

Rushcliffe Local Development Scheme (Revised)



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1. Introduction

The Government announced in the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 proposals for reforming the planning system, including abolishing the current system of Structure Plans and Local Plans and replacing it with a system of Regional Spatial Strategies and Local Development Frameworks. The first Rushcliffe Local Development Scheme published in April 2005 was based on the assumption that the emerging Rushcliffe Replacement Local Plan would be produced under the transitional arrangements set out within the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. However, following the resolution by the Council in September 2006 not to proceed with the plan and instead to bring forward work on the Local Development Framework it is necessary to reconsider the timetable for preparation of Development Plans Documents and Supplementary Planning Documents. The revised Local Development Scheme therefore sets out the timetable for those documents it intends to produce in the three years from the publication of the revised Local development Scheme. It also indicates the documents that are likely to be produced beyond the three year period that this Local Development Scheme covers.

Appendix 3 gives an explanation of the terms used throughout this document.

2. General

The Local Development Framework

The Local Development Framework is effectively a 'portfolio' of local development documents which collectively deliver the spatial planning strategy for the Local Planning Authority's area. The Local Development Scheme will comprise Development Plan Documents (DPDs), which form part of the statutory development plan, Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) and 'saved' policies where appropriate. The policies and proposals in Development Plan Documents must be underpinned by comprehensive and credible evidence and be in general conformity with the Regional Spatial Strategy. A diagram depicting the relationships between documents that make up the Local Development Framework is contained within appendix 2. All Development Plan Documents must be subject to rigorous procedures of community involvement, consultation and independent examination and adopted after receipt of the inspector's binding report. Development Plan Documents have to be in general conformity with the Regional Spatial Strategy. Supplementary Planning Documents have to relate to either policies in a Development Plan Document or a 'saved' policy.

The Local Development Framework is the mechanism for delivering the spatial element of the Community Strategy. The Local Development Framework will also complement the objectives of the Borough Councils Corporate Plan. Within its Corporate Plan the Council has identified four key areas of environment, community safety, well-being and performance which are important to the people of Rushcliffe and in which the Council will be active in securing improvements and providing, encouraging and enabling services. The Rushcliffe Community Strategy aims to bring together the needs and aspirations of local people. The Community Strategy aims to enhance the quality of life for the majority of people in Rushcliffe, whilst significantly improving the quality of life of the less fortunate.

The Local Development Scheme

The first Local Development Scheme was published within six months of the commencement of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. The Local Development Scheme sets out which documents will be Local Development Documents, the subject matter of each document and the timetable for their preparation.

The Local Development Scheme focuses on the Borough Council's programme for preparing Development Plan Documents over the three years following the publication of the Local Development Scheme. This Local Development Scheme also provides an indication of the work the Borough Council proposes to undertake beyond this 3 year period, although this list may be added to at a future date as the need to produce other Development Plan Documents becomes clearer as a result of changes to national and regional planning policy. There

may also be a future requirement to produce development briefs for specific sites as a result of the policies and proposals within the Site Specific Allocations DPD.

Current Planning Policy Situation

The Rushcliffe Borough Local Plan (adopted 1996) has until recently been the document being used for Development Control purposes, along with amended National and Regional guidance where this has superseded elements of the plan. On 21 September 2006 the Council resolved not to take the emerging Replacement Local Plan to formal adoption, but instead to adopt the non allocation elements on a non statutory basis for Development Control purposes and to proceed with preparing the LDF. As a result this LDS includes significant changes to the timetable for the preparation of Development Plan Documents and Supplementary Planning Documents, which can no longer be prepared with reference to emerging Replacement Local Plan policies.

Annual Monitoring Report

The role of the Annual Monitoring Report is to assess the implementation of the LDS and the extent to which the policies of Development Plan Documents are being achieved. The Annual Monitoring Report will also assess whether the Borough Council has met the targets and milestones set out in this Local Development Scheme, or if the Borough Council has failed to meet such targets, the reasons for the failure and how the Borough Council will address such failure. This Local Development Scheme may need to be amended at this time in light of the conclusions drawn from the results of monitoring. Any amendment to the Local Development Scheme will need to be agreed with the Government Office for the East Midlands. The Annual Monitoring Report is not a Local Development Document.

The first AMR covered the period from the commencement of the Act until the end of March 2005 and was submitted to the Government Office for the East Midlands in December 2005. The next AMR will develop the information provided in the first report in the light of comments made by the Government Office. However, due to the resolution not to proceed with the Replacement Local Plan it will not be possible to provide monitoring information about the implementation of emerging policies until further progress has been made on the new DPDs.

Existing Supplementary Planning Guidance

Paragraph 3.20, subsection viii) of Planning Policy Statement 12 states that local development schemes should set out any other supplementary planning guidance which the authority will continue to use as a material consideration in the determination of planning applications. It is intended that the following Supplementary Planning Guidance is retained:

- Affordable Housing-Adopted April 2003
- Development Requirements-Adopted December 2003

Following the resolution that the Replacement Local Plan should be formally adopted on a non statutory basis for Development Control purposes, the existing SPGs will be used on a similar basis to help implement elements of this plan. The Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Guidance will be used in conjunction with the Council's approved Housing Strategy to assist in the implementation of policy HOU7 of the Revised Deposit Replacement Local Plan (2004). The Supplementary Planning Guidance on Development Requirements will be used to assist in the implementation of policy GP2 of the Revised Deposit Replacement Local Plan (2004) as amended by the response to the Inspectors report.

Prior to the revised commencement dates for SPDs, consideration will also be given to bringing forward over the next year the Supplementary Planning Documents that were in preparation on an informal basis to provide information about the Council's preferred approach in relation to Design, Open Space and recreation as well as Development Requirements.

Joint Working.

At the present time, there are no proposals to produce joint Local Development Documents with neighbouring authorities. The Borough Council has in the past, and will continue to produce background documents (such as the recently commissioned Greater Nottingham Employment Land Study and the South Nottinghamshire Affordable Housing Study) jointly with other Local Authorities which will provide an evidence base for Local Development Documents.

3: A Summary of the Rushcliffe Local Development Scheme

The Rushcliffe Local Development Scheme details the Local Development Documents which will be prepared in the 3 years following the publication of the revised Local Development Scheme. A timetable indicating the likely progress of Local Development Documents is contained in Appendix 1. The Documents which the Borough Council intends to commence during the 3 year period which this Local Development Scheme focuses upon include:

- Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)
- Core Strategy
- Site specific proposals
- Generic development Control Policies

The SCI is placed early on in the timetable so that it can be used to assist in clarifying the process of public involvement in the preparation of Development Plan Documents later on.

Work will commence on the Core Strategy in late 2006 followed by the Site Specific Allocations and Generic development Control Policies in early 2007 to ensure that they can take account of the policies and strategies set out within the emerging replacement Regional Spatial Strategy. The RSS will set the strategic context for these documents and include revised housing and employment figures for the Borough. It is anticipated that the first draft of the revised RSS will be published in October 2006, with an EIP taking place in May/June 2007 and adoption likely in early 2008. The LDS will therefore ensure that DPD preparation can following these milestones and ensure that the Borough has an approved policy framework in place at the earliest opportunity.

The Rushcliffe Local Development scheme also provides a brief outline of the documents that it considers will be produced beyond the three year period that this scheme covers.

- Development Requirements Supplementary Planning Document
- Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document
- Open Space Sport and Recreation Supplementary Planning Document
- Design Guidance Supplementary Planning Document

The Affordable Housing SPD will provide an update on the adopted Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG). The development requirements SPD will also provide an update of the present SPG. The document will also be amended to reflect changes that the Government makes to the planning obligations system. The Open Space, Sport and Recreation SPD will tie together the findings of the Borough Councils Playing Pitch Assessment, the findings of the Open Space Audit Review (September 2006) and the Borough

Councils Childs Play Strategy (due for completion at the end of 2006). The Design Guidance SPD will provide advice primarily on householder applications and new residential development.

Additional Local Development Documents may be prepared where it is considered appropriate for example to provide guidance on specific issues and these will be identified through the Annual Monitoring Report which will inform changes to the Local Development Scheme.

The proposals map will be updated whenever a Development Plan Document is adopted.

4. Preparation of Local Development Documents

Development Plan Documents

Government guidance document “Creating Local Development Frameworks, a Companion Guide to PPS12” indicates that it should take roughly 32 months for a Development Plan Document to progress from pre-production to adoption. The preparation of Development Plan Document can be divided into four stages, as follows:

- Pre-production (3-9 months)

This is an initial survey and evidence gathering stage, which will help identify issues which need to be addressed, and the initial document preparation stage.

- Production (12-18 months)

This will involve consultation on the identified issues and options for policies and proposals in a Development Plan Document developed during the pre-production stage. A draft sustainability appraisal will be prepared.

Preferred options will be then be identified and a submission Development Plan Document will be prepared. A final sustainability appraisal will also be prepared.

The finalised Development Plan Document and sustainability appraisal will be submitted to the Secretary of State.

The Development Plan Document and Sustainability Appraisal will be subject to further public consultation.

- Examination (12 months)

The Development Plan Document will be subject to independent examination into its ‘soundness’ by an inspector instructed by the Secretary of State. The examination will assess whether the Development Plan Document has been prepared properly and assess the merit of its policies and proposals.

- Adoption

The Inspector will produce a report with recommendations that will be binding on the Borough Council. The Borough Council will have to incorporate the changes required by the Inspector and then adopt the Development Plan Document.

Whilst it is not intended to commence any Local Development Documents within the three years from the commencement of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act for reasons identified in the previous chapter, an indicative timetable based on the above stages has been produced on those Development Plan Documents the Borough Council intends to produce beyond this period.

Supplementary Planning Documents:

The production of SPDs will follow a similar process, but does not include an independent examination stage. SPDs have to be linked to a policy or policies contained within an Local Development Document, or to a 'saved' policy. Government guidance indicates that it should take roughly 12-13 months for an SPD to progress from pre-production to adoption. The timescales will however vary depending on the complexities and depth of the subject. The stages of production include:

Pre-production (2 months)

- Preparation and release of sustainability appraisal scoping report for 5 week consultation. This stage is mandatory. This stage is usually about 2 months into the overall process.
- In certain circumstances the Borough may wish to release a pre-production consultation document before producing a draft SPD. This is NOT a mandatory stage, however it is a stage which the Borough could engage key stakeholders and the public at the earliest opportunity.

Production (10-11 Months)

- Preparation of draft SPD and the accompanying sustainability appraisal which are then released for a 4-6 week consultation period. This stage is usually about 5 months into the overall process
- The Borough Council considers representations and amends documents as appropriate.
- The Borough Council adopts and publishes the SPD

Statement of Community Involvement

The Statement of Community Involvement is one of the first documents which the Borough Council intends to produce. The Companion guide to PPS12 indicates that a SCI will take around 14 months to develop. The Statement of Community Involvement stages of production are similar to that of DPDs but over a shorter timescale. The timescales are as follows

Pre Production (3 months)

This will involve the formulation of a draft Statement of Community Involvement.

Production (6 months)

This will involve subjecting the draft Statement of Community Involvement to consultation and public participation and amending accordingly. The statement should set out the Borough Council's vision and standards for community involvement, and how these will link with other local initiatives such as the Community Strategy and the Local Strategic Partnership (LSP). The Statement of Community Involvement will not only set out how the Borough Council will consult with the community and stakeholders on Local Development Documents, it will also set out how the Borough Council will consult on all planning applications made to the Borough Council.

Examination (5 months)

As with Development Plan Documents, the Statement of Community Involvement will be subject to independent examination into its 'soundness' by an inspector instructed by the Secretary of State. The examination will assess whether the Development Plan Document has been prepared properly and assess the merit of its policies and proposals.

Adoption

Again, as with Development Plan Documents, the Inspector will produce a report with recommendations that will be binding on the Borough Council. The Borough Council will have to incorporate the changes required by the Inspector and then adopt the Development Plan Document.

Strategic Environmental Assessment/Sustainability Appraisal

The Strategic Environmental Assessment is an assessment of certain plans and programmes, including those in the field of planning and land use, which complies with a European Directive on the subject. The environmental assessment involves the:

- preparation of an environmental report;
- carrying out of consultations;
- taking into account of the environmental report and the results of the consultations in decision making;
- provision of information when the plan or programme is adopted; and showing that the results of the environment assessment have been taken into account.

The sustainability appraisal is a process of weighing and assessing all the policies in a Local Development Document for their global, national and local implications.

The present Revised Deposit Replacement Local Plan contains a sustainability appraisal. With the exception of the Statement of Community Involvement, all written documents within the Local Development Framework will be subject to Strategic Environmental Assessment, which will incorporate the sustainability appraisal.

Each draft Local Development Document will be accompanied by a draft sustainability appraisal. The document will be released for to public consultation at the same time as the draft Local Development Document. A final sustainability appraisal will be submitted to the Secretary of State for consideration alongside the finalised Local Development Document.

Proposals Map

The Borough Council must include within the Local Development Framework an adopted proposals map which shows the adopted development Plan policies for the area. Every time the Borough Council produces or revises a Development Plan Document, then the proposals map should reflect any changes.

The proposals map should show such features as conservation areas, the Green Belt and nature conservation areas, of national, regional or local importance. It should also show development or land-use proposals and show where specific policies will apply. There is also a requirement to show minerals and waste safeguarding areas and any minerals or waste allocations that are adopted in a Development Plan Document by the County Council.

The proposals map of the Rushcliffe Borough Local Plan (1996) will provide the basis of any future proposals map. This map will be amended accordingly as each subsequent Development Plan Document is adopted.

5. The Local Development Scheme

The following section provides a detailed timetable for those Local Development Documents that are to be commenced during the 3 year period that this Local Development Scheme covers (September 2006 – September 2009). This section outlines the role and content of each Local Development Document, the geographical coverage and the key milestones for each Local Development Document. It also outlines who is the manager of each document, the political input and the likely staffing resources required for the development of each document . The table contained within Appendix 1 also provides a Local Development Scheme timetable.

Local Development Document Profiles

The following section also provides more information on those documents that are to be prepared after the three year period that this scheme covers.

Local Development Documents that are to be produced within the timescales of this Local Development Scheme.

TITLE
Core Strategy
STATUS
Development Plan Document
ROLE AND CONTENT
Sets out the Borough Councils spatial vision, spatial objectives and strategy for the development of its area, and the framework for Development Control
GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE
The Whole of the Borough
CHAIN OF CONFORMITY
Consistent with national planning policy and in general conformity with Revised Regional Spatial Strategy, which is provisionally due for completion in 2007 and the Community Strategy.
KEY MILESTONES
WORK ON DOCUMENT COMMENCING
November 2006
DATES FOR PRE-SUBMISSION CONSULTATION AND CREATION OF DRAFT DOCUMENT
May 2007-September 2007
DATE FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON PREFERRED OPTIONS AND DRAFT SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL
October 2007
DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF FINALISED DOCUMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL TO SECRETARY OF STATE
February 2008
PRE EXAMINATION MEETING
June 2008
EXAMINATION
August 2008
REPORT
February 2009
PROPOSED DATE FOR ADOPTION
March 2009
Post Production
Annual Monitoring Report will provide data to assess whether any short term revisions are necessary. Formal consideration of the need for a review will commence in April 2011 unless revisions to important supporting policy documents such as the Regional Spatial Strategy have been adopted requiring an earlier update to the Core Strategy.

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ARRANGEMENTS FOR PRODUCTION	
Organisational lead	
	Development Framework Manager
Political Management	
	Input into the formulation of the document and consideration of responses to public participation by Member Working Group. Final document endorsed at a meeting of the full Borough Council
Internal Resources	
	3 officers from the Local Plans team together with representatives of Development Control
External Resources	
	None
Consultation Arrangements	
	Statutory consultees and other interest groups in accordance with Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004.
Post Production	
	Annual Monitoring Report Prepared

TITLE
Site Specific proposals
STATUS
Development Plan Document
ROLE AND CONTENT
Sets out where the Borough Council proposes to provide allocations of land for residential, mixed-use and employment development.
GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE
The Whole of the Borough
CHAIN OF CONFORMITY
To conform with the Regional Spatial Strategy and the Core Strategy
KEY MILESTONES
WORK ON DOCUMENT COMMENCING
April 2007
DATES FOR PRE-SUBMISSION CONSULTATION AND CREATION OF DRAFT DOCUMENT
April 2008 – September 2008
DATE FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON PREFERRED OPTIONS AND SUSTAINABILITY REPORT
October 2008
DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF FINALISED DOCUMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL TO SECRETARY OF STATE
April 2009
PRE EXAMINATION MEETING
August 2009
EXAMINATION
October 2009
REPORT
April 2010
PROPOSED DATE FOR ADOPTION
May 2010
Post Production
Annual Monitoring Report Prepared

Scheme for Site Specific proposals continues on next page

ARRANGEMENTS FOR PRODUCTION	
Organisational lead	
	Development Framework Manager
Political Management	
	Input into the formulation of the document and consideration of responses to public participation by Member Working Group. Final document endorsed at a meeting of the full Borough Council.
Internal Resources	
	3 officers from the Local Plans team together with a working groups of officers from Conservation and Design and Community development.
External Resources	
	Input required from County Highways and Education, Primary Care Trust and otherwise who will have an input to site selection if required.
Consultation Arrangements	
	Statutory consultees and other interest groups in accordance with Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004.
Post Production	
	Annual Monitoring Report Prepared

TITLE
Generic Development Control Policies
STATUS
Development Plan Document
ROLE AND CONTENT
To provide a limited suite of criteria-based policies which, alongside the Core Strategy, can be used when considering planning applications.
GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE
The Whole of the Borough
CHAIN OF CONFORMITY
To conform with National Planning Policy and general conformity with the Regional Spatial Strategy and the Core Strategy.
KEY MILESTONES
WORK ON DOCUMENT COMMENCING
July 2007
DATES FOR PRE-SUBMISSION CONSULTATION AND CREATION OF DRAFT DOCUMENT
May 2008 – November 2008
DATE FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON PREFERRED OPTIONS AND SUSTAINABILITY REPORT
December 2008
DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF FINALISED DOCUMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL TO SECRETARY OF STATE
June 2009
PRE EXAMINATION MEETING
October 2009
EXAMINATION
December 2009
REPORT
June 2010
PROPOSED DATE FOR ADOPTION
July 2010
Post Production
Annual Monitoring Report Prepared

Scheme for Generic Development Control Policies continues on next page

ARRANGEMENTS FOR PRODUCTION	
Organisational lead	
	Development Framework Manager
Political Management	
	Input into the formulation of the document and consideration of responses to public participation by Member Working Group. Final document endorsed through the full Borough Council.
Internal Resources	
	3 officers from the Local Plans team to work on the SCI together with the Head of Development Control
External Resources	
	None
Consultation Arrangements	
	Statutory consultees and other interest groups in accordance with Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004.
Post Production	
	Annual Monitoring Report Prepared

TITLE
Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)
STATUS
Local Development Document
ROLE AND CONTENT
The SCI sets out the Borough Councils approach to engaging the community and stakeholders in the development of Local Development Frameworks. The document also outlines how the community and stakeholders will be consulted on planning applications.
GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE
The Whole of the Borough
CHAIN OF CONFORMITY
N/A
KEY MILESTONES
WORK ON DOCUMENT COMMENCING
November 2005
DATES FOR PRE-SUBMISSION CONSULTATION AND CREATION OF DRAFT DOCUMENT
November 2005-February 2006
DATE FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON DRAFT STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT
May 2006
DATE FOR SUBMISSION TO SECRETARY OF STATE
November 2006
PRE-EXAMINATION MEETING
February 2007
EXAMINATION
April 2007
REPORT
June 2007
PROPOSED DATE FOR ADOPTION
July 2007
REVIEW
Formal consideration of the need for a review to commence in August 2010.

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ARRANGEMENTS FOR PRODUCTION	
Organisational lead	
	Development Framework Manager
Political Management	
	Input into the formulation of the document and consideration of responses to public participation by Member Working Group. Final document endorsed through the Borough Councils Cabinet.
Internal Resources	
	3 officers from the Local Plans team to work on the SCI together with the Head of Community Development, the Community Partnerships Officer and the Head of Communications.
External Resources	
	None
Consultation Arrangements	
	Statutory consultees and other interest groups in accordance with Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004.
Post Production	
	Annual Monitoring Report will provide data to assess whether any short term revisions are necessary. Formal consideration of the need for a review will commence in August 2010 unless emerging information indicates that an earlier update to the SCI would be beneficial.

Local Development Documents that are to be produced beyond the timescales of this Local Development Scheme.

TITLE
Development Requirements
STATUS
Supplementary Planning Document
ROLE AND CONTENT
The Development Requirements SPD will provide an update of the present Development Requirements SPG. The document will also be amended to reflect changes that the Government is making to the planning obligations system. The role of the document is to provide clarity for developers and the community on what the Borough Council will seek to secure by means of a planning obligation where a development will require new facilities, such as additional health and education facilities, or improvements to off-site walking, cycling and public transport measures.
GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE
The Whole of the Borough
CHAIN OF CONFORMITY
To conform with the Development Requirements policy within the Local Development Framework.
KEY MILESTONES
WORK ON DOCUMENT COMMENCING:
October 2009
DATE FOR CONSULTATION ON SA SCOPING REPORT
January 2009
DATE FOR CONSULTATION ON DRAFT SPD AND DRAFT SA
April 2010
PROPOSED DATE FOR ADOPTION
October 2010
ROLE OF PRESENT SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING GUIDANCE:
The present Development Requirements SPG will continue to be used as informal guidance until the adoption of the Development Requirements SPD.

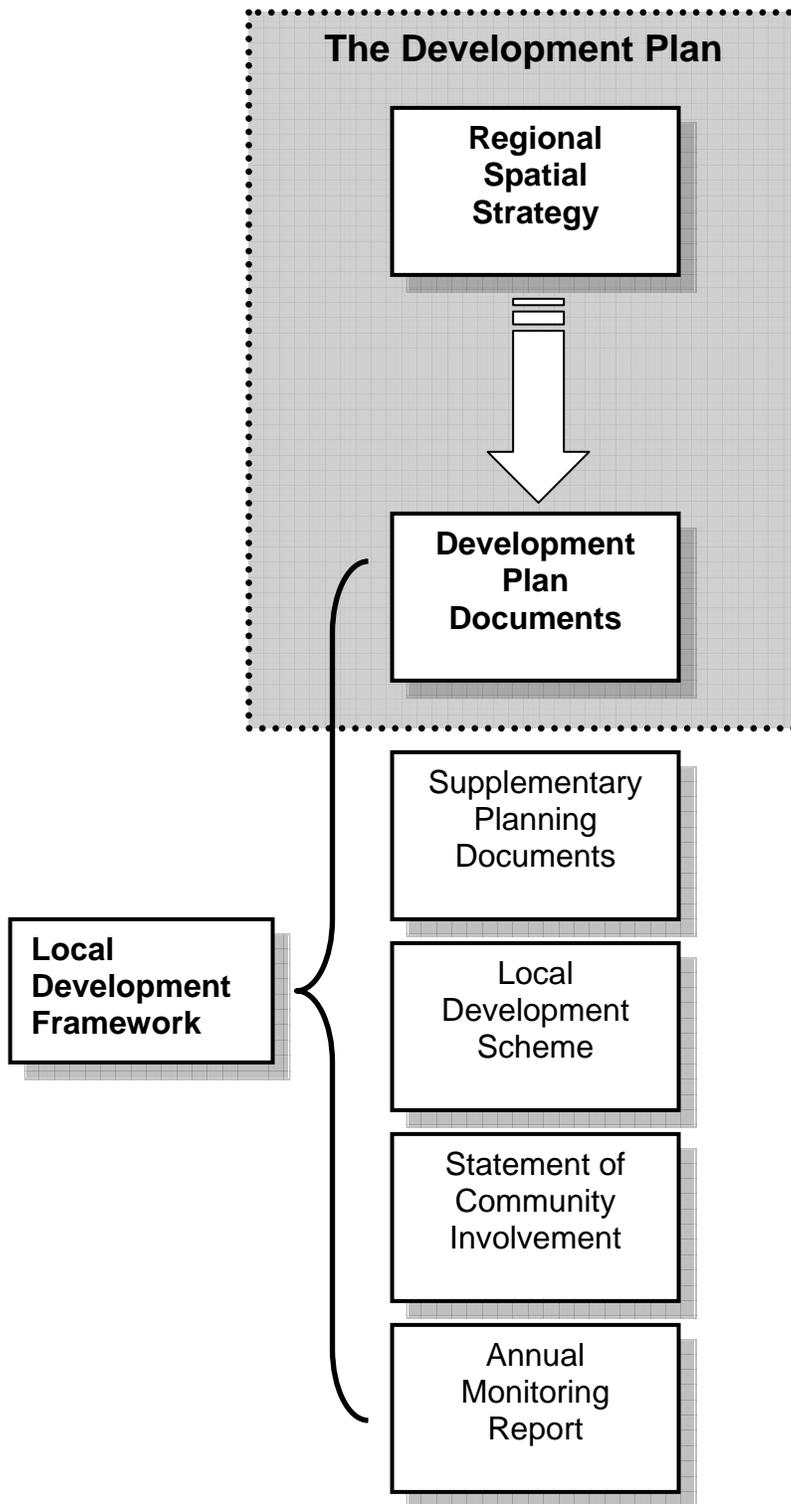
TITLE
Affordable Housing
STATUS
Supplementary Planning Document
ROLE AND CONTENT
The Affordable Housing SPD will provide an update to the present Affordable Housing SPG. The role of the document is to provide clarity for developers and the community on what proportion of affordable housing the Borough Council will seek to secure in new development, the types of affordable housing required and where commuted sums will be appropriate. The SPD will also include further information on exceptional needs rural housing provision.
GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE
The Whole of the Borough
CHAIN OF CONFORMITY
To conform with the Affordable Housing and Exceptional needs housing policies within the Local Development Framework.
KEY MILESTONES
WORK ON DOCUMENT COMMENCING
December 2009
RELEASE OF SA SCOPING REPORT
March 2010
DATE FOR CONSULTATION ON DRAFT SPD AND DRAFT SA
June 2010
PROPOSED DATE FOR ADOPTION
December 2010
ROLE OF PRESENT SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING GUIDANCE:
The present Affordable Housing SPG will continue to be used as informal guidance, along with the Housing Strategy and Housing Needs Surveys until the adoption of the Affordable Housing SPD.

TITLE
Design Guidance
STATUS
Supplementary Planning Document
ROLE AND CONTENT
This document will replace the outdated concept of relying on Space Between Buildings Guidelines when considering the design and impact of planning applications for householder development and for new dwellings. The guidance will also incorporate a section on good design and density within new residential development, which is a contentious issue within the Borough at the moment.
GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE
The Whole of the Borough
CHAIN OF CONFORMITY
To conform with Amenity and Design policies contained within the Local Development Framework.
KEY MILESTONES
WORK ON DOCUMENT COMMENCING:
December 2009
RELEASE OF SA SCOPING REPORT
March 2010
DATE FOR CONSULTATION ON DRAFT SPD AND DRAFT SA
June 2010
PROPOSED DATE FOR ADOPTION
December 2010

TITLE
Open Space, Sport and Recreation
STATUS
Supplementary Planning Document
ROLE AND CONTENT
The role of the SPD is to satisfy the requirement of Planning Policy Guidance 17, Open Space, Sport and Recreation in terms of developing local standards for the provision and protection of open space, sport and recreation facilities throughout the Borough.
GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE
The Whole of the Borough
CHAIN OF CONFORMITY
To conform with the Open Space policy within the Local Development Framework.
KEY MILESTONES
WORK ON DOCUMENT COMMENCING:
January 2010
RELEASE OF SA SCOPING REPORT
April 2010
DATE FOR CONSULTATION ON DRAFT SPD AND DRAFT SA
July 2010
PROPOSED DATE FOR ADOPTION
January 2011

The Local Development Scheme timeline appears here

APPENDIX 2: THE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK



APPENDIX 3. GLOSSARY

Adoption	The final confirmation of a development plan or Local Development Document as having statutory status by a Local Planning Authority (LPA).
Annual Monitoring Report (AMR)	A report submitted to Government by local planning authorities or regional planning bodies assessing Local Development Framework or Regional Spatial Strategy production progress and policy effectiveness.
Cabinet	Meeting involving representatives of the Borough Council's executive. Cabinet considers most strategic proposals.
Core strategy	A Development Plan Development setting out the spatial vision and objectives of the planning framework for an area, having regard to the Community Strategy (see also DPDs).
Development Control	The process whereby a local planning authority manages, shapes, and considers the merits of a planning application and whether it should be given permission with regard to the development plan.
Development Plan	A document setting out the local planning authority's policies and proposals for the development and use of land and buildings in the authority's area. It includes Unitary, Structure, and Local Plans prepared under transitional arrangements, and new Regional Spatial Strategies and Development Plan Documents prepared under the Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act of 2004.
Development Plan Documents (DPDs)	DPDs are Local Development Documents that have development plan status. Once adopted, development control decisions must be made in accordance with them

	<p>unless material considerations indicate otherwise. The DPDs which local planning authorities must prepare, include the core strategy, site-specific allocations of land and, where needed, area action plans. There will also be a proposals map, which illustrates the spatial extent of policies that must be prepared and maintained to accompany all DPDs. The first proposals map will be based on the proposals map in the Revised Deposit Replacement Local Plan when adopted. All DPDs must be subject to rigorous procedures of community involvement, consultation and independent examination, and adopted after receipt of the inspector's binding report.</p>
Full Council	<p>Meeting involving all Rushcliffe Borough Councillors. Full Council considers major strategic documents.</p>
Local Development Documents (LDDs)	<p>These include Development Plan Documents, which will form part of the statutory development plan, and Supplementary Planning Documents, which do not form part of the statutory development plan. LDDs collectively deliver the spatial planning strategy for the local planning authority's area, and they may be prepared jointly between local planning authorities.</p>
Local Development Framework (LDF)	<p>The local development framework is a non-statutory term used to describe a folder of documents, which includes all the local planning authority's local development documents (comprised of development plan documents, which will form part of the statutory development plan, and supplementary planning documents). The local development framework will also comprise the statement of community involvement, the local development scheme and the annual monitoring report.</p>
Local Development Scheme (LDS)	<p>The local planning authority's time-scaled programme for the preparation</p>

	of Local Development Documents that must be agreed with Government and reviewed every year.
Local Plan	An old-style development plan prepared by District and other Local Planning Authorities. These plans will continue to operate for a time after the commencement of the new development plan system, by virtue of specific transitional provisions.
Local Planning Authority (LPA)	The local authority or council that is empowered by law to exercise planning functions. Often the local borough or district council.
Member Working Group	Meeting involving representatives of the Borough Council's elected Members. Member Working Groups consider strategic documents and proposals and make recommendations to Cabinet and Full Council.
Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act 2004	The Act updates elements of the 1990 Town & Country Planning Act. The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 introduces: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ a statutory system for regional planning; ▪ a new system for local planning; reforms to the development control and compulsory purchase and compensation systems; and ▪ removes crown immunity from planning controls.
Regional Planning Guidance (RPG)	Regional planning policy and guidance issued for each region in England by the Secretary of State. Most RPG becomes Regional Spatial Strategy until revised by replacement RSS.
Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS)	A strategy for how a region should look in 15 to 20 years time and possibly longer. It identifies the scale and distribution of new housing in the region, indicates areas for regeneration, expansion or sub-regional planning and specifies priorities for the environment, transport, infrastructure, economic

	development, agriculture, minerals and waste treatment and disposal. Most former Regional Planning Guidance is now considered RSS and forms part of the development plan. New RSS is being prepared by RPBs.
Saved Policies / Saved Plan	Policies within Unitary Development Plans, Local Plans, and Structure Plans that are saved for a time period during replacement production of Local Development Documents.
Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)	The SCI sets out standards to be achieved by the local authority in involving the community in the preparation, alteration and continuing review of all local development documents and development control decisions.
Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)	An environmental assessment of certain plans and programmes, including those in the field of planning and land use, which complies with the EU Directive 2001/42/EC. The environmental assessment involves the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ preparation of an environmental report; ▪ carrying out of consultations; ▪ taking into account of the environmental report and the results of the consultations in decision making; ▪ provision of information when the plan or programme is adopted; and ▪ showing that the results of the environment assessment have been taken into account.
Structure Plan	An old-style development plan, which sets out strategic planning policies and forms the basis for detailed policies in local plans and Development Plan Documents. These plans will continue to operate for a time after the commencement of the new development plan system, due to transitional provisions under planning reform.

Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)	An SPD is a Local Development Document that may cover a range of issues, thematic or site specific, and provides further detail of policies and proposals in a 'parent' DPD.
Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG)	An SPG may cover a range of issues, both thematic and site specific and provide further detail of policies and proposals in a Development Plan. SPGs can be saved when linked to saved policies in a Local Plan under transitional arrangements.
Sustainability Appraisal (including Environmental Appraisal)	The process of weighing and assessing all the policies in a development plan, Local Development Document, or Regional Spatial Strategy, for their global, national and local implications. (See also Strategic Environmental Assessment).
Transitional Arrangements	Government regulations describing the process of preparing development plans begun before, and to be completed after, the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. It includes existing "saved" Unitary, Structure and Local plans until new Local Development Documents are adopted.
Urban Capacity Study (UCS)	A study produced for a local planning authority area examining the potential capacity of urban areas to accommodate extra housing on new or redeveloped sites at various densities, or by the conversion of existing buildings.

