology that the Council intends to use for assessing the impact of development on the language.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwadau.

Mae'r Asesiad o'r Effaith ar y Gymraeg (Rhagfyr 2019) wedi bod ar gael ar wefan y Cyngor fel rhan o sylfaen dystiolaeth y CDLI trwy gydol yr ymgynghoriad ar y CDLI Diwygiedig Adneuo.

Bydd rhagor o dystiolaeth yn cael ei darparu cyn cyflwyno'r Cynllun i'w Archwilio. Mae hyn yn cynnwys adeiladu ar yr Asesiad o'r Effaith ar y Gymraeg (Rhagfyr 2019), ymgymryd â gwaith dadansoddi pellach o ran Rhagamcanion poblogaeth ac Aelwydydd / data mudo a hefyd diweddaru yr Astudiaeth Economaidd Dwy Sir ar gyfer Sir Gaerfyrddin a Sir Benfro (Hydref 2019). Bydd y diweddariad yma i'r Astudiaeth Economaidd yn rhoi ystyriaeth bellach i gysylltiadau rhwng y Gymraeg a'r economi yn y ddwy Sir.

Bydd canllawiau pellach ar gynnwys Cynlluniau Gweithredu yr laith Gymraeg yn cael eu darparu trwy Ganllawiau Cynllunio Atodol (dylid gyfeirio at ymateb y Cyngor i sylwad cyfeirnod rhif 4368 fel rhan o ymatebion y Cyngor at sylwadau a dderbyniwyd o dan bolisi WL1).

Comments noted.

The Welsh Language Impact Assessment (December 2019) has been available on the Council's website as part of the LDP evidence base for the duration of the consultation on the Deposit Revised LDP.

Further evidence will be produced ahead of the submission of the Plan for Examination. This includes building upon the Welsh Language Impact Assessment (December 2019), undertaking further analysis work in terms of population and household projections/ migration data and also updating the Two County Economic Study for Carmarthenshire and Pembrokeshire (October 2019). This update to the Economic Study will further consider the links between the Welsh language and the economy in the two Counties.

Further guidance on the content of Welsh Language Action Plans will be provided through Supplementary Planning Guidance (reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 4368 as part of the Council's responses to comments received on policy WL1).

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

Paragraph Para 11.181

Representation(s)

4035 Dyfodol (J W Thomas) [563]

Summary: Support

Rydym yn croesawu'r pwyslais ar dai fforddiadwy, datblygu gwledig gofalus a mentrau megis Cartrefi Croeso. Yn wir, gallai'r Adran Gynllunio fod wedi elwa ar ddilyn patrwm y fenter Cartrefi Croeso ledled y sir yn hytrach na'r "uchelgeisiau strategol economaidd a chymdeithasol" sy'n ymddangos yn llawer rhy optimistaidd o ystyried yr ansicrwydd economaidd presennol.

We welcome the emphasis on affordable housing, careful rural development and initiatives such Cartrefi Croeso. Indeed, the Planning Department could have benefited from following the pattern of the Cartrefi Croeso scheme across the county rather than the "strategic economic and social ambitions" which appear to be far too optimistic considering current economic uncertainty.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwadau/ croesawir y gefnogaeth.

Comments noted / support welcomed.

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

No change to the Plan.

Policy Strategic Policy - SP 8: Infrastructure

Representation(s)

3489 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Object

We would be most grateful if you are able to refer to the DWMP programme in the supporting text to this policy. Refer to rep 3486 also.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed.

Reference to the preparation of Drainage and Wastewater Management Plans to be inserted in the supporting text to Policy SP8.

Action

Plan to be amended accordingly.

Insert new paragraph within the supporting text of Policy SP8.

3744 Cllr Anne Davies [5050]

Summary: Object

Objection to a specific issue, under Strategic Policy SP8 Infrastructure:

My only concern is for the sewage system which is overflowing, as both Welsh Water and the NRW know. Both have been involved with the situation at land at Cwm Coch and this needs to be addressed. Raw sewage is visible on the fields and cannot be farmed by livestock at present. Can you assure me that this will addressed before any further development?

Council's Initial Response

Noted. No issues have been identified by the infrastructure providers.

However, any sewerage infrastructure issues would need to be addressed as part of any future planning application

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3370 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

In summary, PPW 10 states that the economic viability of sites should be considered to ensure that the provision of community benefits would not be unrealistic or unreasonably impact upon a site's delivery. BDW Homes considers that this should also be included within the wording of this policy. Accordingly, the final paragraph of SP 8 should be amended as follows:

"Where financially viable, planning obligations may be sought to ensure that the infrastructure, services and facilities needed to deliver and support the development are delivered".

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

Paragraph 11.189 of the supporting text to Policy INF1: Planning Obligations clearly identifies that the financial viability of a proposed development will be taken into consideration.

Action

3121 National Grid Company plc. (Avison Young) [4746]

Summary: Support

We have reviewed the above document and can confirm that National Grid has no comments to make in response to this consultation.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

No action to be taken

Representation(s)

3688 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

Support the recognition given to the importance of infrastructure capabilities within the policy and supporting paragraphs.

We acknowledge that certain sites will need to be appropriately phased thorough the development process, such as the proposed phased plan for the Llanelli Life Science and Well-being Village.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

3486 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

As outlined previously, the availability or capacity of infrastructure is key in determining a settlement's sustainability. As such, we welcome the provisions of this policy in requiring development proposals to ensure sufficient capacity is available in infrastructure or if not, that suitable arrangements are in place to provide the necessary infrastructure capacity. With specific regard to water and sewerage infrastructure, where there is insufficient capacity and where no reinforcement works are programmed within the respective AMP Capital Investment Programme, the requisition provisions can be entered into for water and sewerage network infrastructure. The requisition provisions do not apply in the instance of wastewater treatment works (WwTW) and as such planning obligations or a commercial agreement may be necessary, as previously indicated.

Looking ahead, Welsh Water is embarking on the preparation of Drainage and Wastewater Management Plans (DWMPs) which Welsh Government may be minded to make statutory in due course. Growth information is built into our DWMP and forms an important element of our planning which aims to understand how we will continue to deliver effective sewerage services for a growing population in the face of climate change and other challenges. Critically the DWMP considers the impact of changing population served on our assets and the subsequent effect on the environment. As such we believe that the DWMPs will play a role in delivering a holistic, prioritised approach to the management of our drainage and sewerage network in the years ahead, and will complement other planning documents including your LDP2, the NDF, and SDPs. To maximise the potential benefits, we will work closely with Pembrokeshire and other LPAs in the preparation of our DWMPs. Refer to rep 3489 also.

Council's Initial Response

Noted.

The Council will continue to work with the respondent as part of the preparation and implementation of the Revised LDP.

Reference is made to representation 3489.

Action

3928 Welsh Government (Mr Richard Jones) [2788]

Summary: Support

Overall support but it is noted that there's potential for cumulative impacts in locations such as Cross Hands, an opportunity to seek 106 contributions for any ongoing/future highway schemes

Council's Initial Response

Noted.

The implications of development on the highways infrastructure will be appropriately considered through the evidence as it develops through to examination. Provision for the use of Planning Obligations is made within the policies of the Plan.

The Council will continue to work closely with the respondent in preparation of the Plan and its implementation

Action

No change to the Plan.

Policy INF1: Planning Obligations

Representation(s)

3361 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

BDW considers that the wording of this policy should be in accordance with Circular 1/97 - it should state that planning obligations, where sought, must adhere to the tests of reasonableness, be justified, and directly related in scale and kind to the development proposed. BDW is aware that it is not the purpose of the LDP to repeat national planning guidance, however it is important that polices as significant as this should include an clarity that the benefits sought will meet the relevant tests.

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Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

As recognised by the respondent the Plan should not unduly repeat national policy or legislation. The provisions of circular 13/97 Planning Obligations and the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended) as well as PPW are integral considerations at application stage and in the requesting of any planning obligations.

Reference should be had to paragraph 11.187 if the supporting text to Strategic Policy SP8 in so far as it links to a footnote guiding to these considerations. In this respect the Plan is intended to be read as a whole and not to be unnecessarily repetitive.

Action

No change to the Plan.

874 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - With pooling restrictions on S106 agreements the Authority should ensure it is able to fund the necessary infrastructure requirements.

Council's Initial Response

Comments Noted.

The Council is fully aware of the pooling requirements and has been operating within the provisions of the regulations since their implementation.

The Council awaits an update on any review of the CIL Regulations and the pooling restrictions following the devolution of such matters to the Welsh Government.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

O Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

We welcome the commitment to prioritise contributions with regard to the Caeau Mynydd Mawr SPG area, over others, for the sites subject to the requirements of Policy NE4.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3490 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

As indicated previously, where there is insufficient infrastructure capacity and development wishes to connect in advance of our AMP capital investment, planning obligations or a commercial agreement are the most appropriate way in ensuring delivery of necessary supporting infrastructure.

Council's Initial Response

Noted.

The Council will continue to work closely with the respondent as part of the preparation and implementation of the Plan.

Action

Policy INF2: Healthy Communities

Representation(s)

4491 Bethan Jones [5259]

Summary: Object

The plan makes requirements in respect of assessing the impact development has on the health and well being of our communities.

Horse riding is medium intensity exercise and for horse owners, includes maintenance of the horse and its environment and the physical activity required to provide for the needs of the equine on a daily basis, as well as having a positive impact on the mental health of the rider. CCC acknowledges the existence of differing needs of rural and urban communities but makes no mention of the equestrian communities that exist and that we are disadvantaged greatly by council policies.

Horse riders provide a significant input into the local economy that is reliant on the agriculture industry, supporting farming locally for horse accommodation, feed, land maintenance and other services.

4501 Carmarthenshire Riders (Ms Karen Burch) [653]

Summary: Object

The plan makes requirements in respect of assessing the impact development has on the health and well being of our communities.

Horse riding is medium intensity exercise and for horse owners, includes maintenance of the horse and its environment and the physical activity required to provide for the needs of the equine on a daily basis.

CCC acknowledges the existence of differing needs of rural and urban communities but makes no mention of the equestrian communities that exist and that we are disadvantaged greatly by council policies.

Horse riders provide a significant input into the local economy that is reliant on the agriculture industry, supporting farming locally for horse accommodation, feed, land maintenance and other services.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The policy is not explicit in referencing or listing the nature of activities or pastimes. Consequently, it would be inappropriate to specifically amend the Plan in light of one particular activity irrespective of its value or otherwise.

The Plan makes reference to guidance in the form of SPG which will elaborate on the provisions of the Policy.

Action

Paragraph Para 11.195

Representation(s)

3159 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Support

I support this strong emphasis on the requirement for an HIA w.r. to developments. However, the list of developments to which this requirement will affect seems rather limited. One can think of developments on smaller sites that could have significant negative physical and mental health effects that are on sites of less than one hectare - for example a single very large wind turbine. In order to protect health and wellbeing, this HIA requirement should apply more widely than listed here.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed. The comments are noted. However, the authority feels that the parameters set in regard to a HIA are appropriate and realistic.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 11.198

Representation(s)

3160 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Object

The needs especially of small businesses run from home are not met if broadband provision is limited to developments of 100 or more homes. There should be an obligation to provide superfast broadband to all new developments.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed in part. The reference to FTTP being provided free of charge to housing developments with one hundred or more dwellings reflected the Fibre for developers' opportunities offered by openreach. However, it is recognised that this is a time limited statement and as such dates the Plan's content and its provisions.

In relation to the respondent's comments, the policy provides an ambitious and deliverable provisions consistent with the demands of communities and for a modern Wales. Further regard should be had to the Focused Changes and the proposed amendment to Policy INF3 in relation to the emerging Future Wales: The National Plan 2040 (National Development Framework).

Action

Amend paragraph 11.198 reflect the potential for changes in the thresholds in the size of developments.

Policy INF4: Llanelli Waste Water Treatment Surface Water Disposal

Representation(s)

3494 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Object

DCWW would suggest for clarity that the policy is reworded to "Llanelli Wastewater Treatment Works catchment surface water removal".

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Policy title to be reworded.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Change). The Council will also undertake any consequential amendment to the Burry Inlet Draft SPG as a result.

82 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - Policy INFA4 Llanelli Waste Water Treatment Surface Water Disposal

Development in the Llanelli Waste Water Treatment Works (WWTW) catchment area includes the centres of Llanelli and Burry Port and is subject to high level environmental considerations due to water quality in the Carmarthen Bay and Estuaries European Marine Site (CBEEMS). Whilst Welsh Water have confirmed there is capacity to accommodate planned growth in the Llanelli WWTW catchment area, this will be subject to a scheme of compensatory surface water removal on all major developments to protect the environmental quality of the CBEEMS. The Council emphasise this approach builds on established provisions in the Burry Inlet Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) last updated in September 2011 and to be replaced by a high level Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) between Natural Resource Wales (NRW), Welsh Water, Swansea and Carmarthenshire Councils. As the SoCG is yet to be finalised, the Council must ensure the approach set out in Policy INFA4 is robust and deliverable taking account of the cost of bespoke solutions on residential, employment and strategic sites in Llanelli and Burry Port.

The Council should also consider including key information from the draft SPG into Policy INFA4, such as the requirement for development proposals to submit drainage reports and criteria on piece-meal developments.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

A working group of officers from the Carmarthenshire County Council, the City and County of Swansea, Dwr Cymru Welsh Water and Natural Resources Wales are working on the Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) with a draft document already circulated. The SoCG will be finalised in time for the submission of the Plan.

Reference is made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3496 (see Council's responses to comments on para 11.203). where a focused change will be made introducing specific reference to the SoCG into the Plan, together with the partners involved.

The Council is satisfied that the approach set out in this policy is robust and deliverable. It should be noted that the Council has written to landowners /proponents of allocated sites explicitly identifying the requirements of Policy INF4, and its supporting SPG, where considered relevant.

Also, many of the allocations in the INF 4 WwTW catchment area already have permissions in place and /or are progressing on site.

The Council does not propose to move any further information from the SPG into Policy INF4 as matters of detail in terms of the implementation of the policy should be left in the SPG. It is considered that the Plan already has a sufficient 'policy hook' in place, with the SPG providing the detail on implementation.

Action

Continue with formulation of SoCG for completion in time for submission of the Plan to the Inspectorate (no change to the Plan).

4266 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary: Object

The issue of foul water being treated at Llanelli WWTW is widely acknowledged. We consider this to be an impediment to the delivery of the large number of dwellings located in this catchment area. Whilst there may be a solution to each respective site, the issue is likely to cause a delay to the delivery of these sites and the added burden of the compensatory matters (in kind works or financial contribution) may have a consequential impact upon viability, meaning that affordable housing and other planning obligations cannot be delivered as the plan has envisaged. Has the mitigation been included in the Local Plan Viability Assessment? Have the impacted sites explained how they will overcome the issue in relation to their site? Reference is made rep 4240. Reference is also made to rep 4243 where the client's site is promoted.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The Council is satisfied that the approach is robust and deliverable and will support the delivery of growth within the INF4 WwTW catchment area. In this regard, reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3882 as part of its responses to comments received on policy INF4.

As a cross reference note, the Council's response to the promotion of the client's site under representation reference number 4243 can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under policy HOM1. Also, the Council's response to the concerns raised in representation reference number 4240 can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under policy SP3.

Action

3692 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

We support the inclusion of this policy and the supporting Burry Inlet SPG. As you know there has been a long-established partnership approach to dealing with concerns on the risk of deterioration of water quality on the Carmarthen Bay and Estuaries European Marine Site.

3493 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

We welcome and are supportive of the provisions of this policy and the supporting text; moreover, we are pleased to note that the matter has been given its own specific policy. Refer to reps 3494,3495,3496 and 3497 in addition.

We have also prepared a consultation response to the Burry Inlet SPG which provides further detail on this matter.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

The Council looks forward to continuing with the partnership approach with regards this matter.

Reference can be made in this regard to the Council's response to representation reference number 3882 which can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments on policy INF4.

Reference can also be made to the Council's response to the following representations:

3494 (can be viewed under Council's responses to comments on policy INF4),

3495 (can be viewed under Council's responses to comments on para 11.202),

3496 (can be viewed under Council's responses to comments on para 11.203) and

3497 (can be viewed under Council's responses to comments on para 11.204).

Action

Paragraph Para 11.202

Representation(s)

3495 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Object

We would also suggest that in the final line of paragraph 11.202, the term "catchment" is used rather than "area".

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Replace the word area with catchment.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Change). The Council will also undertake any consequential amendment to the Burry Inlet Draft SPG as a result.

Paragraph Para 11.203

Representation(s)

3496 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Object

Regarding paragraph 11.203, we suggest that as well as Welsh Water, Natural Resources Wales (as well as Carmarthenshire County Council) are also a key organisation in the requirement to continue to request surface water removal and as such, we would suggest that the wording of this paragraph is amended to read as such.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Insert specific reference to the multi agency approach and the partners involved as well as the statement of common ground.

As a result, the Council also considers that a consequential addition (that points over to the paragraph 11.203 as amended) is required at the end of paragraph 11.207 to assist with cross referencing. (This is a Council change and not directly attributable to this representation made by DCWW).

Action

Change(s) to the Plan (Focused Change(s)). The Council will also undertake any consequential amendment to the Burry Inlet Draft SPG as a result.

3693 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

Paragraph 11.203 states that Dwr Cymru Welsh Water (DCWW) have confirmed that there is sufficient capacity within Llanelli Waste Water Treatment Works to deliver the Plan's identified growth without breaching their permit requirements.

We acknowledge that in addition to the implementation of the requirements of the Memorandum of Understanding on new developments, a number of improvement schemes have also been undertaken within the catchment since it was introduced. We are satisfied that if DCWW have confirmed the above in writing, the Policy, with its requirements for surface water removal by the major developments, should ensure that the identified growth will cause no detriment to water quality from the generation of foul flows. As such we are in agreement with the conclusions of your HRA on this aspect.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3496 which is set out under the Council's responses to representations received to paragraph 11.203.

Action

No change to the Plan.

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Paragraph Para 11.204

Representation(s)

3497 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Object

One further point of clarity regarding paragraph 11.204; we would suggest replacing the term "storm sewerage overflows" with "combined sewer overflows"

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Replace the term "storm sewerage overflows" with "combined sewer overflows"

Action

Change to the plan (focused change). The Council will undertake any consequential amendment to the Burry Inlet Draft SPG as a result.

Paragraph Para 11.207

Representation(s)

3694 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

Subject to the response in respect of paragraph 11.203 (rep 3693 refers), we we are satisfied that the policy and Burry Inlet SPG supersede the requirements of the Memorandum of Understanding.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference numbers 3693 and 3496 as part of the Council's response to comments received to Para 11.203.

It should be noted that the Council's response to representation 3496 (policy INF4) sets out the Council's rationale for additional 'cross referencing' text to be added into paragraph 11.207 as a focused change.

Action

No change to the Plan as a representation - however reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3496 as part of the Council's responses to comments received to Paragraph 11.203. Representation 3496 sets out the Council's rationale for a consequential focused change to paragraph 11.207 of the Plan due to a focused change proposed to paragraph 11.203.

Policy Strategic Policy - SP 9: Gypsy and Traveller Provision

Representation(s)

3875 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - Gypsy and Traveller Provision

The Council's approved 2016 Gypsy Traveller Accommodation Needs Assessment (GTANA) covers the period from 2016 to 2021. The 'updated' 2019 GTANA included as part of the Council's evidence base has not been approved by Welsh Ministers. To comply with legislation, planning policy and guidance a GTANA must be agreed by Welsh Ministers in advance of submitting the plan for examination covering the whole plan period from 2018 to 2033 with provision made for appropriate and deliverable sites in Policy SP9 to meet identified need within the required timescales. Failure to approve a GTANA and meet the required need is likely to result in the plan being unable to be found 'sound'. We would therefore urge the Council to work with our Communities Division to ensure an approved GTANA is submitted for examination.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The Council submitted the updated Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Needs Assessment to the Welsh Government at the start of 2020, and we currently await a decision on its content.

Action

No change to the Plan

Paragraph Strategic Policy - SP 9: Gypsy and Traveller Provision, PrC2/GT1

Representation(s)

3695 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

We have reservations - located partially in flood risk area. Southern boundary of the site is in zone C1. A small part of site in zone C2. Refer also to rep 3793 (comments on paragraph 11.468).

Council's Initial Response

Noted. Site to be amended to remove the land located within the C1 and C2 flood risk zone and to ensure compliance with national planning policy (TAN 15 DAMs).

Action

Change to the Plan.

3876 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - The SA/SEA has a negative appraisal of Gypsy and Traveller Sites listed in Policy SP9 as the allocations are affected by flooding in Zone C1 to varying degrees. TAN 15 categorises caravan parks as highly vulnerable development and this should only be identified in Zone C1 subject to application of the justification tests and site specific Flood Consequences Assessment (FCA) as set out in the SA/SEA. The views of statutory bodies, including NRW, must also be considered to demonstrate the sites comply with national policy and are deliverable.

Council's Initial Response

NRW have responded citing reservations with part of the site falling within the C1 and C2 flood risk zone. This is noted, and an amendment to the site allocation is taken to ensure compliance with national planning policy (TAN 15 DAMs).

Action

Change to the Plan

Paragraph Strategic Policy - SP 9: Gypsy and Traveller Provision, PrC/GT2

Representation(s)

3877 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - The SA/SEA has a negative appraisal of Gypsy and Traveller Sites listed in Policy SP9 as the allocations are affected by flooding in Zone C1 to varying degrees. TAN 15 categorises caravan parks as highly vulnerable development and this should only be identified in Zone C1 subject to application of the justification tests and site specific Flood Consequences Assessment (FCA) as set out in the SA/SEA. The views of statutory bodies, including NRW, must also be considered to demonstrate the sites comply with national policy and are deliverable.

3697 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

We have reservations - located partially in flood risk area. The North East boundary is in zone C1. Refer also to rep 3793 (comments on paragraph 11.468).

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The extension to the Penybryn Gypsy and Traveller site as referenced PrC2/GT2 is currently outside the TAN 15 C1 and C2 flood zones as delineated by the Development Advice Maps. As such it will remain allocated.

Further evidential work will be undertaken prior to the examination in to the revised LDP

Action

Policy GTP1: Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation

Representation(s)

3886 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category C - Policy GTP1 Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation

As worded, Criterion 2 (in part) is contrary to Welsh Government Circular 005/2018 as the text (in brackets) 'relating to need identified in settlement boundaries' acts against freedom of movement for Gypsy and Travellers who wish to develop their own sites. The text should be deleted accordingly.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. The wording that is in brackets within criterion 2 will be removed as a Focused Change.

Action

Change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 11.219

Representation(s)

3698 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

The landscaping is to be carried out with appropriate native trees of local provenance. In the wake of ash dieback no ash should be introduced.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Stipulate that in the wake of ash dieback, no ash trees should be introduced.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Policy Strategic Policy - SP 10: The Visitor Economy

Representation(s)

3987 Mr K Strelley [3923]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

The designation of this established site as a tourism facility will provide certainty and clarity for future tourism proposals relating to this flagship enterprise. Its designation would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for wider economic activity. Its continued development would be in keeping and in character with the local area and will ensure a deliverable source of future economic growth. In addition, tourism development at this location would not be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent properties, would satisfy recognised sustainability objectives, would not have a detrimental impact on the landscape or nature conservation interests. Furthermore, the site is not impeded by any access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints and its delivery is assured. A full description of the site's development potential and merits has previously been provided in the candidate site submission, to which reference should be made. Objection to non allocation of candidate site SR/086/054 (site ref AS/086/054) as land allocated for tourism under policy SP10. Reference may also be made to representations 3988,3989,3990,3991.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. (note this assessment referenced the Plan's evidence base - notably the Stage 1 SFCA).

The contribution of such facilities as this to the economy of the area is noted as is the fact that there is all year round provision (indoor offer) at the facility. However a notable consideration in regards the merits of allocating the site from a soundness perspective would be the prominence of the flood risk zone in this area as identified in the TAN 15 Development Advice Maps - C1 - and as such there is a concern at the soundness of allocating the site (see reference to Stage 1 SFCA above) even if a large portion of the site is not directly impacted by this zone.

The Council does however note the contribution of this facility and investment made. It is noted that the facility is largely established, with further investment planned.

Of notable interest to the Gateway Resort will be paragraph 11.240 of the Plan (notably the reference to 'dual use' and 'rainy day' attractions).

It is considered that there is ample provision in the Plan's policy framework, notably in regards the visitor economy, for further appropriate proposals to be considered at this location without allocating the site - particularly as it is largely established.

Reference can also be made to the Council's response to representations 3988 (policy VE1), 3989 (policy VE2), 3990 (policy VE3) and 3991 (policy VE4).

Action

4493 Bethan Jones [5259]

Summary: Object

There is mention of important areas for cycling as a leisure activity, such as Pembrey and Brechfa Forest but these are important areas for horse riding too which has not been mentioned as important to the county.

Horse riders have to accommodate their horse in addition to themselves which provides increased income to tourism businesses and landowners.

The LDP should support provision of multi user routes for all non motorised users. Provision of routes to link up the fragmented bridleway network is required. Equine tourism should be supported with creation of bridleways accessible to walkers cyclists and riders which provides better value for money.

4503 Carmarthenshire Riders (Ms Karen Burch) [653]

Summary: Object

There is mention of important areas for cycling as a leisure activity, such as Pembrey and Brechfa Forest but these are important areas for horse riding too which has not been mentioned as important to the county.

Horse riders have to accommodate their horse in addition to themselves which provides increased income to tourism businesses and landowners.

The LDP should support provision of multi user routes for all non motorised users. Provision of routes to link up the fragmented bridleway network is required. Equine tourism should be supported with creation of bridleways accessible to walkers cyclists and riders which provides better value for money.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The text contained in the plan that is referred to by the respondent policy seeks to provide a scene setting exercise and as such there should be no concern as to the lack of specific reference to horse riding. The reference to cycling is specifically tied to the Cycling Strategy. Paragraph 11.227 of the Plan already references "The tourism offer within Carmarthenshire ranges from those natural features such as rights of way / walking to well-established renowned national attractions. The County's heritage and activity tourism potential is renowned, whilst its outstanding natural environment could appeal to the wellness tourism sector".

It is considered there is already sufficient scope within the Plan's policy framework to provide for the consideration of tourism related proposals with an equine focus. In this regard it is noted that Strategic Policy 10 supported by a range of detailed policies, notably within the context of this representation is Policy VE1: Visitor Attractions and Facilities.

Action

3757 Ffos Las Ltd [3885]

Agent: White Young Green (Mr Rob Mitchell) [2371]

Summary:

Object

Objection to Strategic Policy SP10.

Whilst the objectives of Strategic Policy SP10 are supported. The policy's reasoned justification should make direct reference to Ffos Las as a preferred location for new visitor economy related development. It is already a strategically important tourist destination and going forward its facilities and offer to the local visitor economy will need to be enhanced. The facility should be safeguarded and explicitly supported in policy wording.

Notwithstanding its countryside location, Ffos Las is a sustainable location from which to focus and deliver additional tourist related development, namely visitor accommodation; a need for which has been identified.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The policy framework set out within SP10 allows the potential development for tourism and the visitor economy where it is appropriately located. Any proposals submitted will be considered against the revised LDP policies.

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

4130 Seasons Holidays plc (___) [5149]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Owain Nedin) [4937]

Summary: Object

That the Council fails to take opportunity to deliver on SO13 without any quantifiable or measurable targets for growth of the sector (which is a strategic/corporate objective). Evidencing/supporting this objective would logically be achieved through allocations for proposals that meet the strategic objective - particularly when one is presented that is deliverable and meets so many targets for growth of the visitor economy

Council's Initial Response

It should be noted that the LDP is prepared within the context of other plans and strategies including those of the authority, whereby the need to reflect and support the visitor economy is identified. In this respect, the Plan through its policies and provisions provides sufficient clarity for the development of a tourism and visitor economy which is both deliverable and reflective of Carmarthenshire's aspirations.

Action

Policy VE1: Visitor Attractions and Facilities

Representation(s)

3988 Mr K Strelley [3923]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Objection to policy VE1 as part of the promotion of the client's site as a tourism allocation - reference should be made to representation 3987. The designation of this established site as a tourism facility will provide certainty and clarity for future tourism proposals relating to this flagship enterprise. Its designation would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for wider economic activity. Its continued development would be in keeping and in character with the local area and will ensure a deliverable source of future economic growth.

Council's Initial Response

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation number 3987 (under policy SP10).

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3485 Mrs Margaret Teal [4952]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy VE1, in respect of Llanmiloe House.

My concerns regarding any further developments with in the grounds of Llanmiloe House:

- 1. Impact in Listed Building and conservation areas:
- 2. Added pressure on local services. The sewerage system is very dated, and there is currently a problem with surface water running into neighbours garden and onto the road.
- 3. Access to the proposed development would probably need to be from outside our property. This access has a reduced flow of traffic into what was the Social Club. The travelling of cars and the expected footfall of visitors would pose a significant risk to us as a family and those having access and egress from any potential site.

Council's Initial Response

Comments Noted. In conjunction with other representations made in relation to development limits in this area of Llanmiloe, tourism proposals are not allocated on the proposals maps, and potential schemes / tourism developments are to be considered under policies set out within the Revised LDP and considered on a site by site basis.

Action

3759 Ffos Las Ltd [3885]

Agent: White Young Green (Mr Rob Mitchell) [2371]

Summary:

Object

Objection to Policy VE1.

Whilst the policy aspirations of Policy VE1 are supported, the Policy's reasoned justification should explicitly recognise development proposals which seek to diversify the offer and create jobs at existing tourist destinations in the countryside such as Ffos Las will, by their very nature, also need to be located in the countryside. We request the policy reasoned justification explicitly recognises Ffos Las as an existing, sustainable location/facility from which to provide visitor accommodation in association with fostering local tourist related activity.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The policy framework set out within VE1 allows the potential development for tourism and Visitor attractions and facilities where it is appropriately located. Any proposals submitted will be considered against the revised LDP policies.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4137 Seasons Holidays plc (_ _ _) [5149]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Owain Nedin) [4937]

Summary:

Object

The Council fails to take opportunity to deliver on SO13 without any quantifiable or measurable targets for growth of the sector (which is a strategic/corporate objective). Evidencing/supporting this objective would logically be achieved through allocations for proposals that meet the strategic objective - particularly when one is presented that is deliverable and meets so many targets for growth of the visitor economy

Council's Initial Response

It should be noted that the LDP is prepared within the context of other plans and strategies including those of the authority, whereby the need to reflect and support the visitor economy is identified. In this respect, the Plan through its policies and provisions provides sufficient clarity for the development of a tourism and visitor economy which is both deliverable and reflective of Carmarthenshire's aspirations.

Action

Object

Policy Policy VE2: Permanent Holiday Accommodation

Representation(s)

3989 Mr K Strelley [3923]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Objection to policy VE2 as part of the promotion of the client's site as a tourism allocation - reference should be made to representation 3987. The designation of this established site as a tourism facility will provide certainty and clarity for future tourism proposals relating to this flagship enterprise. Its designation would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for wider economic activity. Its continued development would be in keeping and in character with the local area and will ensure a deliverable source of future economic growth.

Council's Initial Response

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation number 3987 (under policy SP10).

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4472 Calon Cymru Network CIC (Dr Pat Racher) [5222]

Summary: Object

The proposals on tourism could be loosened to allow a greater dispersion of ultra-low-emission visitor accommodation in rural areas. Demand for socially distanced 'staycation' accommodation linked to 'active travel' is likely to rise, and Carmarthenshire is ideally located to benefit from this.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The plan recognises that the County's rural areas are well placed to accommodate proposals for high quality and sustainable proposals that are of an appropriate scale. Proposals should however respect the County's assets whilst supporting vibrant rural communities.

It is considered there is already sufficient scope within the Plan's policy framework already in place, with Strategic Policy 10 supported by a range of detailed policies - including Policy VE2: Permanent Holiday Accommodation. In terms of the detailed policies for the Revised LDP, the emphasis is on providing clarification on two notable challenges and opportunities facing the visitor economy in Carmarthenshire which are attractions (somewhere to go) and accommodation (somewhere to stay).

Action

3760 Ffos Las Ltd [3885]

Agent: White Young Green (Mr Rob Mitchell) [2371]

Summary:

Object

Objection to Policy VE2.

Whilst the policy aspirations of Policy VE2 are supported, the policy wording should not preclude new build development beyond defined settlements, as currently worded. The policy should be updated to reflect Policy VE1 which seeks a sequential approach to development.

The ability to diversify the tourist related offer and meet identified tourist needs (such as providing visitor accommodation) at existing facilities such as Ffos Las, which lies within the countryside, must not be precluded by unnecessarily rigid policy wording/approach; this would be of direct detriment to the Carmarthenshire visitor economy.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. Policy VE2 allows for the potential of new development and / or including appropriate extensions to existing accommodation where they are located within, or directly related to a defined settlement. Any proposals submitted will be considered against the revised LDP policies.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4132 Seasons Holidays plc (_ _ _) [5149]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Owain Nedin) [4937]

Summary: Object

The Council fails to take opportunity to deliver on SO13 without any quantifiable or measurable targets for growth of the sector (which is a strategic/corporate objective). Evidencing/supporting this objective would logically be achieved through allocations for proposals that meet the strategic objective - particularly when one is presented that is deliverable and meets so many targets for growth of the visitor economy

Council's Initial Response

It should be noted that the LDP is prepared within the context of other plans and strategies including those of the authority, whereby the need to reflect and support the visitor economy is identified. In this respect, the Plan through its policies and provisions provides sufficient clarity for the development of a tourism and visitor economy which is both deliverable and reflective of Carmarthenshire's aspirations.

Action

Policy Policy VE3: Touring Caravan, Camping and Glamping Sites

Representation(s)

3134 Mr HW Thomas [4850]

Summary: Object

I would appreciate if the area outlined in blue on the enclosed map could be considered for inclusion on to the Local development Plan. I live in the area hatched in purple. The reason for the request for this inclusion is that I am very interested in developing this area for Eco Tourism. Ideally, I would like to site four clamping pods on the field marked Pod area - Parking located adjacent to my house. Site ref is AS/127/005

Council's Initial Response

The respondent is requesting the inclusion of the land for tourism use, such matters will be dealt with under the policies of the Plan and not specific allocations.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3990 Mr K Strelley [3923]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Objection to policy VE3 as part of the promotion of the client's site as a tourism allocation - reference should be made to representation 3987. The designation of this established site as a tourism facility will provide certainty and clarity for future tourism proposals relating to this flagship enterprise. Its designation would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for wider economic activity. Its continued development would be in keeping and in character with the local area and will ensure a deliverable source of future economic growth.

Council's Initial Response

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation number 3987 (under policy SP10).

Action

No change to the Plan.

4138 Seasons Holidays plc (_ _ _) [5149]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Owain Nedin) [4937]

Summary: Object

The Council fails to take opportunity to deliver on SO13 without any quantifiable or measurable targets for growth of the sector (which is a strategic/corporate objective). Evidencing/supporting this objective would logically be achieved through allocations for proposals that meet the strategic objective - particularly when one is presented that is deliverable and meets so many targets for growth of the visitor economy

Council's Initial Response

It should be noted that the LDP is prepared within the context of other plans and strategies including those of the authority, whereby the need to reflect and support the visitor economy is identified. In this respect, the Plan through its policies and provisions provides sufficient clarity for the development of a tourism and visitor economy which is both deliverable and reflective of Carmarthenshire's aspirations.

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

4612 Mr Dewi Rees [355]

Summary: Object

The respondent seeks glamping facilities on field number 2441 in Pontamman

Council's Initial Response

The respondent has not provided a map to show the extent of the field to be considered. Notwithstanding this, the use proposed will be considered against the policies set out within the revised LDP.

Action

Policy Policy VE4: Static Caravan and Chalet Sites

Representation(s)

3991 Mr K Strelley [3923]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Objection to policy VE4 as part of the promotion of the client's site as a tourism allocation - reference should be made to representation 3987. The designation of this established site as a tourism facility will provide certainty and clarity for future tourism proposals relating to this flagship enterprise. Its designation would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for wider economic activity. Its continued development would be in keeping and in character with the local area and will ensure a deliverable source of future economic growth.

Council's Initial Response

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation number 3987 (under policy SP10).

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4139 Seasons Holidays plc (_ _ _) [5149]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Owain Nedin) [4937]

Summary: Object

The Council fails to take opportunity to deliver on SO13 without any quantifiable or measurable targets for growth of the sector (which is a strategic/corporate objective). Evidencing/supporting this objective would logically be achieved through allocations for proposals that meet the strategic objective - particularly when one is presented that is deliverable and meets so many targets for growth of the visitor economy

Council's Initial Response

It should be noted that the LDP is prepared within the context of other plans and strategies including those of the authority, whereby the need to reflect and support the visitor economy is identified. In this respect, the Plan through its policies and provisions provides sufficient clarity for the development of a tourism and visitor economy which is both deliverable and reflective of Carmarthenshire's aspirations.

Action

Policy Strategic Policy - SP 11: Placemaking and Sustainable Places

Representation(s)

3699 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Criterion c) should recognise the multi-functional nature of green infrastructure, as referenced in paragraph 11.269. It is not only about biodiversity and ecological connectivity, but also landscape, heritage, amenity, health and wellbeing, sustainable management of natural resources, climate adaptation and resilience.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Multi-functional nature of GI to be referenced in SP11

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused change).

Representation(s)

3700 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Criterion f), for greater clarity this section could include reference to the local landscape context and state new development should respond positively to local character.

Council's Initial Response

Agree in Part. This point is addressed in policy PSD1. For clarity supporting text will be amended to refer to the local landscape context, and reference the Placemaking and Design SPG.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Representation(s)

3525 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

Objection to criterion f of Policy SP11. A change to the wording is sought, as follows:

"Requirement for proposals to exhibit & demonstrate a clear understanding of the exisitng natural & built heritage, local character & sense of place".

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The wording in this paragraph is considered to be sufficiently robust and in accordance with PPW.

Action

3363 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

BDW Homes objects to the current wording of this policy as it is considered that it currently suggests that developments are required to meet all of the 11 criteria listed in the policy. In reality, it is unlikely that this will be the case, which would make it difficult to justify a development proposal, accordingly the policy should be worded to make it clear that this is not the case.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The wording of the policy is sufficiently clear in that all the criteria need to be considered and met.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3236 Ynni Sir Gâr (Dr Sioned Haf) [4872]

Summary: Support

- 1)Properties must achieve a 50% reduction of CO2 emissions compared to a similar building complying with Building Regulations Part L.
- 2)Carmarthenshire LA prohibit combustion heating systems in new properties built on sites identified in the LDP.
- 3)New buildings must have facilities enabling addition of EV charging point per household, and at every workplace/public car park.
- 4)Buildings on sites identified in the LDP are made energy self-sufficient, installing solar PV, district heating and linked to local community energy projects.
- 5)Council to engage with housing associations and industry experts to develop a construction model that will minimise cost of achieving the above.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

This is a strategic level policy dealing with sustainable places. The level of detail in respect of individual houses or housing estates highlighted in this representation will be dealt with at the planning application stage.

Action

3498 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

We specifically welcome the inclusion of criteria k) in Policy SP11. Disposing of surface water in a sustainable manner will ensure that it will not communicate with the public sewerage network, thereby having the double effect of protecting the environment and ensuring there is sufficient capacity in the public sewerage network for foul-only flows from development sites.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3290 Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority (Ms Martina Dunne) [2326]

Summary: Support

Support in Principle Policy SP11 Placemaking and Sustainable Places.

A small number of comments are provided below:

Climate Change

The Authorities have a shared understanding of the need to plan for climate change and to mitigate its impacts and to provide for high quality design to ensure that new development adaptable to climate change.

This NPA supports the approach taken to future-proofing communities in light of predicted sea-level rise and the identification of a Coastal Change Management Area, supported by the South Wales Shoreline Management Plan.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

3346 RWE Innogy UK Ltd (Miss Eleri Davies) [471]

Summary: Support

support recognition of low carbon and renewable energy generation under SP11, however the policy should be more explicit in its support, and recognise that proposals for low carbon and renewable energy generation are "sustainable development";. Notwithstanding this positive rhetoric, the Renewable and Low Carbon Energy Assessment: Carmarthenshire County Council (AECOM, June 2019) which is part of the evidence-base to this Revised LDP totally fails to recognise the scale of the 2050 net zero challenge and identifies very little in terms of the potential for further deployment of low carbon and renewable energy.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The policy wording is considered to be robust and in accordance with national policy.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 11.268

Representation(s)

3520 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

Throughout this plan, whenever, Sustainable development principles are stated, economic development/ prosperity are given precedance & are stated first. I would ask that these references are amended throughout the plan to afford equal weight across the sustainable development principles. Para should read: 11.268 ... "seek to improve" ADD 'equally' " the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of an area.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. While the Authority seeks equity in the economic, social, environmental, and cultural well-being of an area, 'equally' is not always feasible or desirable. Remediation measures to address inequality in the distribution of Sustainability goals sometimes necessitate greater benefits in one aspect over another.

The order of listing Sustainability principles is maintained for consistency however, the Plan makes no actual or implied statement on economic imperatives taking precedence over social and environmental issues.

Action

Paragraph Para 11.269

Representation(s)

3521 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

Throughout this plan, whenever sustainable development principles are stated, economic development/ prosperity are given precedance & are stated first. I would ask that these references are amended throughout the plan to afford equal weight across the sustainable development principles. Para 11.269 should read: "Vision of creating "ADD 'equally' "prosperous, cohesive and sustainable communities."

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. Reference is made to response made under 3520.

Action

No change to the Plan

Paragraph Para 11.271

Representation(s)

3522 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

Throughout this plan, whenever sustainable development principles are stated, economic development/ prosperity are given precedance & are stated first I would ask that these references are amended throughout the plan to afford equal weight across the sustainable development principles. Para 11.271 should read: "to ensure that development proposals can achieve" ADD 'equally' " positive economic, social, environmental and cultural outcomes.."

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. Refer to response made under 3520.

Action

Paragraph Para 11.272

Representation(s)

3499 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

On the theme of SuDS, we welcome the inclusion of the supporting text at paragraphs 11.272 to 11.274 regarding the recently established SuDS Approval Boards (SABs).

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No Change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 11.273

Representation(s)

3500 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

On the theme of SuDS, we welcome the inclusion of the supporting text at paragraphs 11.272 to 11.274 regarding the recently established SuDS Approval Boards (SABs).

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No Change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 11.274

Representation(s)

3501 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

On the theme of SuDS, we welcome the inclusion of the supporting text at paragraphs 11.272 to 11.274 regarding the recently established SuDS Approval Boards (SABs).

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Policy PSD1: Sustainable and High Quality Design

Representation(s)

3701 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Criterion e) iii) should be re-worded. It will not be possible to retain and protect all the existing landscape in new proposals.

We suggest: Proposals should clearly demonstrate: e) a high-quality landscape and built environment which iii) retains and protects key features and characteristics and integrates positively with the surrounding landscape and built environment.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Re-wording of PSD1 criterion e) iii) for greater clarity

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Representation(s)

3362 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

BDW Homes objects to the current wording of this policy as it is considered that it currently suggests that developments are required to meet all of the 9 criteria listed in the policy. In reality, it is unlikely that this will be the case, which would make it difficult to justify a development proposal, accordingly the policy should be worded to make it clear that this is not the case.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The wording of the policy is sufficiently clear in that all the criteria need to be considered and met.

Action

3526 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

The supporting text to policy PSD1 must make clear that these are matters which relate to whether a proposal is or is not, acceptable in principal. The requirement must, therefore be satisfied by evidence based submissions at the very earliest stages in the planning process, and cannot be satisfied by imposition of conditions on consents, requiring the relevant information to be submitted at a later date.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The wording in this paragraph is considered to be sufficiently robust and in accordance with PPW. It is implicit that such considerations will be addressed at the planning application stage through reference to Design and Access Statements, and in reference to Policy PSD2.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3274 The Coal Authority (Melanie Lindsley) [4000]

Summary: Support

The Coal Authority is pleased to note that Policy PSD1 is supported by explanatory text in respect of land instability as set out in these two paragraphs.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

291 Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority (Ms Martina Dunne) [2326]

Summary: Support

Support in principle Policy PSD1 Sustainable and High Quality Design.

A small number of comments are provided below:

Climate Change

The Authorities have a shared understanding of the need to plan for climate change and to mitigate its impacts and to provide for high quality design to ensure that new development adaptable to climate change.

This NPA supports the approach taken to future-proofing communities in light of predicted sea-level rise and the identification of a Coastal Change Management Area, supported by the South Wales Shoreline Management Plan.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 11.280

Representation(s)

3527 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

Objection to paragraph 11.280, which should be amended to the following:

.. "the policy seeks to respect, and where appropriate, protect the amenity of existing residents."

Delete "and where appropriate"

Reason: unnecessary watering down of policy objective. The wording already say "seeks to"

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The wording in this paragraph is considered to be sufficiently robust in relation to the protection of the amenity of local residents.

Action

No change to the plan.

Paragraph Para 11.285

Representation(s)

3528 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

Objection to paragraph 11.285, which should be amended as follows:

"Proposals for developments of over 100 homes will be required to have regard to the provisions of Policy PSD2: Masterplanning Principles" - amend to 50 homes in line with wording of policy PSD2 Reason: to provide clarity.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed.

Action

Amend paragraph 11.285 to refer to 50 homes in line with Policy PSD2.

Paragraph Para 11.287

Representation(s)

3273 The Coal Authority (Melanie Lindsley) [4000]

Summary: Support

The Coal Authority is pleased to note that Policy PSD1 is supported by explanatory text in respect of land instability as set out in these two paragraphs.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 11.288

Representation(s)

3275 The Coal Authority (Melanie Lindsley) [4000]

Support Support

The Coal Authority is pleased to note that Policy PSD1 is supported by explanatory text in respect of land instability as set out in these two paragraphs.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Policy PSD2: Masterplanning Principles - Creating Sustainable Neighbourhoods

Representation(s)

3702 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

This policy requires amendment; it has to be ensured that, where significant wildlife interests are associated with the site, GI provides a resilient ecological network, which adequately protects and enhances the respective wildlife interests.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Amendment to policy PSD2. Where significant wildlife interests are associated with the site, it has to be ensured that GI provides a resilient ecological network, which adequately protects and enhances the respective wildlife interests.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Representation(s)

3529 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy PSD2:

Should not this policy also apply to land allocated for business development? In term of housing, what provision is the LPA going to make to ensure that developers do not just simply develop fewer housing units incrementally within the larger land allocations in order to side step these requirements?

Council's Initial Response

Comment noted.

This policy relates specifically to housing developments. Business proposals are covered by other policies within the Plan.

The Policy sets a requirement to submit a comprehensive and integrated 'masterplan' for the entire site. If the developer wishes to develop the site on an incremental basis, then this will need to be detailed in the masterplan.

Action

3364 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

BDW Homes objects to the proposed policy requirement to submit a comprehensive and integrated 'masterplan' for the entire site for proposals where the development is for 50 or more homes. BDW consider a more appropriate and reasonable threshold should be set at 100 or more homes. The policy threshold should be reconsidered accordingly.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The identification of a threshold of 50 as set out within the provisions of PSD2 is reflective of the scale and nature of sites across the County. In this regard the scale and character of the settlements within the hierarchy are varied and often rely on smaller sites to deliver homes within their communities. Consequently, the application of the policy to sites of 50 or more ensures that the benefits of effective masterplanning is maximised at a level which is more reflective of the County, its settlements and its communities.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 11.293

Representation(s)

3703 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

The supporting text needs to address the following:

Where vegetation is being retained or recreated phasing must also consider:

- * Ensuring that retained vegetation is protected throughout the construction period, and
- * Where new habitat is being created and/or a green corridor for wildlife is being recreated it is part of the initial work on site due to the timeline involved for the habitats to become functional.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Amendment of supporting text to address retained vegetation and habitat creation in development.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Policy PSD3: Green Infrastructure Network

Representation(s)

704 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

One of the themes of the Area Statement is reducing health inequalities and developing and improving GI is believed to be a major factor in achieving this goal.

While we welcome the principle of "multifunctionality by bringing green infrastructure functions together", in some circumstances securing wildlife interests would not be compatible with other GI functions. Therefore, we advise this policy is amended.

They should take opportunities to achieve multifunctionality by bringing infrastructure functions together, where appropriate and where this will not compromise the purpose of the GI.

It also requires amendment as noted in Policy PSD2 above; it has to be ensured that, where significant wildlife interests are associated with the site, green infrastructure (GI) provides a resilient ecological network, which adequately protects and enhances the respective wildlife interests.

Where GI is being provided for the purpose of wildlife conservation, proposals must ensure that the GI will remain unilluminated.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Amend policy to reference the SWWAS, and for the purpose of clarity amend wording relating to multifunctionality of GI.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

3365 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

BDW Homes objects to this policy as currently worded. Green infrastructure requirements need to be balanced with achieving the most effective and efficient use of land, as advocated in PPW 10 (para 4.2.22). It is unclear how the authority has reconciled the effect on net developable area of the GI requirements set out in this policy and how this might impact on the density of development for example. BDW request that the wording of this policy is reconsidered.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

Whilst the provisions of PPW in relation to making the most efficient use of land is recognised this is not a matter of either or. Rather PPW places significant emphasis on the requirement for Green Infrastructure. It is recognised that green infrastructure considerations are an integral part of the design process and incorporates a range of features, how these function together to contribute toward the quality of places and allows for a range of design based solutions which need not impact for example on the density of a development. In this respect the policy provides for the maximisation of Green Infrastructure as far as is practicable, this recognises the consideration of different scenarios and solutions.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3328 Mr Chris Davies [2969]

Summary: Support

We fully support the ethos of PSD3: Green Infrastructure Network and consider that it will assist CCC and developers in achieving their duties under The Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act and the Environment (Wales) Act 2016.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

3502 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

We welcome the provisions of this policy and the supporting text. The integration of SuDS as a Green Infrastructure asset in particular is something that we are particularly supportive of.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

No change to the Plan

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Paragraph Para 11.296

Representation(s)

3530 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Support Support

Support for paragraph 11.296, although I have concerns over what weight existing green infrastucture will be given in policy terms when weighed against other factors in development proposals. The overriding impression is that existing green infrastructure is & will, be too easily sacrificed; & I am highly sceptical that however ambitious relevant policy statements may be, replacement & new planting is highly unlikely to ever match that which is being lost in terms of quality, quantity & longevity.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed and comments noted

Action

Paragraph Para 11.297

Representation(s)

3531 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Support

Support for paragraph 11.297, although I have concerns over what weight existing green infrastucture will be given in policy terms when weighed against other factors in development proposals. The overriding impression is that existing green infrastructure is & will, be too easily sacrificed; & I am highly sceptical that however ambitious relevant policy statements may be, replacement & new planting is highly unlikely ever match that which is being lost in terms of quality, quantity & longevity.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed and comments noted

Action

No change to the Plan

Paragraph Para 11.298

Representation(s)

3705 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

In respect to the comments on biodiversity, this section requires amendment:

- * Use of emphatic language replacing should with will.
- * Within the section it states that "Development proposals will conserve and enhance on-site biodiversity, and habitat networks within and adjacent to the site." To provide clarity to developers it should specifically set out the need for any application to detail how the development will deliver such conservation and enhancement.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Amend supporting text to provide clarity on development application criteria in relation to conservation and enhancement.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

3706 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

In respect of the comments on climate change, the first prioritisation with regard to flood zones requires amendment. It states, "Within flood zones as identified by Natural Resources Wales". This should refer to areas considered to be at risk of flooding from any source.

Council's Initial Response

Agree in Part. Amend wording of supporting text for clarity.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Representation(s)

3532 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Support

Support for paragraph 11.298, although I have concerns over what weight existing green infrastucture will be given in policy terms when weighed against other factors in development proposals. The overriding impression is that existing green infrastructure is & will, be too easily sacrificed; & I am highly sceptical that however ambitious relevant policy statements may be, replacement & new planting is highly unlikely ever match that which is being lost in terms of quality, quantity & longevity.

There also appears to be considerable overlap between policies relating to Green Infrastructure, Open Space, Landscape Character and Biodiversity (NE3 wildlife corridors). These should either be consolidated, or simplified to give a clearer focus.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed and comments noted

Action

Paragraph Para 11.299

Representation(s)

3533 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Support

Support for paragraph 11.299, although I have concerns over what weight existing green infrastructure will be given in policy terms when weighed against other factors in development proposals. The overriding impression is that existing green infrastructure is & will, be too easily sacrificed; & I am highly sceptical that however ambitious relevant policy statements may be, replacement & new planting is highly unlikely ever match that which is being lost in terms of quality, quantity & longevity.

There also appears to be considerable overlap between policies relating to Green Infrastructure, Open Space, Landscape Character and Biodiversity (NE3 wildlife corridors). These should either be consolidated, or simplified to give a clearer focus.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed and comments noted

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3707 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Support Support

We support the commitment to produce a SPG and would welcome the opportunity to be involved in the process.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

Policy PSD4: Green Infrastructure - Trees, Woodlands and Hedgerows

Representation(s)

3709 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

The South West Wales Area Statement recognises increasing woodland networks and having the right tree at the right place as important in achieving its theme of reducing the decline of and enhancing biodiversity. Management of woodland (along with grassland and peat) is also seen as a way forward in protecting our carbon sinks and mitigating and adapting to climate change. The plan should reflect a commitment to support delivery of these goals embedded within the Area Statement. See rep 3578 also.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Amend policy to include a commitment to support delivery of the goals embedded within the Area Statement.

Cross reference note - the Council's response to representation reference number 3578 can be found under its responses to comments received under policy SP13.

Action

Change to the plan (Focused Changes)

Representation(s)

3718 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

In the wake of ash dieback no ash should be planted.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Stipulate that in the wake of ash die back, no ash trees should be introduced.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

3719 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

The policy also states, "Tree survey information should be submitted with all the planning applications, where trees are present on site. The tree survey information should include protection, mitigation and management measures." This information must also include details of enhancement.

Council's Initial Response

Agree in part. Stipulate that information provided in the application should include protection, mitigation, enhancement and management measures.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Representation(s)

3720 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Where new trees are to be planted management measures need to include a plan on how they will be protected and replaced should failure occur. There should be a commitment to an end product of mature long living trees.

Council's Initial Response

Agree in part. Amend policy to include a commitment to maintain the habitat in the long-term.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Representation(s)

3710 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

The policy states "Where there is unavoidable loss of trees on site, replacement trees will be required to be planted on site at a rate of two new trees for each tree lost. The planting of new, additional trees is also supported and encouraged as part of new developments". From our discussions we note that this policy is to be amended so that the number of replacements will be determined on a case by case basis."

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Amend policy to stipulate that replacement tree planting will be determined on a case by case basis.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

3535 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy PSD4:

Clarification on circumstances which might constitute "unavoidable loss" is required. At the moment submission of a planning application appears to be sufficient grounds for the LPA to justify loss of trees. Further changes also requested to policy & supporting text

Council's Initial Response

Agree in part. Clarification on 'unavoidable loss' to be provided in supporting text 11.304

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Representation(s)

3330 Mr Chris Davies [2969]

Summary: Support

We fully support the ethos of PSD4: Green Infrastructure - Trees, Woodland and Hedgerows and consider that it will assist CCC and developers in achieving their duties under The Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act and the Environment (Wales) Act 2016.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

3708 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

We support the inclusion of this policy and the recognition of the importance of protecting these features. During our discussions we have expressed concern that development of a number of the allocated sites would not reflect your policy to retain and extend tree cover. This is concerning in light of Welsh Governments (WG) recent declaration on Climate Change and biodiversity.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed/ comments noted.

In respect of the concerns raised on sites allocated in the Plan, the Council has sought to respond as appropriate to any site specific objections made by the respondent - notably (but not exclusively) as part of its responses to comments made to Policy HOM 1 - Housing Allocations.

Reference can also be made to the proposed focused changes as appropriate.

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3717 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

We are encouraged to note the reference to planting additional trees on new developments. As noted in paragraph 11.304, these should be of a native species of local provenance.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

Paragraph Para 11.302

Representation(s)

3715 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

It is stated that "Appropriate management measures must be implemented to protect newly planted and existing trees, woodlands and or hedgerows". This requires amendment to make it clear you are referring to long-term management not just the newly planted stage.

Council's Initial Response

Agree in part. Amend wording to provide clarification on long-term and short-term measures.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Representation(s)

3716 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

We are encouraged to note the reference to planting additional trees on new developments.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

Policy PSD5: Development and the Circular Economy

Representation(s)

3366 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

BDW Homes objects to this policy and is concerned that it is very onerous and too aspirational as currently drafted. There are practical difficulties in complying with the policy insofar as the level of detail required would not be available at outline application stage, for instance details concerning proposed cut and fill. It is considered that the policy should be redrafted/reconsidered.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The wording of the policy reflects the Welsh Government's stance on moving towards embracing a more circular economy in Wales. The policy wording is considered to be sound and in accordance with PPW10.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Policy PSD7: Protection of Open Space

Representation(s)

3537 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy PSD7. Additional criteria proposed:

"Proposals which would reduce the quality of existing public access, including disabled access eg by introducing unnecessary steps or barriers or pinch points, will be refused." Amend:

"It is demonstrated that there is provision of at least equivalent value available within the settlement, or appropriately accessible location; and,"

To:

'It is demonstrated that there is provision of at least equivalent value available within walking distance, or other nearby & appropriately accessible location; and,'

Reason: to reduce unecessary car journeys in line with the plan's overarching strategy/ objectives.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. There is difficulty in determining 'walking distance' as this will vary according to the disability. Reference is made to Para. 11.327 which sets out accessibility quantitatively measured in distance from home, and the quantity of provision according to function.

Action

3288 Mr Graham Craig [4222]

Summary: Object

The designation on the proposals map only covers half of the community field, it stops randomly halfway across. I would like the map to be updated to extend the designation to the entire field. Llansadwrn community field (Outdoor sports facility) The designation on the proposals map only covers half of the community field, it stops randomly halfway across. I would like the map to be updated to extend the designation to the entire field. This is therefore an objection to policy PSD7, the site reference is AS/103/003

Council's Initial Response

The plan does not have a specific annotation for community fields, so the field has been annotated as an outdoor sports facility - which essentially will provide it with the necessary protection from development.

The annotation covers the same area as shown in previous development plans (the current LDP and the earlier UDP) and reflects the information that we would have been provided with at the time of production of the earlier plans.

We have not received any information to update the situation, and so the existing extent of the annotation has been taken forward and identified in the Deposit Revised LDP.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4363 Llandyfaelog Community Council (Mr Arfon Davies,) [46]

Summary: Object

Objection to PSD7 - seeking annotation of the amenity greenspace field / outdoor sports field (football goals) which surrounds the play area in Llansaint.

4364 Llandyfaelog Community Council (Mr Arfon Davies.) [46]

Summary: Object

Objection to PSD7 - seeking annotation of the Play area to the rear of the Community Hall in Llandyfaelog

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Amendment to be made to the proposal maps to identify the area as Open Space.

Action

Change to the Plan.

3714 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

On behalf of Friends of Jacksons Lane Garden Group, we would like to request that the area of Jackson's Lane Garden, Carmarthen (equating to the area of approved plans W/35554 & W/35973) should be formally identified as "Amenity Greenspace" or "Parks & Gardens" on the LDP's proposal map for Carmarthen & therefore afforded protection from future development through the relevant policies of the LDP.

It is understood that the Local Authority no longer intends to implement the approved redevelopment proposals relating to the Garden, which is located within a Conservation area. A number of reasons are cited in support of this including: the ability to facilitate grant applications to ensure its enhancement & future as a garden; it is the only remaining publicly accessible green space in the town centre; existing trees are of high amenity value; few of the surrounding flats & houses have gardens; the Lane falls within a Conservation area & is archaeologically sensitive with historic significance.

The Friends of Jackson's Lane Garden believe that it might eventually be included on the Register of Historic Parks & Gardens as small gardens have yet to be systematically identified & assessed. However, the area of the garden has been much reduced in modern times and its designation would depend on garden features being identified by further research & possibly the planned archaeological investigations, & subsequently restored.

Council's Initial Response

Noted.

Whilst not identified on the proposals map the area referred to is referenced as part of the Green Infrastructure Assessment. This has been prepared in conjunction/support of the Revised LDP identifies the area as a Parks and gardens typology.

The Council will monitor any further development or implementation of proposals for the area.

Action

4379 Letitia Cornwallis Trust (Lynda James) [5161]

Summary: Object

Requests that the recreation/ open space allocation is set back to allow an access route along the western hedge to link the village hall car park and the Almshouse for future development or simply to better link the two sites together. The existing access to the school site has limited visibility and could limit the viability of the site and the conservation for the Almshouse.

This access would enhance the ability to renovate the deteriorating Grade 2 listed Georgian Almshouse, maintain its charitable objectives whilst also permitting the development of the site for sporting, heritage and other community activities based in the Charity School House as well as the spacious Village Hall. Successful implementation of such plans will not only enhance the sense of community lost through the closure of the local pub and school but also provide new employment opportunities for the community.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed.

Action

The recreation/ open space annotation on the Proposals Map to be amended to allow an access route along the western hedge to link the village hall car park and the Almshouse.

Representation(s)

3782 Cllr. A & D Vaughan Owen & Price [5057]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of land in private ownership at Mary Street, Drefach, under Policy PSD7 Protection of Open Space.

The land is in private ownership, but on the map it is coloured in green (denoting a park/ open green space). We assume that this is an error, as Drefach Recreational Ground sits adjacent to it. We would therefore request that the 'park/ open green space' designation be removed from the land in question.

3247 Mr & Mrs O Arnott [4893]

Summary: Object

A Plot of land in public ownership as indicated on LDP map, needs to be amended (green lines removed) to reflect private ownership. Land registry title details are provided. It is intended to build a dwelling on this land in future. Therefore, Policy PSD7 is objected to due to the fact that the site is shown as open space in the deposit Plan. The site reference is AS/049/020.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. The parcel of land in question should not be marked as open space

Action

Change to Plan. Amendment to remove open space allocation.

3188 Mr Emyr John [4549]

Summary: Object

Site circled red - Requests the removal of Amenity Greenspace annotation.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Amendment, to remove it's classification as Amenity Greenspace.

Action

Change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

8 Philip Grice Chairman (Phil Grice) [5288]

Summary: Object

The Quay and the Quayside and the River Towy has in recent years become a hive of activity, especially regarding young people, for both recreational sporting activities, and educational river safety activities. We believe that the activities of these organisations demonstrate an enduring devotion by many people and organisations to the River Towy and the Quay, especially as far as young people are concerned, and that the formal identification in the LDP of the Carmarthen Quay and riverside as amenity land should ensure that this area should remain as a public amenity, and not an area for building development.

4546 Philip Grice Chairman (Phil Grice) [5288]

Summary: Object

Land in the vicinity of the Quay Centre should be formally identified as amenity land in the LDP, i.e. not for building development. We consider that all access points to the river must be safeguarded and as amenity land it should be reserved for uses which require a water-side location, together with ancillary uses to meet the needs of all riverside recreational and boating users, including those walking the All Wales Coast Path, which runs through the site.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The areas of concern of any development in this location will be matters taken into account in the consideration of any development proposals.

Action

3335 Mr Chris Davies [2969]

Summary: Support

We fully support the ethos of PSD7 and more specifically the area of proposed PSD7 within Squirrel Walk, Fforest which would help maintain the semi-rural nature.

Should Carmarthenshire County Council decide to create a more formal recreational use for this area, a village green, allotment or plantation would be welcomed by ourselves which we consider would be in line with the well-being goals set out in The Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act including; A prosperous Wales, A resilient Wales, A healthier Wales, A Wales of cohesive communities and A globally responsible Wales.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4347 Pencader Community Council (Anita Evans) [5158]

Summary: Support

Mae Cyngor Cymuned Llanfihangel-ar-Arth yn berchen ar Gornel Chwarae ar gyfer rhai dan 14 oed ym Mhencader. Ar hyn o bryd mae'r Man Chwarae hwn wedi'i anodi felly yn y CDLI.

Llanfihangel-ar-Arth Community Council own a Play Corner for under 14s in Pencader. This Play Space is currently annotated as such in the LDP.

Council's Initial Response

Nodwyd / Noted.

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun / No change to the Plan

4481 Cllr Tina Higgins [2920]

Summary: Support

I fully support the protecting of green space in the Tycroes ward. Green spaces including woodland by Heol Brown Park/Hafod Road, Tycroes - All green spaces within the ward should be protected from development. Access to use these areas for recreational purposes is essential to the community to maintain and improve both physical and mental health well being. Nature is also a vital part of education. The woodland by Heol Brown park is home to a variety of wildlife e.g. foxes and badgers. Sightings also include a rare butterfly and owls who nest there. Residents state that this land was a gift from the Coal Board to the village of Tycroes to be used for recreational purposes. There is a further large area of green open land between Tycroes, Penybank and Pantyffynon. This area has footpaths that are used on a regular basis. Any building on this land would be detrimental to the rural feel of the area currently enjoyed by the residents.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed. The area referred to has been identified as recreational/open space within the Revised LDP.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3608 Mr Dennis Alexander [3310]

Summary: Support

Land between Heol Hafod Road & Heol Brown should be entirely outside the development area and should remain as recreation land. Therefore, Policy PSD7 is supported due to the fact that this land remains as recreation land in the deposit Plan.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

Policy PSD9: Advertisements

Representation(s)

4369 Welsh Government: Welsh Language Commissioner (Ms Meinir Jones) [5159]

Summary: Support

Rydym yn croesawu'r cyfeiriad penodol at y Gymraeg yn y polisi ar hysbysebion PSD9. Byddai gennym ddiddordeb mewn gweithio gyda'r Cyngor wrth i geisiadau gael eu derbyn gan gwmnïau mawr a manwerthwyr. Gall ein Tîm Hybu ddarparu cyngor a chymorth i gwmnïau ddatblygu eu gwasanaethau Cymraeg a'u defnydd o'r Gymraeg yn fwy cyffredinol.

We welcome the specific reference to the Welsh language in the policy on PSD9 advertisements. We would be interested to work with the Council as applications are received from large companies and retailers. Our Hybu Team can provide advice and assistance to companies to develop their Welsh language services and their use of Welsh more generally.

Council's Initial Response

Croesawir y gefnogaeth / nodir y sywladau.

Bydd y Cyngor yn paratoi Canllawiau Cynllunio Atodol (CCA) newydd.

Gellir cyfeirio at Atodiad 3 y Cynllun lle rhestrir CCA ar Hysbysebion (canllawiau ar ofynion dwyieithog).

Support welcomed/ comments noted.

New Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) will be prepared by the Council.

Reference may be made to Appendix 3 of the Plan where SPG on Advertisements (guidance on bi lingual requirements) is listed.

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun (ond fe fydd y CCA yn cael eu paratoi).

No change to the Plan (but the SPG will be prepared).

Policy PSD12: Light and Air Pollution

Representation(s)

3755 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

The supporting text for this policy also requires amendment. Reference is only made to international sites in this section, for example as in paragraph 11.355. The maintain and enhance requirement is also relevant to SSSI's and Section 7 priority habitats and species. The Plan should be amended to reflect this .

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Amend supporting text to clarify SSSI's, Section 7 priority habitats and species and the maintain and enhance requirement.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Representation(s)

3752 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

This section needs to acknowledge that emissions in rural areas can impact the urban areas of the county. The plan as a whole must recognise that Wales is seeing an increase in intensive agriculture. In particular new pig and poultry units and increased densities of livestock on dairy farms. This can lead to increases in ammonia emissions to both air and water. Carmarthenshire has a wealth of designated sites and priority habitat and species, some of which are particularly sensitive to increases in ammonia emissions. A such, the plan needs to address this issue.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. In order to assess the acceptability of a development proposal against the criteria of Policy DM2, proposals which would be likely to result in increased nutrient loading to the environment, such as intensive livestock units, will be required to assess the potential impacts in respect of water and air quality, to ensure that they do not adversely affect these natural and semi natural environments. NRW publishes guidance for developers to assist with this process (see NRW OGN (Operational Guidance Note) 41: Assessment of ammonia and nitrogen impacts from livestock units when applying for an Environmental Permit or Planning Permission (March 2017) and NRW QG (Quick Guide) 9: Poultry Units: planning permission and environmental assessment).

Action

3754 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

The content of the Chief Planning Officers letter of 12 June 2018 on intensive agriculture requires your consideration. It states, "LPAs are advised to put in place appropriate policies in Local Development Plans in order to facilitate the sustainable consideration of this type of development." It should be made clear what the sensitive receptors are within the county and what will require buffering from such developments. This area should be strengthened in your final LDP. Consideration must be given not just to the red line boundary, but also the wastes arising, cumulative impacts and water quality.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. In order to assess the acceptability of a development proposal against the criteria of Policy DM2, proposals which would be likely to result in increased nutrient loading to the environment, such as intensive livestock units, will be required to assess the potential impacts in respect of water and air quality, to ensure that they do not adversely affect these natural and semi natural environments. NRW publishes guidance for developers to assist with this process (see NRW OGN (Operational Guidance Note) 41: Assessment of ammonia and nitrogen impacts from livestock units when applying for an Environmental Permit or Planning Permission (March 2017) and NRW QG (Quick Guide) 9: Poultry Units: planning permission and environmental assessment).

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Paragraph Para 11.344

Representation(s)

3724 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Consideration also needs to be given to the negative impacts light pollution can have on landscape character and visual amenity.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Stipulate that consideration needs to be given to the negative impacts light pollution can have on landscape character and visual amenity.

Action

Paragraph Para 11.347

Representation(s)

3725 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

The supporting text states that light pollution can impact on species and proposals should satisfy the policies and provisions of the plan as a whole. For clarity any development schemes need to be designed with lighting plans that ensure minimal or no light spill on any retained/ new / enhanced green infrastructure, especially linear habitats such as hedgerows, woodland, or vegetated stream corridors, as well as any bat roosts, their access points or known flight lines.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Amend supporting text to provide clarity on lighting plans within development schemes.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Paragraph Para 11.358

Representation(s)

3726 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

It is stated that "Work should not commence on site until appropriate remediation has been completed." Certain sites will be subject to long term monitoring requirement to confirm remediation is complete. For clarity, we request it is rephrased to 'until an appropriate stage of remediation as agreed has been completed' or alternatively that appropriate remediation is defined.

Council's Initial Response

Agree. Amend text to clarify appropriate remediation requirement for development work to commence.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Policy Strategic Policy - SP 12: Rural Development

Representation(s)

4594 Ceredigion County Council (Anjuli Davies) [5303]

Summary: Object

Ceredigion County Council would welcome amendments to this policy to reflect the fact that a rural community is not necessarily bound by the County boundary for Carmarthenshire and should recognise the housing employment and social needs of communities which may extend into Ceredigion.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The Revised LDP recognises the close cross border relationship of the area to those communities in Ceredigion including the role that settlements such as Llandysul, Lampeter and Cardigan play to the communities in this area. It is not considered necessary to specifically focus reference to this policy rather the recognition is captured within the expression of the spatial strategy.

Appendix 2 identifies the Regional and Local context including those cross-border relationships. Note this appendix will be update ahead of adoption to reflect the most up to date position of the neighbouring authorities and their LDPs. Note at the time of writing there is no clarity on the extent of any cross-border impacts arising from proposals within the emerging Ceredigion replacement LDP.

The Council will continue to work closely with the respondent in the preparation and implementation of the Plan.

Action

3491 Cyng Jean Lewis [3601]

Summary: Support

LDPSP12, 11.364-11.381

Mae'n galonogol i weld bod y CLID Diwygiedig wedi cynnwys yr argymhellion a wnaed gan y Gweithgor Cefn Gwlad (11.367) a welir yn y Ddogfen Symud Sir Gâr Wledig Ymlaen, Dylid sicrhau bod y polisïau newydd yn bwrpasol ac yn adlewyrchu'r argymhellion yma ac os nad ydynt, dylir ffurfio rhai newydd. Gwelir `Symud Sir Gar Wledig Ymlaen', Adrannau: 3 Canfyddiadau ac Argymhellion - Pwynt 3. Cynllunio a Thai. Argymhellion 8-13.

It is encouraging to see that the Revised LDP has incorporated the recommendations made by the Rural Task Force (11.367) contained in the Moving Rural Carmarthenshire Forward document. It should be ensured that the new policies are bespoke and reflect these recommendations and if not, new ones should be formed. See 'Moving Rural Carmarthenshire Forward', Sections: 3 Findings and Recommendations - Point 3. Planning and Housing. Recommendations 8-13.

Council's Initial Response

Croesewir Cefnogaeth.

Support Welcomed.

Action

Dim newid i'r cynllun.

No change to the Plan.

Policy RD2: Conversion and Re-Use of Rural Buildings for Residential Use

Representation(s)

3737 Mr Howard Edwards [5047]

Summary: Object

That criterion A of the proposed policy RD2 be removed to assist more rural buildings to be converted into much needed homes in rural parts of the County, something which is in line with the Council's rural development plans and aspirations for thriving and resilient rural communities:

This change is possible and in-line with Welsh Government policy as set out in Planning Policy Wales and Technical Advice Notes should the Council decide to do so.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Criteria to be deleted A to be deleted.

Action

Change to the Plan.

Policy RD3: Farm Diversification

Representation(s)

3758 Ifan Beynon-Thomas [3198]

Summary:

Object

Objection to policy RD3.

Whilst we support Policy RD3 (Farm Diversification) in principle as it provides the basis to promote the diversification of farms to the benefit of the rural economy, we consider that the policy should be tweaked so that the need for proposals to prioritise the conversion of existing buildings on the working farm is only considered where this is practicable.

The Policy should also be tweaked in relation to farm diversification uses that need to be situated away from the main farm complex for practical reasons.

We also consider that Policy RD3 should make it explicit that any tourism uses proposed on farms should be considered under policy RD3.

Suggested revisions to the wording of the policy are set out in the representation form.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The policy is implicit in its wording and offers sufficient flexibility in respect of the potential for new buildings where they can be justified, and are linked to the existing working farm complex.

Tourism uses which form an essential visitor based accommodation, such as caravan sites, are covered by other specific policies. Reference should be made to the specific policies relating to the visitor economy within the Plan.

Action

Paragraph Strategic Policy - SP 13: Maintaining and Enhancing the Natural **Environment**

Representation(s)

Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Object Summary:

On March 31st we expect to publish the South West Area Statement. This will set the priorities to achieve the overall aim of building on the resilience of our ecosystems and enhancing the benefits they provide. Its content should be taken on board as you progress with the plan. Reversing the decline in biodiversity due to the risk from inappropriate management and destruction is an emerging theme in the statement. Also - see rep 3709

Council's Initial Response

Agree. Reference to South West Wales Area Statement to be included.

(As a cross reference - the Council's response to representation 3709 can be referred to under the Council's response to representations received in respect of policy PSD4).

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Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes) Relevant change to SP 13 in the plan

Representation(s)

3729 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

> Object Summary:

> The supporting text as a minimum must include reference to the Chief Planning Officers letter dated 23rd October 2019 on Securing Biodiversity Enhancements.

Council's Initial Response

Agree. Amend policy to reflect PPW10 and Chief Planning Officer (2019) guidance on securing biodiversity enhancements.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Representation(s)

Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253] 3732

> Object Summary:

> While we note the policy refers to European designated sites, it does not mention SSSI's. The policy requires re-wording to address the protection of: Designated Sites including European sites and SSSI's

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Amend policy wording to allow inclusion of SSSI's.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

3733 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

While we note the policy refers to European designated sites it only refers to protected species in one instance. The policy requires re-wording to address Priority Habitats and Species.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Amend policy wording to allow inclusion of Priority Habitats and Species.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Representation(s)

3727 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

We note that our previous recommendation for wording change has not been taken forward. The wording has not been changed as previously recommended. We remain concerned that the wording relies purely on reference to the natural environment through ecological connections. The natural environment also comprises geology, landform, soils, land cover, hydrology. The role ecological connections make in defining the landscape is important, but there are a number of natural environment aspects and features that require protection and enhancement. Possibly the title needs changing if this policy is concerned only with ecology and ecological connections.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Amend policy to ensure that 'natural environment aspects and features' comprising geology, landform, soils, land cover and hydrology are also maintained and enhanced in addition to the ecological connections of the natural environment

Action

3730 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Enhancement needs to be included as an aspect of the policy. As noted earlier, one of the Area Statement's themes' is reversing the decline of, and enhancing, biodiversity. Improving the connectivity and condition of habitats and species is paramount in achieving this goal.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Reference to be made to the SWWAS and Chief Planning Officers letter dated 23rd October, 2019 in the supporting paragraph in regard to maintaining and enhancing the natural environment.

Action

3127 Norman Wilkinson [2602]

Summary: Object

The Llwchwr Valley was classed as a Special Landscape Area (SLA) in the Adopted LDP and wants to know why the Council is proposing to remove its SLA status in the Revised LDP. Such areas should be afforded more protection (not less) so that something is left unspoilt for the next generation. There is little access to the flood plain other than for farming purposes and that the slopes are sparsely settled with scattered farms. The characteristic of this SLA should be preserved, with its key vistas secured and protected. It is also claimed that this SLA acts as a preventative measure in the battle against climate change and it is thus argued that such areas need expanding and protected - not reducing.

3133 April Jones [525]

Summary: Object

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3186 Huw a Menna Watkins [2676]

Summary: Object

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Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Special Landscape Areas (SLAs) are non-statutory designations and as such there is no requirement to designate them within an LDP. The LDP makes specific provision for the consideration of development proposals in relation to their specific landscape and visual characteristics in ensuring the ensuring the integrity of landscape character is maintained. Reference should be had to Policy BHE2: Landscape Character. Supplementary Planning Guidance will be developed to identify distinctive landscape character areas.

This reflects the LDP's approach of embedding an overarching emphasis on placemaking within the Plan as set out under the suite of policies under SP11: Placemaking and Sustainable Places. The Plan therefore makes provision for the consideration of matters in regards to design and placemaking as part of the consideration of development proposals, instead of specifically identifying SLAs. It should be noted that the Council will also be producing Supplementary Planning Guidance on Placemaking and Sustainable Places.

Action

4155 Dr Non Evans [3372]

Summary: Object

Ardal tirwedd arbennig Dyffryn Llwchwr:

Hoffwn gael esboniad i'r rhesymau pam mae ardal Cwm Llwchwr bellach wedi colli ei statws CLG? Fel yn y CDLI CCC blaenorol, roedd Cwm Llwchwr yn cael ei gategoreiddio fel tirwedd o bwys sylweddol (CLG) gyda'r angen i ddiogelu cymeriad cyffredinol CLG Cwm Llwchwr, fel y dyfynnwyd yn ffurflen asesu safle ar gyfer safle T3/7/H8, a hefyd ar wefan CCC ei hun. I ba bwrpas mae Cyngor Sir Gar eisiau newid / dileu y statws hwn? Onid fandaliaeth amgylcheddol, diwylliannol ac hanesyddol fyddai dileu'r statws - gyda'r bwriad o'i wneud hi'n haws datblygu'r tiroedd yn y dyfodol? Hoffwn i'r statws arbennig gael ei gadw.

Loughor Valley's Special Landscape Area:

I would like an explanation regarding why the Loughor Valley area has now lost its SLA status? As in the previous CCC LDP, Loughor Valley was categorized as a special landscape area (SLA) with the need to protect the overall character of the Loughor Valley SLA, as quoted in the site assessment form for site T3/7/H8, and also on CCC's website. Why does Carmarthenshire County Council want to change / remove this status? Wouldn't it be environmental, cultural and historical vandalism to remove the status - with the intention of making it easier to develop the lands in the future? I would like the special status to remain in place.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir v sylwadau.

Mae Ardaloedd Tirwedd Arbennig yn ddynodiadau anstatudol, ac felly nid yw'n ofynnol eu dynodi mewn CDLI. Mae'r CDLI yn gwneud darpariaethau penodol ar gyfer ystyried cynigion datblygu mewn perthynas â'u tirwedd a'u nodweddion gweledol penodol gan sicrhau bod cymeriad y dirwedd yn cael ei gynnal yn ei gyfanrwydd. Dylid cyfeirio at Bolisi BHE2: Cymeriad y Dirwedd. Bydd Canllawiau Cynllunio Atodol yn cael eu datblygu i nodi ardaloedd cymeriad tirwedd unigryw.

Mae hyn yn adlewyrchu dull y CDLI o sefydlu pwyslais cyffredinol ar greu lleoedd yn y Cynllun fel y nodir o dan y gyfres o bolisïau o dan SP11: Creu Lleoedd a Lleoedd Cynaliadwy. Felly mae'r Cynllun yn gwneud darpariaethau ar gyfer ystyried materion yn ymwneud â dylunio a chreu lleoedd fel rhan o'r broses o ystyried cynigion datblygu, yn lle nodi Ardaloedd Tirwedd Arbennig yn benodol. Dylid nodi y bydd y Cyngor hefyd yn llunio Canllawiau Cynllunio Atodol ar Greu Lleoedd a Lleoedd Cynaliadwy.

Comments noted.

Special Landscape Areas (SLAs) are non-statutory designations and as such there is no requirement to designate them within an LDP. The LDP makes specific provision for the consideration of development proposals in relation to their specific landscape and visual characteristics in ensuring the ensuring the integrity of landscape character is maintained. Reference should be had to Policy BHE2: Landscape Character. Supplementary Planning Guidance will be developed to identify distinctive landscape character areas.

This reflects the LDP's approach of embedding an overarching emphasis on placemaking within the Plan as set out under the suite of policies under SP11: Placemaking and Sustainable Places. The Plan therefore makes provision for the consideration of matters in regards to design and placemaking as part of the consideration of development proposals, instead of specifically identifying SLAs. It should be noted that the Council will also be producing Supplementary Planning Guidance on Placemaking and Sustainable Places.

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

3218 Mr Mike Pugh [2379]

Summary: Object

Now we have lost our SLA in the loughor valley, why? I fear Is this in preparation for further building above this river which has been continually flooded this winter?

I would also like an explanation of the loss of the SLA status of the loughor Valley , who decided this , was it the CCC or the Welsh Government.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Special Landscape Areas (SLAs) are non-statutory designations and as such there is no requirement to designate them within an LDP. The LDP makes specific provision for the consideration of development proposals in relation to their specific landscape and visual characteristics in ensuring the ensuring the integrity of landscape character is maintained. Reference should be had to Policy BHE2: Landscape Character. Supplementary Planning Guidance will be developed to identify distinctive landscape character areas.

This reflects the LDP's approach of embedding an overarching emphasis on placemaking within the Plan as set out under the suite of policies under SP11: Placemaking and Sustainable Places. The Plan therefore makes provision for the consideration of matters in regards to design and placemaking as part of the consideration of development proposals, instead of specifically identifying SLAs. It should be noted that the Council will also be producing Supplementary Planning Guidance on Placemaking and Sustainable Places.

Action

3371 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

BDW considers that the wording of this policy is too onerous, on the basis that para 6.4.3 of PPW10 states that "Development plan strategies, policies and developments must consider the need to....secure enhancement of and improvements to ecosystem resilience by improving diversity, condition, extent and connectivity of ecological networks". PPW does not require all developments to secure enhancements to biodiversity, only to consider it. This recognises that enhancements to biodiversity interests may not always be feasible or appropriate. The wording of the first paragraph of this policy should therefore be amended to refer to securing enhancements "where appropriate".

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

Any development proposals should contribute towards the overall aim of the South West Wales Area Statement (NRW, 2020) in building the resilience of our ecosystems and enhancing the benefits they provide. Reference is made to the duties and requirements of Section 6, of the Environment Act (Wales) 2016, and to Para 6.4.3 of PPW10 stipulation that SoNaRR, Area Statements and species records from Local Environment Centres should be taken into account.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3161 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Support

This is a strong statement that reflects the essential need to both protect and enhance the natural environment. The inclusion of ecological connection is to be welcomed.

3728 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

We do however welcome the principle of this policy and acknowledge that an HRA has been undertaken to assess the impacts of the Plan on European Protected Sites (including the allocated sites).

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

Paragraph Para 11.402

Representation(s)

3162 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Support

Again this is a strong statement that reflects the aims of the Deposit LDP, and as I read it includes local sites and landscapes that may not have any designation but are of clear ecological value. For avoidance of doubt, it would be clearer if it was specifically stated that these local sites and landscapes were not limited to designated ones.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

No change to the Plan

Policy NE2: Biodiversity

Representation(s)

3734 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Reference to Section 6 of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016, which relates to 'Biodiversity and resilience of ecosystems duty' must also be included.

Council's Initial Response

Agree in Part - reference will be made to Section 6 of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016 in the supporting text as opposed the policy itself.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Change)

3408 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

I would like to OBJECT to the extension of the property boundary at the rear of Woodlands, Springfield Rd, which would bring the development boundary right up to the edge of the Bluebell Woods which are both ecologically sensitive and of high landscape value. It would therefore be appropriate for this access/biodiversity corridor to be formally identified on the Proposals Map to ensure that it is safeguarded from inappropriate forms of development.

Council's Initial Response

The objection to the development limits is dealt with under representation 3407. In terms of the identification of an access/biodiversity corridor to be identified on the Proposals Map, such areas are not specifically identified, they are protected through the policies contained in the Plan. Any proposals will be assessed against the policies of the Plan.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 11.411

Representation(s)

3740 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

This states that full reference should be made to the Nature Conservation and Biodiversity SPG. We note that this document is still in draft version on your website. We note that the Report to Council 2016 (Agenda item 9.2) identifies amendments required for inclusion in the SPG. These amendments include replacing The Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 with the Environment Act. We understand that the document is to be updated and sent out to consultation at the Focused Changes stage of the plan preparation. You need to include reference to Chapter 6 of PPW 10th Edition and the Chief Planning Officers letter dated 23rd October 2019 on Securing Biodiversity Enhancements.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Nature Conservation and Biodiversity SPG to be published. Include reference to chapter 6 PPW10 and the Chief Planning Officers letter (2019) on securing Biodiversity Enhancements.

Action

Paragraph Para 11.413

Representation(s)

3741 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

The text requires amendment. It states that "Where required, development proposals should seek to enhance biodiversity". Where required is not consistent with the Chief Planning Officer's letter entitled Securing Biodiversity Enhancements dated 23 October 2019. The letter states "where biodiversity enhancement is not part of an application, significant weight will be given to its absence, and unless other significant material considerations indicate otherwise it will be necessary to refuse the permission".

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Amend wording of supporting text to ensure consistency with Chief Planning Officers letter (2019) entitled Securing Biodiversity Enhancements

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Paragraph Para 11.416

Representation(s)

3163 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Support

I support strongly this paragraph but, noting research that has been done over recent years on the effect of infrasound on health and wellbeing, to be consistent with the stress on health and wellbeing in the plan, infrasound should be added here.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed and comments noted. Para 11.416 references effects on biodiversity and not human health and wellbeing. Infrasound effect on biodiversity incorporated under noise pollution and vibration implications.

Action

No change to the Plan

Policy NE3: Corridors, Networks and Features of Distinctiveness

Representation(s)

3746 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

The supporting text needs to provide clarification on the definition of exceptional circumstances in this context.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Clarification of 'exceptional circumstances' to be provided in supporting text.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Representation(s)

3367 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

BDW Homes objects to this policy as it is currently worded. The expectation that development proposals should maintain and enhance ecological corridors, networks and features of distinctiveness needs to be balanced with achieving the most effective and efficient use of land, as supported by PPW10. As outlined in BDW's representations to Policy PDS3 (Green Infrastructure), it is unclear how the authority has reconciled the effect on net developable area of the requirements set out in this policy and how this might impact on the density of development for example. BDW request that the wording of this policy is reconsidered.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The policy wording reflects the requirements of Section 6 of the Environment Wales Act 2016, the Chief Planning Officer's letter dated 23rd October 2019, and the Flood & Water Management Act, Schedule 3 (January 2019).

Action

3164 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Support

While strongly supporting the strong statement in the first sentence, the second paragraph leaves the door open to developments without specifying the kinds of reasons that would be acceptable in outweighing the needs to safeguard the biodiversity and nature conservation interests. I realise this is often a matter of judgment, but some guidance here on how this delicate balance should be approached in considering a plea of exceptional circumstances would be helpful.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed and comments noted.

Action

No change to the Plan

Paragraph Para 11.419

Representation(s)

3748 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Please include scrub under features which contribute.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. 'Scrub' to be included among contributing features.

Action

Policy NE4: Development within the Caeau Mynydd Mawr SPG Area Representation(s) Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253] **Support** Summary: We support the supporting SPG. Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253] 3750 Support Summary: We support the inclusion of this policy. Council's Initial Response Support welcomed. Action No change to the Plan _______

Policy NE5: Coastal Management

Representation(s)

3756 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Reference needs to be made to landscape and seascape character in this policy. This is relevant as the Carmarthen Bay, Gower and Swansea Bay Seascape Character Assessment has now been published.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Amend policy to reference landscape and seascape character.

Action

Paragraph Para 11.427

Representation(s)

3762 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

To provide clarity we suggest this section is amended: New coastal management schemes or improvements to existing schemes will not be permitted for the purpose of enabling new development in areas of flood risk or coastal erosion.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Amend to clarify that 'improvements to existing schemes' in areas of flood risk or social erosion are non permissible.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Policy NE6: Coastal Development

Representation(s)

3763 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Reference needs to be made to landscape and seascape character in this policy. This is relevant as the Carmarthen Bay, Gower and Swansea Bay Seascape Character Assessment has now been published

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Amend policy to specify that development must conserve and enhance landscape and seascape character.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Policy NE7: Coastal Change Management Area

Representation(s)

3766 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

4. Extensions to Existing Dwellings and Infrastructure We question the inclusion of this policy. This could prolong the lifetime of dwellings in such areas thereby making it more difficult to relocate when needed.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The Plan makes appropriate provision for the ongoing needs of residents in ensuring properties remain habitable.

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3765 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

3. Non-Residential Buildings - Point i gives examples including short let holiday accommodation, static and touring caravan sites and camping sites. We seek clarification as to why these are not treated as residential as they would be classified as highly vulnerable under TAN 15.

Council's Initial Response

Agree, such uses should not have been included. Delete reference to "short let holiday accommodation, static and touring caravan sites and camping sites".

Action

Delete reference to "short let holiday accommodation, static and touring caravan sites and camping sites".

Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority (Ms Martina Dunne) [2326]

Summary: Support

A small number of comments are provided below.

Climate Change

The Authorities have a shared understanding of the need to plan for climate change and to mitigate its impacts and to provide for high quality design to ensure that new development adaptable to climate change.

This NPA supports the approach taken to future-proofing communities in light of predicted sea-level rise and the identification of a Coastal Change Management Area, supported by the South Wales Shoreline Management Plan. A similar approach has been taken in Pembrokeshire Coast National Park. It appears in Carmarthen, however that the areas are not defined on a map, but by a verbal description based on Shoreline Management Plan areas of non-active

intervention or Managed Realignment. The Shoreline Management Areas are generally linear in nature and so the LDP 2 would benefit from defining the full inland extent of the areas at risk.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Further information on the delineation of the extent of the areas will be provided.

Action

No change to the Plan

Paragraph Para 11.438

Representation(s)

3784 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

For clarity, the supporting text requires strengthening: New residential development will not be supported in the Coastal Change Management Area.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree, the wording is sufficiently clear.

Action

Paragraph Strategic Policy - SP 14: Protection and Enhancement of the Built and Historic Environment

Representation(s)

3538 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy SP14. The wording should be revised as follows:

preserve or enhance, settings "where appropriate". Replace "where appropriate" with 'In determining development proposals which affect the setting of an archaeologial site or monument, the LPA will have regard to Cadw's published Conservation Principles and guidance on Setting of Historic Assets May 2017.'

Reference should also be made in the supporting text to the LPA's requirement that applications affecting scheduled monuments must be accompanied by an appropriate scheduled monument consent from Cadw.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The wording in this policy and supporting text is considered to be sufficiently robust and in accordance with PPW.

Action

No change to the plan.

Paragraph Para 11.446

Representation(s)

3539 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

Objection to Paragraph 11.446 which refers to "discovered & yet to be discovered archaeological remains" i.e unscheduled archaeological sites and areas of high potential. Neither categories are explicitly protected under the Ancient Monuments & Archaeological Areas Act (as amended by the Historic Environment (Wales) Act 2016.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The supporting text in this paragraph merely seeks to highlight the importance of safeguarding the cultural integrity of the historic settlements, features and buildings within the Plan area and that our historic assets are irreplaceable resources and their conservation provides social, cultural, economic and environmental benefits.

Action

Paragraph Para 11.448

Representation(s)

3540 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

Objection to Paragraph 11.448 which states that it does not "include policies in relation to facets of the built heritage such as Scheduled Monuments as they are adequately protected elsewhere." Scheduled monuments are not invariably tangible structures, and may present as earthworks, ephemeral features or even buried remains.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The wording in this paragraph is considered to be sufficiently robust, factually correct and in accordance with PPW.

Action

No change to the plan.

Policy Policy BHE1: Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas

Representation(s)

3559 Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Summary: Object

Objection to subsections 2 and 3 of Policy BHE1:

It is not clear how the requirements of these subsections will be achieved. Maintaining the characteristic fabric of these buildings and conservation areas routinely requires an indigenous supply of local stone and materials, sympathetic to the character of the area and its buildings. There are no policies within the plan supporting the development of indigenous sources of building stone/materials.

Clarify within the plan how the characteristics of conservation areas and listed buildings will be maintained using materials sympathetic to the area. Sources of indigenous building materials will be needed and reflected within the policies in the plan.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

In regard to criteria 2 and 3 of this policy, such matters would be taken into consideration at the planning application stage and would be determined on an individual basis.

In terms of the supply of indigenous sources of building stone/materials, such matters are covered under the minerals policies contained within the Plan, particularly SP18 and MR1.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Policy BHE2: Landscape Character

Representation(s)

3786 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

The wording in criterion b needs to be clear, for example:

- * protecting Nationally Designated Landscapes, or
- * protecting National Parks and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) and their settings.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Amend wording of criterion b) to specify National Parks and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) and their settings.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Representation(s)

3165 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Support

As has been emphasised earlier in the Deposit LDP, landscape character is an important component relating to health and wellbeing, so it is good to see the emphasis on this placed here.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

Paragraph Para 11.454

Representation(s)

3787 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

This refers to a range of international and national landscape designations. There are no international landscape designations in Carmarthenshire. The detailed text needs to refer to the Brecon Beacons and Pembrokeshire Coast National Parks and Gower AONB, all of which have part of their setting within the County.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Clarify international and national landscape designations. Remove international designation and replace national landscapes with Brecon Beacons and Pembrokeshire Coast National Parks and Gower AONB.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Paragraph Para 11.456

Representation(s)

3788 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Please refer to LANDMAP as the all-Wales landscape resource, produced by NRW (rather than referring to the former Countryside Council for Wales).

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Replace 'Countryside Council for Wales' with 'NRW LANDMAP resource'

Action

Representation(s)

3789 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

This requires clarification, we presume you aim to produce a Landscape Character Assessment SPG based on LANDMAP, not an SPG on LANDMAP. We support the production of such as SPG and are happy to offer our input. Our existing guidance on the use of LANDMAP is on our website.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Clarify wording to affirm the intention of producing a Landscape Character Assessment SPG based on LANDMAP.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Paragraph Para 11.458

Representation(s)

3790 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

This states that the SPG mentioned in paragraph 11.456 will identify and describe distinctive landscape character areas and types. LANDMAP is a starting point for identifying specific Landscape Character Areas in Carmarthenshire. LANDMAP identifies aspect areas and landscape types at an all-Wales level.

We query the lack of reference to Special Landscape Areas in the written statement.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted. Special Landscape Areas (SLAs) are non-statutory designations and as such there is no requirement to designate them within an LDP. The LDP makes specific provision for the consideration of development proposals in relation to their specific landscape and visual characteristics in ensuring the ensuring the integrity of landscape character is maintained. Reference should be had to Policy BHE2: Landscape Character. Supplementary Planning Guidance will be developed to identify distinctive landscape character areas.

This reflects the LDP's approach of embedding an overarching emphasis on placemaking within the Plan as set out under the suite of policies SP11: Placemaking and Sustainable Places. The Plan therefore makes provision for the consideration of matters in regards to design and placemaking as part of the consideration of development proposals, instead of specifically identifying SLAs. It should be noted that the Council will also be producing Supplementary Planning Guidance on Placemaking and Sustainable Places.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Policy Strategic Policy - SP 15: Climate Change

Representation(s)

3791 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

We welcome that the LDP seeks to put a policy framework in place which tackles the causes and effects of climate change within the communities through the adoption of sustainable principles and development. Mitigating and adapting to Climate Change is a central theme in the emerging South West Wales Area Statement.

3504 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

As intimated previously, we are supportive of the inclusion of SuDS in new development and as such welcome the provisions of criterion b) of this policy.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority (Ms Martina Dunne) [2326]

Summary: Support

A small number of comments are provided below.

Climate Change

The Authorities have a shared understanding of the need to plan for climate change and to mitigate its impacts and to provide for high quality design to ensure that new development adaptable to climate change.

This NPA supports the approach taken to future-proofing communities in light of predicted sea-level rise and the identification of a Coastal Change Management Area, supported by the South Wales Shoreline Management Plan. A similar approach has been taken in Pembrokeshire Coast National Park. It appears in Carmarthen, however that the areas are not defined on a map, but by a verbal description based on Shoreline Management Plan areas of non-active

intervention or Managed Realignment. The Shoreline Management Areas are generally linear in nature and so the LDP 2 would benefit from defining the full inland extent of the areas at risk.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcome.

In relation to the respondents comments on the delineation of the Coastal Change Management Area as supported by the South Wales Shoreline Management Plan on the proposals map their identification on as part of the Focused Changes will be considered.

The Council will continue to work closely with the respondent as part of the preparation and implementation of the Plan.

Action

Plan to be amended moving forward to identify the Coastal Change Management Area on the proposals map.

Representation(s)

3793 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

NRW welcome that the potential impact of flood risk has formed an important consideration in the assessment of the appropriateness of sites for inclusion with the plan. NRW provide an analysis of the housing allocations and welcome that their comments on the candidate housing sites have been taken on board with no allocations located in the relevant current flood zones included. NRW also review the Plan's evidence base - notably the stage 1 SFCA and Stage 1b SFCA. It is noted that NRW have identified some allocations, outside the current flood zones, which will require FCA's to understand if there are any risks during the lifetime of the development and if so if those risks can be managed in line with the requirements of TAN 15. NRW ask that the LPA be mindful that the Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA) may identify additional sites subject to flood risk from other sources which will also require assessment. NRW have confirmed that this site (and evidence base) analysis can be logged and responded to within the LDP Infrastructure Assessment. In this regard, with reference to flooding - the only objections to Plan allocations are those 2 sites listed under policy SP9 - see reps 3695 and 3697.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed / Comments noted.

The Infrastructure Assessment will be prepared / updated by the Council.

Reference should also be made to the Council's response to representation number 3883 as part of the Council's responses to comments received to policy CCH4.

With regards representation reference numbers 3695 and 3697, reference should be made to the Council's response to comments received under policy SP9.

Action

Representation(s)

3794 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

The wording for this section requires amendment. It currently states, "Proposals affected by flood risk will be required to submit a Flood Consequences Assessment as part of any planning application". We question whether this is correct in that highly vulnerable development should not be entertained in zone C2. If the zone C2 is to be challenged it should occur before submission of a planning application.

The necessary evidential work is noted as including an FCA and/or topographical survey. This needs to be amended to only FCA. The level of detail required in an FCA will be site specific in line with TAN 15 and the results of a topographical survey should still be explained within an FCA.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed.

Reference should also be made to the Council's response to representation number 3883 as part of the Council's responses to comments received to policy CCH4.

Action

Amend the paragraph to clarify that HVD should not be entertained in zone C2 and also delete the reference to topographical survey (Change to the Plan - focused changes).

Paragraph Para 11.472

Representation(s)

3347 RWE Innogy UK Ltd (Miss Eleri Davies) [471]

Summary: Object

The Welsh Government's targets were set in 2017 prior to the Welsh Government's declaration of a climate emergency and its target to reduce emissions by 95% by 2050 and aspiration to be 'net zero' by 2050. The UK Committee on Climate Change (UKCCC) estimates that delivering 'net zero' will require a fourfold increase in renewable energy deployment (https://www.theccc.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/Net-Zero-The-UKs-contribution-to-stopping-global-warming.pdf). In this context, there needs to be a recognition that 'business as usual' is not enough - accelerated action and progress is required. The Revised LDP is an opportunity to put in place a new planning framework that can facilitate this transition.

Council's Initial Response

Whilst the comments are noted, it is the Council's opinion that the policies of the LDP allow for progress to be made in meeting climate targets.

Action

Representation(s)

3166 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Support

I welcome the recognition that existing carbon sinks should be protected and particularly welcome the specific inclusion of peat. The intention would be made stronger if it was also stated that developments which compromise existing carbon sinks will not be considered. For example, tree planting on land which would challenge the integrity of an existing carbon sink could well be carbon-negative. It would help to preserve this integrity if relevant development proposals were obliged to include a carbon budget to ensure the development resulted in a significant reduction in carbon dioxide and methane emissions.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3348 RWE Innogy UK Ltd (Miss Eleri Davies) [471]

Summary: Support

As part of the site-specific EIA process, developers will undertake detailed site-specific peat probing to establish the presence, quality and depth of peat on site and will seek to avoid these and/or offer mitigation where avoidance is not possible. Degraded peat should be considered as an 'opportunity' within which wind farm development, where paired with a suitably robust peat and habitat restoration plan, should be supported by the planning process. This would enable the Carmarthenshire to promote peat restoration and renewable energy in tandem.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed and comments noted.

Action

Policy CCH1: Renewable Energy

Representation(s)

3167 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Object

- 1. Criterion a. is inconsistent with the requirements concerning protection and enhancement of biodiversity and landscape.
- 2. The allowance of large wind farms of 25MW and over in areas adjoining SSAs goes against previous guidance.
- 3. Better guidance is needed on how the balance is to be assessed between the positive aspects of renewable energy generation and the negative consequences that have to be considered.
- 4. Renewable energy scheme proposals should include a carbon budget.
- 5. The 2033 target for wind energy has already been achieved so there is no requirement for further wind developments in the county.

Council's Initial Response

- 1. Criterion a. has now been deleted as it repeats the provisions of Policy NE2: Biodiversity.
- 2. The Policy has been re-worded to reflect the change from SSAs to Pre-Assessed Areas for Wind Development as set out in "Future Wales".
- 3. Further guidance will be set out in Supplementary Planning Guidance.
- 4. Disagree, there is no requirement in national guidance for such schemes to be accompanied with a carbon budget.
- 5. Targets have been revised by the Welsh Government.

Action

No change to the Plan as a result of the comments, however a number of changed to Policy CCH3 are proposed and are set out in the Schedule of Focused Changes.

Representation(s)

3283 Mr Graham Craig [4222]

Summary: Object

Regarding CCH1, if I've understood it correctly, the Renewable Energy Assessment indicates no additional wind power to 2033 and just a 50% increase in solar PV. The next decade is absolutely critical to avoiding the most horrific impacts of climate change so a 7% increase in renewable energy (61 to 68) is simply not good enough. Likewise a 3% increase in renewable heat. The LDP should be hugely more ambitious on renewable energy.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted. The Renewable Energy Assessment looked at opportunities for schemes of greater than 5MW wind development outside the NDF Priority Areas / Pre-Assessed Areas for Wind Development, and concluded that there are no suitable areas. There is a presumption in favour of large scale wind energy development (including repowering) within the Pre-Assessed Areas for Wind Development as set out in the Welsh Government document "Future Wales".

Action

3349 RWE Innogy UK Ltd (Miss Eleri Davies) [471]

Summary: Object

With regards the criteria set out in Policy CCH1:

- a. The "demonstrable harm" test is not sufficiently clear to enable a decision-maker to weigh up impacts in the planning balance this should be changed to the more standard planning test of "no unacceptable adverse impacts"; (in line with the test used in CCH1 b.).
- b. No comments reasonable policy test
- c. The "unreasonable risk or nuisance" test is not sufficiently clear to enable a decision-maker to weigh up impacts in the planning balance this should be changed to the more standard planning test of "no unacceptable adverse impacts on neighbouring amenity". It is not clear why public accessibility is in the same criterion as 'neighbouring amenity' it should be separated out.
- d. Proposals should only need to be accompanied with "appropriate mitigation measures" where the environmental impact assessment (EIA) process identifies "likely significant effects" that require mitigation suggest adding "where required" after "appropriate mitigation measures".
- 1. Energy generating stations above 10MW are defined as Developments of National Significance (DNS) and submitted directly to the Welsh Ministers the policy test in the Revised LDP should be "supported" rather than "permitted".
- 2. No comments.
- 3. Further clarification is required on how the policy test that proposals "must not prejudice the purpose of these areas" will be applied. Paragraph 2.4 of TAN8 'Planning for Renewable Energy' (July 2005), states that not all land within the Strategic Search Areas "may be technically, economically and/or environmentally suitable for major wind power proposals"; this may also be the case for the solar Local Search Areas (LSAs).
- e. Policy CCH1 is intended to apply to all renewable and low carbon energy developments that require planning permission, however criterion e. (landscape and visual impacts) only applies to onshore wind.
- f. No comments.
- g. Policy CCH1 is intended to apply to all renewable and low carbon energy developments that require planning permission, however criterion g. (cumulative impacts) only applies to onshore wind.
- * Other (CCH1): the Revised LDP should afford significant weight to the climate emergency when determining renewable energy applications that deliver sustainable development and contribute to meeting decarbonisation targets.

Council's Initial Response

- a. It is proposed to delete Criterion a. as it repeats the provisions of Policy NE2: Biodiversity.
- b. Noted.
- c. Disagree. The use of the term "unreasonable risk or nuisance" is used in the current adopted Carmarthenshire LDP and has been successfully implemented. It is also disagreed to the separation of accessibility from this criterion, the criterion is clear as it stands.
- d. Agree to the insertion of "where required" after "appropriate mitigation measures".
- 1. The Policy will be reworded to 10MW, rather than 25MW. Disagree with the use of the term "supported" as opposed to "permitted". It is felt that "permitted" is more positive and is in line with the national guidance.
- 2. Noted.
- 3. The purpose of the wording "must not prejudice the purpose of these areas" is to ensure that large scale renewable energy development is directed to the search areas, however, it is considered that is may be superfluous and it is proposed to remove the wording.
- e. Reword the criterion to make it clear that it applies to all renewable energy schemes.
- f. Noted
- g. Noted, it does apply only to wind development in terms of the cumulative impacts turbines,

Other - comments noted, it is considered that the policies are positive and will contribute to delivering sustainable development that contribute to meeting decarbonisation targets.

Action

Criterion d. - insert "where required" after "appropriate mitigation measures".

Section 1. Change 25MW to 10MW to reflect those schemes that fall under Developments of National Significance.

Section 3. Remove the words "must not prejudice the purpose of these areas and".

Criterion e. Reword by inserting "components" in place of "turbines".

Representation(s)

3795 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

The policy requires updating and clarification in the light of the draft NDF and Priority Areas for Renewable Energy (PAREs). NDF policy will supersede the references made to Strategic Search Areas in TAN 8 Planning for renewable energy.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Policy to be updated to reflect the provisions of "Future Wales".

Action

Numerous changes to the Policy as detailed in the Schedule of Focused Changes to reflect the National Development Framework / Future Wales.

85 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

A large proportion of the Authority is within Priority Areas 11 and 13 for solar and wind energy in the draft NDF. The Authority has prepared a Renewable Energy Assessment (REA) in line with the Toolkit Methodology which concludes that there are no suitable wind Local Search Areas (LSAs) and 4 LSA for solar PV farms. The plan will need to be in conformity with the NDF i.e. how it relates to the priority areas. The Authority will need to:

- * Identify the 4 LSAs for solar in Policy CCH1.
- * Demonstrate how the REA has been embedded into the Candidate Site process and explain how renewable energy and low carbon opportunities have informed the scale and location of growth.
- * Include as part of the monitoring framework the contribution of the plan area toward developing and facilitating renewable and low carbon energy.
- * Include in the policy framework opportunities for local renewable and low carbon energy generation schemes.

Council's Initial Response

The Policy will be updated to reflect the provisions of "Future Wales".

The Local Search Areas will also be identified within the Policy. Further evidential work will be undertaken prior to the examination.

The monitoring and implementation framework will develop in line with the amendments made in the Focused Changes to the plan and will be considered at examination.

In terms of the comment regarding the inclusion of opportunities for local renewable and low carbon energy generation schemes, the following will be included in the supporting text to the policy "Particular support will be given to renewable and low carbon energy projects which are developed by communities, or which will benefit the host community. Such schemes should accord with the provisions of Policy CCH1".

Action

Numerous changes to the Policy as detailed in the Schedule of Focused Changes to reflect the National Development Framework / Future Wales.

The monitoring framework will change and develop throughout the process.

Insert the following text to a new paragraph at 11.476a: "Particular support will be given to renewable and low carbon energy projects which are developed by communities, or which will benefit the host community. Such schemes should accord with the provisions of Policy CCH1".

Paragraph CCH1: Renewable Energy, LSA S4

Representation(s)

3169 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Object

Knowing this area well, developments here will clearly contradict the requirement to protect and enhance environment and biodiversity, and damage ecological connectivity.

Council's Initial Response

In identifying Local Search Areas, a number of steps were undertaken which included mapping: the solar resource; the environmental & heritage constraints (both statutory and non-statutory designations); local constraints; grid connection; farmland assessment; and landscape assessment. This exercise is designed to ensure that the most appropriate land is designated.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 11.475

Representation(s)

3353 RWE Innogy UK Ltd (Miss Eleri Davies) [471]

Summary: Object

By making no provision for onshore wind outside the TAN8 SSAs, the Revised LDP ignores the current 'Climate Emergency' and the Welsh Government's 2050 'net zero' aspirations (and 95% emissions reduction target).

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The Pre-Assessed Areas for Wind Development set out a large swathe of land within the County for wind development.

Action

Representation(s)

3350 RWE Innogy UK Ltd (Miss Eleri Davies) [471]

Summary: Object

In summary, the REA is quite simply a negative exercise in ensuring that not a single square metre of Carmarthenshire County Council's administrative boundary (beyond the TAN8 SSAs) is suitable for onshore wind. The Welsh Government's 2050 net zero aspirations will not be met unless local planning authorities plan positively for all forms of renewable and low carbon energy (including onshore wind). The assumptions in the REA are fundamentally flawed and should be challenged by the Inspector.

Council's Initial Response

The Renewable Energy Assessment has been undertaken in line with the "Planning for Renewable and Low Carbon Energy - A Toolkit for Planners".

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 11.478

Representation(s)

3351 RWE Innogy UK Ltd (Miss Eleri Davies) [471]

Summary: Object

The assumptions in Tables 9 and 10 flow directly from the Renewable and Low Carbon Energy Assessment: Carmarthenshire County Council (AECOM, June 2019) which relies on out-of-date documents and, therefore, fundamentally flawed assumptions. In the context of the Welsh Government's declaration of a Climate Emergency and an aspiration to be net zero by 2050, these figures need to be challenged by the Inspector.

Council's Initial Response

The Renewable Energy Assessment (REA) has been undertaken in line with the "Planning for Renewable and Low Carbon Energy - A Toolkit for Planners". The REA has been refreshed to take account of the National Development Framework.

Action

Representation(s)

3798 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

This section requires updating to reflect the draft NDF.

Council's Initial Response

Agree, this section will be updated. Paragraphs 11.479-11.481 will be deleted as the advice has now been superseded by that set out in "Future Wales".

Action

Delete Paragraphs 11.479-11.481 and replace these with an explanation of the Pre-Assessed Areas for Wind Development as set out in "Future Wales".

Paragraph Para 11.480

Representation(s)

3352 RWE Innogy UK Ltd (Miss Eleri Davies) [471]

Summary: Object

There are no criteria iv-vii in policy CCH1 - what do these refer to?

Broadly, and given the timescales for adoption of Carmarthenshire CC's Revised LDP and the Welsh Government's National Development Framework, the plan is not sufficiently flexible to adapt to the imminent change in national policy on renewable energy developments.

Council's Initial Response

Paragraphs 11.479-11.481 will be deleted as the advice has now been superseded by that set out in "Future Wales". Future Wales sets out Pre-Assessed Areas for Wind Development within the County.

Action

Delete Paragraphs 11.479-11.481 and replace these with an explanation of the Pre-Assessed Areas for Wind Development as set out in "Future Wales".

3168 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Object

- 1. Table 8 shows that the 2033 target for wind energy has already been met. There is therefore no requirement for further developments in Brechfa Forest or elsewhere in the county.
- 2. I cannot comment w.r. to criteria iv vii as they do not appear to be set out in the document.

Council's Initial Response

Paragraphs 11.479-11.481 will be deleted as the advice has now been superseded by that set out in "Future Wales". Future Wales sets out Pre-Assessed Areas for Wind Development within the County.

Action

Delete Paragraphs 11.479-11.481 and replace these with an explanation of the Pe-Assessed Areas for Wind Development as set out in "Future Wales".

Representation(s)

3799 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

This section requires updating to reflect the draft NDF.

Council's Initial Response

Agree, this section will be updated. Paragraphs 11.479-11.481 will be deleted as the advice has now been superseded by that set out in "Future Wales".

Action

Delete Paragraphs 11.479-11.481 and replace these with an explanation of the Pre-Assessed Areas for Wind Development as set out in "Future Wales".

Paragraph Para 11.481

Representation(s)

3800 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

This section requires updating to reflect the draft NDF.

Council's Initial Response

Agree, this section will be updated. Paragraphs 11.479-11.481 will be deleted as the advice has now been superseded by that set out in "Future Wales".

Action

Delete Paragraphs 11.479-11.481 and replace these with an explanation of the Pre-Assessed Areas for Wind Development as set out in "Future Wales".

Representation(s)

3796 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Four solar photovoltaic Local Search Areas have been identified within the county. These will still be required to minimise landscape and visual impacts, even if the principle of development is acceptable in these areas.

Council's Initial Response

Agree, add the following sentence to the end of paragraph 11.483: "Developments will be required to minimise landscape and visual impacts".

Action

Add the following to the end of paragraph 11.483: "Developments will be required to minimise landscape and visual impacts".

Paragraph Para 11.484

Representation(s)

3797 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Proposals outside local search areas are required to be acceptable in landscape and visual terms, however local and national search areas only apply to solar and wind energy developments.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. Within the Pre-Assessed Areas for Wind Development identified in "Future Wales" there is a presumption in favour of large-scale on-shore wind energy development and the associated landscape change subject to the criteria in policy 18. In terms of the Local Search Areas, it is proposed to add the following sentence to the section 2 of Policy CCH1: "Developments should not have an unacceptable impact on visual amenity or landscape character."

Action

Add the following sentence to the section 2 of Policy CCH1: "Developments should not have an unacceptable impact on visual amenity or landscape character".

Policy Policy CCH2 - Electric Vehicle Charging Points

Representation(s)

3368 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

In summary, BDW objects to this policy and questions whether it is realistic and deliverable. There is no evidence provided by the authority to confirm that grid capacity will be available to support this policy and so there is no assurance to BDW that this significant additional cost will be justified. BDW would prefer a more flexible approach to allow developers to provide this technology on a site-by-site basis where there is market demand and grid capacity. BDW request that the wording of the policy is changed from "required" to "encouraged".

Council's Initial Response

Noted and agreed in part.

In seeking to respond to the implications of climate change and the Councils declaration of a climate emergency the Plan has sought promote a positive and progressive approach including through the provision of Electric Vehicle Charging points. Whilst the Council remains committed to this positive approach the implications that grid infrastructure capacity may have on some proposals is recognised. Consequently the supporting text of CCH2 will be amended.

Action

Change to the Plan.

Amend the supporting text of policy CCH2.

3172 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Support

Comment: With respect to provision in flatted developments, one fast charging point is totally inadequate. Surely it should be a percentage of the number of flats - and preferably rapid rather than fast.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed in part.

Policy CCH2 currently makes provision for at least one fast charging point in flatted development with non-dedicated parking bays. Whilst at this point, and the absence of guidance to the contrary this is considered reasonable it is recognised that as technology and the market percentage of ULEV increases the amount of charging points required will be subject to review. Consequently, SPG will be prepared to supplement the policy and to enable a responsive framework through which such changes can be reflected. The supporting text of the policy will be amended accordingly.

In relation to the respondent's comments on the speed of the charging points policy CCH2 and supporting text will be amended to reflect 'fast' as a minimum provision.

Action

Change to the Plan.

Policy CCH2 and its supporting text to be amended accordingly.

Paragraph Para 11.495

Representation(s)

3170 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Support

I strongly support this - lack of charging capability is a major deterrent to the expansion of electric vehicle use and the compulsory provision of a domestic recharging facility will help to reduce the barrier to going electric.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

Policy CCH3: Water Quality and Protection of Water Resources

Representation(s)

3505 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

As intimated in the supporting text to this policy at paragraph 11.505 there are several locations within the County where we abstract water that is then treated before being released to the public water supply network. As such, we fully support the provisions of this policy in preventing the degradation of water resources.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 11.502

Representation(s)

3802 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Two of the key principles of the Water Framework Directive are to protect and restore the water environment. We acknowledge the examples given but the restoring aspect also requires consideration. For example encouraging the use of green engineering to restore the natural state and functioning of the river system by removing culverts can help to support biodiversity, recreation, flood management and landscape development. Any new development should explore opportunities for increasing water quality in their catchment which will help towards achieving/ retaining good WFD Status.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Include 'restoring' aspect to reflect the principles of the Water Framework Directive.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

3803 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Please include reference to the following authorisations which may be required in addition to planning permission for certain activities near watercourses: 1 Flood Risk Activity Permits (FRAP) from NRW on main rivers. 2 Flood Defence Consents from the LLFA on ordinary watercourses.

Council's Initial Response

Agree in part. Include reference to additional watercourse consent in supporting text 11.506 not 11.502

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Representation(s)

3506 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

Sewerage systems play a role in ensuring water quality is improved. Accordingly, DCWW are committed to ensuring their WwTW discharges are complaint in meeting the permit conditions set out by NRW and will continue to invest in undertaking 'quality' schemes such as phosphorous removal where necessary."

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 11.504

Representation(s)

3507 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

We welcome the inclusion of the detail within paragraphs 11.504 with regard to the availability of water resources for development growth throughout the plan period

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3804 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

We refer you to the Carmarthen Bay Abstraction Licensing Strategy which sets out how water resources are managed in the Carmarthen Bay Catchment Abstraction Management Strategy (CAMS) area. It provides information about where water is available for further abstraction and an indication of how reliable a new abstraction licence may be. This strategy was produced in May 2014 and can be found on our website

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Include reference to Carmarthen Bay Abstraction Licencing Strategy (2014)

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Representation(s)

3509 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

Concur with the sentiment of paragraph 11.505 in this being a matter that we do indeed continually monitor (this paragraph refers to matters relating to abstraction and water supply)

3508 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

As intimated in the supporting text to this policy at paragraph 11.505 there are several locations within the County where we abstract water that is then treated before being released to the public water supply network. As such, we fully support the provisions of this policy in preventing the degradation of water resources

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Policy CCH4: Flood Risk Management and Avoidance

Representation(s)

3883 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - Policy CCH4 Flood Risk Management and Avoidance

The Authority has undertaken a high level Stage 1 Strategic Flood Consequences Assessment (SFCA) with information on the level and nature of flood risk on Candidate Sites and existing allocations in the extant LDP. The Council's Stage 1b SFCA builds on these findings and looks in detail at selected Candidate Sites, extant allocations and proposed Gypsy and Traveller sites in Llanelli, Burry Port and the surrounding areas. From the Stage 1b SFCA it is unclear which allocated sites listed in Policies HOM1 and SP9 are subject to flood risk as the site numbering in the SFCA does not align with either policy. PPW is clear that development should be avoided in areas of flooding (paragraph 6.6.22). As worded, Policy CCH4 permits all development subject to meeting the justification tests in TAN 15. It should be clear that no highly vulnerable development will be permitted in Zone C2.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed in regards the comments made on Highly Vulnerable Development.

In regards to Highly Vulnerable Development (HVD), reference is made to paragraph 11.514 of the Plan where is it is stated that "Only less vulnerable development will be permitted within Zone C2."

Notwithstanding this (and for clarity), the Council accepts that it is prudent to explicitly state within the wording of the policy that this is the case.

To avoid repetition as a result of the above change, the Council will also make a consequential amendment to the Plan by deleting sentence 2 of paragraph 11.514.

Reference should also be made to the Council's response to representations 3793 (see responses to comments made to paragraph 11.468) and 3794 (see responses to comments made to paragraph 11.469).

In regards to the Stage 1b SFCA, the Council will produce an explanatory note to accompany the document to assist in cross referencing the sites within it to the allocated sites in the Plan itself.

Action

Confirm that no highly vulnerable development is permitted in Zone C2 within the policy wording of policy CCH4. Consequential amendment - deletion of sentence 2 of paragraph 11.514. (Change(s) to the Plan - focused change(s)).

Publish SFCA stage 1b explanatory note for completion in time for submission of the Plan (no change to the Plan).

Policy CCH5: Renewable and Low Carbon Energy in New Developments

Representation(s)

3369 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

BDW Homes objects to the proposed policy requirement to submit an Energy Assessment for residential development proposals of 100 or more homes, which assesses the potential to incorporate and use low carbon technology, or to use existing sources of renewable energy or district heating networks.

BDW consider a more appropriate and reasonable threshold should be 200 or more homes as it is not viable to incorporate renewable energy/ low carbon schemes on sites that are below this threshold. BDW consider that the policy threshold should be amended accordingly.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. 100 houses or more is considered to be a suitable threshold within the Carmarthenshire area due as there are a small number of sites that exceed 100 houses.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Policy CCH6: Climate Change - Forest, Woodland and Tree Planting

Representation(s)

3805 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

This policy needs to be caveated. Proposals must be appropriate to the landscape and ecological character of the locality as indicated by the content of paragraph 11.522. Commercial conifer plantations will not achieve many of the stated aims.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Stipulate that proposals must be appropriate to the landscape and ecology character of the locality.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

3722 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

We support this policy and the recognition given to the importance of the contribution trees, forest and woodland provide to our ecosystems.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3723 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

It is however, equally important that tree planting occurs on appropriate sites. Carmarthenshire is recognised for the importance of its marshy grassland habitat. This is not always considered in proposals and should be highlighted upfront. Marshy grassland is important for biodiversity and connectivity. In Carmarthenshire this provides important potential habitat for the protected Marsh Fritillary butterfly which has a stronghold and a nationally important population in the county.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed and comments noted

Action

3171 Professor John Finney [4854]

Summary: Support

It should be recognised that tree planting of itself does not necessarily result in an overall carbon sink: it will depend on the nature of the site on which the planting is done. To ensure the overall effect on greenhouse gas emissions/carbon absorption is positive, proposals should be accompanied by a carbon budget to demonstrate the overall carbon sequestration consequences are positive.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed and comments noted. The Carmarthenshire County Council document 'Route towards becoming a Net Zero Carbon Local Authority by 2020' sets out measures taken by the Authority to measure carbon emissions and to explore the feasibility of tree-planting, and other such measures, on Council controlled land to contribute towards carbon offsetting

Action

Policy Strategic Policy - SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework

Representation(s)

3414 M Evans [4975]

Summary: Object

I would like to put my concerns to the development plans that have been put forward for Old School Road LLansteffan:

The road its self is a single road use age. Which is all ready having large volume daily use.

Would it not be better to see how the village gets on with Meas Griffiths development first?

If we are not careful LLansteffan could lose its appealing ness, and became smothered in houses.

The infrastructure needs to be looked at. The Extra volume of vehicles could increase our air pollution.

Please don't lose sight of the aesthetics of this village.

3416 Mrs J Berrow [582]

Summary: Object

Concerns regarding the proposed development on Old School Rd Llansteffan:

- 1. The current road is not able to support the traffic;
- 2. Water from fields from the top of old school rd to the centre of the village is an issue;
- 3. Would it not be sensible to see the effect of the Maes Griffiths development before agreeing to further development?
- 4. Affordable housing. The current status of holiday and second properties within the village should be considered.
- 5. Perhaps postponement of any potential development should be considered in light of the current situation regarding Covid 19.

Council's Initial Response

The development limits have been re-drawn to potentially allow small scale development to take place along Old School Road. Any potential new proposal will be considered against the policies set out within the revised LDP. This includes highway, infrastructure and amenity considerations and will form part of a planning application process should a development be taken forward to application stage.

Concerns relating to development in Llansteffan are noted, with the LDP seeking to balance future growth against environmental, social and economic constraints.

Action

3117 BA George [4839]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy SP16 as Cynheidre is classed as a rural village (No development limits) in the deposit LDP. Refer to representation 3116 (policy sd1).

Council's Initial Response

The approach as set out within policy SP16 Strategic Policy - SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework is considered sound. The diversity of the County is recognised with regard given to housing in rural areas, and the value such areas play within the County.

Within rural villages (Tier 4 - such as Cynheidre) and non-defined settlements, new housing development will be limited to small scale opportunities.

With specific regard to Cynheidre (a Tier 4 settlement), reference is made to Policy HOM3 of this Plan where opportunities may exist for proponents of appropriate residential proposals.

Refer also to the Council's response to representation reference number 3116 under the Council's responses to representations received under policy SD1.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4544 Mr G Jones [5287]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy SP16 as Cynheidre is classed as a rural village (No development limits) in the deposit LDP.

Reference is made to representation 4543 (policy hom1) where a site is promoted for housing.

Council's Initial Response

The approach as set out within policy SP16 Strategic Policy - SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework is considered sound. The diversity of the County is recognised with regard given to housing in rural areas, and the value such areas play within the County.

Within rural villages (Tier 4 - such as Cynheidre) and non-defined settlements, new housing development will be limited to small scale opportunities.

With specific regard to Cynheidre (a Tier 4 settlement), reference is made to Policy HOM3 of this Plan where opportunities may exist for proponents of appropriate residential proposals.

Refer also to the Council's response to representation reference number 4543 under the Council's responses to representations received under policy SD1.

Action

4453 Mr Eirian Williams [877]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy SP16 as Cynheidre is classed as a rural village (No development limits) in the deposit LDP. Reference is made to representation 4452 under policy sd1.

Council's Initial Response

The approach as set out within policy SP16 Strategic Policy - SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework is considered sound. The diversity of the County is recognised with regard given to housing in rural areas, and the value such areas play within the County.

Within rural villages (Tier 4 - such as Cynheidre) and non-defined settlements, new housing development will be limited to small scale opportunities.

With specific regard to Cynheidre (a Tier 4 settlement), reference is made to Policy HOM3 of this Plan where opportunities may exist for proponents of appropriate residential proposals.

Refer also to the Council's response to representation reference number 4452 under the Council's responses to representations received under policy SD1.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4377 Mr R Robinson [4092]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

We seek amendments to Policy SP16 in order to facilitate the inclusion of candidate site SR/020/002. The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Capel Seion would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table.

Capel Seion has been defined as a Tier 4 settlement, and therefore the village does not have development limits. Any proposal will be considered against the policies set out within Policy HOM3 of the revised LDP.

Action

4485 Cllr Tina Higgins [2920]

Summary: Object

Agricultural land. The land in the ward currently used for agriculture should remain as it is. This enhances the rural feel of the ward and provides employment to local residents.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The allocation of sites has been undertaken in accordance with the Site Assessment Methodology. In this respect the methodology specifically seeks to protect Agricultural land of grades 1, 2 and 3a of the Agricultural Land Classification system is the best and most versatile.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4539 Mr W M Jones [4010]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Four Roads has been incorrectly categorised as a 'Tier 4 Rural Village'.

Four Roads has a bus service, linking the village with nearby settlements, providing convenient access to a wide range of services and facilities, as well as further bus and rail services to Llanelli and Swansea.

The sustainable development credentials of Four Roads should therefore be given full recognition and consideration when determining potential future growth options.

Four Roads comprises a strong and vibrant, Welsh speaking community, which should not be demoted to a restricted growth scenario. Its classification as a Tier 4 settlement, with no development limits, will result in a lack of opportunity in respect of housing provision for the local community.

This classification is more perplexing when compared with certain other settlements that have been categorised as Tier 3, which have a comparable or lower sustainable development status than Four Roads, in terms of accessibility to community facilities and local services.

Council's Initial Response

The approach as set out within policy SP16 Strategic Policy - SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework is considered sound. The diversity of the County is recognised with regard given to housing in rural areas, and the value such areas play within the County. Within rural villages (Tier 4) and non-defined settlements (such as Four Roads), new housing development will be limited to small scale opportunities.

Reference is made to Policy HOM3 of this Plan where opportunities may exist for proponents of appropriate residential proposals in such areas.

Action

3082 Mr & Mrs Morse [4791]

Summary: Object

Llangadog is within a flood plain and roads can not take increase of traffic. It is also in a conservation area. There are no jobs in the village.

3081 Mr Page [4808]

Summary: Object

Llangadog is within a flood plain and roads can not take increase of traffic. It is also in a conservation area. There are no jobs in the village.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The Plan has full regard to the implications arising from flood risk. It should be noted that not all of the settlement is impacted upon by flood risk.

The Plan is supported by evidence in relation to infrastructure. In addition, the allocation of any sites for development has been undertaken in accordance with the site assessment methodology which has regards to highways implications. The status of the settlement as a conservation area is recognised and any developments impacting upon that part of Llangadog will be considered accordingly. It is also noted that the settlement has an established employment base.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3085 Mr Page [4808]

Summary: Object

Llandovery is in the National Park and also floods in places.

3086 Mr & Mrs Morse [4791]

Summary: Object

Llandovery is in the National Park and also floods in places.

Elandovery is in the National Faix and also needs in places.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The Plan has full regard to the implications arising from flood risk. The settlement is not in the Brecon Beacons National Park.

Action

3468 Ms L Rooke [846]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to SP16 - no development limits around Heol Ddu.

Development limits should be drawn around the settlement of Heol Ddu (and a specific site is requested to be included within the limits).

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Heol Ddu would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

3322 Mr Chris Lloyd [4928]

Agent: M&M Design Consultancy (Mr Mike Morgan) [5022]

Summary:

Object

Strategic Policy 16 identifies the settlement hierarchy in the County. Currently Heol Ddu is named as a Tier 4 - Rural Village. We feel that the village should be a Tier 3 - Sustainable Village and not a Tier 4 village. This is therefore an objection to Policy sp16 - reference is also made to 3323 where a site allocation for housing is sought.

Council's Initial Response

The approach as set out within policy SP16 Strategic Policy - SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework is considered sound. The diversity of the County is recognised with regard given to housing in rural areas, and the value such areas play within the County. Within rural villages (Tier 4) and non-defined settlements (such as Heol Ddu), new housing development will be limited to small scale opportunities.

Reference is made to Policy HOM3 of this Plan where opportunities may exist for proponents of appropriate residential proposals in such areas.

Action

4412 Maralyn Treharne [3888]

Summary: Object

Objection to Broad Oak being categorised as a Tier 4 settlement (with no development limits) under Policy SP16:

I consider the removal of Development Limits from the revised plan to be unsound and lacking in good judgement. The existence of Development Limits hitherto have served as a base line of constraint to inhibit inappropriate rural development.

It can be anticipated that removal of Development Limits will inevitably lead to the sale of prime agricultural land for development, to the detriment and well being of those living in the smallest of rural communities.

How it should be changed to make it sound:

Either the retention of Development Limits in Tier 4 Settlements, or the reclassification of the settlement of Broad Oak out of the Tier 4 deregulation.

Council's Initial Response

The approach as set out within policy SP16 Strategic Policy - SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework is considered sound. The diversity of the County is recognised with regard given to housing in rural areas, and the value such areas play within the County. Within rural villages (Tier 4) and non-defined settlements (such as Broad Oak), new housing development will be limited to small scale opportunities.

Reference is made to Policy HOM3 of this Plan where opportunities may exist for proponents of appropriate residential proposals in such areas.

Action

Object

Representation(s)

4537 Ms L Rooke [846]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Having considered the settlement framework's proposed tiers, it is felt that Heol Ddu has been incorrectly categorised as a 'Tier 4 Rural Village'.

Heol Ddu is situated within a convenient distance of the main goods and services centre of Ammanford (approx. 1.39 kilometres). Ammanford provides convenient access to bus services to Swansea, Llanelli and Carmarthen, as well as the Heart of Wales rail service. The sustainable development credentials of Heol Ddu should therefore be given full recognition and consideration when determining potential future growth options. The settlement should not be demoted to a restricted growth scenario. Its classification as a Tier 4 settlement, with no development limits, will result in a lack of opportunity in respect of housing provision for the local community.

This classification is more perplexing when compared with certain other settlements that have been categorised as Tier 3, which have a comparable or lower sustainable development status than Heol Ddu, in terms of accessibility to community facilities and local services.

Council's Initial Response

The approach as set out within policy SP16 Strategic Policy - SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework is considered sound. The diversity of the County is recognised with regard given to housing in rural areas, and the value such areas play within the County. Within rural villages (Tier 4) and non-defined settlements (such as Heol Ddu), new housing development will be limited to small scale opportunities.

Reference is made to Policy HOM3 of this Plan where opportunities may exist for proponents of appropriate residential proposals in such areas.

Action

4553 Mr R Robinson [4092]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

It is felt that Capel Seion has been incorrectly categorised as a 'Tier 4 Rural Village'. Capel Seion has regular bus services linking the village with nearby settlements, as well as further bus and rail services at Carmarthen, Llanelli and Swansea. The village is situated within a convenient distance of the main goods and services centre of Cross Hands and access to the main A48 route to and from West Wales.

The sustainable development credentials of Capel Seion should therefore be given full recognition and consideration when determining potential future growth options. Furthermore, Capel Seion comprises a strong and vibrant, Welsh speaking community, which should not be demoted to a restricted growth scenario. Its classification as a Tier 4 settlement, with no development limits, will result in a lack of opportunity in respect of housing provision for the local community.

This classification is more perplexing when compared with certain other settlements that have been categorised as Tier 3, which have a comparable or lower sustainable development status than Capel Seion, in terms of accessibility to community facilities and local services.

Council's Initial Response

The approach as set out within policy SP16 Strategic Policy - SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework is considered sound. The diversity of the County is recognised with regard given to housing in rural areas, and the value such areas play within the County. Within rural villages (Tier 4) and non-defined settlements (such as Capel Seion), new housing development will be limited to small scale opportunities.

Reference is made to Policy HOM3 of this Plan where opportunities may exist for proponents of appropriate residential proposals in such areas.

Action

4486 Cllr Tina Higgins [2920]

Summary: Object

There is already planning permission for approximately 250 residential dwellings within the ward. This is more than adequate for current and future needs. Any further provision to this number could mean empty properties

Council's Initial Response

Noted.

The identified housing growth within the ward incorporates allocated and committed sites. Permissions will where appropriate be included as part of the Plan within these figures. The strategy of the LDP seeks to support the distribution of growth which is of a scale and nature appropriate to the hierarchy and that settlement. In this respect the LDP seeks to ensure that development is appropriate to the settlement and reflective of its ability to accommodate growth and the services and facilities available.

It should be noted that the inclusion of sites within the LDP for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4022 Mr E Hughes [5126]

Agent: Roger Parry & Partners LLP (Richard Corbett) [2925]

Summary: Object

Objection to policy SP16 sustainable distribution in that the settlement where a housing allocation is proposed (see 4024) does not have development limits. As a sustainable village, Cwmifor can accommodate more development, and play a greater part in helping meet Camarthenshire's development requirements. The ward had 143 households at the time of the 2011 census, and applying the 1% per annum average growth rate would suggest a need for 12 new dwellings over the plan period

Council's Initial Response

The approach as set out within policy SP16 Strategic Policy - SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework is considered sound. Whilst settlements such as Ashfield Row have no defined development limits, the diversity of the County is recognised with regard given to housing in rural areas, and the value such areas play within the County. Within rural villages (Tier 4) such as Ashfield Row, and non-defined settlements, new housing development will be limited to small scale opportunities. Reference is made to Policy HOM3 of this Plan where opportunities may exist for proponents of appropriate residential proposals in such areas.

Action

3860 David Hefin Lewis [2772]

Summary: Object

The Welsh Government states all communities should have development limits set. My land does not flood. Both LDP Inspectors advised it was suitable for affordable housing.

Council's Initial Response

The approach as set out within policy SP16 Strategic Policy - SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework is considered sound. The diversity of the County is recognised with regard given to housing in rural areas, and the value such areas play within the County. Within rural villages (Tier 4), and non-defined settlements, new housing development will be limited to small scale opportunities. Reference is made to Policy HOM3 of this Plan where opportunities may exist for proponents of appropriate residential proposals in such areas.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3829 Mr M Baggott [5071]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Submit that Cwmdwyfran should not therefore be afforded defined development limits within the Deposit LDP and accordingly be named as a Tier 4 "Rural Village". We consider therefore that the settlement should be included within the settlements listed under Tier 4, under the provision of Policy SP16 of the Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan.

Council's Initial Response

The identification of Cwmdwyfran reflects its position on a key transport route and its relationship to Bronwydd.

Action

3939 Pegasus Group (Daniel Millward) [5095]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy SP16.

Whilst we note that the highest proportion of development is due to be delivered at the Tier 1 settlements (a principle we support), we consider that too great a proportion of growth has been allocated to lower order settlements.

The Plan is unrealistic in the way it proposes to distribute growth to deliver its economic aspirations and the allocation of housing sites to support this is also unsuitable as a result.

The Plan needs to re-think its distribution framework and allocate higher levels of development to the Tier 1 settlements.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The Revised LDP and its strategy seeks to support the distribution of growth which is of a scale and nature appropriate to the hierarchy and its settlement.

It should be noted that the LDP is prepared within the context of other plans and strategies including those of the authority, whereby the need to reflect and support rural communities is recognised. Consequently, the Plan provides a balanced approach which recognises and has full regard to national policy provisions in relation to the sustainable location of development, whilst also acknowledging and reflecting the needs of rural communities.

Action

4458 Mr Thomas Marr [5235]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of a site from the development limits of Brynamman under Policy SP16.

There are exisiting residential developments that fall outside of the boundary of the LDP therefore the proposed site allocation would have little visual impact on the surrounding area. The new site allocation falls within the inner boundary of the village of Brynamman. There is exisiting outline planning persmission for development (SeC9/h1) which is set back off Mountain Road an equal distance (behind existing houses) to the proposed site allocation.

Council's Initial Response

The approach as set out within policy SP16 Strategic Policy - SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework is considered sound. Brynamman is identified as a Tier 2 settlement and it is has been afforded with sufficient residential opportunities within the defined development limits.

The objection site is separated and detached from the current built form. It's inclusion would constitute an illogical extension of the development limits.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4489 A New [5211]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of development limits around the settlement of Cynghordy (and in particular the site covered by planning application E/39932).

The site covered by planning application E/39932 forms part of housing allocation SC28/h1 in the current LDP. We were seeking to secure planning on part of that site for a single storey dwelling and had hoped to do so before the expiry of the current Plan in 2021. However, in the context of the current pandemic, this will now not happen. We therefore request that it be included in the Revised LDP.

Council's Initial Response

The approach as set out within policy SP16 Strategic Policy - SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework is considered sound. Whilst settlements such as Cynghordy have no defined development limits, the diversity of the County is recognised with regard given to housing in rural areas, and the value such areas play within the County. Within rural villages (Tier 4) such as Cynghordy, and non-defined settlements, new housing development will be limited to small scale opportunities. Reference is made to Policy HOM3 of this Plan where opportunities may exist for proponents of appropriate residential proposals in such areas.

Action

Object

Representation(s)

4542 Mrs A Davies [5286]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

The inclusion of this site within new development limits for this part of Capel Dewi would reflect similar such 'outliers' elsewhere in Carmarthenshire.

The site's inclusion would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type.

It's development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

In addition, residential development at this location:-

- would not be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent properties;
- would satisfy recognised housing and sustainability objectives;
- would not have a detrimental impact on the landscape or nature conservation interests.

Furthermore, the site is not impeded by any access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints and its delivery, if allocated, is assured.

Council's Initial Response

The approach as set out within policy SP16 Strategic Policy - SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework is considered sound. Capel is identified as a Tier 3 settlement and it is has been afforded with sufficient residential opportunities within the defined development limits.

The objection site lies adjacent to a cluster of dwellings that is considered to be an outlier to Capel Dewi, spatially detached from the main built form of the settlement. The site's inclusion within development limits would lead to an unnecessary encroachment into the countryside

Action

4533 Mr D Williams [3994]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

it is felt that Mynyddcerrig has been incorrectly categorised as a 'Tier 4 Rural Village'.

Mynyddcerrig has regular bus services linking the village with nearby settlements, as well as further bus and rail services at Carmarthen, Llanelli and Swansea. The village is situated within a convenient distance of the main goods and services centre of Cross Hands and access to the main A48 route to and from West Wales.

The sustainable development credentials of Mynyddcerrig should therefore be given full recognition and consideration when determining potential future growth options.

Furthermore, Mynyddcerrig comprises a strong and vibrant, Welsh speaking community, which should not be demoted to a restricted growth scenario. Its classification as a Tier 4 settlement, with no development limits, will result in a lack of opportunity in respect of housing provision for the local community.

This classification is more perplexing when compared with certain other settlements that have been categorised as Tier 3, which have a comparable or lower sustainable development status than Mynyddcerrig, in terms of accessibility to community facilities and local services.

Council's Initial Response

The approach as set out within policy SP16 Strategic Policy - SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework is considered sound. The diversity of the County is recognised with regard given to housing in rural areas, and the value such areas play within the County. Within rural villages (Tier 4) and non-defined settlements, new housing development will be limited to small scale opportunities. With specific regard to Mynyddcerrig, reference is made to Policy HOM3 of this Plan where opportunities may exist for proponents of appropriate residential proposals.

Refer also to the Council's response to representation reference number 4334 under the Council's responses to representations received under policy SD1.

Action

4531 Mr P Flinders [3993]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Having considered the settlement framework's proposed tiers, it is felt that Milo has been incorrectly categorised as a 'Tier 4 Rural Village'.

Milo has regular bus services, linking the village with nearby Llandeilo, Llandybie and Ammanford, providing convenient access to a wide range of services and facilities, as well as further bus and rail services to Llanelli and Swansea.

The sustainable development credentials of Milo should therefore be given full recognition and consideration when determining potential future growth options.

Furthermore, Milo comprises a strong Welsh speaking community, which should not be demoted to a restricted growth scenario. Its classification as a Tier 4 settlement, with no development limits, will result in a lack of opportunity in respect of housing provision for the local community.

This classification is more perplexing when compared with certain other settlements that have been categorised as Tier 3, which have a comparable or lower sustainable development status than Milo, in terms of accessibility to community facilities and local services.

Council's Initial Response

The approach as set out within policy SP16 Strategic Policy - SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework is considered sound. The diversity of the County is recognised with regard given to housing in rural areas, and the value such areas play within the County. Within rural villages (Tier 4) and non-defined settlements, new housing development will be limited to small scale opportunities. With specific regard to Milo, reference is made to Policy HOM3 of this Plan where opportunities may exist for proponents of appropriate residential proposals.

Refer also to the Council's response to representation reference number 4332 under the Council's responses to representations received under policy SD1.

Action

176 Llangennech Community Council (Mr EW Evans,) [60]

Summary: Object

Llangennech Community Council considered the LDP at its meeting held on 10 February 2020. Its view is that Llangennech has been over developed in the past with no proper consideration of infrastructural issues.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

A notable consideration in the distribution of development is the importance of the Plan reflecting its evidence base in regards the Role and Function of its settlements. Reference should be made to the Role and Function Topic Paper (January 2020) which is a key piece of evidence in this regard.

The Plan reflects the role and function of settlements and seeks to be responsive in how it assigns growth, to urban and rural areas of the County. The Plan seeks to distribute growth and development spatially across the County, with settlements allocated to one of 6 clusters within the hierarchy. The cluster based approach is flexible in apportioning new growth and avoids any assumption that every settlement in every tier must contribute towards growth. Llangennech is located within Cluster 2 (tier 2).

Paragraph 6.42 of the Role and Function Topic Paper (January 2020) outlines that this cluster along the Llanelli coastline retains a strong developmental focus, with its regeneration potential recognised within the Transformations Strategy and the Swansea Bay City Deal. Paragraph 6.92 of the Topic Paper outlines that Llangennech is a self-sufficient village with all the services and facilities appropriate for its scale being within close proximity. In this sense, it plays a vital service centre role within the settlement hierarchy. Its position on the M4 corridor is also recognised.

The Council considers that the level of growth earmarked for Llangennech in the Plan is appropriate and deliverable given its supportive role for Llanelli within the wider cluster 2.

In noting the concerns raised within this representation, the Council has acknowledged the importance of avoiding coalescence with the Bryn area as part of its approach to development site selection. It has also ensured that the Plan is based upon a robust evidence base.

Due regard is also given to the evidence base of the Plan - notably the Transport Background Paper (January 2020), Infrastructure Assessment Topic Paper (January 2020) and the Role and Function Topic Paper (January 2020). Such evidence can be updated moving forward.

Reference can also be made to a series of policies within the Plan that can provide mitigatory roles at application level - eg INF1 - Planning Obligations.

The Council recognises that Focused Changes are proposed in Llangennech- notably to sites Sec7/h4 and Sec7/h5, but it is considered that the role and function of the settlement is unaffected.

Action

3355 mr. William griffiths [4896]

Summary: Object

Llangennech / Bryn been overdeveloped and great danger they will become submerged in the wider Llanelli conurbation, virtually no remaining green belt with Llanelli. No corresponding improvements to local infrastructure/roads, services and commercial / shopping outlets - everyone continues to rely on cars to reach facilities - environmentally detrimental. Further housing will make problems worse - pressure on roads and infrastructure, education, medical and social services. Traffic from Bryn development go through Llangenench village - amenity and safety concerns cited. Appreciate some investment steps have taken place over the years (Mwrwg Road River Diversion, river culverts at the Bridge Inn and investment in new sewerage capacity at lower Station Road cited) - however environmental change is moving at a faster pace than investment in new infrastructure and building further houses will lead to greater problems. Suggestion made to enhance the road from Bryn through Penprys and to the Llanelli link road at the crematorium roundabout which would take most of the M4-Llanelli away from the villages.

Reference is also made to representation 3356 under policy HOM1 - Housing allocations which is an objection to the allocation of site sec7/h4.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

A notable consideration in the distribution of development is the importance of the Plan reflecting its evidence base in regards the Role and Function of its settlements. Reference should be made to the Role and Function Topic Paper (January 2020) which is a key piece of evidence in this regard.

The Plan reflects the role and function of settlements and seeks to be responsive in how it assigns growth, to urban and rural areas of the County. The Plan seeks to distribute growth and development spatially across the County, with settlements allocated to one of 6 clusters within the hierarchy. The cluster based approach is flexible in apportioning new growth and avoids any assumption that every settlement in every tier must contribute towards growth. Llangennech is located within Cluster 2 (tier 2).

Paragraph 6.42 of the Role and Function Topic Paper (January 2020) outlines that this cluster along the Llanelli coastline retains a strong developmental focus, with its regeneration potential recognised within the Transformations Strategy and the Swansea Bay City Deal. Paragraph 6.92 of the Topic Paper outlines that Llangennech is a self-sufficient village with all the services and facilities appropriate for its scale being within close proximity. In this sense, it plays a vital service centre role within the settlement hierarchy. Its position on the M4 corridor is also recognised.

The Council considers that the level of growth earmarked for Llangennech in the Plan is appropriate and deliverable given its supportive role for Llanelli within the wider cluster 2.

In noting the concerns raised within this representation, the Council has acknowledged the importance of avoiding coalescence with the Bryn area as part of its approach to development site selection. It has also ensured that the Plan is based upon a robust evidence base.

Due regard is also given to the evidence base of the Plan - notably the Transport Background Paper (January 2020), Infrastructure Assessment Topic Paper (January 2020) and the Role and Function Topic Paper (January 2020). Such evidence can be updated moving forward.

Reference can also be made to a series of policies within the Plan that can provide mitigatory roles at application level - eq INF1 - Planning Obligations.

The Council recognises that Focused Changes are proposed in Llangennech- notably to sites Sec7/h4 and Sec7/h5, but it is considered that the role and function of the settlement is unaffected.

As a cross reference aid, the Council's response to representation 3356 can be viewed under its responses to policy HOM1 - Housing allocations (site Sec7/h4).

Action

4222 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary: Object

Llangennech is a highly sustainable settlement, as reflected in its identification as a Service Centre Settlement in the LDP. The settlement is within easy reach of junction 48 of the M4 meaning that development in Llangennech is unlikely to have as much impact on the A4138 as development in Llanelli and all the other Cluster 2 settlements with the exception of Hendy/Fforest. Locating additional residential allocations in Llangennech as opposed to the settlements west of Llanelli will assist in delivering the housing requirement, in line with the settlement hierarchy, in a more proportionate manner which will, as a result assist in reducing the amount of traffic running through Llanelli. We consider that additional allocations should therefore be made in Llangennech to ensure that a suitable supply of housing is able to come forward in the short term to meet local needs. Particular reference is made to representations 4273 (comments on para 9.3) and 4227 (comments on sp16) where such matters are discussed further. Reference is made to rep 4243 where the client's site is promoted.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

The Council agrees with the respondent's comments in regards the sustainability credentials of Llangennech. In this regard, it should be noted that Paragraph 6.92 of the Role and Function Topic Paper (January 2020) outlines that Llangennech is a self-sufficient village with all the services and facilities appropriate for its scale being within close proximity. In this sense, it plays a vital service centre role within the settlement hierarchy. Its position on the M4 corridor is also recognised.

However, the Council does not agree that additional allocations should be made in Llangennech. Its development potential will be realised within the revised LDP, particularly noting the investment by Dwr Cymru Welsh Water in the waste water treatment works. The Council considers that the level of growth earmarked for Llangennech in the Plan is appropriate and deliverable given its supportive role for Llanelli within the wider cluster 2. It is important to note that Llangennech has a role to play as part of the wider cluster 2 and not in isolation and as such the overall growth figure in cluster 2 retains a strong developmental focus within the Plan. The Council recognises that Focused Changes are proposed in Llangennech - notably to sites Sec7/h4 and Sec7/h5, but it is considered that the role and function of the settlement is unaffected.

A notable consideration in the distribution of development is the importance of the Plan reflecting its evidence base in regards the Role and Function of its settlements. Reference should be made to the Role and Function Topic Paper (January 2020) which is a key piece of evidence in this regard.

With regards the wider points made by the respondent, it should be noted that the Plan reflects the role and function of settlements and seeks to be responsive in how it assigns growth, to urban and rural areas of the County. The Plan seeks to distribute growth and development spatially across the County, with settlements allocated to one of 6 clusters within the hierarchy. The cluster based approach is flexible in apportioning new growth and avoids any assumption that every settlement in every tier must contribute towards growth.

In regards the other matters raised, due regard is also given to the evidence base of the Plannotably the Transport Background Paper (January 2020), Infrastructure Assessment Topic Paper (January 2020) and the Role and Function Topic Paper already referred to above (January 2020). Such evidence can be updated moving forward.

As a cross reference note, the Council's response to the promotion of the client's site under representation reference number 4243 can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under policy HOM1. The Council's response to representation reference number 4273 can be can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under paragraph 9.3, whilst the Council's response to representation reference number 4227 can be can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under policy SP16.

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4227 - RSAI - [4993]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Arwel Evans) [3166]

Summary: Object

The Council notes in its candidate site assessment for SR/086/075 that the scale of allocations in Llangennech is appropriate in terms of meeting the identified growth requirement for the settlement but has not provided evidence to substantiate this claim. Llangennech has not received a suitable level of housing apportionment in the Plan - most notably within the wider cluster 2 context. In the early years of the Plan, only 2.9% of the Cluster's growth is directed to Llangennech. Should these 12 units fail to come forward it would leave a noticeable void which would be detrimental to the health of the settlement. It is unclear why the LPA has distributed the dwellings in this manner when there are better, more sustainable options available. Some, less sustainable settlements are accommodating a disproportionate amount of growth compared to Llangennech (Llangennech also outside of the proposed INF4 policy catchment - see reps 4240 comment on policy sp3 & 4266 comment on policy INF4). The growth requirement (107 dwellings) for Llangennech is not reflective of its role and function within Cluster 2 as a whole. No evidence has been put forward to explain why Llangennech has been apportioned the least amount of growth amongst the cluster 2 Service Settlements. There is no logic or consistency to this disproportionate approach given that Llangennech is a highly sustainable settlement with ample services and facilities. Particular reference is made to representations 4222 (sp16 comment) and 4273 (comment on para 9.3) where such matters are discussed further. Reference is made to rep 4243 where the client's site is promoted.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted

A notable consideration in the distribution of development is the importance of the Plan reflecting its evidence base in regards the Role and Function of its settlements. Reference should be made to the Role and Function Topic Paper (January 2020) which is a key piece of evidence in this regard.

The Plan reflects the role and function of settlements and seeks to be responsive in how it assigns growth, to urban and rural areas of the County. The Plan seeks to distribute growth and development spatially across the County, with settlements allocated to one of 6 clusters within the hierarchy. The cluster based approach is flexible in apportioning new growth and avoids any assumption that every settlement in every tier must contribute towards growth. Llangennech is located within Cluster 2 (tier 2).

Paragraph 6.42 of the Role and Function Topic Paper (January 2020) outlines that this cluster along the Llanelli coastline retains a strong developmental focus, with its regeneration potential recognised within the Transformations Strategy and the Swansea Bay City Deal. Paragraph 6.92 of the Topic Paper outlines that Llangennech is a self-sufficient village with all the services and facilities appropriate for its scale being within close proximity. In this sense, it plays a vital service centre role within the settlement hierarchy. Its position on the M4 corridor is also recognised.

The Council does not agree that additional allocations should be made in Llangennech. The Council recognises that Focused Changes are proposed in Llangennech - notably to sites Sec7/h4 and Sec7/h5, but it is considered that the role and function of the settlement is unaffected.

In regards the deliverability of sites allocated in Llangennech, their allocation for residential purposes has been subject to full consideration through the site assessment methodology. As part of this assessment process, site pro formas are prepared. The policies and proposals of the LDP are considered sound and deliverable emerging from a robust evidence base and having been formulated with regard to and in a manner consistent with the Sustainability Appraisal. The allocations identified within the LDP make sufficient provision for the housing needs of this settlement. There is firm evidence of deliverability on these sites.

Llangennech's development potential will be realised within the revised LDP, particularly noting the investment by Dwr Cymru Welsh Water in the waste water treatment works. The Council considers that the level of growth earmarked for Llangennech in the Plan is appropriate and deliverable given its supportive role for Llanelli within the wider cluster 2. It is important to note that Llangennech has a role to play as part of the wider cluster 2 and not in isolation and as such the overall growth figure in cluster 2 retains a strong developmental focus within the Plan.

It is noted that Llangennech is outside of the proposed INF4 policy area. Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 4240 which can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under policy SP3, whilst the Council's response to representation reference number 4266 can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under policy INF4.

As a cross reference note, the Council's response to the promotion of the client's site under representation reference number 4243 can be viewed under the Council's responses to

comments received under policy HOM1. The Council's response to representation reference number 4273 can be can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under paragraph 9.3, whilst the Council's response to representation reference number 4222 can be can be viewed under the Council's responses to comments received under policy SP16.

Action

4439 Mr & Mrs E Jones [2710]

Summary: Object

Ardal Hendy / Fforest - Wrth nodi ystod o wrthwynebiadau sy'n benodol i safleoedd, mynegir pryderon ynghylch faint o waith datblygu sydd wedi digwydd yn yr ardal dros y blynyddoedd diwethaf o'i gymharu â chymunedau eraill yn Sir Gaerfyrddin. Mynegir pryderon ynghylch y cyd-destun trawsffiniol (Pontarddulais yn arbennig) a nodir bod angen i Gyngor Sir Gaerfyrddin a Chyngor Sir Abertawe gydweithio. Ceir problemau traffig yn yr ardal ac mae diffyg isadeiledd. Mae materion traffig lleol (nodir amser teithio i'r ysgol) yn cynnwys y brif ffordd, Heol y Fforest, cyffordd 48 (mae problemau hefyd pan orfodir yr M4 i gau rhwng cyffyrdd 47 a 49) ynghyd â Heol Bronallt a Heol Clayton.

Hendy/ Fforest area - In noting a range of site specific objections, concerns are expressed with regards the amount of development that the area has seen in recent years when compared to other communities in Carmarthenshire. Concerns expressed over cross border context (notably Pontarddulais) and it is stated that Carmarthenshire CC and CC Swansea need to work together. There are traffic problems in the area and there is a lack of infrastructure. Localised traffic issues (school run noted) include the main road, Heol y Fforest, junction 48 (there are also issues when the M4 is forced to close between junctions 47 and 49) along with Heol Bronallt and Heol Clayton.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir v sylwadau.

Mae'r Cynllun yn adlewyrchu rôl a swyddogaeth aneddiadau ac yn ceisio bod yn ymatebol o ran sut mae'n neilltuo twf i ardaloedd trefol a gwledig yn y sir. Mae'r Cynllun yn ceisio dosbarthu twf a datblygu yn ofodol ar draws y sir, gan ddyrannu aneddiadau i un o 6 chlwstwr yn yr hierarchaeth. Mae'r dull sy'n seiliedig ar glystyrau yn hyblyg wrth ddosrannu twf newydd ac mae'n osgoi unrhyw dybiaeth bod yn rhaid i bob anheddiad ym mhob haen gyfrannu at dwf. Mae'r Hendy/Fforest yng Nghlwstwr 2 (haen 2).

Mae paragraff 6.42 o'r Papur Pwnc Rôl a Swyddogaeth (Ionawr 2020) yn amlinellu bod y clwstwr hwn ar hyd morlin Llanelli yn cadw ffocws datblygiadol cryf, ac mae ei botensial adfywio'n cael ei gydnabod yn y Strategaeth Trawsnewidiadau a Bargen Ddinesig Bae Abertawe. Mae paragraff 6.84 o'r papur pwnc hwn yn amlinellu bod yr Hendy/Fforest yn hunangynhaliol o ran bod yr holl wasanaethau a chyfleusterau sy'n briodol i'w raddfa'n agos iawn ato. Mae paragraff 6.85 yn nodi bod lefel y twf tai ar gyfer yr Hendy / Fforest yn y CDLI Diwygiedig yn adlewyrchu'r lleoliad yng nghyd-destun Pontarddulais a goblygiadau twf y dref honno.

Mae'r Cyngor o'r farn bod lefel y twf a glustnodwyd ar gyfer yr Hendy/Fforest yn y Cynllun yn briodol ac yn gyflawnadwy o ystyried ei rôl gefnogol i Lanelli yn ardal ehangach clwstwr 2 (nodir effaith newidiad penodol arfaethedig mewn hyn o beth hefyd - safle Sec6/h5).

Wrth nodi'r pryderon a godwyd yn y sylwadau hyn, mae'r Cyngor wedi cydnabod y cyd-destun trawsffiniol o ran Pontarddulais (gweler uchod) yn nhermau sicrhau lefel twf briodol. Mae'r Cyngor hefyd wedi sicrhau bod y Cynllun yn seiliedig ar sylfaen dystiolaeth gadarn.

Gellir cyfeirio hefyd at gyfres o bolisïau yn y Cynllun a all ddarparu rolau lliniarol ar lefel cais - e.e. INF1 - Rhwymedigaethau Cynllunio.

Rhoddir sylw priodol hefyd i sylfaen dystiolaeth y Cynllun - yn benodol y Papur Cefndir -Trafnidiaeth (Ionawr 2020), Papur Pwnc Asesiad Seilwaith (Ionawr 2020) a'r Papur Pwnc Rôl a Swyddogaeth (Ionawr 2020). Gellir diweddaru tystiolaeth o'r fath yn y dyfodol.

Comments noted.

The Plan reflects the role and function of settlements and seeks to be responsive in how it assigns growth, to urban and rural areas of the County. The Plan seeks to distribute growth and development spatially across the County, with settlements allocated to one of 6 clusters within the hierarchy. The cluster based approach is flexible in apportioning new growth and avoids any assumption that every settlement in every tier must contribute towards growth. Hendy/Fforest is located within Cluster 2 (tier 2).

Paragraph 6.42 of the Role and Function Topic Paper (January 2020) outlines that this cluster along the Llanelli coastline retains a strong developmental focus, with its regeneration potential recognised within the Transformations Strategy and the Swansea Bay City Deal. Paragraph 6.84 of this Topic Paper outlines that that Hendy / Fforest are self-sufficient with all the services and facilities appropriate for its scale being within close proximity. Paragraph 6.85 of the Topic Paper outlines that the level of housing growth for Hendy / Fforest within the Revised LDP reflects the location within the context of Pontarddulais and the implications of that town's growth.

The Council considers that the level of growth earmarked for Hendy/Fforest in the Plan is appropriate and deliverable given its supportive role for Llanelli within the wider cluster 2 (the impact of a proposed focused change in Hendy/Fforest is also noted in this regard - site Sec6/h5).

In noting the concerns raised within this representation, the Council has acknowledged the cross border context in regards Pontarddulais in terms of an securing an appropriate level of growth. The Council has also ensured that the Plan is based upon a robust evidence base.

Reference can also be made to a series of policies within the Plan that can provide mitigatory roles at application level - eg INF1 - Planning Obligations.

Due regard is also given to the evidence base of the Plan - notably the Transport Background Paper (January 2020), Infrastructure Assessment Topic Paper (January 2020) and the Role and Function Topic Paper (January 2020). Such evidence can be updated moving forward.

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4141 Cyng. Lyndon Lloyd [4670]

Summary: Object

Gwrthwynebiad bod Cenarth wedi'i gategoreiddio fel pentref cynaliadwy, dylid ei osod yn uwch i adlewyrchu categoreiddiad Ceredigion fel canolfan adnoddau.

Objection that Cenarth has been categorised as a sustainable village, it should be ranked higher to reflect Ceredigion's categorisation as a Resource Centre.

Council's Initial Response

Anghytuno. Ystyrir bod y dull a nodir ym maes Polisi SP16: Dosbarthiad Cynaliadwy - Fframwaith Aneddiadau yn gadarn. Ystyrir bod Cenarth wedi'i nodi'n briodol fel pentref cynaliadwy o ran lefel y gwasanaethau.

Disagree. The approach as set out within policy SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework is considered sound. Cenarth is considered to be appropriately identified as a sustainable village with regards to the level of services.

Action

Trelech a'r Betws Community Council (Clerk Mrs Liza Marie Jones) [89]

Summary: Support

Trelech Village does not have the capacity within the Welsh Water sewerage system for any more developments.

There have been ongoing issues with the foul water for the village for at least the last decade and despite promises by Welsh Water to improve the treatment plant in the village, nothing has been done.

It has been noted that foul water enters the water course and when there is a large amount of rainfall there is a backlog of sewerage into the village.

There is also an issue with the water supply.

The majority of the time, the village has low water pressure and very often no water at all. Increasing the number of properties in the village will only put even more strain on the current insufficient system.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The Council has not received any fundamental objections from statutory infrastructure providers relating to this area.

The LDP seeks to balance sustainable and limited growth in Trelech against environmental, social and economic constraints. Any potential new development proposal will be considered against the policies set out within the revised LDP and this includes highway, infrastructure, utility and amenity considerations.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3146 Barton Willmore (Joe Ayoubkhani) [646]

Summary: Support

SP 16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework

Cwmann is identified within the Settlement Framework as a Tier 3 Sustainable Village. Whilst no explicit amendments are required within the Deposit LDP, it should be noted that Cwmann has a range of facilities and services which render it a sustainable location for significant housing growth.

However, the Revised LDP should make explicit reference (as was made within Policy SC23 of the existing LDP) to close functional relationship Cwmann enjoys with Lampeter, notwithstanding the fact that it is located within the adjacent Authority area of Ceredigion

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed. It is considered that the request to make reference to the close functional relationship Cwmann enjoys with Lampeter is covered in paragraph 10.20.

Action

3749 Mr M Thomas [3749]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Support Summary:

Our clients have given careful consideration to the categorisation of Cross Inn as a "Rural Village", and accordingly wholeheartedly welcome and support the decision of the Authority to include the village in those settlements listed under Tier 4 within Cluster 6 of the Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4111 Mr Trevor Davies and Sons [5145]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Support Summary:

The inclusion of Llansadwrn as Rural Village of Cluster 5 is both welcomed and supported.

Llansadwrn is located at a sustainable location and benefits from a number of community facilities and local services. It also has good access to nearby larger settlements that contain a wide range of local services and community facilities. Its position on a regular bus service route also further contributes to its sustainability level and as a suitable location for further housing development to serve the immediate rural community.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

Mr S Cooper [4829]

Support Summary:

Referring to SA14 7NF, Church Road. The Development Plan appears Fundamentally Sound and I am supportive of it.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcome

Action

No change to the Plan.

Deposit LDP Summary of Representations & Council's Initial Response

3255 Matthew Utting [2833]

Summary: Support

My client supports Strategic Policy SP16, in particular the designation of Ammanford/Crosshands as a Tier 1 Principal Centre at the top of the Settlement Hierarchy in the County's Settlement Cluster 3. In this respect, Ammanford/Crosshands is a highly sustainable location to which new housing and employment development should be directed; and it is entirely appropriate for the settlement to be positioned at the top of the County's Settlement Hierarchy.

Moreover, my client supports paragraphs 11.523 to 11.526 of the LDP, which confirm that the majority of new residential development, including housing allocations (defined as sites capable of yielding 5 dwellings or more), will be directed to the County's Principal Centres over the LDP period

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3638 -- John Roberts Family Trust [5018]

Agent: Barton Willmore (Joe Ayoubkhani) [646]

Summary: Support

We do not object to or support Policy SP16 but offer the following commentary: Cross Hands is identified within the Settlement Framework as part of the Tier 1 Principal Centre Cluster of Ammanford/Cross Hands. Whilst no explicit amendments are required within the Deposit LDP, it should be noted that Cross Hands has a range of facilities and services. Without the provision of new housing at settlements such as Cross Hands, there exists a risk that issues of affordability would rise and the viability of existing services would be threatened. New development is required to support the viability of these services.

Council's Initial Response

Noted.

Reference should be had to representation number 3636.

Action

Support

Representation(s)

4117 Mr Martin Ingram [3506]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Support the designation of Pentregwenlais as a Rural Village

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3620 Union Tavern Estate [3913]

Agent: Barton Willmore (Joe Ayoubkhani) [646]

Summary: Support

Whilst we do not seek to object or support Policy SP16, we offer the following commentary. Gorslas is identified within the Settlement Framework as part of the Tier 1 Principal Centre Cluster of Ammanford/Cross Hands. Whilst no explicit amendments are required within the Deposit LDP, it should be noted that Gorslas is a sustainable location by virtue of its proximity to Cross Hands, the availability of services and facilities as well as sustainable travel options. We consider that new development is required to support the existing services and to provide housing which is affordable.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The policies and proposals within the revised LDP provide sufficient provision for development throughout the county's settlements.

Action

Paragraph Para 11.523

Representation(s)

3492 Cyng Jean Lewis [3601]

Summary: Support

11.523-11.526 HOM3 HOM4

Dylir rhoi sylw gofalus ar ddatblygu yn ardaloedd Haenau (Tiers) 3 a 4 i sicrhau bod cymysgedd o dai gan gynnwys rhai tai fforddiadwy yn cael eu hadeiladu i gwrdd â'r galw gan bobl leol.

Development in Tiers 3 and 4 should be carefully considered to ensure that a mix of housing including some affordable housing is built to meet the demand of local people.

Council's Initial Response

Nodwyd. Mae'r Cynllun yn ceisio gwneud darpariaeth tai agored a thai fforddiadwy er mwyn cyfrannu at ddatblygu cymunedau cynaliadwy, cytbwys a chydlynol.

Noted. The Plan seeks to make both open market and affordable housing provision in order to contribute to the development of sustainable, balanced and cohesive communities.

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

Policy SD1: Development Limits

Representation(s)

3139 Mrs M L Davies [4656]

Summary: Object

The inclusion of site AS/034/005 is sought within the development. It is considered appropriate for the following reasons:

The plot is set on hill which is 20 mins walk to town of Lampeter and away from heavy traffic, Lampeter to Llanwrda. It is close to the Carmarthen to Aberystwyth railway line and over the hedge from the established residential area. It is not impacted on by flooding from the Teifi river and has panoramic views from 80% of the land. It is closer to development on main road Ram area

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

The site does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology as it would have a detrimental impact on the character and setting of the settlement. Furthermore, there is sufficient and more suitable land available for development within the settlement to accommodate its housing need.

Action

3175 Mrs Mair Kirkbride [419]

Summary: Object

I believe the land at Penlan, Rhydargaeau would be ideally located for development of residential properties.

The land is located approx. 10mins to the town of Carmarthen, and with easy reach of "West Wales Hospital". There is electricity and sewerage passing through the land. Regarding the highways access, we would be more than happy to comply with any needs from the Council. We are happy to comply with anything the council need E.G. affordable housing, bungalows or any other development that is required in this area. This is an objection to Policy SD1 as the site is outside development limits - site reference is AS/145/012

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

The site does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology as it would have a detrimental impact on the character and setting of the settlement. Furthermore, there is sufficient and more suitable land available for development within the settlement to accommodate its housing need.

Action

3199 Mr Lawrence Aldridge [495]

Summary: Object

Objects to the inclusion of AS/019/009 - (candidate site SR/019/009) - within development limits. The issues cited include determinantal impact on the character of the village, lack of amenities and population/traffic impact. It is stated that there is plentiful provision of building plots which are not being delivered. This representation is therefore objecting to policy SD1 of the Deposit Plan in that the land is included within the development limits.

3203 Mr Lawrence Aldridge [495]

Summary: Object

Objects to the inclusion of AS/019/002 - (candidate site SR/019/002) - within development limits. The issues cited include determinantal impact on the character of the village, lack of amenities and population/traffic impact. It is stated that there is plentiful provision of building plots which are not being delivered. This representation is therefore objecting to policy SD1 of the Deposit Plan in that the land is included within the development limits.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site is considered appropriate as small scale development, and as such has been included in the development limits.

Action

3242 Mr & Mrs C K Davies [4513]

Summary: Object

Objecting to the change in the development limits at this location to accommodate one or two houses.

3400 Mr Jeff Davies [3781]

Summary: Object

Object to the inclusion of part of site SR/098/001 in the development limits for the following reasons:

- The B road leading to this proposed development is very narrow.
- Small bridge that only allows a single car at a time to cross, causing a lot of issues.
- Llanllwch village is already seeing increased traffic from the Travelers Rest housing development, this will only add to the daily congestion.
- Lack of visibility
- Narrow track leading into the site which I have right of way on, so I'm concerned that my rights may be affected, if this development went ahead.

Council's Initial Response

The inclusion of the site is considered appropriate in terms of small scale rounding off suitable for 1 or 2 plots.

Action

No change to the plan.

Representation(s)

3277 Mr Alan Jones [4004]

Summary: Object

SR/043/001 - The defined limits of Pantycelyn are shown incorrectly and should be amended accordingly

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site does not accord with Stage 1 of the Site Assessment Methodology as it is detached from, and unrelated to an identified settlement within the Deposit LDP.

Action

3230 Robert Thomas [4873]

Summary: Object

We believe that the inclusion of site number SR/095/006 will have a detrimental impact on the safety of pedestrians and drivers accessing the proposed site development.

Council's Initial Response

Whilst the site is within the proposed development limits it will be for a planning application to determine the acceptability of any potential proposal. Highway considerations will be considered as part of any application.

Action

No change to the Plan

3262 Mr Jeff Wheeler [4847]

Summary: Object

We would like to appeal the decision not to include our plan SR/O53/O01 submission ref-CAO171 into the L.D.P. plan. We have been told it is because they do not like (ribbon development). We understand what you are trying to say but do not entirely agree with this policy.

Reduce site from 4 dwellings to 2 dwellings

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3411 Mr D & S Lloyd [4974]

Summary: Object

Objection to the omission of site SR/133/001 from the development limits of Pen y Mynydd.

Provided the road drainage which runs into the field is rectified, we have no objections for Mr Pulham's application - whom we have known for over 40 years - for one only bungalow and garage to be included in the local development plan in the field next to our property.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Paper. The site is located with an area which falls within a Tier 4 settlement.

Action

3415 Mrs J Berrow [582]

Summary: Object

Concerns regarding the proposed development on Old School Rd Llansteffan:

- 1. The current road is not able to support the traffic;
- 2. Water from fields from the top of old school rd to the centre of the village is an issue;
- 3. Would it not be sensible to see the effect of the Maes Griffiths development before agreeing to further development?
- 4. Affordable housing. The current status of holiday and second properties within the village should be considered.
- 5. Perhaps postponement of any potential development should be considered in light of the current situation regarding Covid 19.

3412 Mr & Mrs JF & BC Moore [584]

Summary: Object

Objection to the development limits on Old School Road, Llansteffan.

The road has deteriorated the last few years, due to excessive traffic, adding to the breaking up of the surface.

The road cannot take anymore traffic and it cannot be made any wider as there are houses both sides of the road.

Whilst we accept that some infill is able to take place, any major development would put strain on the services and add danger to other existing road users..

The recent wet weather has exposed the venerability of the road with water draining from the fields.

3413 M Evans [4975]

Summary: Object

I would like to put my concerns to the development plans that have been put forward for Old School Road LLansteffan:

The road its self is a single road use age. Which is already having large volume daily use.

Would it not be better to see how the village gets on with Meas Griffiths development first?

If we are not careful LLansteffan could lose its appealing ness, and became smothered in houses.

The infrastructure needs to be looked at. The Extra volume of vehicles could increase our air pollution.

Please don't lose sight of the aesthetics of this village.

Council's Initial Response

The development limits have been re-drawn to potentially allow small scale development to take place along Old School Road. Any potential new proposal will be considered against the policies set out within the revised LDP. This includes highway, infrastructure and amenity considerations and will form part of a planning application process should a development be taken forward to application stage.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3571 Mr Michael Palmer [3264]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of SR/156/001 within development limits, as the proposal would have an adverse impact on the neighbouring property by virtue of ecology, unmapped prehistoric burial site, intrusion, detrimental to effect to the use of land and to quality of life, negative impact on the value of the property, privacy and impact on well being.

Secondly there is no demand within the area.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The site has been included to allow the flexibility for potential future development within a settlement with otherwise very limited growth. Any potential proposal will be considered against the policies set out within the revised LDP.

Action

3668 Mr & Mrs P Davies [2847]

Agent: Mr Mark Stephens [5035]

Summary: Object

Seek the inclusion of candidate site SR/083/001 within the LDP.

Council's Initial Response

Agree. Change the development limits to include the candidate site. The site is to be included to allow the flexibility for potential future development within a settlement with otherwise very limited growth. Any potential proposal will be considered against the policies set out within the revised LDP.

Action

Change to the Proposal Maps for Llandyfaelog

Representation(s)

3148 Mr Phillip Davies [4803]

Summary: Object

SR/083/001

There is limited opportunity to develop in the village therefore moving the line will allow for this.

At the moment the LDP line was only extended slightly, however, this will take away the neighbours amenity space, namely outbuildings and garden

Want to keep the balance of the street and mirror opposite to keep the character of the area.

To give people who were born and work in the local area the ability to build a greener and more sustainable home. This would strengthen the position of the Welsh language through allowing Welsh speakers to remain in their communities.

3231 Llandyfaelog Community Council (Mr Arfon Davies,) [46]

Summary: Object

Object to the non-incusion of the candidate site SR/083/001. Llandyfaelog Community Council believes that the LDP should be revisited in relation to these two candidate sites. The Council would wish to see at least parts of these included to enable scope for future development within Llandyfaelog village.

Council's Initial Response

Agree. Change the development limits to include the candidate site. The site is to be included to allow the flexibility for potential future development within a settlement with otherwise very limited growth. Any potential proposal will be considered against the policies set out within the revised LDP.

Action

Change to the Proposal Maps for Llandyfaelog

4452 Mr Eirian Williams [877]

Summary: Object

I would like to submit observations in relation to the lack of a black-line development limit at Cynheidre. I have land in this area, part of which I would wish to develop. My intention would be to construct a maximum of four dwellings which would not increase the village by 20% of the current numbers of dwellings. It is a logical extension to round off the development pattern that fits in with the character of the village form and landscape as per Policy SP16. The land is of a scrub nature and new development would be more aesthetically pleasing than it is at present. I do not wish to construct further dwellings creating a ribbon development and, as I own the land beyond the requested area marked in red on the attached map, for around 150 yards there will be no chance of applications for further development to be made in the future. I ask that this small area is included within the Local Development 'black-line' limit for Cynheidre. There is an existing physical feature in the form of two dwellings recently completed across the road which would form the boundary for the group. The whole of the proposed land is well within a road subject to a thirty miles per hour speed limit. These recently completed detached dwellings on the opposite side of the road do not yet show on the current maps. Furthermore, my proposed 'black line' ends approximately opposite the edge of the two new dwellings which does not extend the village beyond the existing boundary. Mains drainage is present immediately alongside my proposed land as is mains electricity. Mains water is available on the opposite side of the road. This is an objection to the non inclusion of site within development limits (policy SD1) site ref is AS/046/003. Reference is made to representation 4453 under policy SP16.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site does not accord with Stage 2a - Initial Detailed Site Assessment of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reason: The site is within a Tier 4 settlement and therefore any site proposal will be considered under policies set out within the revised LDP.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 4453 under policy sp16.

Action

3951 Mr Cooper [3549]

Agent: Architectural Design Services (Swansea) Ltd (Mr P Johnson) [866]

Summary:

Object

The site links naturally to the existing semi detached residential houses all of which were originally constructed back in the days when the client was a local developer. It was always the intention to develop this parcel of land for housing, especially as it formed part of the land purchased originally. The site at one stage was included in the Development Limits - revisit the previous UDP to verify this and would be pleased to know the reason that this was changed. The site is not within a flood plain and has good access on to the highway. There is reference to the seeking of specialist reports by the client - including ecological and flood consequence considerations. The highway directly adjacent is the A484. This has a 30mph limit and there is good access and turning area - highway safety ensured. If developed, the building line can be respected and can conform to the Local Planning Policies. If the parcel of land was allowed to be developed it would take the form of a sustainable development with the features of a Ground Source Heat Pump, Solar Panels positioned at roof level. The drainage would be designed with a SUDS system and all materials would be sourced locally for the construction. The site is close to local shops, Schools and the Country Park.. It is close to the local bus route and cycle route linking the site to Llanelli, Kidwelly and Carmarthen. Client prepared to provide the site for affordable housing to meet the local needs and enter into s106. Welsh Government is committed to increasing the supply of new homes, stimulating economic growth, creating jobs and meeting housing needs and I am of the opinion that this should be supported by the Carmarthenshire County Council. Objection to the non-inclusion of SR/016/004 (site ref ALT/016/004) within the development limits reference may also be made to representation 3953 under policy SD1.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Reference is made to the Council's response to representation 3953 as part of its responses to comments received under policy SD1.

Action

3953 Mr Cooper [3549]

Agent: Architectural Design Services (Swansea) Ltd (Mr P Johnson) [866]

Summary:

Object

Objection - seeks drawing of development limits at Maesybryn, Pembrey (AS/016/023) as part of the promotion of the client's site - see representation 3951 under policy SD1. Existing semi detached residential houses all of which were originally constructed back in the days when the client was a local developer. It was always the intention to develop a further parcel of land for housing (see rep 3951), especially as it formed part of the land purchased originally. That site was at one stage was included in the Development Limits - revisit the previous UDP to verify this and would be pleased to know the reason that this was changed. Close to local shops, Schools and the Country Park, local bus route and cycle route linking to Llanelli, Kidwelly and Carmarthen. Approx start of 30 mph limit annotated on the proposed site plan provided, along with denoting of the development limits at Lando Road.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The proposal to introduce development limits at this location does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology as this would be contrary to general planning principles in that it would represent an unacceptable extension to the settlement. It is considered that the cluster of dwellings (less than 20 units) is spatially detached from Pembrey and represent an 'outlier' in this regard.

Reference is made to the Council's response to representation 3951 as part of its responses to comments received under policy SD1.

Action

3068 MR MEREDYDD EDWARDS [2598]

Summary: Object

Objection to the proposed development limit boundary moving from the rear boundary of our property to the far side boundary of the field immediately abutting our property (SR/021/007) for the following reasons - 1. additional traffic generation on a road that is not suitable for further development (single track in places) 2. Harmful effect on amenity of our property — overlooking / loss of privacy. Please see more detailed representations attached.

3770 Mr R Denholm [3220]

Summary: Object

I object to the inclusion of site SR/021/007 within the development limits on two counts:

1. Both possible access points, one on to Heol y Delyn at the already dangerous junction with Springfield Rd and the other further up Springfield Rd are unsuitable.

2. In general any further traffic should be avoided on Cwmoernant, Heol y Delyn, Wellfield Rd, Longacre and Capel Evan Rd. Both Springfield Rd (single track in places) and Longacre have no footpaths and no possibility that they could be provided. The junction between Longacre and Capel Evan Rd and Park Hall is congested & dangerous and a school bus pick up and drop off point. I believe there should be no further developments feeding traffic onto Spring field Rd or Capel Evan Rd.

4027 Cllr Ken Lloyd [4612]

Summary: Object

Objection to inclusion of candidate site SR/021/007 in development limits, site ref AS/021/007. This is an area of rich habitat and wildlife and such areas have a vital role to play in delivering the Council's corporate goals, both social and economic, as well as supporting the seven Well-being Goals set out in the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015. More development here will have a disproportionate negative impact on the natural environment as well as amenity of residentS. Reference is made to paragraph 6.6.19 of the current LDP policy number EQ2 as well as PPW(an emphasis on people and places in decision making). Sites need to be near and easily accessible to existing infrastructure, such as good road links, schools, colleges, parks, GP surgeries, if only to meet the needs of the Active Travel Act. Development on this site will require serious improvements to Springfield Road, Long Acre Road and Wellfield Road. The residents and myself are fearful that further development will only exacerbate the existing problems.

3312 Ms Petra Wood [2690]

Summary: Object

Objects to the inclusion of SR/021/007 within the limits and therefore an objection to Policy SD1. Concerns include access along Springfield Road being very limited with the road being narrow, so that any additional traffic will mean endangering residents (e.g. children on their way to school) as well as other pedestrians. Cwmoernant and Springfield Road has a public footpath that is part of the strategic walking route network. Extending boundaries of the LDP in this area means both danger through increased traffic (as above) as well as changing the characteristics of this mainly rural area. Springfield Road has conservation areas and large green areas which currently are supported by natural wildlife corridors into the area beyond Carmarthen town limits as well as towards the reservoirs. Extending boundaries of the LDP in this area means limiting wildlife with potential loss of a large number of species.

3772 Mr Ceredig Emanuel [4942]

Summary: Object

This is an objection for the inclusion of site SR/021/007 within the development limits. The proposed access to Heal y Delyn is extremely unsafe. The junction at the end of Heol y Delyn is already quite dangerous (on a sharp bend, steep slope and sometimes compromised by parked cars often parking on the pavement) and more vehicles attempting to exit their homes onto it would increase the dangers. Increased traffic on Springfield Road is unsuitable.

3711 Mr Derek Edwards [4951]

Summary: Object

We object to further development (site SR/021/007) for the following reasons:

- The approach road is hazardous;
- The area is dangerous to pedestrians as there are no pavements;
- The junction at the bottom of Springfield Hill and Wellfield Road often has parked cars;
- Extra traffic will add to these hazards.

4029 Mr and Mrs Robert and Gaynor Hathway [5129]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of candidate site SR/021/007 within limits (site ref AS/021/007). Opposition to further housing development off Springfield road and Cwmoernant - this is based on the the following facts 1. Traffic along Wellfield road is already chaotic - for most part of the road there is insufficient width for two cars to pass each other which results in cars driving up onto the narrow pavements. 2. Springfield road itself is quite narrow and has a choke point about 2/3rds of the way up. Adding more housing with say 2 cars per household would significantly increase the traffic problems which already exist 3. The area to be included in the development plan adjacent to these areas support a large array of wildlife.

With the enormous housing development going on the west of the town already why is it necessary to destroy these oases of wildlife so close to the town centre.

3407 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of site SR/021/007 within the development limits.

This would bring the development boundary right up to the edge of the Bluebell Woods which are both ecologically sensitive and of high landscape value.

In addition development within the proposed extension to the boundary would result in "backlands" development of up to 4 dwellings which would have a negative impact on the amenity of adjoining properties, as would the necessary access arrangements.

3404 Mr Gareth Jones [3448]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of site SR/021/007 within the development limits of Carmarthen.

I am objecting on the grounds that increased traffic flow on Springfield Road will be detrimental to pedestrians. There is no pedestrian footpath nor is there likely to be one. Children walking to school will be at increased risk.

There will be increased traffic congestion not only in Springfield Road, but also in Wellfield Road and Longacre Road.

The junction of Springfield Road and Heol y Delyn is dangerous at present due to cars being parked on the sharp steep corner entrance to Heol y Delyn.

3073 Roger & Joanna Phillips [3742]

Summary: Object

Objection to proposed development limit boundary from the rear of our property . Any development on this field would result in loss of privacy , to main private area of garden and look directly into our kitchen dining rooms , conservatory and two main bedrooms . Highway- Springfield rd is far from suitable for nay more traffic with a narrowing 40 metre length where on one car can pass at any time . Previous applications submitted in the past have been refused for these very reasons .

Council's Initial Response

The inclusion of the site is considered appropriate in terms of small scale rounding off suitable for less than 5 dwellings (the indicative plans submitted as part of the candidate site illustrate 2 dwellings). The site has been included to allow the flexibility for potential future development within a growth settlement for individual, larger plots. Any potential proposal will be considered against the policies set out within the revised LDP.

Action

3280 Mr Alix Alliston [4822]

Summary: Object

Promotion of a new candidate site.

Currently, the settlement boundaries of Capel Dewi are in two main sections, East and West, dividing the village and the community. My proposal is to join the village together.

The Land at Capel Dewi Lodge appears to be the last piece of suitable, sustainable undeveloped land within the village.

Of the five Current Applications I believe only one can be considered as infill (SR/017/004) where as the other four appear to be extending the village, which has, and would inevitably result in the loss of valuable agricultual land. (SR/017/002) and (SR/017/005) also current build site (SuV16/h1).

Council's Initial Response

Development of the site would lead to an unnecessary encroachment beyond the development limits.

There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3329 Mr & Mrs T Dennard [362]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/025/001 (CA0087) in Cefnbrynbrain.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3986 Mr Phil Mann [2574]

Agent: Mr Stuart Owen [731]

Summary: Object

Objection to SD1 by seeking the inclusion of part of site SR/067/004, and that in not allocating this site for residential development and ensuring removal of an inappropriate use which is detrimental to the amenity and safety of the residents of Gorslas is unsound.

Council's Initial Response

The site does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reasons. The site comprises a longstanding allocation, part of which has been developed. The remaining part of the allocation will be deallocated as it comprises an area of ecological value and there are concerns regarding the delivery of the site. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

No change to the plan

Representation(s)

3439 Mr W M Jones [4010]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Objection to the omission of candidate site S/063/003.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Four Roads would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table.

Four Roads has been defined as a Tier 4 settlement, and therefore the village does not have development limits. Any proposal will be considered against the policies set out within Policy HOM3 of the revised LDP.

Action

Object

Representation(s)

3463 Mr D Morris [4990]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Objection to the exclusion of a site from development limits.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Meinciau would correct an anomaly where the existing development limits cut through the middle of an agricultural barn and associated farmyard. The suggested amendment would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

Agree. Amendment to be made to re-configure the development limits to follow the existing pattern of the existing built form.

Action

Change to the plan.

3389 Mrs Sandra Y Evans [601]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of a site from the development limits of Llandyfaelog. The site is close to the heart of the village with the village hall, pub and church being in close proximity. There is a genuine need for the type of development at this location as there are no other building opportunities in the village and properties do not come up for sale often. This makes it very difficult for local people to remain in the village or move back and sustain the character and Welsh language of the village.

3232 Llandyfaelog Community Council (Mr Arfon Davies,) [46]

Summary: Object

Object the non-inclusion of SR/083/002. Llandyfaelog Community Council believes that the LDP should be revisited in relation to these two candidate sites. The Council would wish to see at least parts of these included to enable scope for future development within Llandyfaelog village.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

The site would be an illogical extension to the settlement by impacting on the rural nature of Llandyfaelog and the character of the area.

Action

3240 Mr Ronald Davies [614]

Summary: Object

Land fronting Capel Seion Road, land adjacent to 55 Greenfield Terrace. The site reference is AS/138/002 (previously promoted as candidate site SR/138/002). The plot is vacant, and is of no significance as agricultural land, there are no highways visibility issues (photo is enclosed) main sewerage is available to sight. The site is a natural extension to the settlement, (land registry official copy of title plan is enclosed) and in keeping with development that has already taken place. This is therefore an objection to policy SD1 in that the land is omitted from the development limits.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

No change to the plan

Representation(s)

3276 J R Harrison [539]

Summary: Object

Object to the non-inclusion of site SR/098/002 - Land to the east of Manor Way Llanllwch, and seek a small part of that candidateland to be brought forward within limits for small scale development.

Council's Initial Response

Agree to the inclusion of a smaller part of site AS/098/002 as requested, it is considered acceptable to include the site within the development limits to allow the flexibility for potential future development within a settlement with otherwise very limited growth. Any potential proposal will be considered against the policies set out within the revised LDP.

Action

Amend development limits in Llanllwch to include site AS/098/004.

3311 ms Nicola Kelly [2686]

Summary: Object

My field is let out on a yearly lease. It is in continued use and accessed off the lane, so there would no extra traffic if planning was given. Chickens and ducks are kept on the yard with plans for a few sheep. Vegetables are being grown on site. What I would love to obtain is planning for a small swelling. Just one. Down by the fence by the double story garage at the bottom of my yard. This would mean that any dwelling could be in line with this building so would not be seen obstruct any properties. So would in fact be a wonderful 2 1/2 acre small holding. This is therefore an objection to SD1 in that candidate site SR/062/002 is included within the development limits.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3433 Mr M Jones [3676]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/138/021 from development limits. The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Pontyberem would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

No change to Plan

Object

Representation(s)

3437 Mr H Wilkins [4091]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/004/038.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Ammanford would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

No change to the Plan

3449 Mr C Price [3981]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/159/009.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Tycroes would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

3457 Mr R Rees [3945]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/062/005 from the development limits.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Foelgastell would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

3456 Mr B McAndrew [3982]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/067/011 from the development limits.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Capel Hendre would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

No change to Plan

3453 Mr K Jones [4090]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the omission of site SR/004/037 - Land at Waun Clyn Cath Uchaf, Wern Ddu Road, Ammanford.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Ammanford would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3467 Ms L Rooke [846]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/070/003 from within the development limits for Heol Ddu.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Heol Ddu would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

3487 Mr P Flinders [3993]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Request for site's inclusion within the development limits of Milo.

The site forms part of the urban form of a sustainable village, the growth of which will be of benefit to the socio-economic future of the rural economy. The site is not located within or immediately adjacent to any sites designated for importance to nature conservation and is not at risk from flooding.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic plan

Action

3550 Gwenego Homes Ltd [5004]

Agent: Atriarc Planning and Construction (Mr Wayne Reynolds) [745]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the omission of site SR/082/004 from the development limits of Llandybie in the Deposit LDP:

It is noted that the site could not accommodate 5 or more dwellings, however the inclusion of the site would not see an illogical extension of the urban form.

The key site characteristics are noted as follows,

- Relatively level site;
- Electrical, gas and sewage utilities in close proximity;
- No negative impact to existing vehicle and pedestrian safety;
- Clear opportunities to incorporating sustainable drainage systems on site;
- High demand for properties in the area, both home owner and affordable housing;
- No protected historical structures known on site;
- No known environmental designations on site that would limit the site coming forward;
- No known flood risk on site;
- Good public and private vehicular access to and from site.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

Object

Representation(s)

3591 Mr J Waine [4077]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

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Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/026/005 from the development limits of the Deposit Revised LDP.

The Site in question lies immediately adjoining the settlement of Cross Hands by virtue of it being immediately adjoining by existing residential development about Garreg Hollt. As a result, its inclusion within the defined Development Limits of the settlement would represent a reasonable and logical form of rounding-off alongside established properties, and mirroring new development off the opposite, eastern flank of the road. Furthermore, through this change to the Limits, the Site would then provide an opportunity to accommodate three detached dwellings at this location.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. The inclusion of the candidate site would allow the flexibility for potential small scale /single plot development. The site accords with the main planning principles of the site assessment methodology.

Action

Change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3598 Mr D Thomas [3921]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/067/006 under policy SD1. The development limits should be altered to accommodate the site.

The Site forms a logical extension to the existing settlement, being well related to it and being positioned at a location withinthe wider landscape to not form a prominent or logical part of the surrounding opencountryside.

The Site lies within close proximity and walking distance of the existing community services and local facilities of the adjoining settlement, which will ensure it makes a positive contribution to both national and local sustainable development objectives.

The Site also benefits from well served excellent public transport links to the nearby settlements, and the larger towns of Ammanford and Cross Hands.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

3616 Mr A Watts [4071]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site ref SR/026/004 under Policy SD1:

The Site in question lies immediately adjoining the settlement of Cefneithin by virtue of it being immediately adjoining by existing residential development about Heol-Yr-Ysgol. As a result, its inclusion within the defined Development Limits of the settlement would represent a reasonable and logical form of rounding-off. Furthermore, through this change to the Limits, as has been illustrated on the accompanying drawing, the Site would then provide an opportunity to accommodate five semi-detached and detached residential dwellings at this location.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Assessment of Sites paper. The initial representation requesting its inclusion raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers

Action

3116 BA George [4839]

Summary: Object

Cynheidre Caravan park is within the boundary of Cynheidre Village as it is located before the national speed limit signage. Originally promoted for a scale of development that would seek its allocation for housing (+5 units), subsequent correspondence states that the site is to be promoted for 4 homes only - therefore this is an objection against policy SD1 of the Plan. It is stated that this will not exceed 20% of the number of existing homes and will adjoin the boundary of an existing property and qualifies as a 'logical extension, rounding off of the development pattern that fits in with the character of the village form and landscape'. Objection to Policy SD1 as the site (different area to that previously promoted as candidate site SR/046/001) is not included in the development limits of the deposit LDP. Site reference AS/046/002. Refer to representation 3117 (policy sp16).

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site does not accord with Stage 2a - Initial Detailed Site Assessment of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reason: The site is within a Tier 4 settlement and therefore any site proposal will be considered under policies set out within the revised LDP.

Reference should be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3117 (policy sp16).

Action

3395 Mr & Mrs D & J Phillips [4965]

Summary: Object

Objection to non inclusion of candidate site SR/061/004 under policy SD1.

There are a dozen properties to one side, two on the other and one opposite, we feel that this would be an ideal location for the grandchildren to build their own homes enabling them to stay in the area, providing a support network for the family.

The properties would be sympathetically built taking into account neighbouring properties and the location. The land sits very close to the only remaining open Chapel in the village.

Site reference AS/061/004.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3423 Mr D Griffiths [4977]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Burry Port would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community. Objection to non inclusion of candidate site SR/016/002, objection site reference is AS/016/002.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Sites Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Object

3445 Mr J Nicholls [4089]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/061/009 from the development limits for Horeb, objection site reference is AS/061/009.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Horeb would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

3343 LR HM & IR Lewis [4945]

Agent: Asbri Planning Ltd (Mr Keith Warren) [592]

Summary: Object

Land at Dolau Fields/N of Dan y Crug, Llandovery SeC5/h1 (also E/26681 and E/37525):

Policy SD1: Development Limits is objected to on the basis that the development limits should be extended to reflect the extant planning permission (and the area allocated in the current LDP).

The Proposals Map is also objected to on these grounds.

Council's Initial Response

There are concerns over the deliverability of the site in its entirety, as allocated in the current LDP. The site has been allocated for housing for a number of years and has not been developed. For this reason it was deemed necessary to reduce the size of the allocation to frontage only (in keeping with the adjacent built form) with reference SeC15/h1, and to exclude the remainder from development limits.

Action

3447 Messrs T & B Evans & Owen [4984]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to exclusion of site SR/021/051 from the development limits. The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Ffynnonddrain would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3442 Messrs T & B Evans & Owen [4984]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to exclusion of site SR/101/002.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Llanpumsaint would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3444 Mr M Evans [4086]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of site SR/088/006.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Llanfihangel-ar-Arth would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3446 Mr M Jones [3676]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Object

Objection to exclusion of site SR/021/009 from the development limits.

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Carmarthen would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3503 Mr & Mrs Packham [4995]

Agent: ARCHISPEC (Mr Paul Nicholls) [5019]

Summary: Object

Objection to the removal of the eastern remaining allocation of SC22/h1 from the Revised Deposit LDP.

The western element of this site has already been developed by third parties, however the eastern element has only recently been able to come forward due to loss of property deeds which has recently been rectified.

Ty Glyn has recently (2018) been purchased by the current owners. One of the prime reasons for purchasing was on the basis that the land was allocated.

An outline Planning Application has already been lodged under the current LDP for residential development (LPA ref TA86847 pending validation) and it is the current owners' full intention to develop the land in accordance with its designation at time of purchase.

Council's Initial Response

Agree to place site within the development limits. The site was removed due to concerns about deliverability, however, the agent has created a lower density scheme which is currently being considered as a planning application. The whole site would deliver less than 5 units, therefore this would be a change to the development limits only.

Action

Agreed, amend development limits in Llanllwni to include site AS/099/006.

Representation(s)

3585 Mr A Green [5005]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

We seek inclusion of the site within the development limits for small scale development of 4 dwellings. It is considered that the sustainability attributes of Peniel can support the inclusion of the site in addition to the 2 allocations allocated within the Deposit LDP. Our clients have illustrated that their indicative proposals will not appear at odds to the prevailing spatial pattern of development in Peniel and would be respectful to the character and setting of the locality.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

3592 Mr H & N M Evans [4079]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site referenced SR/145/011 within the development limits of Rhydargaeau.

The site's inclusion would be consistent with the inclusion of other small sites in the village and it is considered that the site's inclusion would constitute 'logical extensions and/or rounding off of the development pattern that fits in with the character of the village form and landscape' as referred to in Policy HOM3 of the Deposit Plan.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non-inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No Change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3225 Mr Richard John [4882]

Summary: Object

Object to the non-inclusion of the site now known as AS/058/004.

This site is for up to 3 dwellings.

Council's Initial Response

Agree in part. Amend a part of the candidate site to allow the flexibility for potential future development within a settlement with otherwise very limited small site growth. Any potential development will need to comply with the policies and proposals set out within the revised LDP.

Action

Change to the Plan.

4375 Mrs Susan Evans [3049]

Summary: Object

Object to the inclusion of SR/077/002 in the Deposit LDP and highlights material planning considerations for its exclusion

Council's Initial Response

The site has been included to allow the flexibility for potential future development within a settlement with otherwise very limited growth. Any potential proposal will be considered against the policies set out within the revised LDP.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4540 Mr W M Jones [4010]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

The site's inclusion within reinstated development limits for Four Roads would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type.

Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

In addition, residential development at this location:-

- * would not be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent properties;
- * would satisfy recognised housing and sustainability objectives:
- * would not have a detrimental impact on the landscape or nature conservation interests.

Furthermore, the site is not impeded by any access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints and its delivery, if allocated, is assured

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table.

Four Roads has been defined as a Tier 4 settlement, and therefore the village does not have development limits. Any proposal will be considered against the policies set out within Policy HOM3 of the revised LDP.

Action

4406 A Roberts [5167]

Summary: Object

Seek the inclusion of new candidate site AS/113/011 within the revised LDP.

Council's Initial Response

The site does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology as its inclusion would result in an illogical extension to the settlement, and there is sufficient and more appropriate land available for residential development within the village.

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3669 Mr K G Morgans [613]

Agent: Mr Mark Stephens [5035]

Summary: Object

Seek the inclusion of the proposed site within the development limits of Pontyates.

Council's Initial Response

Development of the site would have a detrimental impact on its setting and character, including the close proximity of a burial ground and the extensive hedgerows on the southern and eastern side.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3670 Caroline Davies [5036]

Agent: Mr Mark Stephens [5035]

Summary: Object

Seek the inclusion of new candidate site AS/113/009 within Pontyates

Council's Initial Response

The site would represent an illogical extension to the settlement as it is densely vegetated, and it would have a detrimental impact on ecology and its local habitat.

Action

3671 Caroline Davies [5036]

Agent: Mr Mark Stephens [5035]

Summary: Object

Seek the inclusion of new candidate site in Pontyates - AS/113/010 within the LDP.

Council's Initial Response

The site does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology as it would result in an illogical extension to the settlement by means of backland development.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4534 Mr D Williams [3994]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

The site's inclusion within reinstated development limits for Mynyddcerrig would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type.

Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

In addition, residential development at this location:-

- * would not be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent properties;
- * would satisfy recognised housing and sustainability objectives:
- * would not have a detrimental impact on the landscape or nature conservation interests.

Furthermore, the site is not impeded by any access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints and its delivery, if allocated, is assured.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Mynyddcerrig has been classified as a settlement within Tier 4 of the settlement hierarchy and therefore any site proposal will be considered under policies set out within the revised LDP, most notably Policy HOM3.

Action

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Representation(s)

3792 Mr M Thomas [5059]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

It is requested that the development limits are amended to allow for small infill change to the development limits under policy SD1. A detailed supporting statement has been provided to support the case. Three dwellinghouses will not appear at odds to the prevailing spatial pattern of development in

Capel Iwan. The locality has numerous examples of modern frontage development being completed at edge of settlement locations, which in turn, advocates that the form of development proposed at land at Cruglwyd is no different, resulting in it being respectful to the character and setting of the locality.

Council's Initial Response

A larger site was submitted as a candidate site and has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The submission of a smaller part of the site remains is considered to be unacceptable as there are more appropriate sites elsewhere within the settlement. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the additional land. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4463 Mr & Mrs B E & D R Harries [380]

Summary: Object

Object SD1 and seek the inclusion of candidate site AS/167/002 into the revised LDP.

Council's Initial Response

Broadway has been defined as a Tier 4 settlement, and therefore itdoes not have development limits. Any proposal will be considered against the policies set out within Policy HOM3 of the revised LDP.

Action

3226 Mr D Panayiotiou [4676]

Summary: Object

I would really appreciate it if the limit line could be considered to be moved. Objection to the non-inclusion of land within the development limits at Llys Pendderi. Site reference AS/086/078.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site does not accord with Stage 2a of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reason - the site cannot accommodate 5 or more dwellings.

In terms of including the site within the development limits, the site's position within the urban form is noted. It is considered that its inclusion within the development limits would not have a detrimental impact on the character and setting of the settlement or its features.

The development limits will be amended to allow small scale development to take place, subject to any future proposal meeting the policies and provisions of the Plan as a whole.

Action

Change to the Plan (focused change) to include the site within development limits.

4454 David Potter [5250]

Summary: Object

Include Cae-Du into the revised LDP. Being one of a few privet residential properties excluded from the LDP we now wish to be included to allow for future development of the land for residential purposes to accommodate new family members. This is an objection against Policy SD1 in that the site is outside of the Development limits in the deposit Revised LDP - site reference is AS/086/089.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site does not accord with Stage 2a of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reason - the site cannot accommodate 5 or more dwellings.

In terms of including the site within the development limits, the site's position within the urban form is noted. It is considered that its inclusion within the development limits would not have a detrimental impact on the character and setting of the settlement or its features.

The development limits will be amended to allow small scale development to take place, subject to any future proposal meeting the policies and provisions of the Plan as a whole.

Action

Change to the Plan (focused change) to include the site within the development limits.

Representation(s)

3833 Mr & Mrs Jones [5073]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Support for the inclusion of Whiltemill in policy SP16. We would highlight that our Clients land represents one such opportunity for new housing development and being well related to the existing form of the village, it would represent a logical round-off opportunity (as supportedby Policy HOM3) in the settlement.

Council's Initial Response

The support is welcomed for the inclusion of Whitemill as a Tier 4 settlement, and the site's potential development under policy HOM3 is noted.

Action

3834 Mrs Ann Iorweth [5072]

Summary: Object

This is an objection to the inclusion of site SR/160/003 from the development limits. The reasons for the exclusion of the site is mainly on the grounds that trees adjacent to the main road are an integral feature of the landscape.

In developing the land it is intended to to retain the majority of the healthy trees, so retaining their visual and environmental impact and also screening any development that might be allowed.

Access to the site would be gained via the existing lane and building of a small family unit confined to the area beyond the copse of mixed trees on the roadside frontage.

The plot is not in open countryside but adjoins an existing dwelling recently extended in size and opposite established houses on the opposite side of the road. There is housing development along both sides of the main road.

Council's Initial Response

Agree to include within the development limits, small scale development would have to comply with the policies and provisions of the Plan.

Action

Agreed, amend development limits in Waungilwen to include site AS/160/003.

Representation(s)

3095 Mandy Jones [4160]

Summary: Object

The representation refers to an intention to build a house / bungalow adjoining flat for a person with learning disabilities and cerebral palsy on a plot adjoining to Pantyffynon rugby pitch. The site reference is AS/004/042

Council's Initial Response

The inclusion of the site would lead to and illogical extension to the development limits and result in a sporadic development in the open countryside

Action

No change to Plan

3220 D Bowler [5092]

Agent: Asbri Planning Ltd (Mr Keith Warren) [592]

Summary:

Object

In summary, the changes proposed relate to a minor extension of the proposed development limits of Horeb in order to accommodate a modest form of development, i.e. 4 detached dwellings. This will not therefore go to the heart of the plan or have a bearing on the soundness of the Plan as a whole. Policy SD1 is objected to on the basis that the development limits of Five Roads/Horeb should be extended to include the site. The proposals Map is also objected to on these grounds. A Flood Assessment Report is submitted which demonstrates that appropriate measures can achieve betterment for the wider area in terms of flood risk and ecology.

This is an objection to the non-inclusion of candidate site SR/061/002 from the LDP, and seeks its inclusion under Policy SD1 (indicative 4 detached dwellings). Note the original candidate site proposal was for a development of 6 dwellings, however it is the same site area, therefore the site reference is AS/061/002 (candidate site was reference was SR/061/002).

Council's Initial Response

Reference is made to the initial assessment of the site (seeking of a housing allocation) - the outcome of which is available in the sites assessment table.

This representation is different as it seeks the amendment of the development limits (small scale residential development) and not an allocation. It therefore needs a further assessment in accordance with the site assessment methodology.

This further assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The site does not accord with Stage 2a of the Site Assessment Methodology for the following reason: the site cannot accommodate 5 or more dwellings.

In terms of the request to include the site within the development limits, there is concern that this will lead to a detrimental impact on the character and setting of the settlement or its features.

The outcomes of the Council's stage 1 SFCA are noted, whilst the site also has many ecological considerations. Reference is made to Sections 6 and 7 of the Environment Act (Wales) 2016 in this regard.

Reference can be made to the Council's responses to representation reference numbers 3221 (site Suv23/h2) and 3222 (Suv23/h1) which can be found under the Council's responses to comments made under policy HOM1 - Housing Allocations.

Action

3982 Arwel Davies [3881]

Agent: Cwm Planning & Design (Chris Morgan) [5113]

Summary: Object

The respondent objects to the exclusion of site SR/021/022 from the development limits of Carmarthen, and cites a number of reasons in support of the site's potential for development.

Council's Initial Response

The land has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non-inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the land. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

3997 Mrs Lynn C C C Bushin [4817]

Summary: Object

I object to the above site (SR/124/008) not being included in the deposit LDP. The proposed site for inclusion DOES have Sewage connections, although the wrong tick box to Q23 was ticked by the applicant at the initial application stage saying "no" connection to sewerage. The reasons for the inclusion of the site are as follows:

- * it is an infill site.
- * The need for sites for one dwelling in the community has not been considered
- * The need for a site for housing to allow the continuation of farming at this location has also not been considered.
- * The agricultural classification of the land, this is incorrect, this is general agricultural land just like that of adjacent site SR/124/001.
- * This site is within the village and should be included alongside sites SR/124/001 & SR/124/002 as it has equitable merits.
- * This site is as close in distance to the village amenities, and there is a safe route for walking into the village that can be used and footpaths. One other site that has been included SR/124/002 has only one route to these facilities that can be used and that is along the side of the busy B4459 road.
- * There is a precedent for housing being built on a small scale in the immediate vicinity.

Council's Initial Response

The land has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non- inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the land. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

3605 David Richard Barrie Evans [2712]

Agent: Nicole Jones (Nicole Jones) [704]

Summary: Object

Objection to the development limits of Pentrepoeth, with the proposed amendment to the development limits to include a new site.

There is an existing access to the west onto a main road through Pentrepoeth

All services: mains water supply, foul sewer, electricity and high-speed electronic communications networks, are about 50m away and can be moved easily onto the site.

This candidate site lies just outside the settlement limits of Idole/Pentrepoeth as defined in the local UDP. It is surrounded by residential development.

The nearest town, Carmarthen is in close proximity and has all necessary amenities, and the transport links to Carmarthen and Llanelli town are well established and developed.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

4394 Mr and Mrs Jones [5051]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of a site from the development limits for Pontantwn.

We would highlight that our Clients land represents an opportunity for new housing development and being well related to the existing form of Pontantwn, it would represent a logical rounding-off opportunity (as supported by Policy HOM3) in the settlement.

Pontantwn is located at a sustainable location with good access to nearby larger settlements that contain a wide range of local services and community facilities. It is also positioned on a public highway that is served by a regular service, giving it good access to further settlements of the County and their associated facilities and services.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table.

Pontantwn has been defined as a Tier 4 settlement, and therefore the village does not have development limits. Any proposal will be considered against the policies set out within Policy HOM3 of the revised LDP.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3488 Mr Edmund Williams [3317]

Summary:

Objection to the development limits in Salem under policy SD1

Object

My objection is specific to one area of the proposed expansion plan, which is for the road named Golwg-y-Gaer, in Salem. The plan proposes that the outer limit for development in the village is extended further along this road to encompass a planning application which has been previously lodged. There is currently a stable building on the land in question and an application has been submitted, more than once, to demolish this and instead build (at least one) dwelling.

Council's Initial Response

Whilst Salem is considered too small to warrant a residential allocation, it is nevertheless deemed necessary that the settlement should be afforded with small scale opportunities for residential opportunities through white land within development limits. The objection site is one area that the Council considers would be appropriate for such uses.

Action

3511 Mrs Fredena Burns [4646]

Agent: Nicole Jones (Nicole Jones) [704]

Summary: Object

Objection, seeking proposed new housing site at Capel Dewi, Carmarthen under policy SD1. We would like to include a field next to Capel Dewi Ucahf Farm in the new Local Development Plan. This parcel of land has got a long planning history. It is located 200 m of the Capel Dewi village on its eastern side amongst a spread of more recent individual housing and is a site identified in the UDP - ref ALT/021/001/N.

Capel Dewi is a village which has lost its local amenities. However various necessities are in close proximity, and the transport links to Carmarthen, Cross Hands and Llandeil are well established and developed.

Council's Initial Response

The site is close to a cluster of dwellings that is considered to be an outlier to Capel Dewi, spatially detached from the main built form of the settlement. The site's inclusion within development limits would lead to an unnecessary encroachment into the countryside. Furthermore, there is sufficient residential land allocated within Capel Dewi.

Action

3587 Mr Tony Jones [4064]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of part of site SR/117/005 from the development limits of Nantgaredig.

The land is set within a roadside frontage of established number of dwellings and would appear as an infill plot immediately alongside the remainder of the settlement. There are no "topographic issues" preventing its inclusion.

The site is within walking distance to the range of community facilities and local services the settlement has to offer, such as a Primary School, public house and Medical Surgery, as well as well serviced bus stops that provide access to those services and facilities in the wider growth area of Carmarthen, which is only some 10 minutes' drive via the A40 road.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

It should be noted that part of the site is included within the development limits and would represent an appropriate rounding off opportunity.

Action

Object

Representation(s)

3896 Mrs E Goodwin-Jones [5083]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/056/001 from Felingwm Isaf under Policy SD1.

Felingwm Isaf is located at a sustainable location with good access to nearby larger settlements that contain a wide range of local services and community facilities. It is also positioned on a public highway that is served by a regular service, giving it good access to further settlements of the County and their associated facilities and services.

In addition to the above, we would highlight that our Clients land (site SR/056/001)represents an opportunity for new housing development and being encapsulated by existing development on three sides would represent a logical infill opportunity.

Council's Initial Response

Felingwm Isaf has been classified as a settlement within Tier 4 of the settlement hierarchy and therefore any site proposal will be considered under policies set out within the revised LDP, most notably Policy HOM3.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4082 Mr Owen Williams [3158]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of candidate site ref SR/147/002 within development limits, and should be restricted to its former outline that did not include the aforementioned site for this part of Golwg y Gaer.

Council's Initial Response

Whilst Salem is considered to small to warrant a residential allocation, it is nevertheless deemed necessary that the settlement should be afforded with small scale opportunities for residential opportunities through white land within development limits. The objection site is one area that the Council considers would be appropriate for such uses.

Action

4112 Mr Trevor Davies and Sons [5145]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/103/001 under Policy SD1.

The site represents an opportunity for new housing development and being well related to the existing form of the village, it would represent a logical round-off opportunity.

The village of Llansawrn in which the site is situated is located at a sustainable location and benefits from a number of community facilities and local services. It also has good access to nearby larger settlements that contain a wide range of local services and community facilities.

Council's Initial Response

Llansadwrn has been classified as a settlement within Tier 4 of the settlement hierarchy and therefore any site proposal will be considered under policies set out within the revised LDP, most notably Policy HOM3.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4373 Mr Richard Jones [2906]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of a site within the development limits for Crugybar.

The land in question is part owned by myself and Teilo Developments, with a land exchange arrangement agreed between both parties. This will enable two building plots to be developed on Site B. Plot 4 has already been granted full planning permission subject to S106 Agreement. Plot 3 has been submitted for outline planning permission on the 7 /1/20 and the outcome is pending. It is proposed to enter into S106 Agreements on both plots and that development will take place during 2020.

Our concerns are centred around the LDP limit for the Revised LDP conflicts with the current LDP and the development proposals for plots 3 and 4.

Council's Initial Response

Crugybar has been classified as a settlement within Tier 4 of the settlement hierarchy and therefore any site proposal will be considered under policies set out within the revised LDP, most notably Policy HOM3.

Action

4398 mr vaughan roberts [2307]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of SR/052/001 under Policy SD1 and a supporting statement is provided.

Council's Initial Response

Dryslwyn has been classified as a settlement within Tier 4 of the settlement hierarchy and therefore any site proposal will be considered under policies set out within the revised LDP, most notably Policy HOM3.

Action

4566 Linda Smith [5212]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/064/001 (CA00330) from the settlement of Glanamman under policy SD1.

I would like the planning office to consider the site based on THREE reasons.

1. Practicalities for the owner who keeps animals on the site:

The site is located a number of miles from the owner's home. The owner works long hours and is unable to get to the site on daily basis

2. Previous building on the SITE:

The bottom part of the upper field had been used as a weigh bridge by a local colliery in the past and did have buildings on it.

3.Emotional/health well-being of the owner of the site.

4565 Gareth Smith [2599]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/064/001 (CA00330) from the settlement of Glanamman under policy SD1.

I would like the planning office to consider the site based on THREE reasons.

1. Practicalities for the owner who keeps animals on the site:

The site is located a number of miles from the owner's home. The owner works long hours and is unable to get to the site on daily basis

2. Previous building on the SITE:

The bottom part of the upper field had been used as a weigh bridge by a local colliery in the past and did have buildings on it.

3. Emotional/health well-being of the owner of the site.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Whilst it is acknowledged that the respondents are only seeking one dwelling, (hence the objection to Policy SD1 rather than Policy HOM1), the site area is quite sizeable and could potentially accommodate over 5 dwellings. Including this site within the plan would constitute an illogical extension to the development limits of the settlement.

Action

3673 JEM & EJ Hughes [5038]

Agent: Aled Thomas Planning Design Ltd (Mr Aled Thomas) [3225]

Summary:

Object

Seeks the inclusion of SR/054/002 within the LDP.

Council's Initial Response

Felindre (Llangadog) has been classified as a settlement within Tier 4 of the settlement hierarchy and therefore any site proposal will be considered under policies set out within the revised LDP, most notably Policy HOM3.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3774 Mrs S Matthews [5055]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of part of candidate site ref SR/064/004 under policy SD1.

We do not object to the inclusion of part of the site within the development limits, but strongly disagree with the rationale given for the exclusion of the remainder. We consider its exclusion to be an erroneous decision by the Authority, as well as being an inconsistent approach taken by it in the assessment of such sites.

The site is within walking distance to the range of community facilities and local services the adjoining settlement has to offer, as well as well serviced bus stops that provide access to those services and facilities in the wider growth area.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table (site ref: SR/064/004). The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

3904 Mr & Mrs Conner [481]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of a new site within the development limits of Brechfa.

The site represents a clear part of the built-up area and so its inclusion within the defined development limits of the settlement is both reasonable and logical. Furthermore, the site would then provide an opportunity to accommodate an additional residential dwelling that would not result in a form of overdevelopment, an instance of ribboning, nor would it result in a detriment to any ecological, highway safety, flooding, contamination or amenity related interest.

Council's Initial Response

Inclusion of the site would constitute an illogical extension of the development limits to incorporate a small group of dwellings that are physically detached from the existing built form of Brechfa.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4083 Mr Owen Williams [3158]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of candidate site ref SR/147/004 within development limits, and should be restricted to its former outline that did not include the aforementioned site for this part of Golwg v Gaer.

Council's Initial Response

Whilst Salem is considered to small to warrant a residential allocation, it is nevertheless deemed necessary that the settlement should be afforded with small scale opportunities for residential opportunities through white land within development limits. The objection site is one area that the Council considers would be appropriate for such uses.

Action

4066 Mr Richard Jones [2906]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of a site from the development limits for Llanfynydd.

Seeking the inclusion of a site within the development limits for Llanfynydd. The site in question is an amended (reduced) area to that submitted as a candidate site (SR/089/002; CA0614) in 2018. The site will address the housing need within this community and the frontage development is aligned to other candidate sites within the village.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table (site ref: SR/089/002). The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

It should be noted the area covered by this objection site included candidate sites SR/089/001 and SR/089/002. Site SR/089/001 has been included within the revised development limits for Llanfynydd.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4572 Mr Brian Birch [5297]

Agent: Asbri Planning Ltd (Mr Keith Warren) [592]

Summary:

Objection to Policy SD1 - on the grounds that the site should be included in development limits.

The site has benefitted from previous planning permissions and as part of an allocation in the former Unitary Development Plan. However the number of units has been reduced to 11 in order to address flood risk issues associated with land to the south. The site area has also been reduced accordingly.

A layout drawing has been prepared which shows a scheme along the frontage of Tan-Y-Gelli which links existing development to the west and east and rounds off the settlement pattern at this location.

A Sustainability Assessment (SA) is provided which shows that the development of the site would meet the LDP SA objectives.

Council's Initial Response

Sufficient residential opportunities exist within the settlement.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Object

4459 Mr Thomas Marr [5235]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of a site from the development limits of Brynamman under Policy SD1.

There are exisiting residential developments that fall outside of the boundary of the LDP therefore the proposed site allocation would have little visual impact on the surrounding area. The new site allocation falls within the inner boundary of the village of Brynamman. There is exisiting outline planning persmission for development (SeC9/h1) which is set back off Mountain Road an equal distance (behind existing houses) to the proposed site allocation.

Council's Initial Response

This site is separated and detached from the current built form of Mountain Road, Brynamman. It's inclusion would constitute an illogical extension of the development limits.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4490 A New [5211]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of development limits around the settlement of Cynghordy (and in particular the site covered by planning application E/39932).

The site covered by planning application E/39932 forms part of housing allocation SC28/h1 in the current LDP. We were seeking to secure planning on part of that site for a single storey dwelling and had hoped to do so before the expiry of the current Plan in 2021. However, in the context of the current pandemic, this will now not happen. We therefore request that it be included in the Revised LDP.

Council's Initial Response

Cynghordy has been classified as a settlement within Tier 4 of the settlement hierarchy and therefore any site proposal will be considered under policies set out within the revised LDP, most notably Policy HOM3.

Action

4541 Mrs A Davies [5286]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

The inclusion of this site within new development limits for this part of Capel Dewi would reflect similar such 'outliers' elsewhere in Carmarthenshire.

The site's inclusion would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type.

It's development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

In addition, residential development at this location:-

- would not be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent properties;
- would satisfy recognised housing and sustainability objectives;
- would not have a detrimental impact on the landscape or nature conservation interests.

Furthermore, the site is not impeded by any access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints and its delivery, if allocated, is assured.

Council's Initial Response

The site lies adjacent to a cluster of dwellings that is considered to be an outlier to Capel Dewi, spatially detached from the main built form of the settlement. The site's inclusion within development limits would lead to an unnecessary encroachment into the countryside. Furthermore, there is sufficient residential land allocated within Capel Dewi.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4500 Mr & Mrs A & G Lewis [5265]

Summary: Object

We propose this allocation for 1 residential dwelling, as an infill development in the village of Llanllwni. The site is within easy walking distance to community amenities, such as the local Village Shop, Pub and Primary School. It is also close to a significant employment site, the T L Thomas & Son, Builders Merchants and Teifi Timber. It is within walking distance of the Aberystwyth - Carmarthen bus route with services operating every hour. We believe it is a modest development in keeping with the existing dwellings within the cluster.

Council's Initial Response

Agree to the inclusion of site AS/099/010. It is considered acceptable to include the site within the development limits to allow the flexibility for potential future small scale infill development within Llanllwni.

Action

Object

Representation(s)

3435 Mr P Flinders [3993]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

Milo should be recategorised and given development limits.

Having considered the settlement framework's proposed tiers, it is felt that Milo has been incorrectly categorised as a 'Tier 4 Rural Village'. Milo has regular bus services, linking the village with nearby Llandeilo, Llandybie and Ammanford, providing convenient access to a wide range of services and facilities, as well as further bus and rail services to Llanelli and Swansea. The sustainable development credentials of Milo should therefore be given full recognition and consideration when determining potential future growth options.

Council's Initial Response

The approach as set out within policy SP16 Strategic Policy - SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework is considered sound. Whilst settlements such as Milo have no defined development limits, the diversity of the County is recognised with regard given to housing in rural areas, and the value such areas play within the County. Within rural villages (Tier 4) such as Milo, and non-defined settlements, new housing development will be limited to small scale opportunities. Reference is made to Policy HOM3 of this Plan where opportunities may exist for proponents of appropriate residential proposals in such areas.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4559 A, C & M Thomas, Davies & Davies [3243]

Agent: ArchiSurv Ltd (Mr Alan Thomas) [5295]

Summary: Object

The land is sought for inclusion as a housing allocation in the LDP. The area has been fenced off and grass cut for over 15 years and does not mean loss of agricultural land. The area is immediately adjoining and directly opposite existing dwellings. The potential is for three dwellings (one is included in the proposed local plan but we feel the whole area should be included). A detailed supporting statement is provided with the representation.

Council's Initial Response

Part of the site has been included within the development limits in order to allow the flexibility for potential future small scale infill development within the village. The land has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non-inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the land. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs. Part of the site also lies within the C2 flood risk area.

Action

3684 Mrs Fay Hancock [2616]

Summary: Object

Object to policy SD1 and seeks the inclusion of candidate site SR/132/001 within the development limits -

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

3686 West Wales Developments Ltd (Nigel & Jane Evans) [859]

Summary: Object

Object to the non-inclusion of candidate site SR/149/001 in the LDP, and provides a supporting statement for its inclusion.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3940 Pegasus Group (Daniel Millward) [5095]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy SD1 - Development Limits.

The policy does not set out a scenario whereby development for traditional housing can come forward beyond the development limits. This will be problematic in circumstances where the Council's housing delivery fails to keep pace with their proposed annual requirement.

As such, we consider that this policy should incorporate wording to allow for development in sustainable locations that would otherwise comply with the relevant policies of the Development Plan in the event that the supply and delivery of housing failed to keep pace with the Local Plan Housing Requirement (i.e. the absence of a five-year supply of housing land.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The Plan provides certainty and clarity on the location of new development in accordance with the provisions of national policy. In addition, the plan makes sufficient provision for the delivery of new homes across the county, and throughout the plan period.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3691 West Wales Developments Ltd (Nigel & Jane Evans) [859]

Summary: Object

Object to the non-inclusion of candidate site SR/132/001 under policy SD1, and provide a supporting statement for its inclusion.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3742 J & S Lewis & Price [5049]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the omission of candidate site SR/159/011 under policy SD1:

The Site lies immediately adjacent to the settlement of Tycroes by virtue of it being located on a prominent A road, and immediately alongside existing residential development at Pontardulais Road. As a result, its inclusion within a cluster of the defined Development Limits of this part of the settlement would represent a reasonable and logical form of rounding off. Furthermore, through this change to the Limits, the Site would then provide an opportunity to accommodate three detached residential dwellings at this location.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

4128 Seasons Holidays plc (_ _ _) [5149]

Agent: Lichfields (Mr Owain Nedin) [4937]

Summary: Object

Proposal to extend the Development Limits boundary of Laugharne to include the existing Laugharne Park Estate.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The inclusion of the whole estate of the existing Laugharne Park Estate within the development limits would be unreasonable within the context of the development Plan. The policy framework within the revised LDP provides sufficient flexibility for the consideration of any tourism and leisure related activities / developments.

Action

3830 Mr & Mrs M Lloyd [3939]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

Object to Policy SD1 and seeks the inclusion of part of SR/004/019. \the representation identifies a number of points which can be overcome including flood risk and impact on TPOs.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

4419 Mr Martin Ingram [3506]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

In support of HOM3 and SP16, candidate site SR/130/001 represents one such opportunity for new housing development and being well related to the existing form of the village, it would represent a logical round-off opportunity.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3861 Maralyn Treharne [3888]

Summary: Object

Objection to the removal development limits in Broad Oak under policy SD1:

I consider the removal of Development Limits from the revised plan to be unsound and lacking in good judgement. The existence of Development Limits hitherto have served as a base line of constraint to inhibit inappropriate rural development.

It can be anticipated that removal of Development Limits will inevitably lead to the sale of prime agricultural land for development, to the detriment and well being of those living in the smallest of rural communities.

Council's Initial Response

In terms of the removal of development limits from many of the smaller settlements, the approach as set out within policy SP16 Strategic Policy - SP16: Sustainable Distribution - Settlement Framework is considered sound. The diversity of the County is recognised with regard given to housing in rural areas, and the value such areas play within the County. Within rural villages (Tier 4), and non-defined settlements, new housing development will be limited to small scale opportunities. Reference is made to Policy HOM3 of this Plan where opportunities may exist for proponents of appropriate residential proposals in such areas.

In regard to the respondent's contention that the removal of development limits will lead to the sale of prime agricultural land for development, Policy HOM3 would only permit small scale development (1-4 dwellings) in appropriate locations, such as minor infill opportunities within the existing built form, or logical extensions and/or rounding off of the development pattern that fits in with the character of the village form.

Action

4532 Mr P Flinders [3993]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

The site's inclusion within reinstated development limits for Milo would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type.

Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

In addition, residential development at this location:-

- * would not be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent properties;
- * would satisfy recognised housing and sustainability objectives;
- * would not have a detrimental impact on the landscape or nature conservation interests.

Furthermore, the site is not impeded by any access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints and its delivery, if allocated, is assured.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Milo has been classified as a settlement within Tier 4 of the settlement hierarchy and therefore any site proposal will be considered under policies set out within the revised LDP, most notably Policy HOM3.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4396 Mr Eirian Emanuel [610]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/138/003 under Policy SD1 and a supporting statement is provided.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

4399 Eamon Barry Flaherty [841]

Summary: Object

Objection to the non inclusion of candidate site SR/049/018 from the Deposit LDp under Policy SD1 Development Limits. A supporting statement is provided.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4404 Mr Dylan Rees [3688]

Agent: Robert Higgins Architect (Mr Robert Higgins) [5151]

Summary: Object

Objection to SD1 - seeks inclusion of SR/082/009 within the Revised LDP

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

Object

Representation(s)

4538 Ms L Rooke [846]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary:

The site's inclusion within development limits for Heol Ddu would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type.

Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

In addition, residential development at this location:-

- * would not be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent properties;
- * would satisfy recognised housing and sustainability objectives;
- * would not have a detrimental impact on the landscape or nature conservation interests.

Furthermore, the site is not impeded by any access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints and its delivery, if allocated, is assured.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Heol Ddu has been classified as a settlement within Tier 4 of the settlement hierarchy and therefore any site proposal will be considered under policies set out within the revised LDP, most notably Policy HOM3.

Action

4140 J W K Davies [852]

Summary: Object

Seek the inclusion of candidate site reference SR/004/006 within the Plan, and a supporting statement is provided.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4114 Mr G Lewis [5058]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/009/004 under Policy SD1.

The Site lies immediately adjoining the settlement of Caerbryn by virtue of it being immediately adjoining by existing residential development about the minor road off Penygroes Road. As a result, its inclusion within the Development Limits of the settlement would represent a reasonable and logical form of infilling, upon a residential curtilage.

The development of the Site for the purposes of one, three-bedroomed bungalow, can be undertaken in a manner that would not result in a form of overdevelopment, an instance of ribboning, nor would it result in a detriment to any ecological, highway safety, flooding, contamination or amenity related interest.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

4093 Mr & Mrs Henry [3677]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/054/001 under Policy SD1.

The site represents an opportunity for new housing development and being well related to the existing form of the village, it would represent a logical extension opportunity.

The village itself is located at a sustainable location with good access to a nearby larger settlement that contains a wide range of local services and community facilities. Access to this settlement is possible by non-motorised means and the village is also positioned on a regular bus service route, giving it good access to further settlements of the County and their associated facilities and services.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4084 Mrs Veronica Thomas [624]

Summary: Object

Objects to the non-inclusion of candidate site SR/149/003 from the revised LDP under policy SD1, and provides a supporting statement relating to its requested inclusion.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

4005 Mr Clive Douch [2924]

Agent: Nicole Jones (Nicole Jones) [704]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of candidate site SR/138/004 under Policy SD1.

This site has been used for many years as part of the garden of the existing dwelling. It is tucked behind the existing farm house. New dwellings would be designed with the surrounding residential houses in mind.

This candidate site lies outside the settlement limits of Pontyberem as defined in the adopted LDP, but it is surrounded by residential development.

Pontyberem is a small town which has got all necessary amenities in close proximity.

The transport links to Carmarthen and Llanelli town are well established and developed.

The site is not constrained by any significant environmental considerations, including ecological designations.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3976 Dolawen Cyf (Owain Jones) [3841]

Agent: Asbri Planning Ltd (Mr Keith Warren) [592]

Summary:

Object

Objection to Policy SD1 seeking inclusion of new site within limits.

The site comprises candidate site SR/009/003 with additional land adjoining its northern boundary.

The site is well related to the existing settlement pattern, and its development will not result in any material harm in planning terms. Furthermore an agreement has been reached to provide a suitable access to the site.

There are no allocations proposed in the linked village of Caebryn/Blaenau.

This submission also seeks to demonstrate that the site is deliverable by a proven local building company and provisions would be incorporated which would seek to ensure a high quality of design and layout.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3944 Mrs V, Mrs A, Mr E, Mr & Mrs J. Davies, Davies, Davies & Davies [5096]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

Objection to the exclusion of part of candidate site SR/082/002 from development limits.

The Full Representation has sought to examine the Council's reasons for non-inclusion of th Candidate Site. It has successfully addressed a technical issue, being that new residents will be able to access the A483 Ammanford Road via Aberlash Road where the NRW are shortly to embark upon a series of flood prevention measures. The site itself nevertheless remains flood-free.

Our clients have presented their indicative proposals to promote a frontage development of only TWO additional dwelling houses. The revised proposals will be compatible with existing and proposed development along both flanks of Waunfarlais Road, and thus ensuring that future development respects the character and setting of the locality.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3778 Mr WD & GI Owens [395]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

Objection to Policy SD1 and seeking the inclusion of part of the previous candidate site SR/100/007.

Our clients have decided to revise their proposals to seek inclusion of half the road frontage along Heol-y-Plas from that which was originally submitted as a Candidate Site back in 2018.

The site in question lies at a highly sustainable position along the A road, which would allow new residents to continue to access the excellent community facilities in the locality, such as the nearby Primary School, public houses and main bus route along Heol-y-Plas providing passengers access between Cross Hands and Llanelli.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table (SR/100/007). The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Whilst it is acknowledged that this is a smaller site than the original submission (SR/100/007), the reason for the site's exclusion remains relevant. Furthermore, there is sufficient and more suitable land available for development within the settlement to accommodate its housing need.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4422 Mr Ian Leter [5181]

Summary:

Object

While reviewing the proposed development map I noted that the proposed development line appears to be incorrect because it takes no account of the Full Planning Permission S/33776 which was Granted in Full on 22nd June 2016

I would be very grateful if the boundary limits line could be corrected to take account of the permission already granted (Grid Reference 254814 211742)

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. Development limits to remain in line with the existing urban form on Bethania Road. This non-change does not prejudice any future domestic development at the site.

Action

4424 Mr and Mrs Carwyn and Esme Lloyd [5215]

Summary: Object

Would like Carmarthenshire County Council to consider and adjustment to the development limits, to include the part of the garden of the dwelling know as Minynant.

Council's Initial Response

Agree. Amendment to the development limits to include the garden area.

Action

Change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3410 Mr J Quick [4973]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Object

Our client owns a parcel of land adjoining St. Mark's Church and is seeking the inclusion of the land within the defined development limits of Caerbryn.

The site is within walking distance to the range of community facilities and local services the settlement has to offer, as well as well serviced bus stops that provide access to those services and facilities in the wider growth areas of Cross Hands and Ammanford, which is only some 10 minutes by road.

Council's Initial Response

The site does not accord with Stage 2 (Phase 2b) of the Site Assessment Methodology in that the development would lead to an illogical extension and impact on the rural character of this part of the settlement.

Action

3895 T Richard Jones (Betws) Ltd (Owain Jones) [5084]

Agent: Asbri Planning Ltd (Mr Keith Warren) [592]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of site from development limits under Policy SD1.

The site represents the undeveloped part of a wider allocation - GA3/h9 in the adopted LDP, and benefits from reserved matters planning permission - E/24742, for 66 dwellings,. Furthermore a start has been made on site, following the discharge of pre-commencement conditions.

This submission seeks therefore objects to the Deposit Plan on the grounds that the site which represents the final phase of a mixed use residential and employment scheme on the former colliery site has an extant planning permission be included within development limits. TRJ Ltd would therefore respectfully request that Carmarthenshire County Council considers this representation with a view to making appropriate Focused Changes to the Plan prior to its formal submission to the Planning Inspectorate.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The respondent notes that the site has permission dating back to 2011 which is extant, this is not sufficient to warrant it's inclusion as a housing allocation as no evidence of deliverability has been supplied. Should the site be developed, it can be picked up within the windfall allowance.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3430 Mr T Anthony [4983]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Ammanford would not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type. Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table.

Heol Ddu has been defined as a Tier 4 settlement, and therefore the village does not have development limits. Any proposal will be considered against the policies set out within Policy HOM3 of the revised LDP.

Action

3899 T Richard Jones (Betws) Ltd (Owain Jones) [5084]

Agent: Asbri Planning Ltd (Mr Keith Warren) [592]

Summary: Object

This submission objects to the Deposit Plan on the grounds that the site be included as a housing land allocation to reflect its status in the adopted LDP - GA3/h54, and the development limits (Policy SD1) should be amended to reflect this. The site has previously benefitted from a full planning permission - S/24072, for 10 bungalows, It is contained by existing residential uses and supported accommodation. The site should be allocated for 10 dwellings to reflect the previous planning permission and be identified accordingly on the Proposals Map. Supporting evidence is provided.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. The respondent notes that the site has in the past benefitted from planning permission in the past which has now lapsed. This is not sufficient to warrant it's inclusion as a housing allocation as no evidence of deliverability has been supplied. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4545 Philip Grice Chairman (Phil Grice) [5288]

Summary: Object

The Carmarthen Riverside Association wishes to object to the proposed changes set out in the LDP detailed in the 'Proposals map/Carmarthen inset map' regarding the development limits alongside the River Towy in the vicinity of the Quay, the Quay Centre and the area formerly known as Pot-house Wharf. In particular the development limits should be moved north, and be redefined away from the river at least to the far side of Coracle Way.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. The development limits at this location remain consistent with those in the current adopted Local Development Plan. Any development within the development limits will have to accord with the policies of the Plan.

Action

3783 Cllr. A & D Vaughan Owen & Price [5057]

Summary: Object

Objection to the inclusion of open space within development limits in Drefach under Policy SD1.

The site in question is the football field on the site of the former Gwendraeth Comprehensive School. Whilst the field to the east of the school buildings has been placed outside development limits, the field in question, to the west, has not. We request that this field is removed from the development limits for Drefach.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Action

The development limits around the two outdoor recreation areas within the settlement will be removed to reflect their location and position within the built form of Drefach and in the interests of consistency.

Representation(s)

4067 Mr Phil Mann [2574]

Agent: Mr Stuart Owen [731]

Summary: Object

We object to policy SD1 and seek an amendment to the development limits to include our site.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the settlement to accommodate its housing need.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4547 Philip Grice Chairman (Phil Grice) [5288]

Summary: Object

The Quay's long-standing Conservation Area status, the settings of the listed Towy Works building and Carmarthen Castle should be respected by ensuring that any re-development proposals do not exceed the footprint of the existing buildings.

Council's Initial Response

Development proposals will have to comply the policies of the Plan and legislation which will seek to protect Conservation Areas and Listed Buildings.

Action

4070 Llannon Community Council (Ms Susan James) [5134]

Summary: Object

Local residents are concerned about the fact that a piece of derelict land has been taken off the current LDP and believe it should be put back on for attention.

Council's Initial Response

Site is a longstanding allocation with issues concerning lack of deliverability, hence its deallocation. Site will remain within limits.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4407 Mr & Mrs Hughes [5033]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

In support of Manordeilo being a Tier 4 settlement, we would highlight that our Clients land represents one such opportunity for new housing development and would clearly be supported by the provision of Policy HOM3.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4135 Mr E D Jones [5150]

Agent: Robert Higgins Architect (Mr Robert Higgins) [5151]

Summary: Object

Wish to build a small residence for my daughter close to the farm, so that she can help with the running of the business.

Council's Initial Response

Respondent has not supplied a plan of the proposed site. Therefore a fair judgement could not be made.

Action

4403 E Thomas [5165]

Summary: Object

Objection to the exclusion of site in the development limits under policy SD1. Site AS/099/009.

Council's Initial Response

This assessment of the site has been undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the Site Assessment Methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence. There is sufficient and more suitable land available for residential development within the town/village to accommodate its housing needs. The site is detached from the main built up part of Llanllwni and would result in a fragmented development.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4558 Ms S McNeill [5293]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Object

Consequential amendment to development limit with objection to AS/067/020 which seeks the inclusion of the site under the housing allocation policy.

Council's Initial Response

The inclusion of development limits and new development would result in a ribbon pattern of development contrary to general planning principles.

Action

4136 Mr A Pritchard [5153]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Object

This is an objection to the exclusion of site SR/082/006 from the development limits of Llandybie, which was submitted as a candidate site.

The site is centred mainly on a small agricultural paddock that fronted onto Kings Road. Further agricultural

enclosures are positioned to the east, but residential development is located directly to the land's south and on the opposite side of Kings Road to the west. The site is also within walking distance to the range of community facilities and local services the settlement has to offer, as well as well serviced bus stops that provide access to those services and facilities in the wider growth area. It is stated that the site's continued exclusion would represent a dangerous inconsistency.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table. The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3821 Mr L W Jones [5066]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Object

Seeks inclusion of area of land comprising new candidate site SR/159/013 and provides a supporting statement to promote the sites in inclusion with the development limits.

Council's Initial Response

The site has been duly considered in the formulation and preparation of the LDP with the reasons for its non inclusion set out within the Site Assessment Table (SR/159/013). The representation raises no additional information to justify inclusion of the suggested new site. The assessment of sites was undertaken in accordance with national guidance and the site assessment methodology and background/topic papers and the supporting evidence.

Action

3735 Mrs M Williams [4087]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Support

Wholeheartedly welcome the decision of the Authority to concur with the representation previously made in relation to our Clients land and fully support their decision to include the land within the development limits. They intend enacting upon this inclusion shortly after the LDP is formally adopted, by means of a formal planning application, and thereafter commence implementation of the development of the site within the early years of the Plan Period.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3736 Mrs C Davies [5046]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Support

Wholeheartedly welcome the decision of the Authority to concur with the representation previously made in relation to our Clients land and fully support their decision to include the land within the development limits. They intend enacting upon this inclusion shortly after the LDP is formally adopted, by means of a formal planning application, and thereafter commence implementation of the development of the site within the early years of the Plan Period.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

3480 Mrs Margaret Teal [4952]

Summary: Support

Having attended the consultation session at St Clears, I was made aware that site SR/126/005 for residential use has not been moved forward to the LDP for various reasons. I thank you for that decision.

3482 Mrs Margaret Teal [4952]

Summary: Support

Having attended the consultation session at St Clears, I was made aware that site SR/126/007 for Hotel Lodges, has not been moved forward to the LDP for various reasons. I thank you for that decision.

3483 Mrs Margaret Teal [4952]

Summary: Support

Having attended the consultation session at St Clears, I was made aware that site SR/126/008 for Hotel Lodges has not been moved forward to the LDP for various reasons. I thank you for that decision.

3484 Mrs Margaret Teal [4952]

Summary: Support

Having attended the consultation session at St Clears, I was made aware thatsite SR/126/009 for residential at Woodend has not been moved forward to the LDP for various reasons. I thank you for that decision.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed

Action

3552 Mr & Mrs R & AL Morgans [4110]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Support

Welcome the decision of the Authority to concur with the representation previously made in relation to our Clients land and fully support their decision to include the land within the development limits. They intend enacting upon this inclusion shortly after the LDP is formally adopted, by means of a formal planning application, and thereafter commence implementation of the development of the site within the early years of the Plan Period.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed. The change in development limits allows the potential for small scale development to take place, subject to the policies set out within the revised LDP.

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3079 Mrs Rhian Wynne Jones [2691]

Support Support

The respondent strongly agrees with the exclusion of candidate site SR/159/005 for development and claims that the land was sold by the NCB for recreational use. The respondent also outlines biodiversity and infrastructural related concerns, whilst reference is also made to the site of Wernos which is claimed to remain an eyesore with building materials left and monies owed to the community remain unpaid. The respondent outlines strong concerns that the Welshness of the village is going to be eroded.

3078 Mrs Rhian Wynne Jones [2691]

Summary: Support

The respondent strongly agrees with the exclusion of candidate site SR/159/014 for development and claims that the land was sold by the NCB for recreational use. The respondent also outlines biodiversity and infrastructural related concerns, whilst reference is also made to the site of Wernos which is claimed to remain an eyesore with building materials left and monies owed to the community remain unpaid. The respondent outlines strong concerns that the Welshness of the village is going to be eroded.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcome

Action

No action to be taken

3114 Mr Dennis Alexander [3310]

Summary: Support

Land between Heol Hafod Road & Heol Brown should be entirely outside the development area and should remain as recreation land. Therefore, Policy SD1 is supported due to the fact that this land is located outside the development limits in the deposit Plan. (when doing officer response refer to rep 3608 - delete this from summary then)

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

No action to be taken

Representation(s)

3101 Mr S Cooper [4829]

Summary: Support

Referring to SA14 7NF, Church Road. The Development Plan appears Fundamentally Sound and I am supportive of it.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

No action to be taken

3813 Ms M Davies [5062]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Support

Our clients wholeheartedly welcome the decision of the Authority to concur with the representation previously made in relation to our Clients land (site SR/026/002) and fully support their decision to include the land within the development limits. They intend enacting upon this inclusion shortly after the LDP is formally adopted, by means of a formal planning application, and thereafter commence implementation of the development of the site within the early years of the Plan Period.

Supports the inclusion of site SR/026/002 which forms part of site allocation PrC3/h8

3815 Mr & Mrs P Morgan [4078]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Support

Our clients wholeheartedly welcome the decision of the Authority to concur with the representation previously made in relation to our Clients land and fully support their decision to include the land within the development limits. They intend enacting upon this inclusion shortly after the LDP is formally adopted, by means of a formal planning application, and thereafter commence implementation of the development of the site within the early years of the Plan Period.

3812 Mr & Mrs M Lloyd [3939]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Support

Our clients wholeheartedly welcome the decision of the Authority to concur with the representation previously made in relation to our Clients land and fully support their decision to include the land (northern part of SR/004/019).

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

No action to be taken

Representation(s)

3775 Mrs S Matthews [5055]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary:

Support for the inclusion of part of candidate site SR/064/004 under Policy SD1.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Support

Support

Representation(s)

3847 Mr M Fyfield [3007]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Support for the inclusion of land within the development limits of Ystradowen under Policy SD1 Development Limits.

Our Client's made a formal Candidate Site Submission in August 2018, which was referenced SR/164/001, seeking the inclusion of their land within the development limits of Ystradowen as part of the Replacement Local Development Plan.

We therefore welcome the decision of the Authority to concur with the representation previously made in relation to our Client's land and fully support their decision to include the land within the development limits.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4038 Mrs D Evans [5130]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Support

With regards candidate site SR/064/003, following careful consideration of the Authority's response and discussion with our Client, we welcome the decision of the Authority to concur in part with the representation previously made in relation to our Client's land and fully support their decision to include the above land within the development limits. Support for policy SD1 - part of candidate site included in development limits - site reference AS/064/023

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

3835 Mrs H G Chambers [4006]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Support

Wholeheartedly welcome the decision of the Authority to concur with the representation previously made in relation to our Clients land and fully support their decision to include the land within the development limits. They intend enacting upon this inclusion shortly after the LDP is formally adopted, by means of a formal planning application, and thereafter commence implementation of the development of the site within the early years of the Plan Period.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3406 Ms Sally Bere [3602]

Summary: Support

I would like to strongly SUPPORT the development limits as defined in the Deposit LDP as they relate to Cwmoernant, Carmarthen BUT only where they tightly co-incide with the garden/ property boundaries along Springfield Road & Cwmoernant.

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed.

Action

3417 Mr Sean Maslin [725]

Summary: Support

Support the exclusion of site SR/021/051.

There has been no material change in circumstances affecting this previously rejected site. The current settlement limits of Ffynnon-ddrain are defined by logical and established features. The topography of the site is not favourable. The proposal does not accord with sustainable development. The site is not accessible from the public highway nor does it have a suitable access point with adequate visibility. The proposal would entail the loss of valuable residential amenity. There are no special circumstances to justify the inclusion of the proposed site in the revised LDP.

3590 Mr David James [4568]

Summary: Support

Support for the exclusion of site SR/021/051 from the development limits of Carmarthen.

Since the site was previously rejected there has been no material change in any of the circumstances affecting this site with no new additional information or reasoning to justify the site's inclusion in the revised LDP.

The hamlet of Ffynnonddrain has settlement limits which are defined by logical and established features in the landscape. I consider that the inclusion of this site would constitute an incursion into the open countryside which would constitute unacceptable ribbon development.

The site is not accessible from the public highway nor does it have a suitable access point with adequate visibility with which to achieve accessibility.

The proposal would adversely impact on nearby built development and cannot be considered to accord with sustainable development.

Council's Initial Response

Support for the exclusion of the site is welcomed.

Action

4496 Ms C Davies [5261]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Support

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Trimsaran is welcomed.

The site's inclusion will not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type.

Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

In addition, residential development at this location:-

- * would not be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent properties;
- * would satisfy recognised housing and sustainability objectives;
- * would not have a detrimental impact on the landscape or nature conservation interests.

Furthermore, the site is not impeded by any known access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints and its delivery, if allocated, is assured.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed.

The site is to be included to allow the flexibility for potential future development within a settlement with otherwise limited small scale growth potential. Any proposal will be considered against the policies set out within the revised LDP.

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3823 Mr & Mrs J Evans [5068]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Support

Our clients support the inclusion of site SR/019/009 within the development limits of Capel Iwan

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

3825 Mr & Mrs W.A. S & E.A.E Howell [4111]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Support

Our clients supports the inclusion of site SR/129/004 within with development limits of Pentrecwrt.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3828 Mr H Owen [5070]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Richard Banks) [4967]

Summary: Support

Our clients support the inclusion of SR/062/007 within the development limits.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

4555 Mr & Mrs P Morgan [4078]

Agent: JCR Planning Ltd (Mr Craig Jones) [4665]

Summary: Support

The inclusion of this site within the development limits for Tycroes is welcomed. The site's inclusion will not lead to additional environmental pressure, but instead could lead to the fostering of sustainable growth, and allow for a wider choice of housing type.

Its development would be in keeping and in character with the settlement and will ensure a deliverable source of future housing for this sustainable community.

In addition, residential development at this location:-

- * would not be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent properties;
- * would satisfy recognised housing and sustainability objectives;
- * would not have a detrimental impact on the landscape or nature conservation interests. Furthermore, the site is not impeded by any known access, ground condition, flood risk, hydrological, ecological, archaeological or land ownership related constraints and its delivery, if allocated, is assured.

Council's Initial Response

Support Welcomed.

Action

No Change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

4511 Mr E W Cooper [5275]

Summary: Support

Seeking an extension to the development limits to accommodate a garage and recreational space at 77 Hendre Road, Capel Hendre, Ammanford, SA18 3LE

Council's Initial Response

The site is already within the development limits of Tycroes.

Action

3911 Mr E Thomas [5090]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Support

We welcome the decision of the Authority to concur with the representation previously made in relation to our Client's land (SR/004/007) and fully support their decision to include the land within the development limits.

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3194 Mr Wyn Humphreys [4580]

Summary: Support

I wish to support the exclusion of site SR/162/002, Land adjacent to Maesawelon, Whitemill from the development limits

The sitting of the development is particularly ill-considered

A development of any size would represent an outward extension of built development into open countryside resulting in a visual intrusion into the countryside and a coalescence of settlements to the detriment of the appearance and character of the area.

The development doesn't fit in with the character of the village form and landscape, it cannot be classified as a logical extension or rounding of the development due to location and nature of surroundings.

Council's Initial Response

Support is welcomed.

Action

4078 Ms and Mr L & E Edwards [5103]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Support

Support to the inclusion of candidate site reference SR/076/002 within development limits under policy SD1.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

Policy Strategic Policy - SP 17: Transport and Accessibility

Representation(s)

4508 C Lindberg [5270]

Summary: Object

My mother has lived in Carmarthenshire for almost 40 years and I myself have lived here on and off through that period. In that time, traffic has increased exponentially, while access for horse riders to off road riding, green lanes and byways continues to decrease. Considerable focus is placed on development of cycling paths and footpaths, which are not accessible to riders, while car parking is restricted for larger vehicles such as horse trailers and lorries.

Please could you tell us what provision is being made for the 20,000 passported horses that are currently kept in Carmarthenshire? No additional off-road access appears to be provided for us in your plan, and existing routes are deteriorating due to lack of funds. I would like to think that my mother's grandchildren will be able to ride their horses in Carmarthenshire, but for that to happen Carmarthenshire Council needs to provide for both current and future needs under the well-being and Future Generations Act.

Furthermore, I would like to draw your attention to the fact that horse riders and owners are a very significant group in the local economy.

4475 Cymru Carriage Club (Sally Weale) [5255]

Summary: Object

There are a great many carriage drivers across the Carmarthenshire region, but not many people realise we exist as we aren't seen out & about a lot because of the dangerous roads. During the last decade the roads have become more & more dangerous, & although provision on a large scale is being made for walkers & cyclists, riders & carriage drivers seem to have been forgotten yet again.

We bring a lot into the local economy, but there is absolutely no-where for us to enjoy our sport except for on the highway - even Brechfa Forest is closed to us for the foreseeable future because of harvesting works.

Surely it is about time horse riders & carriage drivers are given some support by their County Council, by being included in the plans for everyone to enjoy out lovely countryside, without putting our lives in danger!

4597 A Liggins [5281]

Summary: Object

Can no longer ride on local roads in the Crosshands area as the traffic is increasing year on year and myself and others have experienced too many near misses, and in some cases accidents. At the same time access to off-road riding is diminishing, because of a) tracks being restricted to cycling and walking only (for example the track from Crosshands to Llanelli which was used continuously by horse riders and is now a Sustrans cycle path; b) parking restrictions for horse trailers and lorries e.g at Llyn Llech Owain.

Carmarthenshire has one of the highest number of horse owners in the UK yet one of the lowest mileage of bridleways in the UK. There is also the missed opportunity for equine tourism, that other nearby counties benefit from, that Carmarthenshire is not making provision for.

I hope that contrary to previous decision making that Carmarthenshire with include and hopefully promote equine pursuits and horse riding within its leisure planning.

4515 Mrs Alison Drain [3494]

Summary: Object

Even a basic word search does not bring up one mention of 'horses' or 'equestrian'.

The roads are getting busier, the parking restrictions for large vehicles are increasing & old routes to ride have decreased. ALL we see as a group of forgotten people are routes opening up for cyclists. Which remain vastly unused.

Whenever a new route, road or carpark is built or amended, why are horse riders not considered in your plans?

Here is a perfect example:

The new link road in Cross Hands surely needs a path suitable for riders - it leads to one of the Llyn Lech Owain Country Park entrances (Which for additional information, the council have just restricted any horse transport vehicles at). You therefore have one of the only local parks where there are designated riding routes, but where the roads are too busy to hack to, there is now no parking & the road you are building hadn't considered riders needs.

I believe that the council have a responsibility to us as a group to provide for our recreational needs.

I look forward to seeing 'equestrian' & 'horses' in each plan put forward for routes/access.

4504 Carmarthenshire Riders (Ms Karen Burch) [653]

Summary: Object

There is much mention of active travel and the cycling strategy when there is no equestrian strategy. I am no longer able to ride from my house to meet my friends, to take my horse to the vet in Cross Hands, to access riding lessons in Llanybie or post letters as I used to less than 10 years ago. I cannot get across the A48 safely to ride to Mynydd Mawr or ride to Llyn Lech Owain. (a cycle path is being included alongside the new road but it is not intended for equestrians). Mayany horse owners are feeling socially excluded by the development, including cycleways we are not allowed to use even though they go to places we can ride off road. We cannot travel safely by horse in our communities any longer and as residents and tax payers our current and future needs are not being provided for under the Well-Being and Future Generations Act. The LDP continues to discriminate and exclude that we exist with mention of "useful" bridleways that do not suggest improvement for riding but inclusion for other users.

4494 Bethan Jones [5259]

Summary: Object

There is much mention of active travel and the cycling strategy when there is no equestrian strategy. We cannot travel safely by horse in our communities any longer and as residents and tax payers our current and future needs are not being provided for under the Well-Being and Future Generations Act. The LDP continues to discriminate and exclude that we exist with mention of "useful" bridleways that do not suggest improvement for riding.

4523 Susan Jones [5284]

Summary: Object

I write to you as a concerned Carmarthenshire resident who finds that she has to take her horse, leisure and business to our neighbouring counties because of the poor provision in Carmarthenshire.

Safety - many horse rider in the County are forced onto routes that were once bridleways and are now busy and dangerous roads unsafe to ride.

Sport, wellbeing and disability - There is little provision for sports such as horse riding.

Active and Leisure Travel - Often horses are excluded from development because the aim is for active travel to work.

Rural Economy and tourism - This sport and the care and wellbeing of the horses has significant input into the local economy.

Maintenance - Not only are routes not available/permissible, those which are recorded have been given a very low priority to maintaining these routes due to lack of funding.

Fair access and provision - The focus of the council on leisure cycling has improved routes for cyclists and walkers but excluded horse riders.

Consideration in the plan - In the plan please consider what is Carmarthenshire Council doing to provide free facilities for horse riders.

4520 Angela Harris [5280]

Summary: Object

Horse riders provide a significant input into the local economy that is reliant on the agriculture industry, supporting farming locally for horse accommodation, feed, land maintenance and other services.

CCC acknowledges the existence of differing needs of rural and urban communities but makes no mention of the equestrian communities that exist in the developing urban areas or that we are disadvantaged greatly by council policies and in particular the planning and transport policies that are not keeping us safe on the roads or providing alternatives. There are insufficient bridleways and connectivity. There is mention of important areas for cycling as a leisure activity, such as Pembrey and Brechfa Forest but these are important areas for horse riding too which has not been mentioned as important to the county.

The LDP continues to discriminate and exclude that horseriders exist with mention of "useful" bridleways that do not suggest improvement for riding but inclusion for other users.

4514 Sian Hilbourne [5278]

Summary: Object

As vulnerable road users I believe that the plan does not go far enough for horse riders. There are no bridleways or green tracks within riding distance of where my horses are kept, in a rural county this is a huge shame, especially when so much seem to be being done for other vulnerable users.

Another consideration should be the growing industry of equestrian tourism. There is a growing trend of riders taking their horses on holiday & with the forestry and beaches in our beautiful county this should really be a large consideration to bring people into us. I believe Carmarthenshire could have a vast network of off road riding and Thai could be a major selling point for equestrian tourism. With many farms having to diversity I feel this should also be a consideration.

4509 H Whittle [5271]

Summary: Object

What is being done in the plan to provide for equestrians?

In 2012 there were more than 20,000 passported horses in Carmarthenshire.

As development is occurring, the roads are getting busier. No additional off-road access is being provided for us. We are unfairly discriminated against in parking provision as carparks restrict long, heavy or tall vehicles which mean we cannot park our horse transport either.

Provision of cycle ways is being made for walking and cycling under active travel but again we are unfairly discriminated against as we are not permitted to use them.

I believe that Carmarthenshire Council are NOT providing for our current and future needs under the well-being and Future Generations Act.

4517 Angela Brown [4139]

Summary: Object

I am disappointed how little thought has been given to the Equestrian community. I can only see a brief mention of bridleways under SP17 Transport and Accessibility.

The equestrian community spend a lot of money within the local economy.

The roads are very dangerous with traffic moving so fast it is not safe for horse or rider to attempt certain roads.

Many of the footpaths have also been ridden by myself and others over the years these have been blocked over time or access denied by the gates used.

I believe that all tiers of government within Carmarthenshire should be looking at ways to enhance the safety of the equestrian community as we seem to be the forgotten members of communities or classed as minority or hard to reach groups.

4521 Mrs Linda Martin [5282]

Summary: Object

I am hoping that myself and many other equestrian people will somehow try to make you see why we need more safe off road places to ride in our locality and within Carmarthenshire .

Riding on the roads has got more dangerous over the last 30 years.

The council think that bike riders and walkers are safer off road.

We as equestrians can ride at different places within the county , but some of these places no longer allow us to park our horse transport.

Horse riding is so important to a range of different ages, for health reasons, especially mental health issues.

We are being discriminated against, and not being provided for under the Well being and future Generations act.

The LDP continues to exclude equestrians as if we don't exist.

I Think it's time to take us horse riders seriously.

4513 Veronica Vaughan [5277]

Summary: Object

After growing up in Carmarthenshire and riding horses as a child on dangerous roads we are now in a situation of having even fewer options 20 years on. Now I have my own children I have to let them ride on dangerous roads as you are limiting our options. Why should my children's lives my mother in law's life and my life not to mention our horses, be deemed less worthy then the life of cyclists! Every time I drive on the main road running parallel to a 30mile long cycle path I will have to overtake a cyclist. Some will not even use the facilities that you are banning us from!! Now I may not be a fan of cyclists but I do not begrudge them the safety of the cycle path. Why are you the councils begrudging me and my family the same safety?? Please explain to my why my children's lives are not worth protecting?

4476 S Lovesey [5256]

Summary: Object

Hope that something will change and the Council will start to realise how important that safe off road riding for horses riders and links to existing bridleways are,

Why is the council not putting more effort in providing safe off road riding? Why with all the money being put in to improving the cycling networks are these routes not being aimed to be multi purpose? Meaning that horse riders could access them too? Carmarthenshire has a large equestrian community plus a large potential for equestrian tourism, Carmarthenshire activity encourages people to visit and cycle these routes why not encourage horse riders too?

Roads are so busy it is of concern when we either have to travel on the road or cross one to get to another route. The bridleway and green lanes that are available are regularly not up kept and many are impassable.

Parking has been taken away at many sites that we can box out to ride at so forcing horse riders on to the roads,

In short Carmarthenshire council and the welsh government are falling very short of there requirements to provide safe off road riding for future generations to come.

4535 K Conroy [5285]

Summary: Object

Would like to second the comments raised by Karen Burch of Carmarthenshire riders regarding the lack of inclusion for equestrians.

Whilst I live in an adjoining county I would spend more money in Carmarthenshire if greater opportunities for safe riding were available. E.g. happy to pay to park to ride at Pembrey beach or others safe venues. I would avail myself of tourism facilities if good routes for long hacks were available. A weekend break for horse and rider does not have to be hundreds of miles from home and indeed would reduce CO2 if nearer..

Whilst I appreciate the intention of the active travel grants it seemed very short sighted to exclude equestrians from any multi user route and appalling to intentionally remove routes they have previously been able to access.

I do hope some amendment can be made to at least indicate an intention to support the equestrian community in the future.

Council's Initial Response

Noted.

Welsh Government Active Travel Guidance (February 2020 Draft) Paragraph 4.3.5. This recognises equestrianism as "overwhelmingly for leisure purposes rather than as a mode of transport as it rarely displaces a car journey." Criterion b) of policy TRA2, in contributing to the delivery of the Councils duties under the provisions of the Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013, recognises the contribution that Improvements, connections and/or extensions to PROW which specifically includes Bridleways can have. Indeed, the policy encourages incorporating them within the site, and/or through financial contributions delivery off-site provision.

Whilst the Plan seeks to recognise and make provision for improvements, connections and/or extensions it is not its role as a land use planning document to identify new networks (including safe off and on road networks) unless specifically identified elsewhere.

It is also not the role of the Revised LDP to deal with matters such as charging to access to other areas, restricted use or road safety. All such matters outside the remit of the Plan and would be considered through other forms of guidance, plans or strategies. In this respect the Plan in its preparation has had regard to other Plans and strategies as well as national planning guidance in developing its content and particularly the Rights of Way Improvement Plan noting the interrelationship of the Plan area's footpaths, bridleways and bye-ways and linked leisure opportunities.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3932 Welsh Government (Mr Richard Jones) [2788]

Summary: Support

Accept the principle of much of the proposed methodology of the details submitted in the transport note.

Council's Initial Response

Noted.

The Council will continue to work closely with the respondent as part of the preparation and implementation of the Plan.

Action

3931 Welsh Government (Mr Richard Jones) [2788]

Summary: Support

Overall support but it's noted that land has been previously earmarked off the A48 and through PRC3/h13 for the off-slip of a new grade separated junction at Cross Hands and we would be grateful to discuss any opportunity to future proof this

Council's Initial Response

Noted.

The Plan, and its policies and proposals is informed by robust evidence. However, we will continue to work closely with the respondent as part of the preparation and implementation of the Plan, including future opportunities for infrastructure improvements.

Action

No change to the Plan

Representation(s)

3929 Welsh Government (Mr Richard Jones) [2788]

Summary: Support

Overall support but is noted that J48 at overcapacity and therefore all relevant sites would be subject to monies being secured towards a scheme at J48 and on feeding county network

Council's Initial Response

Noted.

The Plan makes provision for the collection of monies in the form of Planning Obligations in support of evidenced infrastructural improvements.

The Council will continue to work closely with the respondent as part of the preparation and implementation of the Plan.

Action

3926 Welsh Government (Mr Richard Jones) [2788]

Summary: Support

Sites will need to comply with the Design Manual for Roads and Bridges for any direct access and all should be accompanied by the relevant transport detail when they come forward, that being Transport Assessment and Statements with appropriate junction modelling/mitigation. We would be grateful as highway authority to be included in the scoping of these.

Council's Initial Response

Noted.

The Council will continue to work closely with the respondent on the preparation and implementation of the Plan.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Policy TRA1: Transport and Highways Infrastructural Improvements

Representation(s)

3510 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Object

There may be locations where proposed developments / routes pass over public sewers and water mains. Under the Water Industry Act 1991 we have rights to access our apparatus at all times and protection measures in respect of these assets will be required either in the form of an easement width or a possible diversion of the asset. We welcome early engagement once further detail is available.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. We welcome the invitation for further engagement as schemes referenced progress.

This relates to a matter at a project level and any proposals would be expected to comply the provisions of the act specified by the respondent. It is not considered necessary to make specific reference to this requirement within the Plan.

Action

TRA2: Active Travel

Policy TRA2: Active Travel

Representation(s)

4492 Bethan Jones [5259]

Summary: Object

Active Travel- the means for the public to travel from one place to another using sustainable transport ie to create modal shift from using cars. However very little "active travel" and modal shift is occurring in the county and the routes created for active travel are seen by the public as leisure routes. The focus of the council on leisure cycling has provided additional access and focus for walking and cycling but not for horse riding. Horse riders are being charged for access to places such as Penbrey Forest and Brechfa Forest.

What is Carmarthenshire Council doing to provide free facilities for horse riders? What alternative travel opportunities are being made for riders to get to safe riding? The plan could include a willingness to create more multiuser routes or alternative access for horses off the Active travel routes.

4518 Angela Brown [4139]

Summary: Object

I am disappointed how little thought has been given to the Equestrian community, with no mention at all of horse riding under TRA2 Active Travel.

The equestrian community spend a lot of money within the local economy.

The roads are very dangerous with traffic moving so fast it is not safe for horse or rider to attempt certain roads.

Many of the footpaths have also been ridden by myself and others over the years these have been blocked over time or access denied by the gates used.

I believe that all tiers of government within Carmarthenshire should be looking at ways to enhance the safety of the equestrian community as we seem to be the forgotten members of communities or classed as minority or hard to reach groups.

4502 Carmarthenshire Riders (Ms Karen Burch) [653]

Summary: Object

Active Travel- the means for the public to travel from one place to another using sustainable transport ie to create modal shift from using cars. However very little "active travel" and modal shift is occurring in the county and the routes created for active travel are seen by the public as leisure routes. The focus of the council on leisure cycling has provided additional access and focus for walking and cycling but not for horse riding. Horse riders are being charged for access to places such as Penbrey Forest and Brechfa Forest.

What is Carmarthenshire Council doing to provide free facilities for horse riders? What alternative travel opportunities are being made for riders to get to safe riding? The plan could include a willingness to create more multiuser routes or alternative access for horses off the Active travel routes.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. Policy TRA2 seeks to promote accessibility to alternative means of travel reflecting the duties in respect of Active Travel. In this respect reference is had to the Welsh Government Active Travel Guidance (February 2020 Draft) Paragraph 4.3.5. This recognises equestrianism as "overwhelmingly for leisure purposes rather than as a mode of transport as it rarely displaces a car journey. Forms of equestrian travel (horse riding, carriage driving, pony and trap etc) are not considered forms of active travel."

However, the Plan in contributing to the delivery of the Councils duties under the provisions of the Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013, under criterion b) policy TRA2 recognises the contribution that Improvements, connections and/or extensions to PROW which specifically include Bridleways can have. Indeed, the policy encourages incorporating them within the site, and/or through financial contributions delivery off-site provision.

The Revised LDP does not seek to identify or create safe routes nor does it deal with matters such as charging to access other areas. These are matters outside the remit of the Plan and would be considered through other forms of guidance, plans or strategies.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Policy TRA4: Redundant Rail Corridors

Representation(s)

3806 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

We strongly advise this section includes reference to the importance of redundant rail corridors as wildlife corridors and refers to the GI policy in this respect.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. Include importance of redundant rail corridors as wildlife corridors.

Action

Change to the Plan (Focused Changes)

Policy Strategic Policy SP 18: Mineral Resources

Representation(s)

3560 Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Summary: Object

Objection to subsection a) of Strategic Policy SP18:

The structure of this subsection is misleading. PPW requires LPAs to maintain and adequate supply of all minerals. Also rather than being and adequate landbank of primary aggregates, the policy should consider non-aggregate minerals, such as agricultural lime, as well as the landbank requirements as stated. At present we consider this is unsound. As such, we suggest the following amendments are incorporated.

Amend the text to read: "Ensuring an adequate supply of minerals, including maintaining an adequate landbank of permitted aggregate reserves (a minimum 10 years for hard crushed rock, and a minimum 7 years for sand and gravel) throughout the Plan period;"

Council's Initial Response

Agreed.

Action

Text of subsection a) of Policy SP18 to be amended to:

"Ensuring an adequate supply of minerals, including maintaining an adequate landbank of permitted aggregate reserves (a minimum 10 years for hard crushed rock, and a minimum 7 years for sand and gravel) throughout the Plan period;"

3561 Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Summary: Object

Objection to subsection c) of Strategic Policy SP18:

PPW requires LPAs to safeguard Mineral Resources and Minerals Infrastructure. (Our underlining). At present we consider this omission is unsound. The text should be amended to reflect the omission.

Amend the text to read: "Safeguarding minerals infrastructure and areas underlain by minerals of economic importance where they could be worked in the future to ensure that such resources and infrastructure are not unnecessarily sterilised by other forms of development;"

Council's Initial Response

Agreed.

Action

Text of subsection c) of Policy SP18 to be amended to:

"Safeguarding minerals infrastructure, and areas underlain by minerals of economic importance where they could be worked in the future, to ensure that such resources and infrastructure are not unnecessarily sterilised by other forms of development;"

Representation(s)

3807 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Object

Mineral resource is available in quarries within the Cernydd Carmel SAC. We understand that these are either considered dormant or inactive. However, although classed as inactive and dormant, they have extant planning permissions and could become operational again. We note their capacity can be used in the regional landbank figures set out in the Regional Technical Statement (RTS 1st Review 2014).

Any resumption of quarrying within the Cernydd Carmel SAC has to comply with all the relevant legislation, including the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended). Before commencement, the applicant would have to demonstrate that the operations would have no significant effect on either the biological or geological feature of this European designated site.

Council's Initial Response

Comments noted.

Alltygarn Quarry has a permission to work above the water table, if it goes below then it will be subject to HRA. Pwllymarch Quarry has a dormant permission so before it starts up it will need a ROMP which will be subject to EIA and HRA.

Action

3843 G D Harries & Son Ltd (Mr G D Harries) [5077]

Agent: Simon Chaffe [855]

Summary: Object

Objection to Strategic Policy SP18: Mineral Resources.

Paragraph 5.14.15 of PPW10 requires development plans to examine landbanks for aggregates to:

- * Highlight any shortfalls, and to
- * Ensure productive capacity is maintained.

Analysis in the Carmarthenshire County Council Minerals Topic Paper (October 2019) gives a crushed rock landbank in excess of 50 years. It is not evident, however, that an analysis of productive capacity has been undertaken considering exclusively the active sites listed in the table at paragraph 3.27 (as opposed to excluding those that are stated as being dormant), that is, the analysis should disregard not only dormant sites, as it does currently, but also inactive sites.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

Landbank calculations are based upon sites that are currently active, as well as those that are currently classed as inactive. Inactive sites could potentially become operational again in that they have extant planning permissions.

A landbank, as defined in paragraph 45 of MTAN1, is the stock of planning permissions for the winning and working of minerals at active and inactive sites, at any given point in time and for a given area.

Action

3862 Clint White [5080]

Agent: Simon Chaffe [855]

Summary: Object

The Local Development Plan does not comply with PPW10 paragraph 5.14.23 and accordingly high specification aggregates within the County should be identified to include the permitted reserves at Foelfach Quarry together with proximate (unconsented) resources, particularly within the area to the south of the operational quarry.

This would enable the Development Plan to deliver on Policy SP18, particularly criterion b), that is, to encourage '...the efficient and appropriate use of high quality minerals...'; currently it does not.

Furthermore, the Minerals Topic Paper should be amended to give the correct date that mineral extraction will end at Foelfach Quarry - 15 August 2034 (not 15 August 2019).

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

Foelfach Quarry is identified as an active quarry in Appendix 7 of the Deposit Revised LDP and is identified on the proposals map. Any proximate (unconsented) resources would only be identified if they form part of the Aggregate Safeguarding Map of Wales dataset supplied by the British Geological Survey (BGS), which is identified on the Constraints Map.

In regard to the date that mineral extraction will end at Foelfach Quarry as stated in the Minerals Topic Paper, this was taken from the 2018 SWRAWP Annual Report published in July 2019. Any revisions needed to be made to the Minerals Topic Paper will be made prior to submission of the Revised LDP (and supporting evidence) to the Welsh Government.

Action

3889 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category C - Minerals

The Authority should continue to work with other Authorities in the South West Region to ensure the requirements of the recently endorsed Regional Technical Statement (RTS) are satisfied. At present, Carmarthenshire does not provide any evidence to show that the requirement for an additional 2.94mt of sand and gravel (as set out in the RTS 1st) has been satisfied in the South West region. RTS 2nd Revision, which was consulted on last autumn, identified that a 'Sub-Regional Statement of Collaboration' should be prepared to demonstrate how the Authorities satisfy the requirements of the RTS. This statement should be completed before the plan is submitted for examination.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed.

Action

In accordance with the recently published RTS 2nd Revision, 'Sub-Regional Statements of collaboration' are currently being prepared with the relevant neighbouring authorities in respect of both hard rock and sand and gravel. The Statements will be completed before the Plan is submitted for examination.

Furthermore, Policy SP18 Mineral Resources will be revised to reflect the provisions of the RTS 2nd Revision.

Paragraph Para 11.555

Representation(s)

Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Summary: Object

Objection to the wording of paragraph 11.555:

This paragraph should also reflect the need to safeguard minerals infrastructure. At present we consider this omission is unsound. The text should be amended to reflect the omission. Further, it is not within the County's gift to "provide mineral resources". The County can identify mineral resources and facilitate their delivery by granting planning permission. Such resources could then be considered as "mineral reserves".

Amend the text to read: "The LDP will seek to ensure that the County provides identifies mineral resources and through the grant of planning permission facilitates the delivery of mineral reserves to meet society's needs and that such resources and minerals infrastructure, are safeguarded from sterilisation."

Council's Initial Response

Agreed in part.

This policy relates to mineral resources, however mineral reserves (those resources for which a valid planning permission for extraction exists i.e. permitted reserves) are also covered under this policy.

In the interest of clarity, the first sentence of paragraph 11.555 will be amended to be in accordance with PPW10, paragraph 5.14.2, bullet point 1.

Action

Amend the first sentence of paragraph 11.555 as follows:

"The LDP will seek to ensure that the County provides positively for the working of mineral resources to meet society's needs, and that such resources and minerals infrastructure are safequarded from sterilisation."

4409 G D Harries & Son Ltd (Mr G D Harries) [5077]

Agent: Simon Chaffe [855]

Summary:

Object

Objection to Paragraph 11.555.

The County cannot 'provide mineral resources', it can, however, provide mineral reserves by granting planning permission for their extraction. We would refer you to the BGS website, where mineral reserves are defined.

This definition is also referenced in Minerals Safeguarding Practice Guidance by The Minerals Products Association and The Planning Officers' Society (April 2019), paragraph 4.1.

We therefore propose that paragraph 11.555 is amended to state,

"...County protects mineral resources and provides mineral reserves to meet..."

Council's Initial Response

Agreed in part.

This policy relates to mineral resources, however mineral reserves (those resources for which a valid planning permission for extraction exists i.e. permitted reserves) are also covered under this policy.

Action

In the interest of clarity, the first sentence of paragraph 11.555 will be amended to be in accordance with PPW10, paragraph 5.14.2, bullet point 1 as follows:

"The LDP will seek to ensure that the County provides positively for the working of mineral resources to meet society's needs, and that such resources and minerals infrastructure are safeguarded from sterilisation."

Paragraph Para 11.557

Representation(s)

3563 Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Summary: Object

Objection to Paragraph 11.557:

The paragraph should reflect the status of the RTS 2nd Review which is a material consideration.

An appropriate reference to the RTS 2nd Review should be inserted.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed.

Action

This paragraph will be re-worded to reflect the recent publication of the RTS 2nd Review.

3564 Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Summary: Object

Objection to Paragraph 11.557:

The RTS 2nd Review process is currently in progress. Statements of Sub-Regional Collaboration (SSRCs) will be required to support the local plan evidence base to ensure each mineral planning authority makes an appropriate contribution to meeting local, regional and national needs.

Amend the text to read: "The County's landbank figures for crushed rock is notably in excess of the minimum requirements set out in Minerals Technical Advice Note (MTAN) 1: Aggregates, and consequently there is currently no requirement to allocate new sites for mineral development. However, this may need to be reviewed as part of the RTS 2nd Review process and any subsequent Statements of Sub-Regional Collaboration".

Council's Initial Response

Agreed in part. Whilst the RTS 2nd Review and any subsequent Statements of Sub-Regional Collaboration will be noted in this paragraph, the exact wording will be drawn up as a focused change.

Action

This paragraph will be re-worded to reflect the recent publication of the RTS 2nd Review and will also make reference to Statements of Sub-Regional Collaboration.

Paragraph Para 11.558

Representation(s)

3565 Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Summary: Object

Objection to Paragraph 11.558 in relation to the shortfall in sand and gravel reserves:

It would be helpful to clarify in the text the measures the respective County Councils have taken to address the shortfall. It is assumed that the plan will include site specific allocations, preferred areas or Areas of Search in order to deliver the recognised shortfall.

Provide clarification on the matter.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed.

Action

This paragraph will be re-worded to clarify the measures the respective County Councils have taken to address the shortfall, making reference to Statements of Sub-Regional Collaboration and Areas of Search for sand & gravel in order to deliver the recognised shortfall.

Policy MR1: Mineral Proposals

Representation(s)

3515 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Object

Suggest the addition of a further criterion to ensure that utilities infrastructure is protected in any proposal.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed.

Action

An additional criterion will be included as follows:

"Effective measures should ensure that utilities infrastructure is protected."

Representation(s)

3516 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Object

We would also welcome supporting text pertaining to any proposal for new or extension sites to include information with regard to existing infrastructure assets and how they will be protected.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The agreed measure to include an additional criterion relating to the protection of utilities infrastructure (see representation 3515) is considered to be sufficient.

Action

3844 G D Harries & Son Ltd (Mr G D Harries) [5077]

Agent: Simon Chaffe [855]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy MR1: Mineral Proposals.

Whilst this policy refers to 'a proven national, regional or local need' paragraph 11.560 of the supporting text only considers national demand. The paragraph should be amended to be consistent with Policy MR1.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed.

Action

Amend text in paragraph 11.560 to:

"The purpose of the policy is to maintain a balance between meeting national, regional and local demand for minerals and minimising the potential adverse effects that could result from such operations."

Representation(s)

3513 Dwr Cymru/Welsh Water (Mr Ryan Norman) [2830]

Summary: Support

We welcome the inclusion of criterion e) of this policy, refer also to 3515 and 3516.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed.

Action

Paragraph Para 11.560

Representation(s)

3566 Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Summary: Object

Objection to Paragraph 11.560:

Policy MR1: refers to a "national, regional and local" need for the mineral. We suggest that paragraph 11.560 should align more with the policy.

Amend the text to read: "The purpose of the policy is to maintain a balance between meeting national, regional and local demand for minerals......".

Council's Initial Response

Agreed.

Action

Amend text in paragraph 11.560 to:

"The purpose of the policy is to maintain a balance between meeting national, regional and local demand for minerals and minimising the potential adverse effects that could result from such operations."

Representation(s)

3863 Clint White [5080]

Agent: Simon Chaffe [855]

Summary: Object

Seeking an amendment to Policy MR1: Mineral Proposals, specifically in paragraph 11.560:

Whilst this refers to 'a proven national, regional or local need' paragraph 11.560 only considers national demand. The paragraph should be consistent with MR1.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed.

Action

Amend text in paragraph 11.560 to:

"The purpose of the policy is to maintain a balance between meeting national, regional and local demand for minerals and minimising the potential adverse effects that could result from such operations."

Deposit LDP

Paragraph Para 11.561

Representation(s)

3282 Mr Graham Craig [4222]

Summary: Object

Regarding MR1, "Proposals for mineral extraction will be permitted...where they would not result in any significant adverse impacts upon public health, the environment...". This rules out any coal extraction, the burning of which carries extremely significant adverse impacts upon the environment, which in turn impacts upon public health (e.g. heatwaves and new diseases arriving in Wales due to climate change). The LDP should be stronger regarding leaving coal in the ground - actively discouraging or ruling out extraction.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

Policy MR1 is considered sufficient to cover the environmental safeguards relating to all forms of mineral extraction. In respect of coal, this is also covered in paragraph 11.559 under Policy SP18 where the direction from the Welsh Government is set out.

Action

Policy MR2: Mineral Buffer Zones

Representation(s)

3567 Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy MR2: Mineral Buffer Zones:

PPW requires that Buffer Zones are provided as "areas of protection around permitted and proposed mineral workings" also "buffer zones should be identified in development plans around existing or proposed minerals sites".

Both Carmarthenshire and Pembrokeshire County Councils have sought to address the shortfall in sand and gravel reserves. It is assumed that this will be through site allocations. As required by PPW, site allocations should also be protected by Buffer Zones.

Amend the text to read: "Provision has been made for Buffer Zones around all sites with extant planning permission for mineral working and proposed mineral workings."

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

It is likely that Carmarthenshire and Pembrokeshire County Councils will address the shortfall in sand and gravel reserves through the identification of areas of search on their proposals maps. New site allocations for sand and gravel will not be made in Carmarthenshire, and therefore the proposed revised wording is not required.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3845 G D Harries & Son Ltd (Mr G D Harries) [5077]

Agent: Simon Chaffe [855]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy MR2: Mineral Buffer Zones.

It is considered that thought should be given to how Buffer Zones should be revised during the Plan period should planning permission be granted for mineral extraction at a greenfield site or an extension to an existing quarry.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The policy is implicit that all sites with extant planning permission for mineral working will have buffer zones, this would include new sites or extensions to existing quarries that have planning permission granted during the Plan period.

Action

MR2: Mineral Buffer Zones

Representation(s)

3864 Clint White [5080]

Agent: Simon Chaffe [855]

Summary: Object

Seeking an amendment to Policy MR2: Mineral Buffer Zones:

It is considered that thought should be given to how Buffer Zones should be revised during the Plan period should planning permission be granted for mineral extraction at a greenfield site or an extension to an existing quarry.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The policy is implicit that all sites with extant planning permission for mineral working will have buffer zones, this would include new sites or extensions to existing quarries that have planning permission granted.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 11.562

Representation(s)

3568 Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Summary: Object

Objection to Paragraph 11.562:

PPW requires that Buffer Zones are provided as "areas of protection around permitted and proposed mineral workings" also "buffer zones should be identified in development plans around existing or proposed minerals sites".

Amend the text to read: "Buffer zones are used to provide areas of protection around permitted mineral workings and proposed mineral workings".

Council's Initial Response

Agreed.

Action

Amend the last sentence of paragraph 11.562 to the following, in accordance with PPW10:

"The identification of buffer zones will ensure that there is clear guidance on the proximity of mineral operations to sensitive land uses, and that the potential impact of mineral workings is recognised and planned for in the area around the existing and proposed mineral operations."

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Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Summary: Object

Objection to Paragraph 11.562:

PPW requires that Buffer Zones are provided as "areas of protection around permitted and proposed mineral workings also "buffer zones should be identified in development plans around existing or proposed minerals sites".

Amend the text to read: ".....that the potential impact of mineral workings is recognised and planned for in the area around the mineral operations and proposed mineral workings".

Council's Initial Response

Agreed in part.

Mineral operations encompasses mineral workings and so there is no need to differentiate between the two.

Action

Amend the last sentence of paragraph 11.562 to the following, in accordance with PPW10:

"The identification of buffer zones will ensure that there is clear guidance on the proximity of mineral operations to sensitive land uses, and that the potential impact of mineral workings is recognised and planned for in the area around the existing and proposed mineral operations."

Policy MR3: Mineral Safeguarding

Representation(s)

3375 Barratt David Wilson Homes (Mrs Francesca Evans) [4879]

Summary: Object

BDW objects to this policy. A number of the areas identified as minerals safeguarding areas on the constraints plan are situated immediately adjacent to defined settlement boundaries, accordingly we do not consider it likely or appropriate that mineral resources could be extracted without having an unacceptable impact upon local residential amenity. BDW particularly objects to the inclusion of Land off Heol y Mynydd, Bryn within the minerals safeguarding area as it immediately adjoins the settlement boundaries of Llanelli / Llwynhendy / Bryn. It is considered this Site could be released for residential use without any unacceptable impact upon minerals resources.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The mineral safeguarding areas areas shown on the Proposals Map relate to the British Geological Survey (BGS) Aggregate Safeguarding Map for South West Wales, that all local authorities are required to identify. This however, does not necessarily indicate a presumption in favour of working the mineral deposits, merely that the location of the mineral is known.

With regards the site cited, paragraph 11.566 sets out distances where mineral extraction will not be acceptable, which includes areas immediately adjacent to defined settlement limits. This would offer protection to sites such as this.

Reference should also be made to the Council's response to site AS/086/053 under representation reference number 3376 in respect of this site.

Action

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Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy MR3: Mineral safeguarding:

This policy is confusing and is not a true reflection of PPW on a number of grounds.

We recognise that Areas of Search should be safeguarded, but as written, the Policy would appear to suggest that only Areas of Search (AoS) should be safeguarded.

Further, minerals safeguarding is not solely about safeguarding aggregate resources. This should include a wider minerals base and minerals infrastructure.

Amend the text to read: "Planning permission will not be granted for development proposals where they would permanently sterilise resources of minerals aggregate and minerals infrastructure identified within the mineral safeguarding areas (areas of search) on the proposals map unless....."

N.B The proposals map should make a clear distinction between AoS and MSAs

Council's Initial Response

Agreed in part.

In the interest of clarity reference to 'Areas of Search' will be deleted.

The proposals map will make a clear distinction between Areas of Search (which will relate to sand & gravel only, with a new accompanying policy) and Mineral Safeguarding Areas.

This policy relates specifically to the safeguarding of mineral resources identified within mineral safeguarding areas. The safeguarding of infrastructure is covered in Policy SP18 Mineral Resources, and was addressed in the respondent's objection to that policy (refer to representation 3561).

In the interest of clarity this Policy shall be amended to MR3: Mineral Safeguarding Areas

Action

Amend Policy title to MR3: Mineral Safeguarding Areas:

Delete reference to 'Areas of Search':

The Proposals map key be amended to make a clear distinction between 'Areas of Search' (which will relate to sand & gravel only, with a new accompanying policy) and 'Mineral Safeguarding Areas'.

3846 G D Harries & Son Ltd (Mr G D Harries) [5077]

Agent: Simon Chaffe [855]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy MR3: Mineral Safeguarding.

The Policy refers only to the safeguarding of 'resources of aggregate'. PPW10 (paragraph 5.14.7) requires all mineral resources (for example, including agricultural lime), secondary, recycled and marine dredged material together with related infrastructure to be safeguarded. It also refers to '(areas of search)'; it is not clear what is meant in the Policy by this term. The policy therefore needs to be revised to address both of these matters.

Paragraph 11.565 in the supporting text refers to Policy MPP1; please clarify where this reference can be found.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed in part.

In the interest of clarity reference to 'Areas of Search' will be deleted.

This policy relates specifically to the safeguarding of mineral resources identified within mineral safeguarding areas. The safeguarding of mineral resources and mineral related infrastructure is covered in Policy SP18 Mineral Resources.

In the interest of clarity this Policy shall be amended to MR3: Mineral Safeguarding Areas

Paragraph 11.565 in the supporting text refers to Policy MPP1. This is a typographical error and will be amended to refer to Policy MR1.

Action

Amend Policy title to 'MR3: Mineral Safeguarding Areas';

Delete reference to 'Areas of Search';

Replace reference to Policy MPP1 with MR1 in paragraph 11.565 in the supporting text.

3880 Dr William D Rees [541]

Summary: Object

Objection to the categorisation of the site as a Category 2 aggregate safeguarding site under policy MR3.

I wish to object to the designation of this site as a Category2 Aggregate Safeguarding area. Given its location in the centre of the settlement of Glanamman and its proximity to private housing and a watercourse, it is extremely unlikely that this site would ever be given permission for mineral extraction.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The mineral safeguarding areas shown on the Proposals Map relate to the British Geological Survey (BGS) Aggregate Safeguarding Map for South West Wales, that all local authorities are required to identify. This however, does not necessarily indicate a presumption in favour of working the mineral deposits, merely that the location of the mineral is known.

Indeed, paragraph 11.566 under Policy MR3 sets out distances where mineral extraction will not be acceptable, which includes areas immediately adjacent to defined settlement limits.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3891 Dr William D Rees [541]

Summary: Object

Objection to the designation of land off Llwyncelyn Road as a Category2 Aggregate Safeguarding Area under policy MR3. Given its location in the centre of the settlement of Glanamman and its proximity to private housing and a watercourse, it is extremely unlikely that this site would ever be given permission for mineral extraction.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The mineral safeguarding areas shown on the Proposals Map relate to the British Geological Survey (BGS) Aggregate Safeguarding Map for South West Wales, that all local authorities are required to identify. This however, does not necessarily indicate a presumption in favour of working the mineral deposits, merely that the location of the mineral is known.

Indeed, paragraph 11.566 under Policy MR3 sets out distances where mineral extraction will not be acceptable, which includes areas immediately adjacent to defined settlement limits.

Action

Paragraph Para 11.564

Representation(s)

3572 Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Summary: Object

Objection to paragraph 11.564:

The paragraph needs to be broadened to cover minerals infrastructure.

Amend the text to read: "PPW stresses the importance of safeguarding mineral resources and minerals infrastructure that meet society's needs now and in the future."

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

This policy relates to Mineral Safeguarding Areas. Safeguarding of infrastructure is covered in Policy SP18.

Action

No change to the Plan.

Policy Strategic Policy - SP 19: Sustainable Waste Management

Representation(s)

3960 Mr Gavin Griffiths [4040]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary: Object

Objection to Policy SP19 "Sustainable Waste Management" through the omission of a site from Appendix 8.

Specifically, our clients consider that the draft Appendix 8 of the LDP, and as referred to under Policy SP19 should be amended to include the "Landfill and Waste Transfer Station" known as "New Lodge, near Cwmgwili" as a "Waste Management Facility".

Such inclusion will ensure that New Lodge will continue as a registered WMF for the purposes of seeking to develop future waste management proposals at the site in the Plan Period, in accordance with the provisions of Policy SP19.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The waste management facilities listed in Appendix 8 were taken from the most up to date list of licenced WM facilities published by NRW, based upon waste permit data returns. The site in question does not appear on this list.

Action

12. Monitoring and Implementation

Paragraph 12. Monitoring and Implementation

Representation(s)

4367 Welsh Government: Welsh Language Commissioner (Ms Meinir Jones) [5159]

Summary: Object

Mae'r Cynllun a'r asesiad effaith ieithyddol yn adnabod yr angen am dai fforddiadwy ym mhob ardal datblygu, ac am amrywiaeth o dai gwahanol, gyda'r bwriad o geisio darparu tai sy'n ateb gofynion cymunedau, a thrwy hyn, sicrhau hyfywedd yr iaith Gymraeg. Er hyn, er bod y rhain wedi eu seilio ar batrymau yn y gorffennol, ni ellir rhagweld yn llwyr beth fydd effaith y cynllun ar y Gymraeg yn y dyfodol. Pwysleisiwn felly y bydd angen i'r awdurdod fabwysiadu dull cadarn o fonitro effeithiau'r Cynllun ar y Gymraeg wrth iddo gael ei weithredu, ac ymateb yn rhagweithiol lle bo angen, a hynny o safbwynt y datblygiadau newydd a'r stoc dai sydd eisoes yn bodoli.

Dangosodd ffigyrau Cyfrifiad 2011 fod cyfran y siaradwyr Cymraeg yn Sir Gaerfyrddin yn sylweddol uwch na chyfartaledd cenedlaethol Cymru. Er hynny, gwelodd rhai cymunedau yn Sir Gaerfyrddin y cwymp mwyaf yng nghyfran eu siaradwyr Cymraeg rhwng 2001 a 2011. Er mwyn troi'r trai ar y patrwm hwn ac arwain y sir at dwf yn nifer ei siaradwyr Cymraeg, mae'n hanfodol fod y Cynllun Datblygu Lleol yn cefnogi, hyrwyddo a gwella sefyllfa'r Gymraeg fel iaith gymunedol. Bydd angen cymryd camau rhagweithiol os canfyddir nad yw'r Cynllun yn cael yr effaith gadarnhaol a amcanir.

Un o flaenoriaethau'r Cynllun yw sicrhau bod y boblogaeth leol yn cael y cyfle i aros yn Sir Gaerfyrddin yn hytrach na'u bod yn gadael i chwilio am gyfleoedd gwaith a thai mewn mannau eraill, yn ogystal â chreu cyfleoedd i rai sydd eisoes wedi allfudo i ddychwelyd i'r ardal. Bydd angen strategaeth uchelgeisiol i gyd-fynd â'r amcan yma; i fapio lle mae brodorion y sir wedi mynd a sut byddid yn mynd ati i'w denu yn ôl. Bydd angen gweithredu'n strategol hefyd i sicrhau bod y cyfleoedd gwaith newydd a amcanir drwy'r Cynllun yn arwain at gyfleoedd i ddefnyddio'r Gymraeg.

Mae adran monitro a gweithredu'r Cynllun yn nodi ei bod yn ofynnol adrodd ar fframwaith fonitro'r Cynllun yn flynyddol a chyflwyno adroddiad i Lywodraeth Cymru. Mae'n nodi hefyd bydd rhaid gwneud adolygiad llawn o'r Cynllun cyfan pob pedair blynedd. Rydym yn disgwyl i'r adroddiadau blynyddol a'r adolygiadau llawn gynnwys ystyriaeth gynhwysfawr o effaith y Cynllun ar y Gymraeg. I'r perwyl hwnnw, nid ydym yn credu fod y dangosydd yn erbyn yr amcan strategol ar y Gymraeg yn y tabl yn adran 12 yn ddigonol. Nid yw dibynnu ar ganlyniadau'r Cyfrifiad, na data'r Llywodraeth neu'r Swyddfa Ystadegau Gwladol am fod yn ddigonol ynddynt eu hunain i roi darlun eang a chyfredol o sefyllfa'r Gymraeg. Rydym o'r farn y dylid cynnal arolwg penodol gyda chymunedau a effeithir, ochr yn ochr â defnydd o ystadegau swyddogol.

The plan and the language impact assessment identify the need for affordable housing in each development area, and for a variety of different housing, with a view to trying to provide housing that meets the needs of communities and therefore, ensuring the viability of the Welsh language. However, although these have been based on past trends, it is impossible to fully anticipate the future impact of the scheme on the Welsh language. We therefore stress that the authority will need to adopt a robust approach to monitoring the effects of the plan on the Welsh language as it is implemented, and to respond proactively where necessary in relation to the new developments and existing housing stock.

The 2011 Census figures showed that the proportion of Welsh speakers in Carmarthenshire was significantly higher than the national average for Wales. However, some communities in Carmarthenshire saw the biggest decrease in the proportion of their Welsh speakers between 2001 and 2011. In order to turn the tide on this trend and lead the county to growth in the

number of its Welsh speakers, it is essential that the Local Development Plan supports, promotes and enhances the position of the Welsh language as a community language. Proactive action will be required if the Plan is found not to have the anticipated positive effects.

One of the priorities of the Plan is to ensure that the local population is given the opportunity to stay in Carmarthenshire rather than leaving to seek work and housing opportunities elsewhere, as well as creating opportunities for those who have already left to return to the area. This objective will need to be accompanied by an ambitious strategy; to map where the county's people have gone and how the authority would go about attracting them back. There will also be a need for strategic action to ensure that the new employment opportunities anticipated in the Plan lead to opportunities to use the Welsh language.

The monitoring and implementation section of the Plan states that it is a requirement to report on the Plan's monitoring framework annually and to submit a report to the Welsh Government. It also states that a full review of the whole Plan must be undertaken every four years. We expect the annual monitoring reports and full reviews to include comprehensive consideration of the Plan's impact on the Welsh language. To that end, we do not believe that the indicator against the strategic objective on the Welsh language in the table in section 12 is sufficient. Relying on Census results, or Government or ONS data will not be sufficient in themselves to give a broad and up to date picture of the position of the Welsh language. We are of the view that a specific survey should be undertaken with affected communities, alongside the use of official statistics.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir y sylwadau.

Bydd rhagor o dystiolaeth yn cael ei darparu cyn cyflwyno'r Cynllun i'w Archwilio. Mae hyn yn cynnwys adeiladu ar yr Asesiad o'r Effaith ar y Gymraeg (Rhagfyr 2019), ymgymryd â gwaith dadansoddi pellach o ran Rhagamcanion poblogaeth ac Aelwydydd / data mudo a hefyd diweddaru yr Astudiaeth Economaidd Dwy Sir ar gyfer Sir Gaerfyrddin a Sir Benfro (Hydref 2019). Bydd y diweddariad yma i'r Astudiaeth Economaidd yn rhoi ystyriaeth bellach i gysylltiadau rhwng y Gymraeg a'r economi yn y ddwy Sir.

Rhoddir sylw priodol i'r angen i ddiweddaru'r fframwaith monitro mewn perthynas â'r Gymraeg, a bydd yn cael ei ddiweddaru cyn cyflwyno'r cynllun i'w Archwilio. Bydd hyn yn rhan o waith tystiolaethol pellach y bydd y Cyngor yn ei wneud fel y cyfeirir ato uchod. Er bod rhai dangosyddion cyd-destunol yn ddefnyddiol i ddarparu gwybodaeth ychwanegol, bydd rôl y CDLI fel cynllun datblygu a dogfen polisi cynllunio yn pennu natur gwaith yr arolwg er mwyn sicrhau nad yw'r CDLI yn monitro gwybodaeth y tu hwnt i'w gylch gwaith a'i ddylanwad.

Comments noted.

Further evidence will be produced ahead of the submission of the Plan for Examination. This includes building upon the Welsh Language Impact Assessment (December 2019), undertaking further analysis work in terms of population and household projections/ migration data and also updating the Two County Economic Study for Carmarthenshire and Pembrokeshire (October 2019). This update to the Economic Study will further consider the links between the Welsh language and the economy in the two Counties.

Due regard will be given as to the need to update monitoring framework in regards the Welsh language will be updated ahead of the submission of the plan for Examination. This will form part of further evidential work to be undertaken by the Council as referred to above. Whilst some contextual indicators are helpful to provide additional information, the role of the LDP as a development plan and a planning policy document will dictate the nature of the survey work in order to ensure that the LDP does not monitor information beyond its remit and influence.

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

Representation(s)

3871 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - The DPM is clear that an Implementation and Delivery Appendix must be included in the plan, which sets out key issues, constraints, phasing and mitigation measures on allocated sites.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed. The Council will amend the Monitoring and Implementation framework to reflect the requirement set out within DPM 3.

Action

Change to the Plan.

Representation(s)

3890 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category C - Monitoring Framework

Monitoring indicators listed in the DPM should be embedded into the LDP monitoring framework with trigger points that are not too wide ranging (at 20%).

Council's Initial Response

Noted. The monitoring and implementation framework will develop in line with the amendments made in the Focused Changes to the plan and will be considered at examination.

Action

No immediate change to the Plan.

Paragraph Para 12.9

Representation(s)

3809 Natural Resources Wales (Miss Sharon Luke) [3253]

Summary: Support

We note an annual monitoring report will be undertaken for submission to WG. Reviewing the plan in order to keep it relevant and up to date is paramount so it has regard for changes and circumstances and national guidance. As noted earlier the revised TAN 15 is due to be published and will need to be reflected in the LDP, before your next 4 yearly whole plan review.

Council's Initial Response

Support welcomed

Action

13. Glossary

Paragraph 13. Glossary

Representation(s)

4025 Dyfodol (J W Thomas) [563]

Summary: Object

Rydym yn deall mai'r flaenoriaeth yn Sir Gaerfyrddin yw tai cymdeithasol a fforddiadwy, ac mae angen diffinio fforddiadwyedd yn lleol.

We understand that the priority in Carmarthenshire is for social and affordable homes, and affordability needs to be defined in local terms.

Council's Initial Response

Nodir v sylwadau.

Nodir y diffiniad o dai fforddiadwy at ddibenion y CDLI diwygiedig yn Nodyn Cyngor Technegol 2 - Cynllunio a Thai Fforddiadwy (2006).

Mae'r CDLI yn cael ei lywio gan nifer o ddogfennau tystiolaeth allweddol gan gynnwys Asesiad o'r Farchnad Dai Leol 2019 (Tachwedd 2020), a'r Astudiaeth Anghenion Gwledig (Tachwedd 2019) sy'n ceisio cefnogi'r swyddogaeth o ddiwallu'r anghenion am dai yn Sir Gaerfyrddin. Mae'r dogfennau hyn, ynghyd â ffactorau datblygiadol allweddol eraill, yn ceisio darparu dull cytbwys wrth ddatblygu gweledigaeth y CDLI a'i chyflawni.

Comments noted.

The definition of affordable housing for the purposes of the revised LDP is identified in Technical Advice Note 2 - Planning and Affordable Housing (2006).

The LDP is informed by a number of key evidence documents including the Local Housing Market Assessment 2019 (October 2020) and the Rural Needs Study (November 2019) which seek to support the function of meeting housing need within Carmarthenshire. These documents, along with other key developmental factors seek to provide a balanced approach in developing and delivering on the LDP's vision.

Action

Dim newid i'r Cynllun.

Appendix 1 - Legislative and National Context

Paragraph Appendix 1 - Legislative and National Context

Representation(s)

3574 Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Summary: Object

Objection to the omission of the Regional Technical Statement for Minerals from Appendix 1.

Reference to the Regional Technical Statement should be added to Appendix 1.

Council's Initial Response

Agreed, subject to the document being endorsed by the constituent authorities in the South Wales Region.

Action

Reference to the Regional Technical Statement 2nd Review 2020 will be added to Appendix 1 (subject to the document's endorsement by the constituent authorities of the South Wales region).

Appendix 2 - Regional and Local Context

Paragraph Appendix 2 - Regional and Local Context

Representation(s)

4595 Ceredigion County Council (Anjuli Davies) [5303]

Summary: Object

The Council request that this appendix is updated to reflect the Preferred Strategy for the replacement Ceredigion Local Development Plan 2018-2033 when published for reconsultation. Ceredigion County Council would welcome to opportunity to discuss what level of growth is sustainable and should be absorbed by settlements within the Teifi Valley.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. Appendix 2 will be updated as appropriate to reflect the latest position of the respective Plans and Strategies.

The Council is committed to ongoing cross border working and regional (and sub regional) working. Consequently we welcome ongoing and future discussions.

Action

Plan to be amended as and when appropriate.

Appendix 6 - Policy Assessment

Paragraph Appendix 6 - Policy Assessment

Representation(s)

3576 Mineral Products Association Wales (Mr Nick Horsley) [3778]

Summary: Object

Objection to Appendix 6 - Policy Assessment, in regard to Strategic Policy: SP18 Mineral Resources:

Whilst we recognise Policy SP18 can make a marked contribution to reducing the effects of climate change, we feel the Strategic Objectives should reflect the need for an adequate supply of minerals as required by PPW.

Amend the text accordingly.

Objection to Appendix 6 - Seeking amendment to reflect the need for an adequate supply of minerals

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The strategic objectives are broad, generic objectives that do not relate specifically to individual topic areas such as minerals, and so SO7 cannot be changed to include reference to mineral resources. Notwithstanding, an adequate supply of minerals is covered in SO7 through reference to "...the efficient use and safeguarding of resources."

Action

Appendix 7 - Housing Trajectory

Paragraph Appendix 7 - Housing Trajectory

Representation(s)

3873 Welsh Government (Mr Mark Newey) [13]

Summary: Object

Category B - A housing trajectory has been included in Appendix 7. The Council should follow detailed guidance set out in the DPM to construct the trajectory ensuring it is calculated on the housing requirement and not provision.

Council's Initial Response

Noted.

Action

The Housing Trajectory will have consequential amendments in line with other representations and policy changes.

Representation(s)

4596 Ceredigion County Council (Anjuli Davies) [5303]

Summary: Object

There is discrepancy between the numbers in the site schedule and the Housing allocation policy HOM1. In the policy, SeC12/h2 Heol Dewi is allocated for 14 units, whereas in the site schedule, Total site capacity is for 8 units. Also, the total number of housing units for Cluster 4 is identified as 402 in HOM1 and 375 in appendix 7. Ceredigion County Council would appreciate if these discrepancies could be accounted for and explained.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree. Appendix 7 - Housing Trajectory is broken up into 'allocations' (those that have no planning permission) and 'commitments' (those that have a form of planning permission). There are numerous examples within the Plan where a part of an allocated site identified within the HOM1 table may have planning permission whilst another part of the site may not. They are therefore separated into the relevant table set out within Appendix 7. In combination, the allocated figure and the commitment figure tallies up to the figure set out within HOM1.

Action

No action.

Representation(s)

1456 Aled & Sarah Jones & Holmes [3654]

Summary: Object

The planned housing trajectories are not realistic, especially now because of the economic effect Covid-19 will have on the UK.

Council's Initial Response

Noted. Reference should be made to the COVID-19 assessment which forms as part of the plan's supporting document. The Housing Trajectory and the plan's content will be subject to annual monitoring to measure its delivery.

Action

No change to the Plan

3147 Barton Willmore (Joe Ayoubkhani) [646]

Summary: Support

Appendix 7: Housing Trajectory

We note that all units are shown as being delivered within the plan period, which is fully supported. There is potential for an application to be submitted prior to the date of 2024 stated.

Council's Initial Response

It is noted that an application may be submitted prior to the date of 2024 that is stated. Further discussion will be had with the developer/agent to agree a timescale.

Action

Amend the site trajectory to reflect discussions held with the developer/agent in respect of site SuV37/h2: Land south of Cae Coedmore, Cwmann.

Object

Appendix 8 - Waste Management Sites

Paragraph Appendix 8 - Waste Management Sites

Representation(s)

3961 Mr Gavin Griffiths [4040]

Agent: Evans Banks Planning Limited (Mr Jason Evans) [2988]

Summary:

Objection to the omission of a waste management site from Appendix 8.

Specifically our clients consider that the draft Appendix 8 of the LDP, and as referred to under Policy SP19, should be amended to include the "Landfill and Waste Transfer Station" known as "New Lodge, near Cwmgwili" as a "Waste Management Facility".

Such inclusion will ensure that New Lodge will continue as a registered WMF for the purposes of seeking to develop future waste management proposals at the site in the Plan Period, in accordance with the provisions of Policy SP19.

Council's Initial Response

Disagree.

The waste management facilities listed in Appendix 8 were taken from the most up to date list of licenced WM facilities published by NRW, based upon waste permit data returns. The site in question does not appear on this list.

Action

Appendix - Overview of Consultation Responses on SA/SEA and HRA

Sustainability Appraisal Responses

The Sustainability Appraisals (SA) of Local Development Plans include an assessment of the likely effects of the plan on the use of the Welsh language. Objections were raised in relation to a clerical error, and to the housing allocation impact on the Welsh language. These objections were also raised as responses to consultation on the deposit plan. The SA objections were disagreed, and no changes have been made to the SA as a result.

The SA has made the following response to the Welsh language representation.

Under the duty imposed by the Well-Being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015, the Authority has an obligation to promote 'A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language', and is required to promote and protect culture, heritage and the Welsh Language. In line with this act and PPW 10, and the Welsh Language Requirements under TAN 20, the authority has considered the likely effect of development plans on the use of Welsh language as part of the Sustainability Appraisal. In accordance with this, the authority has sought to ensure a broad distribution and phasing of development that considers the ability of the area or community to accommodate development without adversely impacting use of the Welsh language.

The SA identified that predicted increase in the numbers of young persons is likely to have positive effects on the Welsh language. It is the authority's intention to promote the retention of younger people and encourage growth of the Welsh language and culture. Adequate housing provision, and the job creation and skills associated with the Swansea Bay City Region, in particular Yr Egin, which house S4C's offices, will help to retain young Welsh speakers in the county.

To strengthen the authority's intention, and to mitigate any potential minor detrimental effect on the Welsh language, the authority has made provision under the following objectives and policies:

SP7 – Welsh language and Culture

SA11 – Encourage Growth of the Welsh language and culture

SA13 – Increase levels of literacy (in both Welsh and English) and numeracy

To strengthen the policies further, specific reference is made to the motion passed by Council in July 2019 for the whole county of Carmarthenshire to be considered linguistically sensitive and for Welsh language to be a material planning consideration in all developments of 10 houses or more.

Welsh language will continue to be a priority for the authority as stated in the LDP Vision: One Carmarthenshire. HRA Responses

HRA Responses

There were a total of 33 Consultation responses to the HRA received from NRW and Pembrokeshire Coast National Park. The majority of the responses identified minor errors on names, wording and dates. Responses were also made in relation to 'screening in' of sites that had been 'screened out'. These have been agreed and later addressed at the 'appropriate assessment stage'. There are no implication for the deposit Plan. All changes have been made to the HRA document.



Respondent	SA Ref. No.	Respondent Comment - Cymraeg	Respondent Comment - English	SA Response English	SA Response Cymraeg	Implication for the Plan
Rhanbarth Sir Gâr, Cymdeithas yr Iaith*	001	Mae Deddf Cynllunio (Cymru) 2015 yn ei gwneud yn ofynnol i Arfarniadau Cynaliadwyedd Cynlluniau Datblygu Lleol gynnwys asesiad o effeithiau tebygol y cynllun ar y defnydd o'r Gymraeg yn ardal yr Awdurdod (A.11(3))	The Planning (Wales) Act 2015 requires the Sustainability Appraisals of Local Development Plans to include an assessment of the likely effects of the plan on the use of the Welsh language within the area of the Authority (S.11(3)).	The Welsh Language Impact Assessment has been available on the Council's website as part of the LDP evidence base for the duration of the consultation on the Deposit Revised LDP	Mae'r Asesiad o'r Effaith ar y Gymraeg wedi bod ar gael ar wefan y Cyngor fel rhan o sylfaen dystiolaeth y CDLI trwy gydol yr ymgynghoriad ar y CDLI Diwygiedig Adneuo	No
Rhanbarth Sir Gâr, Cymdeithas yr Iaith*	002	Roedd y Cyngor am ymateb i bryderon Llywodraeth Cymru yn yr Arfarniad Cynaliadwyedd, meddai, ond mae'n anodd gweld sut yn union mae'r cwestiynau hyn wedi cael ei hateb. Ar ben hynny, mae'n amlwg nad yw'r Arfarniad Cynaliadwyedd yn waith gorffenedig, Mae'r adran am y Gymraeg yn cynnwys y frawddeg "Mwy i'w gynnwys o Bapur Pwnc y Gymraeg" (tudalen 158), er enghraifft.	The Council wished to respond to the Welsh Government's concerns in the Sustainability Appraisal, it said, but it is difficult to see exactly how these questions have been answered. Furthermore, it is clear that the Sustainability Appraisal is not a finished piece of work. The Welsh language section contains the sentence "More to be included from the Welsh Language Topic Paper" (page 158), for example.	The omission on page 158 of the SA was the result of a clerical error.	Gwall clercyddol oedd yn gyfrifol am yr hepgoriad ar dudalen 158 o'r Arfarniad Cynaliadwyedd.	No
Llyr Evans ບ ຜ	003	1.46 Y Gymraeg Byddai caniatáu codi 8,000 o dai newydd yn Sir Gaerfyrddin yn effeithio mewn	1.46 The Welsh Language. Granting permission to build 8,000	Under the duty imposed by the Well-Being of	O dan y ddyletswydd a osodir gan Ddeddf Llesiant	No

modd cwbl andwyol ar y	new houses in Carmarthenshire	Future Generations	Cenedlaethau'r Dyfodol
Gymraeg. Mae sefyllfa ein	would have a severe adverse	(Wales) Act 2015, the	(Cymru) 2015, mae
cymunedau Cymraeg yn enbyd o	impact on the Welsh language.	Authority has an	rhwymedigaeth ar yr
fregus ar hyn o bryd a byddai'r	Welsh speaking communities are	obligation to promote 'A	Awdurdod i hyrwyddo 'Cymru
polisi gwallgof hwn yn rhoi'r	currently in an extremely	Wales of vibrant culture	â diwylliant bywiog lle mae'r
ergyd farwol iddynt.	vulnerable position and this crazy	and thriving Welsh	Gymraeg yn ffynnu', ac mae'n
Gwrthwynebaf y bwriad hwn yn	policy would be the final nail in	language', and is	ofynnol iddo hyrwyddo a
llwyr.	the coffin for them. I completely	required to promote and	diogelu diwylliant,
	object to this.	protect culture, heritage	treftadaeth a'r Iaith Gymraeg.
		and the Welsh	Yn unol â'r ddeddf hon a
		Language. In line with	Pholisi Cynllunio Cymru 10, a
		this act and PPW 10, and	Gofynion y Gymraeg o dan
		the Welsh Language	TAN 20, mae'r awdurdod
		Requirements under	wedi ystyried effaith debygol
		TAN 20, the authority	cynlluniau datblygu ar y
		has considered the likely	defnydd o'r Gymraeg fel rhan
		effect of development	o'r Arfarniad Cynaliadwyedd.
		plans on the use of	Yn unol â hyn, mae'r
		Welsh language as part	awdurdod wedi ceisio sicrhau
		of the Sustainability	dosbarthiad a chyflwyniad
		Appraisal (SA). In	eang i'r datblygiad sy'n
		accordance with this,	ystyried gallu'r ardal neu'r
		the authority has sought	gymuned i ganiatáu'r
		to ensure a broad	datblygiad heb gael effaith
		distribution and phasing	andwyol ar y defnydd o'r
		of development that	Gymraeg.
		takes into account the	
		ability of the area or	
		community to	Nododd yr Arfarniad
		accommodate	Cynaliadwyedd fod y cynnydd
		development without	a ragwelir yn nifer y bobl ifanc

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			adversely impacting use	yn debygol o gael effaith
			of the Welsh language.	, , ,
			of the Welsh language. The SA identified that predicted increase in the numbers of young persons is likely to have positive effects on the Welsh language. It is the authority's intention to promote the retention of younger people and encourage growth of the Welsh language and culture. Adequate adequate housing provision, and the job creation and skills associated with the Swansea Bay City Region, in particular Yr Egin, which house S4C's offices, will help to retain young Welsh speakers in the county. To strengthen the	gadarnhaol ar y Gymraeg. Bwriad yr awdurdod yw hyrwyddo'r gwaith o gadw pobl iau ac annog twf y Gymraeg a diwylliant Cymru. Bydd darpariaeth dai ddigonol, a'r swyddi a gaiff eu creu a'r sgiliau sy'n gysylltiedig â Dinas-ranbarth Bae Abertawe, yn arbennig Yr Egin, sy'n gartref i swyddfeydd S4C, yn helpu i gadw siaradwyr Cymraeg ifanc yn y Sir. Er mwyn cryfhau bwriad yr awdurdod, a lliniaru unrhyw effaith andwyol bosibl ar y Gymraeg, mae'r awdurdod wedi gwneud darpariaeth o dan yr amcanion a'r polisïau canlynol; SP7 - Y Gymraeg a Diwylliant Cymru SA11 – Annog Twf yr iaith
			authority's intention,	Gymraeg a'i diwylliant
			and to mitigate any	
			potential minor	SA13 – Cynyddu lefelau
			detrimental effect on	llythrennedd (Cymraeg a
<u>D</u> a			the Welsh language, the	Saesneg) a rhifedd
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Pa		authority has made provision under the following objectives and policies; SP7 – Welsh language and Culture SA11 – Encourage Growth of the Welsh language and culture SA13 – Increase levels of literacy (in both Welsh and English) and numeracy To strengthen the policies further, specific reference is made to the motion passed by council July 2019 for the whole county of Carmarthenshire to be considered linguistically sensitive and for Welsh language to be a material planning consideration in all developments of 10 houses or more. Welsh language will continue to be a priority	Bydd y Gymraeg yn parhau i fod yn flaenoriaeth i'r awdurdod fel y nodir yng Ngweledigaeth y CDLI: Un Sir Gâr.
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	stated in the LDP Vision:	
	One Carmarthenshire.	

^{*}Formed part of a broader submission subdivided into the representations above and as response to the content of Deposit Revised LDP.

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Respondent	Ref. No.	Respondent Comment	Response/Action	Implication for the Plan
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 001	2.3.1. Contains an error on the regulation	Amended accordingly. This error has been removed.	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 002	2.4.1. Contains an error on the legislation date.	Amended accordingly. This error has been corrected.	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 003	2.4. The full reference should be included for TAN 5.	The full reference for TAN 5 has been added.	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 004	3.1.1. We welcome the recognition that distance is not a definitive guide to the likelihood impact on a site.	Comments gratefully noted.	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 005	Table 3 The site names, notably Carmarthen Bay Dunes, need to be written in full for clarification.	Amended accordingly.	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 006	Table 3 Section 2 - Carmarthen Bay Dunes should be included as dune slacks can be impacted by hydrological and aquatic impacts.	Amended accordingly.	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 007	Table 3 Section 2 - Cernydd Carmel should be included in both parts as the turlough could be impacted.	Amended accordingly .	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 008	Table 3 Section 6 - We agree with your reasoning Cernydd Carmel does not need to be included.	Noted.	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 009	Table 3 Section 16 – We note your reference to the species in Section 14.	Noted.	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 010	Table 4 The summary of generic level screening "Identify allocations in close proximity to a watercourse that flows in/out of sites" requires amendment. We suggest: Identify allocations with	Amended as suggested.	No

		a pathway to a watercourse that flows in/out of sites.		
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 011	Table 6 You have agreed that Elenydd-Mallaen should be included for bird assemblage, but it has not been amended in the table	I think this error was with regard to the table numbering and not that Elenydd - Mallaen SPA should be added to Table 6 which deals with European sites identified as vulnerable to effects on the coast. Elenydd Mallaen has instead been added to Table 7 which details sites identified as vulnerable to effects on mobile species.	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 012	3.2.42. You amended this section in your reply to our comments (3.2.36) however it has not been amended in the report. We are satisfied with the amended wording noted in your reply.	Agreed and amended accordingly .	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 013	3.2.66. Acronym used for EA and not given in full.	Agreed and amended accordingly .	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 014	Table 11 Carmarthen Bay Dunes to be included as water quality could impact features such as the dune slacks and Petalwort.	Agreed and amended as suggested.	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 015	Table 14 The summary of generic level screening for the aquatic environment requires amendment. We suggest: Identify allocations with a pathway to a watercourse that flows in/out of sites.	Agreed and amended as suggested.	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 016	3.2.104. We note that the Carmarthen Bay and Estuaries European Marine Site (CBEEMS) is noted, this encompasses three marine Natura 2000 sites: Carmarthen Bay SAC, Carmarthen Bay SPA and Burry inlet SPA. CBEEMS should be defined within	Agreed. Paragraph 3.1.12 has been added at the end of Section 3.1 to make it clear that any reference to Carmarthen Bay and Estuaries European Marine Site refers to the	No

		the document. Consideration also needs to be given to Carmarthen Bay Dunes SAC in this section.	three marine Natura 2000 sites: Carmarthen Bay SAC, Carmarthen Bay SPA and Burry inlet SPA and the Burry Inlet Ramsar. Carmarthen Bay Dunes SAC has also been added and referred to subsequently in the relevant sections.	
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 017	Table 16 SP18 Mineral resources - This should not be screened out due to Cernydd Carmel SAC.	Agreed that this policy should not be screened out due to extant minerals permissions beneath the Cernydd Carmel SAC. This section has been amended accordingly and the policy considered at the appropriate assessment stage.	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 018	4.1.1. Consideration also needs to be given to Carmarthen Bay Dunes SAC in this section	Agreed and amended as suggested.	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 019	Appendix 2 The Afon Tywi SAC needs to be included.	The Afon Tywi SAC was originally omitted from this table as there is no information on critical nitrogen loads for any of its features on the Air Pollution Information System website (www.apis.ac.uk). However, to aid clarity, it has been added with the caveat that no information is available for relevant features.	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 020	Appendix 4 The section SP18 Mineral Resources is incomplete.	This section has now been updated and policy SP18 has been screened in.	No

Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 021	Appendix 5 INF4 Llanelli Waste Water Treatment Surface Water Disposal – We question if the screening justification should only state avoiding not reducing effects.	Agreed. This has been amended as suggested.	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 022	Appendix 6 Swansea, Pembrokeshire and Pembrokeshire Coast National Park LDP's need to be included.	Agreed. These have been added to Appendix 6.	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 023	Appendix 6 Lavernock Point to St Ann's Head Shoreline Management Plan 2 (2012) – Carmarthen Bay Dunes to be added.	Agreed and amended accordingly .	No
Natural Resources Wales – Sharon Luke	HRA 024	Appendix 8 The following sites have been screened out in the HRA however we have supplied evidence for why they should be screened in. PrC1/MU2 Pibwrlwyd PrC1/h12 Castell Pigyn Road, Abergwili SeC14/h1 Blossom Garage SeC16/h1 Llandeilo Northern Quarter SeC16/h2 Thomas Terrace SeC18/h3 Land adjacent to Cefn Maes SuV60/h1 Land at College Bach	Sites have been screened in as per these comments on the evidence supplied in Annex 3. Table 17 in the main HRA document has also been amended to reflect these changes.	No
Pembrokeshire Coast National Park – Martina Dunne	HRA 025	People Over Wind: In April 2018 the Court of Justice of the European Union handed down their judgment in the case of People Over Wind. The court ruled that it is not appropriate, at the screening stage, to take account of measures intended to avoid or reduce harmful effects on a European site. It is suggested that the HRA Screening Report should make explicit mention of the judgment and describe how the HRA is incorporating the ruling.	Noted. This reference has now been added in paragraphs 1.3.4 and 1.3.5.	No

		In our comments on the HRA for the Preferred Strategy we suggested that the People over Wind judgement should be explicitly mentioned. The response in Appendix 7 states that reference to this judgement will be included in the Deposit Plan HRA. We cannot find an explicit mention and therefore repeat the suggestion.		
Pembrokeshire Coast National Park – Martina Dunne	HRA 026	Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Local Development Plan 2: Carmarthen Bay Special Protection Area and Carmarthen Bay and Estuaries Special Area of Conservation adjoin the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park and the Pembrokeshire Coast Local Development Plan is therefore a relevant plan in Appendix 6.	Agreed. This has now been added to Appendix 6.	No
Pembrokeshire Coast National Park – Martina Dunne	HRA 027	SP16 – update reference in column 3 "policy XX"	Amended accordingly	No
Pembrokeshire Coast National Park – Martina Dunne	HRA 028	SP18 – column 4 appears to be incomplete.	Amended accordingly	No
Pembrokeshire Coast National Park – Martina Dunne	HRA 029	"Bosherton" should be replaced by "Bosherston" (table headers in Appendix 1; table in Appendix 2; table in Appendix 6).	Amended accordingly	No
Pembrokeshire Coast National Park – Martina Dunne	HRA 030	"Affects" should be replaced by "effects" where appropriate (para 2.1.1 and 2.3.5).	Amended accordingly	No

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Pembrokeshire Coast National Park – Martina Dunne	HRA 031	Para 2.4.1 "20172"	Amended accordingly	No
Pembrokeshire Coast National Park – Martina Dunne	HRA 032	Para 3.1.1 "baring"	Amended accordingly	No
Pembrokeshire Coast National Park – Martina Dunne	HRA 033	Should references to individual screening in "Section 3.2.2" instead refer to paras 3.2.107-3.2.111 and Table 17?	Agreed and amended accordingly .	No

Appendix 6 Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance: Burry Inlet. Consultation Report on Responses to the Representations Received

1.0 Overview

- 1.1 The Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) seeks to provide an elaboration and consolidation of the policies and provisions of the Revised Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan (rLDP) 2018-2033 Deposit Draft (January 2020), most notably Policy INF4: Llanelli Waste Water Treatment Surface Water Disposal, as well as Policies SP 8: Infrastructure and CCH3: Water Quality and Protection of Water Resources.
- 1.2 The SPG was made available for consultation between the 29 of January 2020 and the 27 of March 2020.

2.0 Responses Received

2.1 A summary of the comments received, together with responses and any actions in relation thereto, are provided below for Council's attention / ratification as appropriate.

Respondent: R James

- 2.2 **Rep ID CT01**: The respondent does not agree that the purpose of the SPG is clear.
- 2.3 **Officer Response:** Comment noted / disagree. It is considered that the purpose of the SPG is clear in that it seeks to provide specific guidance in relation to the consideration of relevant development proposals located within the Llanelli Waste Water Treatment Works (WwTW) catchment area.
- 2.4 Action: No change to the SPG.
- 2.5 **REP ID CT02**: The respondent does not agree that all of the relevant legislative and policy content are covered.
- 2.6 **Officer Response:** Comment noted / disagree. It is considered that Section 2 of the SPG provides a full review of the legislative and policy content.
- 2.7 Action: No change to the SPG.
- 2.8 **REP ID CT03**: The respondent does not agree that the SPG is appropriately evidenced.
- 2.9 **Officer Response:** Comment noted / disagree. It is considered that there is sufficient evidence in place. This evidence includes evidence of need for Policy INF4 / the SPG
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(confirmation has been attained from a statutory consultee in the form of Dwr Cymru Welsh

Water). Further evidence can be shown in terms of growth/development and infrastructural

considerations.

2.10 **Action:** No change to the SPG.

Respondent: S Thomas

2.11 **Rep ID CT04**: The respondent agrees that the purpose of the SPG is clear.

2.12 Officer Response: Support welcomed.

2.13 Action: No change to the SPG.

2.14 REP ID CT05: The respondent agrees that all of the relevant legislative and policy

content are covered.

2.15 Officer Response: Support welcomed.

2.16 Action: No change to the SPG.

2.17 **REP ID CT06**: The respondent agrees that the SPG is appropriately evidenced.

2.18 Officer Response: Support welcomed.

2.19 **Action:** No change to the SPG.

Respondent: K Mudge

2.20 **Rep ID CT07**: The respondent does not agree that the purpose of the SPG is clear.

2.21 Officer Response: Comment noted / disagree. It is considered that the purpose of the

SPG is clear in that it seeks to provide specific guidance in relation to the consideration of

relevant development proposals located within the Llanelli Waste Water Treatment Works

(WwTW) catchment area.

2.22 Action: No change to the SPG.

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2.23 REP ID CT08: The respondent does not agree that all of the relevant legislative and

policy content are covered.

2.24 Officer Response: Comment noted / disagree. It is considered that Section 2 of the

SPG provides a full review of the legislative and policy content.

2.25 Action: No change to the SPG.

2.26 **REP ID CT09**: The respondent does not agree that the SPG is appropriately evidenced.

2.27 Officer Response: Comment noted / disagree. It is considered that there is sufficient

evidence in place. This evidence includes evidence of need for Policy INF4 / the SPG

(confirmation has been attained from a statutory consultee in the form of Dwr Cymru Welsh

Water). Further evidence can be shown in terms of growth/development and infrastructural

considerations.

2.28 **Action:** No change to the SPG.

Respondent: R Norman - Dwr Cymru Welsh Water (DCWW)

2.29 Rep ID CT10: The respondent appreciates and welcomes the opportunity to continue to

engage in the Burry Inlet SPG process and offers representations for the LPA's

consideration. (general comment)

2.30 Officer Response: Comment noted and support welcomed.

2.31 Action: No change to the SPG.

2.32 Rep ID CT11: The respondent has welcomed the discussions that have taken place

between the Local Planning Authority and DCWW in the moving away from the previous

Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) arrangement to the current proposal in expressing

the sentiment of the MoU as a planning policy requirement in the LDP, with a supporting

SPG. (general comment)

2.33 Officer Response: Comment noted and support welcomed.

2.34 **Action:** No change to the SPG.

2.35 **Rep ID CT12**: The respondent states "As has been discussed, owing to the sewerage network within the Llanelli WwTW catchment being of a predominantly combined nature the requirement for compensatory surface water removal to allow new foul flows is required to ensure that the network and WwTW does not become hydraulically overloaded and the frequency of spills from CSOs does not increase". (general comment)

2.36 Officer Response: Comment noted.

2.37 Action: No change to the SPG.

2.38 **Rep ID CT13**: The respondent states that "With particular regard to paragraph 1.4, given that the Water Framework Directive's principle of preventing deterioration of water quality remains in place, there remains a requirement to remove compensatory surface water to enable new development to connect; as there are four organisations "signed-up" to compensatory surface water removal, we would welcome reference to this as the current wording reads that the matter is one that only concerns DCWW".

2.39 **Officer Response:** Agreed. Reference should also be made to the proposed focused changes to the Revised LDP itself.

2.40 **Action:** Amend paragraph 1.4 of the SPG to include reference to the four partner organisations (i.e. Dwr Cymru Welsh Water, Natural Resources Wales, Carmarthenshire County Council and the City and County of Swansea).

- 2.41 **Rep ID CT14**: The respondent states "At paragraph 6.8, we would suggest that the wording from "...then developers..." to "...a DCWW scheme..." is amended to read "...the developers can work collaboratively with DCWW to identify and establish a scheme..." "
- 2.42 Officer Response: Agreed.
- 2.43 **Action:** Amend paragraph 6.8 in accordance with the comment of the respondent.
- 2.44 **Rep ID CT15:** The respondent states "For clarity purposes, we would suggest the removal of the first line of paragraph 6.11 as this is not helpful or positive. (This is re backup schemes)."
- 2.45 Officer Response: Agreed.
- 2.46 **Action:** Amend paragraph 6.11 in accordance with the comment of the respondent.
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- 2.47 **Rep ID CT16:** The respondent states "A point of clarification at paragraph 7.1 should the wording not be "SPG" rather than "statement of common ground"?"
- 2.48 Officer Response: Agreed in part.
- 2.49 **Action:** Include reference to the statement of common ground as a statement of confirmation on behalf of the signatories to the content of the SPG.
- 2.50 **Rep ID CT17**: The respondent states "With regard to Table 1 Guidance for Peak Foul Flows Other, we can advise that whilst these figures are accurate as per our current Process Specification, we are in the process of updating this document and these figures will likely be amended to be in line with the British Water Flow & Load Code of Practice. As such, we would suggest that the SPG is monitored alongside the policy as this will allow these figures to be updated accordingly."
- 2.51 **Officer Response:** Comment noted. The Council will seek to respond and monitor as appropriate.
- 2.52 **Action:** No change to the SPG.
- 2.53 **Rep ID CT18:** The respondent states "Please also refer to our comment on the specific policy within our LDP representation". (general comment)
- 2.54 **Officer Response:** Comment noted. Reference should be made to the Council's response to those representations made on the Plan itself and the focused changes proposed. Where relevant, there will be focused changes that will lead to consequential amendments to the SPG also.
- 2.55 **Action:** No change to the SPG.

Respondent: S Luke - Natural Resources Wales (NRW)

- 2.56 **Rep ID CT19:** With reference to Paragraph 3.10, the respondent states "*This states that NRW will consult on developments brought forward for planning. We assume it should read will be consulted*"
- 2.57 **Officer Response:** Agreed this was a typographical error.
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2.58 **Action:** Amend paragraph 3.10 to read as follows: "NRW will consult will be consulted on developments brought forward for planning to ensure they comply with the appropriate Welsh Government policy on flooding and flood protection".

2.59 **Rep ID CT20:** A representation in support for Policy INF4 is registered against the Plan itself, however that representation did also state support for the "supporting Burry Inlet SPG" in addition and as such this will also be noted as a representation in respect of the consultation on the SPG.

2.60 Officer Response: Comment noted and support welcomed.

2.61 Action: No change to the SPG.

Respondent: Officer / Council

2.62 Further to feedback received from internal partners in relation to paragraph 6.12, it is recommended to add the words 'or landowner' into the paragraph. It is considered that this addition would provide added clarity around matters of Council land interests and the betterment bank exception.

2.63 **Action:** Amend the SPG so that the first sentence of paragraph 6.12 reads as follows: "6.12 In all instances where Carmarthenshire County Council is the applicant 'or landowner' for planning permission for a relevant development as defined within this SPG, Carmarthenshire County Council will be required to submit a drainage report which fully details the feasibility of on site or adjacent to site removal (stage 1 of the sequential search)".

2.64 This change will lead to consequential amendments to the SPG being made – notably to the Betterment Bank section, as well as the Revised LDP itself (refer to list of proposed focused changes).

3.0 General Matters

3.1 It should be noted that there may be consequential amendments to the SPG not listed above which may be a result of the Council's responses to representations made on the deposit LDP itself (notably any representations to policy INF4).

- 3.2 The Council will undertake any minor editorial amendments / corrections as and where required. (note a slight amendment to paragraph 1.10 was made by officers when the deposit Revised LDP itself was subject to a further 3-week consultation).
- 3.3 Also, reference should always be made to the proposed focused changes of the Plan itself and it should be noted that the SPG is an evolving document in this regard.



Appendix 7 **Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance: Caeau**

Mynydd Mawr.

Consultation Report on Responses to the

Representations Received

1.0 Overview

1.1 The Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) seeks to provide an elaboration and consolidation of the policies and provisions of the Revised Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan (rLDP) 2018-2033 - Deposit Draft (January 2020), most notably Policy NE4: Development within the Caeau Mynydd Mawr SPG Area.

1.2 The SPG was made available for consultation between the 29 of January 2020 and the 27 of March 2020.

2.0 Responses Received

2.1 A summary of the comments received, together with responses and any actions in relation thereto, are provided below for Council's attention / ratification as appropriate.

Respondent : D Rees - Butterfly Conservation

2.2 **Rep ID CMM01**: The respondent agrees that the purpose of the SPG is clear.

2.3 Officer Response: Support welcomed.

2.4 Action: No change to the SPG.

2.5 **REP ID CMM02**: The respondent agrees that all of the relevant legislative and policy content are covered.

2.6 Officer Response: Support welcomed.

2.7 **Action:** No change to the SPG.

2.8 **REP ID CMM03**: The respondent agrees that the SPG is appropriately evidenced.

2.9 Officer Response: Support welcomed.

2.10 Action: No change to the SPG.

2.11 **REP ID CMM04:** The respondent states that "Since its inception in 2013 this project has been successful in mitigating the impacts of development in the Cross Hands area on the protected Marsh Fritillary butterfly and the habitat which supports it. The project provides vital funding for work which improves the habitat for the butterfly. The Special Area of Conservation that lies at the centre of a wider area sustains one of Wales', if not the UK's, most important Marsh Fritillary meta populations. The butterfly functions in a metapopulation – a group of local (smaller) populations connected by migrating individuals. The Marsh Fritillary requires large areas of continuous or closely connected marshy grassland in order to survive in the long term. The food plant on which the eggs are laid, and on which larvae feed is devil's bit scabious (Succisa pratensis), these plants need to be abundant throughout the habitat in order to support the butterfly. While the Marsh Fritillary population in and around the Caeau Mynydd Mawr SAC is one of the most important in the United Kingdom it is still threatened by loss of habitat as a result of development, and also by the deterioration in the condition of its habitat due to inappropriate management. The continuation of the project is vital to the survival of this species in Wales. As the leading UK and international organisation for butterfly conservation we whole-heartedly support the new Caeau Mynydd Mawr SPG. It can only deliver even better results for both the species and the communities within". (general comment)

2.12 Officer Response: Comment noted / support welcomed.

2.13 Action: No change to the SPG.

Respondent: R Killa - The Wildlife Trust of South and West Wales

2.14 **Rep ID CMM05**: The respondent agrees that the purpose of the SPG is clear.

2.15 Officer Response: Support welcomed.

2.16 Action: No change to the SPG.

2.17 **REP ID CMM06**: The respondent agrees that all of the relevant legislative and policy content are covered.

2.18 Officer Response: Support welcomed.

2.19 Action: No change to the SPG.

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2.20 **REP ID CMM07**: The respondent agrees that the SPG is appropriately evidenced.

2.21 Officer Response: Support welcomed.

2.22 Action: No change to the SPG.

2.23 REP ID CMM08: The respondent states that "The Caeau Mynydd Mawr project it a fantastic example of where development can improve habitat conditions to benefit wildlife over a landscape scale area. Without the project, one of the most important strongholds of the endangered Marsh fritillary butterfly in the UK would be under threat. I fully support the increase in the project area, as it is based on sound data collated over numerous surveys. It realistically reflects the habitat needed by the Caeau Mynydd Mawr metapopulation." (general comment)

2.24 Officer Response: Comment noted / support welcomed.

2.25 **Action:** No change to the SPG.

Respondent: S Philippart

2.26 **Rep ID CMM09**: The respondent does not agree that the purpose of the SPG is clear.

2.27 Officer Response: Comment noted / disagree. It is considered that the purpose of the SPG is clear in that it seeks to provide specific guidance in relation to the consideration of development proposals impacting upon the Caeau Mynydd Mawr Special Area of Conservation (SAC).

2.28 Action: No change to the SPG.

2.29 **REP ID CMM10**: The respondent does not agree that all of the relevant legislative and policy content are covered.

2.30 Officer Response: Comment noted / disagree. It is considered that Section 2 of the SPG provides a full review of the legislative and policy content.

2.31 Action: No change to the SPG.

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2.32 **REP ID CMM11**: The respondent does not agree that the SPG is appropriately

evidenced.

2.33 Officer Response: Comment noted / disagree. It should be noted that 3 evidence

papers were made available to support the consultation on the SPG. It is considered that

these papers fully evidence the following key facets which underpin the SPG in evidential

terms: (1) the delineation of the SPG Area; (2) the calculation of the contribution sum to be

levied; and (3) the habitat management specifications and quantification of success.

2.34 **Action:** No change to the SPG.

2.35 REP ID CMM12: The respondent states that "I have had land within Black lion road for

several years and there has been development all around plus had planning on it previously

but had expired now in conservation area" (general comment)

2.36 Officer Response: Comment noted. The SPG area has been robustly defined – see

reference to evidence supporting the SPG in the response to representation Rep ID CMM 11

in paragraph 2.33 above. It should be noted that the Caeau Mynydd Mawr SPG Area is not

termed a 'Conservation Area'.

2.37 **Action:** No change to the SPG.

Respondent: L Wilberforce - Wildlife Trust South & West Wales

2.38 **Rep ID CMM13**: The respondent agrees that the purpose of the SPG is clear.

2.39 Officer Response: Support welcomed.

2.40 Action: No change to the SPG.

2.41 **REP ID CMM14**: The respondent agrees that all of the relevant legislative and policy

content are covered.

2.42 Officer Response: Support welcomed.

2.43 Action: No change to the SPG.

2.44 **REP ID CMM15**: The respondent agrees that the SPG is appropriately evidenced.

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2.45 Officer Response: Support welcomed.

2.46 Action: No change to the SPG.

2.47 **REP ID CMM16:** The respondent states "full support". (general comment)

2.48 Officer Response: Comment noted / support welcomed.

2.49 Action: No change to the SPG.

Respondent : A Martin

2.50 **Rep ID CMM17**: The respondent agrees that the purpose of the SPG is clear and states that "It is important that this area is preserved as it contains grade 1 farmland and natural marsh areas. All of which provide biodiversity and flood constrains. As well as a natural barrier to the villages."

2.51 Officer Response: Support welcomed.

2.52 Action: No change to the SPG.

2.53 **REP ID CMM18**: The respondent agrees that all of the relevant legislative and policy content are covered – adding - "As far as my knowledge goes!".

2.54 Officer Response: Support welcomed.

2.55 Action: No change to the SPG.

2.56 **REP ID CMM19**: The respondent agrees that the SPG is appropriately evidenced.

2.57 Officer Response: Support welcomed.

2.58 Action: No change to the SPG.

2.59 REP ID CMM20: The respondent states "We need to consider our actions under the future generations and Welsh planning acts. To ensure the prosperity and enjoyment of Wales for the future" (general comment)

2.60 Officer Response: Comment noted.

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2.61 Action: No change to the SPG.

Respondent: S Luke - Natural Resources Wales (NRW)

2.62 Rep ID CMM21: The respondent states "NE4: Development within the Caeau Mynydd

Mawr SPG Area - we support the inclusion of this policy and the supporting SPG". (Note

this was also registered as a comment in support of the Plan itself (Policy NE4) by the

Council).

2.63 Officer Response: Support welcomed.

2.64 Action: No change to the SPG.

3.0 General Matters

3.1 It should be noted that there may be consequential amendments to the SPG not listed

above which may be a result of the Council's responses to representations made on the

deposit LDP itself (notably any representations to policy ENV4).

3.2 The Council will undertake any minor editorial amendments / corrections as and where

required. (note a slight amendment to paragraph 1.12 was made by officers when the

deposit Revised LDP itself was subject to a further 3-week consultation).

3.3 Also, reference should always be made to the proposed focused changes of the Plan

itself and it should be noted that the SPG is an evolving document in this regard.

Appendix 8 - Schedule of Focused Changes: Written Statement

Change	Section/	Para/ Policy	Description of Change	Reason/Comment	Source		Implications	
Ref	Chapter				Represent ation	Council Change	HRA	SA/SEA
Chap	ter 3: I	Influence	s on the Plan					
FCWS/		Para 3.6	Insert the following additional sentence at the end of the paragraph: 'Regard has also been had to the South West Wales Area Statement (SWWAS). The Statement was produced in 2020 against a backdrop of the Welsh Government's declaration of a climate and a nature emergency. These two issues are interrelated and are in themselves symptoms of the unsustainable management of natural resources. They require a whole systems approach, and as such both issues feature across all the SWWAS themes of: • Reducing health inequalities • Ensuring sustainable land management • Reversing the decline of, and enhancing, biodiversity • Cross-cutting theme: Mitigating and adapting to a changing climate.'	To reflect the importance of the new Area Statement, and to ensure that the Plan adequately reflects the identified priorities.		✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of a policy document that more fully aligns the Plan with the SA objectives.
	ter 9: <i>i</i>	A New St	rategy					
FCWS/ 2 Page 12		Para 9.19	Amend paragraph 9.19 to read as follows. "The plan will seek to control the scale, or rate of growth to ensure the impacts on the local infrastructure and the vitality of the Welsh Language are satisfactorily absorbed and mitigated. The Plan will also seek to protect and enhance the countryside and the natural environment."	To provide a consistent interpretation of the legislation of protecting and enhancing the natural environment	3156		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Amendment to text for greater alignment with environmental legislation and objectives of the SA.
1 F S 3/S/ 33		Para 9.29	Insert the following before the last sentence: 'Following the Welsh Government's target of	In order to reflect the declaration of a climate emergency and the commitment made to address this.		✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Wording change that

Change	Section/	Para/ Policy	Description of Change	Reason/Comment	Sou	rce	Implications	
Ref	Chapter				Represent ation	Council Change	HRA	SA/SEA
			becoming a carbon neutral public sector by 2030, in 2019 Carmarthenshire County Council declared a climate emergency and committed to transitioning to a carbon neutral local authority by 2030.					provides new information. The change is likely to support the SA objectives.
			Also consequential amendment to the last sentence to read as follows: 'As part of this agenda the Plan will play its part in tackling the causes and effects of climate change reflecting the contribution of the planning system as a whole.'					
FCWS/		Para 9.37	Amend paragraph 9.37 to include the words 'Community growing spaces' before the word 'allotments'.	In response to a representation. To improve the interpretation of the Plan.	4580	✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor change to wording where meaning is the same. No change to the SA
Char	ter 10:	The Clus	sters					
FCWS/	Chapter 10	Paragraph 10.22	Insert the following at the end of paragraph 10.22: "Newcastle Emlyn and Llanybydder are recognised as Urban and Rural Service Centres in the Ceredigion Local Development Plan 2007-2022."	In response to a representation and to reflect the importance of the cross-border relationship.	4587		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Wording change that provides new information. The change remains consistent with the SA.
Chap	oter 11:	Policies						
age 1264		New Policy	New policy to be inserted for rural allocations which fall outside the catchment of the public sewerage system. The new policy would seek to assure that the allocation in its entirety utilises one private	Seeking a new policy for rural allocations which fall outside the catchment of the public sewerage system we would advise that your Authority consider the allocation in its entirely utilising one private system as proliferation of private	3810		No implications anticipated for the HRA. To be reviewed	No significant change anticipated. To be reviewed.

Change Ref	Section/	Para/ Policy	Description of Change	Reason/Comment	Source		Implications	
Rei	Chapter				Represent ation	Council Change	HRA	SA/SEA
			system as proliferation of private plants can cause environmental problems. New policy - Proposals for the delivery of sites of 5 or more dwellings in settlements where there is no connection to the public sewer will be supported where they are served by a single private system. Such proposals will be permitted where it does not have a detrimental effect on the natural environment, surrounding uses or local amenity. And supporting text - There is concern that the proliferation of private sewers is having a detrimental impact on the environment. This policy aims to discourage a development from having individual private sewers and instead encourage utilisation of a shared private sewerage system.	plants can cause environmental problems. This is a topic area that needs to be accounted for in the written statement given the dynamics of the county.				
	ic Policy –	SP1: Strategi						
FCWS/ 7		SP1	Amend criterion b of Policy SP1 to "A minimum of 76.38ha of allocated employment land."	Consequential amendment resulting from the reduction in size of two employment allocations in Cross Hands		✓	No implications for the HRA	Possible negative effect to be recorded in the SA. To be reviewed
FCWS/ Page 1265		SG1	Allocate new mixed-use site (PrC2): Site description as follows: "YMCA Building, Stepney Street, Llanelli Town Centre A mix of uses at a town centre location, with an allowance for 8 residential units" Consequential inclusion in policy HOM1 – Housing Allocations and Appendix 7.	To reflect planning application progress and the corporate emphasis / investment in Llanelli Town Centre. To reflect planning reference: PL/00673.		√	No implications for the HRA conclusions. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary.	Assessment to be captured via the SA of sites. Include new site allocation in SA where necessary.

Change	Section/	Para/ Policy	Description of Change	Reason/Comment	Sou	rce	Implications	
Ref	Chapter				Represent ation	Council Change	HRA	SA/SEA
			Refer to FCM/PrC2/b in the Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps					
FCWS/9		SG1	Amend / reduce the allocated site area of PrC2/MU2 to exclude an area of woodland to the west of the site. Consequential deletion of site from policy HOM1 – Housing Allocations and Appendix 7. Amended site description to read as follows: "Trostre Gateway, Llanelli: Mix of uses reflecting its prominent location and planning history". Refer to FCM/PrC2/c in the Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps	In response to a representation from a statutory consultee.	3581 (agreed in part)		Possible positive effect to be recorded in the HRA. To be reviewed.	Possible positive effect to be recorded in the SA. To be reviewed.
FCWS/ 10		SG1	Allocate new site into the SG1 – mixed use table Site Description as follows: Laugharne Holiday Park: Mix of uses focused on tourism and leisure proposals and associated with the re-development of Laugharne Holiday Park. Refer to FCM/SeC20/a in the Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps.	To reflect the re-development on the site and in response to a representation	4127		No implications for the HRA conclusions. Include new mixed-use site allocation in HRA where necessary.	Assessment to be captured via the SA of sites. Include new mixed-use site allocation in SA where necessary.
Page 1266		SG1	Allocate new site into the SG1 – regeneration and mixed-use site table Site Description as follows:	Partly in response to a representation and to reflect the strategic importance of this site for continued sustainable waste management and related employment uses.	4370		Include new site allocation in HRA where necessary.	Assessment to be captured via the SA of sites. Include new site allocation in SA where necessary.

Change	Section/	Para/ Policy	Description of Change	Reason/Comment	Sou	rce	Implications	
Ref	Chapter				Represent ation	Council Change	HRA	SA/SEA
			Nant y Caws Regeneration and Mixed-Use Site: A strategically positioned site already utilised for the sustainable management of waste. It offers the future opportunity to potentially harness energy from waste, and related employment-based activities. Future opportunities could be set out through the development of a masterplan for the site. Refer to FCM/WM/a in the Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps.					
FCWS/ 12		SG2	Removal of Nantycaws Waste Management Site from this Policy and its subsequent coverage under Policy SG1: Regeneration and Mixed-Use Sites.	Partly in response to a representation and to reflect the strategic importance of this site for continued sustainable waste management and related employment uses.	3996		No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary.	No significant change. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary.
FCWS/ 13		Para 11.17	Insertion of the following additional bullet point: 'CCH5: Renewable and Low Carbon Energy in New Developments'	To ensure the Plan makes appropriate provision for renewable and low carbon energy in new developments.		√	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of the policy ensures that the Plan more fully aligns with the SA.
FCWS/ 14 Page 1267		Para 11.18	Amend the last sentence of paragraph 11.18 as follows: "In the event that the allocated sites (identified under policies HOM1, EME1 and EMP5) fail to contribute as expected to the delivery of the Plan's strategy, then the decision to utilise a Reserve Site will be made as part of a formal plan review."	In response to a representation from a statutory consultee.	3867		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Change in wording to provide procedural clarity.

Change Ref	Section/ Chapter	Para/ Policy	Description of Change	Reason/Comment	Sou	Source Implications		
Kei	Chapter				Represent ation	Council Change	HRA	SA/SEA
	ic Policy -	- SP2: Retail a	nd Town Centres					
FCWS/ 15		Policy SP2	Replace criterion a) of Policy SP2 with the following: "Proposals for retail and other appropriate town centre uses, (including leisure, civic, cultural, education, business, health and residential (upper floors)) which support the growth of Carmarthen as a sub-regional retail town centre will be permitted where they maintain and enhance the vitality, viability and attractiveness of Carmarthen Town Centre. Proposals should not: 1) undermine the retail function of the centre, or have a detrimental effect upon the vitality or viability of the area; and 2) create a concentration of non-retail ground floor frontage detrimental to the retail character and function of the area."	To respond to the impacts arising from Covid-19 on the Retail Town Centre and to reflect national policy objectives.			No implications for the HRA	Change in wording to allow for adaptive measures in town centres. The change is consistent with the SA objectives. Possible positive benefit to be recorded in the SA. To be reviewed.
FCWS/ 16 Page 1268		Policy SP2 Para 11.29	Amend paragraph 11.29 to include the following at the end of the paragraph: "The policy, however, also seeks to recognise the impact of Covid-19 and changing in shopping patterns has had on our high streets and within town centres. In this respect the policy seeks to reflect the intrinsic retail	To respond to the impacts arising from Covid-19 on the Retail Town Centre and to reflect national policy objectives.		✓	No implications for the HRA	Change in wording to reflect the impact of Covid-19, and consumer trends on the town, and to allow for adaptive measures. The change is

Change	Section/	Para/ Policy	Description of Change	Reason/Comment	Sou	rce	Implications	
Ref	Chapter				Represent ation	Council Change	HRA	SA/SEA
			function whilst recognising a new multifunctional role for such centres."					consistent with the SA objectives. Possible positive benefit to be recorded in the SA. To be reviewed.
FCWS/ 17		Policy SP2 Para 11.34	"Carmarthen has a longstanding sub-regional role and has traditionally had a strong national presence on its high street as well as a variety of local stores. The nature of its retail offer has however been notably impacted by Covid-19 with a number of the national operators having withdrawn in light of the financial challenges and realignment within the retail sector. Consequently whilst the centre does and will continue to serve a range of needs for the population beyond its local community the nature of its offer and the range of uses within the traditional retail core must be adaptive whilst retaining that traditional retail base. The centre continues to be readily characterised as a higher order retail centre by the provisions above."	To respond to the impacts arising from Covid-19 on the Retail Town Centre and to reflect national policy objectives.			No implications for the HRA	Change in wording to reflect the impact of Covid-19 on the town centre, and to allow for adaptive measures. The change is consistent with the SA objectives. Possible positive benefit to be recorded in the SA. To be reviewed.
184 184 184 189		Policy SP2 Para 11.35	Amend paragraph 11.35 to include the following at the end of the paragraph: "Further LDO's are being prepared for Carmarthen and Ammanford Town Centres as	To respond to the impacts arising from Covid-19 on the Retail Town Centre and to reflect national policy objectives.		✓	No implications for the HRA	Change in wording to reflect the impact of Covid-19 on town

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			part of regeneration initiatives to aid in the Covid-19 recovery. The future role of these and the Llanelli Town Centre LDO will be further considered as tools to assist in the implementation of this Revised LDP."					centres, and to allow for adaptive measures. To be reviewed.
FCWS/ 19		Policy SP2 Para 11.37	Insert the following sentence at the end of paragraph 11.37 under policy SP2: "Regard will be had to the implications proposals for new convenience stores outside of the identified High, Mid and Lower Order centres (defined within the Policy) will have on defined retail centres within neighbouring authorities. Proposals which may have an adverse impact should be accompanied by a robust retail assessment."	In response to a representation and to ensure the Plan makes appropriate provision for cross border implications.	4589		No implications for the HRA	No significant change to the SA. Inclusion of additional detail and clarification. No change to the SA conclusions.
Page 1270		Policy SP2 New Para Supporting text	Insert the following new paragraphs into the supporting text of Policy SP2: "This Revised LDP seeks to strike a balance between protecting the overall retail character of the town centres and providing for an appropriate diversity of uses which reflects their position within the hierarchy. In so doing, it is recognised that its character and identity is augmented by the presence of independent traders traditionally operating from the more peripheral streets and in locations and that can be susceptible to competition. It is however recognised that	To respond to the impacts arising from Covid-19 on the Retail Town Centre and to reflect national policy objectives. To relocate and revise wording previously contained within the supporting text for Policy RTC1.		✓	No implications for the HRA	Relocation and revision of wording, and to reflect the impact of Covid-19 on the town centre, and to allow for adaptive measures. The change is consistent with the SA objectives. Possible positive benefit to be

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			diversification enables other beneficial,					recorded in the
			economic uses to complement the retailing					SA. To be
			presence and to maintain the physical fabric					reviewed.
			and appearance of streets and buildings which					
			may otherwise be susceptible to decline.					
			The potential for appropriate diversification					
			within the town centres enabled through this					
			policy, recognises their contribution to					
			increasing its overall attractiveness. The					
			introduction of complementary retail, leisure					
			and business offers etc can contribute to a					
			broader appeal, nevertheless, the policy					
			recognises the importance of a strong retail					
			element and seeks to maintain the vitality and					
			viability of the towns retail offer."					
FCWS/		Policy RTC1	Delete Policy RTC1 and its supporting text.	To respond to the impacts arising		✓	No implications	No significant
21				from Covid-19 on the Retail Town			for the HRA	change. Deletion
			Consequential amendment to cross references	Centre and to reflect national policy				of text to avoid
			within the Plan to reflect deletion of policy and amendment to SP2 criterion a).	objectives.				duplication, and consequential
			amendment to SP2 criterion a).					amendments.
Strategi	ic Policy –	SP3: A Sustair	nable Approach to Providing New Homes					
FCWS/		HOM1	Remove PrC1/h1 from the HOM1 table.	Uncertainty over the delivery.		✓	No implications	No significant
2 <u>1a</u>							for the HRA.	change.
age			Refer to FCM/ PrC1/a in the Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps.				Amend site allocation in	Assessment already captured
je			Tocuseu Changes, Proposais Maps.				HRA where	via the SA of
12							necessary	sites. Amend site
127							•	allocation in SA
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FCWS/ 22		HOM1	Include the following within HOM1: "Adj Tyle Teg, Llysonnen Road" for 7 dwellings, and consequential amendment to Appendix 7. Refer to FCM/PrC1/b in the Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps.	To reflect a site that is currently under construction.		✓	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites.
FCWS/ 22a		HOM1	Include the following within HOM1: "Land adjacent Ty Gwynfa, Carmarthen" for 10 dwellings (all 10 are affordable units), and consequential amendment to Appendix 7. Refer to FCM/PrC1/g in the Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps.	To reflect a site that is currently under construction.		√	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary
FCWS/ 23		HOM1	Reduce the allocated figure of SuV3/h1 from 19 to 16 units. Consequential amendment to appendix 7.	To reflect the planning permission		✓	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites.
FCWS/ 24		HOM1	Increase allocated figure for allocation PrC2/h2 to 15 units (increase of 5 units). Amend Total Affordable Units in Plan period to read: 3. Consequential amendment to Appendix 7	To reflect planning reference: PL/00588.	3677	√	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites.
agge 1272		HOM1	In regards site PrC2/h5 amend the Total Affordable Units in Plan period to read: 35.	To reflect the feedback received from the landowner.		√	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites

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FCWS/ 26		HOM1	Delete allocation PrC2/h8. Consequential deletion from Appendix 7. Site to be retained within development limits due to its position in the urban form. Refer to FCM/PrC2/d in the Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps.	To reflect the fact that planning permission S/40455 contains four c3 use class units and the site should not therefore be allocated.		✓	Deletion of housing allocation from HRA. No implications for the HRA conclusions.	Deletion of housing allocation from SA. No implications for the SA conclusions
FCWS/ 27		НОМ1	Increase allocated figure for allocation PrC2/h19 to 270 units (increase of 10 units). Amend Total Affordable Units in Plan period to read: 53.1 Consequential amendment to Appendix 7.	To reflect the remaining developable area of the site and following feedback received from site proponent / landowner / potential developer.	4395	√	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites.
FCWS/ 28		HOM1	Allocate new site at Llwynhendy Road, Llanelli (PrC2) for 13 units. Total Affordable Units in Plan period to read: 1.3 units. Consequential inclusion in Appendix 7. Refer to FCM/ PrC2/e in the Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps.	To reflect planning reference: PL/00179. Progress is being made in bringing the site forward and the Council's previous concerns on the retention of this Adopted LDP allocation (deliverability) have been addressed.		√	No implications for the HRA conclusions. Include new site allocation in HRA where necessary.	Assessment to be captured via the SA of sites. Include new site allocation in SA where necessary.
Page 1273		HOM1	Allocate new site at Caegar, Bryn (PrC2) for 20 units. Total Affordable Units in Plan period to read: 20. Consequential inclusion in Appendix 7.	To reflect the fact that the Pre- Application Consultation is competed and the confidence in deliverability (social housing provider). The Council's previous concerns on the retention of this parcel of land as part of a wider		√	No implications for the HRA conclusions. Include new site allocation in HRA where necessary.	Assessment to be captured via the SA of sites. Include new site allocation in SA where necessary.

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			Refer to FCM/ PrC2/f in the Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps.	allocation (deliverability) have been addressed.				
				Refer to planning reference: PL/00851				
		HOM1	Delete site PrC2/MU2 from policy HOM1. Refer to FCM/PrC2/c in the Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps.	In response to a representation from a statutory consultee.	3581 (agreed in part)		No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary.	No significant change. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary.
		HOM1	Include new site - YMCA Building, Stepney Street, Llanelli Town Centre (Allocated as a mixed use site under Policy SG1) for 8 units. Total Affordable Units in Plan period to read: 8 (HOM1 – Housing Allocations). Refer to FCM/PrC2/b in the Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps.	To reflect planning application progress and the corporate emphasis / investment in Llanelli Town Centre. To reflect planning reference: PL/00673.		√	Possible positive effect to be recorded. To be reviewed. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary.	Possible positive effect to be recorded. To be reviewed. Assessment to be captured via the SA of sites. Include new site allocation in SA where necessary.
FCWS/ 30 Page 1274		HOM1	Delete allocation SeC6/h5. Consequential deletion from Appendix 7. Site to be retained within the development limits due to its position in the urban form. Refer to FCM/SeC6/a in the Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps.	Whilst the allocation of the site was in accordance with the Site Assessment Methodology – feedback post publication of the deposit Plan has led to a lack of confidence in the site's deliverability. Reference can be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3345 within the report of representations to the deposit LDP – policy HOM1 – Housing Allocations – site Sec6/h5.		√	No implications for the HRA. Delete site allocation in HRA where necessary.	No significant change. Delete site allocation in SA where necessary.

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FCWS/ 31		HOM1	Reduce allocated figure for allocation SeC7/h4 to 30 units (reduction of 5 units). Amend Total Affordable Units in Plan period to read: 5.1 Consequential amendment to Appendix 7.	To reflect planning reference: PL/00470	3801	✓	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary.	No significant change. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary.
FCWS/ 32		HOM1	Increase site area of allocation SeC7/h5 and increase allocated figure to 7 units. Amend Total Affordable Units in Plan period to read: 7. Consequential amendment to Appendix 7. Refer to FCM/SeC7/a in the Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps.	To reflect the developable area and feedback received from the landowner.		√	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites.
FCWS/ 33		HOM1	Reduce allocated figure for site SuV23/h1 to 16 units (reduction of 4 units). Consequential amendment to Appendix 7.	To reflect planning reference: S/40024	3222		No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites.
FCWS/ 34		HOM1	Increase the allocated figure for site PrC3/h13 from 101 to 135 dwellings Consequential amendment to appendix 7	To reflect the planning permission and to include the 34 dwellings built during the period 2018-2019.		√	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites.
age/vs/ 344 275		HOM1	Decrease the allocation of PrC3/h20 from 42 to 38 dwellings. Consequential amendment to appendix 7.	To reflect the difference in land ownership and developer.		√	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Assessment already captured

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			Refer to FCM/PrC3/f in the Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps.					via the SA of sites.
FCWS/ 35		HOM1	Decrease the allocation of PrC3/h23 from 15 to 13. Consequential amendment to appendix 7	To take into account the 2 dwellings built outside the plan period.		√	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites.
FCWS/ 36		ном1	Decrease the allocation of PrC3/h24 from 11 to 7. Consequential amendment to appendix 7	To take into account the 4 dwellings built outside the plan period.		√	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites.
FCWS/ 37		HOM1	Increase the allocated figure for site PrC3/h32 from 62 to 72 dwellings Consequential amendment to appendix 7	To reflect the planning permission and the correspondence from landowner		✓	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites.
FCWS/ 38		HOM1	Include the following within HOM1: "Llys Dolgader, Ammanford" for 9 dwellings and consequential amendment to Appendix 7. Refer to FCM/PrC3/d in the Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps.	To reflect a site that's currently under construction		✓	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites.
FCWS/ 39 Page 1		HOM1	Increase the allocated figure for site SeC10/h1 from 9 to 12 dwellings Consequential amendment to appendix 7	To reflect the planning permissions.		✓	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites.
F I NVS/ 4 6		HOM1	Amend the total affordable units in Plan period on sites SeC10/h4 from 28 to 2.8 dwellings	To reflect the correct figure.		√	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Assessment

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								already captured via the SA of sites.
FCWS/ 41		HOM1	Reduce allocated figure for site SuV33/h1 to 5 dwellings (reduction of 3 units), and consequential amendment to Appendix 7.	To reflect developable area and feedback from landowner.	3195, 3372.		No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites.
FCWS/ 42		HOM1	Increase density of SuV36/h2 to 16 dwellings (increase in 6 dwellings), and consequential amendment to Appendix 7.	To reflect developable area and feedback from landowner.		✓	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites.
FCWS/ 43		HOM1	Increase the allocated figure for site Sec16/h3 from 5 to 15 dwellings Consequential amendment to appendix 7	To reflect a more accurate developable number for the site.		✓	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites.
Strateg	ic Policy –	SP4: Afforda	ble Homes Strategy					
FCWS/ 44	-	AHOM1 Paragraph 11.124	Insert the following new sentence within paragraph 11.124 to recognise PrC1/MU1 affordable housing figure being set at a 12% target: 'In relation to West Carmarthen (PrC1/MU1) the affordable percentage target is set at 12% which is in accordance with the agreed terms for the overall mixed use site.	To reflect the mixed-use site's current position.	3235, 3239, 3840		No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Inclusion of new information for clarity. No change to the SA required.
	ic Policy -	SP5: Strategi						
F ISO WS/ 4 5		SP5	Amend the first line of paragraph 2 of Policy SP5 to read as follows:	To reflect the name of the strategic site.		✓	No implications for the HRA.	Amendment to the SA required.

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			"Pentre Awel, Llanelli (PrC2/SS1);" Consequential amendment in that the site will be renamed as per the above elsewhere in the Plan.					No change to the SA conclusion.
Strateg	ic Policy –	SP6: Employr	nent and the Economy	,		L		
FCWS/ 46		SP6	Amend the allocation figure in the first sentence of Policy SP6 to 76.38 Ha.	Consequential amendment resulting from the reduction in size of two employment allocations in Cross Hands		✓	No implications for the HRA	Possible negative effect to be recorded in the SA. To be reviewed
FCWS/ 47		Para 11.142	Add the following paragraph before paragraph 11.142: "A report published by the Welsh Government in 2020 to inform the new Property Delivery Plan highlights that while delivery of industrial and office accommodation is generally led by the private sector, there are strong grounds for public sector intervention, including responding to evidence of demand for new or additional capacity, attracting and retaining investment that would not otherwise come an area, or through influencing commercial decisions for example by bringing new economic activity to a redundant site."	To reflect the latest information published by the Welsh Government.		•	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Inclusion of new information to reflect latest guidance. The change remains consistent with the SA objectives. No change to the SA conclusions.
Page 1278		Para 11.143	Add the following new sentence at the end of paragraph 11.143:	To fully reflect the Swansea Bay City Deal context.		✓	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Inclusion of new information for clarity. No

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			"In noting these 3 Carmarthenshire projects specific to Carmarthenshire, it should be noted that 'The Homes as Power Stations project' aims to deliver smart, low carbon, energy-efficient homes through a co-ordinated approach across the City Region , whilst the 'Digital Infrastructure' project aims include supporting a thriving digital economy across the City Region." Consequential footnotes to be added referencing the following: https://www.swanseabaycitydeal.wales/projects/digital-infrastructure/					change to the SA required.
FCWS/ 49 Page 1279		Para 11.147	Add the following paragraph after paragraph 11.147: "The Council recognises that there are clearly experiences arising from the Covid 19 pandemic which have big implications for future working practices and the future needs of workspace (confirming the importance of flexibility); In this context, a key area is the importance of high quality communications infrastructure (broadband, mobile reception and ability to future proof/upgrade). This is important for residents and business especially in the context of greater remote working and	To reflect the impact of the Covid 19 pandemic.		✓	No implications for the HRA.	Inclusion of additional wording to reflect the impact of Covid-19 on working practices, and to allow for adaptive measures. The change is consistent with the SA objectives. Possible positive benefit to be

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			its role in addressing the peripherality of the rural areas (reference should be made to Policy EME5: Home Working and Policy INF3: Broadband and Telecommunications)."					recorded in the SA. To be reviewed.
FCWS/ 50		Para 11.151	Amend the figures in Table 6 and include the amended Table in Appendix A.	Consequential amendment resulting from the reduction in size of the two employment allocations in Cross Hands.		✓	No implications for the HRA	Amendment to SA where relevant.
FCWS/ 51		EME3	Amend the figures for the following sites in Table 7 as follows: PrC3/E2 – 6.55 Ha PrC3/E4 – 0.3 Ha With a consequential amendment to the overall total to 76.38 Ha. Refer to FCM/PrC3/a & FCM/PrC3/b in the Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps.	Consequential amendment resulting from the reduction in size of the two employment allocations in Cross Hands.			No implications for the HRA.	Possible negative effect to be recorded in SA. To be reviewed.
FCWS/ 52 Page 1280		EME5 - Para 11.167	Add the following sentence at the end of paragraph 11.167: "This has an enhanced importance as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic and the likely implications for future work trends/workspace, as well as the need for reliable super-fast broadband (reference should be made to Policy INF3: Broadband and Telecommunications)."	To reflect the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic.		✓	No implications for the HRA.	Inclusion of additional wording to reflect the impact of Covid-19 on working practices, and to allow for adaptive measures. The change is consistent with the SA objectives.

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								Possible positive benefit to be recorded in the SA. To be reviewed.
Strateg	ic Policy –	SP8: Infrastru	cture					
FCWS/ 53		SP8 Supporting text new Para	Insert the following new paragraph within the supporting text of Policy SP8: "Reference is made to the preparation of Drainage and Wastewater Management Plans (DWMPs) as prepared by Dwr Cymru Welsh Water. It is anticipated that the DWMPs will compliment the implementation of this LDP through the management of the drainage and sewerage network."	In response to representation.	3489		No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Inclusion of new information for clarity, and to reflect new Drainage and Wastewater Management Plans. No change to the SA conclusions required.
FCWS/ 54		INF3	Amend Policy wording to include the following: "New developments should include the provision of Gigabit capable broadband infrastructure from the outset" after the first paragraph.	To reflect the provisions of the emerging Future Wales: The National Plan 2040 (National Development Framework)		✓	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Inclusion of new information for clarity, and to reflect new guidance. No change to the SA required.
FCWS/ 55 Page 1281		Para 11.197	Include the following wording after 'change': "The policy reflects the provisions of Future Wales: The National Plan 2040 which supports the provision of Gigabit capable digital infrastructure into new developments where people are present, for example new housing, business and commercial premises, and public buildings."	To reflect the provisions of the emerging Future Wales: The National Plan 2040 (National Development Framework)		✓	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Inclusion of new information for clarity, and to reflect new guidance. No change to the SA required.

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FCWS/ 56		Para 11.198	Amend the second sentence of para 11.198 to read as follows: "FTTP shall be provided free of charge to housing developments by BT Openreach based upon their thresholds at that time."	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation. To ensure the provisions of the Plan remain timely and relevant.	3160	✓	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Change in wording for clarity. No change to the SA required.
FCWS/ 57		INF4	Change the name of Policy INF4 to the following: "Llanelli Wastewater Treatment Works catchment surface water removal". Undertake any consequential amendment to the Burry Inlet Draft SPG as a result.	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3494		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor change to policy name for clarity. Consequential amendment to the SA has been made.
FCWS/ 58		11.202	Insert the word "catchment" in place of the word "area" in the final sentence of paragraph 11.202. Undertake any consequential amendment to the Burry Inlet Draft SPG as a result.	In response to representation from statutory consultee.	3495		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor change to wording. No change to the SA required.
FCWS/ 59 Page 1282		11.203	Insert the following text at the end of paragraph 11.203: "In noting the specific reference to Dwr Cymru Welsh Water in this paragraph, it should be noted that the consideration of these matters is subject to a multi-agency approach which includes Dwr Cymru Welsh Water, Natural Resources Wales and Carmarthenshire County Council. Also, the City and County of Swansea are included in discussions in regards the Burry Inlet. The Statement of Common Ground will accompany and support the implementation of Policy INF4 and its supporting SPG".	In response to representation from statutory consultee.	3496		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of new information for clarity. No change to the SA required.

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			Undertake any consequential amendment to					
			the Burry Inlet Draft SPG as a result.					
			Refer also to FCWS/61.					
FCWS/		11.204	Insert the words "combined sewer overflows"	In response to representation from	3497		No implications	No significant
60			in place of the words "storm sewerage	statutory consultee.			for the HRA	change. Minor
			overflows" in the first sentence of paragraph 11.204.					change to
			11.204.					wording for clarity. No
			Undertake any consequential amendment to					change to the SA
			the Burry Inlet Draft SPG as a result.					required.
FCWS/		11.207	Insert the following text at the end of	To provide clarity and as a cross		✓	No implications	No significant
61			paragraph 11.207:	referencing aid.			for the HRA	change. Inclusion
			"Policy INF4 reflects this partnership approach					of additional information for
			moving forward. Reference should be made to					clarity. No
			paragraph 11.203 in regards the reference to					change to the SA
			the Statement of Common Ground."					conclusions.
			Undertake any consequential amendment to					
			the Burry Inlet Draft SPG as a result.					
			Refer also to FCWS/59.					
FCWS/		11.208	Insert the words "or landowner" after the	As a result of amendments proposed		✓	No implications	No significant
62			word "applicant" in paragraph 11.208.	to the Draft Burry Inlet SPG.			for the HRA	change. Minor change in
			Undertake any consequential amendment to					wording for
ס			the Burry Inlet Draft SPG as a result.					clarity.
S ateg	ic Policy –		nd Traveller Provision					
F O WS/		Para 11.219	Insert new sentence at the end of paragraph	In the interests of clarity and in	3698		No implications	No significant
63 ∠			11.219 as follows:	response to representation from statutory consultee.			for the HRA	change. Reference to
83			"In the wake of ash dieback, no ash trees	statutory consumee.				new guidance.
			should be introduced."					The SA

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								conclusions remain unchanged.
FCWS/ 64		GT1	Remove the words "(relating to where the need has been identified)" from criterion 2 of the policy.	contrary to Welsh Government Circular 005/2018 and acts against the freedom of movement for Gypsy and Travellers who wish to develop their own sites.	3886		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Text removed allowing for a less culturally restrictive policy. The SA conclusions remain unchanged.
Strateg	ic Policy –	SP10: The Vis	itor Economy					
FCWS/ 65		11.247	Delete the following wording from the first sentence of paragraph 11.247: "substandard modern utilitarian construction (including materials such as single skin concrete block work, portal framed buildings clad in metal sheeting) or buildings of" Consequential adding of new sentence (i.e. sentence 2) within paragraph 11.247 to read as follows "In this regard, proposals for buildings of a modern construction such as portal framed units or temporary structures will not generally be considered appropriate for conversion to holiday accommodation".	To facilitate the delivery of high-quality tourism related initiatives.			No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Text removed for greater alignment with policy. The SA conclusions remain unchanged.
Page 1284		VE4	Insert the following words after the words "they are" in criterion a) of Part 1 of the Policy: "within or"	In the interests of clarity.		√	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor change in wording for clarity. No

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ic Policy -							
	SP11	word 'multifunctional' before 'green'.	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3699		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor change in phrasing for
		'green' within the opening sentence of criterion c).			✓	HRA No implications	clarity. The change is consistent with
		Consequential amendments to reference to green infrastructure elsewhere in the Plan.			✓		SA phrasing. No changes to SA required.
	SP11	Amendment of criterion d). After the words 'contribute towards' replace existing text with 'reducing carbon emissions and maximising opportunities for renewable energy generation'	In the interest of clarity and to align more fully with policy requirements.		✓		No significant change. Minor wording change to provide clarity.
	SP11	Insert the words "local landscape context" after the word "existing" in criterion f) under policy SP11.	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3700			No significant change. Insertion of term to add clarity and reinforce sustainability policy.
	11.269	Insert new sentence at the end of paragraph 11.269 as follows: "The multifunctional nature of green and blue infrastructure is recognised and includes: landscape, heritage, amenity, health and wellbeing, sustainable management of natural resources, along with climate adaptation and resilience".	In the interest of clarity		✓	•	No significant change. Minor wording change to provide clarity.
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FCWS/ 71		PSD 1 Criterion e) iii)	Amend Criterion e) iii) of policy PSD1 to read as follows: "iii) retains and protects key features and characteristics and integrates positively with the surrounding landscape and built environment;"	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3701		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor rewording for clarity. Improves SA benefits through considering requirements of the natural environment.
FCWS/ 72		PSD 1 Criterion e) iv) and v)	Insert semi-colon after 'place' in Criterion e) iv). Insert full stop after 'impacts' in Criterion e) v).	In the interests of clarity and to assist in the interpretation of the policy.		✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor rewording for clarity.
FCWS/ 73		PSD 1	Insert the following additional criterion into policy PSD1: 'j) Opportunities for carbon reduction have been considered, including maximising energy efficiency through building design, and renewable energy generation.'	To reiterate carbon reduction policy		√	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Reiterates policy and SA objectives, but is not prescriptive on development.
FCWS/ 74		PSD1 Para. 11.285	Amend reference to over 100 homes in the first sentence to over 50 homes.	In the interest of clarity and in accordance with Policy PSD2.	3528		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Aligns policy with Policy PDS2. Possible positive effect to be recorded in the SA. To be reviewed.
Region 1286		PSD2	Insert new criterion after criterion K as follows: "I) where significant wildlife interests are associated with the site, it has to be ensured that Green and Blue Infrastructure provides a	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3702		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor rewording for clarity. Improves SA benefits through

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			resilient network, which adequately protects and enhances the respective wildlife interests" Consequential insertion of semi-colon at the end of criterion k.					considering requirements of the natural environment.
FCWS/ 76		PSD2	Amend criterion j) by inserting the words: 'such as district heat networks' after 'resource efficiency, and before 'low carbon development and renewable energy generation'.	In order to introduce carbon reduction opportunities for consideration to developers.		✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor addition of wording to reinforce sustainability policy.
FCWS/ 77		PSD3	Insert the following after the first paragraph in policy PSD3: 'In circumstances where securing wildlife interests are not compatible with other GBI functions, opportunities to achieve multifunctionality should be sought by bringing infrastructure functions together to create a resilient network where appropriate, and where it will not compromise the function of the GBI.'	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3704		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Addition of text for clarity. Improves SA benefits through considering requirements of the natural environment. No change to the SA conclusion.
FCWS/ 78		Para 11.293	Insert new sentence at the end of paragraph 11.293 as per the following: "Where feasible, existing/retained vegetation should be protected throughout the construction period. Where new habitat is being created, the timeline involved for the habitat to become functional should be considered."	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3703		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor rewording for clarity. Improves SA benefits through considering requirements of the natural environment.

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FCWS/ 79		PSD3 Para 11.295	Amend paragraph 11.295 to include the words 'Community growing spaces' before the word 'allotments'.	In response to a representation. To improve the interpretation of the Plan.	4580	✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor change to wording where meaning is the same. No change to the SA
FCWS/ 80		Para 11.298	Biodiversity section Insert the following wording after the second sentence: 'There will be a need for any application to detail how the development will deliver such conservation and enhancement' Replace the word 'should' with 'will' in the 3rd sentence	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3705		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Addition of wording to add clarity and reinforce sustainability policy. No change to the SA conclusion.
FCWS/ 81		Para 11.298	Climate change section Under the first bullet point. Replace the words: 'Within flood zones as identified by Natural Resources Wales' with 'Within areas considered to be at risk of flooding from any source'	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3706		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Change of wording to for clarity. No change to the SA conclusion.
FCWS/ 82 Page 1288		PSD4	Amend the second sentence of the first paragraph of Policy PSD4 to read as follows: 'Proposals should demonstrate a commitment to support delivery of the goals embedded within the South West Wales Area Statement, by retaining existing trees, woodland and hedgerows and, where loss is unavoidable provide appropriate replacement throughout the development.'	In response to representation from statutory consultee.	3709		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Addition of wording to add clarity and reinforce sustainability policy. No change to the SA conclusion

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FCWS/ 83		PSD4	Delete the following wording from the first sentence of the second paragraph of policy PSD4 "on site at a rate of two new trees for each tree lost" Insert the following new sentence after the first sentence of the second paragraph of policy PSD4: "This requirement will be determined on a case by case basis."	To reflect policy direction and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3710		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Change of wording to add clarity and reflect current policy. No change to the SA conclusion
FCWS/ 84		Para 11.302	Insert the words "long-term and short-term" after the word "Appropriate" in the final sentence of paragraph 11.302.	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3715		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor rewording for clarity.
FCWS/ 85		PSD4	Insert the following words in the final sentence of fourth paragraph of policy PSD4 after the word "The": "information provided in the application" Delete the words "tree survey information" in the final sentence of the fourth paragraph of policy PSD4 after the word "The"	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3719		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor rewording for clarity.
FCWS/ 86 Page 1289		PSD4	Insert the following wording at the end of the second paragraph of policy PSD4: "There should be a commitment to maintain the habitat in the long-term. In the wake of ash die back, no ash trees should be introduced"	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3718 3720		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor change of wording for clarity and reference to new guidance. The SA conclusions

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								remain unchanged.
FCWS/ 87		PSD4 para 11.304	Insert the following words after the first sentence of paragraph 11.304: "In regards the reference in the policy to unavoidable loss, the Council will expect the applicant to make every reasonable effort to retain existing features, and as such their retention should (where appropriate) be considered integral to the design of the proposed development site from the outset."	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from consultee.	3535		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Additional text for clarity.
FCWS/ 88		Policy PSD12	Insert the following new paragraph under policy PSD12: "The Plan recognises the national trend in increased intensive agriculture and densities of livestock. This can lead to increased nutrient loading and increases in ammonia emissions to both air and water. In order to facilitate sustainable consideration of this type of development, proposals must take full account of wastes arising, cumulative impacts, and take full account of water quality (Reference CCH3: Water Quality and Protection of Water Resources) and the effect that this has on priority habitats and species, particularly in relation to those sensitive to increases in ammonia."	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3754		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Addition of wording for clarity and to reinforce environmental legislation. The change remains consistent with the SA objectives. No change to the SA conclusion
F ty /S/ 80 0 0		Para 11.344	Insert text at the end of the paragraph as follows 'Consideration should be given to the negative impacts light pollution can have on landscape character and visual amenity.'	In response to representation from statutory consultee.	3724		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor rewording for clarity.
F N VS/ 9 8		Para 11.347	Insert after the second sentence the following text 'Any development schemes should incorporate lighting plans that ensure minimal	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3725		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Addition of wording to

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			or no light spill on green and blue infrastructure especially linear habitats such as hedgerows, woodland, or vegetated stream corridors, as well as any bat roots, their access points or known flight lines.' Delete sentence three.	To remove undue repetition.		✓		add clarity and reinforce biodiversity and ecosystem policy. No change to the SA conclusion
FCWS/ 91		Para 11.354	Insert under 'Air' in PSD12 Insert new paragraph after 11.354: 'Proposals which would be likely to result in increased nutrient loading to the environment, such as intensive livestock units, will be required to assess the potential impacts in respect of water and air quality, to ensure that they do not adversely affect these natural and semi natural environments, and that emissions in rural areas do not impact urban areas of the county. Reference should be made to NRW guidance OGN (Operational Guidance Note) 41: Assessment of ammonia and nitrogen impacts from livestock units when applying for an Environmental Permit or Planning Permission (March 2017) and NRW QG (Quick Guide) 9: Poultry Units: planning permission and environmental assessment).'	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3752		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Addition of wording for clarity and to reinforce environmental legislation. The change remains consistent with the SA objectives. No change to the SA conclusion
FCWS/ 92 Page 1291		11.355	Insert the following text after 'international importance to nature conservation' 'SSSI's, Section 7 priority habitats and species and the maintain and enhance requirement.' Remove sentence one.	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee. To remove undue repetition.	3755	✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Addition of wording for clarity and to better reflect environmental legislation. The change remains consistent with the SA objectives. No

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								change to the SA conclusion
FCWS/ 93		Para 11.358	Amend text of second sentence to 'Work should not commence on site until an appropriate stage of remediation as agreed, has been completed.'	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3726		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor rewording for clarity.
Strateg	ic Policy –	SP12: Rural D	evelopment					
FCWS/ 94 Page 1292		RD2	Amend the wording of Policy RD2: Conversion and Re-Use of Rural Buildings for Residential Use to read as follows: "Proposals for the conversion and re-use of suitable rural buildings for residential use will be permitted where: a) the existing use has ceased, and its re-use would not result in the need for an additional building; b) the design and materials are of a high quality, and the form and bulk of the proposal, including any extensions, curtilage and access arrangements are sympathetic to and respect: the surrounding landscape, rural character of the area and the appearance of the original building; c) Proposals for extensions should be proportionate and reflective of the scale, character and appearance of the original building; d) the original building is structurally sound and any rebuilding works, necessitated by poor structural conditions and/ or the need for new openings in walls, do not involve substantial reconstruction; e) where applicable, the architectural quality, character and appearance of the building is	In response to a representation and to ensure the policy is reflective of the Councils corporate and policy agenda in relation to rural communities.	3737		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Change to wording and phrasing to add clarity. No change to the SA

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			safeguarded and its setting not unacceptably harmed.					
			Proposals relating to buildings which are of a modern portal framed construction will not generally be considered appropriate for residential conversion."					
FCWS/ 95		Para 11.375	Add the following to the end of the last sentence of paragraph 11.375: "(reference should be made to Policy EME5: Home Working and Policy INF3: Broadband and Telecommunications)."	In the interest of clarity and in recognition of Policy PSD2.		✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Reiterates and provides a link to Policies EME5 and INF3. No change to the SA.
FCWS/ 96		Policy RD2 Para 11.386	Delete paragraph 11.386 and replace with the following: "Proposals for the conversion of suitable rural buildings for residential use should be of a high quality in terms of design and the materials used. It is not the purpose of the policy to permit proposals where an existing building is unsuitable for conversion without extensive alteration, rebuilding or extension, or if the creation of a residential curtilage would have a harmful effect on the character of the countryside. Such proposals will be considered as new house in the open countryside."	To ensure the policy is reflective of the Councils corporate and policy agenda in relation to rural communities.		*	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Change in the meaning of the paragraph to reflect policy in relation to residential use of buildings in the rural community. The change remains consistent with the SA objectives. No change to the SA.
age 1293		Policy RD2 Para 11.388	Delete paragraph 11.388 and replace with the following: Proposals for buildings of a modern construction such as portal framed units or temporary structures will not generally be	To ensure the policy is reflective of the Councils corporate and policy agenda in relation to rural communities.		√	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Change in wording and addition of text to provide

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			considered appropriate for conversion.					clarity. No
			Proposals for buildings within the residential					change to the
			curtilage which were constructed as ancillary					SA.
			to the primary property e.g. garages will not					
			generally be considered for conversion under					
			this policy.					
Strateg	ic Policy –	SP13: Mainta	ining and Enhancing the Natural Environme	nt				
FCWS/ 98		SP13	Amend second paragraph of policy SP13 to read as follows: "Proposals must reflect the role that natural	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3727		No implications for the HRA	No significant change to the SA. Inclusion of additional
			environment aspects and features and an ecologically connected environment have in					wording for clarity and closer
			protecting and enhancing biodiversity, defining the landscape, contributing to Well-being and the principles of the Sustainable Management					alignment with legislation. No change to the SA
			of Natural Resources."					content.
FCWS/ 99		SP13	After the first sentence of paragraph 3 of Policy SP13, insert the following new sentence:	To reflect the priorities of the SWWAS and in response to	3578		No implications for the HRA	No significant change.
			"Any development proposal should contribute	representation from statutory consultee.				Reference to a policy document
			towards the overall aim of the South West	consuitee.				ensuring that the
			Wales Area Statement (NRW, 2020) in building					Plan more fully
			resilience of our ecosystems and enhancing the benefits they provide"					aligns with the SA.
FCWS/		SP13	Amend first sentence of third paragraph of policy SP13 to read as follows:	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from	3732, 3733		No implications for the HRA	No significant change to the
			policy of 10 lead as follows.	statutory consultee.	3/33		TOT THE TINA	SA. Inclusion of
age			"All development proposals should be	,				additional
			considered in accordance with National Policy					information for
1294			(PPW and TAN5) where a					clarity. No
4			proposal for development would result in a significant adverse effect on designated sites,					change to the SA content.
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			including European sites, SSSI's, and priority habitats and species."					
FCWS/ 101		SP13	Insert new paragraph (i.e. paragraph 4) within Policy SP13 to read as follows: "Development should not cause any significant loss of habitats or populations of species, locally or nationally and must provide a net benefit for biodiversity. Where biodiversity enhancement is not proposed as part of a proposal for development, significant weight will be given to its absence, and unless other significant material considerations indicate otherwise it will be necessary to refuse permission."	To reflect PPW10 and Chief Planning Officer (2019) guidance on securing biodiversity enhancements and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3729		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Reference to new guidance that reinforces biodiversity and sustainability policy.
FCWS/ 102		11.401	Insert the words 'for mitigating the effects of climate change, for capturing and storing carbon and' in the penultimate sentence, after the word 'infrastructure'.	In the interests of clarity and to reinforce the carbon reduction agenda.		✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Addition of wording to add clarity and reinforce sustainability policy.
FCWS/ 103		11.403	Add new sentence at the end of paragraph 11.403 to state as follows: "Those natural environment aspects and features cited in the policy would include geology, landform, soils, land cover and hydrology."	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3727		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor rewording for clarity.
ages/ 1295		11.406	Add new sentence at the end of paragraph 11.406 to state as follows: "The policy reflects the content of the Chief Planning Officer's letter dated 23rd October	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3730		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Addition of information to add clarity and reinforce

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			2019 on Securing Biodiversity Enhancements. Reference is also made to the South West Wales Area Statement (2020) in this regard".	Also, to reflect the South West Wales Area Statement and the Chief Planning Officer's letter.				sustainability policy. The change more fully aligns the Plan to the SA objectives.
FCWS/ 105		Policy NE2	Amend the first sentence of the policy to include the following after 'biodiversity' 'in accordance with Section 6 of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016'	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3734		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor rewording for clarity.
FCWS/ 106		Para 11.411	Amend the second sentence as follows 'Full reference should be made to the Nature Conservation and Biodiversity SPG, Chapter 6 PPW10 and the Chief Planning Officers letter (2019) on securing Biodiversity Enhancements.'	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3740		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of additional information for clarity. The SA conclusions remain unchanged.
FCWS/ 107		Para 11.413	Remove the words 'Where required' at the start of the paragraph.	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3741		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Deleted text allowing for closer alignment with policy. The SA conclusions remain unchanged.
FCWS/ 108		Para 11.419	Include the word 'Scrub' after 'road verges'	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3748		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor change in wording for clarity. The SA conclusions remain unchanged.
FKW/S/		Policy NE3	Criterion a) Before 'exceptional circumstances' delete 'There are', and replace with 'In'	In the interests of clarity and partly in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3746		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor change in

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								wording for clarity. The SA conclusions remain unchanged.
FCWS/ 110		Policy NE5	Insert new criterion 'e) They conserve and enhance the landscape, seascape, biodiversity and historic environment.'	To reflect the theme of the Carmarthen Bay, Gower and Swansea Bay Seascape Character Assessment and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3756		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Change in wording for clarity and to reflect the theme of the Carmarthen Bay, Gower and Swansea Bay Seascape Character Assessment. The SA conclusions remain unchanged.
FCWS/ 111		Para 11.427	Amend wording to read as follows 'New coastal management schemes or improvements to existing schemes will not be permitted for the purpose of enabling new development in areas of flood risk or coastal erosion.'	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3762		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Change in wording for clarity and to better reflect coastal management policy. The SA conclusions remain unchanged.
age 1297		Policy NE6	Replace the word 'protect in criterion g) with 'conserve'	To reflect the theme of the Carmarthen Bay, Gower and Swansea Bay Seascape Character Assessment and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3763		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Change in wording for clarity and to reflect the theme of the

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								Carmarthen Bay, Gower and Swansea Bay Seascape Character Assessment. The SA conclusions remain unchanged.
FCWS/ 113		Policy NE7	Amend wording of Section 3, criterion i. by deleting "short let holiday accommodation, static and touring caravan sites, camping sites".	In response to a representation from a statutory consultee.	3765		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor change in wording for clarity. The SA conclusions remain unchanged.
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FCWS/ 114		Policy BHE2	Amend wording of criterion b) to read as follows 'protecting international and national landscape designations including National Parks and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) and their settings.'	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3786		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor change in wording for clarity. The SA conclusions remain unchanged.
FCWS/ 115 Page 1		Para 11.454	Amend last sentence by removing 'international designation' and inserting ',Brecon Beacons, Pembrokeshire Coast National Parks and Gower AONB.'	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3787		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor change in wording for clarity. The SA conclusions remain unchanged.
FLOVS/		Para 11.456	Replace ' former Countryside Council for Wales' with 'NRW '	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3788		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor change in

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								wording for clarity. The SA conclusions remain unchanged.
FCWS/ 117		Para 11.457	Amend the first sentence to read as follows: 'The policy will be supported by a Landscape Character Assessment through Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG).'	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3789		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor change in wording for clarity. The SA conclusions remain unchanged.
Strateg	ic Policy –	SP15: Climate	e Change					
FCWS/ 118		Para 11.465	Replace the wording that follows 'Climate change' with the following text 'are profound and are acknowledged in the South West Wales Area Statement and in the declaration of a climate emergency by the Welsh Government and Carmarthenshire County Council.'	In the interests of clarity and in response to a representation received.		✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Change to phrasing to include new information. The change is likely to support the SA objectives.
FCWS/ 119		Para 11.469	Delete the words "and/or topographical survey" from the penultimate sentence of paragraph 11.469. Add the following wording at the end of paragraph 11.469 stating that: "Only less vulnerable development will be permitted within Zone C2."	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3794		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Amendment to wording for clarity. No change to the SA conclusion.
FOWS/ 128 29 99		11.472	Insert the following at beginning of paragraph 11.472 before the first sentence: 'The Welsh Government has set targets to decarbonise the public sector, and to achieve net zero carbon status by 2030.'	In the interests of clarity and in response to a representation received.		✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Additional phrasing to reiterate

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								information introduced earlier in the Plan. The change is likely to support the SA objectives.
FCWS/ 121		CCH1	Criterion a. Delete criterion a.	Partly in response to a representation. Criterion a. repeats the provisions of Policy NE2: Biodiversity.	3167	✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Removal of text to avoid duplication. Development remains subject to Policy NE2. No change to the SA conclusions.
FCWS/ 122		CCH1	Criterion d. Insert "where required" after "mitigation measures" in criterion d. The criterion therefore now reads: d. Proposals should be accompanied with appropriate mitigation measures, where required, including satisfactory restoration of land following decommissioning.	In response to a representation received.	3349		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of additional wording for clarity. No change to the SA conclusion
Page 1300		CCH1	Criterion 1. Replace 25MW with 10 MW, and insert "identified Pre-Assessed Areas for Wind Energy identified in "Future Wales" in place of "and adjoining Strategic Search Areas". Delete reference to criterion a. The criterion therefore now reads: 1. Proposals for Large Scale Wind Farms Large scale wind farms of 10MW and over will be permitted within identified Pre-Assessed	To reflect updated guidance and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3885, 3795		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Change in wording and phrasing to reflect new guidance. No change to the SA conclusion.

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			Areas for Wind Energy identified in "Future Wales" subject to them meeting criteria b to d.					
FCWS/ 124		CCH1	Criterion 2. Insert "for Solar developments" before "Local Search Areas". Replace "of between 5MW and 50MW" with "5MW and larger". "criteria a to d" should be relaced with "b to d". Insert "Developments should not have an unacceptable impact on visual amenity or landscape character." at the end of the criterion. The criterion therefore now reads: 2. Proposals for Solar developments in Local Search Areas: Proposals for solar developments of 5MW and larger will be permitted in identified Local Search Areas, subject to them meeting criteria b to d. Developments should not have an unacceptable impact on visual amenity or landscape character.	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3797	✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Change in wording to reflect new guidance. Insertion of additional text reinforcing SA objectives. No change to the SA conclusion.
FCWS/ 125		CCH1	Criterion 3. Replace "Strategic Search Areas" with "Pre-Assessed Areas". Delete "must not prejudice the purpose of these areas and". Criterion e. – replace "turbines" with	To reflect updated guidance and in response to representations, including from statutory consultees.	3885, 3795 3349		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Change in wording to reflect new guidance. No change to the SA conclusion.
age FCWS/		New Paragraph	"components". Insert a new paragraph: 11.476a Particular support will be given to renewable and low carbon energy projects which are developed by communities, or	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3349 3885		No implications for the HRA	Insertion of new paragraph to reflect new guidance.

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			which will benefit the host community. Such schemes should accord with the provisions of Policy CCH1.					Possible positive change to be recorded in the SA. To be reviewed.
FCWS/ 127		New Paragraph	Insert a new paragraph: 11.476b Associated infrastructure developments that are required to assist the delivery of renewable and low carbon schemes will be supported, for example grid infrastructure and new energy storage facilities provided they accord with the policies of the Plan.	In the interests of clarity.		✓		No significant change. Insertion of new paragraph for clarity, and to assist in delivery of CCHI objectives. No change to the SA conclusion.
FCWS/ 128		Paras 11.479 - 11.481	Delete paragraphs 11.479-11.481.	To reflect updated guidance and in response to representations, including from statutory consultees.	3885, 3795		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Deletion superfluous text in response to updated guidance. No change to the SA conclusion.
FCWS/ 129 Page 1302		New Paragraph	Insert new Paragraph: Pre-Assessed Areas for Wind Energy 11.481a "Future Wales: The National Plan 2040" identifies Pre-Assessed Areas for Wind Energy. Within these areas, there is a presumption in favour of large-scale wind energy development (including repowering). The Welsh Government has modelled the likely impact of the landscape within these areas and has found them to be capable of accommodating development in an acceptable way.	To reflect updated guidance and in response to representations, including from statutory consultees	3885, 3795		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Insertion of new paragraph to reflect updated guidance. No change to the SA conclusion.

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FCWS/ 130		Para 11.483	Replace "Four" with "Three", and replace "schemes of between 5MW and 50MW" with "schemes larger than 5MW"	To reflect the findings of the updated Renewable Energy Assessment.		✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Amendment to wording to reflect findings of the Renewable Energy Assessment. No change to the SA conclusion.
FCWS/ 131		New Table	Insert new table setting out the three Local Search Areas (insert after para 11.483) – see Appendix 3. Refer to FCM/S/a & FCN/S/b in the Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps.	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3885		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of additional information for clarity. No change to the SA conclusion.
FCWS/ 132		Para 11.483	Add the following to the end of the paragraph: "Developments will be required to minimise landscape and visual impacts."	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3796		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of additional wording to reiterate landscape requirements of Policy CCH1. No change to the SA conclusion.
PCWS/ 133 Page 1303		Table 9	Update Table 9 to reflect the results of the revised Renewable Energy Assessment – See Appendix 2.	To reflect the findings of the updated Renewable Energy Assessment.		✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of additional information for clarity and to reflect findings of the Renewable Energy

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								Assessment. No change to the SA conclusion.
FCWS/ 134		CCH2	Amend policy CCH2 to include '(as a minimum)' after 'Fast EV Charging Unit' within the requirement Flats (non-dedicated parking bays).	In response to a representation received.	3172	√	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Change in phrasing to strengthen policy. No change to the SA conclusion.
FCWS/ 135		Para 11.495	Insert the following text at the end of paragraph 11.495 under Policy CCH2: "Proposals for Flats (non-dedicated parking bays) should provide Rapid charging points where the local electricity network is technically able to support its provision and where it doesn't render the development unviable."	In response to a representation received.	3172	✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Addition of information to reinforce policy and provide clarity. No change to the SA conclusion.
FCWS/ 136 Page 1304		CCH2 - Supporting text: New paragraph	Insert the following new paragraph within the supporting text to CCH2: "This provision of this policy seeks to future-proof new housing as part of the Councils commitment to tackling the declared climate change emergency. However, it is recognised that as capacity improves across the grid there may be circumstances where he current and projected capacity is unable to meet the demands arising from the policy in relation to a particular development. In such circumstance's application should be accompanied by robust evidence detailing any such issues including viability implications in the undertaking of any infrastructure improvements would have on the development. Reference should be had to the	In response to a representation received and to improve the implementation of the policy and site delivery. The requirement for preparation of SPG will provide added clarity in the implementation of the policy and enable a more responsive approach having regard to technological developments and changes in market demand.	3368 3172	✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Addition of information to reinforce policy and provide clarity. No change to the SA conclusion.

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			SPG for ULEV requirements in new developments. "					
FCWS/ 137		CCH3 - Para 11.502	Insert the following text at the end of the paragraph: 'Reference is made to restoration as a key principle of the Water Framework Directive, such as the use of green engineering to restore the natural state and functioning of the river system by removing culverts to help support biodiversity, recreation, flood management and landscape development.'	To address the key principles of the Water Framework Directive and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3802		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of additional information and change in wording to reflect the key principles of the Water Framework Directive. The SA conclusions remain unchanged.
FCWS/ 138		Para 11.505	At the end of the paragraph insert the following: 'Reference should be made to Carmarthen Bay Abstraction Licencing Strategy (2014).'	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3804		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of additional information for clarity. The SA conclusions remain unchanged.
FCWS/ 139 Page FCWS/		Para 11.506	Include the following text in 11.506 not 11.502, at the end of the paragraph: 'In some circumstances activity near watercourses will need consents including Flood Risk Activity Permits (FRAP) from NRW on main rivers and/or Flood Defence Consents from the LLFA on ordinary watercourses'	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3803		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of additional information for clarity. The SA conclusions remain unchanged.
FCWS/ 1 40 05		Para 11.506 –	Delete the last sentence of paragraph 11.506, and replace with the following:	In the interests of clarity and in order to provide sufficient guidance to developers		✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of additional information for

FCWS/	New paragraph	'The requirement for an appropriate buffer adjoining both banks should be incorporated into any proposals to protect and encourage local biodiversity. The requirement is 8 meters where proposals relate to a main river, and 7 meters where proposals relate to an ordinary watercourse.' Insert a new paragraph within the supporting text of Policy CCH3 to read as follows: "Reference should be had to paragraph 11.534(a) of Policy PSD12 in relation to proposals that can lead to increases in	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	Represent ation	Council	No implications for the HRA	clarity. The SA conclusions remain unchanged. No significant change. Addition of new
· ·		adjoining both banks should be incorporated into any proposals to protect and encourage local biodiversity. The requirement is 8 meters where proposals relate to a main river, and 7 meters where proposals relate to an ordinary watercourse.' Insert a new paragraph within the supporting text of Policy CCH3 to read as follows: "Reference should be had to paragraph 11.534(a) of Policy PSD12 in relation to	response to representation from	3752		•	conclusions remain unchanged. No significant change. Addition of new
· ·		supporting text of Policy CCH3 to read as follows: "Reference should be had to paragraph 11.534(a) of Policy PSD12 in relation to	response to representation from	3752		•	change. Addition of new
		nutrient loading to the environment and the potential impact on water and air."					paragraph for clarity and to reinforce environmental legislation. The change remains consistent with the SA objectives. No change to the SA conclusion
CCWS/	CCH4	Add the following wording at the end of criterion a) of policy CCH4 to state as follows: "However, only less vulnerable development will be permitted within Zone C2." Consequential amendment of deletion of sentence 2 of paragraph 11.514.	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3883		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Amendment to policy wording for clarity. No change to the SA conclusion.
ල)/s/ සූල e 1306	CCH6	Insert the following at the start of para 11.522: 'Proposals must be appropriate to the landscape and ecology character of the locality.'	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3805		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Addition of wording to add clarity.

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FCWS/ 144		TRA4	Insert the following text at the end of the policy 'The importance of redundant rail corridors as wildlife corridors and opportunities for expanding the network of green and blue infrastructure is recognised.'	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3806		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Addition of wording to add clarity and reinforce sustainability policy.
Strateg	ic Policy –	SP18: Mineral	Resources					
FCWS/ 145		Policy SP18	Add the following wording to the end of Policy SP18: "For sand and gravel, an 'Area of search' has been defined on the Proposals Map which will form the basis for future exploration and production in order to satisfy the broader subregional requirement as set out in RTS2." Refer to FCM/SG/a in the Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps.	In response to representation from statutory consultee, and to reflect the provisions of Regional Technical Statement for the North Wales and South Wales Regional Aggregate Working Parties— Second Review (RTS2).	3889		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of additional wording for clarity and to reflect updated guidance. No change to the SA conclusion.
Page		Policy SP18 Subsection a)	Text of subsection a) of Policy SP18 to be amended to: "Ensuring an adequate supply of minerals, including maintaining an adequate landbank of permitted aggregate reserves (a minimum 10 years for hard crushed rock, and a minimum 7 years for sand and gravel) throughout the Plan period;"	In the interests of clarity and in response to a representation received.	3560		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Amendment to wording for clarity where the meaning and permitted reserve amounts remain the same. No change to the SA conclusion.
FCWS/ 199		Policy SP18 Subsection c)	Text of subsection c) of Policy SP18 to be amended to:	In the interests of clarity and in response to a representation received.	3561		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of additional wording for

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			"Safeguarding minerals infrastructure, and areas underlain by minerals of economic importance where they could be worked in the future, to ensure that such resources and infrastructure are not unnecessarily sterilised by other forms of development;"					clarity. No change to the SA conclusion.
FCWS/ 148		Para. 11.555	Amend the first sentence of paragraph 11.555 in accordance with PPW10, paragraph 5.14.2, bullet point 1 as follows: "The LDP will seek to ensure that the County provides positively for the working of mineral resources to meet society's needs, and that such resources and minerals infrastructure are safeguarded from sterilisation."		3562, 4409 (agreed in part)		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of additional wording for clarity and to strengthen the policy. No change to the SA conclusion.
FCWS/ 149		Para. 11.557 & 11.558	Amend paragraphs 11.557 and 11.558 to reflect the recent publication of the RTS 2nd Review, as follows (N.B the new wording comprises 5 paragraphs. Consequential changes will be made to subsequent paragraph numbers): "Regional Technical Statement for the North Wales and South Wales Regional Aggregate Working Parties— Second Review (RTS2) (September 2020) sets out the contribution that each constituent local authority should make towards meeting the regional demand for aggregates (both hard crushed rock, and sand and gravel).	To reflect the recent publication of the RTS 2nd Review and in response to a representation.	3563, 3564 (agreed in part), 3565, 3889		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of additional text to reflect new guidance. The addition is consistent with the SA objectives. No change to the SA conclusion.
Page 1308			For crushed rock, Carmarthenshire forms part of the Swansea City Sub-region, along with the local authorities of Swansea and Neath Port Talbot. Although a present, Swansea is unable to demonstrate an inability to meet RTS2 apportionments, there are more than sufficient reserves within NPT and					

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Pa	Chapter		Carmarthenshire to take up the joint apportionment within this period without resulting in under provision. A statement of sub-regional collaboration (SSRC) has been produced which demonstrates how the constituent Authorities satisfy the requirements of RTS2 in respect of future crushed rock provision. In terms of sand and gravel provision, it must be noted that the First Review of the RTS (RTS1) suggested that there would be merit in developing a combined approach to future apportionments and allocations between Pembrokeshire, Ceredigion and Carmarthenshire. Although Carmarthenshire is in a separate sub-region (primarily because of the market for crushed rock in the Swansea area), it is recommended in RTS2 that these joint working arrangements should continue, with regard to sand & gravel. Therefore, there needs to be a joint approach to provision of the allocation requirement for 3.626 million tonnes over the period up to 2038. In the event that the allocations for sand and gravel in the three constituent authorities are not sufficient to meet the 3.626 million tonnes over the period up to 2038, then Consequently, an 'area of search' for sand and gravel has been identified on the proposals map (with further areas being identified by				HRA	SA/SEA
age 1			Pembrokeshire and Ceredigion in their respective Revised LDPs). Furthermore, a					
1309			statement of sub-regional collaboration (SSRC) has been produced which demonstrates how the constituent Authorities satisfy the					

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			requirements of RTS2 in respect of future sand and gravel provision.					
			In respect of working the resource within the area of search, this will not be carried out within 100m of residential properties. Furthermore, proposals will need to accord with the criteria set out within Policy MR1 Mineral Proposals."					
FCWS/ 150		Policy MR1	Amend Policy MR1 to include an additional criterion will be included as follows: "Effective measures should ensure that utilities infrastructure is protected."	In the interests of clarity and in response to representation from statutory consultee.	3515		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of additional criterion for clarity. The change remains consistent with the objectives of the SA.
FCWS/ 151		Para. 11.560	Amend the paragraph 11.560 to read as follows: "The purpose of the policy is to maintain a balance between meeting national, regional and local demand for minerals and minimising the potential adverse effects that could result from such operations."	In the interests of clarity and in response to a representation received.	3566, 3844, 3863		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of additional wording for clarity. No change to the SA conclusions.
FCWS/ 152 Page 1310		MR2 Para. 11.562	Amend the first sentence of paragraph 11.562 to read as follows: "Buffer zones are used to provide areas of protection around permitted and proposed mineral workings where new development which would be sensitive to adverse impact, including residential areas, hospitals, schools, should be resisted."	In the interests of clarity and to reflect the provisions of Planning Policy Wales.	3568		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of additional wording for clarity. No change to the SA conclusions.

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FCWS/ 153		Para. 11.562	Amend the last sentence of paragraph 11.562 to read as follows: "The identification of buffer zones will ensure that there is clear guidance on the proximity of mineral operations to sensitive land uses, and that the potential impact of mineral workings is recognised and planned for in the area around the existing and proposed mineral operations."	In the interests of clarity and to reflect the provisions of Planning Policy Wales.	3569 (agreed in part)		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Inclusion of additional wording for clarity. No change to the SA conclusions.
FCWS/ 154		Policy MR3	Amended the title of Policy MR3 to read as follows: "MR3: Mineral Safeguarding Areas" Amend policy MR3 to delete reference to 'Areas of Search'.	In the interests of clarity and to reflect national policy.	3570, 3846 (agreed in part)		No implications for the HRA	Amendment made to MR3 title within the SA. Minor change in wording to add clarity.
FCWS/ 155		Para. 11.565	Change reference to Policy 'MPP1' to Policy 'MR1'.	In the interests of clarity and to amend a typographic error.	3846		No implications for the HRA	No significant change. Minor change in policy number to remedy a typographic error.
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FCWS/ 156 Dag		New appendix	Amend the monitoring and implementation framework to reflect the provisions of the LDP Manual Edition 3. Specific reference will be made to monitoring mechanisms around site delivery.	To reflect national guidance.	3871			
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FCVS/ 151 —		Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA)	Amend the Glossary of Terms to reflect the following. Update to reflect the 2017 Regulations and different regulation numbers. Replace with:	To reflect updated regulation.		✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change.

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			'The screening and appropriate assessment of options required under Part 6 and Chapter 8 of The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (the Habitats Regulations) is a recognised iterative process which helps determine the likely significant effect on a plan or programme and (where appropriate) assess adverse impacts on the integrity of a European site. The assessment is required to be undertaken by a competent authority in respect of plans or projects which are likely to have a significant effect (alone and in combination with other plans and projects) on a "European Site" (see paragraph 5.1.2 of Tan 5) The UK is bound by the terms of the EC Birds and Habitats Directives and the Ramsar Convention. The Conservation (Natural Habitats &c.) Regulations 1994 (the Habitats Regulations) and the Offshore Marine Conservation (Natural Habitats &c) Regulations 2007 refer to "European sites" and "European Offshore Marine Sites".'					
FCWS/ 158			Amend the Glossary to include the following: The Welsh National Marine Plan (WNMP) 2019 prepared and adopted under the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009.	In the interests of clarity and to reflect updated regulation		→	No implications for the HRA	No significant change.
FCWS/ 159 Page 1312			Addition of South West Wales Area Statement (2020) into the glossary, with the following text: 'One of the 7 area statements produced in Wales by NRW as a collaborative response to the Natural Resources Policy (NRP), published by the Welsh Government in 2017, which sets out the key challenges and opportunities for the sustainable management of Wales' natural resources into the future.'	In the interests of clarity and to reflect updated regulation		✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change.
Appe	endix 1	: Context	t – Legislative and National P	lanning Policy Guidan	се			

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FCWS/ 160		New Addition	Addition of South West Wales Area Statement to Appendix 1 (Regional)	In the interests of clarity and to reflect new regulation		√	No implications for the HRA	No significant change.
FCWS/ 161		New Addition	Addition of Welsh National Marine Plan (WNMP) 2019 to Appendix 1 (National)	In the interests of clarity and to reflect new legislation		✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change.
FCWS/ 162		New Addition	Addition of Regional Technical Statement (RTS) for the South Wales Regional Aggregate Working Party 2nd Review 2020	In the interests of clarity and to reflect new guidance	3574		No implications for the HRA	No significant change.
FCWS/ 163		New Addition	Addition of Commercial Property: Market Analysis and Potential Interventions: A report to the Welsh Government, March 2020	In the interests of clarity and to reflect new guidance		✓	No implications for the HRA	No significant change.
Appe	endix 2	: Regiona	I and Local Strategic Conte	ct				
FCWS/ 164		New Addition	Add the following new sentence at the end of the paragraph "Report and Recommendations of the Carmarthenshire Rural Affairs Task Group paragraph" (Local Context Section). "Reference is made to the 'Moving Rural Carmarthenshire Forward' Report (June 2019). The final report was approved at Full Council on the 11 September 2019 and is available on the Council's website."	In the interests of clarity and to reflect the corporate context in which the Plan is prepared.		√	No implications for the HRA	No significant change.
FCWS/ 165 Page		New Addition	Add the below new text within the Local Context Section beneath the section reviewing the Modernising Education Programme (MEP) to read as follows: "The Welsh language	In the interests of clarity and to reflect the corporate context in which the Plan is prepared.		√	No implications for the HRA	No significant change.
e 1313			"The importance of the Welsh language in the social fabric of the County's communities is reflected in its significance at a corporate level					

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			within the Council. Of particular note in this					
			regard are the below:					
			1 Welsh in Education Strategic Plan 2017-2020;					
			2 Welsh Language Standards (Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011) Compliance Notice (issue date 30/9/2015) and the Welsh Language Standards Action Plan (2020/2021); and					
			3 The Welsh Language Promotion Strategy 2016-2021.					
			All of these documents can be viewed on the Council's website."					
	endix 3	: Suppler	mentary Planning Guidance					
FCWS/ 166			List of SPG to be amended to reflect changes in the dates of preparation.	To reflect the changes in the Revised LDP timetable and the need to review timings of their preparation.		V	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change.
Appe	endix 7	: Housing	g Trajectory					
FCWS/ 167			Remove PrC1/h1 from the trajectory.	Uncertainty over the delivery.		√	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site
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F CW S/ 1 <u>68</u> 4			Include "Adj Tyle Teg, Llysysonnen Road" for 7 dwellings, and consequential amendment to Appendix 7.	To reflect a site that is currently under construction		✓	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in	No significant change. Assessment already captured

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			Trajectory to read as follows: 2019-2020: 4 units, 2020-2021: 1 unit, 2021-2022: 2 units.				HRA where necessary	via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary
FCWS/ 169			Include "Land adjacent Ty Gwynfa, Carmarthen" for 10 dwellings Trajectory to read as follows: 2020-2021: 10 units.	To reflect a site that is currently under construction		✓	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary
FCWS/ 170		SuV3/h1	Reduce the allocated figure of SuV3/h1 from 19 to 16 units. Amend trajectory to remove 3 units from 2023-2024.	To reflect the planning permission		✓	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary
FCWS/ 171		SuV11/h1	Amend trajectory to read as follows: 6 dwellings in 2022/23 & 6 dwellings in 2023/24.	To reflect feedback from landowner / developer.		✓	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary
FCWS/ 172 Page 1315		PrC2/h2	Amend site capacity to 15 units. Trajectory to read as follows: 5 units in 2021-22 and 10 units in 2022-23.	To reflect the planning application.	3677	✓	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary

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FCWS/ 173		PrC2/h8	Deletion from Appendix 7 (deletion of 9 units).	To reflect the fact that planning permission S/40455 contains four c3 use class units and the site should not therefore be allocated.		✓	Deletion of housing allocation from HRA. No implications for the HRA conclusions.	Deletion of housing allocation from SA. No implications for the SA conclusions
FCWS/ 174		PrC2/h11	Trajectory to read as follows: 20 units in 2024-25, 25 units in 2025-26 and 9 units in 2026-27.	To reflect feedback from landowner / developer.		✓	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary
FCWS/ 175		PrC2/h16	Trajectory to read as follows: 45 units in 2024/2025.	To reflect progress made in planning application and feedback from landowner / developer.		✓	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary
FCWS/ 176		PrC2/h19	Amend site capacity to 270 units (240 unit commitment, 30 unit allocation). Trajectory to read as follows: 30 units in 2022/2023 within the allocation table.		4395	✓	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary
PEWS/ 177 316		PrC2/h20	Trajectory to read as follows: 3 units in 2022/23 and 3 units in 2023/24.	To reflect feedback from landowner / developer.		✓	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of

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							HRA where necessary	sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary.
FCWS/ 178		PrC2/MU2	Deletion from Appendix 7 – (deletion of 35 units).	In response to a representation from a statutory consultee.	3581 (agreed in part)		Amend site allocation in the HRA where necessary.	Amend site allocation in the SA where necessary.
FCWS/ 179			Include YMCA Building, Stepney Street, Llanelli Town Centre within the Trajectory for 8 units Trajectory to be as follows: Delivery of the 8 units in 2022/23.	To reflect planning application progress and the corporate emphasis / investment in Llanelli Town Centre. To reflect planning reference: PL/00673.		✓	Possible positive effect to be recorded in the HRA. To be reviewed. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	Possible positive effect to be recorded in the SA. To be reviewed. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary
FCWS/ 180			Include site at Llwynhendy Road, Llanelli within the Trajectory for 13 units. Trajectory to be as follows: 7 units in 2021/2022 and 6 units in 2022-2023.	To reflect planning reference: PL/00179. Progress is being made in bringing the site forward and the Council's previous concerns on the retention of this Adopted LDP allocation (deliverability) have been addressed.		✓	No implications for the HRA conclusions. Include new site allocation in HRA where necessary.	Assessment to be captured via the SA of sites. Include new site allocation in SA where necessary.
FCWS/ 181			Include site at Caegar, Bryn within the Trajectory for 20 units. Trajectory to be as follows: 20 units in 2021/2022.	To reflect the fact that the Pre- Application Consultation is competed and the confidence in deliverability (social housing provider). The Council's previous concerns on the retention of this parcel of land as part of a wider allocation (deliverability) have been addressed.		✓	No implications for the HRA conclusions. Include new site allocation in HRA where necessary.	Assessment to be captured via the SA of sites. Include new site allocation in SA where necessary.
1317				Refer to planning reference: PL/00851				

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Rei	Chapter				Represent ation	Council Change	HRA	SA/SEA
FCWS/ 182		SeC6/h2	Trajectory to read as follows: 7 units in 2022-2023, 8 units in 2023-2024, 8 units in 2024-2025 and 8 units in 2025-2026 within the allocation table.	To reflect progress made in planning application and feedback from landowner / developer.	3358	✓	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary
FCWS/ 183		Sec6/h5	Delete from Appendix 7 (deletion of 17 units).	Whilst the allocation of the site was in accordance with the Site Assessment Methodology – feedback post publication of the deposit Plan has led to a lack of confidence in the site's deliverability. Reference can be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3345 within the report of representations to the deposit LDP – policy HOM1 – Housing Allocations – site Sec6/h5.		✓	No implications for the HRA. Delete site allocation in HRA where necessary.	No significant change. Delete site allocation in SA where necessary.
FCWS/ 184		SeC7/h4	Amend site capacity to 30 units. Trajectory to read as follows: 10 units in 2022/23 and 20 units in 2023/24.	To reflect progress made in planning application and feedback from landowner / developer.	3801	✓	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary
PCWS/ 185 Page 1318		SeC7/h5	Amend site capacity to 7 units. Trajectory to read as follows: 3 units in 2022/23 and 4 units in 2023/24.	To reflect feedback from landowner / developer.		✓	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary

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Rei	Chapter				Represent ation	Council Change	HRA	SA/SEA
FCWS/ 186		SuV23/h1	Amend site capacity to 16 units. Trajectory to read as follows: 5 units in 2021-2022, 5 units in 2022-2023 and 6 units in 2023-2024. (Refer also to FCWS/33)	To reflect feedback from landowner / developer.		✓	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary.
FCWS/ 187		Prc3/h13	Increase the allocated figure for site PrC3/h13 from 101 to 135 dwellings. Trajectory to read as follows: 2018-2019: 34 units, 2019-2020: 27 units, 2020-2021: 36 units, 2021-2022: 36 units.	To reflect the planning permission and to include the 34 dwellings built during the period 2018-2019.		✓	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary
FCWS/ 188		PrC3/h20	Decrease the allocation of PrC3/h20 from 42 to 38 dwellings. Trajectory to read as follows: 10 units in 2029-2030, 10 units in 2030-2031, 9 units in 2031-2032 and 9 units in 2032-2033 within the allocation table.	To reflect the difference in land ownership and developer.		✓	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites.
FCWS/ 189 Page		PrC3/h23	Amend the trajectory and decrease the allocation of PrC3/h23 from 15 to 13. Amend trajectory to remove 2 units from 2020-2021.	To take into account the 2 dwellings built outside the plan period.		√	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites.
FCWS/ 199 0		PrC3/h24	Amend the trajectory and decrease the allocation of PrC3/h24 from 11 to 7.	To take into account the 4 dwellings built outside the plan period.		✓	No implications for the HRA.	No significant change. Assessment already captured

Change	Section/	Para/ Policy	Description of Change	Reason/Comment	Sou	rce	Implications	
Ref	Chapter				Represent ation	Council Change	HRA	SA/SEA
			Amend trajectory to remove 4 units from 2019-2020.					via the SA of sites.
FCWS/ 191		Prc3/h32	Increase the allocated figure for site Prc3/h32 from 62 to 72 dwellings Amend trajectory for 2027-2028 as follows: Additional 10 dwellings for 2027-2028, consequential increase to 15 dwellings from 5 dwellings.	To reflect the planning permission and the correspondence from landowner		✓	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary
FCWS/ 192			Include "Llys Dolgader" for 9 dwellings, in the Housing Trajectory. Trajectory to read as follows: 2020-2021: 9 units.	To reflect a site that is currently under construction		*	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary
FCWS/ 193		SeC10/h1	Increase the allocated figure for site SeC10/h1 from 9 to 12 dwellings Amend trajectory and add 3 dwellings for 2023-2024.	To reflect the planning permissions		V	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary
FCWS/ 194 Page 1320		SeC12/h3	Amend the trajectory as follows: 5 units in 2023-24; 5 in 2024-25; 5 in 2025-26; 5 in 2026-27.	To reflect discussion with the land owner's agent.		✓	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary

Change	Section/	Para/ Policy	Description of Change	Reason/Comment	Sou	rce	Implications		
Ref	Chapter				Represent ation	Council Change	HRA	SA/SEA	
FCWS/ 195		SuV33/h1	Amend the site capacity to 5 and amend the trajectory as follows: 2027-2028: 2 units, 2028-2029: 2units, 2029-2030: 1 unit.	To reflect feedback from landowner / developer.	3195, 3372.		No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary	
FCWS/ 196		SuV36/h2	Amend site capacity to 16 and amend the trajectory to read: 16 dwellings to be delivered in 2024/25.	To reflect feedback from landowner / developer.		✓	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary	
FCWS/ 197		SuV37/h2	Amend the trajectory to read as follows: 2024-2025 : 5 units, 2025-2026 : 5 units, 2026-2027 : 5 units, 2027-2028 : 5 units.	To reflect feedback from landowner / developer.	3147		No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary	
FCWS/ 198		SeC16/h3	Increase the allocated figure for site SeC16/h3 from 5 to 15 dwellings. Amend trajectory to read as follows: 2023-2024: 2 units, 2024-2025: 2 units, 2025-2026: 2 units, 2026-2027: 2 units, 2027-2028 2 units, 2028-2029: 3units, 2029-2030: 2 units.	To reflect a more accurate developable number for the site.		✓	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in HRA where necessary	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary	
agws/ 199 321		SuV35/h1	Amend the trajectory as follows: 5 units in 2023-24; 5 in 2024-25; 5 in 2025-26; 5 in 2026-27; 5 in 2027-28; 5 in 2028-29; 5 in 2029-30.	To reflect discussion with the land owner's agent.		√	No implications for the HRA. Amend site allocation in	No significant change. Assessment already captured via the SA of	

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Rei	Chapter				Represent ation	Council Change	HRA	SA/SEA
							HRA where necessary	sites. Amend site allocation in SA where necessary
FCWS/ 200			Further changes will be made to the trajectory to reflect site visit data on housing completions (undertaken in September 2020) and consequential changes to update estimated completion rates based on site knowledge.					
			The next update to the housing trajectory will take place in April / May 2021 following site visit data and evidence from the period 2020/2021.					

Appendix A – Revised Table 6: Employment Land Provision (see FCWS/50)							
	A. LDP Alloc	B. Complete	C. Completed but not forming part of allocated figure	D. Committed	E. Residual Supply (A-B-D=E)		
PC1 – Carmarthen	19.14	0	0	2.18	16.96		
PC2 – Llanelli	15.77	0	0	0	15.77		
PC3 – Ammanford/ Cross Hands	33.93	0	0	10.39	23.54		
Service Centres	7.54	0	0	3.93	3.61		
Sustainable Villages	0	0	0	0	0		
	0	0	0	0	0		
Total	76.38	0	0	16.50	59.88		

Appendix B – Revised Table 9 (see FCWS/133)

				Existing		Additional** Target 2033		Total Installed	Total Energy
Energy	Capacity Factor							Capacity	Generated
Technology	Assume d	Electrical Capacity (MWe)	Energy Generated (MWh)	Installed Capacity (MW)	Energy Generated (MWh)	Installed Capacity (MWe)	Energy Generated (MWh)	2033 (MWe)	2033 (MWh)
Wind Power***	0.27	935.4	2,212,408	164.1	388,129	588.5	1,391,979	752.6	1,780,109
Biomass Energy Crop (CHP)	0.9	18.4	144,857	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Energy from Waste with CHP	0.9	0.7	5,751	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Hydropower	0.37	6.7	21,860	6.6	21,304	0.1	417	6.7	21,721
Landfill Gas	0.6	2.3	11,826	2.3	11,826	0.0	0	2.3	11,826
Solar PV Farms***	0.1	24,768.6	21,697,316	126.5	110,851	305.2	267,311	431.7	378,162
Other including food waste, animal slurry, poultry litter, sewage sludge and sewage gas. (AD with CHP)	0.42	3.3	12,046	1.0	3,679	1.3	4,857	2.3	8,536
Building Integrated	0.1	52.7	46,133	29.4	25,792	4.6	4,068	34.1	29,860
Total		25,788	24,151,498	330	561,534	900	1,668,633	1,230	2,230,214
Electrical energy demand 2008					923,148	Projected ele	ectrical energy	demand	917,389
ercentage electricity demar	nd met by re	newable ene	rgy resource	61%				243%	

^{*}This is the maximum resource; it includes existing capacity and 100% of the potential.

^{*}Targets are based on a percentage of maximum potential minus existing generation.

^{*}The 2033 target includes 75% uptake of the wind and 1% of solar PV resource potential in the NDF priority areas and 100% uptake of the remaining area of the TAN8 site (wind) within Carmarthenshire as PPW requires planning authorities to ensure potential for renewable and low carbon energy generation is maximised.

Appendix C – New Table (see FCWS/131) (to be inserted after para 11.483)

LSA	LSA Area (KM2)	Potential Installed	
		Capacity (MW)	
Α	3.31	72.9	North East of Farmers
В	0.90	23.8	Mynydd Pencarreg
С	0.99	30.3	West of Talley

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Appendix 9: Schedule of Focused Changes: Proposals Maps

Change Ref	Settlement	Site Ref	Description of Change	Reason/Comment	So	urce
		(where applicable)			Represe -ntation	Council Change
Inset Maps						
Cluster 1						
FCM/PrC1/a	Carmarthen	PrC1/h1	Remove the housing allocation from the site. (Consequential changes to the Written Statement – Reference should be made to the Schedule of	Uncertainty over the delivery.	4145, 4278	
			Focused Changes: Written Statement).			
FCM/PrC1/b	Carmarthen		Include site "Adj Tyle Teg, Llysonnen Road" which is currently under construction (planning application ref: W/36311) with a consequential amendment to the development limits.	To reflect a site that is currently under construction.		✓
			(Consequential changes to the Written Statement – Reference should be made to the Schedule of Focused Changes: Written Statement).			
FCM/PrC1/c	Carmarthen (Llanllwch)	AS/098/004	Amend the development limit to include the site AS/098/004.	To allow the flexibility for potential future development within a settlement with otherwise very limited growth.	3276	
FCM/PrC1/d	Carmarthen		Amend the development limit to include the dwelling known as Waun-y-Groes and land to the south.	To allow the flexibility for potential future development / logical rounding off.		√
FCM/PrC1/e Page	Carmarthen		Deletion of the Primary Town Centre Retail Area and the Secondary Town Centre Retail Area. Reference should be made to FCM/PrC1/f and the Schedule of Focused Changes: Written	To respond to the impacts arising from Covid-19 on the Retail Town Centre and to reflect national policy objectives.		✓
1327			Statement.	To reflect the focused changes in relation to retail policies and notably the deletion of RTC1 and the amendments to policy SP2.		

Change Ref	Settlement	Site Ref	Description of Change	Reason/Comment	Source	
		(where applicable)			Represe -ntation	Council Change
FCM/PrC1/f	Carmarthen		Amend the Inset Map to include a newly defined Town Centre boundary for Carmarthen. Reference should be made to FCM/PrC1/e and the Schedule of Focused Changes: Written Statement.	To respond to the impacts arising from Covid-19 on the Retail Town Centre and to reflect national policy objectives. To reflect the focused changes in relation to retail policies and notably the deletion of RTC1.		
FCM/PrC1/g	Carmarthen		Include site "Land adjacent Ty Gwynfa" which is currently under construction (planning application ref: W/38292). (Consequential changes to the Written Statement – Reference should be made to the Schedule of Focused Changes: Written Statement).	To reflect a site that is currently under construction.		√
FCM/SeC1/a	Meinciau	AS/113/007	Amend the development limits to include the site AS/113/007.	To reflect the existing pattern of the existing built form.	3463	
FCM/SeC2/a	Ferryside	Part of AS/058/004	Amend the development limits to include part of the site AS/058/004.	To allow the flexibility for potential future development within a settlement with otherwise very limited small site growth.	3225	
FCM/SuV13/a	Llandyfaelog	AS/083/001	Amend the inset map to include the site AS/083/001.	To allow the flexibility for potential future development within a settlement with otherwise very limited growth.	3148, 3231, 3668	✓
ECM/SuV13/b age	Llandyfaelog	AS/083/003	Amend the Inset map to include an area of open space to the rear of the Community Hall.	To reflect the play area currently in situ.	4364	

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		(where applicable)			Represe -ntation	Council Change
FCM/WM/a	Nantycaws	AS/118/005	Identify the full extent of the revised site area for Nantycaws Waste Management Site (as set out in rep 4370) on the Proposals Map (Reference should be made to the Schedule of Focused Changes: Written Statement, which identifies the change of the site from a reserve site to a mixed use site).	To acknowledge the strategic importance of the site and to reflect the future potential in terms of sustainable uses.	4370	

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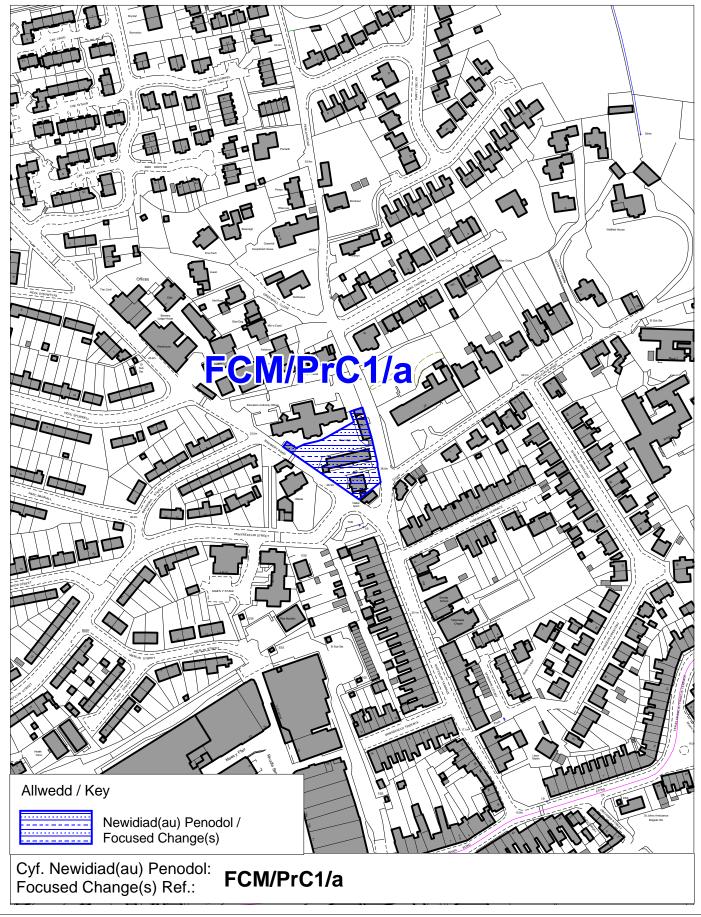
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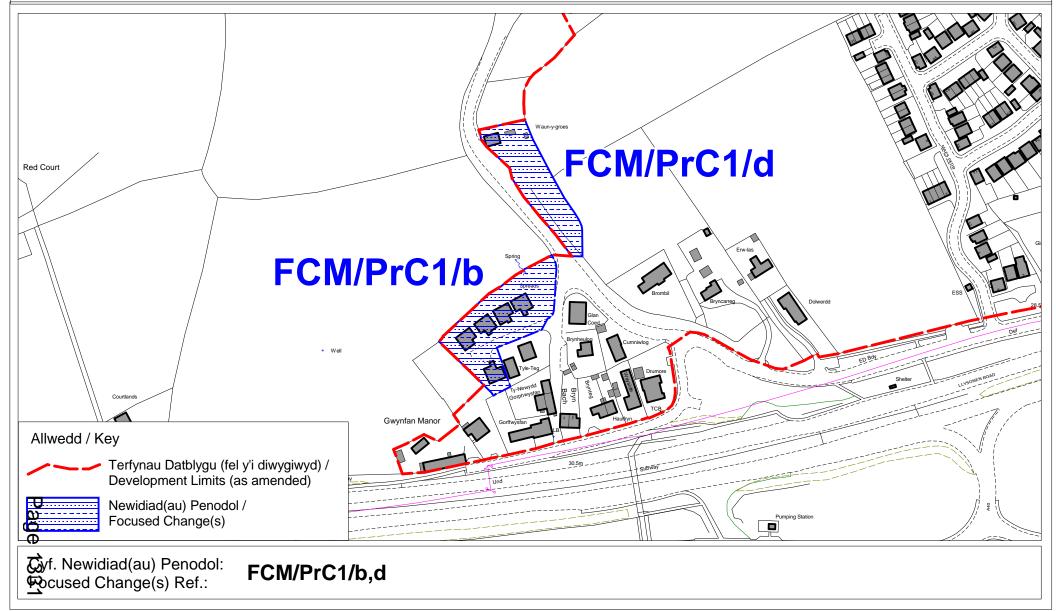
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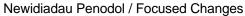
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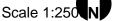




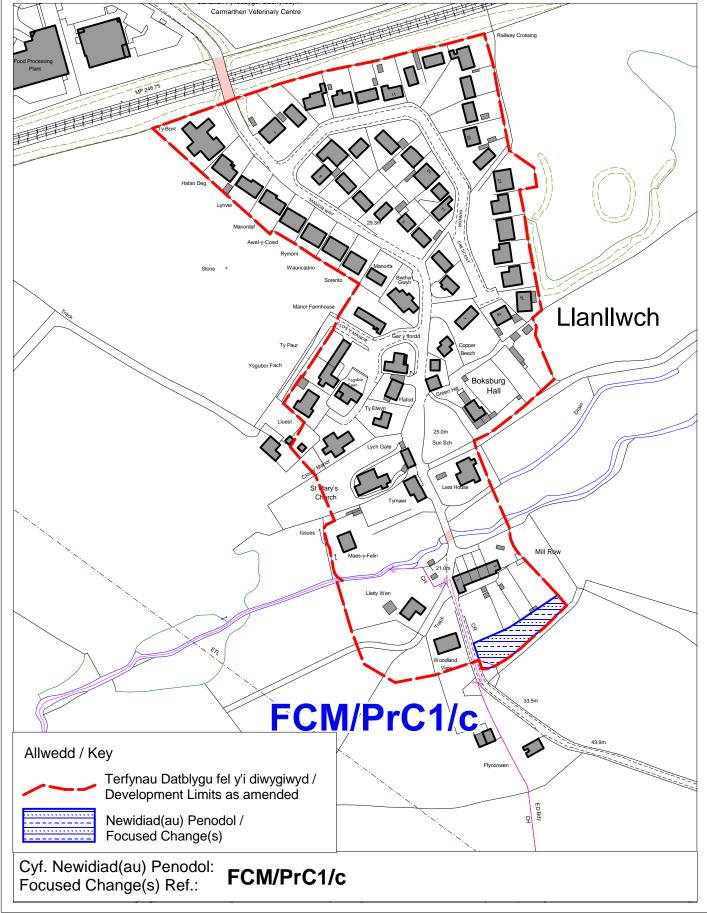
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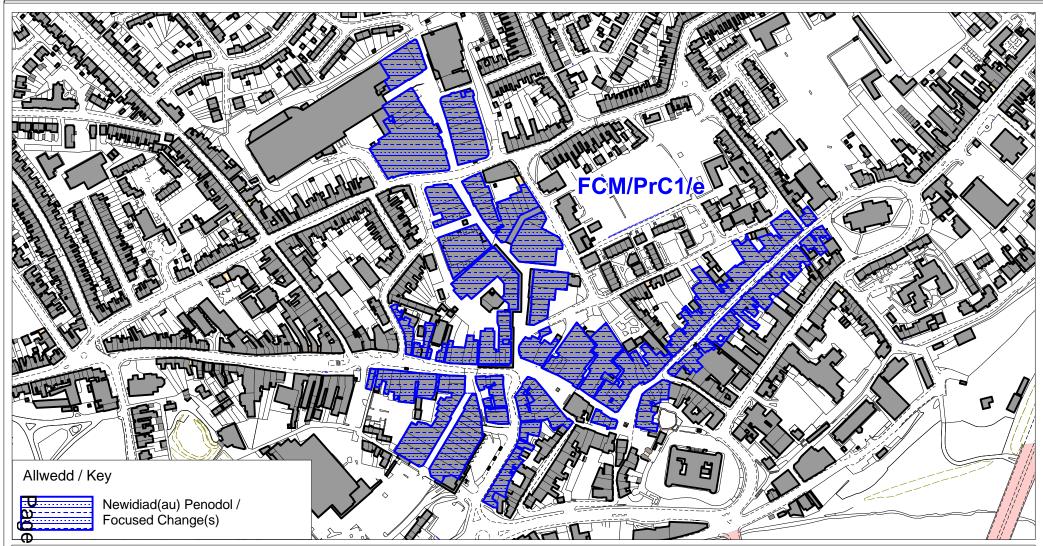
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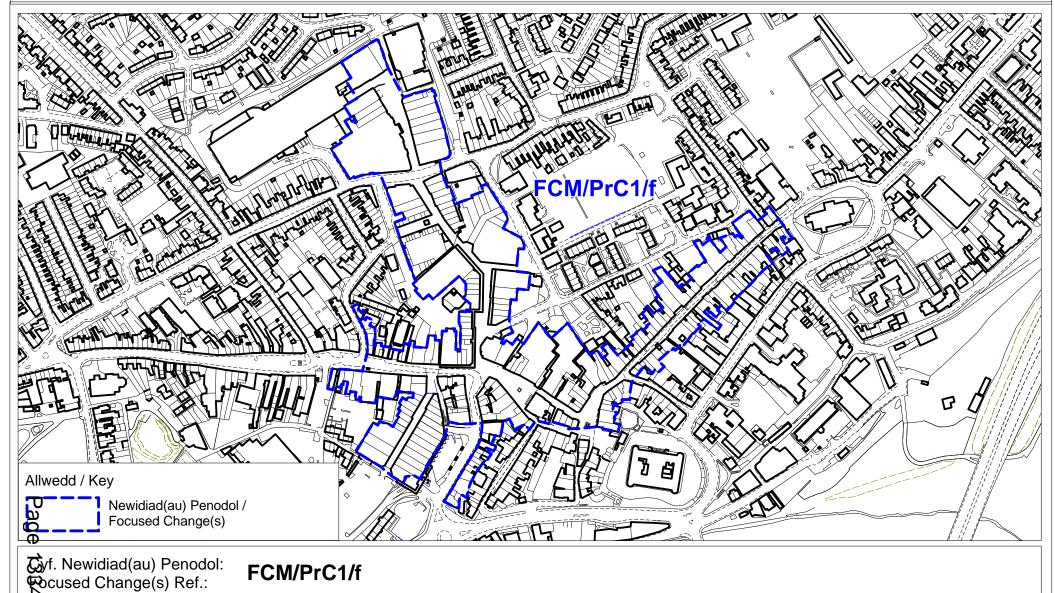
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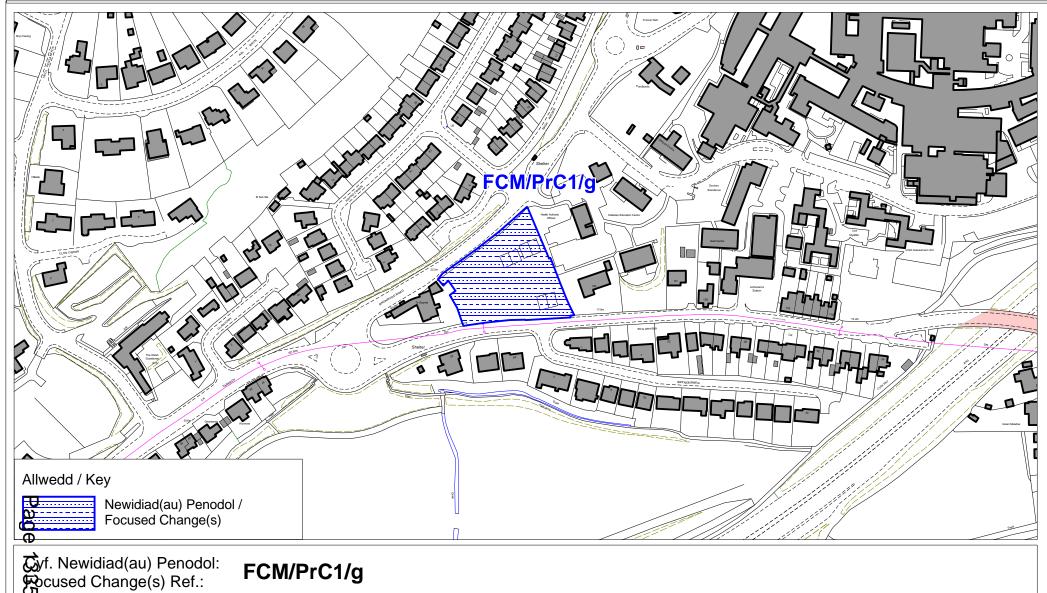
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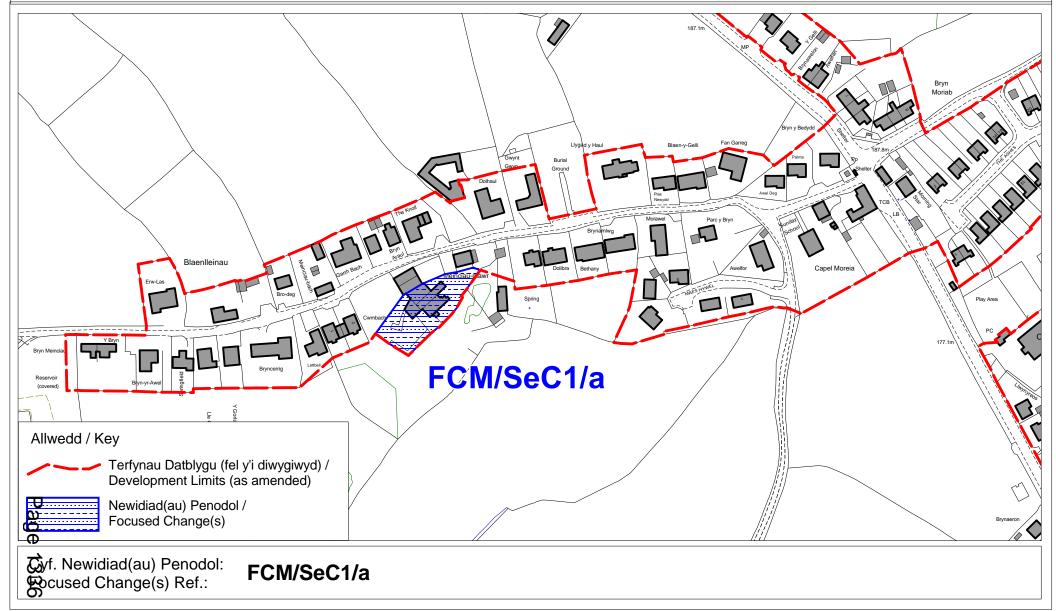
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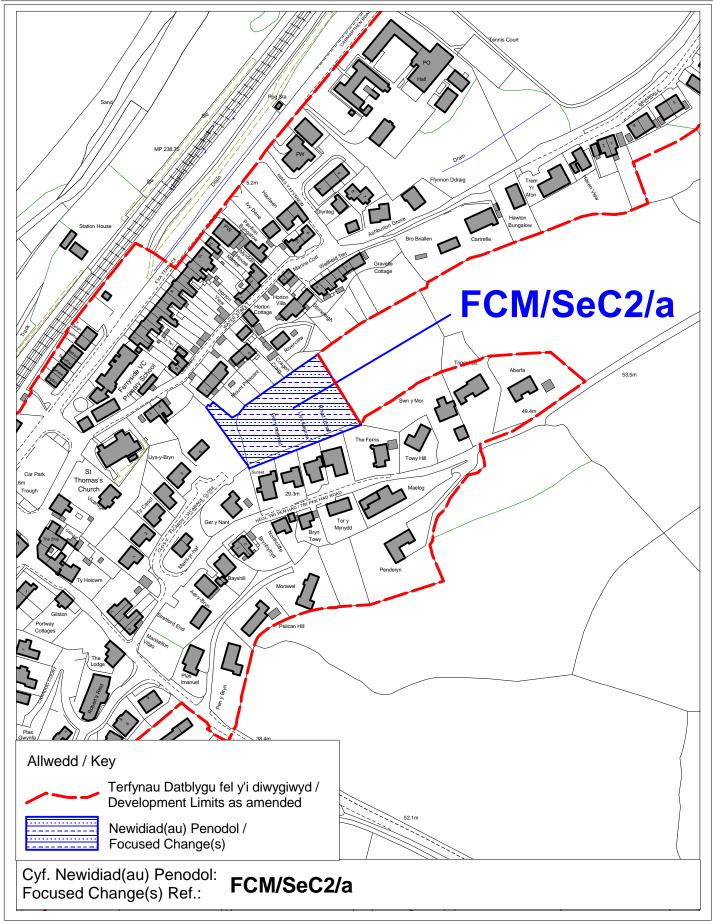


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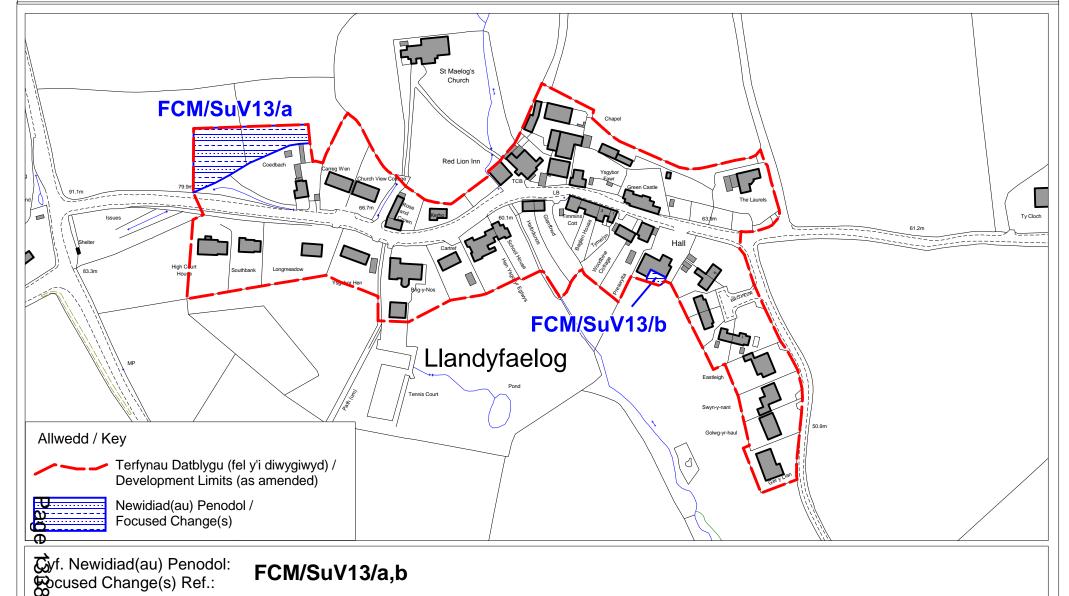


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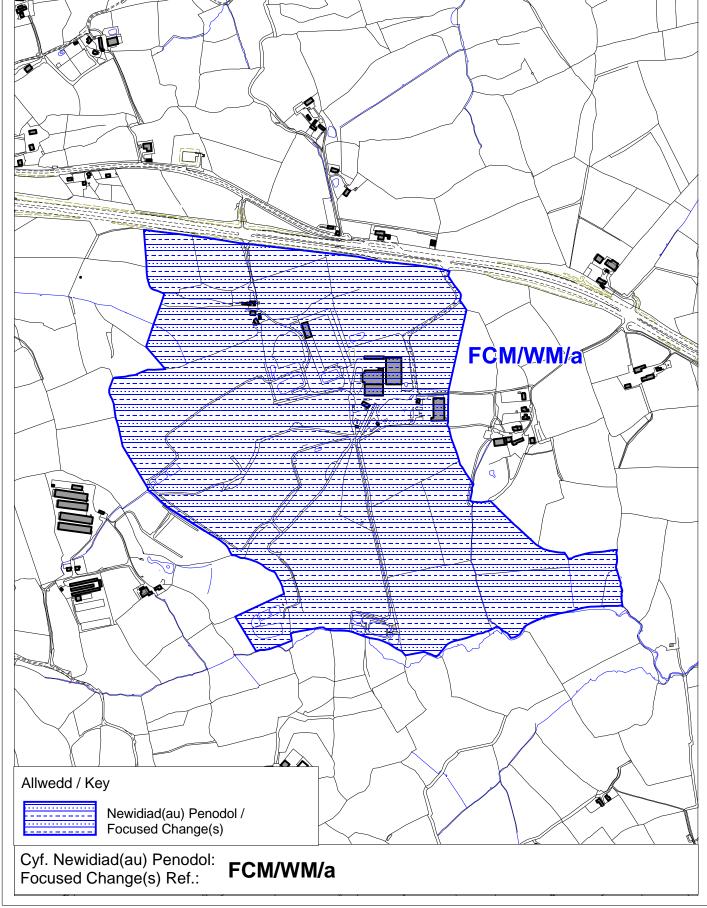




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		(where applicable)			Represe -ntation	Council Change
Cluster 2						
FCM/PrC2/a	Llanelli	PrC2/GT1	Amend the extent of the allocation to remove the area that falls within C1 and C2 flood risk zones.	To ensure compliance with national planning policy (TAN 15 DAMs).	3695, 3876	
FCM/PrC2/b	Llanelli		Allocate new mixed use site under policy SG1: Regeneration and Mixed Use Sites - YMCA Building, Stepney Street, Llanelli Town Centre. Reference should be made to the Schedule of Focused Changes: Written Statement.	To reflect planning application progress and the corporate emphasis / investment in Llanelli Town Centre. To reflect planning application: PL/00673.		✓
FCM/PrC2/c	Llanelli	PrC2/MU2	Amend / reduce the allocated site area to exclude an area of woodland to the west of the site. Reference should be made to the Schedule of Focused Changes: Written Statement.	In response to a representation from a statutory consultee.	3581 (agre ed in part)	
FCM/PrC2/d	Llanelli	PrC2/h8	Delete the allocation (Policy HOM1- Housing Allocations). Site to be retained within the development limits due to its position in the urban form. Reference should be made to the Schedule of Focused Changes: Written Statement.	To reflect the fact that planning permission S/40455 contains four C3 use class units and the site should not therefore be allocated.		✓
FCM/PrC2/e Page 1340	Llanelli		Allocate new site under policy HOM1 – Housing Allocations at Llwynhendy Road for 13 units. Reference should be made to the Schedule of Focused Changes: Written Statement.	To reflect planning application: PL/00179. Progress is being made in bringing the site forward and the Council's previous concerns on the retention of this Adopted LDP allocation (deliverability) have been addressed.		✓

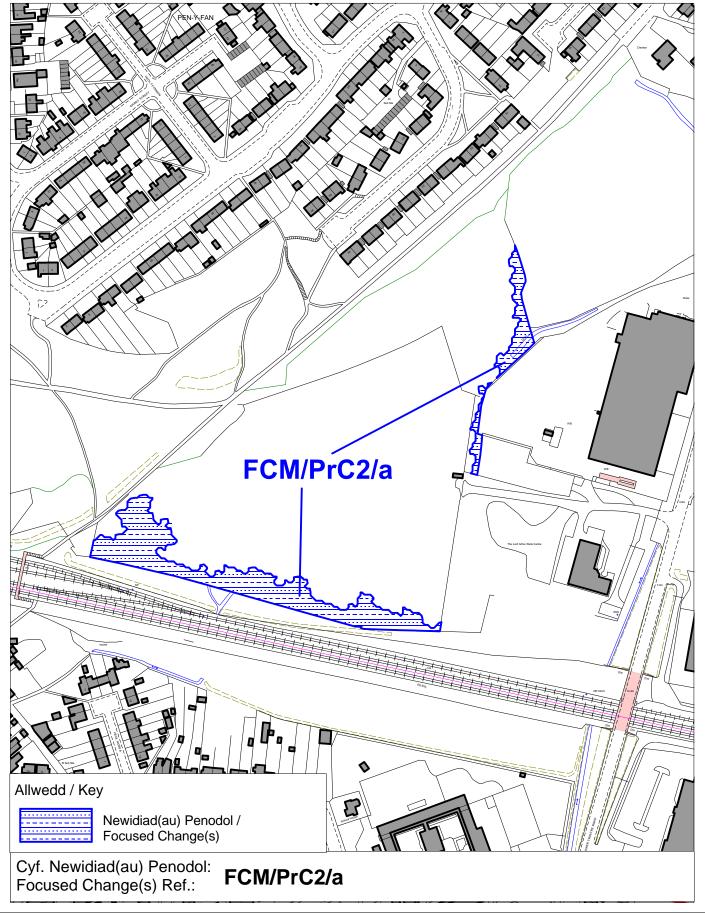
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		(where applicable)			Represe -ntation	Council Change
FCM/PrC2/f	Llanelli		Allocate new site under Policy HOM1 – Housing Allocations at Caegar, Bryn for 20 units, with a consequential amendment to the development limits. Reference should be made to the Schedule of Focused Changes: Written Statement.	To reflect the fact that the preapplication consultation is completed and confidence in deliverability (social housing provider). The Council's previous concerns on the retention of this parcel of land as part of a wider allocation (deliverability) have been addressed. Refer to planning application: PL/00851.		✓
FCM/PrC2/g	Llanelli	AS/086/031	Include part of the site within the development limits on land adjacent to Tan y Graig, Felinfoel. Consequential amendment to the development limits.	To allow for an appropriate small- scale residential development to take place.	3664 3776	
FCM/PrC2/h	Llanelli	AS/086/078	Include the site within the development limits at Llys Pendderi, Bryn. Consequential amendment to the development limits.	To allow for an appropriate small- scale residential development to take place.	3226	
FCM/PrC2/i	Llanelli	AS/086/089	Include the site within the development limits at Cae-Du, Bryn. Consequential amendment to the development limits.	To allow for an appropriate small- scale residential development to take place.	4454	
FCM/SeC6/a Page 1341	Hendy / Fforest	SeC6/h5	Delete the allocation (Policy HOM1 – Housing Allocations). Site to be retained within the development limits due to its position within the urban form. Reference should be made to the Schedule of Focused Changes: Written Statement.	Whilst the allocation of the site was in accordance with the Site Assessment Methodology, feedback post publication of the Deposit Plan has led to a lack of confidence in the site's deliverability. Reference can be made to the Council's response to representation reference number 3345 within the report of representations to the Deposit LDP		•

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		(where applicable)			Represe -ntation	Council Change
				- Policy HOM1 - Housing Allocations - site Sec6/h5.		
FCM/SeC7/a	Llangennech	SeC7/h5	Amend (increase) the allocated site area. Reference should be made to the Schedule of Focused Changes: Written Statement.	To reflect the developable area and feedback received from the landowner.		√
FCM/SuV24/a	Llansaint	AS/104/004	Amend the Inset map to include an extension to the area of open space within Llansaint.	To reflect the open space currently in situ.	4363	

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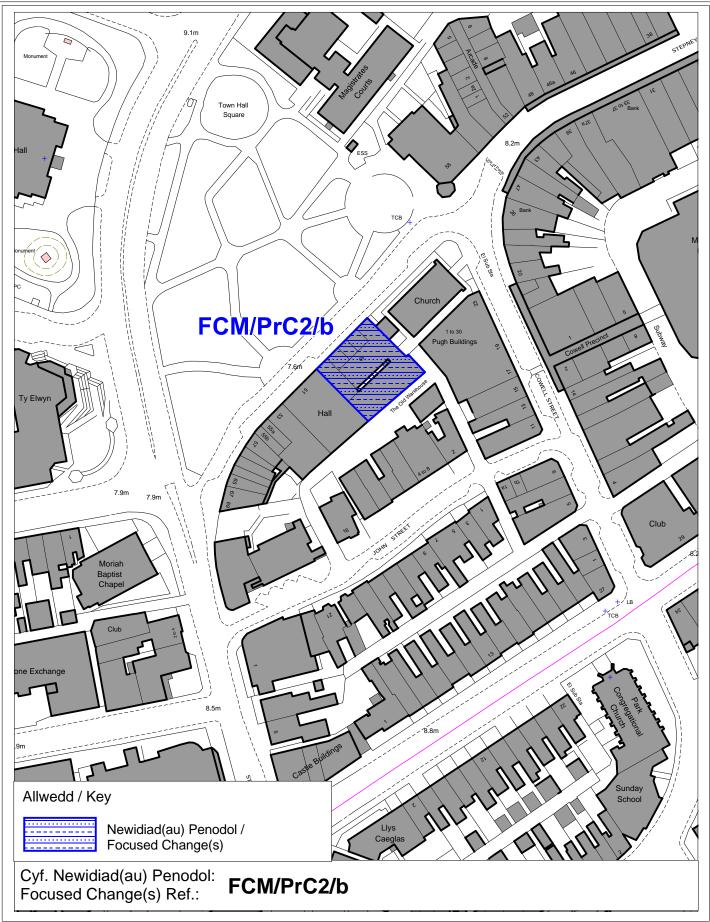




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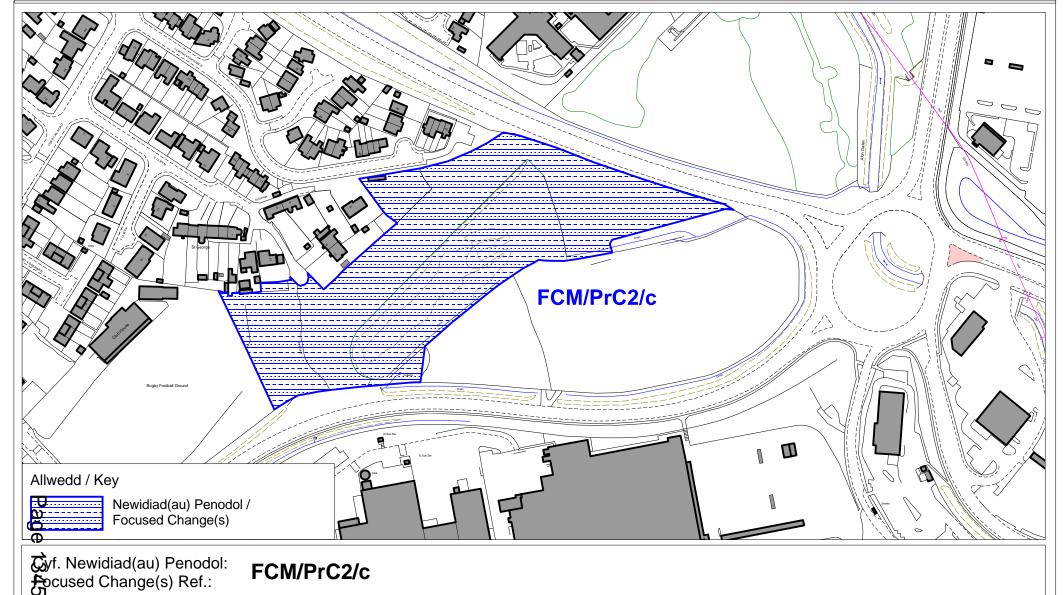




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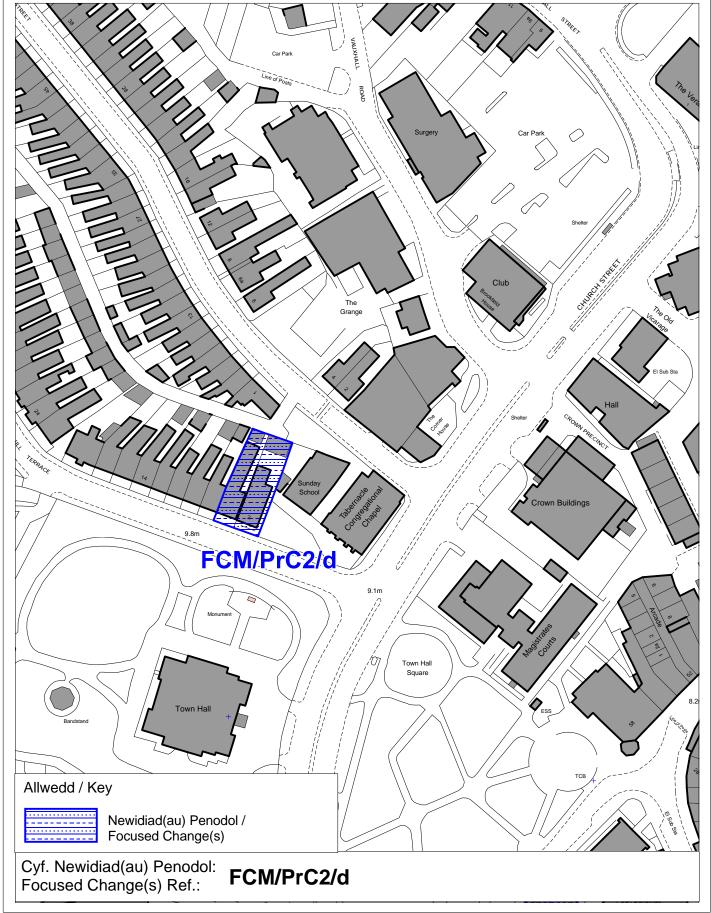




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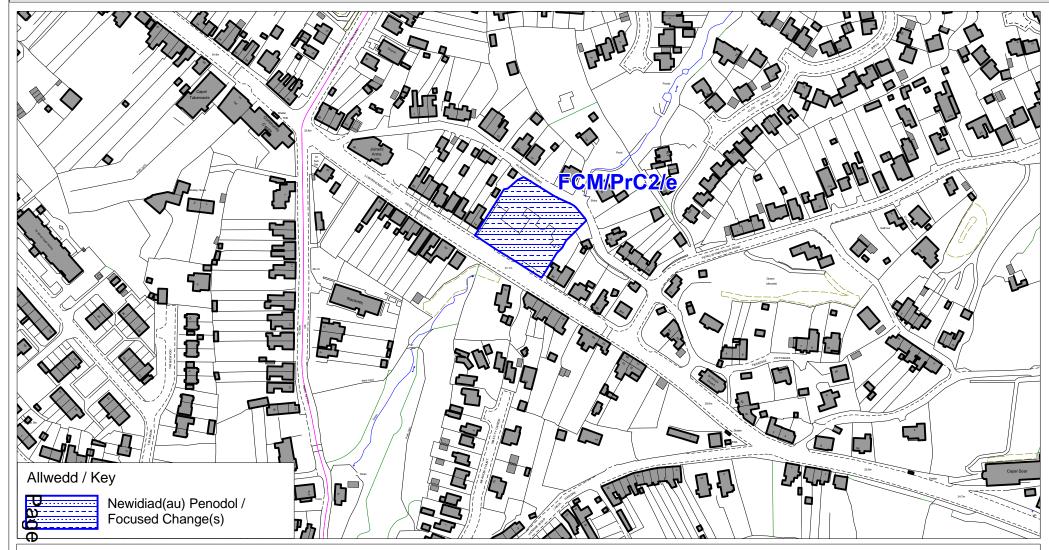


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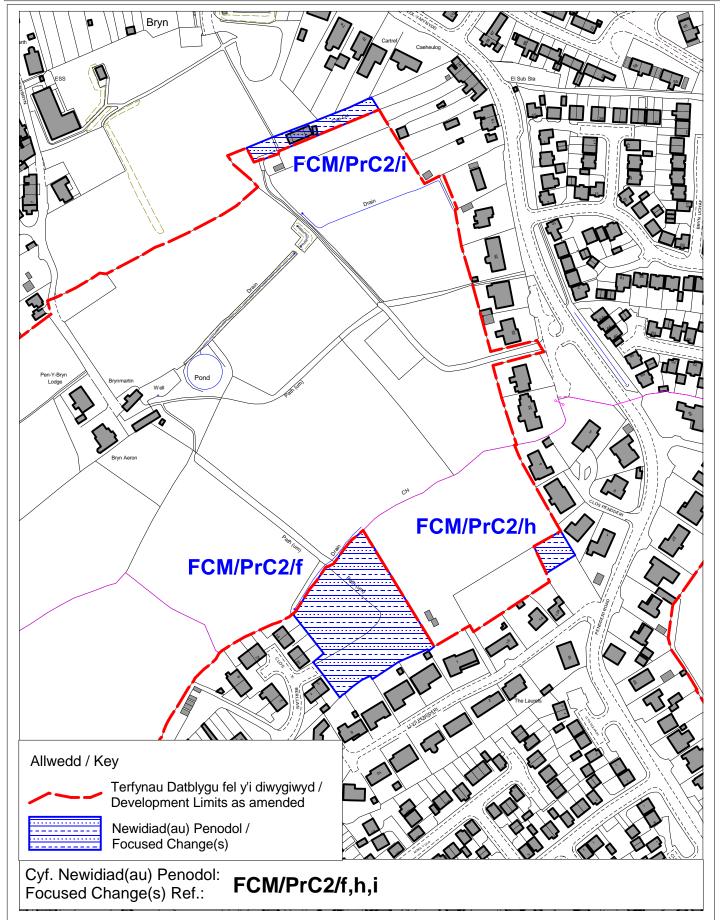
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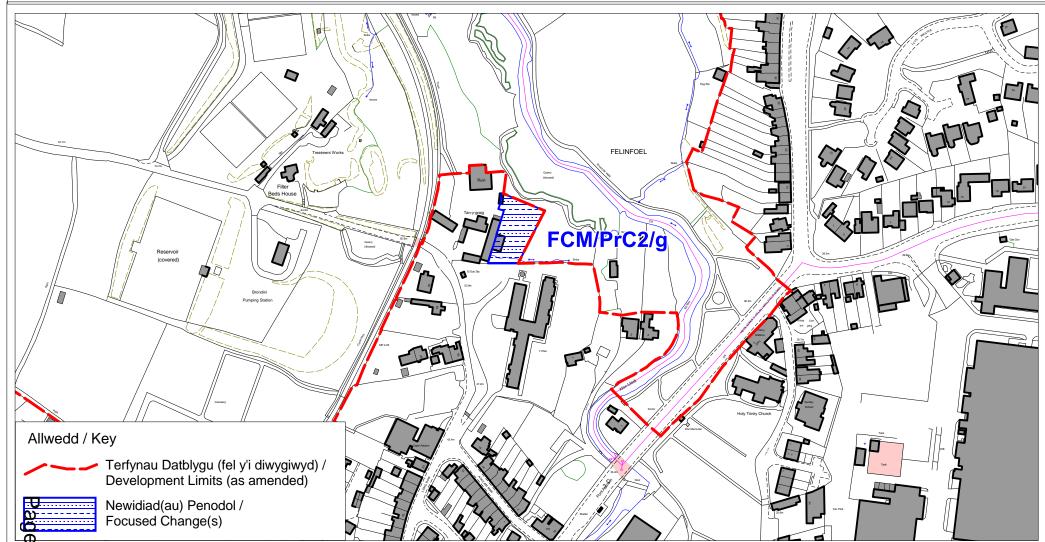
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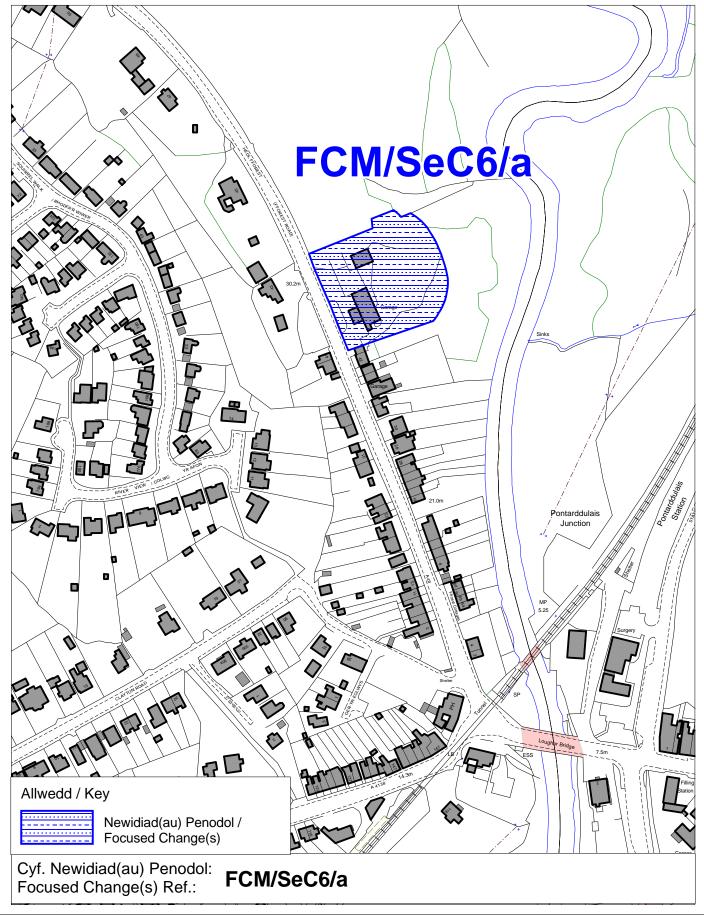
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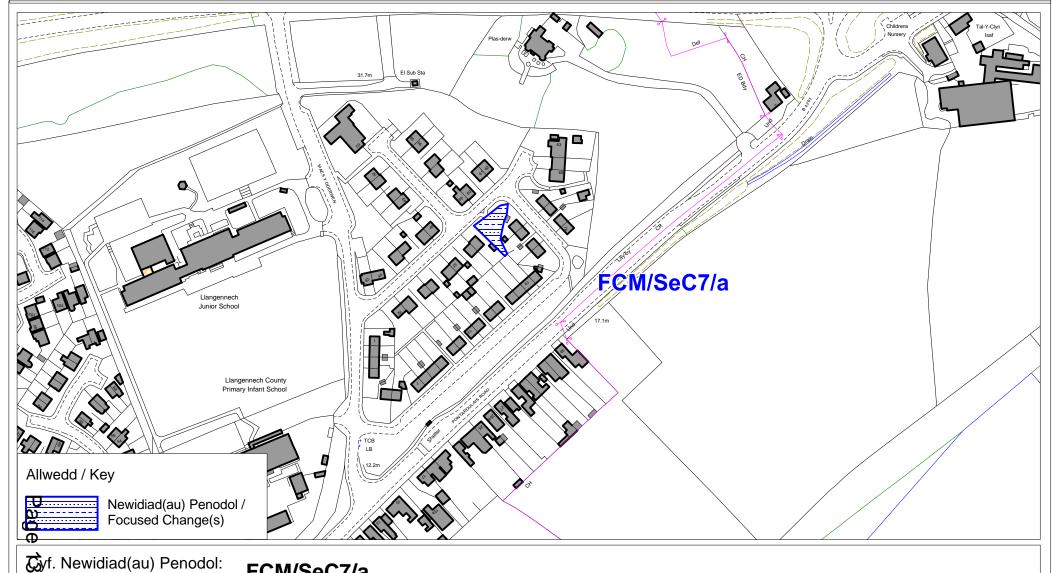
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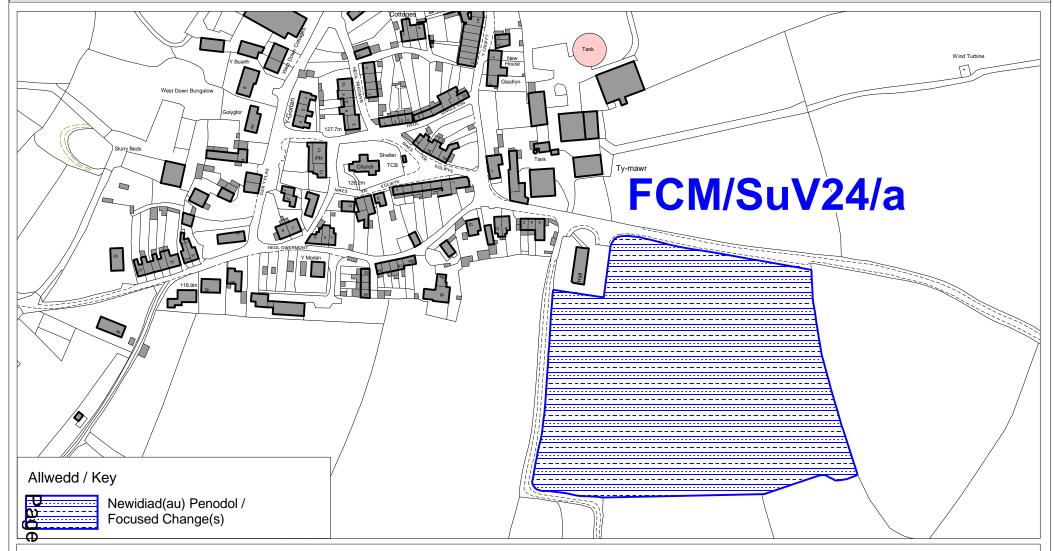
Llan-saint / Llansaint SuV24

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FCM/SuV24/a

Change Ref	Settlement	Site Ref	Description of Change	Reason/Comment	So	ource
		(where applicable)			Represe -ntation	Council Change
Cluster 3		_				
FCM/PrC3/a	Cross Hands	PrC3/E2	Remove rectangular portion of Employment allocation PrC3/E2 in the south east (candidate site SR/031/004, CA0402)	In response to a representation from a statutory consultee.	3683	
FCM/PrC3/b	Cross Hands	PrC3/E4	Remove triangular portion (in the south east) of Employment allocation PrC3/E4.	In response to a representation from a statutory consultee.	3685	
FCM/PrC3/c	Ammanford		Identify the industrial units along Maesquarre Road as an existing employment site (as identified in the Employment Land Review ELR, 2019).	To reflect existing employment activities.	N/A	√
FCM/PrC3/d	Ammanford		Allocate new site under policy HOM1 – Housing Allocations at Llys Dolgader for 9 units. Consequential amendment to the development limits. Reference should be made to the Schedule of Focused Changes: Written Statement.	To reflect a site that is currently under construction.		✓
FCM/PrC3/e	Ammanford		Remove the open space designation from the parcel of land at Heol Llwyd.	To reflect the current car park at the location and in response to a representation.	3188	
FCM/PrC3/f	Llandybie	PrC3/h20	Amend allocation to remove land within the Daley Homes site (PrC3/h20). Consequential amendment to policy HOM1 and Appendix 7.	To reflect the difference in land ownership and developer.		✓
CM/PrC3/g	Cefneithin		Amend development limits to include site AS/026/005.	To allow small-scale/single plot development.	3591	
G CM/PrC3/h	Drefach		Remove the open space designation from the parcel of land at Rose Cottage.	To reflect that the site is not an open space use.	3247 3782	

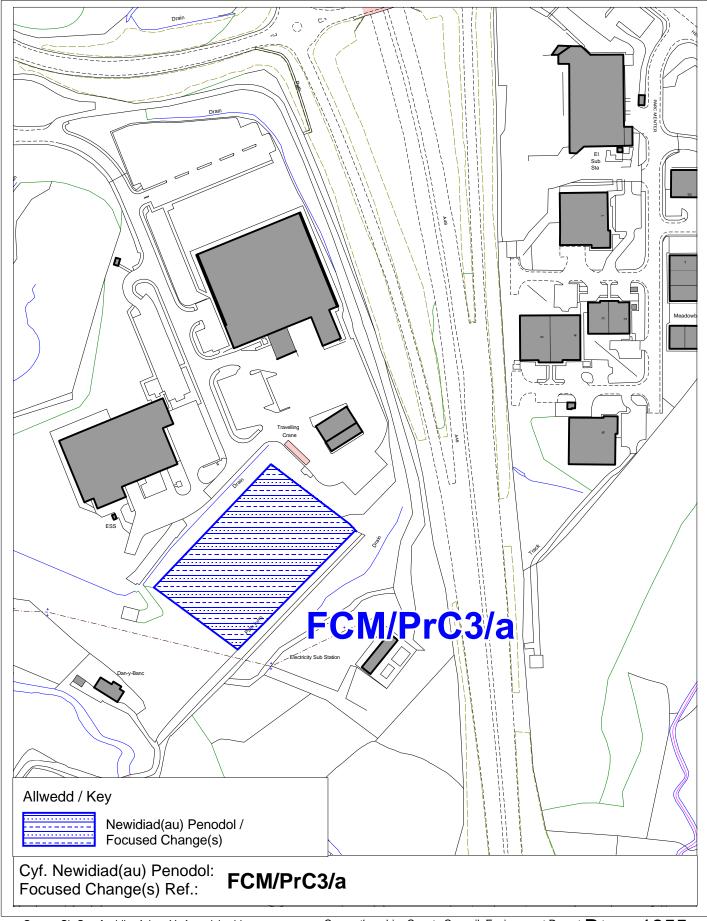
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		(where applicable)			Represe -ntation	Council Change
FCM/PrC3/i	Drefach		Include site within the development limits.	To reflect the garden area to the rear of the property.		✓
FCM/PrC3/j	Drefach		Remove development limits surrounding the recreation ground to the NE of Heol Ddu.	To reflect their location and position within Drefach and in the interests of consistency.		✓
FCM/PrC3/k	Drefach		Remove development limits surrounding the open space annotation to the west of Heol Cwmmawr.	To reflect their location and position within Drefach and in the interests of consistency.		√
FCM/PrC3/I	Drefach		Annotate land at Bron yr Ynn, Drefach as open space.	To reflect the open space on the land		✓
FCM/SeC10/a	Garnant		Reduce development limits to reflect the frontage development on Bishop Road.	To reflect planning permission E/34859 for 4 dwellings.		✓

Cross Hands PrC3

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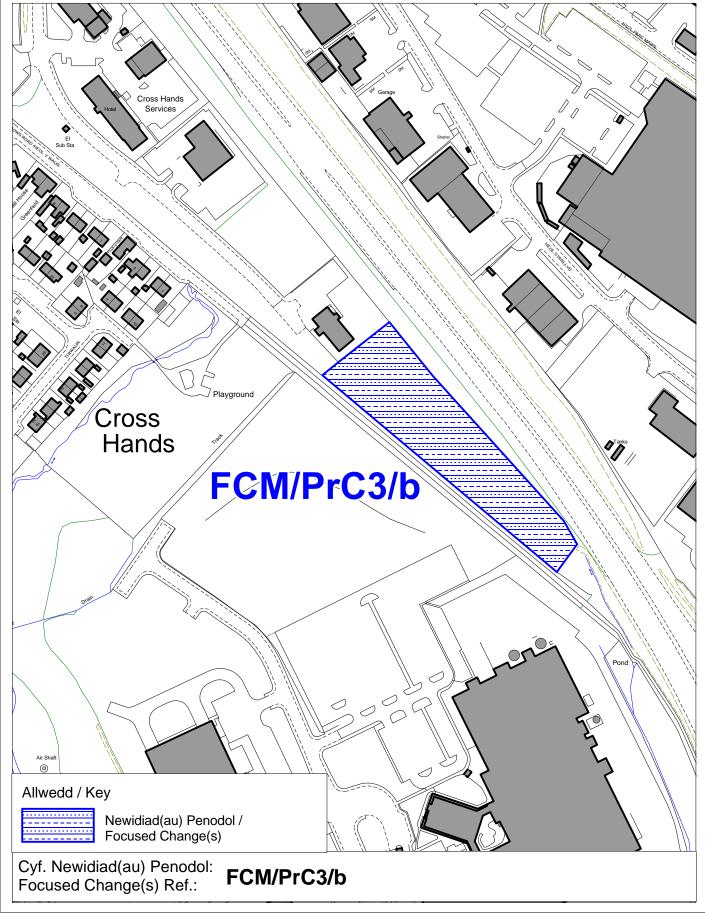


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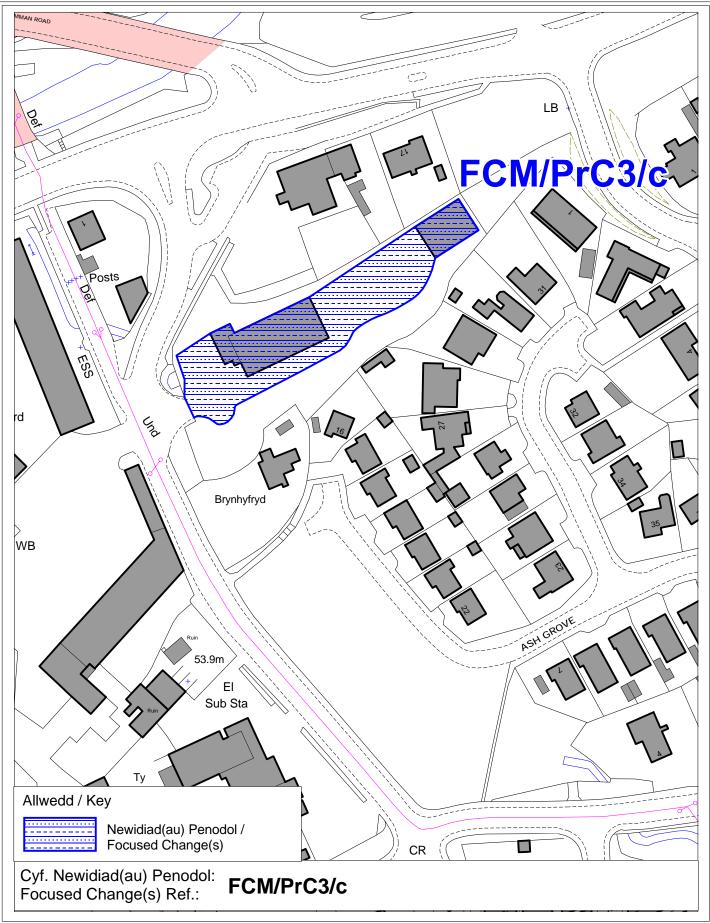
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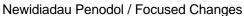




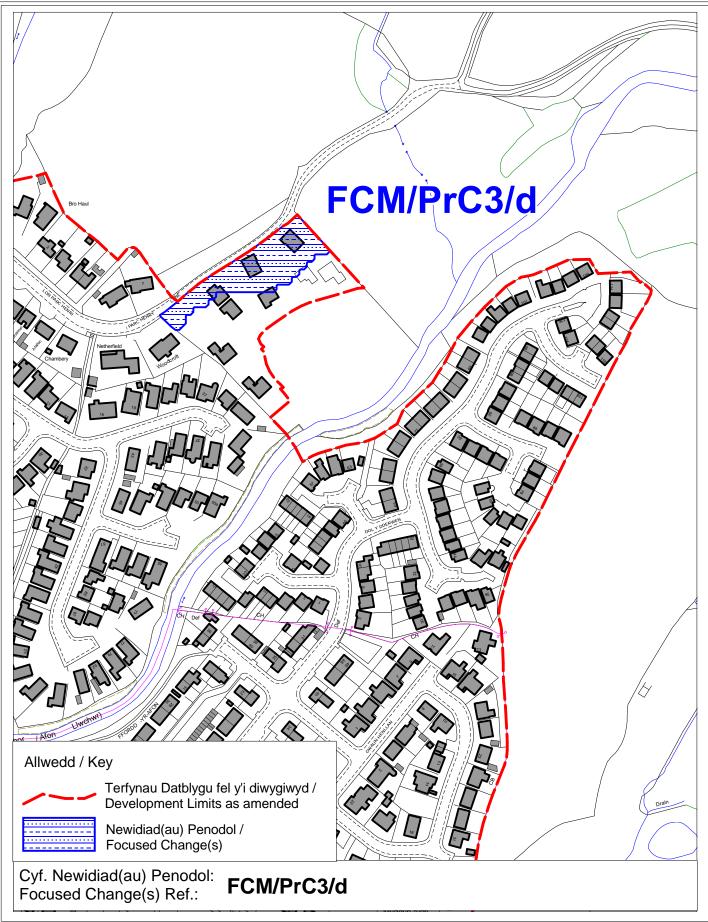


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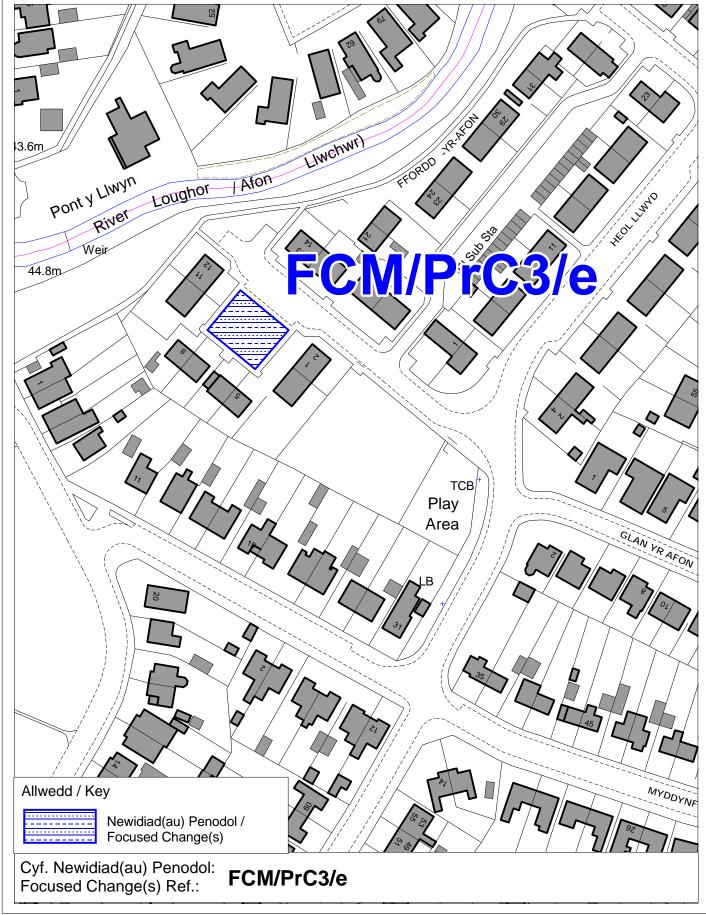


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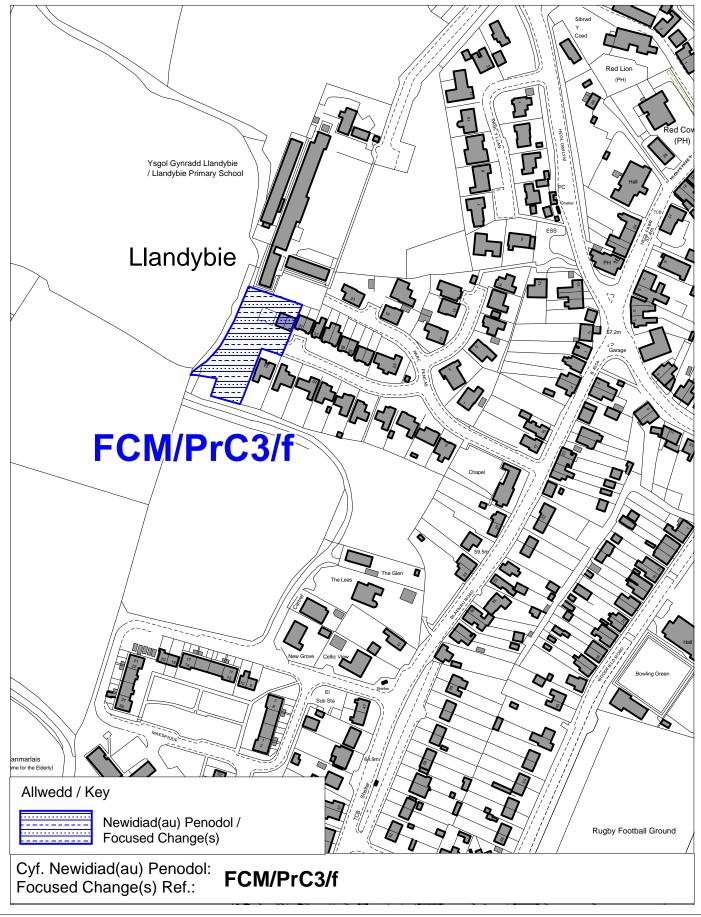


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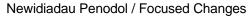
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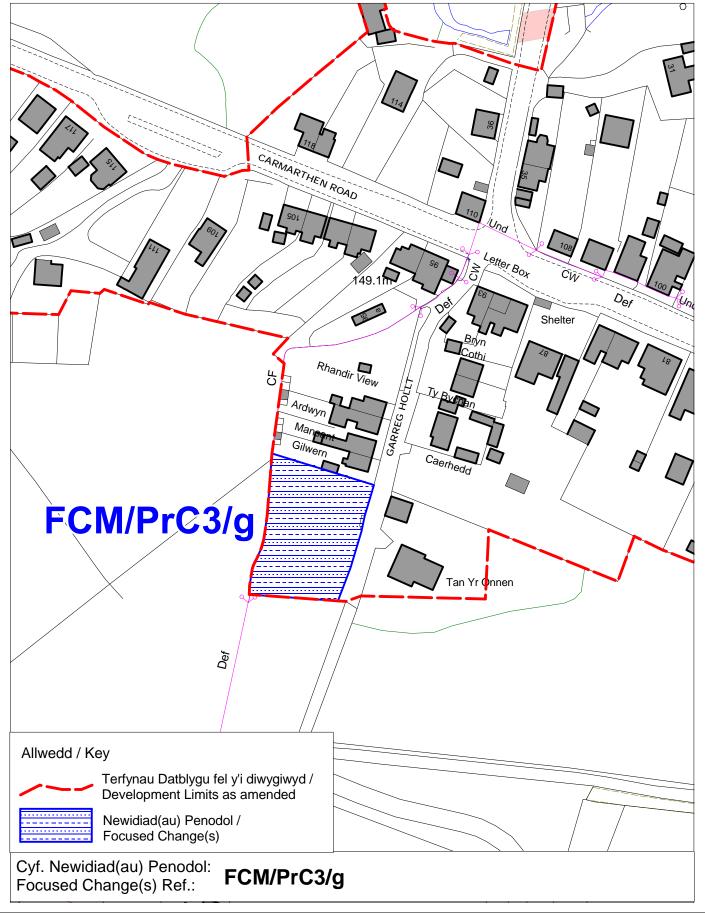
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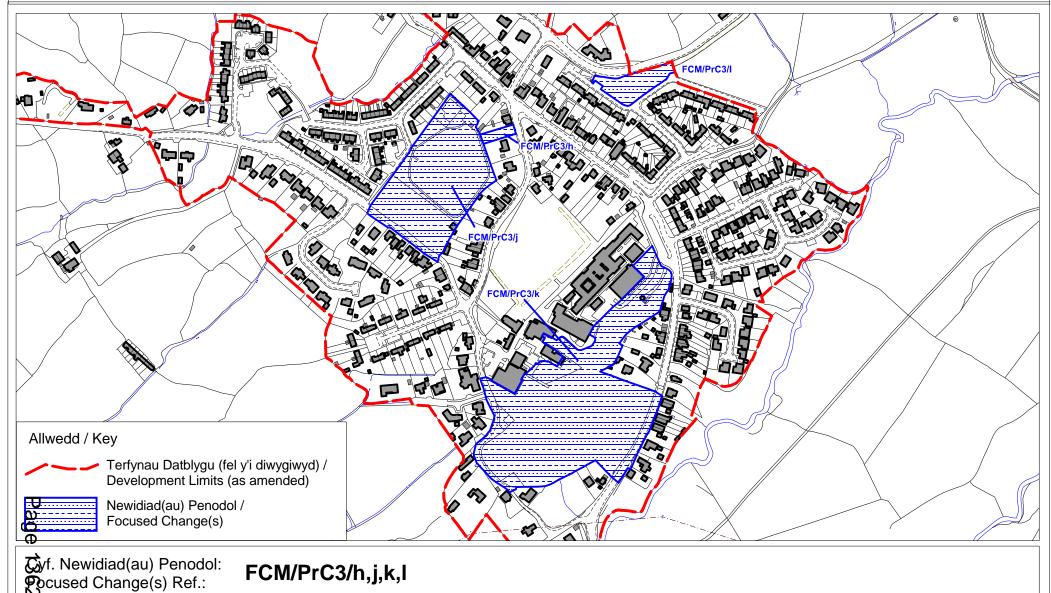


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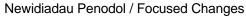


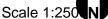




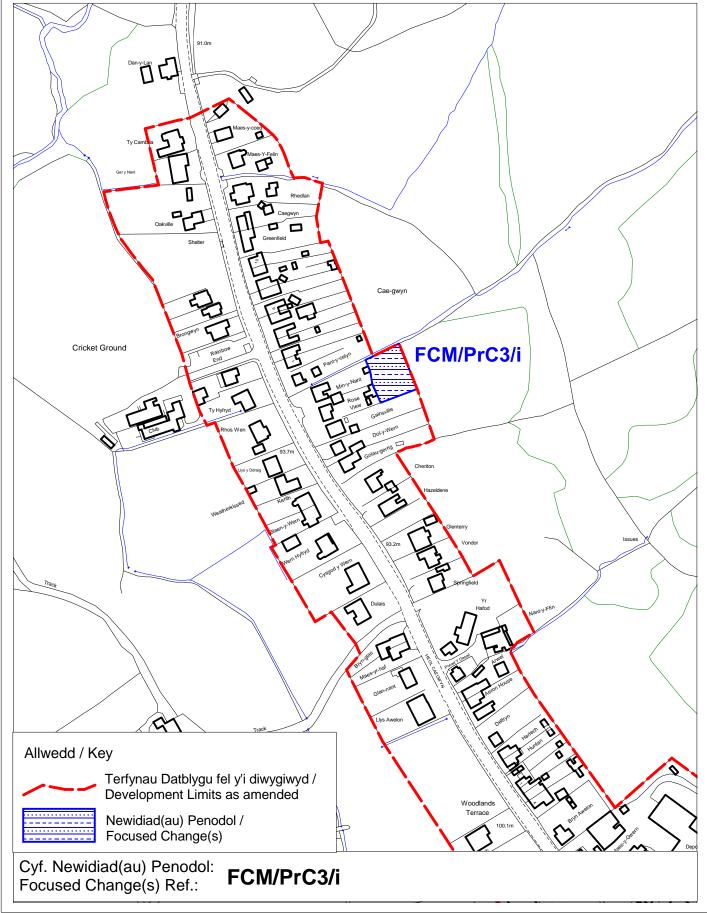
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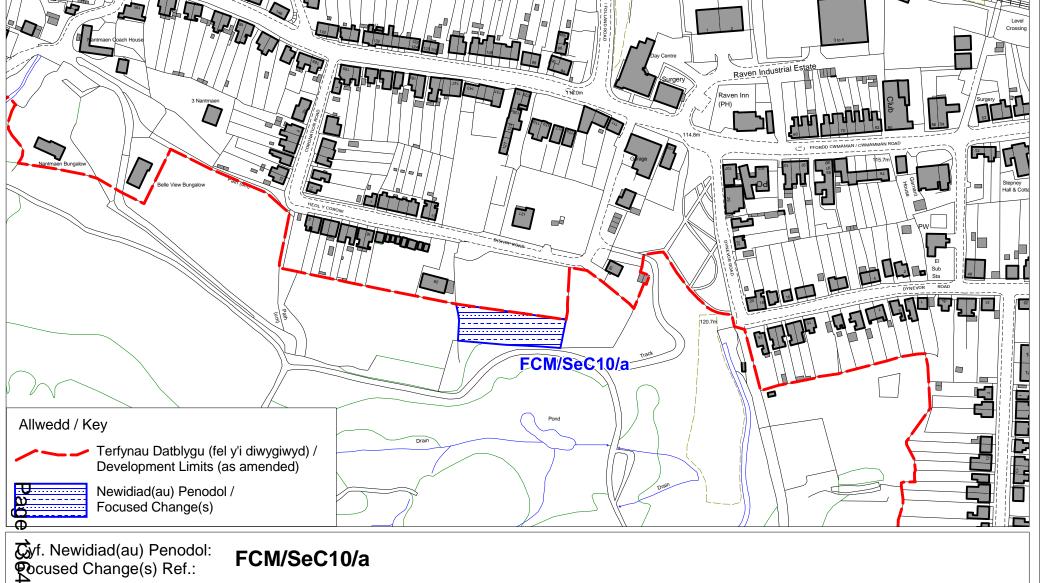
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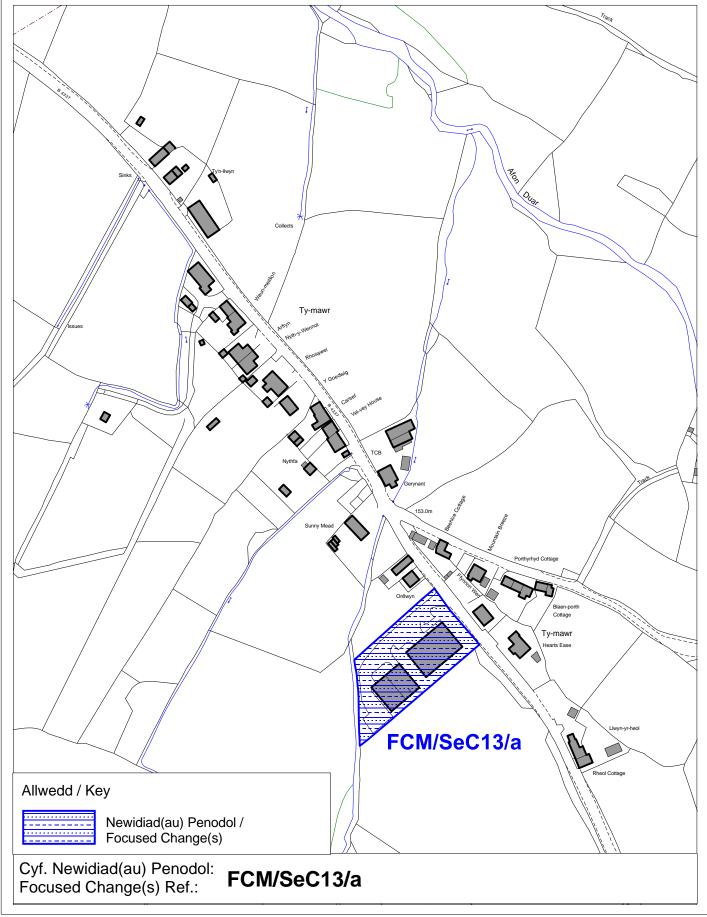
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Cluster 4						
FCM/SeC13/a	Llanybydder		Identify the industrial units at Ty Mawr as an existing employment site (as identified in LDP1 and the Employment Land Review ELR, 2019).	To reflect existing employment activities.		✓
FCM/SuV32/a	Waungilwen		Amend development limits in Waungilwen to include site AS/160/003.	To allow for appropriate small- scale residential development to take place.	3834	
FCM/SuV33/a	Llangeler	SuV33/h1	Remove allocation from eastern part, but retain this land within the development limits. (Consequential changes to the Written Statement – Reference should be made to the Schedule of Focused Changes: Written Statement).	The landowner has no desire to develop this land for housing.	3195, 3372	
FCM/SuV35/a	Llanllwni		Amend development limits in Llanllwni to include site AS/099/006.	A solution to the development of the land has been submitted as a planning application.	3503	
FCM/SuV35/b	Llanllwni		Amend development limits in Llanllwni to include site AS/099/010.	To allow for appropriate small- scale residential development to take place.	4500	

Ty Mawr, Llanybydder SeC13

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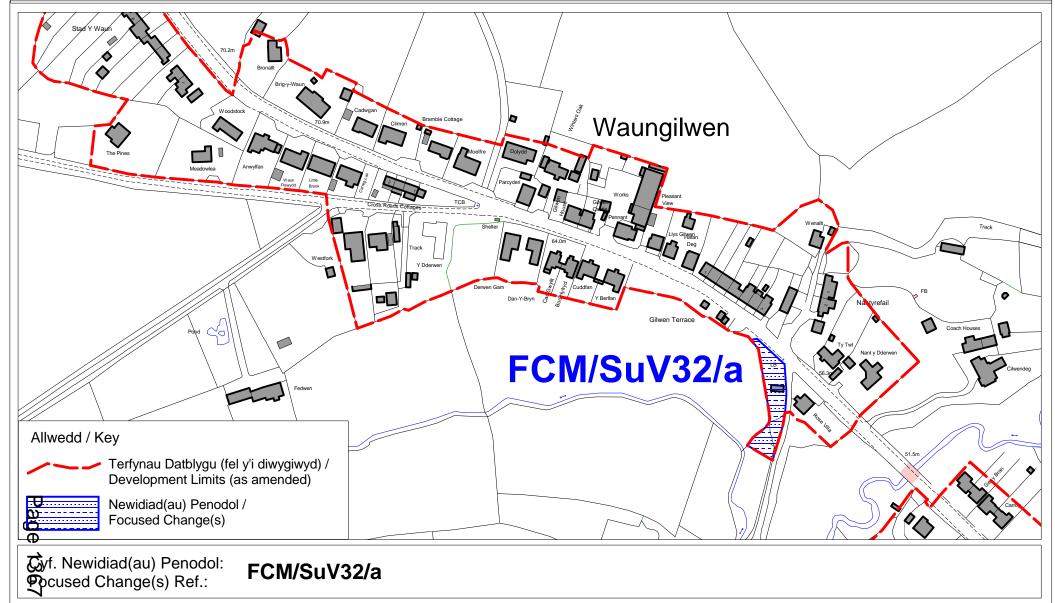


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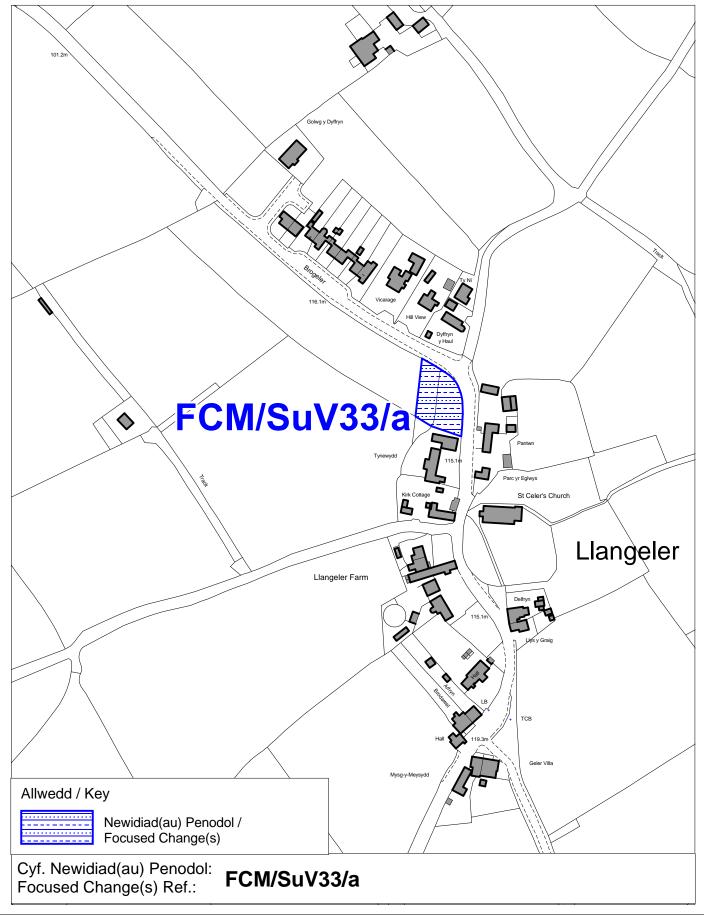


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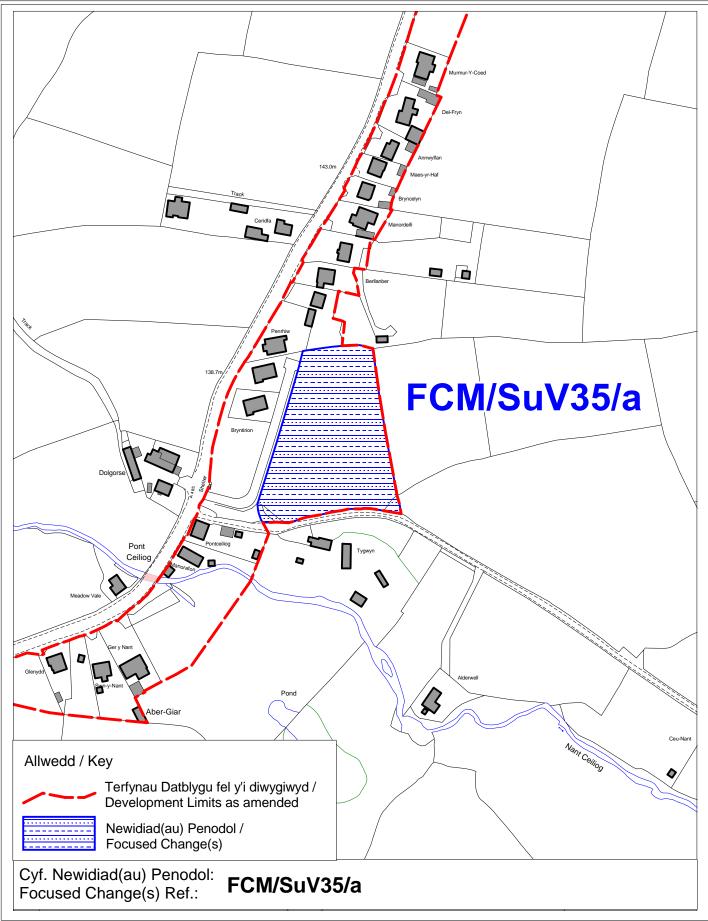


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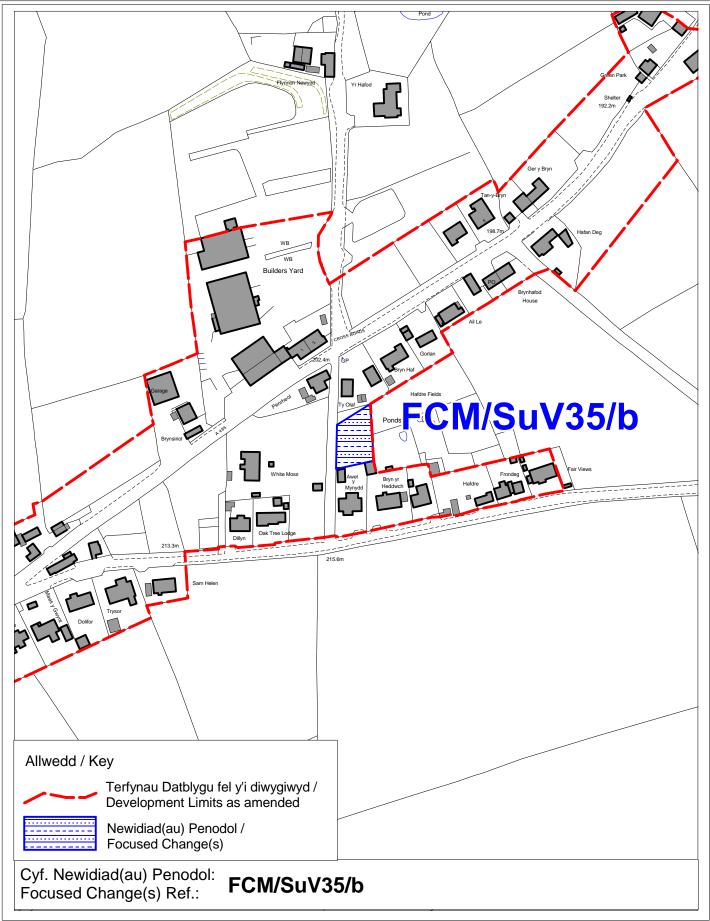
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		(where applicable)			Represe -ntation	Council Change
Cluster 6						
FCM/SeC20/a	Laugharne		Identify the Laugharne Holiday Park as a mixed use site in conjunction with policy SG1.	To reflect the re-development on the site and in response to a representation.	4127	
FCM/SG/a	Llanfallteg area		Sand & Gravel – Area of Search to be identified on Proposals Map.	In response to a representation from a statutory consultee.	3889, 3570	
FCM/MS/a	NW of Glandy Cross		Part of the Buffer Zone of Gilfach Quarry (in PCNPA) that extends marginally into Carmarthenshire to be identified on the Proposals Map.	In accordance with national policy.		

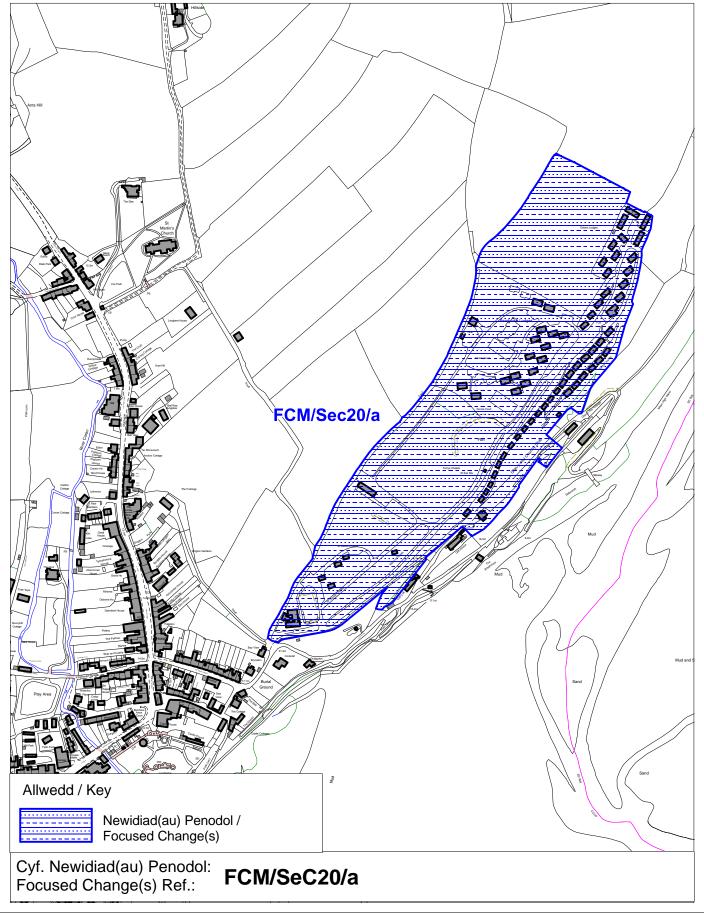
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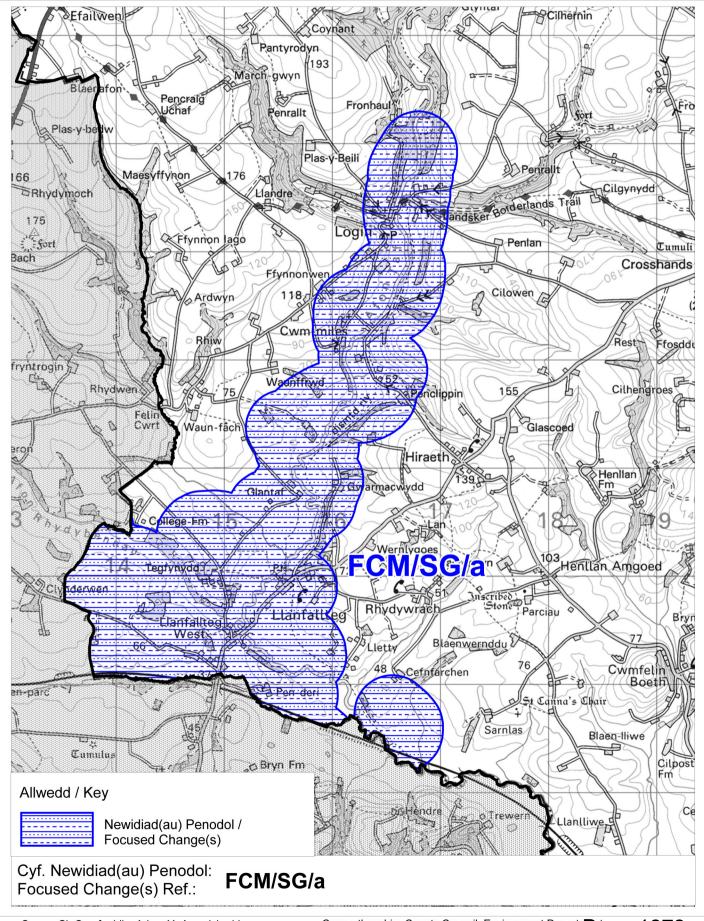


Ardal Chwilio Tywod a Graean /

Sand and Gravel Area of Search
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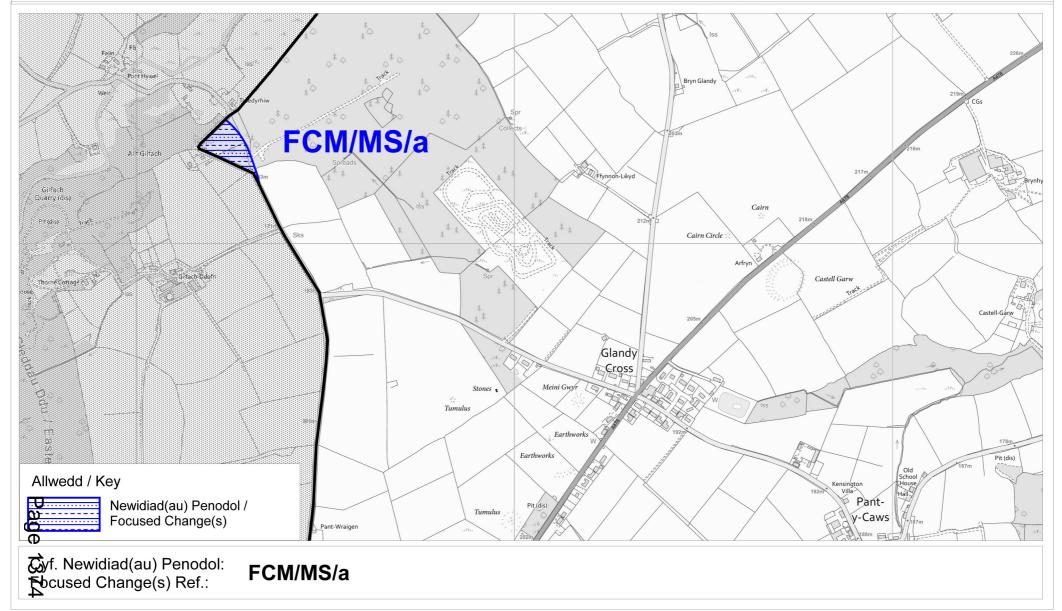
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Proposals Map)					
FCM/S/a	N/A	LSA - S2	Remove Local Search Area for Solar – S2	To reflect the findings in the Revised Renewable Energy Assessment.		✓
FCM/S/b	N/A	LSA – S1	Amend the boundary of the Local Search Area for Solar – S1.	To reflect the findings in the Revised Renewable Energy Assessment.		√

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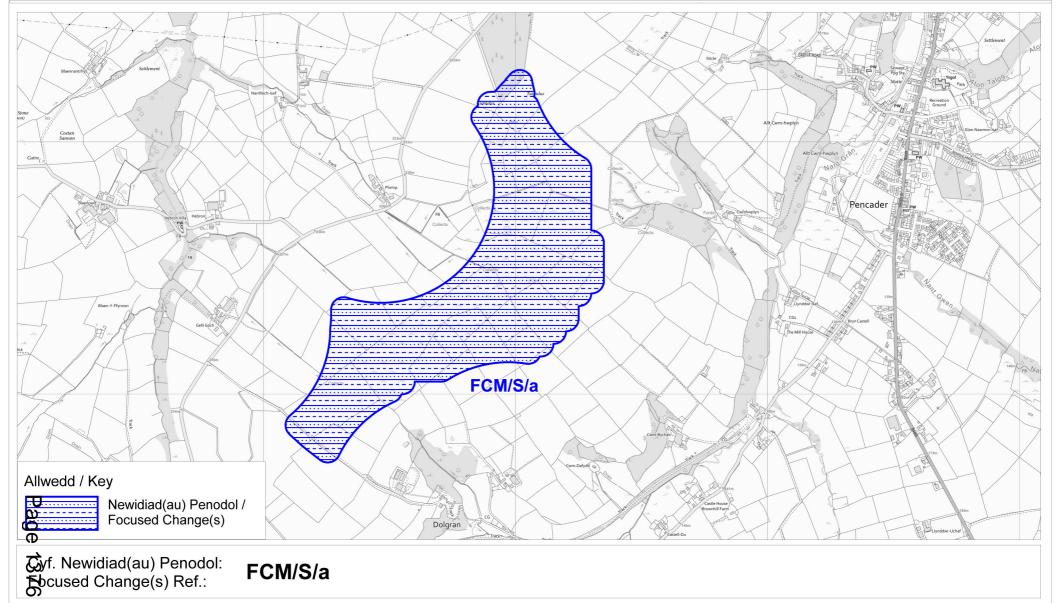
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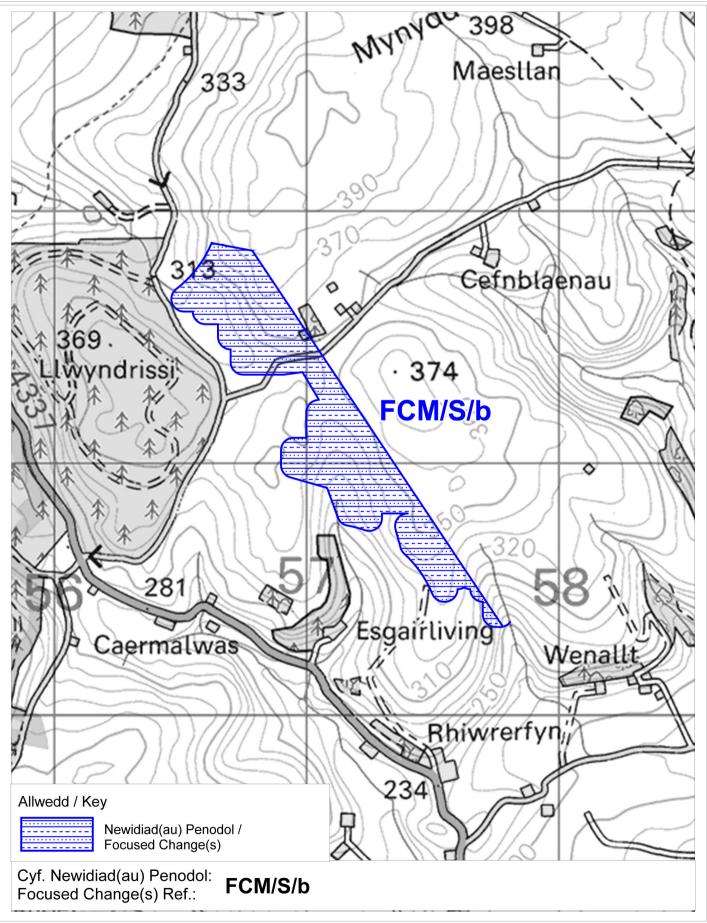


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Appendix 10 – Revised Carmarthenshire LDP Preparatory Considerations

Whilst the LDP plays a key role in shaping decision making and the location and nature of developments within the County, it is prepared and operated within the national framework set through legislation and by Planning Policy Wales and accompanying Technical Advice Notes. In this respect the Plan must have regard to National Planning Policy and legislation including the Well-being and Future Generations Act 2015, Planning (Wales) Act 2015 and the Environment (Wales) Act 2016.

The process for the preparation of the LDP is set within statutory regulations, with further procedural guidance contained within the LDP Manual as prepared by the Welsh Government. The preparation and content of the LDP at the Examination in Public will be assessed against three tests of soundness set out in national policy, namely:

- 1. Does the plan fit?
- 2. Is the plan appropriate?
- 3. Will the plan deliver?

Failure of the Revised LDP to comply with the 3 tests of soundness will result in it not being adopted. The full content of the tests of soundness are set out below.

It should also be noted that the Inspector's findings following the Examination are binding on the Authority.

Due regard will also need to be had to the emerging Future Wales: the National Plan 2040 for Wales and the requirements for LDPs to conform to its content.

Submission Documents

In accordance with LDP Regulation 22 the Council must publicise and advertise the submission and both publish and make available the relevant documentation. It must send simultaneously to the Planning Inspectorate and the Welsh Government (Planning Directorate) paper copies and an electronic copy of the following documents.

- the Deposit LDP
- the Addendum: schedule of Focussed Changes (FCs)
- the SA report
- the Review Report
- the Candidate Sites Register (where applicable)
- all other supporting evidence-base material and technical documents such as the HRA and issue/topic-based evidence/technical documents
- the DA incorporating the CIS
- the Consultation Report (which should update and expand upon the initial consultation report, see previous section)
- Statements of Common Ground (SoCG)
- A copy of all representations made to the deposit plan and FCs where relevant (required only for Planning Inspectorate)

Tests of Soundness

Preparation Requirements:

- Has preparation of the plan complied with legal and regulatory procedural requirements? (LDP Regulations, CIS, SEA Regulations, SA, HRA etc.?)
- Is the plan in general conformity with the NDF and/or SDP? (when published or adopted respectively)

Test 1: Does the plan fit? (Is it clear that the LDP is consistent with other plans?)

Questions

- Does it have regard to national policy (PPW) and the WSP (NDF when published)?
- Does it have regard to the Well-being Goals?
- Does it have regard the Welsh National Marine Plan?
- Does it have regard to the relevant Area Statement?
- Is the plan in general conformity with the NDF (when published)?
- Is the plan in general conformity with relevant SDP (when adopted)?
- Is it consistent with regional plans, strategies and utility provider programmes?
- Is it compatible with the plans of neighbouring LPAs?
- Does it regard the Well-being Plan or the National Park Management Plan?
- Has the LPA demonstrated it has exhausted all opportunities for joint working and collaboration on both plan preparation and the evidence base?

Test 2: Is the plan appropriate? (Is the plan appropriate for the area in the light of the evidence?) Questions

- Is it locally specific?
- Does it address the key issues?
- Is it supported by robust, proportionate and credible evidence?
- Can the rationale behind the plan's policies be demonstrated?
- Does it seek to meet assessed needs and contribute to the achievement of sustainable development?
- Are the vision and the strategy positive and sufficiently aspirational?
- Have the 'real' alternatives been properly considered?
- Is it logical, reasonable and balanced?
- Is it coherent and consistent?
- Is it clear and focused?

Test 3: Will the plan deliver? (Is it likely to be effective?)

Questions • Will it be effective?

- Can it be implemented?
- Is there support from the relevant infrastructure providers both financially and in terms of meeting relevant timescales?
- Will development be viable?
- Can the sites allocated be delivered?
- Is the plan sufficiently flexible? Are there appropriate contingency provisions?
- Is it monitored effectively?



Agenda Item 8.1

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Monday, 30 November 2020

PRESENT: Councillor E. Dole (Chair)

Councillors:

C.A. Campbell, G. Davies, H.A.L. Evans, L.D. Evans, P.M. Hughes, P. Hughes-Griffiths, D.M. Jenkins, L.M. Stephens and J. Tremlett

Also in attendance:

Councillor D.M. Cundy

The following Officers were in attendance:

W. Walters. Chief Executive

C. Moore, Director of Corporate Services

J. Morgan, Director of Community Services

G. Morgans, Director of Education & Children's Services

R. Mullen, Director of Environment

J. Jones, Head of Regeneration

L.R. Jones, Head of Administration and Law

P.R. Thomas, Assistant Chief Executive (People Management & Performance)

I.R. Llewelyn, Forward Planning Manager

L Morris, Senior Press Officer

M. Evans Thomas, Principal Democratic Services Officer

M.S. Davies, Democratic Services Officer

R. Lloyd, Democratic Services Officer

J. Corner, Technical Officer

L. Jenkins, Executive Board Support Officer

S. Rees, Simultaneous Translator

E. Bryer, Democratic Services Officer

Virtual Meeting - 10.00 am - 11.30 am

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

There were no apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST.

Councillor / Officer	Minute No (s)	Nature of Interest
Cllr. Emlyn Dole	13 - Arfor Innovation Fund	Cllr. A. Vaughan Owen (applicant) is a member of the same political party.
Cllr. Glynog Davies	15 - Targeted Regeneration Investment (TRI) Programme 2018-2021	He is a Director of a company based in Llanelli town.



Jake Morgan	9 - Variation of The Regional	His wife works for
	Consortia's Legal Agreement	ERW.
	(ERW)	

3. TO SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD HELD ON THE 16TH NOVEMBER, 2020

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Board held on the 16th November, 2020 be signed as a correct record.

4. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BY MEMBERS

The Chair advised that no questions on notice had been submitted by members.

5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

The Chair advised that no public questions had been received.

6. REVENUE BUDGET OUTLOOK 2021/22 TO 2023/24

The Executive Board considered the revenue budget outlook report which provided the current financial outlook and updated financial model for the next three financial years. The report outlined the proposals for taking forward the budget preparation for the three-year period.

It was noted that, although the Authority had received a £14m increase in it's Welsh Government settlement, a council tax increase of 4.89% and budget reductions totalling £5.1m was required to balance the budget.

The Executive Board was advised that Welsh Government would not be confirming the provisional settlement data until the 22nd December. Consultations would commence in January however due to the late settlement the budget timetable would be compressed even more than usual.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to:

- 6.1 Receive the initial budget outlook and consider the level of Council Tax rises and the level of school efficiencies that it considers appropriate for developing the Medium Term Financial Plan;
- 6.2 Endorse the proposed approach to identifying the required savings;
- 6.3 Note the proposed approach to the budget consultation.

7. OMBUDSMAN'S ANNUAL LETTER 2019/20

The Board considered the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales' Annual Letter for 2019/20. The letter was accompanied by a factsheet with accompanying data, which assists the Authority in reviewing performance.

It was noted that there had been a decrease of 2.4% in complaints received by the PSOW relating to local authorities nationally and the number of complaints received by the Ombudsman concerning Carmarthenshire had fallen in the past year from 49 to 42. It was noted that most of the date related to the period prior to the escalation of Covid.



UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales' Annual Letter for 2019-20 be received.

8. MID-YEAR TREASURY MANAGEMENT AND PRUDENTIAL INDICATOR REPORT 1ST APRIL 2020 TO 30TH SEPTEMBER 2020

The Executive Board considered an update report on the treasury management activities and the prudential indicators for the period 1st April 2020 to 30th September 2020.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL that the Mid-Year Treasury Management and Prudential Indicator Report for 1st April 2020 to 30th September 2020 be adopted.

9. VARIATION OF THE REGIONAL CONSORTIA'S LEGAL AGREEMENT (ERW)

[Note: Jake Morgan having earlier declared an interest in this item, left the meeting]

The Board considered the report detailing the Variation of the Legal Agreement to enable interim services to be provided to Neath Port Talbot schools, remaining Authorities withdrawal and for dissolution of ERW.

It was noted that Neath Port Talbot had left ERW on the 31st March, 2020; Ceredigion and Swansea Council had also given notice. Powys and Pembrokeshire County Council had yet to give notice. Carmarthenshire County Council were due to leave ERW at the end of the financial year.

The current proposal was that ERW should be dissolved at the end of the 2020/21 financial year but the timeline could change depending on the agreements reached. The alternative implementation date suggested was the 31st August, 2021.

The Board acknowledged that the current ERW model had been deficient and asked that the transition to the new model would take place as soon as possible and also reflect Carmarthenshire's bilingual learning vision.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to:

- 9.1 agree changes to the ERW Legal Agreement to facilitate provision of agreed services to Neath Port Talbot schools during 2020/21 as set out in the report.
- 9.2 agree changes are made to the Legal Agreement as set out in the report.
- 9.3 delegate authority to the Chief Legal Officer and Director of Education to make any necessary changes to the Legal Agreement (in consultation with the other ERW partners) and to enter into any documentation necessary to implement any of the recommendations in the report and to protect the Council's interests.



10. LOCAL DEVELOPMENT ORDER - CROSS HANDS EAST

The Executive Board considered a report regarding the potential for a Local Development Order to be made within Cross Hands East.

The report detailed that Cross Hands East Strategic Employment Site is a regionally significant employment location in Carmarthenshire and an important part of the Cross Hands Growth Zone. Providing 19 acres of developable land, development of this scale would create in the region of 1,000 new jobs. Demand for industrial and business space in Cross Hands and the County is high with occupancy rates in the Council's Industrial portfolio consistently over 90%.

It was noted that a LDO provided a Local Planning Authority with an opportunity to streamline the planning process by removing the need for developers/applicants to make a planning application to the Authority and for development proposals to be submitted as an LDO application, allowing an authority to act proactively in response to locally specific circumstances within its geographical area.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the proposed Local Development Order be considered through the democratic reporting process.

11. ANY OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS THAT BY REASONS OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES THE CHAIR DECIDES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY PURSUANT TO SECTION 100B(4)(B) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1972.

The Chair advised that there were no items of urgent business.

12. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED, pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007, that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items as the reports contained exempt information as defined in paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

13. ARFOR INNOVATION FUND

[**Note**: The Leader left the meeting for this item and the Deputy Leader assumed the Chair. The item was considered as the final agenda item].

Following the application of the public interest test it was RESOLVED pursuant to the Act referred to in minute no. 12 above not to publicise the content of the report as it contained exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information) (Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act).

The public interest test in this matter related to the fact that the report contained detailed information about the business and financial affairs and ambitions of the applicants. In this case, the public interest in maintaining the above exemption under the 1972 Act in respect of this report outweighs



the public interest in disclosing the information contained therein, as disclosure would likely place the person and business name in the report at an unfair disadvantage in relation to their commercial competitors.

The Executive Board considered an application for assistance from the Arfor Innovation Fund. The priority of the fund was to support business growth in areas with a high proportion of Welsh speakers and to generate more and better paid jobs to retain local people in those areas.

This application, which would normally have been determined at an Executive Board Decisions Meeting for the Leader had been referred to the Executive Board as the application had been submitted by a company owned by Councillor Aled Vaughan Owen who was also a fellow member of the Plaid Cymru Group. Cllr. Dole had referred it to the Executive Board for determination although he had no specific interest in the matter.

UNANAMOUSLY RESOLVED that the application for assistance from the Arfor Innovation Fund by Ynni Da for the sum of £1,535.04 be approved, subject to the usual terms and conditions and those specified in the report.

14. CROSS HANDS REGENERATION INITIATIVES

Following the application of the public interest test it was RESOLVED pursuant to the Act referred to in minute no. 12 above not to publicise the content of the report as it contained exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information) (Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act).

The public interest test in respect of this report outweighed the public interest as disclosing the contents of the report would weaken the position of the authority in any subsequent tender exercise and potentially result in greater cost to public finances than would otherwise be the case.

The Executive Board considered a report providing an update on the ongoing regeneration initiatives at Cross Hands including the endorsement of the extension to the existing Joint Venture agreement (between Carmarthenshire County council and Welsh Government) to 31st March, 2024. Also the endorsement of development and delivery of a self-build mixed use employment development on Cross Hands East Employment Site Plot 3.

For accuracy it was noted that the within the consultation section of the report, it should read that Cllr. A. Vaughan-Owen had been consulted and not Cllr. A. Scourfield.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to:

- 14.1 Extend the agreement to the existing Cross Hands Joint Venture (CHJV) Agreement to 31st March 2024 (2 years from March 2022).
- 14.2 Grant delegate authority to the Head of Regeneration in consultation with Executive Board Member, to progress the delivery of the Plot 3 project through each stage of development / implementation through to completion as detailed in the report. Including authority to proceed



- with the project with or without the involvement of ABC (Active Building Centre), subject to the ongoing legal discussions with ABC and their legal representatives.
- 14.3 Grant delegated authority to the Head of Regeneration, in consultation with the Head of Legal Services, to undertake disposals of plots within the CHJV in accordance with the disposal strategy and in agreement with Welsh Government as joint venture partner.

15. TARGETED REGENERATION INVESTMENT (TRI) PROGRAMME 2018-2021

[Note: Cllr. Glynog Davies having earlier declared an interest in this item left the meeting during discussions regarding Llanelli town centre / Crown Buildings]

Following the application of the public interest test it was RESOLVED pursuant to the Act referred to in minute no. 12 above not to publicise the content of the report as it contained exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information) (Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act).

The Executive Board considered a report noting the current position and progress on the Targeted Regeneration Investment Programme (TRI) programme.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to:

- 15.1 Support the proposals for the Regional Delivery of the Targeted Regeneration Investment Programme (TRI) year 4 projects (2021 2022).
- 15.2 Approve that the project team progress the applications with third party applicants on the Crown Building and Y Linc projects.

CHAIR	DATE



EXECUTIVE BOARD

MONDAY, 21ST DECEMBER, 2020

PRESENT: Councillor E. Dole [Chair]

Councillors:

C.A. Campbell, G. Davies, H.A.L. Evans, L.D. Evans, P.M. Hughes, P. Hughes-Griffiths, D.M. Jenkins, L.M. Stephens and J. Tremlett

Also in attendance:

Councillor D.M. Cundy Councillor J. Gilasbey

The following Officers were in attendance:

W. Walters - Chief Executive

C. Moore - Director of Corporate Services

J. Morgan - Director of Community Services

G. Morgans - Director of Education & Children

R. Mullen - Director of Environment

S. Davies - Head of Access to Education

L. Rees-Jones - Head of Administration and Law

L. Quelch - Head of Planning

P.R. Thomas - Assistant Chief Executive

D. Hockenhull - Marketing and Media Manager

I.R. Llewelyn - Forward Planning Manager

M. Evans Thomas - Principal Democratic Services Officer

L. Jenkins - Executive Board Support Officer

E. Bryer - Democratic Services Officer

K. Thomas - Democratic Services Officer

J. Corner - Technical Officer

S. Rees – Simultaneous Translator

Virtual Meeting: 10.00 am - 11.15 am

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST

Member	Minute Number	Nature of Interest
L.D. Evans	7 – Proposal to Relocate Ysgol	Her son-in-law teaches at
	Heol Goffa	the school.
P. Hughes- Griffiths	10 – Proposal to Review Primary Education in the Blaenau and Llandybie Areas	His son-in-law teaches at one of the schools.
J. Tremlett	12 – Revised Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan 2018- 2033	One of the applicants is a close relative.



J. Gilasbey	8 – Proposal to Review Primary	One of her relatives works
	Education Provision in the	at Ysgol Gwenllian.
	Mynyddygarreg and Gwenllian	
	Areas	

3. TO SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD HELD ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:-

3.1. 30TH NOVEMBER 2020

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Board held on the 30th November, 2020 be signed as a correct record.

3.2. 23RD NOVEMBER 2020

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Board held on the 23rd November, 2020 be signed as a correct record.

4. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BY MEMBERS

[NOTE: Councillor J. Gilasbey had earlier declared a personal and prejudicial interest in agenda item number 8 – Proposal to Review Education Provision in the Mynyddygarreg and Gwenllian Areas. She had received dispensation from the Standards Committee to speak on the matter.]

The Chair advised that no questions on notice had been submitted by members. However, Councillor J. Gilasbey, had sought permission in accordance with CPR 11.1 to ask a question in relation to agenda item 8 – Proposal to Review Education Provision in the Mynyddygarreg and Gwenllian Areas.

Councillor Gilasbey sought confirmation and clarity for the people in Mynyddygarreg and others in her ward that the decision to make these changes has not already been made and that there will be due consideration of their views in the forthcoming consultation, with all alternatives being given full discussion and reviewed before any decision to close a well-loved local school. She asked why, after the local governing bodies of both schools who were in the process of talks to go from a soft to a hard federation, they have not been involved totally or been able to input together into the current proposal.

The Executive Board Member for Education & Children explained that no decision has been made regarding the future of Mynyddygarreg and Gwenllian schools. No decision would be made today. The Executive Board would only be considering whether to start the consultation process in relation to the proposals.

With regard to the second part of the question, the Executive Board Member explained that initial discussions have been held with the Governing Bodies and Headteacher. The consultation process will enable everyone from the Governing Body to the teachers to parents and public to give their opinions. He reiterated that no decision would be made today.



5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

The Chair advised that no public questions had been received.

6. PROPOSAL TO SHORTEN THE INTERNAL SCHOOL ORGANISATION DECISION MAKING AND DETERMINATION PROCESS

The Executive Board considered a report detailing proposals to shorten the current Internal School Organisation Decision Making and Determination Process following its approval by the Executive Board Member for Education and Children in September 2018. The current proposal had been developed in response to the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the work of the Modernising Education Provision (MEP) Team and the subsequent delays in its work programme of approximately 6 months

It was reported that whilst the team was now in the process of undertaking all planned work prior to the pandemic within a timescale as close as possible to the original, there was an issue with regard to the progression of school reorganisation proposals. As such, consideration had been given to reducing the Internal School Organisation Decision Making and Determination Process to help the team to re-prioritise required consultations in an effective and timely manner.

To achieve that reduction, it was proposed to remove consultation with the Education and Children Scrutiny Committee from Stages 2 and 3 of the process on the basis that the Executive Board was able to approve Stage 2 and County Council Stage 3. If adopted, the revision would reduce the consultation process by approximately 2 months. The new process would then be:-

Stage 1 – Education and Children Scrutiny Committee and Executive Board

Stage 2 – Executive Board

Stage 3 – Executive Board and Council

The Board noted that the Education and Children Scrutiny Committee endorsed the proposal at its meeting held on the 23rd November 2020 and recommended that the Executive Board progress amending the process for progressing statutory proposals and consultations as detailed in the report i.e. the removal of consultation with the Education and Children Scrutiny Committee at Stages 2 and 3 of the Internal School Organisation Decision Making and Determination Process

Reference was made to the illustrative flow chart included in the report and to the fact that the Executive Board Member for Education & Children should be included. The Director of Education & Children informed the Board that this happened as a matter of course but he would make sure that the chart was amended accordingly.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL THAT the proposal to shorten the Internal School Organisation Decision Making and Determination Process be approved and that the Education and Children Scrutiny Committee be removed from Stages 2 and 3 of the consultation process.



7. PROPOSAL TO RELOCATE YSGOL HEOL GOFFA TO A NEW SITE AND INCREASE ITS CAPACITY FROM 75 TO 120

[NOTE: Councillor L.D. Evans had earlier declared an interest in this item and left the meeting prior to the consideration and determination thereof.]

The Executive Board, in accordance with minute 11 of its meeting held on the 18th November, 2019 considered a report detailing the outcome of the formal consultation exercise undertaken from the 21st September, 2020 to the 1st November, 2020 regarding proposals to relocate Ysgol Heol Goffa to a new site and to increase its capacity from 75 to 120.

The Executive Board was advised that the Education and Children Scrutiny Committee had been provided with the opportunity of commenting on the report at its meeting held on the 23rd November, 2020 where it had resolved to recommend to the Executive Board the publication of a Statutory Notice.

It was reported that, should the Executive Board agree to the publication of a Statutory Notice, it was intended to do so on the 11th January, 2021. Thereafter, an objection report summarising any objections received by stakeholders would be presented to the Education and Children Scrutiny Committee, the Executive Board and ultimately to Council for determination.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

- 7.1 that the observations received and the Local Authority's responses following the consultation process be noted;
- 7.2 that a Statutory Notice to implement the proposal be published.

8. PROPOSAL TO REVIEW PRIMARY EDUCATION PROVISION IN THE MYNYDDYGARREG AND GWENLLIAN AREAS

The Executive Board considered a report detailing proposals to review the primary education provision in the Mynyddygarreg and Gwenllian area as part of its legal responsibility to review the number and type of schools it had in an area and whether it was making the best use of resources and facilities to deliver the opportunities that children deserve.

The report set out the current and future projected pupil numbers at both schools and the proposals for the provision of a new school within the current catchment area of Ysgol Gymraeg Gwenllian to Welsh Government Standard with capacity for 240 pupils (210 + 30 nursery places) between the ages of 3-11 to ensure the school was able to deliver the full curriculum in a modern, safe and inspiring learning environment with enhanced outside areas. The proposed investment would also address poor building condition and lack of adequate space and provision in the existing school by providing a Category A school with sufficient places for current and projected demand.

It was therefore proposed:-



- To discontinue Ysgol Gynradd Mynyddygarreg as from 31st August, 2021;
- From 1st September, 2021 all pupils will be registered at Ysgol Gymraeg Gwenllian, operating on both sites (Ysgol Gymraeg Gwenllian and the former Ysgol Gynradd Mynyddygarreg) increasing its capacity to 178 + 17 nursery places;
- Re-designate Ysgol Gymraeg Gwenllian's catchment area to include that of the former Ysgol Gynradd Mynyddygarreg's catchment area as of 1st September, 2021;
- Relocate Ysgol Gymraeg Gwenllian to a new site and increase its capacity to 210 + 30 nursery places as of September 2023, when occupation of the new school was proposed.

The Executive Board noted that the Education and Children Scrutiny Committee at its meeting on the 23rd November 2020 endorsed the proposal and recommended to the Executive Board that a formal consultation process be initiated.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

- 8.1 that the proposal to review primary education provision in the Mynyddygarreg and Gwenllian areas, as detailed in the report, be approved;
- 8.2 that officers initiate formal consultation on the proposal;
- 8.3 that a report be submitted to the Executive Board at the end of the consultation period.

9. PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE AGE RANGE OF SWISS VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL FROM 4-11 TO 3-11

The Executive Board considered a report detailing a proposal to change the age range at Swiss Valley Primary School from 4-11 to 3-11. It was noted that Ysgol Swiss Valley had been undertaking a pilot scheme to become a 3-11 school since 2013, initiated as part of a Welsh Government scheme to give parents flexibility and choice regarding nursery provision. However, as the school was currently advertised officially as a 4-11school, parents were unaware or confused with regard to what nursery provision the school offered.

The proposal aimed to provide equal provision within the Llanelli area, aligning Ysgol Swiss Valley with neighbouring schools that were already 3-11 schools. The governing body and head teacher were positive following the outcome of the pilot scheme and now wished to proceed with officially making the school a 3-11 school through statutory process.

It was therefore proposed to change the age range of Swiss Valley Primary School from 4-11 to 3-11 from 1st September, 2021.

The Board noted that the Education and Children Scrutiny Committee at its meeting held on the 23rd November 2020 had endorsed the proposals and recommended to the Executive Board to initiate a formal consultation

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

9.1 that the proposal to change the age range of Swiss Valley Primary School from 4-11 to 3-11 from 1st September, 2021, as detailed in the



- report, be approved;
- 9.2 that officers initiate formal consultation on the proposal:
- 9.3 that a report be submitted to the Executive Board at the end of the consultation period

10. PROPOSAL TO REVIEW PRIMARY EDUCATION PROVISION IN THE BLAENAU AND LLANDYBIE AREAS

[NOTE: Councillor P. Hughes-Griffiths had earlier declared an interest in this item and left the meeting prior to the consideration and determination thereof.]

The Executive Board considered a report detailing proposals to review the primary education provision in the Blaenau and Llandybie areas as part of its legal responsibility to review the number and type of schools it had in an area and whether it was making the best use of resources and facilities to deliver the opportunities that children deserve.

The report set out the current and future projected pupil numbers at both schools and the proposals for the provision of a new school within the current catchment area of Ysgol Gynradd Llandybie to Welsh Government Standard with capacity for 315 pupils and 45 nursey pupils between the ages of 3-11 to ensure the school was able to deliver the full curriculum in a modern, safe and inspiring learning environment with enhanced outside areas. The proposed investment would also address poor building condition and lack of adequate space and provision in the existing school by providing a Category A school with sufficient places for current and projected demand

It was therefore proposed:-

- To discontinue Ysgol Gynradd Blaenau as of 31st August 2021;
- From 1st September 2021 all pupils will be registered at Ysgol Llandybie operating on both sites (Ysgol Gynradd Llandybie and the former Ysgol Gynradd Blaenau) increasing its capacity to 287 + 50 nursery places;
- Re-designate Ysgol Gynradd Llandybie's catchment area to include that of the former Ysgol Gynradd Blaenau catchment area as of 1st September 2021;
- Change the nature of provision at Ysgol Gynradd Llandybie to Welsh Medium as of 1st September 2021;
- Relocate Ysgol Gynradd Llandybie to a new school site and increase its capacity to 315 + 45 nursery places as of September 2024, when occupation of the new school is proposed.

The Executive Board noted that the Education and Children Scrutiny Committee at its meeting on the 23rd November 2020 had endorsed the proposal and recommended to the Executive Board that a formal consultation process be initiated.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

- 10.1 that the proposal to review primary education provision in the Blaenau and Llandybie areas, as detailed in the report, be approved;
- 10.2 that officers initiate formal consultation on the proposal;



10.3 that a report be submitted to the Executive Board at the end of the consultation period.

11. PROPOSAL TO RECONFIGURE AND REMODEL BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT SERVICES AT YSGOL RHYDYGORS TO IMPROVE PROVISION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

The Executive Board considered a report detailing proposals to reconfigure and remodel Behaviour Support Services at Ysgol Rhydygors to improve provision for children and Young People. It noted that following a strategic review of the Authority's Behaviour Services, it was proposed to move from a silo focus on behaviour to a more universal approach to include pupil wellbeing and engagement. To achieve that, a four phase model of behaviour services had been developed which included providing behaviour and engagement support on four levels with support ranging from intervention and support in mainstream schools to specialised respite or residential placements. For the purposes of consistency, access to highly specialist support, access to a broad and balanced curriculum with a range of accreditation options and the offer of individual and bespoke education plans offered in the current Pupil Referral Units through the 3 tiered approach, there was a requirement to discontinue Ysgol Rhydygors as a special school and establish it as a Pupil Referral Unit and the proposal presented to the Board would, if approved, initiate that change.

It was therefore proposed:-

- to discontinue Ysgol Rhydygors Special School as of the 31st August 2021. All former Ysgol Rhydygors pupils will continue to receive their education on the site of the former Ysgol Rhydygors school. If approved, instead of receiving provision in a special school, pupils will be educated in a Pupil Referral Unit. Whilst the proposal should be considered as a whole, the consultation document related to point 1 only. Points 2 and 3 noted below would be undertaken via separate procedures;
- should the above (Point 1) be approved, the Local Authority will establish a Pupil Referral Unit on the site of the former Ysgol Rhydygors school as of the 1st September 2021;
- additionally, should Point 1 be approved, the Local Authority will establish a Children's Home/Respite Centre on the site of the former Ysgol Rhydygors School/Residential Unit as of the 1st September 2021. All former Ysgol Rhydygors pupils who have an element of residential education as part of their SEN Statement will continue to receive this on the site of the former Ysgol Rhydygors school.

The Executive Board noted that the Education and Children Scrutiny Committee at its meeting on the 23rd November 2020 endorsed the proposal and recommended to the Executive Board that a formal consultation process be initiated.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

- 11.1 that the proposal to reconfigure and remodel behaviour support services at Ysgol Rhydygors to improve provision for children and young people be approved;
- 11.2 that officers initiate formal consultation on the proposal;



11.3 that a report be submitted to the Executive Board at the end of the consultation period.

12. REVISED CARMARTHENSHIRE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2018 -2033 REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED AND FOCUSED CHANGES

[NOTE: Councillor J. Tremlett had earlier declared an interest in this item.]

The Executive Board considered a report detailing representations received on the Revised Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan 2018-2033 in response to the Council's decision on the 10th January 2018 to formally commence the preparation of a Revised (Replacement) LDP. That resolution included a six week public consultation undertaken between the 29th January 2020 and, following an extension of over two weeks, closed on the 27th March 2020. That was subsequently supplemented by a further 3 week consultation closing on the 2nd October 2020 to reflect the impact of the closure of public buildings during the final few weeks of the consultation due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Board noted that the report set out the responses received to the consultation and sought to set out a series of Focused Changes proposed in response to recommendations received along with those which may have emerged as a result of changes in legislation, guidance, evidence or in the interest of clarity and meaning. They also provided an opportunity to incorporate and respond to issues arising from Covid-19, as reported to Council in the Covid-19 Assessment in association with the Revised Delivery Agreement on the 22nd October, 2020.

It was noted that some amendments needed to be made to Appendices 2, 8 and 9 prior to submission to Full Council.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL

- 12.1 to endorse the officer recommendations on the consultation responses received to the Deposit Revised LDP, Sustainability Appraisal, Habitat Regulations Assessment and Supplementary Planning Guidance;
- 12.2 to agree to the presentation of the schedule of Focused Changes to Executive Board for approval for a minimum 6-week public consultation;
- 12.3 to approve the submission of the Deposit LDP and its supporting documents, evidence and background documents as required to the Welsh Ministers for Examination;
- 12.4 to grant officers delegated authority to respond to recommendations and requests arising from the Inspector as part of the Examination and hearing sessions;
- 12.5 to resolve to adopt the SPG in relation to Caeau Mynydd Mawr SAC and the Burry Inlet (subject to the outcome of the Examination) concurrent with the adoption of the Revised LDP;
- 12.6 to grant officers delegated authority to make non-substantive typographical, cartographical and/or factual amendments to improve the clarity and accuracy of the Revised Local Development Plan and its supporting documents.



13. REGIONAL TECHNICAL STATEMENT FOR AGGREGATES - SOUTH WALES - SECOND REVIEW (RTS2)

The Executive Board considered a report on the review undertaken of the Regional Technical Statement for Aggregates – South Wales produced in accordance with the requirements of Minerals Technical Advice Note 1: Aggregates (MTAN 1).

The Board noted that the purpose of the RTS2 was to provide a strategy for the future supply of construction aggregates within each region (North and South Wales) taking into account the latest information in relation to the balance of supply and demand and current notions of sustainability as enshrined in the Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015. It provided a mechanism for encouraging the sustainable management of natural resources within a region for a 25-year period for crushed rock and 22 years for land-won sand and gravel. The document also considered the impact of the proximity principle, environmental capacity and a number of other supply and demand factors.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED TO RECEOMMEND TO COUNCIL that the Regional Technical Statement for Aggregates – South Wales – Second Review (RTS2) be endorsed.

14. INTERIM REPORT - EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY TASK & FINISH GROUP (BLACK, ASIAN AND MINORITY ETHNIC)

The Executive Board was reminded that at its meeting held on the 27th July, 2020 in response to two Notices of Motion it had established a politically balanced Task and Finish Advisory Panel to listen to the voice of the BAME communities in Carmarthenshire

The Board noted that at the Group's first meeting held on the 3rd August 2020 it had, being aware of the public comment and discussion at the time of monuments and memorials across Wales, including the Picton Monument in Carmarthen, determined that the interpretation and history of Sir Thomas Picton should be dealt with at the outset, with the focus of submitting a full report on the Group's findings to the Board in February 2021. In accordance with the Group's decision, the Board received for consideration its interim report relating to Sir Thomas Picton.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

- 14.1 that Information Boards be prominently placed near the Picton Monument with due regard to accessibility, to include a QR code;
- 14.2 that an Information Board be placed at a prominent site within the grounds of the Monument;
- 14.3 that a further Information Board be erected in the vicinity of the Court Room at the Guildhall, where a portrait of Sir Thomas Picton is displayed;
- 14.4 that any Information Boards should reference the local history of the area and also the history of Sir Thomas Picton, encompassing his military career as well as his known links with slavery.



15. COUNCIL TAX BASE 2021-22

The Executive Board considered the Council Tax Base 2021-22 report. The Board was reminded that the Council was required to determine, on an annual basis, its Council Tax Base and the Council Tax Base of each community within its area, for the purpose of calculating the level of Council Tax for the forthcoming financial year and, under the provisions of Section 84 of the Local Government Act 2003 and the Local Authorities Executive Arrangements (Functions and Responsibilities) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2004, the annual calculation had been delegated to the Executive Board.

The calculation of the Tax Base for the County Council for 2021-22 was detailed in Table 1a and summarised in Table 1b, which were appended to the report. The calculation for individual Town and Community Council areas for 2021-22 was summarised in Table 2 and detailed in Appendix A, which were also appended to the report.

The Board noted that the Tax Base report provided calculations were Authority-wide as well as broken down into all community and town council areas for their precept purposes and that the Council Tax Base for the financial year 2021-2022 had been calculated at £74,425.19.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

- 15.1 that the Council Tax Base calculations for the financial year 2021-22, as detailed within Appendix A of the report, be approved;
- 15.2 that a Council Tax Base of £74,425.19, as detailed within tables 1a and 1b of the report, be confirmed in respect of the County Council area;
- 15.3 that the relevant tax bases for the individual community and town council areas, as detailed in table 2 of the report, be confirmed.

16. ANY OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS THAT BY REASONS OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES THE CHAIR DECIDES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY

The Chair advised that there were no items of urgent business.

The Chair, on behalf of the Executive Board, extended sincere sympathy to all those residents throughout the county who have been affected by Covid-19, from those who have lost loved ones to those who continue to suffer and struggle.

He also extended his gratitude to his fellow Executive Board members for the hard work undertaken this year and to all Council staff for going above and beyond, under the excellent leadership of the Chief Executive, who had demonstrated yet again her unstinting support for the people of Carmarthenshire.

He concluded by wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



CHAIR	DATE



Agenda Item 9.1

Amendment to Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Louvain Roberts at the meeting of Carmarthenshire County Council 13th January 2021

Fireworks are used by people throughout the year, to mark different events.

While they can bring much enjoyment to some people, they can cause significant HARM for other people AND animals. Animals affected not only suffer psychological distress but can also cause them to self harm.

WE therefore call on CCC to require all Public Fireworks display within the local authority boundaries to be advertised in advance of the event, allowing residents to take necessary precautions for their animal and VULNERABLE peoples welfare.

To actively promote a public awareness campaign about the impact of fireworks on animal welfare and VULNERABLE people, SUCH AS VETERANS WITH PTSD, including the precautions that can be instigated to mitigate the risks.

TO WRITE TO UK Government, urging them to introduce legislation SIMILAR TO THAT BEING PROPOSED BY SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT TO RESTRICT THE TIMES IN WHICH FIREWORKS CAN BE SOLD AND UTILISED BY THE PUBLIC, AS WELL AS INTRODUCE LIMITS TO maximum noise levels of the fireworks to 90 dB of those sold to the public for private display.

To encourage Local Suppliers of Fireworks to Stock a "Quieter Version" of Fireworks used for Public Displays etc.

Proposed:

Councillor Rob James

Seconded:

Councillor Amanda Fox

