Scottish Borders Council

Local Development Plan 2: Main Issues Report

Interim Environment Report

Appendix 2: Relevant Plans, Programmes and Strategies

	Plan, Programme or Strategy	Key considerations for LDP2 (Main Issues Report)
Air		
National	The Air Quality Strategy for England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. Working Together for Clean Air (2000).	The LDP2 will contribute to reduction in air pollution.
	Local Air Quality Management Act (Part of the Environmental Act 1995)	Sets out requirements to reduce air pollution which the LDP2 should contribute to.
	Cleaner Air for Scotland 2015: The Road to a Healthier Future	A National Strategy – aiming to achieve the best possible air quality for Scotland
Biodiversity, faur	na and flora	
International	Convention on Wetlands of International Importance 1971 (amended 1982 and 1987) (Ramsar Convention)	Requirement to protect sites from loss or damage by development.
	Directive 92/43/EEC on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora UN Convention on Biological Diversity	Requirement for appropriate assessment.
	Bern Convention on the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural Habitats	Requirement to protect and enhance ecological resources.
	Pan-European Biological and Landscape Diversity Strategy (1995) Directive 79/409/EEC on the conservation of wild birds	-
	Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended)	Protected species continue to receive protection via this legislation. The Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004 led to repeal of some sections of the 1981 Act but it remains in force and should be taken into account in the assessment.
National	Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004	Duty to further conservation of biodiversity.
	Scotland's Biodiversity – It's in your hands (2004)	Broader scale conservation beyond designated sites.
	Scottish Planning Policy (SPP) PAN60 Planning for Natural Heritage (2000)	Sets national planning policy and provides further advice.
	The Scottish Forestry Strategy (2006) (and associated SEA)	Sets aims to conserve and enhance biodiversity which should be taken on board by the LDP2.

	2020 Challenge for Scotland's Biodiversity	The 2020 Challenge provides greater detail and updates some elements of the 2004 document, including responses to new international targets.
Local	Scottish Borders Biodiversity Action Plan	Requirement to maintain the area's Biodiversity.
	Scottish Borders Woodland Strategy	Requirement to promote the area's woodland asset.
	Scottish Borders Greenspace Strategy	Requirement to promote the area's greenspace asset.
Population an	d Human Health	
	Our National Health: A Plan for Action, A Plan for Change	The LDP2 should contribute to improving the health of the Borders area.
	Scottish Planning Policy	Enabling the provision of a range of attractive, well- designed, energy efficient, good quality housing, contributing to the creation of successful and sustainable places.
	A Partnership for a Better Scotland (2003)	The LDP2 should contribute towards ensuring that disadvantaged neighbourhoods are targeted for regeneration to allow for improvements in quality of life of the Population.
	Making the Links: Greenspace and the Partnership Agreement, Greenspace Scotland	The LDP2 should seek to protect, enhance and promote green spaces.
	PAN 74 Affordable Housing	The LDP2 should seek to provide affordable housing in line with the Scottish Government's recommendations.
	Let's Get Scotland Walking – The National Walking Strategy	The LDP2 should seek to promote walking in line with this Strategy
	Active Travel Task Force Report	The LDP2 should seek to promote cycling and walking in line with the Task Force Report
	Cycling Action Plan for Scotland 2017 to 2010	The LDP2 should seek to promote cycling as a form of transport, as outlined within the Action Plan
	A Long Term Vision for Active Travel in Scotland 2030	The LDP2 should seek to promote cycling in line with the Vision
Local	Scottish Borders Core Path Plan	The LDP2 should contribute to improving the health of the

		Borders area by promoting core paths and accessibility to
		the countryside and green spaces.
	Our Scottish Borders – Your	The LDP2 should seek to follow the guidance in the
	Community: Community Plan	community plans on engagement with the local community.
	2006-2016	
	Scottish Borders Local Housing	The LDP2 should integrate with the SHIP and plan to
	Strategy and Action Plan	achieve the outcomes set out in the document.
Soil		
International	EU Thematic Strategy for Soil protection (2005)	Aims to maintain and protect soil quality.
National	PAN33 Development of Contaminated Land (2000)	Key national advice.
	The Contaminated Land (Scotland) Regulations 2005	The LDP2 should not conflict with these regulations.
	Scottish Soil Framework (2009)	The main aim of the Framework is to promote the
		sustainable management and protection of soils consistent
		with the economic, social and environmental needs of
		Scotland.
	The State of Scotland's Soils Report (2011)	The document examines actions arising from the Scottish
		Soils Framework (2009).
Water		
International	Directive 2000/60/EC Water Framework Directive	Requirement to achieve good ecological status by 2015.
	Directive 2007/60/EC Flood Risk Management	Assessment and management of flood risk.
National	Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003	Requirement to produce River Basin Management Plans.
	(Designation of Scotland River Basin District) Order 2003	Controlled Activities Regulations (CAR).
	The Water Environment (Controlled Activities) (Scotland) Regulations	
	2011 (as amended)	
	Scotland River Basin Management Plan and Solway Tweed River	
	Basin Management Plan (RBMP)	
	Flood Risk Management (Scotland) Bill 2008	Sets national policy - requirement to take flood risk into account.
	Scottish Planning Policy	
	Local Flood Risk Management Plans	The LDP2 should not create flood risks and should actively

		promote sustainable flood risk management.
	The Marine (Scotland) Act (2010)	The LDP2 should take account of the Marine Bill when planning anything that could impact on coastal waters and/or the sea.
Local	Tweed Catchment Management Plan	The LDP2 should not adversely impact on the aims of these
	Tweed Wetland Strategy	documents.
Climatic Factors		
International	European Climate Change Programme	Aims to reduce emissions and achieve sequestration.
	Kyoto Protocol (1997)	Sets international targets and mechanisms for addressing climate change.
National	UK Climate Projections (UKCP09) (2009)	Projects UK climate into the future based on different emissions scenarios.
	Changing Our Ways – Scotland's Climate Change Programme (2006)	The LDP2 should aim to make an appropriate contribution to this programme.
	Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009	The LDP2 should promote and contribute towards the targets set by the bill. The LDP2 should also adhere to the public body duties in Section 4 of the Act, this means exercising functions: in the best way calculated to contribute to delivery of the Act's emission reduction targets, deliver any statutory adaptation programme; and in the most sustainable way.
	Energy Efficiency and Micro generation: achieving a Low Carbon Future: A Strategy for Scotland (2008)	The LDP2 should aim to make an appropriate contribution to this programme to help meet carbon saving targets for Scotland.

	Scotland's Climate Change Adaptation Framework	The LDP2 should recognise the need to understand the
		consequences of a changing climate and integrate
		adaptation measures into policy where possible.
	Biomass Action Plan for Scotland	The aim of the Plan is to set out a coordinated programme
		for development of the biomass sector in Scotland.
Material assets		
International	Directive 99/31/EC Landfill Directive	Sets targets for reducing waste to landfill.
National	Scottish Planning Policy	The LDP2 should support measures to manage waste.
	Zero Waste Plan (2010)	The LDP2 should support measures to improve resource
		efficiency.
	Building a Better Scotland Infrastructure Investment Plan (2005)	Sets out delivery plan for investment across Scotland.
Cultural Heritage		
National	Scottish Planning Policy	Sets out national policy.
	Historic Environment Scotland Policy Statement	HESPS promotes the protection and management of
		Scotland's rich and diverse historic environment in a
		sustainable way, and sets out an exception that planning
		authorities to undertake their responsibilities for the
		historic environment in a pro-active and committed way.
	Our Place in Time	The key message of the Strategy is to ensure that the
		cultural, social, environmental and economic value of
		Scotland's heritage makes a strong contribution to the
		wellbeing of the nation and its people.
	Managing Change in the Historic Environment Guidance Notes	Provides advice on designated and protected built
		environment, gardens and landscapes.
	Our Place in Time, the historic environment strategy for Scotland	The LDP2 should promote the Historic Environment, in line
		with the strategy. The key message of the Strategy is to
		ensure that the cultural, social, environmental and
		economic value of Scotland's heritage makes a strong
		contribution to the wellbeing of the nation and its people.
Landscape and to	wnscape	

International	European Landscape Convention (2000)	Requires protection and enhancement of landscapes.
National	Scottish Planning Policy	Sets national planning policy and provides further advice.
	Getting the Best from our Land: A Land Use Strategy for Scotland	
	2016 - 2021	
	PAN60 Planning for Natural Heritage (2000)	
	Creating Places: A policy statement on architecture and place for	The LDP2 should adhere to the policies contained within the
	Scotland	document.
	PAN 65 Planning and Open	The LDP2 should enhance existing open space and provide
	Space	high quality new spaces.
	PAN 71 Conservation Area Management	The LDP2 should not have a negative impact on any
		conservation areas in the Borders.
Interrelationships /	sustainable development	
International	European Strategy for Sustainable Development (2006)	Identifies key priorities for sustainable development.
	7 th Environmental Action Plan of the European Community (2002)	Encourages integration of environmental issues across all
		sectors of policy.
National	One future different paths – UK shared framework for sustainable	Sets principles for sustainable development.
	development (2005)	
	Choosing our Future – Scotland's Sustainable Development Strategy	Defines priorities for Scotland, including mainstreaming
	(2005)	sustainable development.
Local	Single Outcome Agreement for the Scottish Borders	Sets priorities for the Community Planning Partnership.
	New Ways Environmental Strategy	
Planning		
National	Planning etc (Scotland) Act 2006	Reform of the Scottish planning system.
	Scottish Planning Policy	Sets national policy.
	Planning Circular (6/2013)	
	Rural Development Programme for Scotland 2007-2013	Sets priorities for EU funded rural development.
	National Planning Framework 3 for Scotland	Guides land use planning.
Local	Strategic Development Plan (SESplan)	Part of the Scottish Borders Development Plan - sets out the
		strategic policy framework.

Scottish Borders Local Development Plan 2016	Part of the current Scottish Borders Development Plan – sets out the site specific detail and more local policies and proposals.
Supplementary Guidance on Housing (Adopted November 2017)	Allocates additional housing land to meet the requirement of LDP Policy HD4 Meeting the Housing Land Requirement/ Further Housing Land Safeguarding.
Supplementary Guidance on Renewable Energy (to be Adopted 2018)	Sets out the detailed policy considerations against which all proposals for wind energy and other forms of renewable energy will be assessed.

NOTE: Any changes to the PPS since the Scoping Report are highlighted above in red