

Appendix 8 - List of Supplementary Planning Documents to be revoked or downgraded following the adoption of the Northumberland Local Plan

Supplementary Planning Documents to be revoked

| Title of SPD | Scope of document and reasons for revocation |
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| Northumberland Local Development Framework, Ashington Town Centre Supplementary Planning Document, February 2010 | This SPD set out a strategy for integrating a comprehensive retail-led redevelopment scheme in the north-eastern part of the town centre of Ashington. Main elements of the scheme have either been delivered or prevented through delivery of the new Ashington Leisure Centre and Portland Park plans, cinema and Home Bargains store. It is considered that this SPD is therefore no longer applicable or needed. |
| Blyth Valley Borough Local Development Framework, Commissioners Quay Development Brief Supplementary Planning Document, June 2008 | This SPD set out a development brief for Commissioners Quay - a site in the former district of Blyth. Blyth Workspace and The Commissioners Quay Inn have been built on the site and planning permission for 49 dwellings (15/01941/FUL) commenced in Oct.2020. It is considered that this SPD is therefore no longer applicable or needed. |
| Blyth Valley Borough Local Development Framework, Supermarket Site Development Brief Supplementary Planning Document, June 2008 | This SPD set out a development brief for a supermarket site in the former district of Blyth. A new supermarket has been delivered on the site. It is considered that this SPD is therefore no longer applicable or needed. |
| Blyth Valley Borough Local Development Framework, Bates Colliery Strategic Development Guide Supplementary Planning Document, August 2008 | This SPD set out a development brief for the Bates Colliery site in the former district of Blyth. A Gleeson's housing site covers part of the site, and the remaining land has now been sold to the Port of Blyth for port-related activities, and forms part of ECN 2 strategic employment site in the Northumberland Local Plan. It is considered that this SPD is therefore no longer applicable or needed. |
| Alnwick Local Development Framework, Planning for Renewable Energy Supplementary Planning Document, November 2009 | This document relates to the former district of Alnwick. A geography which is no longer used. It also dates from 2009. There has been a changing context since this time, including the advancement of technologies, the declaration of a climate change emergency in Northumberland, and changing national policy and guidance. It is proposed that the document be revoked but in doing so it will be reviewed in detail to consider any value in retaining any specific elements of the guidance, should they be applicable in a Countywide context. In effect the document will be replaced and superseded by policies in the new Northumberland Local Plan and a countywide Renewable Energy SPD. |
| Alnwick Local Development Framework, Alnwick Landscape Character Assessment Supplementary Planning Document, May 2010 | This document relates to the former district of Alnwick. A geography which is no longer used. The Policy to which the SPD is attached is in the Alnwick Core Strategy which will be superseded by the adoption of the Northumberland Local Plan. In addition, the Landscape Character Assessment on which it is based is superseded by Northumberland Landscape |

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| | Character Assessment (2010). The Northumberland Landscape Character Assessment drew on previous assessments such as this. It represents a consolidated landscape character assessment and has been used as an evidence-based document informing the Northumberland Local Plan. |
| Tynedale Local Development Framework, Supplementary Planning Document New Housing: Planning Obligations for Sport and Play Facilities, March 2006 | This document relates to the former district of Tynedale. A geography which is no longer used. The Policies to which the SPD is attached are the Tynedale District Local Plan Policies LR11 and LR15 which will be superseded by the adoption of the Northumberland Local Plan. Planning Obligations for open space and play have been addressed in the Northumberland Local Plan. A change in national policy has meant that setting out such requirements must be addressed in a Local Plan and cannot be addressed in an SPD. There is however an opportunity to provide additional guidance. Subject to further scoping work this may be addressed in a new Supplementary Planning Document on Planning Obligations, and / or a Supplementary Planning Document on open space matters. |
| Wansbeck District Design Guide Supplementary Planning Document, July 2007, incorporating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Wansbeck District Design Guide Supplementary Planning Document ● Wansbeck District Residential Development Design Guidance Supplementary Planning Document ● Wansbeck District Residential Extension Design Guidance | This document relates to the former district of Wansbeck. A geography which is no longer used. The Design Guide supplements policies contained within the Wansbeck District Local Plan (2007), the Northumberland County and National Park Joint Structure Plan, the Northumberland Waste Local Plan and the Northumberland Minerals Local Plan and former national policy: PPS1 Delivering Sustainable Development. The policies to which the SPD is attached will be superseded by the adoption of the Northumberland Local Plan. Subject to further scoping and review of the national picture this work may be superseded through a countywide Design Guide SPD. In the meantime, applications will be considered against the National Design Guide and National Model Design Code. |
| Wansbeck Provision for Sport and Play Supplementary Planning Document, February 2009 | This document relates to the former district of Wansbeck. A geography which is no longer used. Policies REC7, REC8 and CF7 of the Wansbeck District Local Plan provide the policy framework, which will be superseded by the adoption of the Northumberland Local Plan. Planning Obligations for open space and play have been addressed in the Northumberland Local Plan. A change in national policy has meant that setting out such requirements must be addressed in a Local Plan and cannot be addressed in an SPD. There is however an opportunity to provide additional guidance. Subject to further scoping work this may be addressed in a new Supplementary Planning Document on Planning Obligations, and / or a Supplementary Planning Document on open space matters. |

Supplementary Planning Documents to be retained but downgraded to non-statutory planning guidance

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| Newbiggin-by-the-Sea Conservation Area (Existing & Proposed) Management Strategy Supplementary Planning Document, February 2009 & Associated Plan | This SPD was prepared in 2008 as a guide to preserving and enhancing the Newbiggin-by-the-Sea Conservation Area for 5-10 years after which point the strategy should be reviewed. Despite the policy context now being out of date, the document nevertheless contains a lot of relevant and useful context and guidance - elements of which would be useful to retain as planning guidance. |
| Bedlington Conservation Area Management Strategy Supplementary Planning Document, May 2011 | This SPD was prepared in 2008 as a guide to preserving and enhancing the Bedlington Conservation Area for 5-10 years after which point the strategy should be reviewed. Despite the policy context now being out of date, the document nevertheless contains a lot of relevant and useful context and guidance - elements of which would be useful to retain as planning guidance. |
| Blyth Valley Borough Local Development Framework, Urban Design Guide and Public Realm Strategy Supplementary Planning Document, June 2008 | The Design Guide supplements Policy SS1 of the superseded Blyth Valley Borough Core Strategy. It is a detailed document focussed on Blyth's Town Centre. The SPD is in the process of being reviewed as part of regeneration projects in Blyth. It is likely that the document will be, in part, superseded by a new design guide, which will be in line with most recent national policy and guidance on design. It is considered the document should be revoked as SPD but retained as supplementary guidance. There are elements of detail or design 'coding' in the document which will not be replaced in the new design guide. |
| Blyth Valley Borough Local Development Framework, Dun Cow Quay Development Brief Supplementary Planning Document, June 2008 | The Development Brief was prepared at a time when different uses were envisaged for the site. More recently the site has been promoted as part of 'Energy Central' suitable for offshore wind operations and maintenance. It is considered the document should be revoked as SPD but retained as supplementary guidance. There are elements of the document which will continue to be of use. However, there are elements which are out of date. |
| Blyth Valley Borough Local Development Framework, Bus Depot Development Brief Supplementary Planning Document, June 2008 | The development brief may or may not be superseded through regeneration projects in Blyth. It is considered the document should be revoked as SPD but retained as supplementary guidance. There are elements of the document which will continue to be of use. However, there are elements which are out of date. |